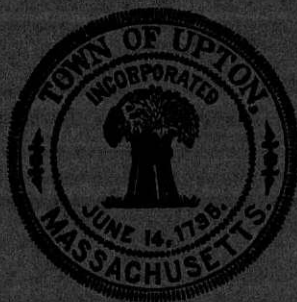
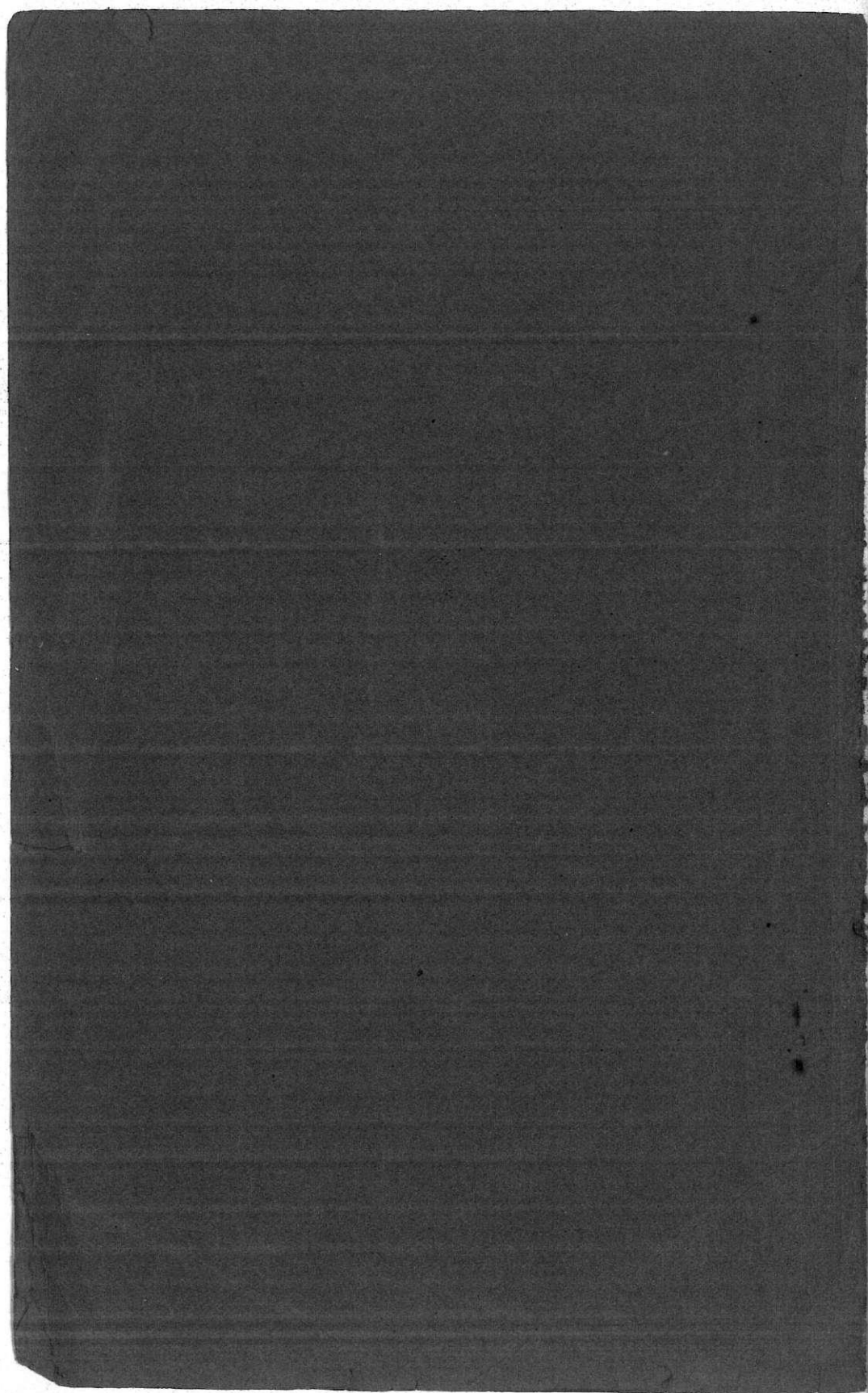


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OF THE
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FOR THE
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REPORT OF TOWN CLERK.

Town Records, 1911.

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 6, 1911.

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 sixth day of March, punctually at 6 o'clock, forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit :

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing: Three selectmen, three overseers of the poor, town treasurer, collector of taxes, auditor, five constables, three fence viewers and tree warden, all for one year; town clerk, one assessor of taxes, one school committee, one cemetery commissioner, and three trustees for the public library, all for three years; also for said voters to give in their votes, Yes or No, in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted to sell intoxicating liquors in this town the ensuing year?" All on one ballot.

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

Article 3. To hear the reports of all town officers and committees, and act thereon.

Article 4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, make

appropriations of the same, and determine the time the same shall be paid, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

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

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars(\$500) to gravel the road in East Upton, from Carroll's corner, by William B. Fiske's house to Milford line, and act thereon.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300), to purchase a pair of horses for use at the town farm, as recommended by the overseers of poor, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250), to wire the main hall in town building, and act thereon.

Article 10. To see what action the town will take in regard to the drinking fountain on the common.

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 twentieth day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

WILLIAM H. MISKELL,
GEORGE E. CHILDS,
ALVARADO HENRY,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, February 25, 1911.

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, March 6, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of the within warrant in each of the post-offices and on the Town House, seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

WILLIAM F. PARSHLEY,

Constable.

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

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,
MARCH 6, 1911.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester ss.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the legal voters of the town of Upton met in their Town Hall in said Upton, on Monday, the sixth day of March, A. D. 1911.

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

MODERATOR.

Article 1. The meeting made choice of David J. Moroney for moderator by ballot, the check list being used; he was sworn to faithfully perform the duties of his office by the town clerk.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Article 2. The selectmen having appointed Frank E. Lyford, Frank A. Brown, Alfred G. Bradish and Owen Donnelly inspectors and ballot clerks, they were sworn to faithfully perform the duties of the offices by the town clerk.

The cards of instruction and specimen ballots having

been posted as the law directs, the ballot-box to be used at this election was shown to the voters present to be empty, the register being set on 000, said box was locked and the keys thereof were given to William F. Parsbley, constable in attendance at said meeting.

A package said to contain four hundred and fifty official ballots, to be used at this election, were delivered to the proper officers, and their receipt thereof given to the town clerk.

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

The polls were declared open for the reception of ballots at 6.10 A. M.

Voted: That when we adjourn today, we stand adjourned until Monday, March 13, at 7.45 P. M.

George E. Ambler, George F. Prentiss, Leo F. Murphy, and Whitman H. Holbrook, having been appointed to canvass the vote, they were duly sworn by the town clerk.

During the voting the ballot-box was opened by the unanimous consent of the election officers, and ballots taken therefrom for the purpose of counting; at 9.25 A. M., when the index stood on 203, two hundred ballots were taken out; again at 1.45 P. M., when the index stood on 302, one hundred ballots were taken out.

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

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

At the close of polls the register stood on three hundred and forty-nine (349), the names on the check list which had been checked were audibly counted and found to be three hundred and forty-nine (349), the remaining ballots were then taken from the ballot-box and audibly counted, making in all taken therefrom three hundred and forty-nine (349).

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

FOR TOWN CLERK, (Three Years).

Francis T. Nelson	236
Joseph W. Gibbs	1
Blanks	112

Whole number of votes 349

Francis T. Nelson was declared elected, sworn by moderator in open meeting.

FOR TREASURER, (One Year).

Fred W. Wood	278
Joseph W. Gibbs	1
Blanks	70

Whole number of votes 349

Fred W. Wood was declared elected, sworn by town clerk March 7.

FOR SELECTMEN, (One Year).

George E. Childs	139
Alvarado Henry	151
Arthur Lamson	179
William H. Miskell	192
Walter W. True	82
Alfred Young	170
Joseph W. Gibbs	1
Blanks	133

Whole number of votes 1047

Arthur Lamson, William H. Miskell and Alfred Young were declared elected, sworn by the town clerk March 7.

FOR ASSESSOR OF TAXES, (Three Years).

Herbert M. Buck	223
T. F. Boyd	1
Blanks	125

Whole number of votes 349

Herbert M. Buck declared elected, sworn by town clerk March 7.

FOR OVERSEERS OF POOR, (One Year).

Joseph A. Carroll	131
Edwin A. Chamberlain	210
Arthur W. Frail	218
Stephen H. Jencks	75
Elbridge A. Phipps	154
Willard L. Wood	122
Blanks	137

Whole number of votes 1047

Edwin A. Chamberlain, Arthur W. Frail and Elbridge A. Phipps were declared elected, sworn by the town clerk as follows: Arthur W. Frail March 7, Edwin A. Chamberlain March 13, Elbridge A. Phipps March 15.

FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE, (Three Years).

Samuel R. Capen	264
John L. Moroney	65
Thomas Kelley	1
Blanks	19

Whole number of votes 349

Samuel R. Capen was declared elected, sworn by town clerk March 9.

FOR COLLECTOR OF TAXES, (One Year).

Edwin B. Houghton	290
Frank O. Ogden	1
Blanks	58

Whole number of votes 349

Edwin B. Houghton declared elected, sworn by town clerk March 29.

FOR AUDITOR, (One Year).

Frank O. Ogden	239
Julian H. Brooks	1
Blanks	109

Whole number of votes 349

Frank O. Ogden declared elected, sworn by town clerk
March 8.

FOR CONSTABLES, (One Year).

Henry D. Aldrich	208
Herbert A. Bagley	220
Charles W. Childs	142
Charles F. Foley	70
Joseph W. Gibbs	82
Charles H. Marshall	165
Michael Murphy	153
Harry E. Negus	44
William F. Parshley	242
Jesse B. Warren	76
Blanks	348

Whole number of votes 1745

Henry D. Aldrich, Herbert A. Bagley, Charles H. Marshall, Michael Murphy and William F. Parshley were declared elected, sworn by the town clerk as follows: Henry D. Aldrich, William F. Parshley and Herbert A. Bagley, March 6; Michael Murphy and Charles H. Marshall, March 7.

FOR CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, (Three Years).

George H. Smith	91
Fred W. Wood	206
Joseph W. Gibbs	1
Blanks	51

Whole number of votes 349

Fred W. Wood was declared elected, sworn by town clerk
March 7.

FOR TRUSTEES PUBLIC LIBRARY, (Three Years).

Vernon S. Ames	179
Samuel R. Capen	225
S. Etta King	150
Dora M. Whitney	209
Joseph W. Gibbs	1

Blanks	283
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Whole number of votes	1047
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Vernon S. Ames, Samuel R. Capen and Dora M. Whitney
were declared elected.

FOR FENCE VIEWERS (One Year).

Henry A. Corbett	91
George H. Evans	185
Orrin F. Fiske	151
Harry M. Jordan	135
Lowell A. Jordan	204
Blanks	281

Whole number of votes	1047
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George H. Evans, Orrin F. Fiske and Lowell A. Jordan
were declared electel, sworn by the town clerk as follows:
George H. Evans March 10, Lowell A. Jordan March 17, Orrin
F. Fiske, April 1.

FOR TREE WARDEN.

Clarence L. Goodrich	183
Taylor C. Lyford	117
Blanks	49

Whole number of votes	349
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Clarence L. Goodrich was declared elected, sworn by
town clerk, March 9.

LICENSE VOTE.

Yes	124
No	189
Blanks	36

Whole number of votes	349
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Vote declared 4.50 P. M.

The ballots cast and the check-list used at this election

were sealed up in open meeting and delivered into the custody of the town clerk as the law directs.

Adjourned to Monday, March 13, at 7.45 p. m.

A true record. Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING,
MARCH 13, 1911.

The meeting was called to order by David J. Moroney, moderator, at 7.45 p. m.

REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

Article 3. Voted: To accept the reports of town officers as published.

The moderator read the following report of the committee chosen at the meeting of the inhabitants of the town held November 8, 1910, to investigate the matter of adding electric street lights to the present system.

January 19, 1911.

In accordance with a vote of the town taken at the fall meeting of last year, the moderator appointed six citizens to constitute a committee to investigate and report at this March meeting, 1911, their recommendation as to the proposition of extending the street lighting service about town.

The committee as appointed and organized was as follows: William H. Miskell, chairman; Fred W. Wood, secretary; George E. Childs, Alvarado Henry, David J. Moroney, Whitman H. Holbrook, Leander A. Snow, Edwin A. Chamberlain, and Eben T. Hall.

This committee held two meetings, one December 2, 1910, and January 19, 1911, in the selectmen's room, and went over the matter to the best of their ability, with an idea of distances on different streets, together with information from T. Russell Robinson, superintendent of the Electric Light company, we arranged this report to submit to this meeting.

First :—Your committee recommend that the town install

and maintain twenty-five additional lights to our present system.

Second :—That these lamps be sixty watt lamps, the same as on our main street.

Third :—That the twenty-five lights which we recommend be distributed to the best possible advantage on the following streets, in continuation from the last light on the street :

Three lights to be placed on Mechanic street.

Four lights to be placed on Elm street.

Six lights to be placed on Grove street.

Three lights to be placed on Pearl street.

Three lights to be placed on Hopkinton street.

Three lights to be placed on Milford street.

One light at Patrick Dwyer's corner, below Baldwin estate.

One light near West Upton depot.

One light near Upton Centre depot.

This making an addition of twenty-five lights at a cost of \$412.50.

Your committee recommend an appropriation of \$2000 for lighting the streets for the coming year.

FRED W. WOOD,
Secretary of Committee.

Voted: To accept and adopt the above report.

Voted: On a motion by Fred W. Wood, that the selectmen be authorized to act as a legal representative party to make a contract for the installing and maintaining of the twenty-five additional lights as recommended by the committee, and that the contract for the additional lights be made so that the same shall terminate on the same date as the present contract for street lighting.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Article 4. Voted: To make the following appropriations; each item was acted upon separately :

Notes and interest, \$1797.79 left over and	\$1,500 00
Support of schools	6,800 00
Roads and bridges	2,000 00
Support of poor	1,400 00
Removing snow	300 00
Fire department	750 00
Forest wardens	250 00
Town library	400 00
Carpenter fund	60 00
Care of cemeteries	300 00
Suppression of gypsy and brown tail moth	400 00
Suppression of elm tree beetle	200 00
Town officers	1,250 00
Incidentals	1,200 00
Military aid	250 00
State aid	200 00
Soldiers' relief	600 00
Street lighting	2,000 00
Memorial day	125 00
Suppression of the illegal sale of liquor	100 00
Sidewalks	100 00
Board of health	400 00
School physician	25 00
Road repairs in East Upton	500 00
Horses for Town Farm	300 00
Wiring main hall Town Building for electricity	250 00
Voted at meeting November 8, 1910	200 00
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	\$21,860 00

REPAIRING OF HIGHWAYS.

Article 5. Voted: That the repairs of the highways and bridges be left in the hands of the incoming board of selectmen.

BORROWING MONEY.

Article 6. 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 taxes of the

present municipal year to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate ten thousand dollars, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

ROAD REPAIR IN EAST UPTON.

Article 7. Voted: To gravel the road in East Upton, from Carroll's corner, by William B. Fiske's, to Milford line, and voted to raise and appropriate five hundred (\$500) dollars to pay for the same.

HORSES FOR THE TOWN FARM.

Article 8. Voted: To raise and appropriate three hundred (\$300) dollars to purchase a pair of horses to be used at the Town Farm.

WIRING MAIN HALL FOR ELECTRICITY.

Article 9. Voted: To raise and appropriate two hundred and fifty (\$250) dollars to wire for electric lighting the main part of the Town Building.

DRINKING FOUNTAIN.

Article 10. Voted: To instruct the selectmen not to renew the lease for the water supply to the fountain on the common.

Voted: To raise \$21,860 by taxation.

Voted: That all taxes be paid on or before November 15, 1911; that on all taxes unpaid after that date, interest be added at the rate of six per cent per annum.

Voted: To dissolve the warrant.

A true record. Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1911.

TOWN CLERK.

Francis T. Nelson, term expires 1914.

TREASURER.

Fred W. Wood.

SELECTMEN.

William H. Miskell, Alfred Young, Arthur Lamson.

ASSESSORS OF TAXES.

Frank E. Lyford, term expires 1912.

Alex Barton, term expires 1913.

Herbert M. Buck, term expires 1914.

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Arthur W. Frail, Edwin A. Chamberlain, Elbridge A. Phipps.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

George W. Knowlton, Jr., term expires 1912.

I. Plummer Taft, term expires 1913.

Samuel R. Capen, term expires 1914.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Edwin B. Houghton.

AUDITOR.

Frank O. Ogden.

CONSTABLES.

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

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

Charles E. Brooks, term expires 1912.

George E. Childs, term expires 1913.

Fred W. Wood, term expires 1914.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

John B. Fay, Mrs. Charlotte A. Batchelor, I. Plummer Taft,
Terms expire 1912.

Edward C. Traver, Miss Hannah N. Johnson,
Appleton P. Williams,
Terms expire 1913.

Vernon S. Ames, Miss Dora M. Whitney, Samuel R. Capen,
Terms expire 1914.

FENCE VIEWERS.

George H. Evans, Orrin F. Fiske, Lowell A. Jordan.

TREE WARDEN.

Clarence L. Goodrich.

APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN.

FIELD DRIVER AND POUND KEEPER.

Ziba B. Grandy.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Fred W. Wood.

WEIGHERS.

Waldo E. Carter, Orrin F. Fiske, Leander A. Snow.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK.

Charles T. Potter, Orrin F. Fiske, Elisha W. Bradish,
Benjamin C. Wood, Irving H. Whiting, Joseph A. Carroll.

INSPECTOR OF COAL OIL.

Edgar A. Willard.

BURIAL AGENT OF DECEASED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

George E. Childs.

MEASURERS OF LUMBER.

Benjamin C. Wood, Wilbur G. Fiske, Walter L. Brousseau,

BOARD OF HEALTH.

William H. Miskell, Alfred Young,
Arthur Lamson, William F. Parshley,
Francis T. Nelson, Agent to issue Burial Permits.

CATTLE INSPECTOR.

Orlando F. Taft.

INSPECTORS OF MEATS AND PROVISIONS.

Willard L. Wood, Frank T. Decrow, Orrin F. Fiske.

FIRE ENGINEERS AND FOREST FIRE WARDENS.

Edward M. Baker, Alex Barton, Herbert M. Buck,
George A. Dipper, Special Fire Engineer for the Knowl-
ton Fire Department and plant.

SPECIAL POLICE.

Henry A. Stearns, George E. Southland, Joseph W. Gibbs,
Leslie W. Gould, Leroy E. S. Wood, Sylvester L. Madden.

LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT TO SUPPRESS THE GYPSY MOTH.

George H. Evans.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Daniel A. Gorman, term expires 1912.

Stedman C. Brown, term expires 1913.

Grovelon D. Richardson, term expires 1914.

Francis T. Nelson, ex-officio.

APPOINTED BY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

TRUANT OFFICERS.

Henry D. Aldrich,

William F. Parshley.

I have administered the oath of office to the following named persons, (they having been appointed to office by the selectmen) on the date set against their respective names, all in the year 1911.

SPECIAL POLICE: Joseph W. Gibbs, March 11; George E. Southland, March 13; Leslie W. Gould, March 14; Henry A. Stearns, March 16; Leroy E. S. Wood, March 18; Sylvester L. Madden, May 10.

FIELD DRIVER AND POUND KEEPER: Ziba B. Grandy, March 13.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES: Fred W. Wood, March 11.

WEIGHERS: Leander A. Snow, March 11; Waldo E. Carter, March 15; Orrin F. Fiske, April 1.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK: Joseph A. Carroll, March 13; Benjamin C. Wood, March 14; Orrin F. Fiske and Charles T. Potter, April 1.

INSPECTOR OF COAL OIL: Edgar A. Willard, March 13.

BURIAL AGENT OF DECEASED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS: George E. Childs, March 25.

MEASURERS OF LUMBER: Benjamin C. Wood, March 14;
Walter L. Brousseau, June 3.

BOARD OF HEALTH: William F. Parshley, March 15.

CATTLE INSPECTOR: Orlando F. Taft, March 29.

MEAT AND PROVISIONS INSPECTORS: W. L. Wood, March 13;
Frank T. Decrow, December 22; Orrin F. Fiske, April 1.

GYPSY MOTH SUPERINTENDENT: George H. Evans, March 28.

FIRE ENGINEERS: E. M. Baker, May 22; H. M. Buck, April
20; Alex Barton, April 24; George A. Dipper, April 26.

TRUANT OFFICERS: William F. Parshley, March 15; Henry
D. Aldrich, April 10.

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS: Grovelon D. Richardson, May 22.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING,
MARCH 30, 1911.

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 Thursday, the thirtieth day of March, punctually at 7.45 o'clock, afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to install five (5) sixty candle-power electric lights on Hartford avenue and High street, raise and appropriate money for the same, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to rescind the whole or any part of the vote, whereby they voted at the adjourned meeting of the town held on March 13, to extend our street lighting system, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the

sum of \$800 for the purpose of making necessary alterations and doing general construction work on the stage in Town Hall which will include equipment of stage with wires and fixtures for electricity, also an asbestos curtain, thereby making all the changes necessary to conform with the rules and regulations of the state inspector of public buildings.

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

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the town clerk, before the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Upton, this twenty-first day of March in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

WILLIAM H. MISKELL,
ALFRED YOUNG,
ARTHUR LAMSON,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, March 22, 1911.

By virtue of the within warrant I have this day notified the inhabitants of the town of Upton herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall on Thursday, the thirtieth day of March, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of the within warrant in each of the post-offices and on the Town House, seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

WILLIAM F. PARSHLEY,

Constable.

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

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING,
MARCH 30, 1911.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester ss.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the legal voters of the town of Upton met in the Town Hall on Thursday, the thirtieth day of March, A. D., 1911, and proceeded as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 7.45 o'clock in the evening by the town clerk, who then read the warrant and the officer's return thereon.

MODERATOR.

Article 1. The meeting made choice of Appleton P. Williams for moderator by ballot, the check list being used; he was duly sworn to perform the duties of the office by the town clerk.

David J. Moroney made a motion to take up Article three; declared lost—yes, 38; no, 43.

HARTFORD AVENUE AND HIGH STREET.

Article 2. Voted: To pass over this article relating to installing five sixty candle-power electric lights on Hartford avenue and High street.

EXTENSION OF OUR STREET LIGHT SYSTEM.

Article 3. A motion to dismiss this article from the warrant was lost—yes, 39; no, 81.

Voted: To rescind the motion whereby we voted at the adjourned meeting, March 13, to extend our street light system—yes, 77; no, 58.

NECESSARY REPAIRS ON STAGE, MAIN HALL.

Article 4. Voted: To pass over this article—yes, 77; no, 31.

Voted: To dissolve the warrant.

A true record. Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING,
APRIL 17, 1911.

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 seventeenth day of April, punctually at 7.45 o'clock, afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see what action the town will take in regard to extending our present street lighting system, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of eight hundred (\$800) dollars for the purpose of making necessary repairs in Town Hall, to comply with the rules and regulations of state building inspection.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to rescind the vote, whereby they voted at the meeting held on March 13 to appropriate five hundred (\$500) dollars to gravel the road in the east part of the town leading from the Carroll corner, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred (\$300) dollars, to pay the tuition of students attending the industrial schools, and act thereon.

Article 7. To see if the town will take any action in regard to repairing a reservoir situated near the corner of River and Elm streets.

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 meet-

ing: At each of the postoffices and on the Town House in said town.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the town clerk, before the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

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

WILLIAM H. MISKELL,
ALFRED YOUNG,
ARTHUR LAMSON,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, April 10, 1911.

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 17th of April, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of the within warrant in each of the postoffices and on the Town House, seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

WILLIAM F. PARSHLEY,

Constable.

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

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING,
APRIL 17, 1911.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the legal voters of the town of Upton met in Town Hall in said Upton, on the evening of April 17, 1911, at 7.45 o'clock.

The meeting was called to order by the town clerk, who then read the warrant and the officer's return thereon.

MODERATOR.

Article 1. The meeting made choice of Appleton P. Williams for moderator by ballot, the check list being used; he was sworn by the town clerk.

EXTENSION OF STREET LIGHTS.

Article 2. A motion by Walter E. Sadler, amended by James F. Sheehan, to add twenty-five lights to our present system of street lights, the location of which be left in the hands of the board of selectmen, was lost.

NECESSARY REPAIRS IN TOWN HALL.

Article 3. A motion by Cromwell E. Fairbanks to appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars to make repairs to comply with the state laws, was lost.

ROAD IN EAST UPTON.

Article 4. Voted: To pass over this article.

TUITION OF STUDENTS ATTENDING INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

Article 5. Voted: To pass over this article.

RESERVOIR AT ELM AND RIVER STREETS.

Article 6. Z. B. Grandy said in part, that after June 1 there was but little water available for fire purposes, that to deepen this well ten feet there would be a good supply of water during the whole year, that the well was on private land, that if the town would put it in good condition and keep it so he would deed the town what land was necessary, that the town might own the reservoir.

Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to expend one hundred dollars in repairing the reservoir, and take said sum from the appropriation for incidentals.

Voted: To dissolve the warrant.

A true record. Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING,
OCTOBER 2, 1911.

Worcester, ss.

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

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Upton, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Monday, the second day of October, punctually at 7.45 o'clock, evening, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of five hundred (\$500) dollars to purchase supplies and fire hose for the steam fire engine, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of five hundred (\$500) dollars additional, for support of schools on account of the expense caused by students from this town attending the Industrial school at Worcester, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of five hundred (\$500) dollars to repair the Milford road (so called) and act thereon.

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

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the town clerk, before the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Upton, this twenty-fifth day of

September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

WILLIAM H. MISKELL,
ALFRED YOUNG,
ARTHUR LAMSON,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, September 26, 1911.

By virtue of the within warrant I have this day notified the inhabitants of the town of Upton herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall on Monday, the second day of October, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of the within warrant in each of the postoffices and on the Town House seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

WILLIAM F. PARSHLEY,

Constable.

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

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, OCTOBER 2, 1911.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the qualified voters of the town of Upton met in Upper Town Hall at 7.45 p. m. on the above date. The meeting was called to order by the town clerk who read the warrant and the officer's return thereon.

MODERATOR.

Article 1. The meeting made choice of Appleton P. Williams for moderator by ballot, the check-list being used, he was duly sworn by the town clerk.

HOSE AND SUPPLIES FOR STEAMER.

Article 2. Voted: To appropriate five hundred dollars to purchase hose and supplies for the steam fire engine.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

Article 3 Voted: To appropriate five hundred dollars additional for support of schools, caused by students from this town attending the Industrial School at Worcester.

MILFORD ROAD REPAIRS.

Article 4. Chairman Miskell of the board of selectmen said in part, that the board had been trying ever since they were elected, to get some State road, that they had appeared at a hearing before the commission in April, but were told as the town had never legally asked before it would be impossible to grant any this year. About three weeks ago the secretary of the commission wrote that if the board would petition for the improvement of the road under the provisions of the Small Town Act, they would give the matter careful consideration. Under this act the town has to make a special appropriation, that is the reason this article is before you.

Voted: To appropriate five hundred dollars to make repairs on the Milford road (so called.)

Voted: To dissolve the warrant at 8 p. m.

A true record. Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON.

Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION, NOVEMBER 7, 1911.

Worcester, ss.

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

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Upton, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Upton, on Tuesday, the seventh day of November, punctually at six o'clock, forenoon, at which time the polls will be open for said voters to give in their votes to the selectmen of said town for:

Governor, lieutenant-governor, secretary of the commonwealth, treasurer and receiver-general, auditor, attorney-

general, councillor for the seventh councillor district, senator for the fourth Worcester senatorial district, two representatives to the general court for the ninth Worcester representative district, for said Commonwealth, county commissioner, clerk of courts, register of deeds for the county of Worcester.

The said voters will also give in their votes for or against the following Articles of Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Massachusetts :—

First. Amendment to the Constitution authorizing the use of voting machines at all elections, (Chapter 75, Resolves of 1911).

Second. Amendment to the Constitution increasing the power of the legislature to authorize the taking of land and property for highways or streets, (Chapter 91, Resolves of 1911).

All on one ballot.

The polls may be closed at 3.30 o'clock in the afternoon of said day of meeting.

At 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon on the above mentioned seventh day of November, at the same place, there will be a meeting of the above described inhabitants to act upon the following articles, namely :—

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow two thousand (\$2000.00) dollars, if necessary, to provide for the payment of appropriations made since the last assessment of taxes and to issue a note therefor payable within one year from the date thereof, and act thereon.

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

Hereof full 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-fifth day of October in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

WILLIAM H. MISKELL,
ALFRED YOUNG,
ARTHUR LAMSON,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, Mass., October 30, 1911.

By virtue of the within warrant I have this day notified the inhabitants of the town of Upton herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall on Tuesday, November seventh, for the purposes within mentioned by posting up attested copies of the within warrant in each of the post-offices and on the Town House, seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

WILLIAM F. PARSHLEY,

Constable.

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

Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

STATE ELECTION, NOVEMBER 7, 1911.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

In pursuance to the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the town of Upton, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, met in the Upper Town Hall, in said Upton, on Tuesday, November 7, 1911, for the purpose of giving in to the Selectmen their votes for state and county officers, for two proposed amendments to the Constitution of the State of Massachusetts and acting on what articles there were in the warrant.

The meeting was called to order by the town clerk at six

o'clock A. M. who then read the warrant and the officer's return thereon.

The cards of instruction and specimen ballots having been posted as the law directs, the ballot-box furnished by the state to be used at elections was then opened in public meeting and shown to the voters present to be empty, the register of the box being set on 000, the box was then locked and the keys thereof were delivered to William F. Parshley, constable in attendance at said meeting.

A package said to contain 600 official ballots to be used at this election was delivered to William H. Miskell, presiding officer, and his receipt therefor given to the town clerk.

J. Albert Temple, Michael Murphy, Jefferson H. Lyford and Thomas J. Gorman having been appointed ballot clerks and inspectors, they were sworn to perform the duties of their offices by the town clerk.

The seals of the package of ballots were then publicly broken by the presiding officer and delivered to the ballot clerks.

The polls were declared open for the reception of ballots at 6.10 o'clock A. M.

Thomas J. Gorman had charge of the ballot-box and J. H. Lyford had charge of the check-list at the ballot-box.

George E. Ambler, George F. Prentiss, James F. Sheehan, and Leo F. Murphy having been appointed tellers to canvass the vote, they were duly sworn by the town clerk.

By the unanimous consent of the election officers the ballot-box at 9.30 A. M. was opened, the register indexed 163 and one hundred and fifty ballots were taken therefrom for the purpose of counting the same; again at 11 A. M. the register indexed 215 and fifty ballots were taken therefrom; again at 1.30 P. M. the register indexed 305, one hundred ballots were taken therefrom; again at 3 P. M. the register indexed 351, fifty ballots taken therefrom.

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

At 2.30 o'clock P. M. on the above seventh day of November, at the same place, the above described inhabitants acted upon the articles in the warrant as follows:—

MODERATOR.

Article 1. The meeting made choice by ballot, the check-list being used, of Appleton P. Williams for moderator; he was duly sworn by the town clerk.

BORROWING MONEY.

Article 2. Voted: That the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow two thousand dollars, if necessary, to provide for the payment of appropriations made since the last assessment of taxes, and to issue a note therefor payable within one year from the date thereof.

Voted: To dissolve so much of the warrant as relates to town affairs.

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

The register on the ballot-box stood at 375.

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

List at polls	375
List at table	375

The remaining ballots were then taken from the ballot-box and audibly counted, making the total number cast therein, three hundred seventy-five (375).

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

FOR GOVERNOR.	VOTES.
James F. Carey of Haverhill, Socialist	2
Eugene N. Foss of Boston, Democratic	104
Eugene N. Foss of Boston, Democratic Progressive	20
Eugene N. Foss of Boston, No designation	3
Louis A. Frothingham of Boston, Republican	244
Dennis McGoff of New Bedford, Socialist Labor	0
Frank N. Rand of Haverhill, Prohibition	1
Blanks	1
Whole number of votes	375

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Walter S. Hutchins of Greenfield, Socialist	1
Robert Luce of Somerville, Republican	255
William G. Merrill of Malden, Prohibition	1
Patrick Mulligan of Boston, Socialist Labor	0
David I. Walsh of Fitchburg, Democratic	109
Blanks	9
Whole number of votes	<hr/> 375

FOR SECRETARY.

David Craig of Milford, Socialist Labor	1
Frank J. Donahue of Boston, Democratic	95
Alfred H. Evans of Northampton, Prohibition	5
Rose Fenner of Worcester, Socialist	1
Albert P. Langtry of Springfield, Republican	245
Blanks	28
Whole number of votes	<hr/> 375

FOR TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

Joseph M. Coldwell of Milford, Socialist	1
Jeremiah P. McNally of Salem, Socialist Labor	1
Charles E. Peakes of Weston, Prohibition	2
Elmer A. Stevens of Somerville, Republican	249
Augustus L. Thorndike of Brewster, Democratic	94
Blanks	28
Whole number of votes	<hr/> 375

FOR AUDITOR.

Karl Lindstrand of Lynn, Socialist Labor	2
Sylvester J. McBride of Watertown, Socialist	2
William W. Nash of Westborough, Prohibition	2
Charles B. Strecker of Brookline, Democratic	86
John E. White of Tisbury, Republican	245
Blanks	38
Whole number of votes	<hr/> 375

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

George W. Anderson of Boston, Democratic	93
Henry C. Hess of Boston, Socialist Labor	1
George E. Roewer, Jr., of Boston, Socialist	1
James M. Swift of Fall River, Republican	248
Blanks	32
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Whole number of votes	375

FOR COUNCILLOR (SEVENTH DISTRICT).

Winfield S. Schuster of Douglas, Republican	228
Arthur E. Seagrave of Uxbridge, Democratic	105
Appleton P. Williams of Upton	2
Blanks	40
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Whole number of votes	375

FOR SENATOR (FOURTH WORCESTER DISTRICT).

William R. Burke of Milford, Democratic	141
Joseph S. Gates of Westboro, Republican	220
David Craig	1
Blanks	13
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Whole number of votes	375

FOR REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT (NINTH WORCESTER DISTRICT.)

Bartholomew J. Callahan of Northbridge, Democratic	81
Matthew J. Carbary of Milford, Democratic	102
Leonard T. Gaskill of Milford, Republican	219
Edwin F. Lilley of Milford, Republican	230
Blanks	118
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Whole number of votes	750

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (WORCESTER COUNTY).

Warren Goodale of Clinton, Republican	244
Joseph E. Venne of Leominster, Democratic	89
Blanks	42
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Whole number of votes	375

FOR CLERK OF COURTS (WORCESTER COUNTY).

Willard J. Humes of Grafton, Democratic	89
Theodore S. Johnson of Worcester, Republican	251
Blanks	35

Whole number of votes 375

FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS (WORCESTER DISTRICT).

Walter B. Kennedy of Worcester, Democratic	87
Daniel Kent of Worcester, Republican	244
Blanks	44

Whole number of votes 375

SHALL THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION
AUTHORIZING THE USE OF VOTING MACHINES AT ALL
ELECTIONS BE APPROVED AND RATIFIED?

Yes	147
No	79
Blanks	149

Whole number of votes 375

SHALL THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION IN-
CREASING THE POWER OF THE LEGISLATURE TO AU-
THORIZE THE TAKING OF LAND AND PROPERTY
FOR HIGHWAYS AND STREETS BE AP-
PROVED AND RATIFIED?

Yes	128
No	94
Blanks	153

Whole number of vote 375

The returns were then filled out, signed by a majority of the selectmen, attested to by the town clerk, sealed up and forwarded to the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the law directs. The votes cast and the check-lists used by the election officers were then sealed up in different packages endorsed by the proper officers and delivered into the custody of

the town clerk in accordance with the law in such cases made and provided.

Voted: To dissolve the warrant at 5.45 o'clock p. m.

A true record. Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

**TOWN CLERKS' MEETING AT MILFORD, NOVEMBER
17, 1911.**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

Milford, Mass., November 17, 1911.

In compliance with Sections 290 and 293 of Chapter 560, Acts of 1907, We, the town clerks of the towns of Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Northbridge and Upton, which towns comprise the Ninth Worcester Representative District, this day met at the office of the town clerk in said Milford, and canvassed the return of votes in said towns for two representatives in the General Court, to be holden in Boston on the first Wednesday in January next.

Said votes were returned to us as by law required, and were given in at a legal meeting held in each of said towns for that purpose, on the seventh day of November, A. D. 1911, and was shown by the following tabular statement:—

	Hopedale.	Mendon.	Milford.	Northbridge.	Upton.	Total
Bartholomew J. Callahan of Northbridge, D.	48	32	814	381	81	1356
Matthew J. Carbary of Milford, Dem. Pro. Dem.	89	50	1251	305	102	1797
Leonard T. Gaskill of Mendon, R.	336	102	562	492	219	1711
Edwin F. Lilley of Milford, R.	370	84	853	484	230	2021
D. Dailey,			1			1
William F. Jordan,			1			1
Blanks,	91	58	634	268	118	1169
Total,	934	326	4116	1930	750	8056

Matthew J. Carbary of Milford and Edwin F. Lilley of

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

In witness whereof, We, the town clerks of Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Northbridge and Upton, have hereunto set our names this 17th day of November, A. D. 1911.

Attest:

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

A true record. Attest:

FRANCIS T. NELSON,

Town Clerk.

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1911.

Jan.	8.	Vincent Dana Perry.
"	23.	Harriet Leonora Hopkins.
"	27.	Priscilla Evelyn Cooper.
"	29.	Helen Irene Crooker.
"	30.	Albert Francis Bernard.
Feb.	13.	Sylvester James McKnight.
"	16.	Bernard Charles Foster.
"	19.	Verne William Childs.
"	19.	Elizabeth Etta Sadler.
"	23.	Infant Fowler.
Mar.	10.	Stephen Carmody.
"	10.	Albert Lucier.
"	20.	Florence Louisa Bates.
April	7.	Rita Louise Nce.
"	19.	Dorothy Potter Aldrich.
"	19.	Helen Agnes Williams.
May	3.	Raymond Bartlett.
"	27.	Chester Everett Cooper.
June	9.	George Edward Aldrich, Jr.
"	24.	Claire Marie Negus.
Aug.	20.	Dora Ames.
Sept.	4.	Infant Brousseau.
"	5.	Robert Jenner Thurston.
"	16.	Dorothy Ellen Aldrich.
"	20.	Harold Emory Spellman.
"	22.	Lillian Frances Victor.
"	23.	Rudolph Ellis Cooper.
Oct	5.	Glenn Albert Goodridge.
"	10.	Norman Ellsworth Carter.
"	16.	Vera Wentworth Merchant.
Nov.	26.	Usher.
"	30.	Carrie Frances Jefferson.
Dec.	1.	Norman Edward Drugan.
"	4.	Helen Martha Bailey.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1911.

Date.	Name.	Residence.	Age.	By Whom Married.
Mar. 25	Charles William Turner,	West Upton	23	Rev. George E. Soper,
	Cora Isabelle Bryant,	Bristol, Me.	21	Nashua, N. H.
April 7	Harvey Lewis Sibley,	Upton	70	Rev. Francis J. Marsh,
	Bertha L. "Johnson" Clark,	Eastport, Me.	40	Upton, Mass.
June 6	Revillo Hudson Mason,	Upton	29	Rev. William A. Wood,
June 6	Emily Evelyn Kenney,	West Upton	29	West Upton, Mass.

Date.	Name.	Residence.	Age.	By Whom Married.
June 14	Leander Lawrence Snow,	West Upton 21	Rev. Harvey W. Ewing,	
	Ethel Margaret Welt,	Worcester 20	Worcester, Mass.	
" 17	George Banning Arnold,	Hopedale 42	Rev. William A. Wood.	
	Nellie "Peters" Leach,	West Upton 42	West Upton, Mass.	
" 21	Alvin Morton Jones,	Upton 46	Rev. Willard I. Shattuck,	
	Ada Susan "Bayer" Morgan	Upton 38	Natick, Mass.	
" 21	Edson Marlon Jones,	Upton 32	Rev. Willard I. Shattuck.	
	Hattie Louise Bayer,	Upton 37	Natick, Mass.	
" 22	Edwin Walter Sadler,	West Upton 20	Rev. Percy H. Epler,	
	Addie May Harback,	West Upton 21	Worcester, Mass.	
July 29	Gordon Braman Pond,	Upton 25	Rev. Edward M. Saunder,	
	Susan Ella Clapp,	Upton 25	Worcester, Mass.	
Aug. 6	Earl Basford Thompson,	Hopedale 20	Rev. Godfrey W. Barney,	
	Lillie Amerintha Irons, Providence, R. I.	20	Upton, Mass.	
" 8	William Augustus Fisher,	Upton 25	Rev. Robert A. Seilhamer,	
	Nellie Beatrice Bird,	Worcester 26	Worcester, Mass.	
Sept. 20	Harvey Lester Covell,	West Upton 26	Rev. Osmond J. Billings,	
	Alice Gertrude Morse,	West Upton 27	Upton, Mass.	
" 20	Louis Albert Langdale,	Needham 20	Rev. George S. Dodge	
	Anna Louise Bigelow,	Needham 25	Boylston, Mass.	
Oct. 4	Herbert Arthur Eccleston,	Southbridge 26	Rev. Godfrey W. Barney,	
	Adah Louise Brown,	West Upton 24	Upton, Mass.	
" 18	Henry Everett Green,	Holden 30	Rev. William A. Wood,	
	Bertha Louisa Houghton,	West Upton 27	West Upton, Mass.	
" 25	Walter Newton Davis,	Milford 28	Rev. William A. Wood,	
	Maud Evelyn Brooks,	Upton 23	West Upton, Mass.	
Nov. 28	Benjamin L. Mason,	Monson 28	Rev. William A. Wood,	
	Anna C. Marsh,	Monson 22	West Upton, Mass.	
" 30	Walter Edward Metcalf,	Upton 27	Rev. Charles E. Spaulding,	
	Maude Sherman Shelmut,	Upton 19	Newton, Mass.	
Dec. 12	Waldo Harrison Parrish,	Everett 23	Rev. H. S. Bradley,	
	Dora Margery "Wood" Pentengill,	Upton 21	Worcester, Mass.	
" 24	Ralph Whitney Harback,	Upton 18	Rev. James C. Alvord,	
	Florence Estelle Ballou,	Upton 19	Hopedale, Mass.	
" 24	Harold Hebrew MacNichol,	St. George, N. B.	24 Rev. Osmond J. Billings,	
	Helen Wilena Maxwell, St. George, N. E.	18	Upton, Mass.	

DEATHS RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1911.

Date.	Name.	Cause of Death.	Age.
			Y. M. D.
Jan. 1.	Robert Ethan Aldrich,	Pneumonia,	43 4 10
Feb. 12.	Edson Alonzo Sadler,	Bronchial Asthma,	78 0 10
" 20.	Parley Derby Houghton,	Old Age,	83 10 23
" 20.	Lowell Edwin Blake,	Apoplexy,	71 10 22
" 20.	George Onslow Cheney,	Heart Disease,	62 5 27
" 23.	Infant Fowler,	Stillborn,	0 0 0
" 23.	Wilbur W. Goodridge,	Pneumonia,	48 6 8
" 26.	Vincent Dana Perry,	Convulsions,	0 1 18
Mar. 7.	Emily Elizabeth Aldrich,	Epithelioma of Breast,	76 2 8
" 20.	Emma Maria Bonn,	Papilloma	61 4 0
" 24.	Registe Letourneau,	Acute Arterio Sclerosis,	71 11 26

Date.	Name.	Cause of Death.	Age.		
			Y.	M.	D.
Apr. 1.	William Freeman,	Old Age,	91	2	4
" 17.	Rita Louise Noe,	Atelestasis,	0	0	10
" 26.	Thirza A. Chamberlain,	Pneumonia,	69	4	21
May 7.	Albert Jackson Wood,	Arthritis Deformas,	59	6	25
" 9.	Hyman Pord,	Sclerosis of Coronary Arteries,	45		
" 27.	Emily Snow,	Pernicious Anaemia,	56	4	14
June 12.	Charles Walker Keniston,	Cerebral Apoplexy,	83	6	24
" 23.	Mary Kirby,	Peritonitis,	58		
July 10.	George Daniel Whitney,	Cancer,	83		
" 14.	Jane Maria Rockwood,	Old Age,	82	3	28
" 18.	Lenora Agnes Snyder,	Pulmonary Tuberculosis,	27	2	8
" 27.	Charles Munroe Brown,	Old Age,	87	7	19
" 29.	Charlotte Ellen Hadley,	Chronic Bright's Disease,	63	3	14
Aug. 25.	Camelle Metras,	Chronic Bright's Disease,	58	0	7
Sept. 4.	Infant Brousseau,	Stillborn,	0	0	0
" 11.	Sarah Louise Bradish,	Hypertrophy of Heart,	72		
" 15.	Dennis Taft Fiske,	Epithelial Cancer,	74	5	8
" 30.	Emma Theresa Bernard,	Pulmonary Tuberculosis,	28	9	26
Oct. 26.	John Luther Viall,	Heart Disease,	54	7	26
Dec. 23.	Guy H. Fisher,	Pulmonary Oedema,	25	5	11

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

Date of Death.	Name.	Place of Death.	Cause.	Age.
1908.				
Sept. 13	Margaret White,	Milford,	Cerebro Spinal Meningitis,	32 0 0
1911.				
Jan. 4.	Infant Smith,	Westboro,	Lack of Vitality,	0 0 0
" 14.	Betsey J. Brown,	Pawtucket, R.I.,	Cereb'l Apoplexy,	89 0 0
" 15.	Michael Cullinan,	Worcester,	BronchoPneum'a	40 9 5
" 25.	Mary A. Whitney,	Worcester,	Heart Disease,	71 1 5
Feb. 8.	Viola A. Cayes,	Stockbridge, Vt.,	Cancer,	57 9 20
" 15.	Warren L. Keith,	Sutton,	Pneumonia,	0 0 15
Mar. 5.	Josephine Knowles,	Holbrook,	Heart Disease,	46 1 3
" 7.	Philo Mowry Weir,	Blackstone,	Heart Disease,	84 5 3
" 11.	Francis L. Howard,	Grafton,	Pneumonia,	76 3 10
" 21.	Reuben A. Green,	Uxbridge,	Heart Disease,	74 10 26
" 26.	Mary J. Thompson,	Medfield,	Tuberculosis,	36 0 0
" 28.	Lowell J. Southland,	Chelsea,	Fracture of Hip,	81 11 11
Oct. 29.	Albert T. Jones,	Boston,	Contusion of the Brain,	82 9 5

Date.	Name.	Cause of Death.	Age. Y. M. D.
Nov. 1.	Edmund A. Cheney, Brockton,	Nephritis,	59 10 9
" 10.	Hazel V. Benson, Saugus,	Pulmonary Tu- berculosis,	14 8 28
Dec. 28.	Hattie F. Wood, Holden,	Carcinoma,	46 11 19
Number of dogs licensed			177
June 1.	Paid County Treasurer		\$269 40
Dec. 1.	Paid County Treasurer		106.20
			<hr/> \$375.60

JURORS DRAWN.

Michael Murphy, Superior Civil Court,	April 3, 1911
J. Frank Despeaux, Superior Civil Court,	Nov. 28, 1911
Charles W. Childs, Grand Juror,	Jan. 1, 1912.
Arthur Lamson, Superior Civil Court,	Jan. 5, 1912.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS T. NELSON,
Town Clerk.

ASSESSORS' REPORT FOR 1911.

Number of Horses assessed	242
Cows assessed	303
Neat cattle assessed	96
Swine assessed	68
Dwelling houses assessed	459
Fowls assessed	7,400
Value of fowls	\$3,700
Number of acres of land	12,976
Valuation of real estate assessed	\$873,135 00
Valuation of personal estate as- sessed	268,765 00
Total valuation	\$1,141,900 00
Rate per thousand, \$19.50.	
Tax for state, county and town purposes, including overlay- ings:	
On real estate	\$17,026 13
On personal estate	5,240 92
On polls	1,132 00
Total	\$23,399 05
Persons assessed on property	602
Persons assessed for poll tax only	326
Number of assessed polls	566
Number of exempted polls	31
Total number of polls	597
Gypsy moth assessment	\$72.75
State tax for 1911	\$1,760
County tax for 1911	\$1,137
Total individual exemptions	\$27,325

HERBERT M. BUCK,
ALEX BARTON,
FRANK E. LYFORD,

Assessors of Upton.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1908 Book.			
Due Feb. 1, 1911	.	.	\$170 21
Collected	.	.	\$121 81
Due Feb. 1, 1912	.	.	48 40
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			\$170 21
Interest collected	.	.	\$12 50

H. J. BATCHELOR, Collector.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

FRANK O. OGDEN,

Auditor.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Book 1909.			
Due Feb. 1, 1911 .	.	.	\$1,543 93
Abated .	.	.	\$ 4 00
Collected .	.	.	576 99
Due Feb. 1, 1912 .	.	.	962 94
			\$1,543 93
Interest collected .	.	.	\$44 58

Book 1910.			
Due Feb. 1, 1911 .	.	.	\$6,394 44
Abated .	.	.	\$ 6 00
Collected .	.	.	3,886 50
Due Feb. 1, 1912 .	.	.	2,501 94
			\$6,394 44
Interest collected .	.	.	\$73 84

Book 1911.			
Tax levied .	.	.	\$23,399 05
Abated .	.	.	\$ 62 62
Collected .	.	.	16,478 81
Due Feb. 1, 1912 .	.	.	6,857 62
			\$23,399 05
Interest collected .	.	.	\$9 89

EDWIN B. HOUGHTON,
Tax Collector.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

FRANK O. OGDEN,
Auditor.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FRED W. WOOD, TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF UPTON.

DR.

Cash balance from last year	\$ 1,797 79
Received from the Milford National	
Bank	12,000 00
H. F. Pellett, pool license	2 00
Max Pressman, junk license	5 00
Nathan Sacks, junk license	5 00
George Briggs, pool license	2 00
P. J. McGowan, junk license	5 00
David Mittell, junk license	5 00
E. A. Willard, auctioneer's license	2 00
C. E. Fairbanks, auctioneer's license	2 00
C. E. Gifford, auctioneer's license	2 00
James Birmingham, junk license	5 00
C. L. Goodrich, tree warden (Postal	
Telegraph Co.)	25 00
F. T. Nelson, auction sale at Town	
Hall	9 77
C. E. Fairbanks, auction sale at Town	
Hall	2 35
C. L. Goodrich, tree warden, (New	
England Tel. & Tel. Co.)	50 00
M. Sniderman, junk license	5 00
National Bank tax	50 56
State corporation business tax	25 11
State compensation inspection of ani-	
mals	28 13
State corporation tax, public service.	701 90
Grafton & Upton R. R., excise tax	100 85
W. P. Grandy, auction sale at Town	
Hall	60
Herbert Eames, one half expense of	
fence near High school	12 62

Third district court, Milford, fines collected	\$ 1 42
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
Stephen H. Eames, wire	1 65
State treasurer, forest warden department	83 64
State treasurer, temporary aid	28 00
State treasurer, state aid	2,214 00
State treasurer, military aid	216 00
State treasurer, tuition of children	229 50
State treasurer, superintendency fund	312 50
State treasurer, income Massachusetts school fund	907 10
County treasurer, county dog fund	326 77
G. W. Knowlton, jr., transportation school children	16 00
Knowlton school fund, income	380 00
City of Boston, tuition of school children	16 50
Interest on Dr. Carpenter fund, town library	40 40
G. & U. R. R., on account of forest fires	28 00
State forest warden department	44 89
Overseers of the poor, on account of Town Farm	1,412 22
C. L. Goodrich, private work, spraying trees	12 00
Edwin B. Houghton, taxes collected	21,070 61
Henry Batchelor, taxes collected	134 31
Rent of Town Hall :—	
Harry Jordan	2 50
Clifton Jencks	1 00
Court Foresters of America	90 00

Edward Aldrich, jr.	. . .	\$1 00
W. R. C. and S. of V.	. . .	16 00
M. E. church	. . .	11 00
Upton high school	. . .	7 00
Upton Farmers' club	. . .	4 00
Rev. George F. Flynn	. . .	17 50
Fraternity club	. . .	3 00
Upton Dramatic club	. . .	2 00
Upton Grange	. . .	57 00
Companions of Foresters	. . .	16 00
Joseph Martin	. . .	2 00
M. J. Carbary, Milford	. . .	1 00
Democratic party	. . .	3 00
George Buerell, Whitinsville	. . .	8 00
Columbian chapter, O. E. S.	. . .	2 00
High School Alumni association	. . .	9 00
Republican club	. . .	2 00
Post 105, Grand Army	. . .	6 00
		<hr/> \$42,592 19

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By cash, paid on selectmen's pay rolls	\$42,541 25
By cash, balance unexpended	50 94
	<hr/> \$42,592 19

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. WOOD,
Town Treasurer.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank, known as the Knowlton School Fund, in trust, with the town treasurer as trustee, \$25.00 to be used by the school committee to defray extraordinary expenses of the Knowlton school building.

FRED W. WOOD,
Town Treasurer.

I have examined the above report and find it correct.

FRANK O. OGDEN,
Auditor.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Cash paid for notes and interest :—	
Treasurer and Receiver General, school-house bond and interest	\$ 1,040 00
Treasurer and Receiver General, interest on other schoolhouse bonds	240 00
Worcester County Institution for Savings, municipal bond	1,200 00
Worcester County Institution for Savings, interest	288 00
Milford National bank, borrowed in anticipation of taxes	10,000 00
Milford National Bank, interest	185 00
	\$12,953 00

Cash paid State and County tax :—	
Elmer A. Stevens, Treasurer and Receiver General, state tax	\$1,760 00
Edward A. Brown, County Treasurer, county tax	1,137 00
	\$2,897 00

Cash paid for town library :—	
Bills as reported by treasurer of trustees	\$ 460 00
Cash paid for support of schools :—	
Bills as reported by school committee	\$9,286 40
Cash paid for support of poor :—	
Bills as reported by overseers of poor	\$2,977 72
Cash paid for highways and bridges :—	
Bills as reported by highway surveyors	\$2,000 90
Cash paid for removing snow :—	
Bills as reported by highway surveyors	\$26 10
Cash paid for fire department :—	
Bills as reported by engineers	\$1,249 91
Cash paid for forest wardens :—	
Bills as reported by forest wardens	\$658 57

Cash paid for expense of Memorial Day :—	
Treasurer of Post 105, G. A. R.	\$125 00
Cash paid for cemeteries :—	
Treasurer of cemetery commission	\$300 00
Cash paid for military aid :—	
Aid to two persons	\$482 00
Cash paid for state aid :—	
Aid paid various persons	\$2,122 00
Cash paid for suppression of gypsy moth :—	
Bills as reported by local superintendent	\$302 23
Cash paid to suppress the illegal sale of liquor :—	
Local officers	\$12 00
Cash paid for soldiers' relief :—	
Aid paid to various persons	\$568 73
Cash paid for street lighting :—	
Worcester Suburban Electric Co.	\$1,650 00
Cash paid school physician :—	
Edward C. Traver, M. D.	\$25 00
Cash paid for horses for Town Farm :—	
Bill as reported by overseers of poor	\$300 00
Cash paid for suppression of elm tree beetle :—	
Bills as reported by tree warden	\$162 90
Cash paid for board of health :—	
Mrs. A. J. Reed, for board	\$22 00
Lakeville Sanatorium	96 53
John Carmody, quarantined 18 days	27 00
Frank Bowker, board	46 00
Westfield Sanatorium	28 57
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	\$220 10

Cash paid for sidewalks :—	
Alex Barton, team and labor	\$18 25
A. E. King, team and labor	16 25
James Boland, labor	14 50
James Walker, labor	6 40
Peter McNally, labor	6 40
George F. Briggs, labor	6 40
Andrew Gaultier, labor	6 40
John Wrenn, labor	90

John Stank, labor	\$ 90
James Bigelow, labor	1 80
J. Wellspeak, labor	1 00
Arthur Lamson, supplies	4 25
W. G. Fiske, supplies	3 25
M. Murphy, superintendent	13 00
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	\$99 70

Cash paid for road in East Upton :—

Alex Barton, team and labor	\$60 00
A. E. King, team and labor	60 00
O. F. Taft, team and labor	48 00
J. Carroll, team and labor	44 00
J. Bailey, team and labor	40 00
F. W. Clark, team and labor	41 00
James Boland, labor	27 90
James Walker, labor	22 50
Peter McNally, labor	27 90
George F. Briggs, labor	23 40
Andrew Gaultier, labor	24 40
Fred Pepper, labor	17 60
J. Spellman, labor	3 60
M. Murphy, superintendent	31 50
J. Bailey, gravel	25 00
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	\$499 80

Cash paid for wiring Town Hall :—

Howard G. Ramsey, labor and supplies	\$192 40
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Cash paid for incidentals :—

H. D. Aldrich, services at court	\$ 9 56
W. F. Parshley, services at court	35 73
H. A. Bagley, services at court	37 14
Frost Stamp Co., stamps for primaries	1 16
Edward E. Aldrich, labor at town building	9 50
W. G. Fiske, lumber for town building	40
F. S. Webster, supplies for Town Clerk	4 50
H. E. Mason, repairs upper hall	4 50
Clement & Sadler, blacksmith	2 00
J. E. Swift, Anderson case	15 00

Clark Ellis & Sons, supplies	\$ 23 30
Fence at school yard	27 23
H. M. Buck, supplies for Assessors	4 03
National Extinguisher Co.	7 00
C. M. Wood, key for lockup	95
E. A. Willard, insurance	205 82
Davis Press, supplies for Treasurer	17 00
G. E. Southland, care of town building	37 50
Milford Journal Co., printing	35 75
G. M. Billings, town reports	137 70
G. M. Billings, printing for Assessors and Town Clerk	21 75
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, coal, town build- ing.	120 00
H. G. Ramsey, extra work in town li- brary	2 00
Wor. Sub. Electric Co., lighting town building	101 32
T. Groom & Co., supplies Treasurer	1 25
Standard Oil Co.	6 05
G. E. Southland, repairs on town build- ing.	28 15
Certifying notes	12 00
A. W. Brownell, printing	9 50
C. L. Goodrich, Tree Warden	147 35
H. E. King, tuning piano	3 50
Arthur Lamson, supplies town building	9 30
Alex Barton, wood for town building	39 75
Hobbs Warren Co., Assessors	1 57
P. B. Murphy, Assessors	2 25
Sanford Putnam Co., Assessors	3 00
G. Z. Williams, burial two soldiers	70 00
G. E. Childs, burial agent	4 00
Worcester Abstract Co., Assessors	15 36
G. E. Southland, waterworks	13 00
G. A. Walker, waterworks	5 80
G. H. Southland, waterworks	1 50
John Stank, removing ashes	3 00

C. A. Cook, legal services	\$ 2 00
J. Wrenn, cleaning four chimneys G. A. R. building	5 00
Staples & Gould, wheelbarrow	3 50
Express for incidentals	1 35
F. T. Nelson, cash paid out, etc.	27 17
G. Z. Williams, returning 28 deaths	7 00
E. C. Traver, M. D., returning 25 births	6 25
Fred W. Wood, supplies and expenses	18 83
S. L. Madden, care of town building	100 00
	<hr/> \$1,408.27

Cash paid town officers :—

William H. Miskell, selectman and sur- veyor	\$ 65 00
Alfred Young, selectman and surveyor	40 00
Arthur Lamson, selectman and surveyor	40 00
Francis T. Nelson, clerk of board	25 00
Arthur W. Frail, overseer of poor	25 00
E. A. Chamberlain, overseer of poor	25 00
E. A. Phipps, overseer of poor	25 00
William F. Parshley, board of health	20 00
Registrars	70 00
F. O. Ogden, auditor	25 00
Fred W. Wood, treasurer	125 00
F. T. Nelson, town clerk	108 90
H. J. Batchelor, collector	1 34
F. W. Wood, sealer of weights and measures	31 77
D. J. Moroney, moderator	3 00
Election officers	51 00
Alex Barton, appraiser	3 00
Henry A. Cobbett, appraiser	3 00
George Z. Williams, appraiser	3 00
Herbert M. Buck, assessor	85 00
Frank E. Lyford, assessor	65 00
Alex Barton, assessor	70 00
Orlando F. Taft, cattle inspector	56 25
Henry D. Aldrich, extra service July 3d	3 00

W. F. Parshley, extra service July 3d and September 28	\$6 00
Michael Murphy, extra service July 3d and September 28	6 00
C. H. Marshall, extra service July 3d and September 28	6 00
H. A. Bagley, extra service July 3d and September 28.	6 00
Leslie W. Gould, extra service Septem- ber 28	3 00
Tellers at primaries	4 00
H. D. Aldrich, notifying town officers	5 00
W. F. Parshley, posting warrants	7 50
	<hr/> \$1,012 76

Cash paid for repairs on Milford road:—

Alex Barton, team and labor	\$86 00
A. E. King, team and labor	57 00
James Boland, labor	37 80
John Stank, labor	43 65
Andrew Gaultier, labor	38 70
James Walker, labor	36 00
M. Shaughnessy, labor	19 80
M. Cooper, labor	14 20
F. Foley, labor	15 10
M. Murphy, superintendent	48 00
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, coal	1 00
E. A. Willard, insurance	50 00
E. M. Baker, supplies	93
F. W. Clark, gasoline and team	38 75
J. H. Martin, labor	14 40
Staples & Gould, dynamite and supplies	50 53
Clark Ellis & Sons, dynamite and sup- plies	47 50
	<hr/> \$599 36
	<hr/> \$12,541 25

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Departments.	Appropriation.	Income.	Total Receipts.	Expenditures.	Unexpended.	Overdrawn.
Notes and interest . . .	\$1,500.00	\$12,000.00	\$13,500.00	\$12,953.00	\$547.00	
Support of schools . . .	7,300.00	2,188.37	9,488.37	9,286.40	201.97	
Support of poor . . .	1,400.00	1,440.22	2,840.22	2,977.72		\$137.50
Soldiers' relief . . .	600.00		600.00	568.73	31.27	
Street lighting . . .	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,650.00	350.00	
Forest warden . . .	250.00	156.53	406.53	658.57		252 04
Fire department . . .	1,250.00			1,249.91	.09	
State aid . . .	200.00	2,214.00	2,414.00	2,122.00	292.00	
Military aid . . .	250.00	216.00	466.00	432.00	34.00	
Town library, Carpenter fund .	460.00		460.00	460.00		
Removing snow . . .	300.00		300.00	26.10	273.90	
Board of health . . .	400.00		400.00	220.10	179.90	
County tax . . .				1,137.00		
State tax . . .				1,760.00		
Memorial day . . .	125.00		125.00	125.00		
Care of cemeteries . . .	300.00		300.00	300.00		
School physician . . .	25.00		25.00	25.00		
Sidewalks . . .	100.00		100.00	99.70	.30	
Suppression of gypsy moth . .	400.00		400.00	302.23	97.77	
Suppression of elm tree beetle .	200.00	12.00	212.00	162.90	49.10	

Suppression illegal sale liquor .	100.00		100.00	12.00	88.00	
Repairs, road in East Upton .	500.00		500.00	499.80	.20	
Wiring Main Hall . . .	250.00		250.00	192.40	57.60	
Horses for town farm . . .	300.00		300.00	300.00		
Repairs, Milford road . . .	500.00		500.00	599.36		99.36
Highways . . .	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.30		.30
Incidentals . . .	1,200.00	516.26	1,716.26	1,408.27	307.99	
Town officers . . .	1,250.00	28.13	1,278.13	1,012.76	265.37	

**FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF UPTON
FEBRUARY 1, 1912.**

LIABILITIES.

Town owes Treasurer and Receiver- General, schoolhouse bonds . . .	\$6,000 00
Town owes Worcester County Insti- tution for Savings, municipal bonds	6,000 00
Town owes Milford National Bank, appropriations not assessed . . .	2,000 00
	<hr/> \$14,000 00

ASSETS.

Due the town for taxes of 1908 . . .	\$ 48 40
Due the town for taxes of 1909 . . .	962 94
Due the town for taxes of 1910 . . .	2,501 94
Due the town for taxes of 1911 . . .	6,857 62
Due the town for state aid	2,122 00
Due the town for military aid	216 00
Due the town for burial two soldiers .	74 00
Cash in hands of selectmen	50 94
	<hr/> \$12,833 84
Balance against the town Feb. 1, 1912 . .	\$1,166 16
Balance against the town Feb. 1, 1911 . .	\$1,865 63
Decrease of net debt	\$699 47

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

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM H. MISKELL,
ALFRED YOUNG,
ARTHUR LAMSON,

Selectmen of Upton.

I have examined the foregoing report and find it correct.

FRANK O. OGDEN.

Auditor.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Cr. by appropriation	\$2,000 00
Dr. to cash paid by orders on Treasurer	2,000 30

Overdrawn	\$0 30
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Cash paid for labor on highways :—

Alex Barton, team and labor	\$382 45
A. E. King, team and labor	357 35
C. L. Aldrich, team and labor	20 00
O. F. Taft, team and labor	12 00
F. W. Clark, team and labor	20 00
J. Carroll, team and labor	8 00
James Boland, labor	203 40
James Walker, labor	192 95
H. Baker, labor	8 80
P. McNally, labor	162 30
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, labor	13 20
D. Warren, labor	5 40
G. E. Southland, labor	1 50
M. Cooper, labor	54 70
C. L. Cooper, labor	56 50
J. Holbrook, labor	26 80
F. Brewer, labor	9 25
G. F. Briggs, labor	41 90
Mr. Pepper, labor	1 80
J. Bigelow, labor	1 80
J. Stank, labor	8 10
J. Wrenn, labor	7 20
M. Murphy, superintendent	241 46
	\$1,836 86

Cash paid for incidentals :—

C. Ellis & Sons, supplies	\$17 85
Wm. Knowlton & Sons, drain pipe	4 62
Owen Donnelly, blacksmith	1 00

L. A. Snow, supplies	\$ 6 53
E. T. Hall, supplies	2 50
W. G. Fiske, supplies	8 63
Sadler & Clement, blacksmith	2 80
Milford Foundry	6 00
Benj. C. Wood, lumber	50 06
Fred B. Sanford, express	75
Arthur Lamson, supplies	70
A. A. Bowker, supplies	60
Mrs. C. A. Batchelor, gravel	14 80
John Bailey, gravel	3 05
George W. White, gravel	4 65
Poor Department, gravel	2 30
G. H. Stoddard, gravel	24 95
F. A. Usher, gravel	90
A. P. Williams, gravel	45
T. B. Pratt, gravel	1 20
H. A. Symonds, gravel	1 30
W. F. Partridge, gravel	6 60
A. E. King, gravel	1 20
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	\$163 44
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	\$2,000 30

**CASH EXPENDED ON THE HIGHWAYS IN UPTON
DURING THE YEAR 1911.**

Westboro road, \$ 55 00	West River street, \$ 10 00
Pearl street, 85 00	Taft street, 30 00
Packard road, 10 00	Grafton road, 75 00
Old Westboro road, 50 00	Mendon street, 55 00
North Main street, 35 00	Maple avenue, 30 00
Mendon road, 50 00	Walnut street, 15 00
Main street, 300 00	Charles Leland road, 20 00
Smith White road 15 00	Milford road, 100 00
Depot street, West Up- ton, 5 00	Hager road, 5 00
Williams street, 40 00	Turnpike, 15 00
High street, 15 00	Albert Nason road, 30 00
	Glen avenue, 15 00

Woodville road,	\$15 00	Gable street,	\$ 10 00
Glen View,	90 00	Pleasant street,	15 00
Carroll road,	35 00	Northbridge road,	80 00
Mechanic street,	40 00	Elm street,	175 00
Pearl Taft road,	30 00	Nelson Hill,	10 00
Brook's street,	25 00	Hopkinton road,	40 00
Poor Farm road,	40 00	School street,	10 00
Hartford avenue,	5 00	Church street,	5 00
Prospect street,	50 00	Morrison road,	6 86
Grove street,	25 00	Plain street,	10 00
East River street,	20 00		
Maple street,	30 00		\$1,836 86
Joel Taft road,	10 00		

MICHAEL MURPHY,
Superintendent of Streets.

REMOVING SNOW.

Appropriation	\$300 00
Cash paid:—	
Frank W. Clark, team and labor	\$15 50
Wm H. Cullinan, team and labor	4 00
J. A. Carroll, team and labor	6 30
Henry Baker, labor	30
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	\$26 10
Unexpended	<hr/>
	\$273 90

TOOLS ON HAND FEBRUARY 1, 1912.

1 New Road Scraper.	6 Iron Bars.
1 Old Road Scraper.	2 Chains.
4 Long-handle Shovels.	3 Bog Hoes.
3 Snow Plows.	1 Axe.
1 Side-hill Plow.	2 Bush Scythes.
6 Short-handle Shovels.	2 Rakes.
2 Picks.	1 Sledge Hammer.
6 Forks.	5 Lanterns.
4 Hoes.	

REPORT OF THE GUIDE-BOARDS.

2 near Box Mill.	2 near H. P. Gerald's.
2 near Fountain.	5 near O. G. Newton Place.
2 near Connelly's Corner.	2 near N. H. Holbrook's.
2 near Joshua Aldrich's.	2 near Mrs. D. W. Morse's.
2 near Mrs. Charles Leland's.	1 near Mrs. O'Connell's.
1 near Sadler's Bridge.	1 near C. H. Johnson's.
1 near Charles Keniston's.	1 near G. A. R. Hall.
1 near William H. Miskell's.	1 near Methodist Church.
1 near Warren Corner.	1 near Mrs. C. W. Dana's.
2 near C. F. Kimball's.	1 near Mrs. R. Baldwin's.
3 near A. A. Bowker's.	1 near C. W. Phipps'.
2 near E. W. Bradish's.	1 near O. F. Taft's.
2 near D. W. Whitney's.	2 near G. H. Evans'.
2 near D. J. Moroney's.	1 near Chamberlain's Market.
1 near C. L. Goodrich's.	1 near P. P. Taft Place.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. MISKELL,
ALFRED YOUNG,
ARTHUR LAMSON,
Highway Surveyors.

I have examined the above account and find it correct.

FRANK O. OGDEN,

Auditor.

LAKEVIEW CEMETERY COMMISSION.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DR.

To cash balance last year	\$84 08
To cash received from E. T. Hall, care double lot 1910	1 50
Mrs. M. J. Brown, care of lot for 1910	1 00
Mrs. J. J. Waldron, Otis Aldrich lot, care 1910 and 1911	2 00
John Perry, one lot	5 00
Clayton I. Keith, Sutton, one lot	10 00
Miss Mattie Houghton, care 1909 and 1910	2 00
Mrs. Emma Waldron, repairs on Otis Aldrich lot	3 00
Mrs. Emma Bonn, one lot	5 00
Michael Reynolds, care of double lot, 1911	1 50
Mrs. Edward M. Baker, care of two lots, 1909 and 1910	4 00
Marion King, Boston, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. Allison Smart, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Fred Luzerne, Westboro, care of lot 1911	1 00
John Alexander, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Joseph J. Fowler, one lot	5 00
S. H. Eames, care of David Eames lot, for 1910 and 1911	2 00
S. H. Eames and Herbert Eames, care double lot 1910 and 1911	3 00
Mrs. J. M. Ruggles, setting urns on lot	50
Miss Emily Cahoon, care of lot for 1911	1 00

Charles Edmund O'Connell, care of lot for 1911	\$ 1 00
Mrs. Jennie Aldrich, one lot	5 00
C. L. Clark, Worcester, care of Wood lot for 1911	1 00
William Smith, care of lot for 1910 and 1911	2 00
Myron Clafin, sharpening lawn mower	25
Henry Rogers, care of lot for 1910 and 1911	2 00
W. B. Keith, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. Mary J. Brown, care and repairs 1911	1 50
Mrs. S. B. Holbrook, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Albert Pierce, Worcester, care of lot 1911	1 00
Esther N. Clark, care of lot for 1910 and 1911	2 00
Mrs. William Smart, flowers	50
Mrs. M. Aldrich, care and flowers, 1911	1 50
William Cullinan, Providence, care and flowers 1911	2 00
Worcester County Institute for Sav- ings, interest to Jan., 1911	68 87
Mrs. Ursula Taylor, care of lot for 1911	1 00
John B. Fay, care 1908-1909-1910	3 00
John B. Fay, care of double lot for 1911	1 50
Miss Alice A. Wood, care of lot for 1911	1 00
H. O. Harrington, care of lot for 1910- 1911	2 00
H. O. Harrington, repairs on lot	2 25
J. J. Kittredge, Worcester, founda- tions	13 00
A. C. Kinney, Milford, foundations	4 00

C. W. Nourse, setting markers and carting	\$ 2 50
Henry Seaver, one lot	5 00
Town of Upton, town appropriation	300 00
C. W. Kenniston, est., opening grave	3 00
Charles Ormes, care of double lot 1911	1 50
Mrs. E. A. Baldwin, care of lot for 1910	1 50
Mrs. Herbert Eames, labor and setting flowers on lot	1 50
Mrs. Benj. Crooker, care of lot for 1911	1 00
L. C. Fiske, care of double lot for 1911	1 50
Frank Bannister, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. A. P. Taft, care of lot for 1911	1 00
John Snyder, opening grave	3 00
Cyrus Bryant, one lot, Knowles lot	5 00
Clarence Church, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. Helen M. Lamb, Westboro, care of lot 1911	1 00
H. A. Bagley, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. Mathew Cooley, care of lot for 1911	1 00
James Connolly est., care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. Sumner Harrington, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. Anna Davis, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. S. H. Eames, opening grave, Rockwood	3 00
Alex Barton, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. Edwin Nelson, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. Abbie Morse, care of lot for 1911	1 00
James Boland, care of lot for 1911	1 00
H. J. Blodgett, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Myron Claffin, care of lot for 1911	1 00
George Buck, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Victor Noe, jr., filling grave	50

Miss Margaret Lavin, care of lot for 1911	\$ 1 00
David Brown, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Joseph Chapin, Hopedale, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. B. A. Jordan, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Miss Grace Hatch, care of lot for 1911	1 00
G. Jenner Aldrich, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Eugene Hall, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Michael Reynolds, repairs on lot	1 75
Sarah J. Batchelor, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. Moses Eames, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Joseph Martin, care and repairs, 1911	2 00
John Alexander, repairs	50
Mrs. Grace Houghton, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. M. J. Ruggles, care and repairs, 1911	1 50
Miss Mary Dwyer, care of double lot for 1911	1 50
Martin Donnelly, care of lot for 1911	1 00
T. F. Boyd, care of lot for 1911	1 00
James Sheehan, repairs on lot for 1911	1 75
Mrs. Dolly W. Walker, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. Katherine Gorman, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Elbridge Sadler, repairs on lot, 1911	50
Mrs. I. E. H. Pierce, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. Jane Olney, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. Camille Metreau, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. Nettie Jones, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. M. Louise Cheney, Brockton, one lot	10 00
Mrs. M. Louise Cheney, Brockton, opening grave	3 00

Mrs. Annie Cheney, repairs on lot, 1911	50
Charles Porter, Worcester, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Daniel Benson, one lot	5 00
O. F. Taft, repairs on Putnam lot	2 00
J. J. Kittredge, Worcester, founda- tions	4 50
Mrs. Josephine Fiske, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. Henry Seaver, repairs on lot, 1911	75
C. W. Pierce, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. J. H. Brooks, care of double lot, 1911	1 50
Miss Marion F. King, repairs on lot, 1911	1 50
Mrs. Helen Burnett, care and repairs on J. Orson Fiske lot	25 00
John J. Kittredge, Worcester, founda- tion	5 75
Miss Susan Chamberlain, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Miss Effie Hill, care of two lots for 1911	2 00
Mrs. Ellen O'Connell, care and repairs on lot for 1911	1 50
Perry Wood, Holden, one lot	10 00
Geo. W. Wood, undertaker, Milford, opening grave	3 00
Mrs. Celia Wellington, care of double lot for 1911	1 50
Mrs. E. A. Baldwin, care of double lot for 1911	1 50
Mrs. D. T. Fiske, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Mrs. D. T. Fiske, opening grave	4 00
Edson Jones, opening grave	3 00
George T. Hutchings, foundations	12 80
A. T. Wood, South Framingham, re- pairs on lot, 1911	4 00

Miss Adelia Sheehan, care of double lot for 1910-1911	\$3 00
Walter True, care of lot for 1909 and 1910	2 00
Miss Sarah J. Hall, care of lot for 1910 and 1911	2 00
Miss Sarah J. Hall, care of Albert Sadler lot, 1911	1 00
Mrs. Margaret Rawson, care of lot for 1911	1 00
Francis T. Nelson, care of lot for 1910 and 1911	2 00
Fred W. Wood, care of double lot for 1911	1 50
	<hr/> \$745 75

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By cash paid Joseph Martin, labor with team	\$ 8 00
John Stank, labor	296 76
H. O. Harrington, flowers	5 90
Alex Pilkinton, labor	2 50
George Wilson, labor	10 50
W. L. Wood, cement	1 13
F. W. Wood, expenses, postage and stationery	7 48
George Moroney, labor with team	27 25
E. B. Atwood, flowers	9 70
George W. Wood, blacksmithing	3 80
James R. Beek, labor	110 00
James Boland, labor	25
Samuel Walker, labor	50
Raymond Childs, labor with team	2 25
Clark Ellis & Sons, supplies	28 20
L. A. Snow, seed and supplies	42 46
Charles Rogers, labor	55 24

Fred W. Wood, services as secretary	\$10 00	
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		\$621 92
Cash balance on hand		123 83
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		\$745 75

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. WOOD,

Treasurer.

LEGACIES.

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

Alfred Whitney and Mrs. Walter B.

Clapp, for Sylvester Whitney fund	\$ 60 00
Mrs. Lucy Gould, fund	50 00
Henry Chapin, by will	200 00
Johanna B. Rawson, by will	50 00
Ann Maria Torrey, by will	200 00
Otis C. Lackey, fund	100 00
William K. Follett, fund	100 00
J. B. and H. W. Chapin, by will	200 00
Elisha Walker, by will	100 00
Mary B. Partridge, by will	200 00
Delucia Ward, by will	100 00
Calvin H. Ruggles, by will	50 00
Melinda Eames and Chandler J. Pike, fund	75 00
Mary M. Nelson, by will	100 00
Enoch Batchelor, fund	50 00
Joseph W. Alexander, fund	50 00
Melita S. Fisk, fund	100 00
Daniel Fiske, fund	200 00
Jane M. Shaw, fund	50 00
Carrie Wood and Orra Wood, by will	200 00
J. N. Marshall, fund	100 00
S. B. Fiske, by will	50 00
Nahum W. Holbrook, fund	50 00

Susan M. Mason, fund	\$100 00
Anna L. Plummer, Hale lot fund	100 00
Maria B. Aldrich, Clark Aldrich and John Sadler, by will	100 00
Sylvanus B. Aldrich, fund	100 00
Col. Elijah Stoddard, fund	100 00
Joseph T. McFarland, fund	100 00
Mrs. Joseph Taft, fund	50 00
Miss Eleanor B. Adair, fund \$37 50	
Mrs. Myra Wadman, fund 37 50	
	<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
	<hr/> \$3,610 00
Granville B. Nelson estate, Elijah Nel- son, fund	100 00
	<hr/> \$3,710 00

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. WOOD,

Treasurer.

I have examined the foregoing financial report and find it correct.

FRANK O. OGDEN,

Auditor.

FIRE ENGINEER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation, March 13, 1911	\$750 00
Appropriation, November 7, 1911	500 00
Total	\$1,250 00

EXPENSES.

E. M. Baker, services as engineer, supplies, teams and labor at chimney fires	\$ 32 88
Alex Barton, services as engineer, teams to fires and wood.	27 00
H. M. Buck, services as engineer, supplies	10 45
Benj. C. Crooker, treasurer of Steamer Co., pay of members	121 66
Arthur E. Titus, treasurer of Hook and Ladder Co., pay of members	119 16
Charles H. Marshall, steward of Hook and Ladder rooms, and one chimney fire	13 00
Edward and Raymond Childs, removing snow from reservoirs	2 00
Everett Phelps, ringing fire alarm March 23, 1911	1 00
Joseph H. Martin, teams to fires	17 00
R. E. Bates, team to fires	3 50
C. E. Fairbanks, engineer of Steamer from February 1 to September 1, 1911	70 00
George H. Southland, services as stoker and labor	24 25
Walter Grandy, watching at fires	5 00
Remer Secor, watching at fires	3 00
E. J. Sadler, supplies and labor	2 85
W. L. Wood, team to fires	3 50
Mary J. Brown, rent for four months	4 00
S. H. Jenks, labor and box	2 50
George W. Wood, supplies, labor, ringing fire alarm April 12, 1911	4 50
George Walker, ringing fire alarms April 18, May 8, July 25, September 20	4 00

Wm. Knowlton & Sons, teams to fires, two tons of coal and supplies	\$ 24 48
Milford Journal Co., printing 100 fire alarm cards	3 80
J. F. Damon, supplies and labor for Hand Tub and Steamer	114 18
A. Lamson, supplies and boots	77 26
Clark Ellis & Sons, supplies	2 28
Leon D. Childs, labor and supplies	4 00
W. G. Fiske, lumber	83
George E. Southland, engineer of Steamer, labor and supplies	69 90
New England Telephone & Telegraph Co., rent of phone	12 19
Clifton Jenks, labor at chimney fire	1 00
American La France Engine Co., 14 No. 7 suction valves for Steamer, and express	18 05
F. B. Sanford, express	1 10
A. Henry, labor, September 20	1 00
Raymond Fenner, labor, September 20	1 00
Elmer Taft, labor, September 20	1 00
F. W. Clark, teams to fires	3 50
L. A. Snow, supplies	1 09
Felix Kearnan, chimney fire	1 00
George Z. Williams, shed purchased for Hand Tub	12 00
Combination Ladder Co., and R. I. Coupling Co., Providence, R. I., 600 feet of hose	429 00
Total expense.	\$1,249 91
Unexpended balance	09

Number of still alarms for chimney fires, 16. Number of general alarms, 6. Cost of repairs on Hand Tub including three new lengths of suction, new leathers for pumps and repairs on suction, \$45.00.

E. M. BAKER,
ALEX BARTON,
H. M. BUCK,
Board of Engineers.

FOREST WARDENS' REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation March 13, 1911 . . .	\$250 00
Received from State Forest Warden . . .	128 53
Received from Grafton & Upton Railroad Co. . .	28 00
Total	\$406 53
There is due from the town of Grafton . . .	\$125 00

EXPENSES.

A. Lamson, soda, acid and supplies . . .	\$ 61 14
American La France Fire Engine Co., six extinguishers, bottles and soda cans . . .	60 00
Standard Extinguisher Co., repairing extinguishers . . .	5 35
E. M. Baker, hoes and food . . .	14 92
Teams and men to forest fires from April 24, 1911, to January 1, 1912 . . .	517 16
Total	\$658 57
Number of fires in April	3
Number of fires in May	5
Number of fires in July	12
Number of fires in August	2
Number of fires in December	1
Total	23

E. M. BAKER,
ALEX BARTON,
H. M. BUCK,
Forest Fire Wardens.

SUMMARY OF UPTON FIRE INSURANCE IN FORCE.

EAST PART SCHOOL BUILDING—\$300 in Mutual Co., expires in 1912; contents, \$25 in Mutual Co., expires 1912. Total on building and contents, \$325.

HIGH AND GRAMMAR SCHOOL (BRICK)—\$15,000 in Mutual Co., expires in 1912; contents, \$1000 in Mutual Co., expires in 1912. Total on building and contents \$16,000.

SCHOOL STREET SCHOOL BUILDING—\$2,500 in Mutual Co., expires in 1913.

WAVERLY HALL BUILDING—\$2,000 in Stock Co., expires in 1913.

TOWN HALL (BRICK)—\$1,385 in Mutual Co., expires 1913, \$10,200 in Mutual Co., expires 1914, \$3000 in Stock Co., expires 1915, total \$14,585; contents, furniture and library, \$115 in Mutual Co., expires 1913, \$1,020 in Mutual Co., expires 1914; total, \$1,135. Total on building and contents, \$15,720.

KNOWLTON SCHOOL BUILDING—\$10,500, in Mutual Co., expires 1913, \$1,500 in Mutual Co., expires 1914, total, \$12,000; contents, \$500 in Mutual Co., expires 1913. Total on building and contents, \$12,500.

TOWN FARM HOUSE—\$2,500 in Mutual Co., expires 1913, \$500 in Stock Co., expires 1914, total on house \$3,000; furniture, \$138.75 in Mutual Co., expires 1913, \$27.75 in Stock Co., expires 1914, total on furniture, \$166.50; barn, \$600 in Mutual Co., expires 1913, \$120 in Stock Co., expires 1914, total, barn, \$720; stock, \$300 in Mutual Co., expires 1913, \$60 in Stock Co., expires 1914, total on stock, \$360; hay and feed, \$275 in Mutual Co., expires 1913, \$55 in Stock Co., expires 1914, total on hay and feed, \$330; vehicles and farm tools, \$86.25 in Mutual Co., expires 1913, \$17.25 in Stock Co., expires 1914, total, \$103.50. Total on farm buildings and contents, \$4,680.

E. A. WILLARD,

Agent.

TOWN LIBRARY.

TOWN LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT.

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Cash on hand April 1, 1911 . . .	\$ 2 92
Received by Selectmen's pay-roll order . . .	460 00
For fines and catalogues . . .	10 20
	\$473 12

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Paid J. S. Wesby & Sons, binding books . . .	\$ 55 80
Wm. H. Guild & Co., magazines . . .	41 15
Dodd, Mead & Co., bal. encyclopedias . . .	57 00
Young Folks Educational League, books . . .	15 44
Denholm & McKay Co., books for Carpenter alcove . . .	60 33
Denholm & McKay Co., books . . .	10 00
Ginn & Co., book . . .	99
American Book Co., book . . .	1 33
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., books . . .	16 63
Chas. Gifford, books . . .	3 25
Longmans, Green & Co., book . . .	1 54
Edward E. Babb & Co., books . . .	11 48
Chas. Scribner's Sons, books . . .	11 24
Outlook . . .	2 75
Good Housekeeping, 3 mos. . .	45
G. M. Billings, Del. slips . . .	50
Woodbury Label Co., labels . . .	2 50
Library Bureau, labels . . .	1 50
Mrs. L. C. Sadler, services as librarian . . .	130 00
Mrs. L. C. Sadler, library expenses . . .	10 52
G. E. Southland, janitor . . .	12 00
S. C. Madden, janitor . . .	18 00
E. V. Stone, cleaning library room . . .	5 97

Adams Express Co., express . . .	\$1 40
Geo. Wilson, express . . .	50
Fred Sandford, express . . .	60
	<hr/> \$472 87

Balance, cash in Treasurer's hands \$0 25

JOHN B. FAY,
Treasurer Town Library.

Upton, Mass., February 6, 1912.

I have examined the foregoing report and find it correct.

FRANK O. OGDEN,
Auditor.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

TO TRUSTEES OF UPTON TOWN LIBRARY:—

The Librarian herewith submits the following report for the Library year ending July, 1911.

Fourteen thousand and twelve volumes were distributed from July 1, 1910 to July 1, 1911.

Number of volumes in Library, 6,095.

Monthly magazines, books of history, biography, and juvenile works, have been added to the Dr. Carpenter alcove.

The Library was open ninety-seven days.

The largest daily circulation was November 19, 1910, 275 volumes.

Smallest daily circulation was June 14, 1911, 30 volumes.

The largest monthly circulation, 1,515 volumes.

Number of volumes loaned from the following classes were:—

	1911	1910
Juvenile fiction	3,865	3,990
Adult fiction	8,654	8,411
Literature	138	99
History	95	80
Travel	157	156
Magazines	757	591

GIFTS TO LIBRARY IN BOOKS, ETC.

- Acherson Oil day company.—Pathfinder.
 Mass. 1910 Commission.—Cost of living.
 Melvin, James C.—The Melvin Memorial.
 Sir Edwin, Darning Laurence Bt.—Bacon is Shakespeare.
 Carson, Herbert N.—History of the Telephone.
 Gillette, King C.—World Corporation.
 G. A. R.—Massachusetts Monuments and other Memorials.
 Mass. Minute Men of '61, History and complete roster of
 the Mass. Regiment.
 Loaned.—From Woman's Education Society, Boston, Mass.,
 one set of Pictures on Parrots, (150) for three weeks.

PAMPHLETS, REPORTS, ETC., RECEIVED.

- Twenty-third annual report of the Interstate Commerce Com-
 mission, Dec. 21, 1909.
 Eighth annual report of National Lumber Manufacturers' As-
 sociation held April 20, 1910.
 Smithsonian Bulletin, No. 71.
 Smithsonian contributions Vol. 13, part 3-4-5.
 Contributions from the U. S. National Herbarium, Vol. 15.
 Contributions from the U. S. National Herbarium, Vol. 13,
 part 6.
 Smithsonian Institution, U. S. National Museum, Bulletin 73,
 74.
 Proceedings of U. S. National Museum, Vol. 37.
 Labor Bulletin, No. 73, June, 1910, Mass.
 Journal of the House of Representatives, 1910.
 Journal of the Senate, 1910.
 Acts and Resolves of Mass., 1910.
 Manual for the General Court of Mass.
 Twenty-second annual report of Mass. Agricultural Experi-
 ment Station, Jan., 1910, Part 1.
 Journal of 44th Annual Encampment, Grand Army of the Re-
 public at Boston, Mass., April 6, 7, 1910.

LAURA COPELAND SADLER,

Librarian.

Upton, Mass., February 1912.

BOOKS ADDED DURING THE YEAR.

MAGAZINES BOUND.

- 051 W89 World's Work. May 1909—April 1911. Vols. 18-21.
- 051 H32 Harper's Monthly Magazine. June 1850—May 1911. Vols. 1-122.
- 051 R32 Review of Reviews. July 1909—June 1911. Vols. 40-43.
- 051 N42 New England Magazine. Sept. 1889—Feb. 1911. Vols. 1-43.
- 051 C33 Century Illustrated Magazine. Nov. 1881—April 1911. Vols. 1-59.
- 051 Sci2 Scientific American. July 3, 1909—June 24, 1911. Vols. 101-104.
- 051 O82 Outlook. May 1909—April 29, 1911. Vols. 92-97.

REFERENCE.

- Ref Readers guide to periodical literature, from January to December 1911.

PHILOSOPHY.

- 178 D35 De Bar, Joseph. Prohibition.

RELIGION.

- 265 F91 Why Friends (Quakers) do not baptize with water.

SOCIOLOGY.

- 370 T12 Taft, William H. Present day problems: A collection of addresses delivered on various occasions.
- 374 F54 Fiske, George Walter. Boy life, and self-government.
- 374 M11 Mabie, Hamilton Wright. Books and culture.
- 380 G41 Gillett, King Camp. World corporation.

NATURAL SCIENCE.

- 500 P820 Porter Gene-Stratton. Music of the wild.
- 531 P75 Pinchot, Gifford. Fight for conservation.

- 581 B31 Beecroft, W. I. Who's who among the wild flowers.

USEFUL ARTS.

- 620 SpO6 Spooner, Henry J. Motors and motoring.
 640 C19 Carlton, William. One way out, Middleclass New Englander, Emigrates to America.
 640 L96 Luce, Robert. Cost of living, May 1910.
 640 Zi7 Ziemann, Hugo. Gillette, Mrs. F. L. White House cook book.
 641 C54 Clark, Ida Hood. Domestic science.
 649 F22 Farmer, Fannie Merritt. Food and cookery for the sick and convalescent.
 654 M82 Morgan, Alfred Powell. Wireless telegraph construction for amateurs.
 663 B17 Baker, Walter. Cocoa and chocolate.
 674 B78 Bronson, Leonard. National lumber manufacturers' Association.
 674 B78f Forest and the saw mill.
 674 B78n National problems affecting the lumber industry.

FINE ARTS.

- 708 Ad2 Addison, Julia de Wolf. Boston Museum of Fine Arts.
 718 M49 Melvin James C. Melvin memorial, Sleepy Hollow cemetery, Concord, Mass.
 718 R62 Roe, Alfred S. Monuments, tablets and other memorials.
 796 W58c White, Stewart Edward. Cabin.

LITERATURE.

- 801 L43 Laurence, Sir Edward Durning. Bacon is Shakespeare.
 808 L97t Lumm, Emma Griffith. Twentieth century speaker.
 870 D87 Duff, J. Wright. Literary history of Rome.

HISTORY.

- 900 T27 Terhune, Albert Payson. World's great events.
 937 B952 Bury, J. B. History of the Roman Empire.

- 937 M73 Mommsen, Theodor. History of Rome, 5 vols.
 938 H73 Holm, Adolf. History of Greece, 4 vols.
 938 T79 Tucker, T. G. Life in Ancient Athens.
 940 Em Emerton, Ephraim. Introduction to the study
 of the Middle Ages.
 951 H35 Headland, Isaac Taylor. Court life in China.
 The capitol, its officers and people.
 970 W69 Wilson, Woodrow. History of the American
 people.
 973.2 B832 Bruce, H. Addington. Daniel Boone and the
 wilderness road.
 973.3 C858r Crawford, Mary Caroline. Romantic days in
 Old Boston.

TRAVEL.

- 910 P33 Peck, Harry Thurston. The new Baedeker, be-
 ing casual notes of an irresponsible traveller.
 917.4 Ab2 Abbott, Katherine M. Old paths and legends
 of the New England border, Connecticut,
 Deerfield, Berkshire.
 917.9 Enb Enock, Reginald C. Great Pacific coast.
 917.94 P35 Peixotto, Ernest. Romantic California.
 919.8 B644t Borup, George. Tenderfoot with Peary.

BIOGRAPHY.

- B Ach4 Acherson, Edward G. Pathfinder.
 B B22 Banks, Elizabeth. Autobiography of a "news-
 paper girl."
 B L99G Lyon, Mary, Life of. Gilchrist, Beth B.
 B R67D Douglas, George William. Roosevelt, the many
 sided, an anecdotal biography.
 B T91H Twain, Mark. My reminiscence and criticism of
 Howells, W. D.
 B W652H Winer, Carl. Hodges, William Romaine.

COLLECTED BIOGRAPHY.

- 923 Oma1 Oman, Charles. Seven Roman statesmen.

GENEALOGY.

- 929 An1 Andover, Mass. Vital records to 1850.

- 929 C41 Chester, Mass. Vital records to 1850.
 929 F83 Foxborough, Mass. Vital records to 1850.
 929 H19 Hanson, Mass. Vital records to 1850.
 929 I6 Ipswich, Mass. V-1 Vital records to 1850.
 929 L55 Leominster, Mass. Vital records to 1850.
 929 N422 Newburyport, Mass. Vital records to 1850.
 929 P37 Pembroke, Mass. Vital records to 1850.
 929 W522 West Boylston, Mass. Vital records to 1850.
 929 W92 Wrentham, Mass. Vital records to 1850.
- FICTION.
- Ab 2m Abbott Eleanor Hallowell. Molly "Make-Believe."
 Ab 2s Sick-a-bed-lady.
 B 122u. Batchelor, David O. Unstrung bow.
 B 23f Barclay, Florence L. Following of the star.
 B 27ho Barr, Mrs. Amelia Edith. House on Cherry street.
 B 27sh Sheila Vedder.
 B 411o Bell, J. J. Oh! Christina!
 B 42a Bennett, Arnold. Anna of the Five Towns.
 B 42c Clayhangers.
 B 51p Bindloss, Harold. Prairie courtship.
 B 51s Sidney Carteret. Rancher.
 B 65m Basher, Kate Langley. Mary Cary, "Frequently Martha."
 B 65mi Miss Gibbie Gault.
 B 81c Brown, Alice. Country neighbors.
 B 93sc Burnett, Frances Hodgson. Secret Garden.
 B 934c Burnham, Clara Louise. Clever Betsy.
 C 18k Carey, Rosa Nouchette. Key of the unknown.
 C 73j Comstock, Harriet T. Joyce of the north woods.
 C 772g Cooke, Marjorie Benton. Girl who lived in the woods.
 C 91w Cullum, Ridgwell. Watchers of the Plains.
 C 942 Curwood, James Oliver. Honor of the big snows.
 D 33sk Day, Holman. Skipper and the skipped.
 D 37i Deland, Margaret. Iron woman.

D 58m	Dillon, Mary. Miss Livingston's companion.
D 64r	Dixon, Thomas. Root of evil.
D 912m	Duncan, Norman. Measure of a man.
Ea 7i	Earle, Alice Morse. In Old Narragansett, romances and realities.
F 22b	Farnol, Jeffery. Broad highway.
F 74t	Footner, Hulbert. Two on the trail.
F 95L	Fuller, Annie. Later Pratt portraits.
G 61s	Goodloe, A. Carter. Star-gazers.
G 82i	Green, Anna Katherine. Initials only.
G 86h	Grey, Lane. Heritage of the desert.
H 24c	Harris, Corra. Circuit Rider's wife.
H 246q	Harrison, Henry Sydnor. Queed.
H 27p	Hastings, Wells, and Hooker, Bryan. Professor's mystery.
J 64Lo	Johnston, Mary. Long roll.
K 48p	Kester, Vaughn. Prodigal judge.
K 634h	Kirkland, Winifred. Home-comers.
L 51h	Lee, Jennette. Happy Island, a new "Uncle William" story.
L 55r	LeQueux, William. Red room.
L 632ca	Lincoln, Joseph C. Cap'n Warren's wards.
L 632w	Woman haters.
L 972d	Lutz, Grace Livingston Hill. Dawn of the morning.
M 121k	McCarthy, Justin Huntley. King over the water.
M 122p	McCarter, Margaret Hill. Price of the Prairie, story of Kansas.
M 124m	Mac Brayne, Lewis. Men we marry.
M 13s	McClung, Nellie L. Second chance.
M 13so	Sowing seeds in Danny.
M 382L	Mason, Caroline Atwater. Lily of France.
M 762s	Montgomery, L. M. Story girl.
M 912b	Mulford, Clarence E. Bar-20-Days.
Op 4h	Oppenheim, Phillips. Havoc.
Or 2L	Oreutt, William Dana. Lever.
P 18d	Palmer, Frederick. Danbury Dodd, aviator.

- P 21g Partridge, Anthony. Golden web.
 P 222n Parker, Gilbert. Northern lights.
 P 24k Parrish, Randall. Keith of the border.
 P 542c Phillips, David Graham. Conflict.
 P 542g Grain of dust.
 P 826h Porter-Gene Stratton. Harvester.
 P 95c Pryor, Mrs. Roger A. Colonel's story.
 R 81 Royle, Edwin Milton. Silent call.
 Sco 81i Scott, John Reed. In her own right.
 Sco 81im Imposter.
 Ser 7t Service Robert W. Trail of '98. Northland
 romance.
 Sh 51j Sheridan, Ramie A. Jess of Harbor Hill.
 Sm 5k Smith, F. Hopkinson. Kennedy Square.
 St 47p Stevenson, Burton E. Path of honor.
 T 72v Trent, Paul. Vow.
 T27 br Vance, Louis Joseph. Bronze Bell.
 V74 h Vincent, Edgar L. Hot coals.
 W 466f Wells, Morris B. Five gallons of gasoline.
 W 63mo Wiggins, Kate Douglas. Mother Cary's chick-
 ens.
 W 63rob Robinette.
 W 67g Williamson, C. N. and A. M. Golden Silence.
 W 672m Williams, Jesse Lynch. Married life of the
 Frederic Carrolls.
 W 696l Wilson, John Fleming. Land claimers.
 W 762me Wister, Owen. Members of the family.
 W 93u Wright, Harold Bell. Uncrowned king.
 W 93w Winning of Barbara Worth.

JUVENILE.

- jB 96p Bush, Bertha E. Prairie Rose.
 jF 47t Figyelmessy, Eliza Holdman. Two boys in the
 tropics.
 jF 756t Ford, Sewell. Torchy.
 jG 86y Gray, Lane. Young pitcher.
 jH 72b Holland, Rupert Sargent. Boy scouts of Birch-
 Bark island.

- jP 16f Paine, Ralph D. Fugitive freshman.
 jW 212c Warde, Margaret. Betty Wales on the campus.

JUVENILE WORKS.

- j533 C69 Collins, Francis A. Boys' book of model aeroplanes.
 j599 H312s Hawkes, Clarence. Biography of a moose, Shovelhorns.
 j599 Se7r Seton, Ernest Thompson. Rolf in the woods.
 j800 H99 Hyde, W. DeWitt. Young folks' library vocations. 10 vols.
 j800 T16 Tappan, Eva Marsh. Children's hour. 10 vols.
 j808 So6y Soper, Henry M. Kindergarten and young speaker's library.

REPORT OF APPRAISERS.

UPTON, Mass., February 1, 1912.

We, the undersigned, appraisers of Town Farm and personal property thereon, hereby certify that we met at said farm, on the first day of February, 1912, and beg leave to submit the following report :—

One horse	\$75 00
Nine cows	500 00
One bull	40 00
One yearling	30 00
One calf	15 00
Six shoats	55 00
Eighty fowls	65 00
Three tons English hay	60 00
Four tons oat fodder	48 00
One and one-half tons meadow hay	12 00
One thousand eight hundred pounds of grain	32 11
Four bushels white beans	12 00
Nineteen and one-half cords furnace wood	87 75
Nine cords of cut wood	54 00
Shingles	3 50
Two bunches of laths	1 00
One thousand ninety-two feet lumber	25 00
Wagons and carts	250 00
Harnesses	60 00
Sleigh and pung	15 00
Two sleds	15 00
Farming tools	300 00
Two fire extinguishers	16 00
Tobacco	1 20
Drugs	45
Groceries and provisions	73 57
Twenty-two bushels potatoes (firsts)	30 80
Ten bushels potatoes (seconds)	10 00

Seven bushels potatoes (small) . . .	\$ 2 80
Two and one-half barrels of apples . . .	5 00
Vegetables	9 00
One hundred twelve gallons vinegar . . .	15 68
Canned fruit and salted pickles . . .	9 00
Forty-two tons of ice	42 00
Dairy articles	20 00
Crockery	20 00
Cooking articles	25 00
Towels and linen	10 00
Kitchen furniture	95 00
Dining room furniture	20 00
One rubber door mat	5 00
Sitting room furniture	15 00
Furniture in attic	10 00
Bath room furniture	5 00
Furnishings in sleeping rooms . . .	175 00
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Total personal	\$2,370 86
Total personal, 1912	\$2,370 86
Farm and buildings, 1912	4,000 00
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Total appraised February 1, 1912 . . .	\$6,370 86
Farm as appraised Feb. 1, 1911 . . .	\$4,000 00
Personal property Feb. 1, 1911 . . .	2,507 38
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	\$6,507 38
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Decrease in valuation Feb. 1, 1912 . . .	\$136 52

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

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

EXPENSES AT THE TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1912.

To cash paid:—

Superintendent . . .	\$400 00
Labor in house . . .	195 54
Labor on farm . . .	198 00
Groceries . . .	449 95
Meat and fish . . .	372 29
Clothing and shoes . . .	67 30
Drugs and tobacco . . .	24 58
Dry goods . . .	38 49
Grain . . .	568 11
Hay . . .	42 78
Seeds and hardware . . .	62 49
Blacksmithing . . .	22 33
Fertilizer . . .	27 00
Repairs . . .	11 85
Service of bull . . .	2 00
Repairing shoes . . .	6 25
Furniture . . .	42 21
Medical aid . . .	25 00
Harnesses . . .	25 00
Veterinary service . . .	15 00
Sundries . . .	36 40
	\$2,632 57

EXPENSES AWAY FROM THE TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1912.

Town of Grafton . . .	\$119 12
State Board of Charity . . .	48 00
City of Worcester . . .	11 43
City of Boston . . .	21 43

Town of Westboro	\$ 8 00	
Town of Upton	137 17	
	<hr/>	\$345 15

RECEIPTS AT THE TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR
ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1912.

Milk sold	\$782 80	
Eggs sold	43 70	
Calves sold	26 00	
Vegetables sold	42 92	
Poultry sold	21 00	
Hogs sold	72 80	
Premium money	9 00	
Service of bull	11 00	
Received for board	76 48	
One barrel of vinegar	6 72	
Horse sold	155 00	
Miscellaneous	10 95	
	<hr/>	\$1,258 37

RECEIPTS AWAY FROM THE TOWN FARM FOR THE
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1912.

State Board of Charity	\$ 28 00	
Town of Grafton	153 85	
	<hr/>	\$181 85

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR IN ACCOUNT WITH
THE TOWN OF UPTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING
FEBRUARY 1, 1912.

Received from the farm	\$1,258 37	
Away from the farm	181 85	
Appropriation	1,400 00	
Overdrawn	137 50	
	<hr/>	\$2,977 72
Expense at the farm	\$2,632 57	
Away from the farm	345 15	
	<hr/>	\$2,977 72

Money due the town in account with:—

State Board of Charity	\$54 00
Town of Grafton	11 95
	<hr/> \$65 95

PERSONS SUPPORTED AT THE TOWN FARM FOR
THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1912.

George H. Clapp, superintendent	52 1-7 weeks
Mrs. George H. Clapp, matron	52 1-7 weeks
Lilla F. Clapp, assistant matron	36 4-7 weeks
Dorothy Clapp, superintendent's child	52 1-7 weeks
Annie Foster, assistant matron	1 1-7 weeks
Martha Ubivicate, assistant matron	13 1-7 weeks
Chas. E. Kingman, laborer	41 2-7 weeks
Inmate No. 1	52 1-7 weeks
Inmate No. 2	52 1-7 weeks
Inmate No. 3	52 1-7 weeks
Inmate No. 4	50 4-7 weeks
Inmate No. 5, boarder	8 3-7 weeks
Inmate No. 6, boarder 4 2-7 weeks Inmate 36 weeks	40 2-7 weeks
Inmate No. 7	34 2-7 weeks
Inmate No. 8	38 2-7 weeks
Inmate No. 9	16 2-7 weeks
Walter E. Clapp, boarder	9 weeks

The cost to support each inmate at the Town Farm for the year ending February 1, 1912, is \$4.43 per week.

ELBRIDGE A. PHIPPS,
EDWIN A. CHAMBERLAIN,
ARTHUR W. FRAIL,
Overseers of the Poor.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION FOR HORSES AT THE
TOWN FARM FOR THE YEAR ENDING
FEBRUARY 1, 1912.

Appropriation	\$300 00
Walter L. Brousseau, pair of horses	\$300 00

ELBRIDGE A. PHIPPS,
EDWIN A. CHAMBERLAIN,
ARTHUR W. FRAIL,
Overseers of the Poor.

I have examined these reports and find them correct.

FRANK O. OGDEN,

Auditor.

**REPORT OF THE LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT FOR
SUPPRESSING THE GYPSY AND BROWN TAIL
MOTHS IN THE TOWN OF UPTON FOR THE
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1912.**

Appropriation	\$400 00	
Due the town from property owners	76 50	
	<hr/>	\$476 50
Paid George H. Evans for labor and supplies	\$ 44 25	
C. L. Goodrich for labor and supplies	147 85	
H. S. Goodrich for labor	100 00	
F. T. Nelson, notifying property own- ers	8 50	
Southbridge Print Shop, printing	1 63	
	<hr/>	\$302 28

TOOLS ON HAND.

2 pair pruning shears.
1 pair Clyde pruners.
1 bush scythe and snath.
2 bill hooks.
2 axes.
2 saws.
2 hunters' axes.
2 tree scrapers.
1 pair tinnerns' snips.
1 12-foot Waters pruner.
1 16-foot pruner.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. EVANS.

REPORT OF SEALER'S WORK ON WEIGHTS AND MEASURES DURING THE YEAR 1911.

Number of platform scales over 5000 pounds sealed	3
" " " under 5000 pounds sealed	11
" computing scales sealed	5
" all other scales sealed	35
" all other scales condemned	4
" weights sealed	106
" dry measures sealed	35
" liquid measures (other than milk jars) sealed	42
" milk jars sealed	747
" milk jars condemned	4
" linear measures sealed	5
" oil pumps sealed	1

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. WOOD,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF THE BUREAU OF MEASURES DURING THE YEAR 1911

Number of gallon scales over 500 pounds sealed	1
Under 500 pounds sealed	11
Sealing scales sealed	8
All other scales sealed	32
All other scales examined	1
Weights sealed	116
Measures used	85
Measures found to be correct	12
Measures found to be incorrect	14
Measures found to be correct	1
Measures found to be incorrect	1

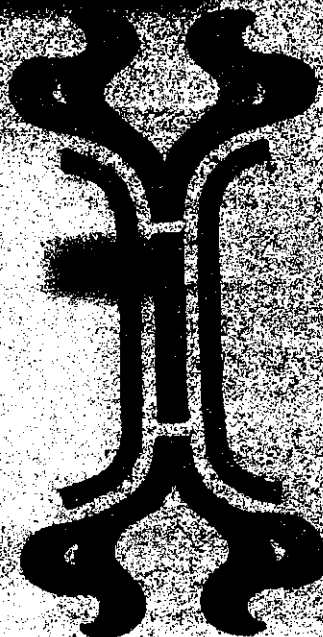
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PUBLIC SCHOOLS

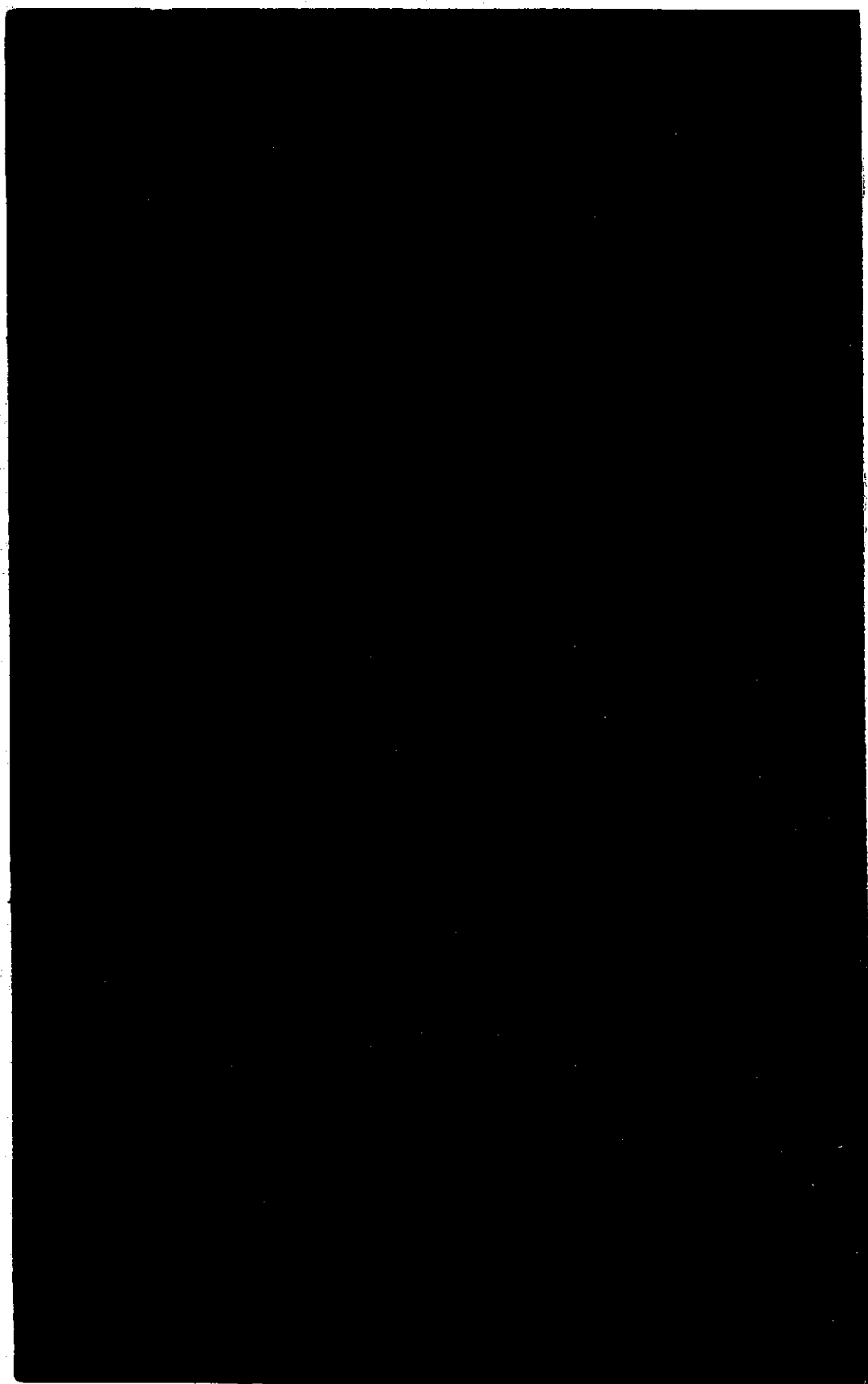
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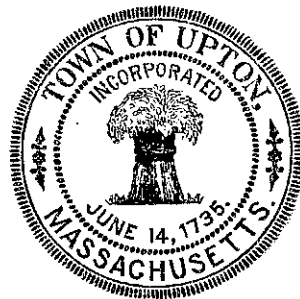


Ralph Briggs—Grade



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

**For the One Hundred and Seventy-Seventh Municipal Year
Ending February 1, 1912.**



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

Superintendent of Schools

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

January 30, 1912.

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



MANUAL

OF THE

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

UPTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

February First, Nineteen Hundred and Twelve.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

School Office, High School Building, Main Street.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

ORGANIZATION FOR 1911.

George W. Knowlton, Chairman; term expires 1912.
West Upton.

I. Plummer Taft, Secretary; term expires 1913.
West Upton.

Dr. Samuel R. Capen; term expires 1914.
Upton Centre.

Chas. F. Prior, Superintendent of Schools.
Local Office, High School Building, Main Street.
P. O. Address, Grafton, Massachusetts.
Residence, South Street, Grafton.
Telephone, (office) 49-2, Grafton.

OFFICE HOURS FOR SCHOOL BUSINESS.

THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Regular meetings in the School Office, 2 p. m., last Tuesday of each month during term time.

THE SUPERINTENDENT.

At Upton High School Building, Tuesdays in term time,
9 to 10 a. m.

At Grafton Town Block, Grafton Centre, Mondays in
term time, 7 to 8 p. m.; Thursdays in term time, 4.30 to 5.30 p. m.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Number of school houses (in use)	.	.	.	3
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SCHOOLS.

Total number of public schools	.	.	.	9
High School	.	.	.	1

Grammar Schools:—At High School Building, 2;
at Centre Building, 1; at Knowlton Building,
1. Total 4

Primary Schools:—At Centre Building, 2; at
Knowlton Building, 2. Total 4

TEACHERS.

Number of teachers required by the public day
schools—Male, 1; female, 10. Total 11
(Exclusive of special teachers.)

Number of teachers in the High School:—Male, 1;
female, 2. Total 3

Number of teachers who have graduated from or
attended College or Normal School (100 per
cent):—Male, 1; female, 10. Total 11

Number of special teachers 2

LIST OF TEACHERS EMPLOYED IN UPTON, FEB. 1, 1912.

Name.	Grades.	Home residence	Where educated.
Vernon S. Ames	Principal H. S.	No. Haven, Me.	Colby College
Maud Hodges	Assistant	Everett, Mass.	Boston University
Bertha A. Blodgett	Assistant	Worcester, Mass.	Wellesley College
Mary Sullivan	Grade VIII.	Ware, Mass.	Bridgewater Normal
Ada M. Williams	Grade VII.	Quincy, Mass.	Bridgewater Normal
Anna T. Lahey	Grades V-VI.	Worcester, Mass.	Worcester Normal
Maybell T. Hackett	Grades III-IV.	Worcester, Mass.	Worcester Normal
Elizabeth Hinckley	Grades I-II.	Baldwinville, Mass.	Fitchburg Normal
Ethelyn A. Howard	Grades V-VI.	Malden, Mass.	Salem Normal
Florence Brigham	Grades III-IV.	Worcester, Mass.	Worcester Normal
Allene Durkee	Grades I-II.	Worcester, Mass.	Worcester Normal
Flora M. Randall	Music and Drawing	Grafton, Mass.	Worcester Schools
Dana A. Stanley	Bench Work	Medway, Mass.	Larson Sloyd School

SCHOOL CALENDAR—1912-1913.

1912.

January 1, Monday, Winter term begins.
 February 22, Thursday, Washington's Birthday. Holiday.
 March 15, Friday, Winter term ends.

Vacation of Two Weeks.

April 1, Monday, Spring term begins.
 April 19, Friday, Patriots' Day. Holiday.
 May 30, Thursday, Memorial Day. Holiday.
 June 14, Friday, Spring term ends in grades.
 June 21, Friday, Spring term ends in High.

Summer Vacation.

September 2, Monday, Labor Day. Holiday.
 September 3, Tuesday, Fall term begins in High.
 September 9, Monday, Fall term begins in grades.
 October, Upton Fair Day. Holiday.
 November 28, Thursday, Thanksgiving Day. Holiday.
 November 29, Friday, Special Holiday.
 December 20, Friday, Fall term ends.

Vacation of Two Weeks.

1913.

January 6, Monday, Winter term begins.
 March 14, Friday, Winter term ends.

Vacation of Two Weeks.

March 31, Monday, Spring term begins.
 May 30, Friday, Memorial Day. Holiday.
 June 13, Friday, Spring term ends in grades.
 June 20, Friday, Spring term ends in High.

Summer Vacation.

TERMS.

	High School.	Grades.
Spring, 1912	12 weeks,	11 weeks..
Fall, 1912	16 weeks,	15 weeks..
Winter, 1913	10 weeks,	10 weeks..
Spring, 1913	12 weeks,	11 weeks.

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

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

If at any time a teacher is unavoidably absent, immediate report must be made to the office by telephone at town expense. A substitute will be furnished if possible.

SCHOOL SESSIONS AND RECESSES.

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

Common Schools, 9 to 11.45 A. M., 1 to 3.45 P. M., with 15 minutes' recess each session.

STORM SIGNALS FOR NO-SESSION OF THE COMMON SCHOOLS.

The signal is given at 7.30 A. M. by ringing the Congregational Church bell at Upton Center and the Unitarian Church bell at West Upton at half minute intervals.

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

STATISTICS
OF THE
PUBLIC SCHOOLS,
UPTON, MASSACHUSETTS.
1912.

The financial statistics, except as indicated, concern the financial year ending January 31, 1912. The other statistics, except as indicated, refer to the last completed school year, ending June, 1911.

STATISTICS.

Population of Upton, 1910	2071
Children between five and fifteen years of age September 1, 1911, males 148, females 148	296
Children between seven and fourteen years of age, September 1, 1911, males 102, females 112	214
Illiterate minors over fourteen	2
Valuation in 1910	\$1,141,900 00
Valuation of school property	\$35,500 00
Tax rate per thousand	\$19 50
Total cost for support of schools	\$8,851 34
Total cost for repairs and improvements	\$131 31
Total cost received from outside sources and expended for support of schools	\$2,188 37
Amount raised by taxation and expended for support of schools	\$6,662 97
Amount per thousand of valuation raised by taxation and expended for support of schools	\$5 85
Amount per thousand of valuation raised by taxation and expended for repairs and im- provements	\$0 12
Total expenditure per pupil (based on average membership)	\$29 39
Total cost to town per pupil for support of schools	\$22 12
Outside Contributions:—	
Tuition City of Boston wards	\$ 16 50
Knowlton fund	380 00
Superintendent; teachers' account	125 00
Superintendent; salary account	187 50
County dog fund	326 77
Massachusetts school fund	907 10
Transportation (G. W. Knowlton, jr.)	16 00
Tuition state wards	229 50
	————— \$2,188 37

ATTENDANCE TABLE.

SCHOOL.	GRADE.	ENROLMENT.							Total membership	Average membership	Average attendance	Per cent of attendance	Half days absence	Tardiness	Dismissals	Length of school in months and days
		Boys	Girls	Total												
					Under 5 years	5 to 15 years	Over 15 years	7 to 14 years								
High	IX-XIII	36	35	71	24	47	8	71	63.7	61.6	96.6	1452	127	103	9-2	
Grammar	VIII	13	14	27	27	0	21	27	26.6	21.8	81.9	978	22	5	8-11 1/2	
Grammar	VII	6	19	25	23	2	22	26	23.9	21.9	93.3	714	40	11	8-11 1/2	
Center	V-VI	14	17	31	30	1	30	31	29.9	27.5	91.9	1624	64	28	8-11 1/2	
Center	III-IV	18	18	36	36		32	36	35.6	32.1	90	2410	71	30	8-11 1/2	
Center	I	15	7	22	22		4	22	20.3	17.5	86.2	693	11	2	4-5 1/2	
Center	II	11	3	14	14		10	14	13.3	12	90.2	232	8	7	4-5 1/2	
Knowlton	V-VI	14	21	35	35		29	35	34.9	32.7	93.6	1340	12	2	8-12 1/2	
Knowlton	III-IV	21	12	33	33		33	33	3	29.1	95.4	163	24	7	8-12 1/2	
Knowlton	I	9	12	21	21		3	21	20.1	18.1	90.5	124 1/2	6	0	4-5 1/2	
Knowlton	II	5	9	14	14		9	14	12.3	11.4	91.1	80	16	1	4-5 1/2	
Totals		162	167	329	279	50	201	329	301.1	285.7	94.5	8700 1/2	401	191	77-12	

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF UPTON, MASS. :—

GENTLEMEN :—

Herewith is presented my second annual report, the twenty-first in the series of superintendent's reports since the formation of the union with Grafton.

The school report should be regarded as an important source of information concerning the schools. Too often a passing glance measures the degree of attention accorded it. Under a government such as ours the only firm support good schools can have lies in an interested and informed public sentiment. A fountain rises no higher than its source and the schools of a community can reach no higher standard than that set for them by the town or city that pays for them. This is trite doctrine but it needs today more than passive acceptance ; it needs practice.

The present report makes no special claim upon the attention, but, like those of preceding years, deserves to be regarded as something more than a legal requirement.

BUILDINGS AND REPAIRS.

The repairs made during the year include the following items :—

Scraping and re-painting the walls and ceiling of the fifth and sixth grade room at the Center.

Putting three slate blackboards in the Center building.

Repairing heating plant at Center building.

Overhauling outhouses at the Center.

Oiling floors of the High school building and the Center.

Repairing steam plant at High school building.

The Center building is old and unsanitary. Not many years can elapse before the town must feel the necessity of providing better quarters for the children of that section. The

building is not susceptible of radical improvement. It will be wise, therefore, to make only such annual expenditures upon it as contribute to the comfort, convenience, and wholesome appearance of the interior. At the present time there are several needs of this character, among them the following may be mentioned :—

On one side of each of the rooms on the lower floor is a wide platform which now serves no useful purpose. The removal of this platform, the placing of the seats farther apart, and the widening of the aisles, seem to me quite desirable.

The wood work of the entries, the stairway, and the upper hall is sadly in need of paint.

Defaced desk tops not only mar greatly the appearance of the rooms, but they suggest to pupils further marring and cutting, and, thereby, encourage a wrong tendency toward school property in general. I suggest that the desks of all the buildings be inspected and that such as need it be scoured and re-varnished.

GRADING.

The grading of the grounds in front of the High school is still a matter of the future. In the school report of 1909 it was stated that a fund of \$900 was available at the proper time for use in improving the grounds about the Center and High school buildings. I do not know just the conditions under which the subscriptions for this purpose were secured, but it would seem as if a small addition to this sum would enable the work to be done well. The walk in front of the High school building is an eyesore, and fragments from it are constantly strewn over the grass ground. I wish the School Committee might take up the matter with the custodians of the fund, and that an earnest effort might be made to bring to fruition the plans of those who initiated the project.

MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE.

The average membership of your schools for the year ending June, 1911, was 308.2; the percentage of attendance, 92.7.

The average membership, attendance, and percentage of attendance during the last five years are shown below.

Year.	Av. Membership.	Av. Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.
1906-1907	329.4	303.4	92.1
1907-1908	317.2	297.8	93.7
1908-1909	322.6	300.8	93.6
1909-1910	316.9	294.2	92.8
1910-1911	308.2	285.7	92.7

PRESENT MEMBERSHIP OF EACH GRADE.

GRADE.

I.	II.	III.	IV.	V.	VI.	VII.	VIII.	IX.	X.	XI.	XII.	Total.
22	33	34	34	31	30	32	20	21	17	12	11	307

Membership of all grades, January, 1908—323

Membership of all grades, January, 1909—331

Membership of all grades, January, 1910—322

Membership of all grades, January, 1911—328

Membership of all grades, January, 1912—307

AGE OF ADMISSION AND LENGTH OF ELEMENTARY COURSE.

In harmony with the tendency in Massachusetts, the length of the elementary course of study in Upton is eight years. Contrary to the general tendency, however, and also, the well-nigh universal belief of educators, is the admission of beginners at the age of five. In changing from a nine to an eight-year course most systems have preferred to raise the age of admission to six years. It is my conviction that either this should be done in Upton, or that the first grade should be divided early in the year into two divisions, one composed of the more mature children, and the other of those less developed. In the absence of a kindergarten I believe the latter plan is preferable. Under such a plan the work of the first division should be organized so as to enable the completion of the work in eight years; that of the second division in nine years. The division of the children should be based on their mental development, and not merely on age. Doubtless most

of those in the first division would be six years old, but children of five, mature for their age, and children of six, immature, should be placed with reference to this difference. The work of the first division should be speeded to the eight-year course; that of the second should be of a character to prepare for regular primary work.

In recommending to you the organization of a sub-primary grade, I am merely asking practical recognition of a condition that already exists. The principal reason for an eight rather than a nine-year course for pupils admitted at five lies in the assumed saving of time by such a plan. Experience has demonstrated that there is no gain of time. Reports received and collated by Dr. Prince of the State Board show that the average age of pupils graduating from the eight-year course to which children are admitted at five is fourteen years and four months, while that of children graduating from the nine-year course is fourteen years and five months. The difference of one month is inconsiderable. The figures just given are substantiated by the condition in Upton schools. The average age of the present freshman class in our High school was in September fourteen years and three months; the average age of the previous freshman class was fourteen years and nine months. It is clear that many of the pupils under the present organization either have to repeat a grade somewhere or else do not enter school until six years of age. As a matter of fact both these conditions exist.

Following are two tables showing age and grade distribution in September, 1910, and in September, 1911. The heavy line in each column has above it the number of children of normal age, according to our standard, and below it the number too old for the grade.

Examination of the tables reveals the fact that in September, 1910, 26.6 per cent. of the pupils were too old for their grades; in September of the current year, 24.1 per cent. were in the same condition.

That many parents are preferring to enter their children at a later age than five is suggested by the table. In 1910

there were thirty-seven pupils in Grade I., of whom seven were "repeaters," leaving thirty as the number of beginners. Of these, fifteen, or fifty per cent., were six years of age or older. In 1911 somewhat over fifty per cent. were six or over.

It is obvious that, as a rule, children of five and children of six are not qualified to do the same grade of work. The recognition of this fact by the formation of two divisions in Grade I. would, in my judgment, lead to more profitable results for each class.

GRADE AND AGE DISTRIBUTION—1910.

AGE.	Grade I.	Grade II.	Grade III.	Grade IV.	Grade V.	Grade VI.	Grade VII.	Grade VIII.	Total.
5	15								15
6	14	7							21
7	8	14	17	7					46
8		5	11	10	1				27
9		1	5	9	5	1			21
10			1	3	12	13			29
11			1	2	8	6	6		23
12				1	3	7	9	6	26
13				1	1	3	4	13	22
14							1	5	6
15							2	1	3
16									1
Total	37	27	35	33	30	31	22	25	240
Above normal age	8	6	7	7	12	11	7	6	64
Per cent above normal age	21.8	22.2	20	21.2	40	35.1	31.8	24	26.6

GRADE AND AGE DISTRIBUTION—1911.

AGE.	Grade i.	Grade ii.	Grade iii.	Grade iv.	Grade v.	Grade vi.	Grade vii.	Grade viii.	Total.
5	9	2							11
6	18	12							30
7	4	11	7						22
8		6	15	16	3				40
9		1	1	8	8	11	1		30
10	1		5	5	7	6	1	1	26
11				3	5	12	13		33
12				1	3	8	9	7	28
13					1	2	7	9	19
14					1	1	2	2	6
15									
16									
Total	32	32	28	33	28	40	33	19	245
Above normal age	5	7	6	9	10	11	9	2	59
Per cent above normal age	15.6	21.8	20.7	27.2	35.7	27.5	27.2	10.5	24.1

COMPARATIVE LENGTH OF OUR SCHOOL YEAR.

The school year in Upton is shorter than the average for the State. The following table gives the length of the average year for the state and the length of the school year in Upton for the last five years.

LENGTH OF SCHOOL YEAR.

Year.	Average number of months and days the public schools were kept in Massachusetts.	Average number of months and days the public schools were kept in Upton.
1905-06	9 months, 7 days	8 months, 13 days
1906-07	9 months, 7 days	8 months, 13 days
1907-08	9 months, 8 days	8 months, 10 days
1908-09	9 months, 6 days	8 months, 16 days
1909-10	9 months, 6 days	8 months, 13 days

The nominal length of the grade school year in Upton is thirty-six weeks; the actual length is indicated in the above table. It will be noted that our schools are in session less by nearly three weeks than the average for the state.

CHANGE IN LENGTH OF SCHOOL DAY.

In accordance with the recommendation in last year's report the length of the school day has been increased fifteen minutes. This was accomplished by shortening the noon hour from one hour and thirty minutes to one hour and fifteen minutes. Pupils who eat their dinners at home find the present period sufficient, and the large number of barge children, who spend the entire noon hour at the school building, are certainly better cared for under the present arrangement. The increase gives an additional one and one-fourth hours per week for school purposes. During the fall term, while many of the teachers were new and becoming accustomed to their position, this time was given to the regular school work. From now on it is planned to devote the time in a large measure to weaving, basketry, and other forms of manual training. The aggregate gain in hours due to the lengthening of the school day fifteen minutes amounts in a year to nearly two weeks.

TEACHERS.

Only two of last year's teachers are found in the present corps. One of these, Miss Hackett, leaves us on February 12.

The following table gives the name, position held in Up-

ton, salary paid in Upton, present location and present salary, in so far as known, of each teacher who has left us. This table is instructive in that it indicates why so many teachers leave us after a year of service.

TEACHERS WHO HAVE LEFT UPTON SCHOOLS THIS YEAR.

Name.	Upton Position.	Upton Salary.	Present Position.	Present Salary.
Gertrude Holland,	High School,	\$450,	Quincy,	\$650
Helen M. Smith,	High School,	400,	Not known	—
Grace N. Farnsworth,	Grade VIII.,	360,	Hyannis,	Student.
Margaret Burgess,	Grade VII.,	378,	Mattapoiset,	525
Mabel Mathewson,	Grades V. VI.,	360,	Norwood,	500
Mildred Simmons,	Grades III. IV.,	360,	Manchester N.H.	500
Isabel M. Hall,	Grades I. II.,	360,	So. Framingham,	500
Dorothy Haviland,	Grades I. II.,	360,	Hudson,	450
Georgia M. Donahue,	Grades V. VI.,	378,	Winchendon,	450
Bertha Ainsworth,	Grades I. II.,	396,	Needham,	550
Maybell Hackett,	Grades III. IV.,	378,	Cambridge,	510

It will be noted that nine teachers have resigned since the last report to accept positions at distinctly better salaries.

THE SALARY QUESTION AGAIN.

The history of Upton schools indicates one constant condition, viz.: seventy-five per cent of the schools are always in the charge of new teachers. The table just given suggests one remedy, viz., higher salaries. It may be urged, however, that if higher salaries were paid we should still lose our teachers. This is true, but an increase of the maximum to \$450 a year would undoubtedly enable the retention of many of our best teachers for two or three years. The prospect of a second year of service with no appreciable increase of salary induces teachers to begin candidating. At the present time \$378 a year is our maximum salary for a grade teacher. The principal of a building occasionally receives \$396 or, very infrequently, \$410. If we could increase the salaries of our best teachers to \$450 for a second year of service I am confident many of them would remain with us. If we should be called

upon to pay all of our teachers this maximum in any one year, it would require an additional appropriation of \$576. It is improbable that we should ever need to pay the maximum to more than half the corps at any one time. An increase of \$300 in the amount devoted to teachers' salaries is a fair estimate of the additional amount needed in order to raise our maximum to \$450. An increase in the tax levy for school purposes of less than ONE-THIRD of a mill on the dollar would enable this.

LOCAL TEACHERS.

A remedy other than raising our maximum salary is suggested, viz., local teachers. If well-trained, capable, efficient local teachers can be secured and retained for \$378 per year of thirty-six weeks, a weekly wage of \$7.25 for the calendar year, I am heartily in favor of such a course. Can they be so secured and retained? Is it likely that a young woman who has given four years in the high school and from two to four years in the normal school to prepare for teaching will be satisfied with a weekly wage of \$7.25? Willingness to do so would indicate lack of ambition or lack of ability, or, in other words, inefficiency, unless, of course, there were home conditions which made such a course necessary. The ambitious, efficient teacher, even if new to her school every year, is preferable to the unambitious, inefficient teacher of longer tenure. Deducting from the number of normal school graduates likely to live in Upton, those whose ability and efficiency would lead them to aspire higher, the number of available local teachers will always be inconsiderable.

The valuation of Upton is low, the tax rate high. If the sum at present available for teachers' salaries is as much as the voters feel that they can expend for this purpose, it is evident that our schools must continue to face the condition of constant change in the teaching corps. Three cents on every hundred added to the present tax levy for school purposes would help greatly in the retention of teachers. Is it worth it?

The teachers of the present corps are earnest, sensible,

well-trained young women. I wish we could keep them beyond the present year.

THE CURRICULUM.

The following changes have been made in the course of study since the last report.

I. The semi-slant system of penmanship has displaced the vertical in the first four grades.

II. A new outline of the work in arithmetic has been placed in the schools.

III. The course in drawing has been more closely correlated with the other work of the schools. A class in mechanical drawing has been started in the high school.

IV. The equipment for bench work has been greatly increased and the instruction systematized and rendered more adequate.

V. The teaching of thrift has been introduced and is rendered effective through the operation of a school savings bank.

VI. The rules and regulations governing the conduct of the school work have been revised and modified.

PENMANSHIP.

The penmanship throughout the school is unsatisfactory. This complaint is by no means unique or new. A glance at school papers of almost any date reveals a large percentage of poor writers. The causes of this condition are variously stated. By some, poor writing is attributed to the system taught, whether acute-slant, semi-slant, or vertical; by others to the fact that too much writing is required; by others to the natural capabilities of children; and by still others to the method of teaching the subject.

A few years ago when the use of the slant was universal the vertical was strongly urged as a remedy for the poor results in the schools. It has not so proven itself. Business men have protested against it, and the slant system in modified form has replaced it practically everywhere. Upton has fallen in line by adopting the slant for use in the first four

grades. Children who have been taught the vertical for four years will continue the same system, while those now beginning the slant will have it throughout the grades.

The excessive amount of writing required undoubtedly tends to injure the penmanship. Proof of this is seen in the rapid deterioration of a pupil's hand-writing after he enters grades where much written work is required. Very frequently the parent of a child in the grammar or the high school says:—"J—— wrote well when he was in the primary grades but one can scarcely read his writing now." Less written work and more oral work in the intermediate and grammar grades would save time for needed drill and instruction in other subjects, and also secure better penmanship.

The method of teaching writing has much to do with the result. Absence of method characterizes the presentation of the subject in most of our schools. It is only recently that normal schools have trained their pupils in this branch. It is probable that as we are able to secure teachers trained in teaching penmanship we shall get better results in our schools. It may be worth while in the future to endeavor to secure at least one teacher in each building who is a graduate of a normal school where there is special instruction in penmanship, and to arrange to have her supervise the teaching of the subject in the building.

Our schools have been striving especially this year to bring up the standard of work in reading and arithmetic. I believe our next effort should be in the direction of better penmanship.

ARITHMETIC.

The new outline in arithmetic provides for the teaching of some number in the first grade, simplifies the method of presenting the primary number facts, and calls for careful drill upon them, gives oral work a prominent place in every grade, emphasizes accuracy and training in analysis, and distributes the work through the grades in a way to fix responsibility for failure. The work of the schools in arithmetic is not satis-

factory but it is certain that definite gains are being made this year.

DRAWING.

The course of study in drawing has been considerably modified. The changes have been in the direction of a closer correlation of drawing with the other school subjects and with manual training. In the limited time at her disposal the Supervisor of Drawing has a difficult task. The constant changes in the teaching force greatly complicate it. In my opinion remarkably good work is being done even under these conditions.

MECHANICAL DRAWING.

The formation of a class in mechanical drawing in the high school fills a long felt need. This has been rendered possible through the interest and co-operation of the Principal, who takes the class himself in the absence of time for this purpose by the Supervisor of Drawing.

MANUAL TRAINING.

The Home Literary Club has continued and increased its support of this department during the year. The interest, the very generous financial support, the spirit in which the assistance of the ladies of the club is given, are greatly appreciated by the school department and should be by the entire community. It is unnecessary to mention here reasons why manual training should be given in the schools, previous reports have discussed the subject thoroughly. Manual training is as desirable a part of a good system of schools as arithmetic; it is regarded as one of the essentials wherever high standards of education obtain.

The manual work below the seventh grade consists of raffia braiding, hand-loom weaving, basketry, card board construction work, and plasticine moulding. It is in the charge of the Supervisor of Drawing. About one hour each week is used for this purpose. The increase in the length of the school day enables this work to be done without taking any of

the time heretofore used for instruction in the required subjects. Present indications point to the accomplishment of some very satisfactory work before June.

The most noteworthy development in the manual training department has been in the direction of bench work. Heretofore, with only four benches, and these inadequately supplied with tools, most of the boys of the upper grades were relegated a good share of the time to the role of observers, a relatively unprofitable part for them. In December an equipment of eight benches well supplied with tools was completed, and Upton united with Grafton in engaging an instructor. Mr. Dana M. Stanley, a graduate of the Larsen Sloyd school, now gives one-half a day each week to Upton. The seventeen boys of the seventh and eighth grades work in two divisions, each division having one hour and fifteen minutes of instruction each week. Under present condition of equipment, instruction, and time, something worth while should be accomplished.

While the boys are receiving instruction in wood working a class in sewing is conducted for the girls.

The expenditures of the Home Literary club in support of manual training for the year ending February 1, 1912, have been as follows :—

Supplies for manual work in lower grades	.	.	\$16 84
Salary of Miss Leary for sixteen weeks	.	.	32 00
New benches and tools	.	.	60 71
Salary of Mr. Stanley to February 1, 1912	.	.	16 62
Total	.	.	<hr/> \$126 17

THRIFT.

The legislature of 1910 made the teaching of Thrift a part of the work of the public schools. In last year's report it was pointed out that the most effective way to teach Thrift was by fostering habits of economy and self control. As a means of doing this and of cultivating the feeling of personal ownership, it was recommended that a School Savings Bank

be established. Following a plan recommended by the state such a system has been introduced. The first collections were made October 31st, 1911. The following statement indicates the results of operation from that time to January 23d, 1912.

SCHOOL SAVINGS BANK—OCTOBER 31, 1911—JANUARY 23, 1912.

Grade	Number of depositors	Total deposited	Average deposit per pupil	Number of books issued by Grafton Savings Bank
I.	17	\$ 7.49	\$.44	
II.	12	8.84	.74	
III.	16	13.67	.85	1
IV.	19	26.08	1.37	1
V.	16	28.79	1.80	1
VI.	12	14.25	1.18	
VII.	13	11.52	.89	
VIII.	10	13.57	1.35	
Total	115	\$124.21	\$1.08	3

REQUIRED AND PERMISSIVE SUBJECTS.

The subjects taught in our public schools are of two classes, viz., required and permissive. The following are required by law to be taught in all public schools: Spelling, reading, writing, English language and grammar, geography, arithmetic, drawing, history of the United States, physiology and hygiene, and good behavior. Of the permissive subjects, elementary science, manual training, sewing, vocal music, physical training, and thrift receive attention in Upton schools. It may be of interest to know that nearly 80 per cent, or four-fifths, of the time in school is given to instruction in the required subjects.

HIGH SCHOOL.

An item of interest to the thoughtful citizen is the extent to which the high school meets its possibilities of enrolment. Under careful investigation the somewhat common impression that the high school serves only a selected few is discredited.

In Upton an unusually large per cent of those entering the primary school finish the grammar grades and do some work in the high school. Records have not been kept long enough to enable one to determine exactly what per cent do this but it is possible to approximate the result.

The average membership of all your schools in the year 1909-10 was 316.9, that of the high school, 71.4. If conditions were perfect and each pupil passed through all the grades, including the four grades of the high school, each grade would contain one-twelfth of the pupils. Disregarding the necessary losses, there could never be more than four-twelfths, or $33\frac{1}{3}$ per cent of the total enrolment, in the high school. If 22.5 percent of the total enrolment is in the high school, which was the case in 1909-10, then the ratio of this percentage to the percentage of the school's possibilities, $33\frac{1}{3}$ per cent, is approximately the per cent of children who are reaching the high school. In the year 1909-10 Upton high school realized 67.5 per cent of its possibilities of enrolment. In 1910-11 the per cent was 61.8. January 31, 1912, the enrolment was 60 per cent of the possible number. The fact that so large a per cent of all the children enter the high school should stimulate interest in it on the part of citizens and lead to an increased effort to make it more efficient in meeting the demands made upon it.

At no time since my connection with Upton schools have I been so well pleased with the work of the high school as at present. In discipline, in quality of teaching, in standard of scholarship, the school has made distinct progress during the year. We have been fortunate in the retention of the principal and in securing efficient assistants to replace those who have resigned since the last report.

MEDICAL INSPECTION.

The results of the eye and ear tests given by the teachers are as follows:—

Number of pupils examined	.	.	.	.	281
Number found defective in eyesight	.	.	.	.	34
Number found defective in hearing	.	.	.	.	9
Notifications sent	.	.	.	.	43

CULTIVATING THE SENSE OF PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY.

It has been stated that the greatest weakness in the education of the present is in its inefficiency in developing a responsible human being. This indictment, if true, is certainly a serious one. The pressing demand of society today is for men and women who can be relied upon to accomplish what is entrusted to them, and failure to cultivate this sense of personal responsibility is of vital concern. Are the schools failing in this? If so, whose is the fault?

The sense of responsibility can be cultivated in only one way, viz., by placing children under conditions which tend to develop it. It is perfectly obvious that it cannot be produced by shielding children from it. The sense of responsibility can be developed in school by the feeling on the part of the child that he is responsible for the success of his work there. Does this feeling exist in so great a measure as it ought? Says Dean Briggs, "Many parents regard school and college as far less serious in demands than business: a place of delightful irresponsibility where youth may disport himself for a season before he is condemned to hard labor." "A place of delightful irresponsibility" is a very good expression of the feeling many *pupils*, also, manifest toward the school. It should be made perfectly plain to the young that the school is a far different place than this; that it is, indeed, a place where the benefit derived is almost entirely dependent upon the effort put forth on the part of the pupil. It is exceedingly unfortunate that so many children in the grammar and high school should feel, as expressed by their conduct, in the words of Professor Briggs, "If you want us to be virtuous, heroic, learned, and accomplished, you will have to exert yourselves, we want to gratify you but we will tolerate nothing dry, nothing hard, nothing ascetic. The duty of the preacher and the teacher is to waft us to Heaven or Parnassus on gentle zephyrs: otherwise each must endure the pain of seeing us go elsewhere."

The home should less often become the advocate of the

child against the school, less frequently seek to save him from the consequences of his idleness and mischief. The home can help the school to cultivate the sense of personal responsibility by causing the child to feel from the beginning that what he does in school is dependent very largely upon his personal effort, and that he must suffer the consequences if he is unsuccessful.

The reports of the Principal of the High School, the Supervisor of Music and Drawing, and the Supervisor of Sloyd, follow.

To the Members of the School Committee I wish to express my appreciation of their uniform kindness and courtesy. It has been a pleasure to work with them in the conduct of the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. PRIOR,

Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF HIGH SCHOOL.

TO MR. CHARLES F. PRIOR, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS,
UPTON, MASSACHUSETTS:—

I submit herewith my third annual report as Principal of the Upton High School:

The enrollment at the time of my last report was 71, and during the remainder of the school year six left school, for various reasons, leaving a membership of 65 at the close of the year, and a class of twelve were graduated. The total enrollment for this year is 66, distributed as follows:—

Class.	Senior.	Junior.	Sophomore.	Freshman.	Total.
Boys	2	7	9	11	29
Girls	9	7	8	13	37
	—	—	—	—	—
	11	14	17	24	66

The average membership for the ninety days of the present school year has been 64.44, and the average attendance 62.33, or 96.72 per cent. Fourteen pupils have not been absent. The total number of absences has been 195, of which 97 were caused by sickness. Four have dropped out since September.

The graduating class was composed of four boys and eight girls. Two of the boys have entered college, three of the girls have entered normal school, and several of the others have hopes of going to some higher school in the near future. I called attention last year to the fact that all of the members of the class of 1910 had entered some higher school or had definite plans to do so. A recent inquiry shows that there are in school at present 17 who hope to go to college, 6 to normal school, 3 to trade school, 11 to business college, 2 to technical school, and 5 to other schools. These facts indicate a tendency among our pupils not to be satisfied with the education that the public schools can give them.

It is true that the majority of boys and girls who enter

the High school do not go further and may not even graduate, and therefore the first duty of the school is to fit these so far as possible to become useful, efficient, law-abiding citizens. But we do not forget that it is also the duty of a High School to prepare the more ambitious ones so that they may enter college or normal school without the necessity of going to some other preparatory school. For the past four years we have had the privilege of sending our graduates to any of the colleges represented in the New England College Entrance Certificate Board, and as a consequence to any of the State Normal Schools, on certificates. Last April the privilege was extended for another year, and we have reason to expect that it will be so extended so long as our work is good. I mention this because there has been a mistaken report that we no longer had the privilege.

Under the present arrangement of the course of study no pupil is required to take more than four subjects each year in order to get the necessary credits for graduation, but this year nine of the eleven Seniors, eight of the twelve Juniors, eight of the seventeen Sophomores, and five of the twenty-two Freshmen have taken up extra work, and in only seven cases because of credits to be made up from previous years. The fact that two-thirds of the pupils above the Freshman class have enough interest in their work to take up extra studies is very gratifying.

There is another phase of the school work, however, that is not so pleasing, and that demands our attention. There are each year in the entering class a number who fail to do good work, some from lack of interest and some from an apparently defective preparation. There are at present seven Sophomores, three Juniors, and two Seniors who are repeating work that they had failed to do well. Both those who shirk and those who fail after an honest effort could trace the reason for failure to some defect in their earlier training, the former to a habit of shirking which they were allowed to form in the grades, and the latter to too rapid promotion on work which only seemed to be well done and which they did not fully grasp on account of immaturity of mind. It would have been

far better for many such to have been held back in the grades until they were ready to do profitable work in the high school, rather than to have to be dropped back to the eighth grade, as two of this entering class have now to be dropped, under our credit rule, or to have been put under the handicap of making up for failures in later years of their course. Whether the defect can best be remedied in the future by introducing a ninth grade below the High School, or by raising the age limit for entering school from five to six years, or by exercising more care in making promotions, is a question that is out of my province. It is my duty to call attention to it, and to do all in my power to give all who may come to the High School every opportunity to do good work. It has been pleasing to me to see some who have been thus handicapped in their Freshman and Sophomore years make earnest efforts to redeem themselves in their Junior and Senior years, and I expect to see several such succeed and be graduated next June.

The discipline of the school has been more rigorous than last year, and though there has been a little friction on account of some who were not pleased, there is quite a general spirit of willingness to observe all reasonable requirements that school conditions demand when it is pointed out that they are just and fair. We regard it as one of our most important duties to train for good conduct and an appreciation of the social obligations that our mode of living has placed upon the individual, both in and out of school.

The usual school socials have occurred during the year, and they have always been pleasant gatherings of the pupils and parents. The demand for them is not great, however, and one each term seems to be enough. They should, as they do at present, occupy a very small part in the life of the school, for they aid but little in the real aim of the school. The abandoning of the annual senior class play is the only important change in our social policy, and the effect of it has been good. The great amount of time and serious thought that was required for the production of such a play has been largely turned to the proper school activities, and the results ought to be still more beneficial in the future, after the classes who

felt the disappointment consequent to the change have been graduated.

This year a few changes in the course of study have been made in an effort to strengthen it. The courses in Ancient and English History have been changed, so that the Ancient History comes in the first year and the English History will alternate with American History in the third and fourth years. The Commercial courses have been changed so that the Sophomores now have a full year of Commercial Arithmetic. Next year they will take up Bookkeeping, which has been a Senior course, and it is hoped that when they become Seniors a course in Stenography and perhaps in Typewriting may be offered. A course of one period per week in Mechanical Drawing was begun early in the fall. Sixteen pupils began the course and twelve will probably continue it through the year. We hope that more may be made of this subject next year, but the present teaching force is not large enough to take on any more extra work.

As I have said in my previous reports, the most pressing need of the school is for a third assistant teacher. The subjects taught may be placed in four groups—Science and Mathematics, History and English, Languages, and Commercial subjects. The three first groups are essential in any high school that is to meet the requirements of the law and of preparation for college, normal or technical schools. And it is not possible to get teachers who are specialists in one of these groups of subjects and in Commercial subjects also for the salary that is now paid to an assistant teacher. It is therefore necessary to treat the Commercial subjects as of less importance than the others. Another teacher could be secured, with special preparation in Commercial subjects, who would also be able to take one or two of the others, and then the classes in History and Science that are now doubled could be separated and taught more efficiently, and the courses mentioned above could be extended.

Other needs of the school are for changes in text books in Botany, English Composition, and elementary science, the texts now in use being inferior to some that have been pub-

lished since they were first used ; laboratory apparatus, reference books, and other equipment that need to be renewed a little at a time as they become worn out or out of date. It seems almost superfluous to add that there is need of a new walk in front of the building and of grading the grounds, for these are needs that must be very apparent to every resident of the town who has any civic pride.

In closing, let me express my very great appreciation of your ever helpful advice and suggestions, the interest and support of the school committee, and the conscientious, earnest work of the assistant teachers.

Very respectfully,

VERNON S. AMES.

Upton, Massachusetts, January 30, 1912.

GRADUATION EXERCISES.

Class of 1911.

at 7.45 o'clock.

March
 Invocation
 Rev. William A. Wood.
 Salutory and Essay—"Friends"
 Jennette Struthers.
 Essay—"Home and Its Influences" . . .
 Lillian Frances Donnelly.
 Essay—"History of Agriculture"
 Charles Andrew Barton.
 Essay—"Church Music in America" . . .
 Helen Marion Brown.
 Music—"Two Grenadiers"
 School.
 Essay—"Too Late"
 Violet Albertha Stearns.
 Essay—"Pierre Esprit Radisson"
 Vance Whiting Batchelor.
 Essay—"Edgar Allen Poe"
 Annie True.

Class Prophecy	Sarah Florence Gerald.
Music—"Dance of the Fairies"	School.
Essay—"Library of Congress"	Raymond Franklin Lyford.
Essay—"Religion in China"	Ethel Windsor Dipper.
Essay—"The Days of Our Success."	Amy Emilie Brown.
Essay and Valedictory—"The Fortifications of the Panama Canal"	Everett Russell Phelps.
Awarding of Diplomas	

GRADUATES.

LATIN COURSE.

Jennette Struthers.

SCIENTIFIC COURSE.

Vance Whiting Batchelor,	Helen Marion Brown,
Lillian Frances Donnelly,	Violet Albertha Stearns,
	Annie True.

GENERAL COURSE.

Charles Andrew Barton,	Amy Emilie Brown,
Ethel Windsor Dipper,	Sarah Florence Gerald,
Raymond Franklin Lyford,	Everett Russell Phelps.

CLASS OFFICERS.

President, Vance Whiting Batchelor.
 Vice-President, Everett Russell Phelps.
 Secretary and Treasurer, Sarah Florence Gerald.

Class Colors—Garnet and Gold. Class Flower—Red Rose.
Class Motto—"In Our Work Our Fortune Lies."

REPORT OF DRAWING, MUSIC, AND MANUAL TRAINING.

MR. C. F. PRIOR, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Dear Sir:—In my report of last year concerning the drawing and manual training I called your attention to what I considered were two important reasons for failure to secure satisfactory results in these departments. I suggested as remedies that more time and attention be given to actual drawing, and that the manual training be reduced to some system where a more perfect correlation could be effected. With this in view I prepared new outlines for the beginning of the fall term, in which, under the title of Manual Arts, the drawing and manual training are so closely related and woven together that neither can be considered alone. More time has also been allotted to the subject and we are now working under conditions where we can reasonably expect good results. In fact we are already securing good results with a far greater per cent of children than ever before.

Our aim is to develop the thinking power of the children through exercises for the eye and hand, and so train them to appreciate the beauty in nature and man's productions that whatever is constructed may not only be strong and useful, but may be made to conform to the laws of beauty as expressed in good proportion, line and color.

Design and art are really at the foundation of all industrial work. Therefore drawing, if properly taught, becomes a most valuable study for developing the imagination and concentrating the mind upon the problems under consideration. For the purpose of stimulating the originality and furnishing helpful suggestions to teachers and pupils copies of the Manual Arts Drawing Books have been placed in all the grades.

The various projects to be carried out during the year are selected from the whole field of education with a view to link-

ing the interests of the pupil with the life of the school, the home and the local industries of the town. In connection with these instruction is given in the proper use of tools beginning with the very simplest, such as a pencil or crayon in the hand of the pupil, and increasing in difficulty in proportion to the variety of manipulation demanded by the successive problems.

Throughout the first six grades both boys and girls work together at the different crafts with such materials as yarn, cardboard, raffia, reed, etc. The various exercises are planned to develop the ability to draw patterns, make plans and give training in judgment and accuracy in the use of simple tools, so that by the time the seventh and eighth grades are reached the boys are prepared to take up bench work in the manual training room and the girls to carry out their problems in the sewing department.

There has been an unusual improvement in music in the schools as a whole throughout the year. In Grade I the major portion of the time, which is but ten minutes a day, is devoted to rote singing. Individual exercises in ear training are given during the last half of the year. In Grade II less time is given to rote singing and more to individual work in ear training and sight reading. Beginning with Grades III and IV the Harmonic readers are used. New books have recently been supplied to Grade III at the Knowlton building. All other schools with the exception of Grades V and VI at the Center are using the books of the Natural series.

As in my last report I am still of the opinion that a chart in the primary rooms is an essential step needed between the blackboard work and the music books. The most desirable one that I have found is the Hayden Melodic Chart, the material of which is especially prepared for that purpose.

In the High school, beside the regular supply of octavo music for the year, the new book "Institute Songs" supplies a long felt need of material for daily practice.

In closing I wish to acknowledge my indebtedness to the principal, Vernon S. Ames, for the active interest he has taken

at all times in my work, to the grade teachers for their hearty co-operation, and to you for cordial support in all my undertakings.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORA M. RANDALL.

Grafton, Mass., January 29, 1912.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF SLOYD.

MR. C. F. PRIOR, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Dear Sir:—Since I have just begun my duties as Supervisor of Manual Training, I cannot say much about the work accomplished, but must confine my report to what I hope to accomplish. I wish, also, to make clear to all the real object of Manual Training.

My services began the week before Christmas vacation. I found the equipment rather meager but what tools there were were of very good quality. We have since increased the number and have now tools enough, with a few exceptions, to do nearly all the work planned for the year.

The boys buy their own lumber and are very much interested in their work, even working beyond the regular hours, when it doesn't interfere with their other school work. This work allows the boys to exercise freely and it also relieves to a certain extent the monotony of the regular routine work.

The boys make first some simple object, such as a plant label or trousers hanger, that requires the use of the jack-plane, rip-saw, try-square, marking-gauge, buck-saw, block-plane, and bit. Each new object requires the use of some tool not previously used, and if the boy continues the work for two or more years, he has become quite proficient in the use of all the common tools used by the carpenter.

Although we aim to make the boy skillful, that is not the true aim of our work. Our aim is, also, that of the higher education. We try to give the child an all-round development, i. e., a mental, physical, and moral development. Manual training causes a boy to use his senses to the utmost. If, for instance, he is planing a board, he must think and watch the line with extreme care. He can't be looking out of the window, if he does he will spoil his wood. He must be care-

ful in all his work or he will fall short in measurements. Physically, the boy is developed by the constant and varied use of his muscles and by working in good positions. Morally, he is developed by acknowledging his errors as he sees them in concrete form, and by striving to do all he does well.

Miss Randall has consented to correlate her work with mine. The boys will be much more interested in drawing an object that they will presently make of wood. They can also see why certain things are necessary in drawing, if they can see it in the third dimension. I wish to thank Miss Randall for the service she has already been to me.

I wish also to express my gratitude to Superintendent Prior for his hearty support in getting this work so well under way.

Respectfully submitted,

DANA A. STANLEY,
Supervisor of Sloyd.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

TEACHERS.

Salaries	\$5030 50
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FUEL.

Wm. Knowlton & Sons	\$735 69
Alex. Barton	58 75
W. G. Fiske	10 50
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CARE OF SCHOOLS.

Henry D. Aldrich	\$450 00
William Hatch	270 00
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	720 00

TRANSPORTATION.

H. T. Seaver	\$398 00
P. W. Rockwood	184 80
Sewall Pugsley	393 00
J. J. Gould	360 00
S. H. Shelnunt	16 00
P. J. Carroll	9 00
Milford & Uxbridge St. Ry. Co.	55 20
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	1,416 00

SUPPLIES.

E. E. Babb & Co.	\$ 49 12
L. E. Knott Appliance Co.	5 96
Davis Press	25 50
Funk & Wagnalls Co.	2 26
D. C. Heath & Co.	12 98
Silver, Burdett Co.	2 34
Arthur Lamson	85
Ginn & Co.	25 61
American Book Co.	13 42
B. J. Merriam	4 50
J. A. Wesby & Sons	15 90
J. L. Hammett Co.	185 97
Milton Bradley Co.	2 17
C. Bagnall	3 50
The Prang Co.	12 60

Oliver Ditson & Co.	.	.	.	\$ 3 05
Frost Stamp & Stationery Co.	.	.	.	1 87
Davis & Banister	.	.	.	14 34
John C. MacInnes Co.	.	.	.	2 25

 \$384 19

REPAIRS.

Wm. Knowlton & Sons	.	.	.	\$30 43
Clark-Sawyer Co.	.	.	.	3 00
W. G. Fiske	.	.	.	50
L. A. Snow	.	.	.	50
Arthur Lamson	.	.	.	17 83
G. E. Southland	.	.	.	1 50
Dustbane Mfg. Co.	.	.	.	2 75
Clark Ellis & Sons	.	.	.	7 00
John Wrenn	.	.	.	4 88
G. A. Walker	.	.	.	2 50
H. D. Aldrich	.	.	.	13 20
I. I. Harper	.	.	.	5 00
Alex. Barton	.	.	.	2 30
E. M. Baker	.	.	.	1 75
G. K. Nichols & Son	.	.	.	2 00
Avery & Woodbury Co.	.	.	.	4 10
C. W. Lassell	.	.	.	32 62

 131 31

SUPERINTENDENT.

C. F. Prior.	439 60
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MISCELLANEOUS.

G. B. Holl	\$ 2 00
W. G. Fiske	1 50
Milford Journal Co.	6 40
Arthur Lamson	4 18
Vernon S. Ames	.	.	.	.	9 72
Wm. Knowlton & Sons	.	.	.	.	2 20
E. A. Willard	.	.	.	.	4 72
Eben T. Hall	.	.	.	.	88
I. P. Taft	1 87
Sarah J. Batchelor	11 92

J. C. Hull Co.	\$5 22
Davis & Banister	4 25
W. F. Parshley	1 25
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	\$ 56 11

TUITION.

Industrial school	303 75
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Total	\$9,286 40

RECAPITULATION.

RESOURCES.

Appropriation	\$6,800 00
Appropriation, special for Industrial	
Scholars	500 60
Income from Knowlton Fund	380 00
Transportation, G. W. Knowlton Jr.	16 00
Tuition, City of Boston	16 50
State Superintendency fund	312 50
Schooling state wards	229 50
County dog fund	326 77
Massachusetts school fund	907 10
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	\$9,488 37

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers	\$5,030 50
Fuel	804 94
Care of schools	720 00
Transportation	1,416 00
Repairs	131 31
Supplies	384 19
Superintendent	439 60
Miscellaneous	56 11
Tuition, Industrial school	303 75
Balance unexpended	201 97
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	\$9,488 37

The committee desires to call attention to the decrease in resources over last year as follows:—

	1910-11	1911-12
Massachusetts school fund	\$938 42	\$907 10
Schooling state wards	298 00	229 10
County dog fund	359 60	326 77
Tuition, Town of Grafton	37 50	
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	\$1,633 52	\$1,462 97
Decrease		\$170 55

G. W. KNOWLTON, JR.,
SAMUEL R. CAPEN,
I. PLUMMER TAFT,

Committee.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

FRANK O. OGDEN,

Auditor.

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