

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

# Town Officers

OF THE TOWN OF

PAXTON, MASS.

For the Year ending January 1, 1917



ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE  
**Town Officers**  
OF THE TOWN OF  
**PAXTON, MASS.**

**For the Year ending January 1, 1917**



THE DAVIS PRESS  
25 FOSTER ST., WORCESTER, MASS.  
1917

## BOARD OF HEALTH:

Albert A. Crouch, Fred L. Durgin, George H. Whitney.

## ASSESSORS:

Henry H. Pike,	Term expires 1919.
Eliot L. Crouch,	" " 1918.
Herbert S. Robinson,	" " 1917.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

E. Mabel Durgin,	Term expires 1919.
Frederick W. Flint,	" " 1918.
Sara H. Graton,	" " 1917.

## LIBRARY TRUSTEES:

Nellie M. Pratt,	Term expires 1919.
Rena Robinson,	" " 1919.
Charles E. Hosmer,	" " 1918.
Herbert S. Robinson,	" " 1918.
Frederick W. Flint,	" " 1917.
Clarence A. Rossier,	" " 1917.

## CEMETERY COMMITTEE:

Clifton Parkhurst,	Term expires 1919.
Arthur W. Dwyer,	" " 1918.
Henry H. Pike,	" " 1917.

## WATER COMMISSIONERS:

George W. Van Wyck, Jr.	Term expires 1919.
Henry H. Pike,	" " 1918.
Fred L. Durgin,	" " 1917.

## MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD:

Arthur W. Dwyer,	Term expires 1919.
Charles M. Bullard,	" " 1918.
Fred L. Durgin,	" " 1917.

## TREE WARDEN:

Charles E. Hosmer.

FENCE VIEWERS:

Edgar J. Matthews, Cutler L. Crouch, George W. Van Wyck, Jr.

FIELD DRIVERS:

George W. Van Wyck, Jr., John F. Ahearn

POUND KEEPER:

Edward P. Hosmer.

MEASURERS OF LUMBER:

Edward E. Eames, George H. Whitney, Jason A. Woodruff,  
D. W. Graton, Arthur Dwyer.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK:

George H. Whitney, Warren H. Coldwell, Edward M. Dunham  
Edward E. Eames, Jason A. Woodruff.

OUTLOOK COMMITTEE:

George W. Van Wyck, Jr., John F. Trum, Joseph Barclay,  
Edwin Crouch, George H. Whitney.

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

---

### WARRANT AND ACTION THEREON AT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 6TH, 1916.

Article 1. To choose a moderator by ballot to preside at said meeting. Chose: Henry H. Pike moderator.

Article 2. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon. Voted, to accept the reports as read.

Article 3. To bring in and deposit their ballots for Town Clerk, three Selectmen, three Overseers of the Poor, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Auditor, Superintendent of Streets, two Constables, and three members of the Board of Health, each for the term of one year; one Assessor for three years, and one Assessor for one year, to fill vacancy, one member of the School Committee for three years, and two Trustees of the Public Library for three years. All the above to be voted for on one ballot; also upon the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question:—"Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Also to choose all other necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

The polls will be opened at 11 o'clock a. m. and may be closed at 3 o'clock p. m.

The Moderator declared the polls open at eleven o'clock a. m.

The whole number of ballots cast, male 64; female 3.

The vote on the License Question was as follows:

Yes	31
No	31
Blanks	2

The Officers elected will be found on the first two pages of this report.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of the Town's Poor, repairs of Highways and Bridges, for the support of the Public Schools, and transportation of pupils, breaking out roads, for fire purposes, and for contingent expenses for the ensuing year.

Voted the following appropriations:

Town's Poor Fund	\$350.00
and the interest on the D. R. Boynton Fund.	
Highways and bridges	\$1,500.00
\$500 to be used in general repairs, \$500 to be used for permanent repairs on Grove Street, from the junction of Grove and Maple Streets, to the junction of Grove Street and Green's Road, \$500 to be used for permanent repairs on West Road, beginning at junction of West Road and Main Street, providing the State appropriates \$1,000 to West Road.	
Article 16 being combined with this article.	
Public Schools and transportation of pupils	\$1,500.00
Breaking Roads	\$300.00
Fire purposes,	\$35.00
Contingent expenses	\$1,450.00

Article 5. To see if the town will grant and appropriate a sum of money for Memorial day, and for the relief of indigent and disabled soldiers.

Voted to appropriate \$20 for Memorial day and \$216 for indigent and disabled soldiers.

Article 6. To see what disposition the town will make of its Dog Fund.

Voted to give the dog fund to Public Library.

Article 7. To see if the town will grant a sum of money with which to pay a proper charge of a Surety Company for acting as

surety on official bonds required by town officers and authorize the Selectmen to approve the same, or act in any way thereon.

Voted to grant the sum of \$15 for said purpose.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to fix the compensation to be paid the Collector for the ensuing year, or take any action in relation thereto.

Voted that the compensation of the Collector be  $1\frac{1}{2}\%$  of all taxes collected.

Article 9. To see if the town will authorize the Town Treasurer by and with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the present municipal year beginning January 1, 1916, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate, three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, or act in any way thereon.

Voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1st, 1916, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$3,500, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to accept the list of Jurors as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

Voted to accept the list of jurors as prepared by the selectmen.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of ten dollars (\$10) and appropriate as much of it as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of Chapter 502, Acts of 1906, relating to the appointment of School Physicians.

Voted to appropriate the sum of \$10 for said purpose.

Article 12. To see if the town will fix the compensation for labor on the highways the ensuing year.

Voted that the compensation for labor on the highways be 20 cents per hour per man and 30 cents per hour for horses.

Article 13. To see what action the town will take regarding the care and rental of the town hall, and also care of the town clock the ensuing year.

Voted to leave the matter with the selectmen.

Article 14. To see if the town will grant a sum of money to be expended in the care and improvement of the Common, or act in any way thereon.

Voted to grant the sum of \$30 for said purpose.

Article 15. To see if the town will grant a sum of money to be expended by the Tree Warden the ensuing year.

Voted to grant the sum of \$25 for use by Tree Warden.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to grant under certain conditions a sum of money for the rebuilding of the so-called West Road or act in any way thereon.

Voted to combine this article with Article 4.

Article 17. To see if the town will instruct the collector of taxes to serve demands for the payment of taxes on or before the first day of May of each year upon all persons whose taxes remain unpaid at that time and also to see if the town will authorize the collector of taxes to employ council when necessary in collecting taxes.

Voted that the collector serve demands for the payment of taxes on or before the first of May of each year upon all persons whose taxes remain unpaid at that time and to employ council when necessary in collecting the taxes.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of heating town hall or act in any way thereon.

Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to put in a hot air heating plant not to cost over \$250.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to accept fifty dollars worth of trees to be given by Edw. D. Bigelow and appropriate money for planting the same.

Voted to accept the trees and appropriate \$50 for planting same.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the inspection of meat and slaughtering or act in any way thereon.

Voted the sum of \$50 for said purpose.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of Mooreland Cemetery or act in any way thereon.

Voted the sum of \$50 for said purpose.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$175.00 with which to pay the insurance on the electric light plant.

Voted to pass over the article.

Article 23. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for printing the proceedings of the 150th anniversary or act in any way thereon.

Voted to appropriate the sum of \$250 for said purpose. The matter to be left in charge of H. S. Robinson and that the proceeds of the book go to the Town Treasurer.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) as provided in the will of the late Imogene E. Robinson, the income to be used for the care of the Simon G. Harrington burial lot in the old cemetery.

Voted to accept the fund as provided.

Article 25. To see what action the town will take in instructing the school committee in regard to the transportation of pupils to the town school, also in regard to transportation of High School pupils.

Voted to pass over the article.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the transportation of high school pupils or act in any way thereon.

Voted to appropriate the sum of \$150 over and above that received from the state.

Article 27. To see what action, if any, the town will take in having some good substantial wind-breaks put on both sides of the road bordering on land of N. C. and C. L. Hoyle on westerly side of Worcester road; also bordering land of Joseph Cody, on easterly side of Worcester road; or act in any way thereon.

Voted not to erect wind-breaks, but that the Selectmen make some provision with Mr. Cote for crossing over his field.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of \$100 given by Eva J. Harrington, the interest to be used for the care of the Wm. H. Harrington lot in the cemetery.

Voted to accept the fund as provided.

Voted to dissolve the meeting.

#### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, HELD ON JUNE 24, 1916

Article 1. Chose Henry H. Pike moderator.

Article 2. Voted that the town appropriate \$625 to pay the balance on the Snow bills.

Article 3. Voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow \$200, to be used for additions to the electric light plant, and to issue a note for same payable on January 1, 1917. Said note to be paid from the profits of said electric light plant.

Article 4. Voted to appoint a committee consisting of Fred L. Durgin, Henry H. Pike and George W. Van Wyck, Jr. to confer with the state and county highway commissioners in regard to appropriations for permanent repair of town roads.

Voted to dissolve the meeting.

## DOGS LICENSED DURING 1916

36 males at \$2.00,	\$72 00	
6 females at \$5.00,	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$102 00
Less 42 fees at 20 cents,		8 40
		<hr/>
		\$93 60
Paid to County Treasurer,		
June 1st, 1916,	\$14 40	
Dec. 1st, 1916,	79 20	
	<hr/>	\$93 60

## HUNTING LICENSES ISSUED DURING 1916

44 Resident Hunters at \$1.00,	\$44 00	
Less 44 fees at 15 cents,	6 60	
	<hr/>	\$37 40
Paid to Commissioners of Fish and Game,		\$37 40

## Vital Statistics for 1916

## BIRTHS

February 28th. Janet Field, daughter of Henry L., Jr. and Hazel F. Green.

March 4th. Ethel, daughter of Clarence and Minnie H. Rossier.

March 8th. William Weeks, son of William J. and Sophia L. Perkins.

July 27th. Ralph, son of Ludwig and Hanna J. Carlson.

September 19th. Charles W., son of Charles W. and Rose S. Silva.

September 25th. Lillian M., daughter of John F. and Mary Z. Ahearn.

October 5th. Albert J., son of Gustav and Lizzie J. Lantinen.

October 15th. Joseph, son of Victor and Bessie U. Urbanovitch.

October 15th. Norman A., son of Elmer F. and Olive A. Gotha.

November 23d. William A., son of Adolf and Ida L. Larkala.

#### MARRIAGES

June 1st. Frank F. Marshall of Pequaming, Mich. and Alice L. Howe of Springfield, Mass.

#### DEATHS

January 22d. Silas Maccabee, aged 79 y., 3 m., 20 d.

March 26th. Charles H. Ward, aged 62 y., 19 d.

October 2d. Emma E. Blaisdell, aged 49 y., 5 m., 1 d.

October 19th. Julia C. Chute, aged 65 y., 8 m., 3 d.

Respectfully submitted,

RANSOM A. RACE,  
*Town Clerk.*

# SELECTMEN'S REPORT

---

## APPROPRIATIONS

Contingent,	\$1,450 00
Schools,	1,500 00
Highways and bridges, total	1,500 00
Breaking roads, total,	925 00
Care of Common,	30 00
Support of poor,	392 02
Memorial Day,	20 00
Surety on bonds,	15 00
Tree Warden,	25 00
School physician,	10 00
Fire purposes,	35 00
State aid,	216 00
High school transportation,	150 00
Furnace for town hall,	250 00
Planting trees,	50 00
Inspection of meat,	50 00

## APPROPRIATIONS UNEXPENDED

Mooreland Cemetery,	\$200 00
Report of Anniversary,	250 00
West Road and Grove St., each \$500,	1,000 00

## CONTINGENT

Appropriation,	\$1,450 00
Transferred to breaking roads account,	225 00
	<hr/>
	\$1,225 00

## PAID

## ORDER

1 H. S. Robinson, postage stamps,	\$1 00
10 L. M. Robinson, care town clock,	1 25
15 City of Worcester, trade school tuition,	61 07
21 L. M. Robinson, care town clock,	1 25
37 Light department, current for January,	4 24
47 A. F. Stevens, posting warrant,	1 00
48 E. P. Hosmer, maintaining town pound,	2 50
49 Light Department, lamps,	1 00
50 Light Department, Current for February,	3 60
67 Davis Press, town reports,	75 00
68 Central Supply Co., repairs for pumps,	2 47
73 L. M. Robinson, care town clock,	1 25
89 L. S. Clapp, postage stamps,	1 50
91 B. F. Northridge, insurance town hall,	26 25
92 Samuel L. Clapp, services as ballot clerk,	1 50
106 A. F. Stevens, care town hall,	22 50
118 Davis Press, ballots,	18 25
121 E. P. Hosmer, services as ballot clerk,	1 50
122 Light Department, current for March,	1 68
124 F. A. Pierce, chopping 5 cords wood,	5 00
125 W. & E. L. Gurley, supplies for sealer,	4 01
128 G. A. Rossier, cattle inspection and quarantine,	50 00
136 L. M. Robinson, care town clock,	1 25
140 E. F. Crouch, services as ballot clerk,	1 50
145 F. A. Pierce, services as ballot clerk, 2 times,	3 00
146 F. A. Pierce, chopping 16 5-8 cords wood,	16 63
151 City of Worcester, trade school tuition,	45 00
163 Light Department, current for April,	3 44

164 A. F. Stevens, posting warrant,	1 00
169 Davis Press, tax bills,	2 25
170 E. P. Hosmer, services as ballot clerk,	1 50
175 Worcester County Abs. Co., assessors' abstracts,	8 74
176 H. S. Robinson, postage stamps,	2 00
180 H. H. Pike, collecting taxes (1915),	36 27
188 L. M. Robinson, care town clock,	1 25
195 Johnson & Bidwell, supplies for town hall,	3 10
203 A. F. Stevens, raising flag pole,	1 00
211 Davis Press, order book and letter heads,	16 25
215 Light Department, current for May,	1 12
220 A. F. Stevens, posting warrant,	1 00
221 A. F. Stevens, care town hall,	17 50
242 A. F. Stevens, services as constable, July 3d and 4th,	3 00
244 Light Department, current for June,	1 44
251 L. M. Robinson, care town clock,	1 25
257 Mrs. Hosmer, repairing flag,	1 00
258 A. F. Stevens, services as constable, Ward case,	10 00
259 L. M. Robinson, trip to Worcester as witness,	1 00
260 L. M. Robinson, care town clock,	1 25
261 Geo. H. Whitney, repairing pump,	2 00
262 Geo. H. Whitney, telephoning, etc.,	30
266 City of Worcester, trade school tuition,	45 00
268 P. B. Murphy, supplies for town clerk,	2 75
270 John F. Trum, services as constable, July 3d and 4th,	3 00
285 Light Department, current for July,	1 00
289 Davis Press, tax bills,	3 75
292 Edw. D. Woods, survey at Howe place,	26 75
296 A. F. Stevens, posting warrant,	1 00
297 A. W. Dwyer, repairing chimney at town hall,	5 00

303 Light Department, current for August,	1 00
316 Johnson & Bidwell, supplies for town hall,	76
318 L. M. Robinson, care town clock,	2 50
320 A. F. Stevens, care of flag,	3 00
321 A. F. Stevens, care of town hall,	17 50
322 A. F. Stevens, services as dog officer,	5 00
325 Samuel L. Clapp, services as ballot clerk,	1 50
326 Frank A. Smith & Sons, insurance on hall,	18 65
328 H. H. Pike, supplies for assessors,	6 18
329 H. H. Pike, services as assessor, 1916,	32 93
335 Light Department, current for September,	1 28
336 Geo. H. Phelps, carting 3 cords wood,	2 25
355 A. F. Stevens, posting warrant,	1 00
358 A. F. Stevens, services in berry pickers' case,	12 00
359 L. M. Robinson, services as ballot clerk,	1 50
360 L. M. Robinson, care town clock,	1 25
365 Light Department, current for October,	1 00
366 Davis Press, valuation books (assessors),	33 50
372 L. M. Robinson, care town clock,	1 25
387 E. P. Hosmer, services as ballot clerk,	1 50
389 Light Department, current for November,	2 72
390 J. N. Peck, repairs on lock and express on assessors' reports,	1 45
392 E. F. Crouch, services as ballot clerk,	1 50
399 L. M. Robinson, services as auditor (1916),	10 00
401 H. H. Pike, collecting \$6000 taxes,	90 00
403 Fred L. Durgin, trip to Boston, highway commission,	2 00
404 Fred L. Durgin, use of auto berry pickers' case,	3 00
406 A. F. Stevens, care of town hall,	22 50
409 L. M. Robinson, taking down top mast,	1 00
410 L. M. Robinson, care town clock,	1 25
415 Ransom A. Race, services as clerk and registrar,	28 00
416 Ransom A. Race, supplies as clerk,	6 86

421 H. S. Robinson, services as assessor,	35 00	
425 E. L. Crouch, services as assessor,	20 00	
431 F. A. Pierce, services as ballot clerk,	1 50	
432 F. A. Pierce, chopping wood,	3 00	
434 Harold Bidwell, supplies for hall,	1 58	
435 Lewis S. Clapp, services as treasurer,	60 00	
453 Albert A. Crouch, services as selectman and registrar,	23 00	
456 George H. Whitney, services as selectman and registrar,	23 00	
457 Fred L. Durgin, services as selectman and registrar,	23 00	
459 N. Boucher, repair at hall,	25	
468 Mrs. C. E. Manning, wood for hall,	3 75	
472 E. E. Eames, wood for hall,	22 50	
	<hr/>	\$1,093 52
Unexpended balance,		\$131 48

## SCHOOLS

Town appropriation,	\$1,500 00
State School fund,	1,253 28
State High School tuition,	1,402 50
State Superintendent's salary,	125 00
	<hr/>
Total resources,	\$4,280.78

## PAID

## ORDER

2 Anna G. Fitman, teaching 4 weeks,	\$42 00
11 Frances Calnan, teaching,	33 60
12 A. H. Turner, teaching 4 weeks,	52 00
13 F. W. Flint, transportation,	16 00
14 Mrs. V. L. Stanley, care of schoolhouse,	24 00
16 Ethel M. Stacy, teaching music,	12 50
17 Mrs. V. L. Stanley, care schoolhouse,	12 00
32 A. H. Turner, teaching 4 weeks,	52 00

33 Frances Calnan, teaching 4 weeks,	42 00
34 Anna G. Fitman,	42 00
36 Geo. H. Phelps, transportation,	10 00
38 Robert I. Bramhall, services as Supt.,	14 17
39 F. W. Flint, transportation,	16 00
40 Mrs. G. W. Flint, teaching,	2 00
41 City of Worcester, high school tuition,	315 00
42 Central Supply Co., repairs on furnace,	3 74
53 J. L. Johnson, transportation,	40 00
55 F. W. Flint, transportation,	8 00
56 Frances Calnan, teaching 2 weeks,	21 00
57 A. H. Turner, teaching 2 weeks,	26 00
58 Anna G. Fitman, teaching 2 weeks,	21 00
59 Ethel Stacy, teaching music,	7 50
60 Mrs. V. L. Stanley, care of schoolhouse,	24 00
64 Fred L. Durgin, transportation of scholars,	40 00
75 Geo. H. Phelps, transportation of scholars,	2 50
97 Fred L. Durgin, transportation of scholars,	40 00
100 Robert I. Bramhall, services as Supt.,	14 17
101 Robert I. Bramhall, services as Supt.,	14 17
102 Town of Leicester, high school tuition,	25 00
103 Edward E. Babb, supplies,	4 30
104 Macmillan Co., supplies,	1 77
152 Mrs. V. L. Stanley, care of schoolhouse,	18 00
153 F. W. Flint, transportation of scholars,	12 00
155 H. C. Eames, wood and carting coal,	21 00
157 J. L. Hammett Co., supplies,	16 84
158 Houghton, Mifflin Co., supplies,	7 32
159 Claffin, Sumner Coal Co., coal,	46 35
160 Robert I. Bramhall, services as Supt.,	14 16
161 Ethel M. Stacy, teaching music,	10 00
162 Anna G. Fitman, teaching 4 weeks,	42 00
165 Mrs. V. L. Stanley, care of schoolhouse,	10 00
166 Frances Calnan, teaching 4 weeks,	42 00
167 A. H. Turner, teaching 4 weeks,	52 00
168 City of Worcester, high school tuition,	332 50

198 Mrs. V. L. Stanley, care of schoolhouse,	10 00
199 F. W. Flint, transportation of scholars,	16 00
202 Anna G. Fitman, teaching 4 weeks,	42 00
204 A. H. Turner, teaching 4 weeks,	52 00
208 Mrs. V. L. Stanley, care of schoolhouse,	10 00
209 Frances Calnan, teaching 4 weeks,	42 00
210 Ethel Stacy, teaching music,	10 00
223 Geo. H. Phelps, transportation of scholars,	13 75
228 Frances Calnan, teaching 3 weeks,	31 50
229 Frances Calnan, supplies for sewing,	2 58
230 Anna G. Fitman, teaching 3 weeks,	31 50
231 A. H. Turner, teaching 3 weeks,	39 00
232 Ethel Stacy, teaching music,	7 50
233 Mrs. V. L. Stanley, care of schoolhouse,	10 00
235 F. W. Flint, transportation of scholars,	16 00
236 Robert I. Bramhall, services as Supt.,	28 34
237 Town of Leicester, high school tuition,	25 00
238 Robert I. Bramhall, fare to Boston, etc.,	4 53
264 Robert I. Bramhall, services as Supt.,	14 16
265 J. L. Hammett Co., supplies,	16 54
269 Town of Spencer, high school tuition,	40 00
274 Fred L. Durgin, transportation of scholars,	44 00
275 Fred L. Durgin, transportation of scholars,	44 00
280 Frank A. Smith, insurance,	34 19
293 Chas. E. Grant, insurance,	35 87
294 Mrs. V. L. Stanley, care of schoolhouse,	5 00
304 Mrs. V. L. Stanley, care of schoolhouse,	15 00
305 Mary F. Concannon, teaching 4 weeks,	52 00
306 Anna G. Fitman, teaching 4 weeks,	48 00
307 Flora E. Barclay, teaching 4 weeks,	42 00
308 F. W. Flint, transportation of scholars,	16 00
309 Robert I. Bramhall, services as Supt.,	15 83
310 Robert I. Bramhall, services as Supt.,	15 83
311 Houghton Mifflin & Co., supplies,	5 12
312 D. C. Heath & Co., supplies,	4 31
313 Edward E. Babb & Co., supplies,	14 87

314 Macmillan Co., supplies,	7 14
327 Standard Extinguisher Co., extinguishers,	24 00
337 Geo. H. Phelps, transportation of scholars,	10 00
344 Mary F. Concannon, teaching 4 weeks,	52 00
345 Robert I. Bramhall, services as Supt.,	15 83
346 Mass. State Prison, supplies,	5 61
347 D. C. Heath & Co., supplies,	1 72
348 Anna G. Fitman, teaching 4 weeks,	48 00
349 Flora E. Barclay, teaching 4 weeks,	42 00
350 Mrs. V. L. Stanley, care of schoolhouse,	24 00
351 Claflin Sumner Coal Co., coal,	61 78
362 City of Worcester, high school tuition,	87 50
363 City of Worcester, high school tuition,	17 50
364 City of Worcester, high school tuition,	262 50
368 Mrs. V. L. Stanley, care schoolhouse,	12 00
377 Robert I. Bramhall, services as Supt.,	15 83
378 Edward E. Babb & Co., supplies,	1 89
379 H. C. Eames, wood and carting coal,	32 00
380 Mrs. V. L. Stanley, care of schoolhouse,	12 00
381 Anna G. Fitman, teaching 4 weeks,	48 00
382 Flora E. Barclay, teaching 4 weeks,	42 00
383 Mary Concannon, teaching 4 weeks,	52 00
384 F. W. Flint, transportation of scholars,	32 00
386 S. L. Clapp, transportation of scholars,	24 00
391 J. N. Peck, express,	1 20
393 Geo. A. Barnard, repairs on furnace,	1 05
394 Mrs. V. L. Stanley, care of schoolhouse,	12 00
395 Mary F. Concannon, teaching 2 weeks,	26 00
396 Mary F. Concannon, teaching 2 weeks,	26 00
397 Flora E. Barclay, teaching 4 weeks,	42 00
398 Anna G. Fitman, teaching 4 weeks,	48 00
417 J. L. Johnson, transportation of scholars,	108 00
417 Geo. H. Phelps, transportation of scholars,	10 00
420 Mrs. E. M. Durgin, services as committee,	15 00
427 Mrs. Sarah H. Graton, services as committee,	15 00

428 H. C. Eames, wood,	18 00	
433 Mrs. V. L. Stanley, care of schoolhouse,	12 00	
441 S. L. Clapp, transportation of scholars,	8 00	
442 H. A. Wales Co., flag,	2 50	
444 F. W. Flint, services as committee,	20 00	
445 F. W. Flint, transportation of scholars,	16 00	
446 F. W. Flint, expense,	1 96	
447 Town of Spencer, high school tuition,	40 00	
448 Town of Leicester, high school tuition,	50 00	
449 City of Worcester, high school tuition,	385 00	
450 Robert I. Bramhall, services as Supt.,	18 96	
454 Fred L. Durgin, transportation of scholars,	32 00	
455 Fred L. Durgin, transportation of scholars,	64 00	
458 Napoleon Boucher, repairs,	1 00	
461 Mary F. Concannon, teaching 2 weeks,	26 00	
462 Anna G. Fitman, teaching 2 weeks,	24 00	
463 Flora E. Barclay, teaching 2 weeks,	21 00	
465 Chas. E. Merrill Co., supplies,	13 82	
466 Haughton, Mifflin Co., supplies,	7 32	
		<hr/>
		\$4,454 12
Overdraw due to increased number of pupils attending high school,		\$173 34

## HIGH SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

Appropriation,	\$150 00
State,	1,220 10
	<hr/>
	\$1,370 10

## PAID

ORDER	
8 Mrs. B. F. Barclay,	\$ 12 00
19 Fred L. Durgin,	103 50
45 Mrs. B. F. Barclay,	6 00
66 Fred L. Durgin,	102 60
86 Mrs. B. F. Barclay,	6 00
137 Mrs. B. F. Barclay,	6 00

154 Fred L. Durgin,	108 00	
196 Mrs. B. F. Barclay,	6 00	
226 Mrs. B. F. Barclay,	6 00	
245 Jos. A. Barclay,	36 00	
246 Fred L. Durgin,	108 00	
249 Fred L. Durgin,	108 00	
340 Mrs. B. F. Barclay,	12 00	
385 S. L. Clapp,	183 00	
419 Jos. A. Barclay,	60 00	
440 S. L. Clapp,	57 00	
451 Fred L. Durgin,	210 00	
452 Fred L. Durgin,	108 00	
460 Fred L. Durgin,	30 00	
464 Mrs. B. F. Barclay,	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,280 10
Unexpended,		\$90 00

## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

## PAID

ORDER		
Appropriation,		\$500 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>100</sub>
134 G. A. Rossier,	\$ 4 40	
205 Frank Niemi,	15 10	
206 Autti Maki,	7 80	
207 Mat. Johnson,	7 80	
224 Frank Niemi,	8 00	
225 Mattie Johnson,	8 00	
227 J. D. Olmstead, road drag,	6 86	
240 Frank Niemi,	6 00	
241 Mattie Johnson,	8 00	
243 Henry Ojanne	108 10	
263 Geo. H. Whitney, repairs on scraper,	4 80	
271 John F. Trum, repairs on wagon and harness,	9 60	
334 E. M. Dunham,	9 50	
338 Henry Ojanne,	46 80	
341 C. L. Crouch,	200 00	

343 Mrs. S. E. Flint, gravel,	7 90	
407 F. A. Skiff,	3 00	
422 C. L. Crouch,	21 10	
423 Frank Niemi,	6 00	
424 Jos. A. Barclay,	3 50	
473 E. M. Dunham,	2 00	
Total		\$494 26
Unexpended,		5 74

## BREAKING ROADS

Appropriation,	\$300 00
Appropriation, special meeting,	625 00
Transferred from contingent fund,	225 00
	<hr/>
	\$1,150 00

## PAID

## ORDER

7 H. C. Eames,	\$50 00
9 B. F. Barclay,	13 80
18 Jos. A. Barclay,	10 40
20 J. A. Woodruff,	1 00
26 Prince Clair,	1 90
27 Charles Deviou,	5 60
28 Nelson Cote,	5 10
29 Nelson Cote,	3 50
30 George Heath,	5 10
31 Fred Skiff,	2 90
35 Geo. H. Phelps,	2 00
43 Chester Wentworth,	1 60
44 Leroy Pierce,	1 65
46 F. A. Pierce,	1 65
51 L. M. Robinson,	2 60
54 F. W. Flint,	1 00
61 E. E. Eames,	36 40
62 H. C. Eames,	34 40
63 E. M. Dunham,	5 80
65 Sumner Foskett,	22 70

70 L. M. Robinson,	3 40
71 L. M. Robinson,	9 00
72 George Heath,	2 80
74 L. M. Robinson,	1 80
76 Geo. H. Phelps,	18 80
77 F. E. Ladd,	21 80
78 Nelson Cote,	17 60
79 Antti Maki,	2 10
80 W. J. Perkins,	20 80
81 Napoleon Boucher,	18 50
82 Chas. E. Hosmer,	11 70
83 Charles Deviou,	16 00
84 Myrick Perkins,	18 80
85 Leroy Pierce,	2 60
87 C. G. Koberg,	1 00
88 B. F. Barclay,	39 30
90 Harold Durgin,	1 00
98 C. G. Koberg,	14 40
105 H. H. Pike,	19 60
107 Nelson Cote,	12 80
108 John Ahearn,	59 25
109 Brandt Brothers,	16 50
110 Napoleon Boucher,	9 40
111 W. J. Perkins,	9 80
112 Myrick Perkins,	10 00
113 Prince Clair,	5 40
114 Chas. E. Hosmer,	7 40
115 F. E. Ladd,	5 40
116 Brandt Brothers,	4 90
117 Fred Skiff,	33 00
119 E. G. Maccabee,	5 80
120 George Clapp,	70
123 H. C. Eames,	128 00
126 L. M. Robinson,	9 80
129 E. A. Merrill,	7 50
132 Geo. H. Phelps,	2 90

133 Sumner Foskett,	24 20	
135 E. M. Dunham,	7 40	
138 Mattie Johnson,	4 20	
139 Frank Niemi,	5 00	
141 E. F. Crouch,	1 60	
142 E. E. Eames,	117 25	
143 M. Nanigian,	4 40	
144 Jos. A. Barclay,	69 10	
156 Geo. Van Wyck, Jr.,	22 10	
171 A. Thurrault,	2 30	
172 Ernest Maccabee,	1 40	
173 George Maccabee,	5 93	
187 James Deviou,	2 00	
212 C. L. Crouch,	65 50	
213 H. F. Ojanne,	4 25	
239 B. F. Barclay,	7 00	
248 H. C. Eames,	1 40	
408 Nelson Cote,	5 60	
411 L. M. Robinson,	2 40	
413 C. G. Koberg,	1 60	
470 Jos. Cote, damage to mowing,	20 00	
471 E. E. Eames,	1 80	
Total,	————	\$1,155 08
Overdrawn,		\$5 08

## SUPPORT OF POOR

Appropriation,	\$350 00
Also interest on Boynton Fund,	\$42 02
	————
	\$392 02

## PAID

ORDER		
127 Geo. Van Wyck, Jr.,	\$ 75 00	
234 " " " "	100 00	
295 " " " "	100 00	
339 " " " "	75 00	
469 " " " " by vote of selectmen,	300 00	
	————	\$650 00
Overdrawn,		\$259 98

## FIRE PURPOSES

Appropriation,		\$35 00
----------------	--	---------

## PAID

## ORDER

252 Brewer & Co., car boy acid,	\$9 79	
278 H. C. Eames, express,	40	
Total,	<hr/>	\$10 19
Unexpended,		\$24 81

## SURETY BONDS

Appropriation,		\$15 00
----------------	--	---------

## PAID

## ORDER

99 Green & Bates,	\$ 8 00	
272 Green & Bates,	10 00	
Total,	<hr/>	\$18 00
Overdrawn,		\$3 00

## MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation,		\$20 00
----------------	--	---------

## PAID

## ORDER

216 Mrs. E. J. Mathews, music,	\$ 75	
352 Barnard Sumner & Putnam Co., flags,	1 80	
Total,	<hr/>	\$2 55
Unexpended,		\$17 45

## STATE AID

Appropriation,		\$216 00
----------------	--	----------

## PAID ON TOWN ORDERS

## ORDER

Harriet M. Cheney,	\$48 00	
Leander T. Kirby,	72 00	
Sophronia L. Whitney,	48 00	
Cordelia R. Welch,	48 00	
Total,	<hr/>	\$216 00

## CARE OF COMMON

Appropriation,		\$30 00
	PAID	
ORDER		
185 E. F. Crouch, labor on flagpole,	\$2 00	
186 Leroy Pierce, labor,	3 60	
193 Napoleon Boucher, painting flagpole,	1 50	
194 Johnson & Bidwell, paint for flagpole,	3 53	
214 C. L. Crouch, labor on flagpole,	16 80	
222 Leroy Pierce, labor,	3 20	
267 Smith & Green, current for flagpole,	5 79	
276 Leroy Pierce, labor,	4 30	
279 H. C. Eames, express,	1 20	
317 Johnson & Bidwell, lawn mower,	7 50	
323 Leroy Pierce, labor,	2 00	
342 E. E. Eames, timber for flagpole,	2 80	
		<hr/>
		\$54 22
Overdrawn,		\$24 22

## FURNACE FOR HALL

Appropriation,		\$250 00
	PAID	
ORDER		
174 M. D. Holmes & Sons,	\$225 00	
184 E. F. Crouch,	3 00	
429 A. W. Dwyer, cleaning cellar,	5 00	
		<hr/>
		\$233 00
Unexpended,		\$17 00

## PLANTING TREES

Appropriation,		\$50 00
Edward Bigelow,	50 00	
State Highway Commission,	13 50	
		<hr/>
		\$113 50

## PAID

## ORDER

177 H. H. Pike, fuse and caps,	\$6 50	
178 Henry Gotha, labor,	2 80	
179 Geo. H. Phelps, labor and team,	5 00	
181 A. F. Stevens, dynamite and labor,	7 00	
183 Roy and Chester Wentworth, labor,	2 80	
200 Henry Wall, labor,	3 20	
201 Geo. H. Whitney, labor,	1 30	
250 Chas. R. Fish, trees,	49 88	
353 George Heath, labor,	3 40	
354 Chas. E. Hosmer, labor,	3 40	
356 A. F. Stevens, labor,	3 50	
357 A. F. Stevens, dynamite and caps,	3 25	
361 Carl Koberg, labor,	3 40	
367 Napoleon Boucher, labor,	3 78	
370 Chester W. Doten, fuse,	2 00	
402 Fred L. Durgin, use of horse,	1 00	
		<hr/>
		\$102 21
Unexpended,		\$11 29

## TREE WARDEN

Appropriation, \$25 00

## PAID

## ORDER

287 Chas. E. Hosmer,	\$2 00	
288 Chas. E. Hosmer,	2 40	
291 Chas. E. Hosmer,	2 60	
219 Chas. E. Hosmer,	3 80	
371 Chas. E. Hosmer,	2 15	
443 Chas. E. Hosmer,	80	
		<hr/>
		\$13 75
Unexpended,		\$11 25

## MOORELAND CEMETERY

Appropriation, \$200 00

Unexpended.

## SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Appropriation,	\$10 00
ORDER	
414 Ransom A. Race,	\$10 00

## LIBRARY

ORDER	
426 H. S. Robinson, dog fund,	\$84 26

## HOWE PLACE

## PAID

ORDER		
J. L. Johnson, rent,		
69 C. Arthur March, insurance,	\$5 00	
130 Henry Bush, bunch shingles,	1 00	
197 Chas. E. Hosmer, labor,	1 25	
277 Geo. H. Whitney, door track and hooks,	3 10	
286 A. W. Dwyer, labor and shingles,	85 10	
298 A. W. Dwyer, labor,	2 40	
315 N. A. Harrington, insurance,	12 60	
400 H. H. Pike, taxes,	60 45	
412 L. M. Robinson,	50	
		\$171 40

## OUTSTANDING NOTES

Henry C. Eames, 7 notes of \$500 at 4%, first due Jan. 1st,	
1918 and one each succeeding year,	\$3,500 00
Henry C. Eames, town note,	2,000 00
	\$5,500 00

## LIABILITIES

Outstanding notes,	\$5,500 00
Other liabilities,	50 00
	\$5,550 00

## RESOURCES

Cash in hands Town Treasurer,	\$2,156 95
Uncollected taxes,	2,351 06
Due from State on account of state aid,	216 00
“ “ “ “ “ “ High School tuition,	882 50
“ “ “ “ “ “ High School transportation,	574 00
“ “ “ “ “ “ State School fund,	1,393 92
“ “ “ “ “ “ Superintendent's salary,	62 50
“ “ “ “ “ “ Trade School tuition,	67 50
	<hr/>
	\$7,704 43
	5,550 00
	<hr/>
	\$2,154 43
Less unexpended appropriations,	1,250 00
	<hr/>
Balance in favor of the town,	\$904 43

## LIST OF JURORS

As prepared in accordance with Chapter 348, Acts of the Year 1907.

Clifton Parkhurst,  
 Arthur W. Dwyer,  
 Frank A. Pierce,  
 Herbert S. Robinson,  
 Warren H. Coldwell,  
 Geo. H. Phelps,  
 Geo. Van Wyck, Jr.

FRED L. DURGIN,  
 GEORGE H. WHITNEY,  
 ALBERT A. CROUCH.

## Annual Report of Electric Light Committee

---

### PAID

#### ORDER

1 Worcester Electric Light Co., current for December,	\$80 40
2 S. L. Clapp, care of plant for December,	8 37
3 Delta Electric Co., balance due Jan. 1st,	54 30
4 Worcester Electric Light Co., current for January,	55 20
5 W. H. Coldwell, pole,	1 50
6 L. M. Robinson, labor,	1 50
7 S. L. Clapp, care of light plant for January,	10 00
8 E. E. Eames, crossarms,	60
9 Worcester Electric Co., current for February,	39 30
10 S. L. Clapp, care of light plant for February,	10 00
11 L. S. Clapp, stamps,	1 00
12 Duncan & Goodell Co., lineman's belt,	5 50
13 S. L. Clapp, care of light plant, March,	10 00
14 Worcester Electric Light Co., current for March,	34 80
15 R. H. Bullard, labor,	1 70
16 S. L. Clapp, care of light plant, April,	10 00
17 Worcester Electric Light Co., current for April,	22 50
18 B. F. Northridge, insurance,	100 00
19 Worcester Electric Co., current for May,	13 50
20 S. L. Clapp, care of light plant for May,	10 00
21 S. L. Clapp, care of light plant for June,	10 00
22 S. L. Clapp, labor and use of team,	8 40

23 Worcester Electric Light Co., current for June,	51 30
24 S. L. Clapp, labor and material,	4 00
25 Worcester Electric Light Co., current for July,	64 80
26 S. L. Clapp, care of light plant, July,	10 00
27 H. C. Eames, freight and carting transformer,	2 34
28 S. L. Clapp, care of light plant, August,	10 00
29 E. W. Ham Electric Co., reel of wire,	90 00
30 E. W. Ham Electric Co., pole hardware,	7 82
31 E. W. Ham Electric Co., transformer,	73 20
32 E. W. Ham Electric Co., meters,	60 00
33 Delta Electric Co., labor,	31 86
34 Delta Electric Co., labor,	16 40
35 Worcester Electric Light Co., current for August,	73 50
36 B. F. Northridge, balance due on insurance,	76 50
37 S. L. Clapp, labor,	1 50
38 S. L. Clapp, labor,	2 40
39 Worcester Electric Light Co., current for September,	86 40
40 E. W. Ham Electric Co., pole hardware,	2 21
41 S. L. Clapp, care light plant, September,	10 00
42 Fred L. Durgin, use of auto and labor,	1 50
43 Fred L. Durgin, two trips to Boston,	5 00
44 E. W. Ham Electric Co., 1000 feet wire,	33 66
45 S. L. Clapp, care of light plant, October,	10 00
46 Worcester Electric Light Co., current for October,	72 30
47 E. W. Ham Electric Co., pole hardware,	1 75
48 S. L. Clapp, labor and material,	4 70
49 S. L. Clapp, care of plant for November,	10 00
50 J. N. Peck, express,	75
51 L. M. Robinson, labor,	1 20
52 Worcester Electric Light Co., current for November,	74 10

53 Delta Electric Co., repairing transformer  
and meter,

5 75

Total,

\$1,383.51

Classified as follows:

3 Back Bill,

\$54 30

## NEW WORK

Orders No. 12, 22, 24, 27, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 38, 40, 44, 47, 48—

Total,

\$327 84

## GENERAL RUNNING EXPENSE

Orders No. 5, 6, 8, 11, 15, 18, 34, 36, 37, 42, 43, 50, 51, 53—

Total,

\$214 90

## CARE OF PLANT

## PAID

## ORDER

2	S. L. Clapp, care of plant for	December,	\$8 37
7	" " " " " "	January,	10 00
10	" " " " " "	February,	10 00
13	" " " " " "	March,	10 00
16	" " " " " "	April,	10 00
20	" " " " " "	May,	10 00
21	" " " " " "	June,	10 00
26	" " " " " "	July,	10 00
28	" " " " " "	August,	10 00
41	" " " " " "	September,	10 00
45	" " " " " "	October,	10 00
49	" " " " " "	November,	10 00

\$118 37

## PAID

## ORDER

1	Wor. Elec. Light Co., current for Dec.,	\$80 40
4	" " " " " " Jan.,	55 20
9	" " " " " " Feb.,	39 30
14	" " " " " " Mar.,	34 80
17	" " " " " " Apr.,	22 50
19	" " " " " " May,	13 50
23	" " " " " " June,	51 30

25	"	"	"	"	"	July,	64 80	
35	"	"	"	"	"	Aug.,	73 50	
39	"	"	"	"	"	Sept.,	86 40	
46	"	"	"	"	"	Oct.,	72 30	
52	"	"	"	"	"	Nov.,	74 10	
							<hr/>	\$668 10
Total expense,								\$1,001 37

## RECEIPTS

January, 1916,	\$147 68	
February, 1916,	118 52	
March, 1916,	110 68	
April, 1916,	99 04	
May, 1916,	99 92	
June, 1916,	119 92	
July, 1916,	122 24	
August, 1916,	150 00	
September, 1916,	169 62	
October, 1916,	150 76	
November, 1916,	153 16	
December, 1916,	158 14	
Total receipts,	<hr/>	\$1,599 68
		1,001 37
Profit,		\$598 31

## LIABILITIES

Worcester Electric Light Co., current for Dec.	72 90	
S. L. Clapp, care of plant for Dec.,	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$82 90

## RESOURCES

Cash in hands of town treasurer,	\$177 50	
Due for current,	232 64	
	<hr/>	\$410 14

FRED L. DURGIN,  
ARTHUR W. DWYER,  
CHARLES M. BULLARD.

# COLLECTOR'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1916

HENRY H. PIKE, *Collector*

## Taxes of 1914:

*Dr.*

To uncollected taxes of 1914,	\$4 00
-------------------------------	--------

*Cr.*

By amount paid town treasurer,	\$2 00	
By amount abated,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$4 00

## Taxes of 1915:

*Dr.*

To uncollected taxes of 1915 at last settlement,	\$2,419 46
To interest collected on same,	50 52

---

\$2,469 98

*Cr.*

By amounts paid town treasurer,	\$2,438 30	
By amounts abated,	31 68	
	<hr/>	\$2,469 98

## Taxes of 1916:

*Dr.*

To tax levy of 1916,	\$8,435 00
To additional assessments,	\$8 00
To interest collected on same,	8 03
	<hr/> \$8,451 03

*Cr.*

By amounts paid town treasurer,	\$6,030 25	
By uncollected taxes of 1916,	2,351 06	
By abatements,	69 72	
	<hr/>	\$8,451 03

HENRY H. PIKE, *Collector.*

PAXTON, Dec. 31, 1916.

Approved by L. M. ROBINSON, *Auditor.*

# TREASURER'S REPORT

LEWIS S. CLAPP in account with the Town of Paxton.

*Dr.*

To balance at last settlement,		\$230 93
Rec'd of Tax Collector,	\$8,470 55	
" State High School Tuition,	1,402 50	
" State High School, transportation,	1,220 10	
" Interest on Boynton Fund,	300 00	
" State Soldiers' Exemption Fund,	40 50	
" State School Supt. Salary,	125 00	
" County Treasurer, Dog Fund,	84 26	
" F. W. Flint, dynamite,	40	
" Interest on Boynton Poor Fund,	42 02	
" Interest on Cemetery Funds,	215 55	
" State School Fund,	1,253 28	
" Howe Farm Rent,	137 50	
" H. C. Eames, note,	2,000 00	
" Ed. D. Boynton, Trustee,	50 00	
" State High School transportation (1915),	464 40	
" J. P. Shea, P. D. C. License,	100 00	
" Wm. J. McLoughlin, liquor license,	500 00	
" L. M. Robinson, bowling alley license	2 00	
" John Trum, butcher's license,	1 00	
" A. F. Stevens, hall rent,	92 50	
" Worcester Trust Co., note,	1,000 00	
" State Industrial School tuition,	67 50	
" State Cattle inspection,	25 00	
" Village Improvement Society, 2 trees,	1 50	
" State Highway Commission,	13 50	

"	State Burial of indigent soldiers,	50 00	
"	old junk,	1 00	
"	Simon G. Harrington, cemetery lot,	19 50	
"	State Corp. tax, public service,	86 07	
"	State Corp. Tax business,	21 07	
"	State Bank tax,	17 29	
"	State Aid,	184 00	
		<hr/>	\$18,218 92

Cr.

Paid on	Town orders,	\$10,177 01	
"	Bureau of Statistics,	4 00	
"	H. C. Eames, note,	2,500 00	
"	H. C. Eames, interest,	100 00	
"	State Treasurer, liquor license,	150 00	
"	Paxton Electric Light Dept.,	660 00	
"	County Treasurer, county tax,	444 00	
"	State Treasurer, State tax,	800 00	
"	State Treasurer, highway tax,	180 00	
"	Worcester Trust Co., note,	1,000 00	
"	Worcester Trust Co., interest,	17 50	
		<hr/>	\$16,032 51
Cash on hand,			\$2,186 41

## OUTSTANDING NOTE

April 1st, 1916, H. C. Eames at 4%, due April 1st, 1917 \$2,000 00

## MEAT INSPECTION

Appropriation,			\$50 00
ORDER			
52 E. P. Hosmer,		\$8 33	
192	" "	12 50	
273	" "	8 13	
290	" "	4 17	
324	" "	4 17	
369	" "	4 16	
388	" "	4 16	
467	" "	4 38	
Total,		<hr/>	\$50 00

## CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

## ORDER

131 A. W. Dwyer, storing hearse,	\$6 00
430 A. W. Dwyer, care of lots,	66 00

Statement of Trust Funds in hands of LEWIS S. CLAPP, as shown  
by Deposit Books, Jan. 1st, 1917.

D. R. Boynton Poor Fund,	\$1,042 08
C. D. Boynton Record Building Fund,	124 04
Waite, Cemetery Fund,	150 00
Oliver Goodnow,	400 00
David G. Davis,	100 00
Elizabeth Goddard,	100 00
Ralph Earle,	100 00
Stephen Streeter,	100 00
John & Lucretia Warren,	100 00
David F. & Persis G. Boynton,	100 00
Geo. B. Newton,	100 00
Clarissa Parker,	100 00
E. A. Howe,	100 00
Sarah J. Prouty,	1,000 00
N. Clark,	100 00
Foster T. Merriam,	100 00
Josiah O. Keep,	100 00
William Harrington,	100 00
Francis Keep,	100 00
D. R. Boynton,	500 00
Bemis,	100 00
Hubbard,	100 00
Maria L. Smith,	200 00
Woodward,	100 00
Tyler Bemis,	100 00
John O. Howe,	100 00
Simon Abbott,	100 00
C. D. Boynton,	1,000 00
Simon G. Harrington,	100 00
Wood,	100 00

LEWIS S. CLAPP, *Treasurer.*

## Paxton Electric Light Department

LEWIS S. CLAPP in account with the Paxton Electric Light  
Department.

*Dr.*

To balance on hand at last settlement,		\$87 82
Rec'd for Domestic Light,	\$1,199 54	
"    "    Power,	181 74	
"    "    Municipal Light,	34 52	
"    "    Fuse Plugs,	85	
"    "    Lamps,	7 10	
"    of Town of Paxton,	660 00	
"    "    Depreciation Fund,	230 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,401 57

*Cr.*

Paid Town orders,	\$1,384 07	
"    Depreciation Fund,	180 00	
"    Interest,	160 00	
"    Note,	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,224 07
Cash on hand,		\$177 50
Total amount in the Depreciation Fund,	\$338 21	
Drawn from the Depreciation Fund,	230 00	
Balance in Depreciation Fund,	<hr/>	\$108 21

### OUTSTANDING NOTES, Jan. 1, 1917.

July 1st, 1914,	H. C. Eames at 4%,	due Jan. 1st, 1918,	\$500 00
"    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "		1919,	500 00
"    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "		1920,	500 00
"    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "		1921,	500 00
"    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "		1922,	500 00
"    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "		1923,	500 00
"    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "		1924,	500 00

## C. D. BOYNTON FUND

---

Cash in People's Savings Bank, Worcester,	\$2,700 00	
Cash in Worcester Five Cents Savings Bank,	1,748 00	
Cash in Worcester County Inst. for Savings,	1,600 00	
Cash in Mechanics Savings Bank, Worcester,	1,600 00	
		<hr/>
	\$7,648 00	
Int. rec'd from Peoples Bank,	\$109 08	
"    "    Worcester Five Cent Bank,	70 60	
"    "    Worcester County Institute,	64 64	
"    "    Mechanics Bank,	64 64	
		<hr/>
	308 96	
		<hr/>
		\$7,956 96
Cash paid H. S. Robinson, services as trustee,	\$8 96	
Cash paid L. S. Clapp, Town Treasurer,	300 00	
		<hr/>
		\$308 96
		<hr/>
		\$7,648 00

HERBERT S. ROBINSON,

*Trustee.*

PAXTON, MASS., Jan. 1, 1917.

# Report of Overseers of the Poor

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 1, 1917

*Dr.*

To cash on hand,	\$ 23	
To cash received of Town,	650 00	
		\$650 23
By cash paid Charlton Poor Farm Association,	\$274 87	
" paid Charlton Poor Farm Association.		
assessment,	12 64	
" paid H. H. Pike, attending 8 meetings,	12 00	
" paid H. H. Pike, team and carfare,	18 10	
" paid H. H. Pike, expenses hiring warden	7 45	
" paid H. H. Pike, 3 meetings State		
Board of Charity,	4 50	
" paid H. H. Pike, record books and		
returns,	3 00	
" paid H. H. Pike expenses, Case No. 19,	1 50	
" paid H. H. Pike, expenses, Case No. 25,	3 90	
" paid H. H. Pike, expenses, Case No. 22,	15 10	
" paid H. H. Pike, expenses, Case No.	4 00	
" paid H. H. Pike, postage, stationery,		
telephone, blank books and blanks,	5 25	
" paid for outside board, Case No. 22,	142 00	
" paid F. L. Durgin, Case No. 22,	15 00	
" paid S. L. Clapp, Case No. 22,	5 00	
" paid Hospital bill, Case No. 17,	24 00	
" paid hospital bill, Case No. 23,	1 71	
" paid hospital bill, Case No. 24,	5 71	
" paid hospital bill, Case No. 25,	15 29	

"	paid hospital bill, Case No.	49 71	
"	paid Geo. Van Wyck, Jr., Case No. 22,	12 00	
"	paid Geo. Van Wyck, Jr., attending meeting,	1 86	
"	paid Geo. Van Wyck, Jr., services,	5 00	
"	paid J. D. Olmstead, services,	5 00	
"	paid H. H. Pike, services,	5 00	
			<hr/>
			\$649 53
	Cash on hand,		70
			\$650 23
Town granted sum of		\$350 00	
Interest of D. R. Boynton Fund,		42 02	
			<hr/>
			\$392 02
	Received of town,	650 00	
	Overdrawn,		\$257 98
Due the Town of Grafton for board, Case No. 22,			42 38
			<hr/>
	Making total cost for past year,		\$692 38
	Board of inmates at Charlton, 52 2-7 weeks, total		5,257 00

HENRY H. PIKE,  
GEO. VAN WYCK, JR.,  
JOHN D. OMLSTEAD,  
*Overseers of Poor.*

# Annual Report of the Charlton Poor Farm Association

From January 1, 1916 to January 1, 1917

EXPENDITURES			
Orrin L. Potter and wife, (salary),	\$650 00	Replenishing,	60 74
Inside labor,	456 37	Wagon,	18 00
Outside labor,	271 58	Tools and Seeds,	82 12
Groceries,	2,042 44	Hardware,	91 79
Meat,	301 35	Veterinary,	38 75
Rent and interest,	585 96	Table,	16 00
Tobacco,	71 81	Poultry,	12 50
Blacksmithing,	98 50	Potatoes,	13 75
Filling silo,	63 50		
Molasses,	23 23		\$8,572 16
Fertilizer,	46 80		
Painting,	20 00		
Filling ice-house,	7 00		
Harness,	29 00		
Sawdust,	57 08		
Stock,	510 00		
Horse,	200 00		
Miscellaneous,	450 89		
Grain,	1,494 14		
Fish and oysters,	117 83		
Oil,	25 45		
Coal,	317 87		
Medicine and medical attendance,	123 85		
Boots, shoes and clothing,	273 88		

## RECEIPTS

Milk,	\$2,216 22
Eggs,	40 38
Stock,	718 44
Horse,	200 00
Outside labor,	174 46
Board,	388 93
Miscellaneous,	18 05
Assessments from the several towns belonging to the Charlton Poor Farm Assn.,	620 03
	\$4,376 51

The number of inmates who have been supported by the Charlton Poor Farm Association from January 1, 1916 to January 1, 1917, constitutes the following apportionment:

TOWN	WEEKS	PRICE	AMOUNT
Charlton,	115 2-7 wks.	\$5.257	\$606 26
Paxton,	52 2-7 "	5.257	274 97
Westminster,	52 2-7 "	5.257	274 97
Holden,	95 2-7 "	5.257	501 10
Princeton,	92 5-7 "	5.257	487 61
Rutland,	52 2-7 "	5.257	274 97
Millbury,	154 5-7 "	5.257	813 54
Hubbardston,	7 3-7 "	5.257	39 26
Holland,	19 5-7 "	5.257	101 84
Sterling,	74 4-7 "	5.257	392 42
Hardwick,	52 2-7 "	5.257	275 26
Oakham,	29 1-7 "	5.257	153 45
			<hr/>
			\$4,195 65

## Report of Cemetery Trustees, 1916

The town appropriated for Mooreland Cemetery,	\$200.00
Received for standing grass,	27 00
	<hr/>
	\$227 00
Unexpended,	\$227 00

ARTHUR W. DWYER,  
CLIFTON PARKHURST,  
HENRY H. PIKE,  
*Cemetery Commissioners.*

## Report of the Trustees of the Public Library

The number of books circulated at the Library during the year, 3283; the number of patrons, 185.

There have been added during the year, by purchase 58 volumes; from the Massachusetts Library Commission, 47 volumes. The library is also indebted to Miss S. A. Earle and Mr. A. E. Gray for donations.

By courtesy of the Woman's Education Association travelling library No. 98 was exchanged November 1, for library No. 134.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

#### *Dr.*

To cash on hand Jan. 1, 1916,	\$29 00	
Received from librarian,	8 00	
Received from Dog Fund,	84 26	
	<hr/>	\$121 26

#### *Cr.*

By cash paid Librarian's salary, to Jan. 1, 1916	\$40 00	
For books,	63 42	
For supplies,	2 00	
Rebinding books,	4 55	
For express,	1 00	
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1917,	10 29	
	<hr/>	\$121 26

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT S. ROBINSON,

*Secretary.*

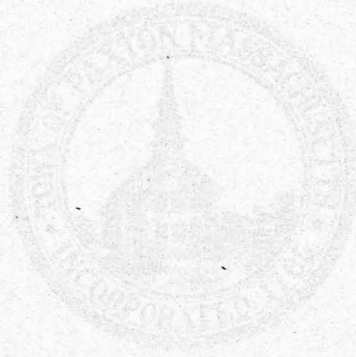
PAXTON, MASS., Jan. 1, 1917.

## Auditor's Report

This is to certify that I have examined the bills and vouchers and all bills in the hands of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Overseers of Poor, Tax Collector, Library Trustees and trust funds and find them correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
Approved Feb. 1, 1917.

LOUIE M. ROBINSON,  
*Town Auditor.*

PAXTON, MASS.,  
Feb. 7, 1917.



ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOLS  
OF THE TOWN OF  
PAXTON, MASS.

For the Year ending January 1, 1917



COMMITTEE:

FREDERICK W. FLINT

E. MABEL DURGIN

SARA H. GRATON

# School Statistics 1915-1916

GRADES	TEACHERS		Educated at	Total Membership	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent Attendance	Enrolled Dec. 31, 1916
VII, VIII	—Albert H. Turner	1915-16	Hyannis Normal	13	12	11	91	9
	—Mary F. Concannon	1916-	Lowell Normal					
IV, V, VI	—Frances T. Calnan	1915-16	Framingham Nor'l	22	22	20	91	22
	—Flora Barclay	1916-	Worcester Normal					
I, II, III	Anna G. Fitman	1915-	Worcester Normal	25	23	21	90	22
Music	Ethel Stacy	1915-16	Northampton Institute of Music Pedagogy					
				60	57	52	91	53

# Report of School Committee

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Appropriation,	\$1,500 00	
School physician,	10 00	
State, on account of Superintendent,	125 00	
Massachusetts School Fund,	1,253 28	
		<u>\$2,888 28</u>

## EXPENDITURES

Teachers' salaries,	\$1,394 10	
Superintendent's salary,	179 27	
Books,	71 33	
Supplies,	45 21	
Janitor,	210 00	
Fuel,	179 13	
Repairs,	30 99	
Grade transportation,	638 25	
School committee,	51 96	
School physician,	10 00	
Insurance,	69 56	
Miscellaneous,	3 82	
		<u>\$2,883 62</u>

Unexpended,

\$4 66

## DETAILED STATEMENT

## TEACHERS

Albert H. Turner,	\$273 00	
Frances Calnan,	212 10	
Anna Fitman,	436 50	
Mary F. Concannon,	234 00	
Flora E. Barclay,	189 00	
Geraldine W. Flint, substitute,	2 00	
Ethel M. Stacy,	47 50	
	<hr/>	\$1,394 10

## SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY

Robert I. Bramhall, salary,	\$178 32	
Robert I. Bramhall, expenses,	4 77	
	<hr/>	\$183 09

## BOOKS

MacMillan Co.,	\$8 91	
Edward E. Babb Co.,	21 06	
D. C. Heath & Co.,	6 03	
Houghton Mifflin Co.,	19 76	
Charles E. Merrill,	13 82	
Express on books,	1 75	
	<hr/>	\$71 33

## SUPPLIES

J. L. Hammett & Co.,	\$33 38	
Massachusetts State Prison,	5 61	
	55	
	2 50	
Freight on supplies,	59	
Sewing supplies,	2 58	
	<hr/>	\$45 21

## JANITOR

Mrs. Carrie Stanley,	\$210 00
----------------------	----------

## FUEL

Clafin, Sumner Co.,	\$108 13	
Henry C. Eames, cartage on coal,	23 00	
Henry C. Eames, wood,	48 00	
	<hr/>	\$179 13

## REPAIRS

Central Supply Co., furnace pipe,	\$3 74	
George A. Barnard, furnace elbow,	1 05	
Standard Extinguisher Co.,	24 00	
J. A. Peck, express,	1 20	
Napoleon Boucher, setting glass,	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$30 99

## GRADE TRANSPORTATION

Fred L. Durgin, West road,	\$148 00	
Fred L. Durgin, Worcester road,	116 00	
Samuel L. Clapp, Worcester road,	32 00	
John Johnson,	148 00	
George H. Phelps,	46 25	
Frederick W. Flint,	148 00	
	<hr/>	\$638 25

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mrs. E. Mabel Durgin,	\$15 00	
Mrs. Sarah H. Graton,	15 00	
Frederick W. Flint,	20 00	
Frederick W. Flint, expenses,	1 96	
	<hr/>	\$51 96

## SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dr. R. A. Race,	\$10 00
-----------------	---------

## INSURANCE

Frank A. Smith & Son,	\$34 19	
Charles E. Grant,	35 37	
	<hr/>	\$69 56

Total expenditures,	<hr/>	\$2,883 62
---------------------	-------	------------

## HIGH SCHOOL

## RESOURCES

Appropriation for High School transportation,	\$150 00	
State on account of High School transportation,		1,220 10
State on account of High School tuition,	1,402 50	
Total resources,		<u>\$2,772 60</u>

## EXPENSES

## HIGH SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

Fred L. Durgin,	\$878 10	
Mrs. B. F. Barclay,	66 00	
Joseph A. Barclay,	96 00	
Samuel L. Clapp,	240 00	
		<u>\$1,280 10</u>

## HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

City of Worcester,	\$1,400 00	
Town of Leicester,	100 00	
Town of Spencer,	80 00	
		<u>\$1,580 00</u>
Total Expenditures,		<u>\$2,860 10</u>

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK W. FLINT,  
 MRS. E. M. DURGIN,  
 MRS. SARA H. GRATON,  
*School Committee.*

# Report of Superintendent of Schools

HOLDEN, MASSACHUSETTS.  
January 1, 1917.

*To the School Committee of the Town of Paxton:*

I submit herewith my fourth annual report as superintendent of schools.

## TEACHERS

During the past year there has been almost a complete change in the teaching force, as Mr. Turner, Miss Calnan and Miss Stacy left during the summer vacation. Although there are new teachers in two of the rooms, the work has been progressing smoothly in all the rooms this fall. Weather conditions and the absence of epidemics have resulted in a good attendance record for the first sixteen weeks of the present school year.

## TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLIES

It has been necessary this year to purchase more books than usual as several of the sets in use were worn out. During the year the following new books have been purchased: Hoyt and Peet, Everyday Arithmetics; O'Shea and Kellog, Health Habits; Winslow, The Earth and its People; Aldine Language Books; and Tarr and McMurray, New Geographies. The textbook stock is now in good condition except for reading books.

The high cost of paper has made it necessary to be very careful about the use of supplies this year. Arithmetic paper has increased from 13 cents per package to 38 cents, while white composition paper has advanced from 23 cents to 62 cents.

## REPAIRS

Next summer the two porches should be repaired. It might be economical to replace them with cement porches. It would make it much easier to heat the building, especially on cold, windy days, if storm windows were provided for the more exposed sides of the building.

## HIGH SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

During the town fiscal year ending December 31, 1915, Paxton expended \$5.30 per \$1,000, valuation from the proceeds of local taxation for the support of schools, and so will be reimbursed in full next November for the cost of high school transportation during the school year ending June 30, 1917. In the town fiscal year ending December 31, 1916, Paxton expended over \$4.00 per \$1,000 and so will receive reimbursement for one-half the cost in the school year 1917-18. Because of the large amount of money that will come from the state in 1917, care will have to be taken that the expenditures do not fall below \$4.00 per \$1,000.

## MUSIC AND DRAWING

Since September we have had no supervisor of music. As the success of the work in both music and drawing depends largely upon special supervision I recommend that a supervisor of music, —and also of drawing if possible,—be secured for the rest of the year.

## ATTENDANCE

Parents are urged to see that their children are regular in their attendance at school. Poor attendance often results in failure to secure promotion at the end of the year. It also breaks up the work of the rest of the school as time must be taken by the teacher to help the absentees make up the work they have lost. Sickness and extremely stormy weather are the only excuses for absence.

I wish to call the attention of the parents once more to the fact that the law requires every child between the ages of 14 and 16

to attend school or else obtain a written permit from the superintendent of schools to go to work. This law applies to children working on the farms as well as in the shops.

#### SCHOOL DECORATION

During the year the Parent-Teachers' Association has presented each room with suitable pictures. It has also presented the school with a Victrola, which is being used in connection with the marching and teaching of music.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT I. BRAMHALL,

*Superintendent of Schools.*

## ROLL OF HONOR 1915-1916

---

### FALL TERM

Frank Obanovitch, Milton Ladd, Esther Carlson, Hanah Poutu, Bernice Stevens, Edward Bourke, Emile Bourke, Vernon Maccabee, Stewart Whitney, Elsie Carlson, Gladys Graton, Doris Maccabee, Grace Nolden, Ellen Obanovitch, Carolyn Race, George Carlson.

### WINTER TERM

Milton Ladd, Esther Carlson, Charles Stevens, Stewart Whitney, Ellen Obanovitch.

### SPRING TERM

Milton Ladd, Esther Carlson, Edward Bourke, Emile Bourke, Charles Stevens, Stewart Whitney, George Carlson, Elsie Carlson, Grace Nolden, Carolyn Race.

# TOWN WARRANT

---

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

WORCESTER, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Paxton in the County of Worcester.*

### GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Paxton, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in Allen Hall in said Paxton on Monday, the fifth day of March next, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely:

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

Article 2. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

Article 3. To bring in and deposit their ballots for Town Clerk, three Selectmen, three Overseers of the Poor, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Auditor, Superintendent of Streets, two Constables, and three members of the Board of Health, each for the term of one year; one Assessor for three years, one member of the School Committee for three years, and two Trustees of the Public Library for three years. One member Electric Light Committee, one member of Board Cemetery Commissioners, and one member of board Water Commissioners, for three years. All the above to be voted for on one ballot; also upon the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question:—"Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Also to choose all other necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

The polls will be opened at 11 o'clock a. m. and may be closed at 3 o'clock p. m.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of the Town's Poor, repairs of Highways and Bridges, for the support of the Public Schools, and transportation of pupils, breaking out roads, for fire purposes, and for contingent expenses for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To see if the town will grant and appropriate a sum of money for Memorial day, and for the relief of indigent and disabled soldiers.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the support of the library or act in any way thereon.

Article 7. To see if the town will grant a sum of money with which to pay a proper charge of a Surety Company for acting as surety on official bonds required by town officers and authorize the Selectmen to approve the same, or act in any way thereon.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to fix the compensation to be paid the Collector for the ensuing year, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 9. To see if the town will authorize the Town Treasurer by and with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the present municipal year beginning January 1, 1915, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate, three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, or act in any way thereon.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to accept the list of Jurors as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of ten dollars (\$10) and appropriate as much of it as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of Chapter 503, Acts of 1906, relating to the appointment of School Physicians.

Article 12. To see if the town will fix the compensation for labor on the highways the ensuing year.

Article 13. To see what action the town will take regarding the care and rental of the town hall, and also care of the town clock the ensuing year.

Article 14. To see if the town will grant a sum of money to be expended in the care and improvement of the Common, or act in any way thereon,

Article 15. To see if the town will grant a sum of money to be expended by the Tree Warden the ensuing year.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to grant a sum of money for the rebuilding of the so-called West Road or act in any way thereon.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to grant a sum of money for the permanent improvement of a portion of Grove Street or act in any way thereon.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the inspection of meat and slaughtering or act in any way thereon.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of Mooreland Cemetery or act in any way thereon.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the transportation of high school pupils or act in any way thereon.

"An Act to authorize the licensing by cities and towns of motor vehicles carrying passengers for hire," to take effect in towns upon its acceptance by the voters at any duly called town meetings, and in cities upon its acceptance by the city council.

"An Act relative to the license fee for slaughter houses in towns having less than ten thousand inhabitants," to take effect upon its acceptance by any town to which it applies at any annual town meeting."

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Post Office and one at the Blacksmith Shop in said town of Paxton, ten days at least, before the time set for holding said meeting.

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

Given under our hands this fifty day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

FRED L. DURGIN,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
GEORGE H. WHITNEY,	
ALBERT A. CROUCH,	
	of
	<i>Paxton.</i>