

**Warrant for Special Town Meeting, Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> 1911.**

**File 14, No. 16.**

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS,**

To Albert B. Gordon, one of the Constables of the Town of Methuen, in said County:

**Greeting.**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required forthwith to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, qualified to vote in the elections and town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Methuen, on Saturday afternoon, the fourteenth day of January, 1911, at two o'clock, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1 To see if the Town will vote to accept the change in its voting precincts as applied to the east part of the town, and as recommended by the Selectmen, according to a plan filed with the Town Clerk.

Article 2 By request of Emil M. Teichert and others, to see if the Town will vote to locate lights on Carroll and Court streets, and make an appropriation for the same.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with the doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town of Methuen, this sixth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

Millard F. Emerson

Henry N. Hall

Edwin J. Castle

Selectmen of Methuen

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS.**

**Methuen, Jan. 14, 1911**

By virtue of the within precept I have served the within Warrant in accordance with section two of the By Laws of said town of Methuen by posting an attested copy of the by Laws of said Warrant at the town house and at the post office in precinct one and at the corner of Centre and Tenney streets in precinct two on Friday the sixth day of said meeting and I have also caused the same to be printed in the Methuen Transcript one a week for two successive weeks the last publication being on Friday the thirteenth day of January instant being one day before the day of said meeting.

Albert B. Gordon,

Constable of Methuen

## **Record of Special Town Meeting, Jan. 14. 1911.**

**A meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs was held at the Town Hall in said Town on Saturday, Jan. fourteenth A.D. 1911 at two o'clock P.M. pursuant to Warrant No. 16 File 14.** The meeting was called to order at the time appointed by Granville E. Foss, Moderator. The Warrant was read by the Town Clerk, and the meeting was opened for business.

The Selectmen made the following report.

### **Article 1 Precinct 3**

“To Joseph S. Howe, Esq. Town Clerk,

According to a vote of the Town of Methuen directing the Selectmen to change the voting precincts, we would make the following recommendation: In the east part of the town, beginning at a stone bound, near the Merrimack river at the Lawrence line, thence following the Lawrence line to the centre of Berkley Street through Berkley street across East street to Brook Street, through Brook Street to Jackson Street, through Jackson Street to Marston Corner, thence westerly in a straight line to a stone bound at the New Hampshire state line, following said state line to the Haverhill line, thence following the Haverhill line to the Merrimack river, thence following the Merrimack River to the Lawrence line. Said precinct to be known as precinct three; and has three hundred and sixty (360) registered voters.

Millard F. Emerson	Selectmen
Henry N. Hall	} of
Edwin J. Castle	Methuen

This recommendation of the Selectmen was accepted by a unanimous vote, and the Selectmen were instructed to carry out its provisions.

### **Article 2 Street Lights**

The Finance Committee reported on Article 2 and the report was accepted.

Voted – That the lights called for in article 2 be installed and the cost thereof be taken from the regular appropriation for street lights.

Voted – that the Selectmen be instructed to install the lights. There being no other business the meeting adjourned.

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

## **Warrant for Annual Town Meeting, 1911.**

**File 14. No. 17**

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

## Essex SS

To William J. Oliver, one of the Constables of the Town of Methuen in said County:

### Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet and assemble at the designated polling places of precinct one, two and three – Namely the town hall in voting precinct one, the basement of the Arlington school house in voting precinct two, and the Boylston street club house in voting precinct three, on Monday, the sixth of March next, at 5:45 o'clock in the forenoon, to bring in to the election officers their votes for Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, and one Assessor to serve three years in place of Samuel Rushton, resigned; Highway Surveyor, one School Committeeman, to serve three years in place of Albion G. Peirce, one Water Commissioner to serve three years in place of Albert J. Richardson, one Trustee of Nevins Memorial to serve two years in place of Lewis E. Barnes, one Tree Warden to serve one year in place of Alfred H. Wagland, one Cemetery Commissioner, to serve three years in place of Willard R. Whitney, one Moderator, to serve for one year, one Auditor, Constable, Fence Viewers, and Yes or No in answer to the question:

“Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Town.” To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 476 of the acts of 1908, an act relating to the excusing from duty the members of the Police department one day in every thirty without loss of pay. All to be voted for on one ballot.

The polls may be closed at 4 o'clock, P.M. Also to meet at the Town hall in said Town on Saturday, the eleventh day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:-

- Article 1 To elect all Town officers not required to be chosen by ballot.
- Article 2 To hear the annual report of the Selectmen and act thereon.
- Article 3 To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.
- Article 4 To determine the manner for collecting taxes the ensuing years and act thereon as the Town may think proper.
- Article 5 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, or a majority thereof, to borrow during the municipal year beginning January first 1911, in anticipation of the collection of taxes of said year such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the Town, but not exceeding the total tax levy for said year, giving the notes of the Town therefor, payable within one year from the dates thereof. All debts incurred under authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.
- Article 6 To hear the reports of committees and act thereon.
- Article 7 To determine the manner of appropriating the amount received from Dog Taxes in accordance with Chapter 102, Section 163 of the Revised Laws.
- Article 8 To determine what compensation the Town will grant the members of the Fire Department for

their services the ensuing year.

- Article 9 By request of Col. Wm. B Greene Post. No. 100 G. A. R., to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for decorating the graves of our soldiers and sailors on Memorial day, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1911. Said money to be expended under the direction of the above Post.
- Article 10 By request of Edward A. Bower and others to see if the Town will vote to accept the provision of Section 37, Chapter 19, of the Revised Laws, in so far as it relates to the regular and permanent police force.
- Article 11 By request of Robert W. Dow to see if the Town will vote to purchase a new stone crusher and appropriate \$1700.00 for the same.
- Article 12 By request of Alfred H. Wagland and others to see if the Town will vote to purchase a power spraying machine and appropriate \$550.00 for the same.
- Article 13 By request of the Board of Fire Engineers, to see if the Town will vote to purchase a combination chemical, and hose automobile and necessary fixtures and appropriate \$6,000.00 for the same.
- Article 14 By request of George C. Oliver and others, to see if the Town will vote to buy a tract of land and build and equip a two-room school building at Hampshire Roads and appropriate the sum of \$6500.00 for the same.
- Article 15 By request of Abraham Warburton and others, to see if the Town will vote to buy a tract of land and build and equip a one-room school house on Tyler street and appropriate the sum of \$3,500 for the same.
- Article 16 By request of A. S. Huntress and others, to see if the Town will vote to buy a tract of land for school purposes on Milk Street and appropriate the sum of \$6000.00 for the same.
- Article 17 To see if the Town will vote to borrow money to pay for the land voted to be purchased for school houses, and also the school houses voted to be built thereon, and authorize the issue of votes of the Town therefor.
- Article 18 By request of the School Committee, to see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$4000.00 for the purchase of two portable school houses for the use of the schools.
- Article 19 By request of William J. Olivers and others, to see if the Town will vote to increase the pay of the regular Police Officers twenty-five cents per day for their services, the same to be taken from the regular appropriation for Police.
- Article 20 By request of the West End Improvement club and others, to see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$300.00 to drain 1000 feet of land on Lowell road now a Town thoroughfare and to lay twelve-inch pipes for same and drain water into Sawyer's brook.
- Article 21 By request of the Water Board, to see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$3000.00 to the sinking fund.

- Article 22 By request of the Water Board, to see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$3,000.00 for hydrants, public buildings, and drinking fountains.
- Article 23 By request of the Playground Commission, to see if Town will appropriate \$300.00 for maintenance and improvement of the Playsteads and public grounds belonging to the Town and appoint a commission to have charge of the same for the ensuing year.
- Article 24 To see if the Town will vote the sum of \$1,000.00 to be used to continue and finish the work as planned by the Commissioners of Elmwood Cemetery.
- Article 25 To see if the Town will vote to pay the Sealer of Weights and Measures a salary and make an appropriation for the same.
- Article 26 By request of A. W. Phippen and others, that the salary of the Street Commissioner shall be \$1,200.00 per year.
- Article 27 By request of Albert Hodgson and others to see if the Town will vote to extend the water system of the Town from the property of Mr. John Kelly, 19 Maplewood avenue, to the property of Mr. William Pullen, 35 Maplewood avenue, a distance of about 400 feet and appropriate \$350.00 for the same.
- Article 28 By request of Frank Kreiling and others to see if the town will vote to extend the water pipes of its system from their present termination on Hampstead street along said Hampstead street in a northerly direction to the intersection of Maple street and appropriate \$3,500.00 for the same.
- Article 29 By request of Morris S. Hill and others, to see if the Town will vote to lay water pipes from D. L. Knightley's farm to Hill Bros, and appropriate \$4,000.00 for the same.
- Article 30 By request of F. J. Perry and others, to see if the Town will vote for a Police officer to patrol nights in the vicinity of Lowell street and Oakland avenue, and appropriate money for the same.
- Article 31 By request of Chas. A. Macfarlane and others, to see if the Town will vote to macadamize Oakland avenue from Railroad street going west as far as accepted by the Town, and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for the same.
- Article 32 By request of Frederick J. Hyde and others, to see if the Town will vote to macadamize Camden street from Centre street to Lawrence street and appropriate \$2,000.00 for the same.
- Article 33 By request of John W. Briggs and others, to see if the Town will vote to macadamize Phillips street from Centre street to Lawrence street and appropriate \$1,500.00 for the same.
- Article 34 By request of Isaac C. Brown and others, to see if the Town will vote to gravel and roll North street from the residence of Guy Currier to Grosvenor's corner and appropriate \$1,500.00 for the same.
- Article 35 By request of Richard Batty and others to see if the Town will vote to widen bridge between D. L. Knightley's farm and Batty Bros., and appropriate \$150.00 for the same.
- Article 36 By request of E. P. Reynolds and others to see if the Town will vote to round up the road from

the bridge to E. P. Reynold's house and appropriate \$50.00 for the same.

- Article 37 By request of Sam Robinson and others, to see if the Town will vote to put a sidewalk on the north side of Albion street and appropriate a sum of money for the same.
- Article 38 By request of John H. Kent and others, that an appropriation of \$300.00 be made for repairing of Channing street.
- Article 39 To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer to sign deeds of conveyance in the name and behalf of the Town, of lands held by the Town under and tax title.
- Article 40 By request of Alfred Griffiths and others, to see if the Town will vote to build thirteen hundred feet of fifteen inch sewer, on Jackson street from the junction of Swan and Jackson streets toward East street, and appropriate the sum of \$1,700.00 for the same.
- Article 41 To see if the Town will vote to borrow money to pay for the sewers as voted, and authorize the issue of the note or notes of the Town therefor.
- Article 42 By request of Perley D. Smith and others to see what action the Town will take in relation to the money bequeathed to it from time to time for the perpetual care of the burial lots in the cemeteries owned by the town.
- Article 43 By request of Chas. H. Wilkinson and others, to see if the Town will vote to accept Maplewood avenue running west from Lowell street, to the house of one William Pullan, a distance of about 1,000 feet as laid out by the Selectmen.
- Article 44 By request of Fred Wilkinson and others, to see if the Town will vote to accept Granite street 400 feet south of Oakland avenue as laid out by the Selectmen.
- Article 45 By request of C. W. Hering and others to see if the Town will vote to accept Combination street about 500 feet from Merrimack street as laid out by the Selectmen.
- Article 46 By request of B. E. Grasse and others, to see if the Town will vote to accept Olive street from Swan to East street, as laid out by the Selectmen.
- Article 47 By request of Max Schubert and others, to see if the Town will vote to install three street lights on Pleasant Valley street, one between school house and residence of John C. Schatz, one at the corner of Greenhalge street and Pleasant Valley street, one in front of Mr. Knightley's residence, and appropriate fifty-one dollars for the same.
- Article 48 By request of Joseph Gross and others, to see if the Town will vote to locate a street light on Combination street about 500 feet from Merrimack street, and appropriate \$17.00 for the same.
- Article 49 By request of Edward Buckby and others, to see if the Town will vote to install a light on the corner of School street and Edgewood avenue and appropriate money for the same.
- Article 50 By request of Fred Stahrer and others to see if the Town will vote to erect one street light on Alvin street, 500 feet from Merrimack street, and appropriate \$17.00 for the same.

- Article 51 By request of William H. Greichen and others, to see if the Town will vote to install ten lights on Hampshire roads and appropriate \$170.00 for the same.
- Article 52 By request of James H. Morris to see if the Town will establish five street lights on Elm street and make an appropriation for the same.
- Article 53 By request of B. E. Grasse and others, to see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain two street lights, one on Swan street at the corner of Olive and the other on Fair Oaks avenue at the corner of Olive street, and make an appropriation for the same.
- Article 54 By request of George E. Healy and others, to see if the Town will erect and maintain a light at the north end of May court and appropriate \$17.00 for the same.
- Article 55 By request of R. H. Newsholme and others, to see if the Town will vote to place a light between Elsmere avenue and Webb street and appropriate \$17.00 for the same.
- Article 56 By request of A. W. Phippen and others that an appropriation of \$35.00 more or less, be made for two lights as follows: One on Booth road in front of the Elizabeth Bradley school, one on the third pole down Riverdale street from Merrimack street.
- Article 57 By request of Wilbur J. Locke and others, to see if the Town will vote to install three street lights on Prospect street between Marston corner and Brook street, and appropriate \$51.00 for the same.
- Article 58 By request of Alfred Griffiths and others, to see if the Town will vote to place three street lights, one at the extreme end of Longwood drive and one 100 feet southerly from land of E. F. Searles, and appropriate \$50.00 for the same.
- Article 59 To see if the Town will vote to install a street light on Barker street and appropriate \$17.50 for the same.
- Article 60 By request of Charles Burgess and others, to see if the Town will vote to furnish a hose reel and 1,000 feet of hose to be located on Lindale avenue on the property of A. J. Grenier and make an appropriation for the same.
- Article 61 By request of Arthur E. Voigt and others, to see if the Town will vote to install a light at the corner of Boylston and Carroll streets and appropriate \$17.50 for the same.
- Article 62 To see if the Town will vote to establish three electric lights on Edgewood avenue, between Ruskin avenue and Mr. Sargent's residence, and make an appropriation for the same.
- Article 63 To see if the Town will vote to accept Longwood drive as laid out by the Selectmen.
- Article 64 By request R. S. Ayer to see if the Town will vote to extend its water system from Hampshire street to Broadway by way of Dodge's land, a distance of about 2, 268 feet and appropriate \$2,268.00 for the same.
- Article 65 To see if the Town will vote to pay the Gamewell Fire Alarm Telephone company \$480.00 for material purchased in 1908 and make an appropriation for the same.

Hereof fail not and make your return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk on or before the time of the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town of Methuen this twenty-first day of February in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

Millard F. Emerson  
Henry N. Hall  
Edwin J. Castle  
Selectmen of Methuen

### **Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:**

**Methuen, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> 1911.**

By virtue of the within precept: I have served the within Warrant in accordance with section two of the By-Laws of said town of Methuen, by posting an attested copy of the within Warrant, at the town-house and at the post office in precinct one and at the corner of Centre and Tenney streets and at the corner of Broadway and Chase street, in precinct two, and at the Bradley school house and at the Currier school house in precinct three on Friday, the twenty-fourth day of February instant, being more than eight days before the day of said meeting.

William J. Oliver  
Constable of Methuen

### **Record of Annual of Town Meeting March 6, 1911**

At meetings of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, held in the respective Precincts in said Town, pursuant to Warrant No. 17 File 14, on Monday, March sixth A.D. 1911 the qualified voters of said Town brought in their written votes for several officers to be balloted for, and on the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town?"

Also on question "Shall the Town accept Chapter 476 of the Acts of 1908 relative to members of the Police Department: to be excused from duty one day in thirty without loss of pay." and the same were received sorted, counted, declared and registered in open Precinct meetings, according to law, as appears by the certified returns from said Precincts transmitted to the Town Clerk, and examined by him in conjunction with the Board of Registrars of Voters.

And according to the returns the following appears to be the result of the election held as aforesaid.

	<b>Pre. 1</b>	<b>Pre. 2</b>	<b>Pre. 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>The whole number of ballots cast was</b>	<b>822</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>1475</b>

**For Moderator**



Granville E. Foss, 41 Hampshire St.	628	280	192	1100
Blank	195	114	66	375

And Granville E. Foss was declared elected Moderator and was sworn.

**For Town Clerk, Treasurer, and Collector**

Joseph S. Howe, 8 Stevens St.	689	309	208	1206
Blank	134	85	50	269

And Joseph S. Howe was declared elected Town Clerk, Treasurer, and Collector and was sworn.

**For Selectmen and Overseers of Poor**

Edwin J. Castle, 56 Lowell St.	488	150	137	775
Millard F. Emerson, 12 Barker St.	476	228	130	834
Fred L. Gardner, 158 Howe St.	328	98	130	556
Henry N. Hall, 5 Walnut St.	524	183	121	828
Thomas Hardy, 21 Tenney St.	176	215	65	456
Samuel Joy, Tyler St.	255	198	129	582
Blank	222	110	62	394

And Edwin J. Castle, Millard F. Emerson, and Henry N. Hall were declared elected Selectmen and Assessors and were sworn.

**For Assessor for Three Years**

Henry N. Hall, 5 Walnut St.	617	257	174	1048
Blank	205	137	84	426
Thomas Hardy	1			1

And Henry N. Hall was declared elected Assessor for Three Years and was sworn.

**For Assessor for One Year**

Albert E. Heald, Pleasant St.	390	111	81	582
Samuel Joy, Tyler St.	269	208	133	610
Blank	164	75	44	283

And Samuel Joy was declared elected Assessor for One Year and was sworn.

**For Highway Surveyor**

Robert W. Dow, 11 Barker St.	570	300	170	1040
Otis N. Trussell, 113 Oakland Ave.	233	84	80	397
Blank	20	10	8	38

And Robert W. Dow was declared elected Highway Surveyor and was sworn.

**For School Committee – Three Years**

George W. Kenison	246	78	80	404
Charles H. Kershaw	445	213	47	760
John Rawnsley	82	81	47	210
Blank	50	22	29	101

And Charles H. Kershaw was declared elected School Committee for 3 years.

**For Trustee Nevins Memorial – Two years**

Alfred Sagar, 6 Stevens St.	582	282	170	1034
Blank	241	112	88	441

And Alfred Sagar was declared elected Trustee of Nevins Memorial for two years.

**For Water Commissioner – Three Years**

Robert H. Newsholme, 152 Oakland Ave.	571	255	149	975
Albert J. Richardson, 61 Lowell St.	219	117	98	434
Blank	33	22	11	66

And Robert H. Newsholme was declared elected Water Commissioner and was sworn.

**For Tree Warden**

Alfred H. Wagland – 3 Kirk St.	615	313	191	1119
Blank	208	81	67	356

And Alfred H. Wagland was declared elected Tree Warden.

**For Cemetery Commissioner**

John Ostler, 19 Summer St.	311	108	83	500
Willard R. Whitney, 109 Pleasant St.	306	247	95	548
Blank	206	132	80	425

And Willard R. Whitney was declared elected Cemetery Commissioner.

**For Auditor**

Frederick Hall, 125 Hillside	220	139	69	428
George H. Richardson, 102 Pleasant St.	204	79	83	366
George H. Wood, 165 Oakland Ave.	233	67	41	341
Blank	166	109	65	340

And Frederick Hall was declared elected Auditor and was sworn.

**For Fence Viewers**

Charles Hutchins, 38 Pelham	522	231	159	912
Fred E. Koenig, 13 Milk	472	220	179	870
S. Wesley Young, 354 Pelham	515	236	159	910
Blank	960	495	278	1733

And Charles Hutchins (sworn), Fred E. Koenig and S. Wesley (sworn) were declared elected Fence Viewers.

**For Constables**

John W. Beaumont, 60 Osgood	594	311	137	1042
Amos G. Jones, 64 Union	491	224	141	856
Robert Morgan, 42 High	595	269	152	1016
Harry Nimmo, 1 Pelham	646	294	187	1127
William J. Oliver, 8 Annis	583	343	166	1092
Harry Robinson, 186 Lowell	462	264	137	863
Herman Weinhold, 17 Dewey	333	188	192	713
Blank	1228	471	436	2135
Abel Marsland	1			1
Rufus Griffin	1			1
Thomas Dugdale	2			2
Wm. Noble	2			2

And John W. Beaumont, Amos G. Jones (sworn), Robert Morgan, Harry Nimmo (sworn), William J. Oliver (sworn), and Harry Robinson were declared elected Constables.

**License Vote**

“Shall Licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquor in this Town?”

Yes	223	141	113	447
No	475	198	106	779
Blank	125	55	39	219

**Vacations of Police**

“Shall the Town accept Chapter 476 of the Acts of 1898, relative to Vacations of members of Police Department; to be excused from duty one day in thirty without loss of pay?”

Yes	369	202	107	678
No	155	49	45	249
Blank	299	143	106	548

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

Frederick A. Hoyle    Registrars  
Edward J. Feeney    }    of  
George A. Stowers    Voters

A true copy.

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

## **Record of Business Meeting, March 11, 1911.**

A meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs was held at the Town Hall in said Town on Saturday March 11, A.D. 1911, at one o'clock P.M. pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, to elect the Town Officers not to be chosen by ballot and to transact the business of the Annual Town Meeting. The meeting was called to order by Granville E. Foss Moderator and the meeting proceeded to the choice of officers not to be chosen by ballot as follows:-

### **Field Drivers**

Harry Brown  
John M. Ingraham

John J. Healy  
Everett H. Archibald

### **Surveyors of Plastering**

Silas K. Nowell  
Charles E. Russell

John W. Moss  
Nahum P. Winn

### **Surveyors of Lumber**

William J. Buckley (sworn)  
Elliot Spooner (sworn)  
Charles Hutchins (sworn)  
Charles A. Stevens

Issac C. Brown  
Millard F. Emerson (sworn)  
James H. Lyons (sworn)  
Harry D. Kelly

### **Surveyors of Wood and Bark**

Charles A. Stevens  
Fred A. Russell  
William J. Buckley (sworn)

Samuel Emerson  
Millard F. Emerson (sworn)

### **Pound Keeper**

Benjamin Nice

Joseph E. Buswell

## **Article 2    Selectmen's Report**

Mr. Millard F. Emerson reported verbally for the Selectmen that their report was in print and in the hands of the voters.

The report was accepted.

Voted, that the same persons be requested to serve on the on the Finance Committee, as served on it the past year.

**Article 3 Regular Appropriations**

The Finance Committee reported through their Secretary Perley D. Smith Esq. and the report was accepted.

The estimates recommended by the Selectmen were then considered together. It was voted to increase the sum for support of Poor to \$3600.<sup>00</sup> and the Police appropriation to \$8500.<sup>00</sup>

With these amendments the estimates were voted as they were recommended and are as follows:-

For supervising, teaching, janitorship, and fuel	\$39,200.00
Supplies for schools	3,500.00
Repairs in school houses	1,600.00
Contingencies (schools)	2,000.00
Tuition and Industrial School	600.00
Tuition of Night School	700.00
School Physician	200.00
Opening Roads and sanding sidewalks	2500.00
Highways and Bridges	4500.00
Macadam	8000.00
Sewers	2500.00
Sidewalks	1500.00
Highway Surveyor	1500.00
Edgestones and flagging	1000.00
Sprinkling streets	200.00
Town teams	4300.00
Health Department	1200.00
Tree Warden Expenses	500.00
Suppression gypsey & brown tail moths	2880.00
Fire Department	4500.00
Police Department	8500.00
Contingencies	2500.00
Street Lights	5200.00
Pauper Department	3600.00
Soldier's Relief	800.00
Military Aid	100.00
Interest on town debt	10,000.00
Collection of Taxes	1450.00
Town Officers & Clerk	5260.00
Water bonds due in 1911	5000.00
School house notes	4000.00
Meat Prospector	500.00
	<u>128,680.00</u>

**Article 4 Collecting Taxes**

Voted:- That taxes be collected the same as last year, and that on all taxes remaining unpaid November first, interest shall be paid from that date to the time of payment at the rate of six per cent per annum.

Article 5      **Temporary Loans**

Voted:- Unanimously 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 One Hundred 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.

Article 6      **Committee Reports**

Under Article 6 no committee reported.

Article 7      **Dog License**

Voted:- That the money received from the County for Dog Licenses be appropriated for the use of the Schools.

Article 8      **Fire Dept.**

Voted:- that the compensation of the members of the Fire Department be the same as was paid last year.

Article 9      **Memorial Day \$200.00**

Voted:- that the sum of Two Hundred Dollars be appropriated for decorating the graves of our soldiers and sailors on Memorial Day May 30<sup>th</sup> 1911. Said money to be expended under the direction of Col. William B. Greene Post. No. 100 G. A. R.

Article 10     **Civil Service Police**

A motion was made to pass over Article 10, and after some discussion the motion to pass over was carried by a hand vote 120 yes to 108 no. Subsequently, within the hour, a motion was made to reconsider, which was carried, and it was then voted to accept the provisions of Section 37, Chapter 19 of the Revised Laws, in so far as it relates to the regular and permanent police force.

Article 11     **Stone Crusher \$1700.00**

Voted:- to purchase a new stone crusher and to appropriate Seventeen Hundred Dollars therefor, also,

Voted:- that Robert W. Dow, J. Milton Tenney, and John Q. Hill be a Committee to purchase. (Issac C. Brown afterwards substituted for John Q. Hill)

Article 12     **Sprayer \$550.00**

Voted:- to purchase a power spraying machine and appropriate Five Hundred and Fifty (\$550.<sup>00</sup>) Dollars for that purpose.

Article 13     **Automobile Hose Carriage \$6000.00**

Voted:- to purchase a combination chemical, and hose automobile and the necessary fixtures, and appropriate Six Thousand Dollars for that purpose.

Voted:- that the Fire Engineers with seven citizens to be appointed by the Moderator, be a Committee to purchase the machine.

Article 14     **School houses \$6500.00**

Voted:- to buy a tract of land and build and equip a two room school building at Hampshire Roads and appropriate sixty five hundred (\$6500.<sup>00</sup>) dollars for that purpose.

Before the vote was taken a detailed written estimate of the cost was filed and read to the meeting as follows:- Land \$1000.<sup>00</sup>; Building \$5100.<sup>00</sup>; Furniture \$400.<sup>00</sup>.

Article 15     **School houses \$3500.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to buy a tract of land and build and equip a one room school house on Tyler street, and appropriate the sum of thirty five hundred dollars for that purpose. A written detailed estimate of the probable cost was filed and read to the meeting before the vote was taken as follows:- Land \$300.<sup>00</sup>; Building \$3000.<sup>00</sup>; Furniture \$200.<sup>00</sup>.

Article 16     **Land for school-lot \$6000.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to buy a lot of land for school purposes on Milk street or its vicinity and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars for the same.

Voted:- that a Committee consisting of Perley D. Smith, Samuel Joy, J. M. Tenney, and George A. Oliver be added to the School Committee to purchase and build the School Houses authorized under Articles 14, 15, and 16.

Voted:- that work on the school houses be done by local contractors.

Article 17     **School Loan**

Voted:- to lay Article 17 on the table to give time to prepare a proper vote.

Article 18     **Portable School-Houses**

Voted:- to pass over Article 18 of the Warrant.

Article 19 **Pay of Police**

Voted:- to increase the pay of the regular Police Officers twenty five cents per day for their services; the same to be taken from the regular appropriation for Police.

Article 20 **Lowell Street**

Voted:- That the highway surveyor be directed to clean out the drain and lower the culvert, the expense of the same to be taken from the regular street appropriation.

Article 21 **Water Sinking Fund \$3000.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- To appropriate Three Thousand Dollars to the Water Sinking Fund.

Article 22 **Hydrants and Drinking Fountains \$3000.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- To appropriate Three Thousand Dollars for hydrants in public buildings and drinking fountains.

Article 23 **Playsteads \$300.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to appropriate Three Hundred Dollars for maintenance and improvement of the Playsteads and public grounds belonging to the Town. Mr. Thomas N. Hubbard, H. S. Grover and Robert W. Dow were appointed by the meeting a commission to have the care of playsteads and public grounds.

Article 24 **Elmwood \$1000.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars to be used to continue and finish the work as planned by the Commissioners of Elmwood Cemetery.

Article 25 **Sealer's Salary \$300.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- To pay the Sealer of Weights and Measures a salary, and also voted that the salary be Three Hundred Dollars per annum.

Article 26 **Street Commissioners Salary**

Voted: to pass over Article 26 of the Warrant.

At half past five P.M., a motion was made to adjourn, and the meeting was adjourned to Saturday next March 18<sup>th</sup> at two o'clock P.M.

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe, Town Clerk



## **Adjourned Annual Meeting, Methuen, March 18, 1911.**

An adjourned meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen was held at the Town Hall in said Town on Saturday, March 18 at two o'clock P.M., the Moderator, Granville E. Foss in the chair.

Deeds from Edward F. Searles. Old Town Records #271, 273	At the opening of the meeting, the Clerk read two deeds from Edward F. Searles to the Town of Methuen, one deed about an acre of land at the corner of Lawrence and Chelmsford streets for a playground, and a deed of land for passage ways from Phillips St. to Tenney Street and from Tenney Street to Camden St. It was voted, by a unanimous rising vote that the town accept these tracts of land, and that a vote of thanks be given to Mr. Searles for his generous donation.
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Mr. Smith made a correction in the Report of the Finance Committee, and the business of the meeting was taken up.

### **Article 27 Water Pipes \$350.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted to extend the water system of the Town from the property of Mr. John Kelly, 19 Maplewood Avenue, to the property of Mr. William Pullen 35 Maplewood Avenue, and appropriate \$350.<sup>00</sup> for the same.

### **Article 28 Water Pipe \$2500.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted, to extend the water pipes from their present termination on Hampstead Street along said Hampstead street in a northerly direction to the intersection of Maple street and appropriate Twenty Five Hundred dollars for that purpose.

### **Article 29 Water Pipe \$4000.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted, to lay water pipes from S. L. Knightley's farm to Hill Bros.' and to appropriate Four Thousand Dollars for that purpose.

### **Article 30 Police**

Voted,- to pass over Article 30 of the Warrant.

### **Article 31 Macadam \$4000.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted,- to macadamize Oakland Avenue from Railroad street, going west as far as accepted by the Town, and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars for the purpose.

### **Article 32 Macadam \$2000.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted,- to macadamize Camden street from Centre street to Lawrence street, and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars for that purpose.

Article 33 **Macadam \$1500.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to macadamize Phillips street from Centre street to Lawrence street, and appropriate Fifteen Hundred Dollars for the same.

Article 34 **North Street \$1500.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to gravel and roll North street from the residence of Guy W. Currier to Grosvenor's corner, and appropriate Fifteen Hundred Dollars for that purpose.

Article 35 **Bridge P.V.**

Article 35 was referred to the Highway Surveyor.

Article 36 **Pleas. Valley**

Article 36 was referred to the Highway Surveyor.

Article 37 **Sidewalk**

Article 37 was referred to the Highway Surveyor.

Article 38 **Channing St. \$300.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to appropriate Three Hundred Dollars for repairing Channing street.

Article 39 **Signing Deeds**

Voted:- that the Town Treasurer be authorized to sign deeds of conveyance in the name and behalf of the Town, of lands held by the Town under a tax title.

Article 40 **Sewer Jackson St. \$1700.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to build thirteen hundred feet fifteen inch sewer, on Jackson street from the junction of Swan and Jackson Streets toward East St. and appropriate the sum of Seventeen Hundred Dollars therefor.

Article 41 **Sewer Loan**

Voted:- By a unanimous vote, that for the purpose of paying for the construction of the sewer voted to be built on Jackson Street the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow with the approval of the Selectmen the sum of Seventeen Hundred Dollars, and to execute and deliver the notes of the Town therefor payable in five years from the date of issue, with interest thereon at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum payable semiannually.

Article 17 **School House Loan.**

Voted:- to take Article 17 from the table.

Voted:- by a unanimous vote,- that the Town Treasurer be authorized with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars for the purchase of land and for the building and equipment of the school houses voted to be built at Hampshire Roads and Tyler Street, and to give the notes of the town therefor, payable as follows:- Five Thousand Dollars in eight years from the date of issue and Five Thousand Dollars in nine years from the date of issue, with interest thereon at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum payable semi-annually.

Also

Voted:- by a unanimous vote, That for the purpose of paying for land voted to be purchased for school purposes on Milk Street or its vicinity, the Town Treasurer be authorized with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow the sum of Six Thousand Dollars and to give the note of the Town therefor, payable in ten years from the date of issue, with interest thereon at a rate not exceeding four and one half per cent per annum payable semi-annually.

Article 42 **Perpetual Care Cemeteries**

Voted:- That the Selectmen and Cemetery Commissioners be instructed to direct the Town Treasurer to invest all sums of money given it from time to time for the care and maintenance of cemetery lots in the town cemeteries, in notes of the town or in other security equally as good; and render an account each year showing what sums have been donated and how invested; and also instruct the cemetery commissioners to render an itemized account each year showing what sums of money have been expended by them in care of and maintaining the several lots for which money has been donated and upon request of a donor or his heirs, to render to him or them, an itemized list statement showing the amount expended each year upon each lot.

Article 43 **Maplewood Ave.**

Voted:- to accept Maplewood Avenue as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 44 **Granite St.**

Voted:- to accept Granite Street as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 45 **Combination St.**

Voted:- to accept Combination St. as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 46 **Olive St.**

Voted:- to accept Olive Street as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 47 **and other street light Articles \$51.<sup>00</sup>**

A motion was made that Article 47 and other following Articles relating to street lights be acted upon collectively and that they be accepted as read. After some discussion it

was voted to take up each Article separately.

Voted to install three street lights on Pleasant Valley Street, one between school house and residence of John C. Schatz, one at the corner of Greenhalge street and Pleasant Valley Street and one in front of Mr. Knightley's residence and appropriate fifty one dollars for that purpose.

Article 48 **Street Light**

Voted to pass over Article 48 of the Warrant.

Article 49 **\$200.<sup>00</sup>**

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Voted that the remaining Articles in the Warrant relating to Street Lights be referred to the Selectmen, and that Two Hundred Dollars be appropriated to carry out the purposes of the said Articles as the Selectmen deem advisable.

Article 63 **Longwood Drive**

Voted:- to accept Longwood Drive as laid out by Selectmen.

Article 64 **Water Pipe**

Voted:- to pass over Article 64 of the Warrant.

Article 65 **Gamewell claim \$480.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to pay the Gamewell Company Four Hundred and Eighty Dollars for material purchased in 1908, and appropriate that sum for the purpose. A motion was made to investigate the purchase of hose, and the motion was lost.

**Sprayer**

The Moderator appointed George W. Tenney and Sidney V. Coburn as Committee on purchase of sprayer. He also appointed Isaac C. Brown, Charles A. Stevens, Robert Driver, Clarence W. Douglas, Bennie E. Hill, George W. Kenison and Walter M. Hastings, Committee to join Fire Engineers to purchase fire automobile.

Isaac Brown was appointed in place of John Hill on Committee to purchase stone crusher.

A Committee consisting of Charles H. Oliphant, Joseph S. Howe and William J. Oliver was appointed to draw up and have framed a suitable set of resolutions to be presented to the family of our late Chief of Police Albert B. Gordon.

No other business appearing the meeting adjourned at 4-30 P.M.

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

**Methuen March 10, 1911**

Assistant  
Town  
Clerk

I, Joseph S. Howe of Methuen in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts as I am the said Town Clerk of said Methuen, hereby appoint Sylvia P. Leavitt of said Methuen to be Assistant Town Clerk, - as provided by statute.  
Sworn.

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

**Warrant for Special Town Meeting, June 5 1911.**  
**File 14 No. 18**  
**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:-**

To William J. Oliver one of the Constables of the Town of Methuen, in said County,

**Greeting:-**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required forthwith to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, qualified to vote in the elections and Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Methuen on Monday evening, the fifth day of June, 1911, at seven thirty o'clock, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:-

**Article 1 Settlement with Methuen Co.**

To see if the Town will vote to make a settlement with the Methuen Company and the Globe Mills in the manner recommended by the arbitrators to whom the matter was referred and appropriate the sum of \$3000.<sup>00/100</sup> therefor.

**Article 2 Services of Selectmen**

To see if the Town will vote to pay the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, and Board of Health, for their services from March 1, 1908 to March 1, 1909, and appropriate the sum of \$900.<sup>00/100</sup> for the same.

**Article 3 Services of Selectmen**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to sell the water bonds now issued to pay for extensions of the water system as voted at the last annual town meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with the doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town of Methuen, this twenty fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

Millard F. Emerson      Selectmen

Henry N. Hall } of  
Edwin J. Castle } Methuen

**Constables Return  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:-** By virtue of the within precept, I have served the within Warrant in accordance with Section Two of the By Laws of said Town of Methuen, by posting an attested copy of the within Warrant at the town house and at the post office in precinct one, and at the corner of Centre and Tenney streets, and at the corner of Broadway and Chase street, in Precinct two, and at the Bradley school house and at the Currier school house in Precinct Three, on Friday the twenty sixth day of May instant (1911), being more than eight days before the day of said meeting.

William J. Oliver  
Constable of Methuen

**Record of Special Town Meeting, June 5, 1911**

**A meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs was held at the Town Hall in said Town, on Monday, June fifth A.D. 1911, at seven o'clock and thirty minutes P.M. in pursuance of Warrant No. 18 File 14.**

The meeting was called to order at the time appointed, the Moderator Granville E. Foss Esq. being in the chair. The Warrant was read by the Town Clerk, and the meeting opened for business.

**Article 1 Methuen Co. and Globe Mills.**

The Finance Committee recommended the adoption of Article 1.

After some discussion and explanation of the Article, it was Voted:- to make a settlement with the Methuen Company and Globe Mills, in the manner recommended by the Arbitrators to whom the matter was referred, and to appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars therefor, and that the agreements presented at the meeting be executed as therein proposed.

**Article 2 Selectmen of 1908 & 1909.**

Voted:- to pay the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, and Board of Health, for their services from March 1, 1908 to March 1, 1909 and appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Dollars for that purpose.

**Article 3 Water Bonds.**

Voted:- to authorize the Treasurer to sell the water bonds now issued, to pay for extensions of the water system as voted at the last annual town meeting.

No other business appearing the meeting adjourned at 9-15 P.M.

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

## **Report of Arbitrators**

**Lawrence, Mass., April 15<sup>th</sup> 1911**

Henry F. Lea Esq., Methuen Water Board  
Methuen, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

In accordance with your request as authorized by the Methuen Water Board by its vote of August 5<sup>th</sup>, 1910, we beg to submit the following report in relation to the damages sustained by the Methuen Company in consequence of the diversion of a portion of waters of the Spicket River for a domestic supply for the Town of Methuen. There were two questions to be settled. The first was the period from the date of the writ, April 1<sup>st</sup> 1907, to the present time, and second the amount which should be paid for the rights for future use.

From the data furnished by the Superintendent of the Water Board relating to the amount of water pumped at the station, we find that the loss, from date of writ, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1907, to July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1910 to be \$324.00.

For the second question regarding the compensation in settlement for future use, we have considered that from a study of the growth of population, and increase in the use of water it was reasonable to provide for an amount of 1 cubic foot per second or 236,000,000 gallons per year. The population is about 11,500 by the last official census in 1910 and the amount provided for may be sufficient for 30 years or possibly the amount may be reached at an earlier date. The consumption in July, which is a dry month, reached nearly 19,000,000 gallons which at this rate would nearly reach the limit. The other months indicated a much less amount of use.

In considering the loss of power sustained by Methuen Company we conclude that as compensation for the right to draw 1 cubic foot per second throughout the year or 236,000,000 gallons total yearly, the Town of Methuen should pay the Methuen Company the sum of \$1950.<sup>00</sup> and that when the limit of this quantity is reached a new agreement, and if necessary, readjustment of rates, should be made for this increased quantity. In the proposed agreement it has been provided that a quantity not exceeding 50 per cent in excess of the average quantity per month may be drawn during any one month, to allow a flexibility in its use which is liable to vary at different seasons of the year.

It is also understood that in the event of such condition as a large conflagration, requiring a large amount of water, that this amount of 50 per cent may be exceeded if necessary. To avoid any misunderstanding it is recommended that an Indenture between the two parties be executed and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for this district.





at the town house and at the post office in Precinct one, and at the corner of Centre and Tenney streets and at the corner of Chase St. and Broadway in Precinct Two, and at the Currier and Bradley schools in Precinct Three, on Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, being more than eight days before the day of said election, and I have also caused the same to be printed in the Methuen Transcript.

William J. Oliver – Constable of Methuen

A true copy of Warrant and return

Attest. Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

### Record of State Election – Nov. 7, 1911.

At meetings of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen in the County of Essex, held in the respective Precincts in said Town pursuant to Warrant No. 18 file 14 on Tuesday November seventh A. D. 1911, the qualified voters of said Town brought in their written votes for the several officers to be balloted for, and the same were received, sorted, counted, declared and registered in open Precinct meetings, according to law, as appears by the certified returns from said Precincts transmitted to the Town Clerk, and examined by the Selectmen and Town Clerk, and according to said returns the following is the result of the election held as aforesaid.

	Pre. 1	Pre. 2	Pre. 3	Total
<b>Whole number of ballots cast</b>	<b>731</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>1342</b>
<b>For Governor</b>				
James T. Carey of Haverhill – Socialist	14	25	43	82
Eugene N. Foss of Boston – Democratic	181	76	44	301
Eugene N. Foss of Boston – Democratic Progressive	53	20	9	82
Louis A. Frothingham of Boston – Republican	457	224	137	818
Dennis McGoff of New Bedford – Socialist Labor	2	4	5	11
Frank N. Rand of Haverhill – Prohibition	11	10	2	23
Blank	13	8	4	25
<b>For Lieutenant Governor</b>				
Walter S. Hutchins of Greenfield	18	23	42	83
Robert Luce of Somerville	473	231	130	834
William G. Merrill of Malden	23	8	8	39
Patrick Mulligan of Boston	9	2	6	17
David J. Walsh of Fitchburg	179	80	46	305
Blank	29	23	12	64
<b>For Secretary</b>				
David Craig of Milford	14	7	11	32

Frank J. Donahue of Boston	138	58	32	228
Alfred H. Evans of Northampton	30	13	6	49
Rose Fenner of Worcester	18	22	43	83
Alfred P. Langtry of Springfield	472	235	136	843
Blank	59	32	16	107

**For Treasurer**

Joseph M. Coldwell of Milford	21	27	45	93
Jeremiah P. McNally of Salem	11	4	6	21
Charles E. Peakes of Weston	16	10	3	29
Elmer A. Stevens of Somerville	486	240	145	869
Augustus L. Thorndike of Brewster	138	51	31	220
Blank	59	35	16	170

**For Auditor**

Karl Lindstrand of Lynn	9	10	9	28
Sylvester J. McBride of Watertown	20	23	39	82
William W. Nash of Westborough	21	11	3	35
Charles B. Strecker of Brookline	131	20	38	219
John E. White of Tisbury	470	227	135	832
Blank	80	46	20	146

**For Attorney General**

George W. Anderson of Boston	144	60	37	241
Henry C. Hess of Boston	12	5	10	27
George E. Roewer, Jr. of Boston	22	21	45	88
James M. Swift of Fall River	485	240	133	858
Blank	68	41	19	128

**For Councillor, Fifth District**

John H. Blackstock of Amesbury	26	29	45	100
Edward J. Carney of Salem	106	36	25	167
Edward G. Frothingham of Haverhill	468	225	104	837
James H. Walker of Amesbury	57	32	13	102
Blank	74	45	17	136

**For Senator, Fifth Essex District**

Dennis E. Halley of Lawrence	184	74	67	325
James R. Tetler of Lawrence	505	205	148	918
Blank	42	28	29	99

**For Representatives in Gen. Court, Fifth Essex District**

Alfred J. Burckel of Lawrence	329	184	102	615
John C. Sanborn of Lawrence	244	103	66	413
Frederick W. Schlapp of Lawrence	236	67	99	402
Albin Ulrick of Lawrence	411	246	139	796
Blank	242	134	82	458

**For County Commissioner**

Charles H. Creesy of Beverly	61	34	11	106
Nathan Huntington of Merrimac	29	26	48	103
Moody Kimball of Newburyport	471	227	137	835
Patrick J. Murphy of Peabody	104	37	30	171
Blank	66	43	18	127

**For Clerk of Courts**

Edward B. George of Haverhill	567	275	174	1016
Albin Peirce	1			1
Blank	163	92	70	325

**For Register of Deeds – Essex Northern District**

Moses Marshall of Lawrence	537	282	164	983
John P. Mulholland of Lawrence	166	67	56	289
Blank	28	18	24	70

**Shall the proposed amendment to the constitution authorizing the use of voting machines at all elections be approved and ratified?**

Yes	357	152	122	631
No	117	61	51	229
Blank	257	154	71	482

**Shall the proposed amendment to the constitution, increasing the power of the legislature to authorize the taking of land and property for highways or streets be approved and ratified?**

Yes	335	167	103	611
No	142	63	62	267
Blank	254	137	73	464

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

**Record of Meeting of City and Town Clerks, Nov. 17 1911**



Commissioner to serve three years in place of Ernest L. Burnham, one Moderator to serve for one year, one Auditor, Constables, Fence Viewers, and “Yes” or “No” in answer to the question, “Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Town.” To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 42 Chapter 514 of the Acts of the year 1909, relating to the eight-hour law, so-called. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provision of Chapter 468, Sections one, two and three of the Acts of 1911. An act to extend the provisions of the Civil Service Act to Chiefs of Police in certain cities and towns. All to be voted for on one ballot.

The polls may be closed at 4 o’clock P.M. Also to meet at the Town Hall in said Town, on Saturday, the ninth day of March next, at 1 o’clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

- Article 1 To elect all Town officers not required to be chosen by ballot.
- Article 2 To hear the annual report of the Selectmen and act thereon.
- Article 3 To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for ensuing year and make appropriation for the same.
- Article 4 To determine the manner for collecting taxes for the ensuing year and act thereon as the Town may think proper.
- Article 5 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, or a majority thereof, to borrow during the municipal year beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1912, in anticipation of the collection of taxes of said year, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the Town, but not exceeding the total tax levy for said year, giving the notes of the Town therefor, payable within one year from the dates thereof. All debts incurred under authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.
- Article 6 To hear the reports of committees and act thereon.
- Article 7 To determine the manner of appropriating the amount received from dog taxes in accordance with Chapter 102 Section 163 of the Revised Laws.
- Article 8 To determine what compensation the Town will grant the members of the Fire Department for their services the ensuing year.
- Article 9 By request of William B. Greene Post. No. 100, G.A.R., to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for decorating the graves of our soldiers and sailors on Memorial Day, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1912. Said money to be expended under the direction of said Post.
- Article 10 To see if the Town will vote to make a plan of the Town and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for the same.
- Article 11 To see if the Town will vote to buy a lot of land from Daniel W. Tenney Heirs on Cochrane street containing about 45,465 feet, and, appropriate four thousand six hundred dollars

(\$4,600.00) for the same.

- Article 12 By request of the school committee to see if the Town will vote to erect a four room brick school building on the lot owned by the Town on Ashford street and appropriate thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) for the same.
- Article 13 To see if the Town will vote to borrow money to pay for the school house voted to be built and authorize the issue of notes or bonds of the Town therefor.
- Article 14 By request of Fred A. Hilbert and others to see if the Town will buy or take by right of eminent domain a lot of land in the east part of Methuen for school purposes with suitable sewer facilities and located not over a third of a mile from either of the two car lines, and appropriate \$4,5000.00 for the same.
- Article 15 To see if the Town will build a brick building on this lot to be used as a Central Grammar school for the east part of the Town, said building to contain not less than six classrooms and to be planned for future enlargement and appropriate thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) for the same.
- Article 16 To authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow money for the above appropriation as the Town shall direct.
- Article 17 By request of George W. Rice and others to see if the Town shall reimburse Ella R. Rice for all damage sustained by her to her real estate situated at 5 Lowell street in the Town of Methuen caused by the change of grade to said Lowell street and appropriate the sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) therefor.
- Article 18 By request of Conrad Puchtler and others to see if the Town will vote to repair Combination street and appropriate fifty dollars (\$50.00) for the same.
- Article 19 By request of Herbert A. Flanders and others to see if the Town will vote to repair the road on Pleasant Valley street beginning at the bridge near the Abbott farm, running easterly to E. P. Reynolds farm and appropriate one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the same.
- Article 20 By request of Amos Hawkins to see if the Town will vote to grade and gravel North Lowell street from Elmwood cemetery to the Town and County boundary line near the home of the late William Mansur and appropriate six hundred dollars (\$600.00) for the same.
- Article 21 By request of Charles G. Scherig and others to see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to petition the State Highway Commission to take care of the surface water on East street between Ashford and Swan street.
- Article 22 By request of Robert H. Newsholme and others to see if the Town will vote to extend its Water system from the corner of Lowell and Elm streets up Lowell street nine hundred feet, and appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 23 By request of A. S. Huntress and others to see if the Town will extend the water service from the end of the present main on Lowell street to the property of F. J. Stanley on New River

road a distance of about 3,750 feet and appropriate three thousand five hundred dollars for the same.

- Article 24 To see if the Town will vote to borrow money to pay for the extension of the water pipe on Lowell street and authorize the issue of notes or bonds of the Town therefor.
- Article 25 By request of V. B. Richardson and others to see if the Town will vote to extend the water from Maple street to the residence of Ephraim Noble, six thousand feet, and appropriate five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for the same.
- Article 26 By request of Fred G. Geisler and others to see if the Town will vote to construct four Hundred feet water extensions on Olive street and appropriate four hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 27 By request of R. H. Newsholme and others to see if the Town will vote to extend the water pipes on Baremeadow street a distance of six hundred feet and appropriate five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for the same.
- Article 28 By request of the Water Board to see if the Town will vote to appropriate three thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) to the sinking fund.
- Article 29 By request of the Water Board to see if the Town will vote to appropriate three thousand Dollars for hydrants, public buildings, and drinking fountains.
- Article 30 To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) to compensate the National Bank of Methuen for the vault, safe, counter and other furniture of the room in the Town building formerly occupied by the bank.
- Article 31 By request of Harmon Wright and others to see if the Town will macadamize Oakland avenue, commencing where they left off last year and macadamize to Broadway and appropriate two thousand dollars for the same.
- Article 32 By request of George H. Richardson and others to see if the Town will vote to grade and macadamize Currier street from Howe street to Washington street, and appropriate four thousand dollars for the same.
- Article 33 By request of Amos H. Griffin and others to see if the Town will vote to macadamize North Lowell street from Lowell street to the Elmwood Cemetery, a distance of about 3,000 feet, and appropriate three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) for the same.
- Article 34 By request of Arthur Potvin and others to see if the Town will vote to macadamize Union street from Railroad crossing to Oakland avenue, a distance of 1,425 feet, and appropriate fifteen hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 35 By request of Nancy J. Breen and others to see if the Town will vote to lay a drain at the junction of North Lowell and Tyler streets to care for the surface water and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars for the same.

- Article 36 By request of Moorhouse Lodge and others to see if the Town will vote to construct an eight-inch sewer on Riverdale, Merrimack streets and Booth road and appropriate twelve hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 37 By request of Fred G. Geisler and others to see if the Town will vote to construct 350 feet eight inch sewer on Olive street and appropriate the sum of three hundred fifty dollars for the same.
- Article 38 By request of Joseph Butterworth, Jr. and others to see if the Town will vote to construct eight hundred feet of sewer on Grove street and appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 39 By request of E. E. Pinney and others to see if the Town will vote to place a fire alarm box at or near the corner of Pelham street and Lindale avenue and expend eighty-five dollars for the same.
- Article 40 To see if the Town will vote to allow only qualified voters whose names are on the check lists to have admittance to the floor of town hall at all future town meetings calling for appropriations.
- Article 41 By request of the Playstead commission to see if the Town will appropriate three hundred dollars for maintenance and improvement of the playsteads and public grounds belonging to the town and appoint a commission to have charge of the same for the ensuing years.
- Article 42 By request of the Cemetery Commissioners to see if the Town will appropriate five hundred dollars to erect a tomb in Elmwood cemetery.
- Article 43 By request of J. W. Briggs and others to see if the Town will vote to give eight hundred dollars for the year of 1912 and 1913 for the meat inspector and appropriate eight hundred dollars for the same.
- Article 44 By request of George Bunting and others to see what compensation the Town will vote to pay the Chief of Police for the year 1912.
- Article 45 To see if the Town will vote to pay the Town auditor one hundred dollars for service for one year.
- Article 46 To see if the Town will vote to pay the inspector of plumbing and sewer connections a salary of five hundred dollars and appropriate the same.
- Article 47 By request of C. A. Donovan to see if the Town will vote to place an arc light at the junction of Berkeley street and Sunset avenue and make an appropriation for the same.
- Article 48 By request of Wilbur J. Locke and others to see if the Town will vote to install three street lights on Prospect street between Marston corner and Brooks street and appropriate fifty-one dollars for the same.
- Article 49 By request of William Graichen and others to see if the Town will vote to install four



lights on Hampshire road in the following named places: One in the vicinity of the School house, one in the vicinity of Graichen's place, one at the corner of Cottage street and Hampshire road and one at the corner of Beverly street and Hampshire road, and appropriate sixty-eight dollars for the same.

Article 50 By request of Robert Morgan and others to see if the Town will vote to locate a street light at the corner of Gage street and Nevins road and appropriate seventeen dollars for the same.

Article 51 By request of Paul Loeffler and others to see if the Town will erect three street lights, one on Oak street, in front of L. Scherig's house, one corner of Oak and Baremeadow streets, and one in front of Otto Minzner's on Baremeadow street, and appropriate one hundred dollars for the same.

Article 52 By request of Alfred Griffiths and others to see if the Town will appropriate the sum of eighteen dollars to furnish an electric street light on Longwood drive at the corner of Jackson terrace.

Article 53 By request of Alfred Griffiths and others to see if the Town will appropriate the sum of fifty dollars to furnish a cinder sidewalk on Longwood drive from Jackson street, approximately one hundred yards, westward to its extremity.

Article 54 To see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain an electric light on Lowell street, between Union and Grove streets, and appropriate seventeen dollars for the same.

Article 55 By request of Eliphalet Butler and others to see if the Town will vote to put in three incandescent street lights on Grove street at points where the Selectmen may select, and appropriate fifty-three dollars for the same.

Article 56 By request of Joseph M. Emsley and others to see if the Town will put in three lights on Ashland avenue between Almont street and Lowell street and appropriate fifty-two dollars (\$52) for the same.

Article 57 By request of J. J. Enright and others to see if the Town will place a street light at the north end of French street near Mr. Hall's property and make an appropriation for the same.

Article 58 By request of Oscar Eichler and others that electric street lights be placed upon Pelham street at a distance of about 500 feet apart, more or less, beginning at or near the corner of Cross and Pelham streets to a terminus at or near Hampshire Road so called and Pelham street and that three hundred dollars (\$300) be appropriated for the same.

Article 59 By request of C. A. Donovan to see if the Town will vote to accept Sunset Avenue as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 60 By request of C. A. Donovan to see if the Town will vote to accept Stearns Avenue as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 61 By request of C. A. Donovan and others to see if the Town will vote to accept East Brook

Place as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 62 By request of Fred G. Geisler ad others to see if the Town will vote to accept Olive street as Laid out by the Selectmen.

Here fail not and make your return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk on or before the time of the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town of Methuen this twentieth day of February, in the year of our Lord on thousand, nine hundred and twelve.

Millard F. Emerson    Selectmen  
Henry N. Hall         }    of  
Edwin J. Castle       }    Methuen

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:-**

**Methuen February 23, 1912**

By virtue of the within precept, I have served the within Warrant in accordance with Section two of the By Laws of said Town of Methuen, by posting an attested copy of the within Warrant, at the town house and at the post office in Precinct One, and at the corner of Centre and Tenney streets and at the corner of Broadway and Chase street in Precinct Two and at the Bradley schoolhouse and at the Currier schoolhouse in Precinct Three on Friday the twenty third day of February instant being more than eight days before the day of said meeting.

William J. Oliver, - Constable of Methuen

A true copy of Warrant and return.

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

**Record of Annual Town Meeting, March 4th, 1912.**

**At meetings of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts held in the respective Precincts in said Town, pursuant to Warrant No. 20 File 14 on Monday, March fourth A.D. 1912** the qualified voters of said Town brought in their written votes for the several officers to be balloted for, and on the question “Shall licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town?” Also on the question “Shall the Town accept Section 42 Chapter 514 of the Acts of the year 1909 relating to the Eight hour law so called?” Also on the question “Shall the Town accept the provisions of Chapter 468, Section one two and three of the Acts of 1911 – An act to extend the provisions of the Civil Service Act to Chiefs of Police in certain Cities and Towns?” – and the same were received, sorted, counted, declared, and registered in open Precinct meetings according to law, as appears by the certified returns from said Precincts, transmitted to the Town Clerk, and examined by him in conjunction with the Board of Registrars of Voters. And according to the Returns the following appears as the result of the election held as aforesaid.

**Pre. 1                      Pre. 2                      Pre. 3                      Total**

<b>The whole number of ballots cast was</b>	<b>726</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>1334</b>
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For **Moderator**

Granville E. Foss, 41 Hampshire St.	545	235	162	942
Blank	181	122	89	392

**Granville E. Foss was declared elected Moderator.**

For **Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor**

Edwin J. Castle, 56 Lowell St.	429	125	129	683
Millard F. Emerson, 12 Barker	376	145	90	611
Henry N. Hall, 5 Walnut	417	120	87	624
Samuel Joy, 176 Tyler	175	115	106	396
Abel Marsland Jr., 64 Riverdale	116	54	30	200
Frank A. Rowell, 1 Ingalls Ct.	202	95	57	354
Samuel Rushton, 27 Centre	214	250	105	569
James Watt, 60 Currier	59	20	61	140
Blank	190	147	88	425

**Edwin J. Castle (sworn), Millard F. Emerson (sworn), and Henry N. Hall (sworn) were declared elected Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor.**

For **Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes**

Joseph S. Howe	600	276	200	1076
Blank	126	81	51	258

**Joseph S. Howe was declared elected Town Clerk (sworn), Treasurer (sworn), and Collector of Taxes (sworn).**

For **Assessor of Taxes (3 years)**

George B. Dumas, 25 Chase	100	43	52	195
Samuel Joy, 176 Tyler	184	136	89	409
Abel Marsland Jr., 64 Riverdale	86	37	18	141
Frank A. Rowell, 1 Ingalls Ct.	255	106	58	419
Blank	101	35	34	170

**A recount having been asked for, no person was declared elected.**

For **Highway Surveyor**

Robert W. Dow, 11 Barker St.	615	305	196	1116
George Boothroyd	1		1	
J. Q. Hill	1			1
W. W. Trussell	1			1

Blank	109	51	55	215
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**Robert W. Dow was declared elected Highway Surveyor.**

**For School Committee (3 years)**

Edward A. Bower, 15 ½ Central	392	216	113	721
William H. Buswell, 21 Central	271	112	105	448
Blank	63	29	33	125

**Edward A. Bower was declared elected School Committee for three years.**

**For Trustee of Nevins Memorial (2 years)**

Harry H. Johnson, 12 Central	552	254	162	968
Blank	174	103	89	366

**Harry H. Johnson was declared elected Trustee of Nevins Memorial.**

**For Water Commissioner (3 years)**

Arthur Booth, 58 Tenney	47	77	7	131
Ernest L. Burnham, Orchard	148	73	51	272
Abel Hill Sr., 601 Lowell	176	110	48	334
George H. Richardson, 98 Pleasant	261	33	83	377
Albert Sharpe, 40 Ashland Ave.	65	44	35	144
Blank	29	20	27	76

**George R. Richardson (sworn) was declared elected Water Commissioner.**

**For Tree Warden**

Alfred H. Wagland, 3 Kirk St.	562	277	161	956
Frank Johnson	1		1	
Blank	164	79	67	310

**Alfred H. Wagland was declared elected Tree Warden.**

**For Cemetery Commissioner**

Samuel S. Dowding, 615 Lowell St.	553	242	161	956
Joe Lawton		1		1
Sharpe Bateman	1			1
Blank	172	114	90	376

**Samuel S. Dowding was declared elected Cemetery Commissioner.**

**For Auditor**

Frederick Hall, 125 Hillside	434	106	119	659
Frank Sharples, 85 Tenney	186	202	68	456
Blank	106	49	64	219

**Frederick Hall was declared elected Auditor, and was sworn.**

**For Constable**

George Bunting, 11 Annis St.	542	275	191	1008
James H. Platt	1	1		2
Blank	184	81	60	325

**George Bunting was declared elected Constable and was sworn.**

**For Fence Viewers**

Charles Hutchins, 38 Pelham	471	210	149	830
Fred E. Koenig, 13 Milk	435	187	180	802
S. Wesley Young, 354 Pelham	468	198	152	818
Blank	804	476	272	1552

**License Vote**

**“Shall Licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town?”**

Yes	202	114	112	428
No	444	195	113	752
Blank	80	48	26	154

**“Shall the Town accept Section 42 Chapter 514 of the Acts of the year 1909 relating to the 8 hour law, so called?”**

Yes	221	120	88	429
No	248	74	77	399
Blank	257	163	86	506

**“Shall the Town Accept the provisions of Chapter 468 Sections one, two, and three of the Acts of 1911.- An Act to extend the Provisions of the Civil Service Act to Chiefs of Police in certain cities and towns?”**

Yes	194	129	69	392
No	290	102	101	493
Blank	242	126	81	449

We hereby certify that the above return is correct.

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk





<b>For</b>	
School teaching, janitorship, supervision and fuel	\$42,800.00
School Repairs	1,900.00
School Supplies	3,300.00
School Contingencies	2,000.00
Night Schools	800.00
School physician	200.00
Opening Roads and sanding sidewalks	2,500.00
Highways and Bridges	8,000.00
Macadam	9,000.00
Sewers	2,500.00
Sidewalks	1,500.00
Highway Surveyor	1,500.00
Edgestone and flagging	1,000.00
Sprinkling streets	200.00
Town teams	4,300.00
Health Department	1,200.00
Tree Warden Department	500.00
Suppression of gypsy moths	3,100.00
Fire Department	5,000.00
Police Department	6,500.00
Contingencies	3,000.00
Street lights	5,500.00
Pauper Department	3,000.00
Soldiers' Relief	800.00
Military Aid	100.00
Interest on Town debt	10,000.00
Collection of taxes	1,500.00
Town officers and clerk	4,500.00
Water bonds 1912	5,000.00
School house notes	4,000.00
Meat Inspector	500.00
Sealer of weights and measures	300.00
Town Physician	<u>600.00</u>
Total	136,600.00

Article 4 **Collecting Taxes**

Voted:- That taxes be collected the same as last year and that on all taxes remaining unpaid November first interest shall be charged from that date to the time of payment, at the rate of six per cent per annum.

Article 5 **Temporary Loans**

Voted:- by a unanimous vote, 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 taxes of the municipal year beginning January first 1912 to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate One Hundred 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 said municipal year.

Article 6 **Committee Reports**

Under Article Six no Reports were made.

Article 7 **Dog Money**

Voted:- that the money received from the County for Dog Licenses be appropriated for the use of the schools.

Article 8 **Fire Dept.**

Voted: that the compensation of the members of the Fire Department be the same as was paid them last year.

Article 9 **Memorial Day \$200.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- that the sum of Two Hundred Dollars be appropriated for decorating the graves of our soldiers and sailors on Memorial Day, May 30, 1912. Said money to be expended under the direction of William B. Greene Post No. 100 G.A.R.

Article 10 **Town Plan \$500.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- To make a plan of the Town and to appropriate Five Hundred Dollars for that purpose.

Article 11 **Cochrane land**

Voted, To pass over Article 11 of the Warrant.

Article 12 **School Houses**

13, 14, 15

A motion was made that Articles 12, 13, 14, & 15 be stricken from the Warrant. An amendment was then offered by Mr. Buswell that these articles lie on the table until next Annual Meeting. After considerable discussion it was voted to postpone action on the subject-matter contained in these articles until the next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 16 **Loan**

Voted:- to pass over Article 16 of the Warrant.

Article 17 **Geo. W. Rice**

Voted:- to refer Article 17 to the Selectmen with full power.

Article 18 **Combination St.**

Voted:- to repair Combination street and appropriate fifty dollars for that purpose; money to be taken from regular appropriation.

Article 19 **Pleasant Valley St.**

Voted:- to repair the road on Pleasant Valley St. beginning at the bridge near the Abbott farm, running easterly to E. P Reynolds farm, and appropriate one hundred dollars for that purpose, the cost to be taken from the regular appropriation.

Article 20 **No. Lowell St. \$250.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to grade and gravel North Lowell St. from Elmwood Cemetery to the Town line near the home of William Mansur deceased, and to appropriate Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars for that purpose.

Article 21 **East St.**

Voted:- to instruct the Selectmen to petition the State Highway Commission to take care of the surface water on East St. between Ashford and Swan street.

Article 22 **Water Pipe – Lowell St.**

Voted:- to extend the water system from the corner of Lowell and Elm streets up Lowell street nine hundred feet, and appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars for that purpose, - and that a drip pipe also be attached to the pipes. Also,

Voted:- that the Water Commissioners be authorized to sell the remaining water bonds; - two in number.

Article 23 **Water Pipe**

Voted:- to pass over Article 23 of the Warrant.

Article 24 **Water loan**

Voted:- to pass over Article 24 of the Warrant.

Article 25 **Water Pipe**

Voted:- to pass over Article 25 of the Warrant.

Article 26 **Water Pipe**

A motion was made to construct water extensions on Olive St, but was lost.

Article 27 **Water Pipe**

Voted:- to pass over Article 27 of the Warrant.

Article 28 **Sinking fund**

Voted:- to appropriate three thousand dollars to be placed in the Water sinking fund – the same to be taken from the earnings of the Waterworks.

Article 29 **Hydrants and drinking fountains \$3000.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to appropriate Three Thousand dollars for hydrants, public building and drinking fountains.

Article 30 **Bank Vault \$750.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars to compensate the National Bank of Methuen for the vault, safe, counter and other furniture of the room in the Town building formerly occupied by the Bank.

Article 31 **Oakland Ave.**

Voted:- to pass over Article 31 of the Warrant.

Article 32 **Currier St.**

Voted:- to pass over Article 32 of the Warrant.

Article 33 **No. Lowell St.**

Voted:- to pass over Article 33 of the Warrant.

Article 34 **Union St. \$1500.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to macadamize Union street from Railroad crossing to Oakland Avenue, and to appropriate Fifteen Hundred Dollars for that purpose:- Five hundred Dollars for grading, One Thousand Dollars for macadam.

Article 35 **No. Lowell St. Drain \$200.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to lay a drain at the junction of North Lowell and Tyler streets, to care for the surface water, and appropriate Two Hundred Dollars therefor.

Article 36 **Sewer**

Voted:- that Article 36 be referred to the Selectmen.

Article 37 **Olive St. Sewer \$350.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to construct Three Hundred and fifty feet eight inch sewer on Olive street and to appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and fifty dollars for that purpose.

Article 38 **Grove St. Sewer**

Voted:- to pass over Article 38 of the Warrant.

Article 39 **Fire Alarm \$85.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- To place a fire alarm box at or near the corner of Pelham Street and Lindale Avenue and appropriate eighty five dollars for the same.

Article 40 **Town Meeting Voters**

Voted:- to allow only qualified voters whose names are on the checklist to have admittance to the floor of town hall at all future town meetings calling for appropriation.

Article 41 **Playsteads \$300.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to appropriate Three Hundred Dollars for maintenance and improvement of the playsteads and public grounds belonging to the town and appoint a commission to have charge of the same for the ensuing year:- One Hundred Dollars of the appropriation to be available for Police Service on Saturdays and holidays if necessary.

Voted:- that the Moderator appoint the commissioners.

Moderator appointed Thomas N. Hubbard, Harvey S. Gruver & Robert N. Dow.

Article 42 **Tomb in Cemetery \$500.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- To appropriate Five Hundred Dollars to erect a tomb in Elmwood Cemetery.

Article 43 **Meat Inspector \$500.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to appropriate Five Hundred Dollars for the salary of Meat Inspector for one year, twelve calendar months.

Article 44 **Chief of Police**

Voted:- that the salary of the Chief of Police be Twelve Hundred Dollars said sum to be paid from the regular appropriation for Police.

Article 45 **Auditor \$50.<sup>00</sup>**

Voted:- to pay the town Auditor fifty dollars for service one year.

Article 46 **Plumbing Insp. \$300.00**

Voted:- to pay the Inspector of plumbing and sewer connections a salary of Three Hundred Dollars per annum and to appropriate that sum for the purpose.

Article 47 **Skylights**

48,49,50,

51,52,53,

54,55,56,

57,58,59,

60,61,62.

Voted, that Articles 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 61, 62 be referred to the Selectmen.

No other business appearing, at five o'clock and forty minutes P.M. the meeting is adjourned.

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

**Methuen, March 15, 1912**

I Joseph S. Howe of Methuen in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as I am the Town Clerk of said Methuen, hereby appoint Sylvia P. Leavitt of said Methuen, to be Assistant Town Clerk as provided by statute. Sworn.

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

**Notice for holding a primary.  
Town of Methuen**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen qualified to vote, notice is hereby given that meetings will be held at the several polling places, namely, Town Hall in Voting Precinct One, Basement of the Arlington Schoolhouse in Voting Precinct Two, the Polling Booth in Voting Precinct Three on Swan Street.

Tuesday April 30, 1912 at two o'clock in the afternoon to elect from the Republican and Democratic parties delegates at large, district delegates, alternate delegates at large, and

district delegates to their respective national conventions; and to express their preference for a candidate for the party nominations for President and Vice President of the United States,

Polls will be open from 2 o'clock P.M. till 8 o'clock P.M.

L. S.	Millard F. Emerson Henry N. Hall Edwin J. Castle	Selectmen } of Methuen
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**Methuen April 9, 1912.**

And according to the returns transmitted to me by the Election Officers of the foregoing Precincts the following appears as the result of the balloting held as aforesaid.

<b>Republican Party Delegates at Large</b>	<b>Pre. 1</b>	<b>Pre. 2</b>	<b>Pre. 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
Charles S. Baxter of Medford (Roosevelt)				
George W. Coleman of Boston				
Frederick Fosdick of Fitchburg				
Albert Bushnell Hart of Cambridge				
Octave A. La Riviere of Springfield				
James P. Magenis of Boston				
Arthur L. Nason of Haverhill				
Alvin G. Weeks of Fall River (Roosevelt)				
Frank Seiberlick of Boston – pledged to Taft				

**(Note: No numbers were entered into the record.)**

**Warrant for holding Primary – Sept. 24, 1912  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:-**

To George Bunting, one of the Constables of the Town of Methuen.

**Greeting:-**

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries, to meet in the various polling places, namely: at the Town Hall in voting Precinct One, in the basement of the Arlington School House in voting Precinct Two, and in the polling booth on Swan Street in voting Precinct Three, on Tuesday the twenty fourth day of September 1912, at two o'clock P.M. for the following purposes: To bring in their votes to the Primary officers for the nomination of candidates of political parties for the following officers: Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General, Representative in Congress for the Fifth Essex District, Councillor in the Fifth District, Senator in the Fifth Essex District, two Representatives in the General Court in the Fifth Essex District, County Commissioner for Essex County, County Treasurer for Essex County, Register of Probate and Insolvency and for the election of the following officers: Member of the State Committee for the Fifth Senatorial District, Members of the Town Committee and Delegates to State Conventions of political parties. All

of the above candidates and officers are to be voted for upon one ballot. The polls will be open from two P.M. until eight P.M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, eight days at least before the time of said meeting, as directed by vote of the town.

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

Given under our hands this fifth day of September A.D. 1912.

(seal) Millard F. Emerson    Selectmen  
Henry N. Hall            } of  
Edwin J. Castle         Methuen

### Record of Primaries Sept. 24, 1912

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant, meetings were held in the designated polling places on Tuesday September twenty fourth for the purpose named, and the following is the result of the balloting as transmitted to me by the election officers.

#### Republican Candidates.

	Pre. 1	Pre. 2	Pre. 3	Total
<b>For Governor</b>				
Everett C. Benton of 75 Oakley Road, Belmont	76	41	35	152
Joseph Walker of 108 Upland Road, Brookline	173	126	23	322
Blank.	18	16	2	36
E. M. Foss		1		1
Roland L. Sawyer			2	2
<b>Lieutenant Governor</b>				
Robert Luce of 140 Highland Avenue, Somerville	216	147	50	413
Blank	51	37	10	98
Robert B. Martin			2	2
<b>Secretary</b>				
Albert Langtry of 69 High St., Springfield	213	145	51	409
Blank	54	39	9	102
Ellen Hayes			2	2
<b>Treasurer</b>				
Elmer A. Stevens, 103 Library Ave., Somerville	207	138	51	396

Blank	60	46	9	115
Louis Weiss			2	2

**Auditor**

John E. White, Greenwood Ave. Tisbury	202	135	50	387
Blank	65	49	10	124
Sylvester J. McBride			2	2

**Attorney General**

James M. Swift, 294 French St., Fall River	206	143	50	399
Blank	61	41	10	112
George E. Roewer Jr.			2	2

**Congressman Fifth District**

William J. S. Bartlett, 167 Varnum Ave., Lowell	75	20	26	121
James Wilson Grimes, 161 Woburn St., Reading	58	10	13	81
John Jacob Rogers, 444 Andover St., Lowell	98	137	12	247
Blank	36	17	11	64

**Councillor**

Edward C. Frothingham, 35 Arlington St., Haverhill	201	144	49	394
Blank	66	40	13	19

**Senator**

James R. Tetler, 300 Ames St., Lawrence	211	153	48	412
Blank	56	31	14	101

**Representatives in General Court**

Alfred J. Burckel, 30 Milford St., Lawrence	92	63	35	190
George G. Frederick, 36 Park St., Methuen	175	101	41	317
William H. Russell, 154 Oakland Ave., Methuen	138	105	22	265
Blank	129	99	26	254

**County Commissioner**

James C. Poor, 341 Sutton St., No. Andover	209	144	53	406
Blank	58	40	9	107

**County Treasurer**

David J. Robinson, 77 Pleasant Ave., Gloucester	198	131	48	377
Blank	69	53	14	136



**Register of Probate and Insolvency**

Horace H. Atherton Jr., 53 Lincoln Avenue, Saugus	89	64	19	172
Arthur Bogue, 116 Green Street, Lynn	68	38	21	127
James J. Tierney, 23 Park Ave., Salem	28	19	7	54
Blank	82	63	15	160

**State Committee Fifth Essex District**

George Bunting, 11 Annis St., Methuen	187	147	52	386
W. H. Russell		1		1
Geo. Russell		1		1
Blank	80	35	10	125

**For Town Committee**

Perley D. Smith, 114 Prospect Street	176	120	37	333
Elliot P. Spooner, 57 Hampshire Street	176	130	37	343
William H. Russell, 154 Oakland Ave.	168	129	37	334
Henry H. Crompton, 25 Tenney St.	175	141	37	353
John C. Barraclough, 168 Tenney St.	164	130	38	332
Scattering				4
Blanks	473	263	124	860

**Delegates to State Convention**

Alfred Humphries	3	6		9
Elliot P. Spooner	6	5		11
Perley D. Smith	2	1	1	4
Edwin J. Castle	5			5
Geo. Bunting	2	1		3
H. Crompton				3
J. D. Emerson				3

**Democratic Candidates**

**Governor**

Eugene E. Foss, 10 Revere St., Boston	25	6	6	37
Joseph C. Pelletier, 849 Beacon St., Boston	9	3	4	16
Blank	5			5

**Lieutenant Governor**

Edward P. Barry, 59 Thomas Park, Boston	13	1	7	21
David I. Walsh, 251 Main St. Fitchburg	23	7	3	33
Blank	3	1		4

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**Secretary**

Frank J. Donahue, 106 Glenway Street, Boston	26	7	9	42
Blank	13	2	1	16

**Treasurer**

Joseph L. P. St. Coeur, 113 Antrim St., Cambridge	26	6	9	41
Blank	13	3	1	17

**Auditor**

James F. Carens, 4 Milk St., Newburyport	23	7	9	39
Blank	16	2	1	19

**Attorney General**

George W. Anderson, 19 Burroughs St., Boston	22	8	9	39
Blank	17	1	1	19

**Congressman, Fifth District**

James H. Carmichael, 22 Rolfe St., Lowell	2	3	3	8
Humphrey O'Sullivan, 118 Butterfield St., Lowell	30	5	7	42
Blank	7	1		8

**Councillor, Fifth District**

Edward J. Carney, 9 North Pine Street, Salem	23	7	8	38
Blank	16	2	2	20

**Senator Fifth Essex District**

William R. Adams, 193 Trenton St., Lawrence	2	0	0	2
Dennis E. Halley, 69 Middlebury St., Lawrence	25	5	7	37
William A. Hester, 218 Park St., Lawrence	0	0	1	1
John P. S. Mahoney, 18 Custer St., Lawrence	11	4	2	17
Blank	1	0	0	1

**Representatives in General Court**

John C. Sanborn, 45 East Haverhill St., Lawrence	25	8	8	41
Frederick W. Schlapp, 6 Jordan Avenue, Lawrence	22	6	8	36
Blank	31	4	4	39

**County Commissioner**

Fred A. Spaulding, 28 Bradford St., Lawrence	23	6	9	8
Blank	16	3	1	20

**County Treasurer**

Robert K. Sears, 309 Locust St., Danvers	23	8	8	39
Blank	16	1	2	19

**Register of Probate and Insolvency**

Arthur Bogue, 116 Green St., Lynn	24	8	8	37
Blank	18	1	2	21

**State Committee, Fifth Essex District**

Paul Hannagan, 192 Arlington St., Lawrence	24	8	9	41
Blank	15	1	1	17

**Delegates to State Convention**

John J. Manion, 48 Hampshire St.	24	8	9	41
Jeremiah O’Leary, 8 Union St.	24	7	9	40
Blank	29	3	2	34
John Burns	1			1

**Town Committee**

John J. Manion, 48 Hampshire St.	22	7	9	38
John F. Quinn, 81 Lowell St.	23	8	9	40
Jeremiah O’Leary, 8 Union St.	23	6	9	38
Blank	49	6	3	58

**Socialist Candidates**

**Governor**

Pelletier	1			1
Blank	1			1
Roland D. Sawyer			11	11

**Lieutenant Governor**

Robert B. Martin			11	11
Blank	2			2

**Secretary**

Ellen Hayes		11	11
Blank	2		2

**Treasurer**

Louis F. Weiss		10	10
Blank	2	1	3

**Auditor**

Sylvester J. McBride		10	10
Blank	2	1	3

**Attorney General**

George E. Roewer Jr.		10	10
Blank	2	1	3

**Congressman**

William W. McNally		2	2
Blank	2	9	11

**Senator Fifth Essex District**

Edward J. Hoar		1	1
Blank	2	10	12

**Representatives in General Court**

Carl Voigt, 6 King St., Methuen		8	8
Blank	2	3	5

No other nominations were made by Socialists.

Jos. S. Howe, Town Clerk

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:-**

To George Bunting, one of the Constables in the Town of Methuen in said County:-

**Greeting:** In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, qualified by law to vote in the election of National, State, District and County officers, to meet and assemble at the designated polling places of Precincts one, two and three namely: the Town Hall in voting Precinct One, the basement of the Arlington school house on Merrill street in vote Precinct Two, and the polling booth on Swan street in voting Precinct Three, on Tuesday the fifth day of November next

at five forty five o'clock in the forenoon, to bring in to the election officers their votes for Presidential Electors; Governor; Lieut. Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney General, Congressman, Councillor, Senator, Representatives in the General Court (two), County Commissioner, County Treasurer, Register of Probate and Insolvency; and the votes on the following questions:-

Amendment to the constitution disqualifying from voting, person convicted of certain offences.  
(Chap. 21, Resolves of 1912)

Amendment to the Constitution relative to the Taxation of wild or Forest lands.  
(Chap. 115, Resolves of 1912)

Acceptance of Chap. 503, Acts of 1912, entitled "An act relative to pensioning laborers in the employ of cities and towns."

Acceptance of Chap. 587, Acts of 1912 entitled "an Act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of an independent agricultural school in the County of Essex."

All to be voted for on one ballot. The polls may be closed at four o'clock P.M.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town of Methuen this twenty first day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twelve.

Millard F. Emerson    Selectmen  
Edwin J. Castle        of Methuen

## **Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Essex SS:-**

**Methuen, Oct. 25, 1912**

To the Board of Selectmen – **Greeting:-**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the town of Methuen qualified to vote for National, State, District, and County officers to meet as within directed, by posting up attested printed copies of this Warrant, at the Town Hose and in public places in each of the voting precincts eight days before said meeting.

George Bunting – Constable of Methuen

A true copy of Warrant and return.

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

## **Record of State Election, Nov. 5 1912**

**At meetings of the Inhabitants of the Town of Methuen in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, held in the respective Precincts in said Town, pursuant to Warrant No. 20 File 14 on Tuesday November fifth 1912, the qualified voters of said Town brought in their written votes for the several officers to be balloted for, and the same were received, sorted, counted,**

declared, and registered in open Precinct meetings, according to law, as appears by the certified return from said Precincts, transmitted to the Town Clerk, and examined by the Selectmen and Town Clerk, and according to said returns the following is the result of the election held as aforesaid.

	<b>Pre. 1</b>	<b>Pre. 2</b>	<b>Pre. 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>The whole number of ballots cast</b>	<b>829</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>1579</b>
<b>For Presidential Elections At Large</b>				
John M. Fisher of Attleborough – Pro.	7	5	1	13
Edward Kendall of Cambridge – Pro	7	5	1	13
Fred Tepper of Lawrence – S.	23	34	58	115
Daniel A. White of Brockton – S.	23	34	58	115
Robert Bateson of Fall River – S. L.	0	0	0	0
Moritz E. Ruther of Holyoke – S. L.	0	0	0	0
James P. Magenis of Boston – Prog.	421	202	173	796
Cassins A. Ward of Boston – Prog.	421	202	173	796
Rufus D. Adams of Salem – R.	197	92	62	351
David F. Dillon of Palmer – R.	197	92	62	351
John W. Cummings of Fall River – D.	148	51	37	236
William A. Gaston of Boston – D.	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68
<b>District Number One</b>				
Thomas A. Frissell of Hinsdale	7	5	1	13
Wilfred Griffin of Pittsfield	23	34	58	115
Herman Koepke of Pittsfield	0	0	0	0
Cornelius C. Cook of Pittsfield	421	202	173	796
William A. Burns of Pittsfield	197	92	62	351
Daniel F. Doherty of Westfield	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68
<b>District Number Two</b>				
Oliver W. Cobb of Easthampton	7	5	1	13
Charles C. Hitchcock of Ware	23	34	58	115
Frederick A. Nagler of Springfield	0	0	0	0
J. Frank Drake of Springfield	421	202	173	796
Walter S. Robinson of Springfield	197	92	62	351
Edward H. Lathrop of Springfield	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68
<b>District Number Three</b>				
Hervey S. Cowell of Ashburnham	7	5	1	13
Robert Lawrance of Clinton	23	34	58	115
John A. Anderson of Gardner	0	0	0	0
Frederick Fosdick of Fitchburg	421	202	173	796

George R. Wallace of Fitchburg	197	92	62	351
Frank H. Pope of Leominster	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68

**District Number Four**

John Holt of Worcester	7	5	1	13
Charles E. Fenner of Worcester	23	34	58	115
Joseph Jiskra of Milford	0	0	0	0
Frank J Quist of Worcester	421	202	173	796
James Logan of Worcester	197	92	62	351
John F. Meaney of Blackstone	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68

**District Number Five**

John B. Lewis of Reading	7	5	1	13
William J. Carroll of Lowell	23	34	58	115
Lars P. Nelson of Cambridge	0	0	0	0
Lewis D. Apsley of Hudson	421	202	173	796
Harry G Pollard of Lowell	197	92	62	351
J. Joseph O'Connor of Lowell	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68

**District Number Six**

Willard O Wylie of Beverly	7	5	1	13
James F. Carey of Haverhill	23	34	58	115
Thomas F. Brennan of Salem	0	0	0	0
Nelson B. Clark of Beverly	421	202	173	796
Alfred E. Lyons of Haverhill	197	92	62	351
Charles A. Russell of Gloucester	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68

**District Number Seven**

Charles E. McColley of Lawrence	7	5	1	13
Ambrose Miles of Lynn	23	34	58	115
Fred E. Oelcher of Peabody	0	0	0	0
Lynn M. Ranger of Lynn	421	202	173	796
C. Neal Barney of Lynn	197	92	62	351
Walter H. Creamer of Lynn	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68

**District Number Eight**

Alfred A. Wright of Cambridge	7	5	1	13
John Tiefenthal Jr. of Cambridge	23	34	58	115

Peter O'Rourke of Medford	0	0	0	0
Lawrence G. Brooks of Cambridge	421	202	173	796
Everett C. Benton of Belmont	197	92	62	351
Thomas E. Dwyer of Wakefield	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68

### **District Number Nine**

Henry C. Russell of Malden	7	5	1	13
John D. Williams of Malden	23	34	58	115
Ernest J. B. Gabarino of Malden	0	0	0	0
Eugene H. Cox of Malden	421	202	173	796
Frank M. Sawtell of Malden	197	92	62	351
James H. Malone of Chelsea	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68

### **District Number Ten**

Aaron L. Woodruff of Boston	7	5	1	13
Fred B. Chase of Boston	23	34	58	115
Charles J. Svenson of Boston	0	0	0	0
Jerome A. Petitti of Boston	421	202	173	796
James W. H. Myrick of Boston	197	92	62	351
John J. Mahoney of Boston	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68

### **District Number Eleven**

John Morgan of Boston	7	5	1	13
George Roewer Sen. of Boston	23	34	58	115
Henry C. Hess of Boston	0	0	0	0
Arthur D. Hill of Boston	421	202	173	796
Frank Vogel of Boston	197	92	62	351
Joseph H. O'Neill of Boston	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68

### **District Number Twelve**

Solon W. Bingham of Boston	7	5	1	13
Samuel P. Levenberg of Boston	23	34	58	115
Ferdinand Houtenbrink Jr. of Boston	0	0	0	0
Elihn D. Stone of Boston	421	202	173	796
Moses S. Laurie of Boston	197	92	62	351
James F. Powers of Boston	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68

### **District Number Thirteen**



John A. Nicholls of Boston	7	5	1	13
Adam Langill of Waltham	23	34	58	115
Joseph P. Foley of Walpole	0	0	0	0
Norman Marshall of Newton	421	202	173	796
J. Henry Gleason of Marlborough	197	92	62	351
Charles B. Strecker of Brookline	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68

#### **District Number Fourteen**

Albert J. Orem of Sharon	7	5	1	13
Zoel Thebadeau of Brockton	23	34	58	115
Patrick H. Loftus of Abington	0	0	0	0
Charles S. Millet of Brockton	421	202	173	796
Horace A. Keith of Brockton	197	92	62	351
Albion C. Drinkwater of Braintree	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68

#### **District Number Fifteen**

David Morrison of Fall River	7	5	1	13
John W. Sawyer of Taunton	23	34	58	115
George R. Rigby of Fall River	0	0	0	0
Robert A. Dean of Fall River	421	202	173	796
Alfred B. William of Taunton	197	92	62	351
Thomas F. Higgins of Fall River	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68

#### **District Number Sixteen**

Edwin S. Paulding of Plymouth	7	5	1	13
Arthur N. Harriman of New Bedford	23	34	58	115
James W. Holden of New Bedford	0	0	0	0
Frank E. Ramsdell of New Bedford	421	202	173	796
Joseph Walsh of Falmouth	197	92	62	351
George M. Harlow of Plymouth	148	51	37	236
Blank	33	20	15	68

#### **For Governor**

Charles S. Bird of Walpole	340	164	133	637
Eugene N. Foss of Boston	168	62	45	275
Patrick Mulligan of Boston	2	3	2	7
Frank M. Rand of Haverhill	9	8	4	21
Roland D. Sawyer of Ware	25	33	67	125
Joseph Walker of Brookline	245	117	79	441
Blank	40	17	16	73

**For Lieutenant Governor**

Daniel Cosgrove of Lowell	287	145	118	550
Alfred H. Evans of Northampton	13	8	6	27
Robert Luce of Somerville	283	123	83	489
Robert B. Martin of Boston	24	35	69	128
Dennis McGoff of New Bedford	3	1	3	7
David I Walsh of Fitchburg	138	52	37	227
Blank	81	40	30	151

**For Secretary**

Frank J. Donahue of Boston	112	44	25	181
Ellen Hayes of Wellesley	29	37	71	137
Albert P. Langtry of Springfield	268	125	89	482
Karl Lindstrand of Lynn	4	3	2	9
William W. Nash of Westborough	8	10	1	19
Russell A. Wood of Cambridge	290	136	120	546
Blank	118	49	38	205

**For Treasurer**

Charles A. Chace of Swanson	13	12	4	29
David Craig of Milford	8	8	5	21
Eldon B. Keith of Brockton	274	127	112	513
Joseph L. P. St. Coeur of Cambridge	126	33	31	190
Elmer A. Stevens of Somerville	273	139	85	497
Louis F. Weiss of Worcester	22	32	66	120
Blank	113	53	43	209

**For Auditor**

James F. Carens of Newburyport	113	38	29	180
Hebert B. Griffin of Boston	8	15	4	27
Octave A. La Riviere of Springfield	267	121	112	500
Sylvester J. McBride of Watertown	27	33	66	126
Jeremiah P. McNally of Salem	18	4	5	30
John E. White of Tisbury	279	138	89	506
Blank	117	55	41	213

**For Attorney General**

George W. Anderson of Boston	110	35	32	117
Frank Bohmbach of Boston	2	8	5	15
Freeman T. Crommett of Chelsea	13	12	5	30
H. Huestis Newton of Everett	280	119	109	508

George E. Roewer Jr. of Boston	32	39	69	140
James M. Swift of Fall River	285	146	86	517
Blank	107	45	40	192

**For Congressman, Fifth District**

William J. Carroll of Lowell	29	24	66	129
William N. Osgood of Lowell	239	91	102	432
Humphrey O'Sullivan of Lowell	144	44	32	220
John Jacob Rogers of Lowell	340	210	123	678
Blank	77	25	23	125

**For Councillor, Fifth District**

Edward J. Carney of Salem	113	38	25	176
Edward G. Frothingham of Haverhill	306	137	105	568
James N. Potter of Beverly	30	40	73	143
Charles P. Tindley of Beverly	259	111	111	481
Blank	119	58	32	209

**For Senator, Fifth Essex District**

Frank W. Frisbee of North Andover	200	94	111	405
Dennis E. Halley of Lawrence	165	52	52	274
James R. Tetler of Lawrence	384	214	109	707
Blank	80	44	69	193

**For Representatives in General Court, Fifth Essex**

Alfred J. Burckel of Lawrence	342	177	159	678
George G. Frederick of Methuen	503	252	162	917
John C. Sanborn of Lawrence	230	77	71	378
Frederick W. Schlapp of Lawrence	175	55	89	319
Carl Vogt of Methuen	34	43	72	149
Joseph W. Collins		1		1
Blank	374	203	139	716

**For County Commissioner**

E. Francis de Lara of Beverly	33	34	66	133
James C. Poor of North Andover	356	159	119	634
Fred O. Spaulding of Lawrence	134	54	37	225
George W. Verrill of Lawrence	212	105	97	414
Blank	94	52	27	173

**For County Treasurer**

George H. Leonard of Beverly	43	37	78	158
David I. Robinson of Gloucester	473	236	169	878
Robert K. Sears of Danvers	119	41	30	190
Blank	104	90	69	263

**For Register of Probate and Insolvency**

Horace H. Atherton Jr. of Saugus	461	228	172	861
Arthur Bogue of Lynn	150	54	50	254
Blank	218	122	124	464

**“Shall the proposed Amendment to the Constitution disqualifying from voting persons convicted of certain offences, be approved and ratified?”**

Yes	396	164	154	714
No	117	63	47	227
Blank	316	177	145	638

**“Shall the proposed amendment to the Constitution, relative to the taxation of wild or forest lands, be approved and ratified?”**

Yes	371	156	146	673
No	116	48	46	210
Blank	342	200	154	696

**“Shall an act passed by the general Court in the year nineteen hundred and twelve, entitled ‘An Act relative to pensioning laborers in the employ of cities and towns,’ be accepted?”**

Yes	205	95	81	381
No	349	161	146	656
Blank	275	148	119	542

**“Shall the County of Essex establish an independent agricultural school?”**

Yes	457	195	181	833
No	113	59	53	225
Blank	259	150	112	521

Attest,

Jos. S. Howe – Town Clerk

**Recount of Ballots - Nov. 12 1912.**

Pursuant to a petition from then legal voters of the Fifth Essex Representative District, alleging that they had reason to believe, and did believe, that the returns of the Election Officers of the Town of Methuen of Precincts One, Two and Three for the office of Representative in the General Court are erroneous, in that votes cast for Alfred J. Burckel were credited to John C. Sanborn, and some were counted Blank, and asking for a recount of the same:-

The Registrars of Voters of the Town of Methuen met at the Town House in said Town, on Tuesday, November twelfth A.D. 1912 at seven o'clock and thirty minutes P.M. and, - all the candidates for the above named office having been notified of the meeting, - they proceeded to open the envelopes containing the ballots cast at said election, recounted the votes cast for Representatives in General Court, and report the result as follows:-

	<b>Pre. 1</b>	<b>Pre. 2</b>	<b>Pre. 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
The total number of ballots cast was	829	404	346	1579
Alfred J. Burckel of Lawrence	340	177	159	676
George G. Frederick of Methuen	488	251	152	891
John C. Sanborn of Lawrence	236	79	70	385
Frederick W. Schlapp of Lawrence	177	51	91	319
Carl Vogt of Methuen	34	46	72	152
Joseph W. Collins		1		1
Blank	383	203	148	734

The ballots were replaced in the envelopes and resealed.

Frederick A. Hoyle	}	Registrars
Edward J. Feeney		of
Fred W. Stowers		Voters
Jos. S. Howe		

### **Record of Meeting of City and Town Clerks, Nov. 15 1912**

#### **City of Lawrence City of Clerk's Officer Nov. 15, 1912**

At a meeting of the City Clerk of Lawrence and the Town Clerk of Methuen, said Town and Wards One and Two of the said City of Lawrence forming the Fifth Essex Representative District held at noon this day in accordance with the provisions of Section 257 Chapter 11 of the Revised Laws, upon comparing the transcripts of the returns, the following appears as the result of the balloting for Representatives in the General Court for said District, at meetings held November fifth 1912,

	<b>Ward 1</b>			<b>Ward 2</b>			<b>Methuen</b>			<b>Total</b>
	<b>Pre. 1</b>	<b>Pre. 2</b>	<b>Pre. 3</b>	<b>Pre. 4</b>	<b>Pre. 5</b>	<b>Pre. 6</b>	<b>Pre. 1</b>	<b>Pre. 2</b>	<b>Pre. 3</b>	
Alfred J. Burckel - Law.	242	110	248	100	96	288	340	177	159	1560

George G. Frederick - Meth.	153	77	157	83	84	243	488	251	152	1688
John C. Sanborn of Lawrence	197	167	215	132	204	471	236	79	70	1771
Frederick W. Schlapp-Law.	329	148	307	112	181	421	177	51	91	1871
Carl Vogt of Methuen	110	23	97	13	39	57	34	46	72	491
Blank	245	141	184	118	218	238	383	203	148	1878

In accordance with the foregoing returns, certificates of election were this day issued to the two persons having the highest number of votes for Representatives in the General Court for the Fifth Essex District,

to wit.

John C. Sanborn of Lawrence

and

Frederick W. Schlapp of Lawrence

Attest

Edward J. Wade – City Clerk of Lawrence

Jos. S. Howe Town Clerk of Methuen