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Auditor's Report.

In compliance with the statutes of the Commonwealth I have examined all books and accounts of the officers of the town of Hampden for the year 1899-1900, and find them correctly kept with proper vouchers.

The total amount of receipts for the year was \$8,577.48, and the expenditures amounted to \$6,946.98, leaving a balance in the Treasury of \$1,630.50.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. FLYNN,

Auditor.

Town Warrant.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS:—

HAMPDEN, ss. To Edward P. Lyons,

Constable of the Town of Hampden,

GREETING:—

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Hampden, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at Academy Hall on Monday, the second day of April next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, three Selectmen who shall be Overseers of the Poor, one Assessor for three years, one Assessor for one year, one Road Commissioner for three years, one School Committee for three years, one Library Trustee for three years, a Tree Warden (see Chap. 330, Acts of 1899), one Collector of Taxes, three Constables, three Fence Viewers, one Auditor, all on one ballot; also to choose all other necessary town officers. The polls will be opened at eleven o'clock in the forenoon and may be closed at three o'clock in the afternoon.

ART. 3. To vote by ballot, which shall be yes or no, in answer to the question, Shall licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town for the ensuing year?

ART. 4. To hear the annual reports of the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, School Committee, Assessors, Tax Collector, Library Trustees, Auditor, and any committee whose duty it may be to report at said meeting and act thereon.

ART. 5. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of Prospect Hill Cemetery.

ART. 6. To determine the method of collecting taxes and direct in regard to the payment of the same.

ART. 7. To determine the salary of the Tax Collector for the current year.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote a compensation to its Treasurer the ensuing year.

ART. 9. To see if the town will accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

ART. 10. To see what disposition the town will make of the dog fund now in the hands of the Treasurer.

ART. 11. To see if the town will appoint an agent or agents to institute and prosecute or defend suits and actions at law to which the town may be a party.

ART. 12. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen or other persons to prosecute violations of the liquor laws, and raise money and make an appropriation therefor.

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to revoke the acceptance of the provisions of Chapter 158 of the Acts of 1871, or of Sections 74, 75, 76, 77 of Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes or any acts amendatory or supplementary thereto and vote to abolish the Board of Road Commissioners.

ART. 14. To see if the town will vote to make special repairs to the highway on the hill near the house of Charles H. Burleigh, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 15. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for Soldiers' Relief.

ART. 16. To see what method the town will adopt to procure a seal of the town according to Chapter 256, Acts of 1899.

ART. 17. To see if the town will authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow such sums of money as may be sanctioned by the Selectmen, to pay the orders of the Selectmen in anticipation of the taxes of the current year.

ART. 18. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges the ensuing year, and to carry into effect any vote or votes passed under the preceding articles, and to appropriate the same; also to vote how such money shall be raised.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up an attested copy thereof at each of the three places designated by the town.

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

Given under our hands this twenty-fourth day of March, 1900.

MORTIMER PEASE,
NELSON M. CAREW,
WILLIAM J. SESSIONS,

Selectmen of Hampden.

REPORT OF THE
Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor.

SCHOOLS.

Appropriated by the town,	\$1,300.00	
Dog fund,	122.12	
State school fund,	498.38	
State children,	18.00	
	\$1,938.50	

We have paid bills approved by the School Committee,	\$1,868.28	
Expended less than available funds,	70.22	
	\$1,938.50	

SCHOOL BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

We have paid approved bills of the School Committee,	\$134.95	
Appropriation,	\$150.00	
Expended less than appropriation,	15.05	
	\$150.00	

PERMANENT REPAIRS.

We have paid approved bills of the School Committee,	\$329.34	
Appropriation,	\$150.00	
Expended above appropriation,	179.34	
	\$329.34	

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.

We have paid approved bills of the School Committee,	\$173.39	
Appropriation,	\$100.00	
Received from State,	169.61	
	\$269.61	
Expended less than available funds,	96.22	
	\$269.61	

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

We have paid approved bills of the Trustees,	\$106.72	
Appropriation,	\$125.00	
Delinquent fees,	.22	
	\$125.22	
Expended less than available funds,	18.50	
	\$125.22	

STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

Paid State tax,	\$225.00	
Paid County tax,	434.35	
	\$659.35	

STREET LIGHTS.

Globe Gas Light Co.,	\$22.50	
Mathias Casey, supplies,	33.66	
Sumner Smith, supplies,	35.22	
J. A. Ames,	.60	
E. P. Lyons,	1.19	
Robert Chaffee, care of lamps,	2.04	
Walter Beebe, care of lamps,	71.00	
	\$166.21	