

1866

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting

Essex SS. To Charles E. Goss Constable of the Town of Methuen, you are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs in the manner prescribed by the Town, to meet at the Town Hall on Monday the fifth day of March before noon to act on the following articles namely.

- Article 1st To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting
- Art. 2nd To choose a Town Clerk, Treasurer and Collector
- Art. 3rd To choose Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor
- Art. 4th To choose all other necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year
- Art. 5th To raise such sums of money for the support of the Poor, the Schools, the Highways and Bridges reduction of the Town Debt, and for incidental expenses of the Town as may be deemed necessary for the year ensuing
- Art. 6th To see if the Town will vote to abolish School Districts as required by the fourth section of the Thirty ninth Chapter of the General Statutes.
- Art. 7th To see if the Town will authorize the several School Districts to choose their Prudential Committees with authority to select and contract with teachers.
- Art. 8th To determine the manner of collecting taxes the year ensuing and act thereon as the Town may think proper.
- Art. 9th To see if the Town will vote to restrain neat Cattle Horses and Swine from going at large the ensuing year.
- Art. 10th To determine what compensation the Town will pay members of the Fire Department for their services the ensuing year or fractional parts thereof.
- Art. 11th To see what method the Town will adopt for repairing Highways, Town ways and Bridges the ensuing year.

Art. 12th To receive the annual report of the Selectmen and Committees which are to report at this meeting and act thereon.

Art. 13th To see if the Town will approve and accept the list of persons submitted by the Selectmen as liable to serve as Jurors the year ensuing.

Art. 14th To see if the Town will continue to pay State Aid to the families of Volunteers in the United States service.

Art. 15th To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to hire money to pay any notes of the Town that may become due during the year, or in their discretion to renew such notes, and empower the treasurer to sign any notes in behalf of the Town that may be necessary therefor.

Art. 16th To see what action the Town will take in regard to the Liquor Agency.

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

Given under our hands this **twenty fourth day of February A.D. 1866.**

D. T. Morrison } Selectmen
G. W. Gage } of
S. G. Sargent } Methuen

Essex SS. Town of Methuen March 5th 1866.

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen herein described to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned by posting up attested copies of this warrant at the Town House and at each of the public meeting houses in said Town, eight days before the time set for said meeting.

Charles E. Goss Constable of Methuen
A true copy Attest Chas. Shed Town Clerk

Annual Town Meeting – 1866

The Annual Town meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen was held at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday the fifth day of March A.D. 1866 at ten

O'Clock A.M.

Article 1st Jacob Emerson Jr. was chosen **Moderator** – sworn

Prayer by Rev H. S. Hall

Art. 2nd Charles Shed was chosen **Town Clerk** – sworn
Charles Shed was chosen **Town Treasurer** – sworn
Charles Shed was chosen **Town Collector** – sworn

Art. 3rd Selectmen, Assessors & Overseers of the Poor

Elbridge K. Kent – sworn
Moses G. Smith – sworn
Gorge W. Gage – sworn

School Committee

E. H. Greeley for 3 years

Constables

Auditor

George A. Harris

Fire Wardens

John Low Chas. E. Goss

John Wilson

Fence Viewers

Christopher How, sworn James Ingalls, sworn Jonathan Morse, sworn

Surveyors of Lumber

Aaron Sawyer	Almon Moody, sworn
Joseph S. How	Jerome Cross
Frank Saunders	John Wilson, sworn
Chas. V. Jackman	S. A. Harvey, sworn
J. A. Towne	Samuel Richardson
D. H. Patterson	J. W. Frederick, sworn
J. O. Parker, sworn	Ralph Clark, sworn

Surveyors of Wood and Bark

Charles Jackson	Daniel Merrill 2 nd , sworn	E. P. Sargent
D. H. Patterson	Cyrus Blood	Ralph Clark, sworn
Daniel Dowding, sworn	Justin E. Griffin, sworn	Saml. Richardson 2 nd
sworn		
J. O. Parker, sworn	Asa Harris, sworn	Joseph S. How
Abner Stevens, sworn	J. O. Sawyer, sworn	S. C. Crosby, sworn

Field Drivers

Leverett Swan	Enoch Holt	Leander H. Batchelder,
sworn		
John Russ, sworn	James Ingalls, sworn	Samuel Cooledge, sworn
William Fairbanks, sworn	Wm. H. Butters	H. A. Currier, sworn
Amos G. Jones	George Smith	Stephen S. Williams
A. L. Gale, sworn	Chas. H. Tenney, sworn	Joseph E. Buswell, sworn
G. A. Butters, sworn	Chas. Caldwell	Dexter S. Wheeler, sworn
Nathl. Merrill, sworn	Chas. Gleason, sworn	Wm. H. Buttrick, sworn
E. P. Sargent	Oscar F. Kent, sworn	

Sealer of Weights and Measures – to be appointed by Selectmen

E. B. Homer

Pound Keepers

S. W. Williams	Hezekiah Chadwick
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Road Commissioner

J. O. Sawyer

Surveyors of Highways – sworn

John How	Leverett Bradley	Edmund Dowding
E. L. Whittier	James C. Jackson	John A. White
Samuel Poor	John Carleton	Walter E. Stevens
Chas. Russell	Leverett Swan	Aaron Jacks
Gilbert Emerson	Asa Whittier	Nathan Perley
R. H. Miller	John Russ	Chas. Richardson

Road Commissioner for the Consolidated Highway Districts – appointed by Selectmen

J. O. Sawyer

Truant Officers

Chas E. Goss Be. F. Woodbury Chas. Jackson

Art. 5th Voted to raise the following sums of money for the current expenses for the year ensuing

For Roads and Bridges and opening roads, Five Hundred Dollars

For Fire Department, Four Hundred Dollars

For School Committee, One Hundred and fifty dollars

For Pauper Department, Two Thousand dollars

For Town Officers Five Hundred Dollars

For Interest on Town Debt Four Thousand Dollars

For Contingencies Four Hundred Dollars

For Support of Schools, Thirty five Hundred Dollars

For Repairs of Highways Twenty six Hundred Dollars Total Fifteen Thousand Five Hundred & Fifty Dollars

Art 6th Voted not to abolish School Districts.

Art. 7th Voted, that the Prudential Committees be authorized to select and contract with teachers

Art. 8th Voted, that the Taxes be collected in the same manner as last year.

Art. 9th Voted, That they be restrained.

Art. 10th Voted, That the members of Spicket Fire Company receive fifty cents for each monthly meeting and twenty five cents per hour while engaged in actual service at fires, or while called out by any alarm of fire.

Art. 11th Voted, The same as last year.

Art. 12th Voted, To accept the Report of the Selectmen on the Financial condition of the Town.

Voted, That the Selectmen's Report on Guide Boards be accepted.

Voted, That the Selectmen's Report on Reservoirs be accepted.

Art. 13th Voted, That the list of Jurors, submitted by the Selectmen be adopted.

Art. 14th Voted, That the Selectmen be authorized to pay State Aid.

Art. 15th Voted, To authorize the Selectmen to hire money to pay any notes of the Town, that may become due during the year, or in their discretion to renew such notes, and to empower the Treasurer to sign any notes in behalf of the Town, that may be necessary therefor.

Art. 16th No action taken.

Voted to dissolve the meeting

Attest

Chas. Shed

Town Clerk

DR Town of Methuen in Account with Charles Shed Town Treasurer, Feby 1, 1866.

Cash Paid Selectmen's Orders	\$11,518.41
Cash Paid State Tax	6,674.00
Cash Paid County Tax	1,490.80
Cash Paid Principal on Notes	6,250.00
Cash Paid on Interest	3,668.35
Discount on taxes	1,622.54
Collecting taxes	233.10
Making out and distributing tax bills	25.00
Collecting recording and indexing Births, Marriages and Deaths	21.10
Making returns of Births, Marriages, Deaths and Militia Rolls	10.00
Services as Treasurer	50.00
Cash Expenses, Express, Stamps P.O. Bill etc.	34.68
Cash in hands of Treasurer February 1, 1866.	12,523.22
Taxes Uncollected	<u>446.26</u>
	<u>\$44,567.46</u>

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Cash in Treasurer's hands Feby 1, 1865	\$ 8,052.15
Taxes uncollected	456.04
Tax List for 1865	23,310.32
Cash Received of State Treasurer State Aid for 1864	6,300.00
Cash Received of Frederick Blodget	500.00
Cash Received of Spicket Falls Bank	2,000.00
Cash Received of Aaron Palmer	100.00
Cash Received of Theron Johnson	2,000.00
Cash Received of Sarah Morse for board of Parker Morse	472.23
Cash Received of State Treasurer School money for 1865	124.48
Cash Received of J. L. Heyser State Aid overdrawn	6.58
Cash Received of Gutterson & Merrill Liquors sold	73.10
Cash Received of Gutterson & Merrill one Cask	1.80
Cash Received of School District No 5 overdrawn	65.34
Cash Received of State Treasurer Bal. State Aid for 1863	44.26

Cash Received of L. Y. Jenness State Aid overdrawn	1.57
Cash Received of Lunatic Hospital board of S. Jenness	12.05
Cash Received of Francis B. Frye School money overdrawn	2.35
Cash Received of F. F. Dole guardian for board and medical attendance Augusta Wheeler	109.46
Cash Received of Samuel H. Harris Liquor Agent	191.06
Cash Received of Interest on Taxes	12.48
Cash Received of Rent of Town House	<u>730.49</u>
	<u>\$44,567.46</u>

Essex SS. To either of the Constables of the Town of Methuen in said County of Essex

Greeting:

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Methuen qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to

meet and assemble at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday the **seventh day of May next (1866)** at

2 O'Clock P.M. to act on the following Articles viz.:

Article 1st To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting

Art. 2nd By request of Charles Ingalls and others to see if the Town will vote to appropriate money for the celebration of the next Fourth of July and if so to determine how much.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested thereof at the Town House and each of the public meeting houses in said Town seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

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

Given under our hands and seal at Methuen this **twenty fourth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty six.**

[Seal]

G. W. Gage } Selectmen of the Town of
E. K. Kent } Methuen

Essex SS. Methuen April 26, 1866.

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen herein described to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned by posting up attested copies of this warrant at each of the public meeting houses and at the Town House in said Town ten days before the time set for said meeting.

Chas. E. Goss Constable of Methuen

A true Copy

Attest

Chas. Shed Town Clerk

May 7, 1866

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen qualified to vote in Town affairs held at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday the seventh day of May agreeably to Warrant No 14 File 8.

Article 1st James O. Parker was chosen Moderator

Art. 2nd **Voted** not to raise money for the celebration of the next Fourth of July.

Voted to dissolve the meeting

Attest Chas. Shed Town Clerk

Essex SS. To Charles E. Goss Constable of the Town of Methuen

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 as the law

directs, to vote in elections, to meet and assemble at the Town Hall in said Methuen on Tuesday

the sixth day of November next at Ten O'Clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in to the

subscribers Selectmen of Methuen, their votes for a Governor of the Commonwealth, Lieutenant

Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Attorney General, Auditor of Accounts,

Councillor for District number Two. One County Commissioner, One Senator for the Third Essex

District, Clerk of the Courts, One Representative to the Congress of the United States, to represent

the Sixth Congressional District of this Commonwealth, all on one ballot.

Also Three Representatives to represent Essex District number Three, in the next
General Court
of the Commonwealth, on a separate ballot.

The Polls to be kept open until four O'Clock in the afternoon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up an attested copy thereof at each of
the
meeting houses, and at the Town House in said Town eight days at least before said
meeting.

Thereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at
the time
and place of meeting.

Given under our hands at Methuen **this twenty seventh day of October in the year of
our
Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty six.**

G. W. Gage	}	Selectmen of the
E. K. Kent	}	Town of
M. G. Smith	}	Methuen

November 6, 1866

**At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen qualified by law
to vote in
Elections held at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the sixth day of November
A.D. 1866
agreeably to Warrant No 15 File 8.**

Whole number of votes for **Governor** was Three Hundred and thirty
330

Alexander H. Bullock of Worcester had Two Hundred and thirty seven
237

Theodore H. Sweetser of Lowell had Ninety three

93

Whole number of votes for **Lieut. Governor** was Three Hundred and thirty
330

William Claflin of Newton Two Hundred and thirty seven
237

Horace C. Lee of Springfield Ninety three
93

For Secretary of State

Oliver Warner of Northampton had Two Hundred and thirty seven
237
Luther Stephenson Jr. of Hingham Ninety three
93

For Attorney General

Chester P. Reed of Taunton had Two Hundred and thirty seven
237
William C. Endicott of Salem Ninety three
93

For State Treasurer

Jacob H. Loud of Plymouth had Two Hundred thirty seven
237
Harvey Arnold of Adams Ninety three
93

For Auditor

Henry S. Briggs of Pittsfield had Two Hundred and thirty seven
237
Arthur F. Devereaux of Roxbury Ninety three
93

For Representative to Congress 6th District

Nathaniel P. Banks of Waltham had Two Hundred and thirty two
232
Frederick O. Prince of Winchester Ninety five
95

For Councillor 2nd District

Benjamin Evans of Salisbury has Two Hundred and thirty six
236
James H. Carleton of Haverhill Ninety three
93

For Senator 3rd Essex District

George S. Merrill of Lawrence had One Hundred and forty three	
143	
Moses T. Stevens of North Andover One Hundred and four	
104	
Charles J. Noyes of Haverhill Eighty one	
81	

County Commissioner

James Kimball of Salem had Two Hundred and thirty six	
236	
Jonathan Nayson of Amesbury Ninety three	
93	

Clerk of Courts

Asahel Huntington of Salem had Two Hundred and thirty six	
236	
E. A. Ingalls of Lynn Eighty eight	
88	

Representatives to General Court Third Essex District

William H. P. Wright of Lawrence had Two Hundred and eight	
208	
Henry M. McIntyre of Lawrence Two Hundred and twelve	
212	
Albert Blood of Lawrence Two Hundred and nine	
209	
John K. Tarbox of Lawrence Ninety three	
93	
Alonzo Winkley of Lawrence Ninety three	
93	
Joseph Sidney How of Methuen Ninety nine	
99	
George A. Walton Two	
2	
James Metcalf One	
1	
Joseph How One	
1	

**Votes for Representatives to General Court For Third Essex District Given at Lawrence
Nov. 6 1866.**

William H. P. Wright had Eight hundred and eighty six
886
Henry M. McIntyre Eight hundred and ninety three
893
Albert Blood Nine hundred forty
940
John H. Tarbox Four hundred sixty
460
Alonzo Winkley Four hundred forty one
441
Joseph Sidney How Four hundred twenty seven
427
George A. Walton Thirty seven

37

J. K. Barker five	5	George A. Fuller five	5
James A. Metcalf four	4	N. G. Paul three	3
Geo. P. Wilson three	3	J. L. Patridge three	3
J. D. Herrick three	3	M.. C. Andrews two	2
W. R. Pedrick one	1	M. Beal one	1
Patrick Murphy one	1	E. E. Fisher one	1
Geo. P. Cutler one	1	David Richardson one	1
G. S. Weaver one	1	L. J. Hall one	1
A. Brigham one	1	Chas. E. Goss one	1

Attest

Chas. Shed

Town Clerk

Notice

Is hereby given that the Selectmen and Superintending School Committee will meet at the Selectmen's room on Saturday Dec. 1, 1866 at 2 O'Clock P.M. to fill the vacancy in the board of School Committee occasioned by the resignation of Rev. E. H. Greely.

G. W. Gage } Selectmen of
E. K. Kent } Methuen

Methuen Nov. 24, 1866.

S. G. Sargent for School Committee

At a meeting of the Selectmen and Superintending School Committee of the Town of Methuen held at the Selectmen's room on Saturday **Dec. 1, 1866**, agreeably to the above notice, the whole number of votes being four, were for J. Sidney How to fill the vacancy in the School Committee caused by the resignation of Rev. E. H. Greely.

Attest

Chas. Shed Town Clerk

1867

Essex SS. To Charles E. Goss Constable of the Town of Methuen in said County of Essex

Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn, in the manner prescribed by the Town, the inhabitants of the said Town of Methuen qualified by law to vote in affairs, to meet and assemble at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday the fourth day of March next it being the first Monday thereof at Ten of the Clock in the forenoon to act on the following Articles Viz.:

- Article 1st To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting
- Art. 2nd To choose a Town Clerk, Treasurer and Collector
- Art. 3rd To choose Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor
- Art. 4th To choose all other necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing
- Art. 5th To raise such sums of money for the support of the Poor, the Schools, the Highways and Bridges, and for incidental expenses of the Town as may be deemed necessary for the year ensuing
- Art. 6th To see if the Town will authorize the several School Districts to choose their Prudential Committee with authority to select and contract with teachers
- Art. 7th To determine the manner of collecting Taxes the year ensuing and act thereon as the Town may think proper
- Art. 8th To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer thereof under the direction of the Selectmen to pay all delinquent highway taxes which shall be collected, to the highway surveyors of the respective highway districts, in which said taxes shall have been assessed, to be expended for repairs of Highways in said district, and act thereon as the Town may think proper.
- Art. 9th By request of D. T. Morrison, to see if the Town will vote that that portion of the amount raised by the

Town for repairing Highways and Bridges for the year ensuing and apportioned to the
Village District
(or any or all other) be paid in money and collected in the same manner as the money
raised to defray
Town charges.

Art. 10th To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of Sections thirty three to forty
inclusive of
Chapter Eighty eight of the General Statutes of Mass. And act thereon as the Town may
think proper.

Art. 11th By request of James Walton, to see if the Town will vote to provide a Hospital for the
reception of
persons having a disease dangerous to the public health and make the necessary
appropriation thereof.

Art. 12th By request of several citizens to see if the Town will to establish and maintain a High
School,
as required by the Second Section of the thirty eighth Chapter of the General Statutes of
this
Commonwealth, and make the necessary appropriation therefore.

Art. 13th By request of Chas. E. Goss to see if the Town will vote to accept from several citizens
certain
Musical Instruments to be held in trust for the exclusive use and occupation of the
Methuen Cornet
Band, so long as it shall exist under the present, or any other name, provided a majority
of its members
reside in Town and its object and purpose the same as at present, and then to be held for
the use and
occupation of such other musical organization as may exist in Town as the Town may
determine. The
Selectmen to have care of the instruments and are to see the above provisions are
complied with.

Art. 14th To determine what compensation the Town will pay members of the Fire Department for
their services the year ensuing or fractional part thereof.

Art. 15th To see if the Town will accept the list of persons submitted by the Selectmen as liable to
serve as
Jurors the year ensuing, consisting of the following viz.:

Isaac H. Laney
James M. Richardson
Gilbert Emerson

George W. Butters
S. R. Merrill
Samuel Richardson 2nd

Charles Freeman	Benjm. F. Woodbury
Joseph F. Ingalls	Samuel Cross
George Harris	Charles Jackson
Hazen Messer	Charles L. Tozier
Charles Smith	Varnum Corliss
John Cluff	Jesse A. Towne
John W. Frederick	Joseph Smith
Moses G. Smith	Jacob Emerson Jr.
Samuel Batchelder	E. B. Homer
John W. Bodwell	Henry Townsend
Amos C. Rollins	Daniel Currier
C. Messer	Ralph Clark
George W. Gage	William Jackson
Alfred Clark	Jonathan Morse
E. M. Clark	Daniel W. Tenney
Daniel T. Morrison	Darius Pierce
Jeremiah M. Doe	D. H. Patterson

Art. 16th To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to hire money to pay any notes of the Town that may become due during the year or in their discretion to renew such notes, and empower the Treasurer to sign any notes in behalf of the Town that may be necessary therefor.

Art. 17th By request of H. C. Richardson, to see if the Town will vote to pay the members of the Tiger Engine Company the same compensation the year ensuing as is paid the Spiggot Company.

Art. 18th By request of A. Kimball, to see if the Town will vote to abolish the Liquor Agency and indemnify the Selectmen against loss for the non-performance of the duty of appointing an Agent, or dispose of the subject in any manner that the Town may think proper.

Art. 19th To see if the Town will restrain neat Cattle, Horses and Swine, from going at large the year ensuing

Art. 20th To see what method the Town will adopt for repairing Highways, Town ways and Bridges

Art. 21st To receive the Annual Report of the Selectmen and Committees which are to report at this meeting and act thereon.

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

Given under our hands this **twenty third day of February A.D. 1867.**

G. W. Gage } Selectmen
E. K. Kent } of
M. G. Smith } Methuen

Essex SS. Feby 23rd 1867.

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants
of the
Town of Methuen herein described to meet at the time and place and for the purposes
within
mentioned by posting up attested copies of this warrant at the Town House and at each
of the
public houses in said Town, eight days before the time set for said meeting.

Charles E. Goss
Constable of Methuen

March 4, 1867 – Annual Town Meeting

**The Annual Town Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen was
held at the
Town Hall in said Town on Monday the Fourth day of March A.D. 1867 at Ten
O'Clock A.M.
agreeably to Warrant No 16 File 8.**

Art. 1st Jacob Emerson Jr. was chosen **Moderator** – sworn

Prayer by Rev. H. S. Hall

Art. 2nd **Town Clerk, Treasurer and Collector**

Chas. Shed – sworn

Art. 3rd **Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor - sworn**

G. W. Gage Moses G. Smith Joseph S. How

Art. 4th School Committee

S. G. Sargent for 3 years J. S. How for 2 years

Constables - sworn

Chas. E. Goss Levi A. Lamson

Auditor

A. L. Gale

Fire Wardens

John Low Chas. E. Goss John Wilson

Fence Viewers

Surveyors of Lumber

Chas. V. Jackman	Daniel Dowding sworn	A. Gilcreast
Joseph S. How sworn	S. A. Harvey sworn	John Wilson
James Allen sworn	J. A. Towne	J. W.
Frederick sworn		
Ralph Clark sworn	Mark H. Webster sworn	J. O. Parker
Franklin Saunders		

Surveyors of Wood and Bark

Chas. Jackson sworn	Daniel Merrill 2 nd	E. P. Sargent
sworn		
George H. Webster sworn	Daniel Dowding sworn	Cyrus Blood
Ralph Clark sworn	Samuel Richardson 2 nd sworn	Samuel
Richardson 2 nd sworn		
Justin E. Griffin sworn	James Ingalls	J. O. Parker
sworn		
Abner Stevens sworn	Joseph S. How sworn	James Allen
sworn		
J. O. Sawyer		

Voted that the Selectmen be empowered to appoint others in case of necessity and also
Surveyors
of Lumber.

Field Drivers

J. W. Fulton sworn	E. M. Clark sworn	H. C.
Richardson sword		
Joshua Kent sworn	George A. Butters	John Russ
sworn		
John Russ sworn	Charles Gragg sworn	Wm. M.
Rogers sworn		
David W. Noyes sworn	Wm. H. Buttrick sworn	John W.
Wiggin sworn		
Granville E. Foss sworn	Hugh Smith sworn	John Snell
sworn		
A. L. Gale	Joseph How	Rufus A.
Griffin		
H. A. Currier sworn	Stephen Currier	George L.
Currier sworn		
George A. Harris sworn	Amos G. Jones sworn	John A. White
James Walton	Noah Warren sworn	James
Dowding		

Sealer of Weights and Measures

E. B. Homer – appointed by the Selectmen

Pound Keepers

S. W. Williams	Hezekiah Chadwick
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Road Commissioner

J. O. Sawyer – appointed by the Selectmen

Surveyors of Highways

John How s	John Shirley s	Daniel
Dowding		
Chas. M. Hardy s	Wm. C. Sleeper s	John M. Spurr
s		
John Carleton s	Nelson Blodgett s	Justin E.
Griffin s		
Jonathan Barkers s	Niles How s	Asa Whittier s
Chas. Jackson s	Alonzo Harris s	Nathan
Currier s		
John Sands s	Albert Marshall s	Ralph Clark s
Francis R. Frye s		

Road Commissioner of the Consolidated Highway District

J. O. Sawyer

Truant Officers

Chas. E. Goss

B. F. Woodbury

H. C. Smith

Art. 5th **Voted** to raise the following sums of money viz.:

For Roads and Bridges and opening Roads	Twelve Hundred dollars	\$1,200.00
For Fire Department	Five Hundred dollars	500.00
For School Committee	One Hundred and fifty dollars	150.00
For Pauper Department	Two Thousand dollars	2,000.00
For Town Officers	Five Hundred dollars	500.00
For Interest on Town Debt	Thirty eight hundred dollars	3,800.00
For Discount on Taxes	Fifteen Hundred dollars	1,500.00
For Contingencies	Four Hundred dollars	400.00
For Support of Schools	Thirty five hundred dollars	3,500.00
For Repairs on Highways	Twenty six hundred dollars	<u>2,600.00</u>
Total	Sixteen Thousand One Hundred and fifty dollars	<u>\$16,150.00</u>

Art. 6th **Voted** that they be authorized to hire teachers

Art. 7th **Voted** that the taxes be collected in same manner as they were last year

Art. 8th **Voted** that this article be adopted

Art. 9th **Voted** that this article be adopted as for the whole Town

Art. 10th **Voted** that this article be adopted

Art. 11th **Voted** that this article be referred to the Selectmen

Art. 12th **Voted** that a Committee of Five be appointed by the Chair to report at some future meeting

Committee appointed was C. E. Goss, J. O. Parker, William M. Roger, J. W. Frederick, Walter E. Steven.

Art. 13th **Voted** to adopt this article.

Art. 14th **Voted** that they be paid the same as last year

Art. 15th **Voted** that it be approved

Art. 16th **Voted** that this article be accepted

Art. 17th **Voted** that they be paid the same as the members of the Spiggot Engine Company

Art. 18th **Voted** to pass over this article

Art. 19th **Voted** that they be restrained

Art. 20th **Voted** that this article be referred to the Selectmen

Art. 21st **Voted** that the Report be accepted

Voted to dissolve the meeting

Attest Chas. Shed Town Clerk

Town of Methuen in account with Chas Shed Treas. Feby 1, 1867

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By Cash in Treasurer's hands Feby 1, 1866	\$12,523.22
Taxes uncollected	446.20
Tax List for 1866	19,819.24
Cash received of State Treasurer State Aid for 1865	2,900.00
Cash received for Rent of Town House	907.96
Cash received of State Treasurer Corporation Tax for 1865	340.83
Cash received of State Treasurer Corporation Tax for 1866	251.49
Cash received of State Treasurer School Fund for 1866	147.75
Cash received of State Treasurer Bal. Of State for 1864	92.38
Cash received of T. M. Kenney for Lobby	50.00
Cash received Discount on notes paid	18.73
Cash received of S. H. Harris Jr. Liquor Agent	1,686.42
Cash received of Wm. M. Rogers overdrawn	10.00
Cash received of Methodist Society for Coal	17.24
Cash received for Poll Taxes	4.00
Cash received for Interest on Taxes	13.56
	<u>\$39,229.08</u>

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For Cash Paid Selectmen's Orders	\$16,157.22
For Cash Paid State Tax	4,260.00
For Cash Paid County Tax	1,490.80
For Cash Paid Principal on notes	3,400.00
For Cash Paid Interest on notes	3,321.54

Discount on Taxes	1,443.67
Collecting Taxes	198.19
Making out and distributing Tax Bills	30.00
Collecting, Recording and Indexing Births, Marriages and Deaths	34.95
Making Returns of Births, Marriages, Deaths and Militia Roll	10.00
Services as Treasurer	50.00
Cash Expenses, Express, Stamps, P.O. Bill etc.	39.03
Cash in hands of Treasurer Feby 1 1867	8,145.45
Taxes uncollected Feby 1 1867	<u>648.23</u>
	<u>\$39,229.08</u>

Essex SS. To either of the Constables of the Town of Methuen
Greeting.

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify, in the manner prescribed by the Town the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall on Monday the fifteenth day of April inst. At Two O'Clock P.M. to act on the following Articles.

Art. 1st To choose a Moderator to preside over said meeting

Art. 2nd To determine what compensation the Town will pay for breaking out roads encumbered with snow the past winter and hereafter; and to act thereon as the Town may think proper.

Art. 3rd By request of D. H. Patterson to see if the Town will rescind the vote whereby it voted at the annual meeting to adopt the provisions of Sections thirty three to forty inclusive of Chap. Eighty eight of the General Statutes of Mass.

Art. 4th By request of several citizens, to see if the Town will modify or change the manner of collecting and expending a part or all the Highway Tax so that any or all may pay in labor or money, and act thereon as the Town may think proper.

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

Given under our hands this **sixth day of April A.D. 1867.**

G. W. Gage } Selectmen
 M. G. Smith } of
 Jos. S. How } Methuen

Essex SS. Town of Methuen April 8, 1867.

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen herein described to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned by posting up attested copies of this warrant at each of the public meeting houses and at the Town House in said Town, eight days before time set for said meeting.

Charles E. Goss, Constable of
Methuen
April 15, 1867

A legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen qualified to vote in Town affairs, was held at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday the fifteenth day of April at Two O'Clock P.M. agreeably to Warrant No 17 File 8.

Art. 1st Jacob Emerson Jr. was chosen Moderator

Art. 2nd **Voted** to pay twenty five cents per hour for breaking out roads when encumbered with snow, for this year, commencing with January 1867, and that those Surveyors who have settled their accounts at less price per hour shall be allowed the same.

Art. 3rd **Voted** not to rescind the vote

Art. 4th **Voted** that all who live in the Districts out of the village can pay their Highway Taxes in labor or in money, as may suit their convenience.

Voted to dissolve the meeting.

Attest Chas. Shed Town Clerk

To the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Methuen in the County of Essex

Respectfully petition the undersigned parties named in the Act of incorporation of the **Merrimack Valley Horse Rail Road Company**, that the said Board of Selectmen accept the Act to incorporate said Company, being Chapter 207 of the Acts and Resolves passed* by the General Court of Massachusetts in the year 1863, according to the provisions of said act.

Lawrence Aug. 5, 1867.

W. H. P. Wright
Geo. D. Cabot
W. R. Spaulding

Town of Methuen

Essex SS. At a meeting of the Selectmen of Methuen aforesaid holden on the 6th day of August A.D. 1867.

Voted to accept an Act to incorporate the **Merrimack Valley Horse Rail Road Company**, it being Chapter 207 of the Acts and Resolves passed by the General Court of Massachusetts in the year 1863.

G. W. Gage } Selectmen
M. G. Smith } of
Jos. S. How } Methuen

A True Copy

Attest

Chas. Shed Town Clerk

Essex SS. To either of the Constables of the Town of Methuen in said County of Essex,

Greeting:

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn, in the manner prescribed by the Town, the inhabitants of said Town of Methuen, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet and assemble at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday **the twenty sixth day of August current, (1867)** at Two of the Clock in the afternoon to act on the following Articles, viz.:

Art. 1st To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting

Art. 2nd By request of J. M. Richardson and others, to see if the Town will vote to extend the road, passing by the house formerly owned by John Tenney, to Union Street, near the Rail Road crossing, and make appropriation for the same.

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

Given under our hands this **seventeenth day of August in the year of our Lord eighteen**

hundred and sixty seven.

G. W. Gage } Selectmen
Jos. S. How } of Methuen

Essex SS. Town of Methuen Aug 19, 1867.

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen, herein described, to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes within mentioned,
by posting up attested Copies of this warrant at the Town House and at each of the public meeting houses in said Town, eight days before the time set for said meeting.

Chas. E. Goss Constable of Methuen
A true Copy
Attest
Chas. Shed, Town Clerk

August 26, 1867

**At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen,
qualified by
law to vote in Town affairs was held at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday the
twenty
sixth day of August A.D. 1867, at two O'Clock P.M. agreeably to warrant No 18,
File 8.**

Art. 1st G. W. Gage was chosen **Moderator**

Art. 2nd **Voted** that the subject matter relative to the road petitioned for in Article 2nd be referred
 to the
Selectmen to obtain the actual expense of the location and construction of the road, and
 report
thereon at an adjourned meeting.

Voted to adjourn to Monday September 2nd at two O'Clock P.M.

Attest
Chas. Shed
Town Clerk

**The adjourned meeting was opened September the second (1867) at two O'Clock
P.M.**

After the reading of the record of the previous meeting, the Report of the Selectmen was received.

Voted that the subject matter contained in the second Article of the Warrant of August 26
1867,
be deferred until the next Annual Town Meeting.

Voted to dissolve the meeting.

Attest

Chas. Shed

Town Clerk

To the Hon. The Selectmen of the Town of Methuen

Gentlemen,

Your petitioners respectfully,

represent that

by virtue of a Charter duly granted by the Legislature of this Commonwealth, and duly accepted

by the proper authorities and parties, The Merrimack Valley Horse Rail Road Company,
design

and construct a street railway over a portion of Main, Osgood, Hampshire and Lowell streets

viz.: over Main, from Lawrence line to the Exchange Hotel, over Hampshire from Main to the

corner above the dwelling house of David Nevins; over Lowell from Main to Railroad Square:

over Osgood from Main to the Dye House, in your jurisdiction. Therefore in behalf of
said

Company the undersigned petition you to locate the track of said railway pursuant to said Charter and the General Laws of this Commth. (Commonwealth).

Lawrence Aug 19th 1867.

William A. Russell Pres.
Geo A. Fuller }
A. W. Stearns } Directors
W. R. Spaulding }
Chas. E. Goss }

Selectmen's Notice

Upon petition of the President and Directors of the Merrimack Valley Horse Rail Road Company

designing to construct a street Railway over a portion of Main, Osgood, Hampshire and Lowell

Streets in the Town of Methuen viz.: over Main from Lawrence line to the Exchange Hotel over

Hampshire from Main to the corner above the dwelling house of David Nevins over Lowell from

Main to Rail Road Square, over Osgood from Main to the Dye House

Now therefore all parties interested are hereby notified that a meeting will be

holden at the office of the Selectmen of said Methuen on Friday the sixth day of Sept next at two

of the clock in the afternoon, at which time and place such location will be considered.

After

hearing of all parties interested, an order will be passed, refusing the location or granting the

same, or any part thereof, under such restrictions, as it may be deemed the public interest requires.

Methuen Aug 22, 1867

G. W. Gage } Selectmen

Jos. S. How } of Methuen

At a meeting of the Selectmen of the Town of Methuen held at their office

Sept. 6 A.D. 1867.

Upon petition of the President and Directors of the Merrimack Valley Horse Rail

Road Company in behalf of said corporation; it was **Ordered** that the said corporation be, and

they are hereby allowed to construct and maintain the Railway prayed for in the center of the

parts of the streets named in said petition, subject to the provisions and restrictions of Chap. 229

of the Acts, and Resolves of 1864 and also in accordance with the Act of Incorporation of said

Company.

G. W. Gage } Selectmen

M. G. Smith } of

Jos. S. How } Methuen

Methuen Sept. 6, 1867.

To D. H. Patterson

Sir, The Steam Engine erected, owned, and used by you, situated on Lawrence Street in Methuen,
the same being a public and common nuisance you are hereby ordered to remove or discontinue the use
of the same within thirty days from this date

G. W. Gage } Selectmen
M. G. Smith } of
Jos. S. How } Methuen

Methuen June 5, 1867.

Essex SS. Town of Methuen June 7, 1867

I this day served the within order upon the within named D. H. Patterson by leaving a
true and
attested copy thereof at his last and usual place of abode.

Chas. E. Goss Dep. Sheriff for said County and Constable of Methuen

A true copy Attest Chas Shed Town Clerk

To the Selectmen of Methuen

I the subscriber a
citizen of
Methuen request you to grant me a License to erect a Building with Engine and Boiler on
the Lot
of Land now owned by the Boston and Main Rail Road Co. between the Rail Road and
River for
the working of wood etc wood fuel to be used

Methuen June 11, 1867

D. W. Patterson

A true Copy

Attest Chas. Shed Town Clerk

The Selectmen of Methuen at a meeting held for that purpose hereby
License D.
H. Patterson to erect a Building the materials of which shall be Stone Brick, or wood, on
a lot
now or formerly owned by Boston and Main Rail Road Co. situated between said road
and

Spicket River and bounded on the south by land of Isaac Morse's heirs, said building to
be
erected at a point indicated by a stake in ground; in said building he may use a Boiler and
Engine
subject to the provisions and restrictions of Sect 43 to 45 inclusive of Chapter Eighty
Eight of the
General Statues of Massachusetts, and shall be enclosed within Stone or Brick walls the
bottom
to be of same material, covering to be of Iron, Zinc or Brick with a flue seventy feet in
height.

G. W. Gage } Selectmen
M. G. Smith } of
Jos. S. How } Methuen

Methuen July 3, 1867

A true Copy

Attest

Chas. Shed Town Clerk

Perambulation

of the lines between Salem

N.H. and
Methuen.

The subscribers Selectmen of the Towns of Salem N.H. and Methuen
Mass met
on November sixth 1867 and perambulated the line between the said towns Salem and
Methuen

and found the bounds substantially set, and the courses from one bound to the other as
follows,

viz.:

Commencing at the Northeasterly corner of Methuen, at Haverhill line at a
stone
set in the ground, thence South 49 degrees 56' west, 93 rods to a stone set in the ground a
few
rods south of Aaron G. Wilson's house; thence South 7 degrees 20' west 1159 rods, to a
stone set
in the ground in Strong Water meadow; thence North 62 degrees 18' west 691-1/2 rods
crossing
the Turnpike (so called) to a stone set in the ground east of Daniel Silver's house; thence
North
87 degrees 53' west 226 rods, crossing the road in front of said Silver's on the side of the
hill, to
a stone set in the ground southwest of said Silver's; thence South 79 degrees 19' west 137
rods to

a stone set in the ground at the corner of Salem and Pelham, And they have set stones at
the
several points where the Town line crosses the public roads.

Geo. C. Gordon	}	Selectmen of
Joel C. Carey	}	Salem
Levi Cluff	}	

G. W. Gage	}	Selectmen of
M. G. Smith	}	Methuen
Jos. S. How	}	

Essex SS. To either of the Constables of the Town of Methuen
Greeting, In the name of the Commonwealth of
Massachusetts, you
are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of Methuen qualified as the law
directs to
vote in Elections, to meet and assemble at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the
Fifth day
of November next at Ten O'Clock in the forenoon then and there to give in to the
subscribers
Selectmen of Methuen their votes for a Governor of the Commonwealth, Lieutenant
Governor,
Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Attorney General, Auditor of Accounts,
Councillor
for District Number Two, One County Commissioner, One Senator for the Third Essex
District,
Register of Deeds, and County Treasurer, all on one ballot.

Also Three Representatives to represent Essex District number Three on a
separate ballot.

The Polls to be kept open until Four O'Clock in the afternoon, at which
time they
may be closed.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up an attested
thereof at
each of the public meeting houses and at the Town House in said Town eight days at least
before
said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings
thereon to
ourselves at the time and place of meeting.

Given under our hands at Methuen this twenty fifth day of October in
the year of
our Lord One thousand eight hundred and sixty seven.

G. W. Gage } Selectmen
M. G. Smith } of
Jos. S. How } Methuen

Essex SS. Town of Methuen Oct. 28, 1867. Pursuant to the within
warrant, I
have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen herein described, to meet at the
time and
place and for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant
at the
Town House and at each of the public meeting houses in said Town eight days at least
before the
time set for said meeting.

Chas. E. Goss Constable of
Methuen
A true Copy Attest Chas. Shed Town Clerk

November 5, 1867

**At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen qualified
by
law to vote in Elections, held at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the Fifth
day
November A.D. 1867 agreeably to Warrant No 19 File 8.**

The votes were sorted, counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as
the law
directs and were as follows viz.:

Whole number of votes for **Governor** was Four Hundred and Ninety Four
494

Alexander H. Bullock of Worcester had Two Hundred and fifty nine
259

John Q. Adams of Quincy had Two Hundred and thirty five
235

Whole number of votes for **Lieut. Governor** was Four Hundred and Ninety three
493

<u>William Claflin</u> of Newton had Two Hundred and Fifty eight	
	258
<u>George M. Stearns</u> of Chicopee had Two Hundred and Thirty five	
	235

For Secretary of State

<u>Oliver Warner</u> of Northampton had Two Hundred and Fifty seven	
	257
<u>Charles Bimblecomb</u> of Barre had Two Hundred and Thirty five	
	235

For Treasurer

<u>Jacob H. Loud</u> of Plymouth had Two Hundred and Fifty seven	
	257
<u>Henry Arnold</u> of Adams had Two Hundred and Thirty five	
	235

For Attorney General

<u>Charles Allen</u> of Boston had Two Hundred and Fifty seven	
	257
<u>William C. Endicot</u> of Salem had Two Hundred and Thirty five	
	235

For Auditor

<u>Henry S. Briggs</u> of Pittsfield had Two Hundred and Fifty seven	
	257
<u>A. F. Devereux</u> of Roxbury had Two Hundred and Thirty five	
	235

For Councillor for District No 2.

<u>Roland G. Usher</u> of Lynn had One Hundred and Ninety four	
	194
Ditto for Dis. No 5 Sixty three	
	63
<u>J. P. Jones</u> of Georgetown had Two Hundred and Thirty five	
	235

For Senator for Third Essex District

Julius A. Palmer of Boxford had Two Hundred and one
201
Moses T. Stevens of No. Andover had Two Hundred and Ninety
290

For County Commissioners

Jackson B. Swett of Haverhill had Two Hundred and Fifty seven
257
William P. Frost of Lawrence had Two Hundred and Thiry five
235

For Register of Deeds

Ephraim Brown of Salem had Four Hundred and Ninety two
492

For County Treasurer

Allen W. Dodge of Hamilton had Two Hundred and Fifty seven
257
E. A. Ingalls of Lynn had Two Hundred and Thirty five
235

Representatives for the Third Essex District.

42
William A. Russell of Lawrence had One Hundred and Ninety one votes
191
D. Frank Robinson of Lawrence had One Hundred and Ninety two
192
Nicolas G. Paul of Lawrence had One Hundred and Ninety three
193
John K. Tarrox had Forty two

William H. P. Wright had Two Hundred and Ninety six
296
Albert Blood had Two Hundred and Ninety six
296
John K. Tarbox had Two Hundred and Thirty three
233
Chas. E. Goss had Four votes
4
E. Sawyer had One
1
S. H. Harris had One
1

E. L. Chapman had One
1

Attest

Chas. Shed

Town Clerk

1868

List of Non Residents, Tax Payers in School District No. 7 – Taxed Jan. 2, 1868.

Andrew Thompson, Lawrence
C. C. Pattee, Haverhill
Smiley & Taylor, Haverhill
Elsie Merrill, Haverhill
Sarah A. Webster, Haverhill
Daniel & John Foster, No. Andover
Daniel K. Gage, No. Andover
David Kimball, Bradford
George L. Balcom, Claremont, N.H.
Sylvester Currier, Salem, N.H.

Enoch L. Bradley, Haverhill
John Lower, Haverhill
Heirs of D. & J. Marsh, Haverhill
William Merrill, Haverhill
C. A. & J. L. Webster, Haverhill
Heirs of John Barker, No. Andover
David Jewell, Brentwood, N.H.
Heirs of Jeremiah Mitchell, Bradford
Aaron S. Hill, Salem, N.H.
Harrison Eaton, Sandown, N.H.

G. W. Gage } Assessors
M. G. Smith } of
Jos. S. Howe } Methuen

Methuen Jan. 2, 1868

A true Copy,

Attest,

Chas. Shed,

Town Clerk

Essex SS. To Charles E. Goss Constable of the Town of Methuen in said County of Essex.

Greeting:

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Methuen qualified by law to vote in Town affairs (in the manner prescribed by the Town) to meet and assemble at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday the second day of March next at Ten of the Clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following Articles, viz.:

Art. 1st To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting

Art. 2nd To choose all necessary Town Officers

Art. 3rd To raise such sums of money for the support of the Poor, the Schools, the Highways and Bridges, and incidental expenses of the Town as may be deemed necessary for the year ensuing

Art. 4th To see if the Town will authorize the several School Districts to choose their Prudential Committee with authority to select and contract with teachers.

Art. 5th To determine the manner of collecting taxes the ensuing year and act thereon as the Town may think proper

Art. 6th To see if the Town will vote to defend a suit commenced by the City of Charlestown against the inhabitants of Methuen in the case of the late James Mallon a pauper alleged by said City of Charlestown to have had a settlement in said Methuen and take such action thereon as the Town may think proper.

Art. 7th To see if the Town will vote to sell the two hand Fire Engines and house of Spiggot Engine Co. No 1, and procure a Steam Fire Engine the same to be housed in the basement of the Town Building.

Art. 8th By request of Francis Pratt, to see if the Town will to compensate the Town of Haverhill for schooling his children

Art. 9th To see if the Town will restrain neat cattle, horses and swine from going at large the year ensuing

Art. 10th To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to hire money to pay any notes of the Town that may become due during the year or in their discretion to renew such notes and empower the Treasurer to sign any notes in behalf of the Town that may be necessary therefor.

Art. 11th To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to purchase a lot of land containing gravel, to be appropriated for the repairs of Highways.

Art. 12th To see if the Town will vote to erect a fence around the Grave Yard (or any part thereof) situated on Lawrence Street, and act thereon.

Art. 13th To see if the Town will vote to establish and maintain a High School as required by the second Section of the thirty eighth Chapter of the General Statutes of this Common-wealth and erect a suitable building for the same, and make the necessary appropriation therefor.

Art. 14th To see if the Town will vote to extend the road passing the house formerly owned by John Tenney to Union Street near the Rail Road Crossing and make appropriation for the same.

Art. 15th To see if the Town will vote to furnish a suitable place for the better security of the Town Records against fire, and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 16th To see if the Town will vote to employ some person to search the Records of the Essex Registry of Deeds for the purpose of ascertaining the owners of land now taxes to nonresidents.

Art. 17th To see if the Town will approve and accept the list of persons submitted by the Selectmen as liable to serve as Jurors the year ensuing

Art. 18th To see if the Town will authorize the Collector of taxes to collect all delinquent Highway Taxes, the same to be appropriated in the Highway Districts to which they belong, for repairs of highways in said district.

Art. 19th To see what method the Town will adopt for repairing Highway, Town ways and Bridges.

Art. 20th To receive the Annual Report of the Selectmen and Committees, which are to report at this meeting, and act thereon

Art. 21st To determine what compensation the Town will pay members of the Fire Department for their services the year ensuing or any fraction part thereof

Art. 22nd To see if the Town will vote to adopt the second Section of the eighty third Chapter of the General Statutes of this Commonwealth.

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

Given under our hands this **twenty second day of February** A.D. 1868.

G. W. Gage } Selectmen
M. G. Smith } of
Jos. S. Howe } Methuen

Essex SS.

Town of Methuen February 22, 1868.

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen herein described to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant at the Town House, and at each of the public meeting houses in said Town, nine days before the time set for said meeting.

Chas. E. Goss, Constable of Methuen

A true Copy

Attest,

Chas. Shed Town Clerk

March 2, 1868 – Annual Town Meeting

The Annual Town Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen was held at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday the second day of March A.D. 1868, at Ten O'Clock A.M. agreeably to Warrant No 20, File 8.

Art. 1st Jacob Emerson Jr. was chosen **Moderator** – sworn

Prayer by Rev. N. M. Williams

Art. 2nd **Town Clerk, Treasurer and Collector Chas. Shed – sworn**

Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor - sworn

Joseph S. Howe Ebenezer Sawyer

School Committee – sworn

William Hewes (Huse) for T

Constables sworn

Chas. E. Goss

William H. Buttrick

Auditor

James Ingalls
Fire Wardens

John Low

Chas. E. Goss

Frank Ingalls

Fence Viewers

Christopher How
Jonathan Morse – sworn

Alfred S. Clark

J. B. Barker

Surveyors of Lumber

Chas. V. Jackman
Joseph S. How, sworn
sworn
James Allen
John Griffin
Parker
Franklin Saunders

Daniel Dowding, sworn
J. A. Towne
Mark H. Webster
S. A. Harvey

A. Gilcreast
John Wilson,
J. G. Frederick
James O.

Surveyors of Wood and Bark

Charles Jackson
George H. Webster
Ralph Clark
Griffin, sworn
James Ingalls, sworn
Stevens, sworn
Joseph S. How, sworn
sworn
Mark H. Webster
Albert Marshall

Daniel Merrill 2nd, sworn
Aaron Sawyer
George H. Wilson, sworn
George Burleigh
James Allen, sworn
Parker Cross

E. P. Sargent
Cyrus Blood
Justin E.
Abner
J. O. Sawyer,
Guy Carleton

Voted That the Selectmen be empowered to appoint others in case of necessity, and also
Surveyors
of Lumber.

Field Drivers

A. C. Rollins, sworn
Chas. A. Ropes

Q. Hersey
E. L. Whittier

Andrew Stiles, sworn
Wm. M. Rogers

James A. Clark, sworn	Francis R. Frye, sworn	Chas. F. Abbott
James A. Jones	Charles Tozier, sworn	Geo. E. Woodbury,
sworn		
Alfred Clark, sworn	Rufus A. Griffin	Varnum Corliss,
sworn		
Geo. W. Gage	Nathl. Merrill	Geo. H. Wilson,
sworn		
S. A. Harvey, sworn		

Voted To excuse those from serving who have not taken the oath.

Sealer of Weights and Measurers – Appointed by the Selectmen

Pound Keepers

S. W. Williams	Hezekiah Chadwick
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Road Commissioner – Appointed by the Selectmen

Surveyors of Highways

John How, sworn	John Shirley, sworn
James Allen, sworn	Eben Emerson
Geo. W. Gage, sworn	Geo. O. Marsh, sworn
Wm. Stickney, sworn	Jonathan Morse, sworn
Nathan Perley, sworn	E. Frank Summer
John Sands	Albert Marshall, sworn
Chas. Richardson, sworn	John Griffin, sworn
Jerome Cross, sworn	D. E. Cole, sworn
J. O. Sawyer, sworn, Consolidated Highway District	

Truant Officers

Chas. E. Goss	Willard Smith, sworn	William C.
Sleeper, sworn		

Art. 3rd **Voted** to raise the following sums of money viz.:

For roads and Bridges and opening Roads when encumbered with snow, Five Hundred Dollars	\$ 500.00
For Road laid out by the Essex County Commissioners past The house of the late Lydia Richardson	
Twelve Hundred and fifty dollars	1,250.00
For Fire Department Eight Hundred dollars	800.00
For School Committee One Hundred fifty dollars	150.00
For Pauper Department Fifteen Hundred dollars	1,500.00

For Town Officers Six Hundred dollars	600.00
For Interest on Town Debt Three Thousand dollars	3,000.00
For Discount on Taxes Sixteen Hundred dollars	1,600.00
For Contingencies Five Hundred	500.00
For Support of Schools Thirty Five Hundred	3,500.00
Repairs on Highways Twenty Six Hundred	<u>2,600.00</u>
Total Sixteen Thousand dollars	\$16,000.00

Art. 4th **Voted** to authorize the several School Districts to choose Prudential Committees with power to select and contract with teachers

Art. 5th **Voted** that the taxes be collected in the same manner as they were last year.

Art. 6th **Voted** that the matter be referred to the Selectmen.

Art. 7th **Voted** that the subject be referred to a Committee of three to be appointed by the Moderator who shall report at a future meeting. Committee appointed were

G. W. Gage D. T. Morrison M. G. Smith

Art. 8th **Voted** that the subject be referred to the Selectmen.

Art. 9th **Voted** that they be restrained

Art. 10th **Voted** that the Selectmen and Town Treasurer be so authorized.

Art. 11th **Voted** that the subject be left to the Selectmen with power to act

Art. 12th **Voted** to refer it to the Selectmen

Art. 13th **Voted** that the w hole matter be referred to a select committee of five, to be appointed by the moderator and that they report at a future meeting. Committee appointed was C. E. Goss, J. O. Parker, William M. Rogers, J. W. Frederick, W. E. Stevens

Art. 14th **Voted** to pass over t his article

Art. 15th **Voted** that this subject be referred to the Selectmen as a Committee and that they report at a future meeting

Art. 16th **Voted** that the subject be left to a Committee to be appointed by the moderator. J. W. Frederick was appointed.

Art. 17th **Voted** to accept the following List of Jurors:

Isaac H. Laney, Hazen Messer, George W. Butters, Benj. F. Woodbury, John Cluff,
Joseph F. Ingalls,
Charles Smith, Jacob Emerson Jr., Daniel Currier, David H. Patterson, S. Cummings
Messer, Darius
Pierce, Daniel W. Tenny, Newton Coburn, John Mitchell, James E. Messer, Lorenzo
Dow, Albert
Smith, Ben. H. Woodbury, Alfred M. Norris, Sylvanus R. Merrill, German S. Phippin,
Gilbert Emerson,
George Harris, Edmund P. Sargent, Charles Jackson, Moses G. Smith, John W. Bodwell,
George W.
Gage, Samuel Batchelder, E. M. Clark, Alfred Clark, Jeremiah M. Doe, Joseph Howe,
Justin E. Griffin,
Charles J. Griffin, Franklin Saunders, Gorham P. Poor, Branch G. Gutterson, Charles
Howe.

Art. 18th **Voted** to adopt this Article

Art. 19th **Voted** to adopt the same method as last year

Art. 20th **Voted** to accept the Report of the Selectmen

Art. 21st **Voted** that the compensation be the same as last year

Art. 22nd **Voted** to pass over this Article

Voted to dissolve the meeting

Attest

Chas. Shed

Town Clerk

Town of Methuen in a/c with Chas. Shed Treas. Feby. 1868.

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By	Cash in Treasurer's hands Feby 1, 1867	\$ 8,145.45
	Taxes uncollected	648.23
	Tax List for 1867	25,661.64
	Cash rec'd of State Treasurer State Aid	5,000.00

For Rent of Town House	678.00
Cash rec'd of State Treasurer Corporation tax for 1867	363.82
Cash rec'd of S. G. Sargent	300.00
Cash rec'd of J. L. Webster	200.00
Cash rec'd of Estate of Lorenzo Ford	174.73
Cash rec'd of F. Blodgett due on settlement	44.20
Cash rec'd of S. W. Pattee License for Billiard Tables	5.00
Cash rec'd of H. N. Barker for board at Hospital	29.25
Cash rec'd of Joseph Walker for board of John Barnes	36.50
Cash rec'd of Salem H.H. half expense of running Town lines	15.00
Cash rec'd of Methodist Society for Coal	11.84
Cash rec'd of John Bal. Due on settlement	30.26
Cash rec'd of Poll Tax	2.00
Cash rec'd of S. H. Harris Jr. Liquor Agent	1,987.13
Cash rec'd of Interest on Taxes	<u>9.96</u>
	<u>\$43,343.01</u>

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For	Cash Paid Selectmen's orders	16,027.56
	Cash Paid State Tax	7,100.00
	Cash Paid County Tax	1,789.00
	Cash Paid Interest on notes	3,195.83
	Cash Paid Principal on notes	600.00
	Discount on taxes	1,764.73
	Collecting Taxes	256.62
	Making out & distributing Tax Bills	30.00
	Collecting, Recording, & indexing births, marriages and deaths	31.15
	Making returns of births, marriages, deaths and Militia Roll	10.00
	Services as Treasurer	50.00
	Cash expenses express, stamps, Post. Acct. etc.	38.62
	Cash in the hands of the Treasurer Feby 1, 1868	11,906.60
	Taxes uncollected Nonresidents Feby 1, 1868	320.74
	Taxes uncollected Residents Feby 1, 1868	<u>222.16</u>
		<u>\$43,343.01</u>

Whereas D. H. Patterson received a licence from the
Board of
Selectmen of 1867 granting him permission to erect a Steam Mill on land formerly
owned by
The Boston and Maine Rail Road under certain limitations and,

Whereas the said D. H. Patterson has petitioned the present Board, setting forth that
certain
provisions of said licence are onerous and indefinite and asking for their modification.

It is therefore **Ordered** that a hearing be granted on the prayer of said Petitioner, at the Selectmen's Room on Saturday the second day of May next at Ten and one half O'Clock A.M. and all parties interested are hereby notified to appear at said time and place and show cause why the request of said petitioner should not be granted.

Joseph S. Howe } Selectmen
Ebenz. Sawyer } of
D. Pierce } Methuen

Methuen April 18, 1868.

A true copy Attest Chas. Shed Town Clerk

Whereas E. P. Morse of Methuen has presented a petition
to the
Board of Selectmen asking for a license to erect a Building with Engine and Boiler for
which
wood is to be used as fuel, upon a lot of land now owned by D. T. Morrison, in the rear of
the
house of Jos. S. Morse.

It is **Ordered** that a hearing be granted on the prayer of said petitioner on Saturday the second day of May next at Two O'Clock P.M. at the Selectmen's Room, and all parties interested are hereby notified to appear at the time and place above named and show cause why the request of said petitioner should not be granted.

Jos. S. Howe } Selectmen
Ebenr. Sawyer} of
D. Pierce } Methuen

Methuen April 18, 1868.

A true copy
Attest
Chas. Shed
Town Clerk

**The following named persons, Nonresidents, are this day taxed in School
District
Number Five in the Town of Methuen**

Mitchell Mary, Boston	John Adams, Lawrence
A. R. Brewster, Lawrence	Isaac B. Cobb, Lawrence
Wm. C. Chapin, Lawrence	Geo. W. Chadwick, Lawrence
John Fallon, Lawrence	A. P. B. King, Lawrence
John L. Hutchinson, Lawrence	A. W. Stearns, Lawrence
Daniel Saunders, Lawrence	Heirs of Eben Duston, Salem, N.H.

Essex SS. To Chas. E. Goss Constable of the Town of Methuen in said County of Essex.

Greeting, You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Methuen qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, (in the manner prescribed by the Town) to meet and assemble at the Town

Hall in said Town on Wednesday the (29th) twenty ninth day of April A.D. 1868, Two O'Clock

in the afternoon then and there to act on the following Articles viz.:

Article 1st To choose a Moderator to govern said meeting.

Art. 2nd On petition of Jacob Emerson Jr., Daniel Morrison, Daniel Currier and others, to see if the Town will vote to establish a High School, and unite with School District No. 4 in erecting a building for High School and District purposes, on the site now occupied by the present grammar school building of said District, and make the necessary appropriation of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.) for said building, and also to make an appropriation of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.) for defraying the necessary incidental expenses, and maintaining said High School the present financial year.

Art. 3rd To hear the reports from Committees appointed at the March meeting

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

Given under our hands **this Twenty first day of April A.D. 1868.**

Jos. S. Howe } Selectmen
Ebenz. Sawyer } of

Darius Pierce } Methuen

Essex SS.

April 21, 1868

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen herein described to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the is warrant, at the Town House and each of the Public Meeting Houses in said Town nine days before the time set for said meeting.

Chas. E. Goss, Constable of Methuen

A true Copy

Attest

Chas. Shed Town Clerk

April 29, 1868

**At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen,
qualified by
law to vote in Town affairs held at the Town Hall in said Town on Wednesday April
29th**

A.D. 1868, agreeably to Warrant No. 21 File 8.

Article 1st Joseph S. Howe was chosen Moderator.

Art. 2nd The following Resolutions were adopted, viz.:

Whereas, the necessity for the establishment of a High School in our Town, according to the provisions of Chapter 38 of the General Statutes of our Commonwealth, presents itself to us at this time in the light of a duty which we owe to the best interest of our community, as well as to the discharge of the obligations imposed upon us by the violated law in relation thereto, and Whereas, School District No 4 have in their legal capability, made a most liberal proposition to the Town for the erection of a building in connection with said District for establishment and maintenance of the same – Therefore Resolved that we accept the proposition of said School District which is as follows viz.:

That the District will erect a suitable building the materials of which shall be of wood on the site now occupied by the present grammar school building of said District of about the following dimensions viz.: Eighty by thirty six (80x36) feet on the ground, and three (3) stories in height, the stones to be thirty feet for the first and second and fifteen (15) feet for the third in the clear, with sufficient basement room to receive the heating apparatus and for storage of fuel etc. The building to be placed upon the lot relatively the

same as the present building now stands. The main entrance to be of on the northerly side of midway the length of the building, thus dividing it by stair cases and entry halls ten (10) feet wide and extending across the building into six (6) school rooms of about thirty six (36) by thirty five (35) feet the first and second stories to be used by the district for its primary intermediate and grammar schools, reserving to the Town the third story for the High School and also a Hall which shall be used when needed, by all the schools in the building and in the district for general exercises: -

At an expense of twelve thousand (\$12,000) dollars – including one thousand (\$1,000.) dollars as the estimated value of the building lot, and exclusive of furniture and fixtures provided the Town will appropriate and furnish for the purpose the sum of four thousand (\$4,000.) dollars towards the erection of said building and receive from the District a deed of one undivided one third of the lot with the buildings thereon, with the understanding that the rights of the Town in the use and occupancy of the premises shall be confined to the establishment and maintenance of a High School for the benefit of all the inhabitants of the Town who may wish to avail themselves of its privileges.

Resolved: - That the Treasurer of the Town be authorized under the direction of the Selectmen, to hire the sum of five thousand (\$5,000.) dollars, - of which four thousand (\$4,000.) dollars shall be expended in the erection of the building in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing resolve, - and the remaining one thousand (\$1,000.) dollars in defraying the furniture and incidental expenses of the said High School, and maintaining the same the present financial year.

Resolved: - That a committee of one be chosen by ballot at this meeting to represent the proportionate part of the – building fund which the Town is to furnish, to be joined with as many as may be selected by the district to represent their proportion of said building fund, with full power to act in behalf of the Town in erecting said building as contemplated in the proposition of the said School District.

Voted: - to raise the sums of money petitioned for by Jacob Emerson Jr.
and build a High School, subject to the foregoing resolves..

Daniel Currier was chosen a committee to represent the Town in building said High School Building.

Voted to dissolve the meeting

A true copy Attest

D. Pierce Town Clerk

The Selectmen of Methuen at a meeting held for that purpose, hereby modify and

change in the following particulars – the Licence granted to D. H. Patterson by the Selectmen of said Town on the 3rd day of July 1867, to erect a building with Engine and Boiler on land formerly owned by the Boston and Maine Rail Road Co

Viz.: The top of the Boiler room shall be of zinc, brick or lathed, and plastered, the chimney to be located north, and east, of the mouth of a drain on the premises, and to be sixty feet in height.

Jos. S. How } Selectmen
E. Sawyer } of
D. Pierce } Methuen

Methuen May 2nd 1868

A true copy

Attest

D. Pierce, Town Clerk

The Selectmen of Methuen at a meeting held for that purpose hereby Licence E. P. Morse
to erect a Building the material of which shall be Stone, Brick, or Wood, on a lot now or formerly owned by Danl. H. Morrison situated in the rear of the House of Joseph S. Morse, in said building he may use a boiler and Engine subject to the provisions and restrictions of Sect 43 to 45 inclusive of Chapter Eighty Eight of the General Statutes of Massachusetts and said Boiler shall be enclosed within Stone or Brick walls the bottom to be of the same material, the top of the Boiler room to be of zinc, brick, or lathed & plastered, with a chimney sixty fee in height.

Methuen May 2nd 1858

Jos. S. Howe } Selectmen
Eben Sawyer } of
D. Pierce } Methuen

A true copy

Attest

D. Pierce Town Clerk

The following named persons **Non Residents** are taxes in School District No. 6

Perkins A. J., Lawrence

Decatur A. J., Princeton, Iowa

Penny John, Lawrence
Pearsons Geo., Lawrence
Colby John, Lawrence
Leaver Amasa, Lawrence

Hoffman Augustus, Lawrence
Pecker Joseph, Lawrence
Gale John, Lawrence
Webster Isaac, Haverhill
Webster Isaac & David, Haverhill
Montgomery J. W., N. Andover
Page Nathaniel, N. Andover
Chadwick G. W., Boxford
Day, John, Boxford
Ritchie Mary K., Boxford

Frost Henry, West Cambridge
Gage Nathaniel, Bradford
Pearl Horatio, Bradford
Cogswell Geo. Bradford

Carleton Nathl., Bradford
Carleton Ja? T., Bradford
Marble John, Bradford
Haseltine Wm, Bradford
Haseltine Richard, Bradford
Haseltine John Heirs of Bradford
Kimball Alfred, Bradford
Cross, Wm. D., California
Heath Rebecca, W. Newbury
Peabody J. C., Manchester, Mass.

We certify that the above is a true list

Jos. S. Howe } Selectmen
Eben Sawyer } of
D. Pierce } Methuen

Methuen June 12 1868

A true Copy

Attest

D. Pierce Town Clerk

The following persons **Non Residents** are taxed in School District No. 4

Worcester George, Andover
Bodwell Henry A., Andover
Chamberlain A. W., Boston
Riley Richard, Boston
Cambridge
Odiorne Frederick, Boston
Pope Samuel, Boston
Brigham, Thos. J., Boston
Pearmain & Loomis, Boston
Whitney James, Boston
Snelling Joseph, Boston
Boston & Maine RR, Boston
Rantoul Robt. J. Heirs of Boston
Hunnewell John S., Boston
Crehose (?) Edward, Dorchester
Shattuck Solomon, Dracut
Harrington Thos., Lawrence
Stevens Abial, Lawrence
Treat Jas. A., Lawrence
Huse Wm., Heirs of Lawrence

Stone S. S., Baltimore
Howell Geo., Baltimore
Davis Sarah C., Brookline
Fletcher Walter Esq. of W.

Holeman T. & C., Concord
Goss Joseph, Charlestown
Varney Mary A., Charlestown
Rolands James, Charlestown
Nichols Chas., Chelsea
Currier J. M., Chelsea
Loomis J. B., Chelsea
Whittemore H. S., Chelsea
Gage Geo. W., Chicago, Ill.
Tyrol John, Chicago, Ill.
Smith Benj. F., Exeter, N.H.
Howe Eliza A., Franklin, N.H.
Willson Robt., Hopkinton, N.H.
Gage Worcester, Haverhill
Barker Chas. C., Haverhill

Armington Pardon (?), Lawrence	Hill Danl., R., Haverhill
Roberts Michel, Lawrence	Morse Rufus W., Haverhill
Smith Robt., Lawrence	Perkins J. W., Lowell
Carleton Eliza M., Lawrence	Barker Steph. Jr., Lowell
Long Jerimiah, Lawrence	Knight Henry, Manchester, Mass.
French A. J., Lawrence Mass.	Fifield Nancy & M. J., Manchester, Mass.
Bay State Bank, Lawrence	Cole Mrs. Nellie, Newburyport
Bailey Jas., W., Lawrence	Wilson Stillman L., New York
Morse August, Lawrence	Currier Thos. W., Roxbury
Dow Virgil, Lawrence	Tayler, Salem, N. H.
Dearborn Saml. & John, Lawrence	Wilson Cyrus, Salem, N.H.

We the Selectmen & Assessors of Methuen certify that the above list is a true and correct list
of the Non Resident tax payers in School District No. 4

Methuen June 27th 1868

Jos. S. How } Selectmen
Eben. Sawyer } of
D. Pierce } Methuen

A true Copy

Attest D. Pierce Town Clerk

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a vacancy has occurred in the Superintending School Committee of the Town of Methuen and that a meeting of the Selectmen and existing members of Said Committee will be held to fill such vacancy on Saturday the ninth day of May inst. At two o'clock P.M.

Methuen May 2nd 1868

Jos. S. How } Selectmen
Eben. Sawyer } of
D. Pierce } Methuen

A true Copy

Attest

D. Pierce Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Selectmen and existing School Committee for the purpose of electing a member to fill a vacancy in said School Committee Wm. M. Rogers was elected to fill said vacancy

Methuen May 9th 1868
Committee

Jos. S. How } Selectmen
Eben. Sawyer } of
D. Pierce } Methuen
Saml. G. Sargent } School

A true Copy

Attest

D. Pierce Town Clerk

Essex SS. To either of the Constables of the Town of Methuen in said County of Essex

Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required forthwith to warn the citizens of Methuen qualified as the law directs, to assemble at the Town House in said Methuen on Tuesday the third day of November next at ten o clock in the forenoon then and there to give in their ballots for a **Governor** of the Commonwealth, Lieutenant **Governor**, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Attorney General, Auditor of Accounts, Councillor for District Number Five, One Senator for the Thirdly Essex District, a Sheriff, District Attorney, County Commissioner, Two Special County Commissioners, a Register of Probate and Insolvency, and Three Commissioners of Insolvency for the County of Essex all on one Ballot.

Also for twelve Electors for President and Vice President of the United States, and One Representative to represent the Sixth Congressional District of the Commonwealth in the next Congress of the United States, on a separate ballot:

Also for three Representatives to the next General Court of the Commonwealth to represent Essex District Number Three, on a separate ballot. The polls to be kept open until four o clock P.M. and you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the public Meeting Houses and at the Town Hall in said Town eight days at least before said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to ourselves, at the time and place of said meeting. Given under our hands at Methuen **this twenty fourth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty eight.**

Jos. S. How } Selectmen
Eben Sawyer } of

D Pierce } Methuen

Essex SS. Town of Methuen October 24th 1868

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen herein described to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned by posting up attested copies of this warrant at each of the public meeting houses, and at the Town House in said Town nine days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Chas. E. Goss
Constable of Methuen

A true Copy

Attest

D. Pierce Town Clerk

November 3, 1868

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Methuen qualified by law to vote in Elections held at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the third day of November A.D. 1868 agreeable to Warrant Number 22 File 8

The votes were sorted, counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as the law directs and were as follows viz.: -

Whole number of votes for **Governor** was Five hundred and Thirty six 536

347 William Claflin of Newton had Three Hundred and Forty Seven
189 John Q. Adams of Quincy had One Hundred and Eighty nine

Whole number of votes for **Lieut. Governor** was Five hundred and Thirty one 531

344 Joseph Tucker of Lenos had Three Hundred and Forty four
187 Reuben Noble of Westfield had One Hundred and Eighty seven

For **Secretary of State**

347 Oliver Warner of Northampton had Three Hundred and Forty Seven

Chas. Brimblecon of Barre had One Hundred and Eighty seven
187

For Treasurer

Jacob H. Louis of Plymouth had Three hundred and Forty seven
347
Henry Arnold of Adams had One hundred and Eighty seven
187

For Attorney General

Chas. Allen of Boston had Three Hundred and Forty seven
347
William C. Endicott of Salem had One Hundred and Eighty Seven
187

For Auditor

Henry S. Briggs of Pittsfield had Three Hundred and Forty seven
347
A. F. Devereux of Boston had One Hundred and Eighty Seven
187

For Councillor for Dis. No. 5.

Roland G. Usher of Lynn had Three Hundred and Forty seven
347
J. P. Jones of Georgetown had One Hundred and Eighty Seven
187

For Senator for Third Essex District

Julius A. Palmer of Boxford had Three Hundred and Thirty nine
339
Chas. Ingalls of Methuen had One Hundred and Ninety four
194

For District Attorney Essex District

Edgar J. Sherman of Lawrence had Three Hundred and Forty
340
Alfred A. Abbott of Peabody had One Hundred and Ninety five
195

For Sheriff

347	Horatio G. Herrick of Lawrence had Three Hundred and Forty seven
186	William Nutting Jr. of Marblehead had One Hundred and Eighty Six

For County Commissioner

347	Charles P. Preston of Danvers had Three Hundred and Forty seven
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For Special County Commissioners

347	Amos Poor Jr. of West Newbury had Three Hundred and Forty seven
347	Daniel W. Bartlett of Essex had Three Hundred and Forty seven
187	John C. Choate of Essex had One Hundred and Eighty Seven
187	Mark Jewett of Rowley had One Hundred and Eighty seven

For Commissioners of Insolvency

347	William P. Upham of Salem had Three Hundred and Forty seven
347	William L. Thompson of Lawrence had Three Hundred and Forty seven
347	William E. Currier of Newbury port had Three Hundred and Forty seven
187	Nathaniel Pierce of Newburyport had One Hundred and Eighty seven
187	John W. Russell of Salem had One Hundred and Eighty seven

For Register of Probate and Insolvency

347	Abner C. Goodell of Salem had Three Hundred and Forty seven
187	James H. Carleton of Haverhill had One Hundred and Eighty seven

Electors of President and Vice President of the United States

Electors at Large

353	John H. Clifford of New Bedford had Three Hundred and Fifty three
353	David Sears of Boston had Three and Fifty three
206	Josiah G. Abbott of Boston had Two Hundred and Six
206	John R. Briggs of Sheffield had Two Hundred and Six

Electors for District No. 1

353	Richard L. Pease of Edgartown had Three hundred and Fifty three
206	J. T. Jones of Sandwich had Two hundred and six

Electors for District No. 2

353	William Mason of Taunton had Three hundred and Fifty three
206	T. B. Thaxter of Abbington had Two hundred and six

District No. 3

353	William Whiting of Boston had Three Hundred and Fifty three
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Electors for District No. 3

206	J. M. Keith of Boston had Two Hundred and six
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Electors for District No. 4

353	Frank B. Fey of Chelsea had Three hundred and Fifty three
206	E. C. Barnes of Chelsea had Two Hundred and six

Electors for District No. 5

353	James M. Baffum of Lynn had Three hundred and Fifty three
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206 J. Nayson of Amesbury had Two hundred and six

Electors for District No. 6

353 George Cogswell of Bradford had Three hundred and Fifty three
206 John K. Tarbox of Lawrence had Two hundred and six

Electors for District No. 7

353 J. Wiley Edmunds of Newton had Three hundred and Fifty three
206 W. F. Salmon of Lowell had Two hundred and six

Electors for District No. 8

353 Paul Whiting of Northbridge had Three hundred and Fifty three
206 L. Barker of Worcester had Two hundred and six

Electors for District No. 9

353 Charles A. Stevens of Ware had Three hundred and Fifty three
206 J. O. Hale of Hubbardston had Two hundred and six

Electors for District No. 10

353 Milton B. Whitney of Westfield had Three hundred and Fifty Three
206 H. W. Bishop of Lenox had Two hundred and six

Representative in Congress Sixth District

349 Nathaniel P. Banks of Waltham had Three hundred and Forty nine
187 Frederick O. Prince of Winchester had One hundred and Eighty Seven

Representatives to next General Court Essex District No. 3

347	William A. Russell of Lawrence had Three hundred and Forty seven
346	Frederick Butler of Lawrence had Three hundred and Forty six
350	Kimball C. Gleason of Methuen had Three hundred and Fifty
202	John K. Tarbox of Lawrence had Two hundred and two
196	Patrick Sweeney of Lawrence had One hundred and Ninety six
207	J. Sidney Howe of Methuen had Two hundred and seven

Voted to dissolve the meeting.

D. Pierce

Town Clerk