

**List of**  
**Accepted Streets**  
**in**  
**Woburn, Mass.**  
**1898**

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## INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.\*

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It was not until the year 1834 that the streets in Woburn were named. In that year the town appointed a committee of nine, to whom was referred "the subject of naming the streets." They prepared a list which gives the names of twenty-one streets. In March, 1849, it was "Voted that the remaining streets in town be named, and the names be posted at the corners thereof, and that the Selectmen be a committee to attend to the same." The Selectmen made a report, dated July 11, 1849, which was subsequently printed and distributed. This report gives the names and descriptions of sixty-four streets, five of which are now located within the limits of the town of Winchester. In 1863 the Selectmen were instructed "To name all the streets in town, not previously named, and cause a full and perfect list to be printed for general distribution." Their list comprised eighty-three public streets and fifty "Open Private Ways, not yet accepted by the town, most of which have been built upon and a few of which have been named by different individuals."

Most of the streets which have been laid out since 1863 have never been officially named. In September, 1870, an article was inserted in the town warrant "in relation to the naming of the streets not now officially named." It was "Voted to refer to the Selectmen," and that appears to have been the end of the matter. It might be well, therefore, for the city council to give some official sanction to the nomenclature of those streets which have been laid out and accepted since 1863.

In the preparation of the present list the records of the Town Clerk and those of the County Commissioners from the year 1800 have been carefully examined for the purpose of obtaining accurate and complete references to all matter that pertains to our public streets. The distance here given are those obtained by Messrs. George W. Buchanan and Frank P. Johnson, who made the measurements in the centre of the street with a steel tape. In some few instances

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\* This article on the Public Highways in Woburn, with the appended list of streets, was first published as an appendix to my inaugural address as Mayor, in 1890. I have made such additions as seemed necessary to bring it down to date. The references to plans in the Public Library, and to the nomenclature of streets, in 1831, are taken from the lists prepared by Mr. William R. Cutter and printed in the bulletins of Woburn Public Library. E.F.J.

they accepted the distance given in the report of the laying out of the street and made no measurement. Except in the case of a perfectly straight street, however, the distance given by the Civil Engineer in laying out a street being a side line measurement, would vary somewhat from a measurement taken in the centre. Moreover, the records show that in ascertaining the length of a proposed highway which crossed an older thoroughfare, the Civil Engineer included the portion of the new street which was located within the limits of the older one. In the following list such distances have been deducted.

In the 1863 list, Cove Street is given as a public way. No record of its acceptance by the town has been found, and, for that reason, it is not included in the list here given.

North Maple Street is an older public highway leading from Main to New Boston street, being the road to Step Rock referred to in our early records. For many years, however, it has ceased to be used or repaired by the town, and its exact course and location cannot now be traced. For this reason its length is not given in the list, although it is about 4500 feet long.

In a deed from Samuel Fowle to the town of Woburn, dated April 11, 1863, Common street is apparently referred to as "Military Lane," and later, on an old plan, as the "South Branch of Pleasant street." Its present name appears in the 1863 list. For reasons stated in a paragraph published in the *Woburn Journal*, June 2, 1888, I suggest that the City Council name it Bunker street.

In the record of the laying out of Wood street mention is made of Holton street, which was formerly a private way extending into Winchester. A portion of this private way was subsequently included in the laying out of Nashua street.

Vine street appears in the 1863 list as a public way, but no other reference to it has been found. As it measures but 181 feet in length, the city, by accepting it, would not assume a very onerous burden, and it could then enjoy the distinction of being the shortest street in the city.

Spring street, which appears in the 1849 list as a public way under the name of Short street, is designated in the 1863 list as an open private way, and is known at the present time as a "Private Way not Safe to Travel."

Blossom street, Minot street and Jones' court are not accepted public ways, although they are well constructed streets and have doubtless been repaired in times past by the town.

In March, 1859, the Selectmen reported to the town the laying out of Utica, Central and other streets in Montvale, but the report was dismissed and no subsequent action by the town seems to have been taken on Utica street, which in the 1863 list is referred to as a private way.

In 1853, the Selectmen established the bounds of the passageway situate northeast of the present Central House, which was owned at that time by the heirs of Sumner Young, deceased. This passageway gives a public entrance into the "Old Burying Ground," and is fully described in Volume 18, Page 118, of the town clerk's records.

For the guidance of those who may have occasion to consult some of the earlier references to streets given in the appended list, the following information concerning old localities there referred to will be found useful.

In 1800, Deacon Josiah Converse lived on the westerly side of Main street, a little south of the present residence of Francis A. Buckman.

In 1805, Elijah Leathe lived on the northeasterly side of Salem street, near its junction with Mill street.

In 1807, Wood End was the name applied to the present Reading. Captain Joseph Brown lived in South Woburn, near the junction of Washington and Pleasant streets.

In 1817, Francis Babcock lived in the brick house on Lexington street, near the Lexington line. The premises were subsequently occupied by Oliver B. Coolidge and Oliver C. Rogers, and are now owned by James Dobbins. Benjamin Parker lived on the Westerly side of Cambridge street in the house now occupied by Mr. Heald and numbered 241 Cambridge street.

In 1820, the house of Joseph Lawrence occupied the site of the present Lawrence school-house on Main street.

In 1824, Ezekiel Johnson lived in South Woburn on the hill near the present Menchin place on Waltham street. John Flagg lived near the junction of Main and Broad streets, where the store of the Maloney Bros. is now situated. The location of William Fowle's house is nearly identical with the present residence of James Skinner. Jonathan Tidd's bark mill occupied the site of J. Otis Cumming's currying shop on Winter street.

In 1826, "Thad. Richardson's Mill" was situated on the south side of Washington street, near Mill street.

In 1829, Bartholomew Richardson lived on Bow street, near Salem street, in the house now occupied by Frank P. Richardson.

In 1830, James Tweed's residence was at the corner of Montvale avenue and Prospect street.

In 1831, Edmund Parker lived on the easterly side of Cambridge street, near Lake avenue.

In 1832, Oliver Tay lived on Middle street near "Richardson's Mill," in the house owned by the late Marshall Richardson. Jacob Ames lived on the southwesterly side of Plain street, near its intersection with New Boston street, and nearly opposite the house of H. Lyman Ames.

In 1837, Nathaniel Wade lived on Montvale avenue, near the present railroad bridge. "Evans Corner" is the corner of Washington street and Montvale avenue. Eli Yale's store was situated in the same locality.

In 1838, "The Road in the easterly part of the town near the school house" refers to Washington street near the Stoneham Branch Railroad. The school-house was located east of the present street, and south of the railroad. "Trull's Mill" was situated on the northerly side of Pleasant street, opposite Water street. Thomas J. Evans lived in the house now owned by John Kelleher, 42 Water street. Jere Kimball lived near the junction of Lake avenue and Main street, on the site of the present Jefferson House.

In 1839, Charles Choate lived in a house on the site of Dr. Harlow's present residence.

In 1840, Montvale was known as Fulton Village, apparently in honor of Robert Fulton.

In 1842, Samuel Leathe lived in the house lately occupied by Miss Ruth M. Leathe, opposite the common.

In 1843, William Beers lived on the corner of Pine and Central streets. Stephen Skinner's residence was where Jonas P. Barrett now lives.

In 1846, Hungary Plain designated a tract of land on the westerly side of Pearl street, near Lowell street.

In 1847, Randolph Wyman lived in a house on the northwesterly side of New Boston street, near its junction with Alfred. It is the first house southwest of School street. Lemuel Richardson lived on the northerly side of Cross street, near P. McGowan's currying shop.

In 1848, the bake-shop of Lorenzo Richardson was situated on the easterly side of Main street, near Clinton street. Josiah Watson lived on Bow street, where Moses J. Person now lives. Jesse R. Fowle's residence was on Salem street, near Lynn, on the premises now owned by James R. Wood.

In 1851, Isaac S. Alley lived in the house now occupied by Andrew R. Linscott.

In the subjoined list the abbreviation Cl. refers to Town Clerk's records; Cl. s. & w. to the Record Book of Streets and Ways, in the city clerk's office; C.C. to County Commissioners' records; and T.R. to Town Reports. The single word "feet" mean length in feet. The Plan Book referred to contains a transcript of street plans on a reduced scale, and is in custody of the City Clerk. Many volumes of the Clerk's records are wrongly numbered on the outside. The true number which, where an error occurs, is always one greater than the one found on the cover, was inserted in the fly leaf by Rev. Samuel Sewall, and his enumeration is the one to which reference is here made. There is some duplicate paging in volumes 16 and 17 which I have not felt at liberty to correct, but have referred to the numbering of the pages as I found them. The matter inclosed in brackets has been contributed by Mr. William R. Cutter.

I have given such explanations of the nomenclature of the several streets as could be obtained from old citizens and real estate owners. In the columns of the *Woburn City Press*, beginning with the issue of Nov. 7, 1889, there appeared a series of articles on the origin of street names, on which subject some interesting information was given.

I have not included in the following list Rumford Park Av., Highet Av., Pine Grove Av., Park View Av., and Hall Street, all of which were accepted Jan. 1, 1898, and a portion of Davis street, which was accepted Jan. 3, 1898.

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# Revised List of Accepted Streets.

For explanation of abbreviations see introductory remarks.

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<b>STREETS</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>ABBOTT STREET</b>	587 feet. Accepted 1849. Cl. Vol. 17, p. 179. See plan book. Named for Capt. Samuel Abbott. See city profile plan of date 1888 in Public Library.
<b>ALBANY STREET</b>	1,275 feet. Accepted 1871. Cl. Vol. 21, p. 221. See city plan and city profile plan of date 1871 in Public Library.
<b>ALFRED STREET</b>	2,497 feet. Appears on 1849 list. [There is an elaborate plan of Alfred Street of date April 21, 1860, with Thompson Plans in Woburn Public Library. An unnamed street answering to it is shown on a copied plan of date 1801 and Alfred's Corner, junction of Alfred and New Boston streets is shown on a plan of date, 1857. Older citizens can remember this street as once an unimportant way or lane.] Called Alfred Road in 1831.
<b>ARLINGTON STREET</b>	1,020 feet. Accepted 1878. T. R. 1878-9, p. 15. This and Belmont street are named on a plan of land of L. G. and W. H. Richardson, dated 1869. See city plan of date 1888 in Public Library. Canal Street named Arlington Road in 1898.
<b>ASH STREET</b>	737 feet. Accepted 1873. Cl. vol. 21, p. 499. Named for its ash trees. See 2 city profile plans of no date in Public Library.
<b>AUBURN STREET</b>	1,073 feet. Accepted 1869, 1884. Cl. Vol. 20, p. 559; T. R. 1884-5, p. 23. Formerly called Hill's Court. See 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
<b>BACK STREET</b>	See Pearl street.
<b>BEACH STREET</b>	2,877 feet. Cl. vol .20, p. 448; vol 21, p. 186; C.C. 1876, p. 289, T. R. 1876-7, p. 15. Appears on 1849 list. Residents of New Bridge and Central Square took this road to the beach. Hence its name. [Beach Street is named on a plan of M. L. Richardson's house lots, 1849] See 2 city plans of date 1876 in Public Library. Called Road from Wright's Pond to Bartholomew Richardson's in 1831, also called Road to Glover's in 1831.

- BEACON STREET** 1,336 feet. Accepted 1870. Cl. vol. 21, p. 88. Formerly called Maverick, for Maverick Wyman. Name changed by Selectman in 1871. See Nashua Street. See 2 city profile plans of date 1870, and 3 of date 1872 in Public Library.
- BEDFORD STREET** 8,008 feet. Cl. vol. 16, p. 338; vol. 18, p 128; C. C. 1870, p. 167. A part named Kilby in 1876. See plan book. Appears on 1834 and 1849 list. [Bedford Street including Kilby Street is described as the highway from the West End into the town by John Russell's, in 1680. - Cf. Woburn Records, i. 103, also *ib.* 103 note. It was an important thoroughfare in 1794 and one of the ancient roads in Woburn.] See Kilby Street. Called Rag Rock road in 1831. Continuation called Road to Cummings' Tanning Works in 1831. Alterations of, see city plan of date 1871 and city profile plan of date 1872 in Public Library.
- BELMONT STREET** 446 feet. Accepted 1883. T. R. 1883-4, p. 16. See Arlington street.
- BENNETT STREET** 495 feet. Accepted 1854. Cl vol. 18, p. 176; vol. 21, p. 346. See plan book. Named for Rev. Joseph Bennett. See plan of date 1854 and city profile plan of date 1872 in Public Library. About the year 1855, Luke Fowle laid out a square on South side of Fowle Street, near it's junction with Eastern Avenue, and called it Bennett Square. It was intended for religious uses, but the purpose never materialized. See deed recorded Book 724, page 493, at Middlesex Registry of Deeds.
- BLOSSOM STREET** See introductory remarks.
- BORDER STREET** 959 feet. Accepted 1887, T. R. 1887-8, pp17-19. A portion laid out as Pickering Street which was named for Rufus Pickering. The location of the street near the Winchester line suggested the name Border.
- BOW STREET** 1,908 feet. Cl. vol. 17, p. 109; C.C. 1867, p. 220. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list. Its peculiar shape suggested its name. Formerly called Cross Street. [Bow street is named on a copied plan of M. J. Persons' homestead by Cyrus Thompson, 1849. The earlier draft calls it Cross Street.] See plan of date 1867, and city profile plan of date 1876 in Public Library. Called Road from Uri Beers by Junius Richardson's in 1831. Also called Road to William Fowle's (on Montvale Avenue) in 1831. Bow Street was referred to as Road to Reading via Montvale Avenue in 1831.
- BROAD STREET** 1,650 feet. Accepted 1868, 1871. Cl. vol. 15, p 37; vol 20, p 447; vol 21, p. 220. See plan book. Extension of, see city plan of date 1871 and another city profile plan of no date in Public Library.
- BROOKS STREET** 405 feet. Accepted 1883. T. R. 1883-4, p. 18. Named for R. Brooks Richardson. See city plan of date 1883 in Public Library.

- BROWN PLACE** 428 feet. Accepted 1891. Cl. s. & w., vol. 1, p. 24. Named for George E. Brown. See city plan of date 1889 in Public Library.
- BRUSH (*i.e. Bruce*) LANE** See Burlington Street.
- BRYANT STREET** 722 feet. Accepted 1881. T. R. 1881-2, p. 17. Named for Charles B. Bryant.
- BUCK STREET** 373 feet. Accepted 1873. Cl. vol. 21, p. 499. Named for Joseph Buck. See city profile plan of no date in Public Library.
- BUCKMAN STREET** 1,586 feet. Accepted 1872. Cl. vol. 21, p. 343. Re-located by the City Council, 1889. See Cl. s. & w., vol 1, p. 7. Named for Bowen Buckman. See city plan of dates 1872, 1889 and another city profile plan of no date in Public Library. [Private street off Buckman Street. See city profile plan of no date in Public Library].
- BURLINGTON STREET** 5,243 feet. Cl. vol. 17, p. 294; vol. 19, p. 12; C. C. 1856, p. 145. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list. Burlington Street was the way to Mount Playnum. The new bridge leading to Mount Playnum in 1648 was probably on this street. -- Cf. Woburn Records, vol. i, p. 12 (also p. 12 note) The way near William Clark's house mentioned in same volume of records, p. 18, has reference evidently to this same street.] Formerly called Brush (*i. e.* Bruce) Lane. Described as the "highway that cometh up from George Brush's to Mount Playnum," on August 16, 1680. -- Woburn Records, vol ii, p. 133. For location of George Brush's house see Woburn Marriages, 1873 - 1890, p. 19 note. Alterations of , see city plan of date 1878 and city profile plans of dates 1857 and 1874 and 3 of no date in Public Library. Called Nathaniel Kendall's Road in 1831, and John Johnson's Road in part (beginning near William Flagg's) in 1831. See Lexington Street.
- BURYING GROUND** Passageway to. See introductory remarks. For illustration of passageway to First Burying Ground, see plans of Woburn Centre by Cyrus Thompson in Woburn Public Library, of date 1855. Plan No. 290 (city) etc.

- CAMBRIDGE STREET** 10,544 feet. C.C. 1880, p. 133; 1882, p. 351. Appears on 1834 and 1849 list. [Cambridge Street anciently comprised two streets, Plain Street and Up Street. The former was laid out in 1646. -- Woburn Records, vol i. p. 9. Still earlier, May 10, 1643, Edward Converse, Ezekiel Richardson and others were appointed by the General Court to lay out the highway from Cambridge to Woburn, but whether this refers to Plain Street, or to another way *via* Grove Street, in Medford and Winchester, does not appear. Up street is plainly the northerly part of this Street, -- Woburn Records, vol i, p. 7. Mr. Trarice's land and Michael Bacon's, mentioned in the records under that entry, were certainly on or near the part of that street now in Burlington. Plain Street is referred to in a deed from John Tidd, Sr., tailor, to William Johnson, shipwright, dated Nov. 2, 1652 and recorded in Registry of Deeds, Book 3, Page 18.] See city plans of dates 1817 and 1880, 2 sections, and city profile plans of dates 1872 and 1875 in Public Library. Called West Side Road in 1831.
- CANAL STREET** 4,666 feet. Accepted 1833, 1852, 1857. Cl vol. 18, p. 30; C. C. 1833, p. 211; 1857, p. 216; 1875, p. 29; 1878 p. 46; 1881, p. 247. See plan book. Appears on 1834 and 1849 list. Named for the old Middlesex Canal. See Hudson Street. See city plans of dates 1875 (alterations) and 1878 and city profile plans of dates 1872, 1875 and 3 of no dates (continuation) in Public Library.
- CARTER STREET** 512 feet. Accepted 1874. T. R. 1874-5, p. 27. Named for J. R. Carter, C. E. See city plan of date 1874 in Public Library.
- CEDAR STREET** 2,657 feet. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list. Named for its cedar trees.
- CENTRAL STREET** 3,798 feet. Accepted 1843, 1870. Cl. vol. 16, p. 266; vol. 21, p. 79; C. C. 1871, p. 238. Appears on 1849 list. See city plan of date 1873, also 2 others of no date, city profile plan, no date, sidewalk, in Public Library.
- CENTRE STREET** 827 feet. Accepted 1871. Cl. vol. 21, p. 217; T. R. 1880-1, p. 11. See plan book. Formerly called Galilee. Alterations of, see city plan of date 1879, and city profile plan of no date in Public Library.
- CHARLES STREET** 856 feet. Accepted 1846. Cl. Vol. 16, p. 337. Appears on 1849 list. Named for Charles Choate. See 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
- CHESTNUT STREET** 1,060 feet. Accepted 1856. Cl. vol. 18, p. 399; T. R. 1880-1, p. 17. See plan book. See city plan of date 1871 and city profile plan of date 1872, also one other of no date in Public Library. Chestnut, Main and Kilby streets, of, bounds at junction of, established 1890. Cl. s. & w. vol 1, p. 9.

- CHURCH AVENUE** 708 feet. Accepted 1865, 1872. Cl. vol. 20, p. 77; vol. 21, p. 346. See plan book. The site of the present Orthodox church gave the name to the street. Extension of, see city plan of date 1871 and city profile plan of date 1872 in Public Library.
- CHURCH STREET** 1,019 feet. Accepted 1846, 1853. Cl. vol. 16, p. 337; vol 18, p. 130. See plan book. Formerly called William. Name changed in 1853 by vote of the town. Appears on 1849 list. The old Baptist church stood near the corner of Main and Church Streets. See 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
- CLEVELAND AVENUE** 908 feet. Accepted 1884. T. R. 1884-5, p. 21. Named for the president. See city plan of date 1884 in Public Library.
- CLINTON STREET** 911 feet. Accepted 1848. Cl. vol. 17, p. 85; vol. 21, p. 186. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list. Formerly called Elm. See city plan of date 1871 and 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
- COMMON STREET** 277 feet. Appears on 1863 list. See introductory remarks. Called Road across Common in 1831.
- CONN STREET** 1,703 feet. Accepted 1867. Cl. Vol. 20, p. 319; C. C. 1868, p. 339. See plan book. Named for Horace Conn. See 3 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
- COURT STREET** 838 feet. Appears on 1849 list. Referred to in a deed dated, 1846, (Recorded Lib. 493, Fol. 537) as a town road. About 1840 it was spoken of as a cart-way. Daniel P. Thompson, Esq. held court on this street. Dr. John Nelson held court here also. See 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
- COVE STREET** See introductory remarks.
- CROSS STREET** 395 feet. Cl. vol. 17, p. 61; C. C. 1852, p. 24. Appears on 1834 and 1849 list. [Cross Street is another ancient highway, laid out in 1647. -- Woburn Records, vol. i, p. 12. It was then described as the highway from the "three Richardsons' to the town meeting-house one way," and an arm extending to "Mr. Thomas Graves," made what was meant by its extension, "the other way". His farm was on the borders of the present Winchester and Montvale, the farm house being on corner of Washington street and Montvale avenue.] See city plan of date 1854 and 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library. Called Lemuel Richardson's road in 1834. See Bow Street. See Glenwood Street.
- CUMMINGS STREET** 931 feet. Accepted 1881. T. R. 1881-2, p. 16. Named for Henry Cummings. See South Bedford Street.
- D STREET** 549 feet. Accepted 1870. Cl. vol.. 21, p. 79.

<b>DARTMOUTH STREET</b>	971 feet. Accepted 1890. Cl. S. & w. vol. 1, p. 11.
<b>DEXTER AVENUE</b>	444 feet. Accepted 1890. Cl. S. & w. vol.. 1, p. 15. Named for Dexter Carter.
<b>DRAGON COURT</b>	1,933 feet. Accepted 1852. C. C. 1852, p. 93. See plan book.
<b>DUBLIN STREET</b>	See Flagg Street. See 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
<b>EAST STREET</b>	See Garfield Avenue. See Washington Street.
<b>EAST NICHOLS STREET</b>	Named 1897. See Nichols street extension.
<b>EASTERN AVENUE</b>	2,629 feet. Accepted 1860, 1874. Cl. vol. 19, p. 105; T. R. 1874-5, p. 39. Appears on plan of Jeduthun Fowle land, dated July 12, 1855. See city profile plan of date 1856, also 2 of date 1872 and extension, city plan of date 1874 and city profile plan of no date in Public Library. A portion of present Eastern avenue corresponds with Farm lane, shown on plan of farm of William Fowle of date 1851 and recorded at Middlesex registry, plan book 91, plan 49. See city plan of unknown street off Eastern avenue of date 1888 in Public Library.
<b>EATON AVENUE</b>	1,350 feet. Accepted 1887. T. R. 1887-8, p. 21. Named for Robert B. Eaton. This street was not constructed for several years after its laying out had been accepted, and has never been officially named.
<b>ELDRIDGE STREET</b>	650 feet. Accepted 1861. Cl. vol. 19, p. 140. Formerly call Junction. Name changed in 1882 by vote of the town. Named for Capt. Asa Eldridge.
<b>ELIJAH STREET</b>	1,266 feet. Accepted 1874. T. R. 1874-5, p. 38. Named for Elijah Wyman. See city plan of date 1874 in Public Library.
<b>ELLIS STREET</b>	1,411 feet. Accepted 1895. Constructed 1896-7. Named for Ellen T. Ellis by whom the land was given to the city. See cl. S. & w. vol. 1, p. 73.
<b>ELM STREET</b>	2,950 feet. C. C. 1868, p. 278. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list. Formerly a part of Main Street. Named for its elm trees. See city plan of date 1867 and city profile plan of no date in Public Library. See Clinton Street.
<b>EVERETT STREET</b>	802 feet. Accepted 1870. Cl. vol. 20, p. 569. The southern portion formerly called Limerick street and the northern part Ockley Court. Name changed by Selectman in 1870. Appears on 1849 list. Named either for Edward Everett, the statesman or Edward Everett Thompson, our townsman, and member of the Board of Selectman in 1870. See city profile plan of date 1871 and city plan of date 1873 in Public Library.

<b>FAIRMOUNT STREET</b>	472 feet. Accepted 1860. Cl vol. 19, p. 104. See plan book. Formerly called Flagg's Court. See 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
<b>FAIRVIEW ROAD</b>	677 feet. Accepted 1894. Cl. S. & w. vol. 1, p. 41.
<b>FIRST STREET</b>	387 feet. Appears on 1849 list. [First street is described as "a private way belonging to the proprietors of lands adjoining it, to be kept for their common use, and to be supported by them," in a plan of land sold by Jeduthun Fowle to Moses Bean, bounded on Snow Hill street (latterly call Union street), dated January, 1847. First and Second streets are shown by name on a plan of date 1857. The plan referred to was a plan of Union street.]
<b>FLAGG STREET</b>	314 feet. Accepted 1870. Cl. Vol. 21, p. 73. See plan book. Formerly called Foreigners, and later Dublin. Name changed in 1877. Named for George Flagg. See city profile plan of date 1861 in Public Library.
<b>FLAGG'S COURT</b>	See Fairmount street.
<b>FLAGG'S LANE</b>	See Green street.
<b>FOREIGNERS STREET</b>	See Flagg street.
<b>FOSTER STREET</b>	304 feet. Accepted 1871. Cl. vol. 21, p. 219. Named for Jairus H. Foster. See city plan of date 1871 in Public Library.
<b>FOWLE STREET</b>	2,342 feet. Accepted 1854, 1856, 1858. Cl. vol. 18, p. 201, 400, 530; vol. 21, p. 368; C.C. 1868, p. 432. See plan book. Named for Luke Fowle. See city plan of date 1854, alterations, of date 1872 and 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
<b>FRANCES STREET</b>	391 feet. Accepted 1896. Cl s. & w. vol. 1, p. 62. Named for Francis Wyman, one of the first settlers of Woburn. His descendants, Dr. Morrill Wyman and others, gave the land, stipulating that the street should be named Frances, in honor of their ancestor, whose Christian name is spelled with an "e" in some of the earlier records.
<b>FRANKLIN AVENUE</b>	See Middlesex street.
<b>FRANKLIN STREET</b>	1,183 feet. Accepted 1839, 1852. Cl. vol. 16, p. 94; vol 18, p. 41; T. R. 1880-1, p. 11. Appears on 1849 list. At a conference of citizens living on this street the wish was expressed to have it named in honor of some distinguished mechanic and it was thus named for Benjamin Franklin. See city profile plans of dates 1861 and 1872, and one of no date in Public Library.
<b>GALILEE STREET</b>	See Centre street.

<b>GARDEN STREET</b>	1,592 feet. Appears on 1849 list. Not referred to on 1863 list. This street has sometimes been called Gardner. Mr. B. F. Flagg says the true and original name in Garden, and that it received its name because it bordered on his garden. [Garden Street was an older part of present Lexington Street, before the branch over Fox's Hill was built.]
<b>GARDNER STREET</b>	See Garden street.
<b>GARFIELD AVENUE</b>	4,613 feet. Accepted 1858, 1872, 1883. Cl. vol. 18, p 528; vol. 21, p. 344; T. R. 1883-4, p. 15. See plan book. Formerly called East. Name changed by vote of the town in 1888. Named for the President. Extension of, see city plan of date 1872 and 3 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
<b>GLENWOOD STREET</b>	568 feet. Accepted 1854, 1885. Cl. vol. 18, p. 201; T. R. 1885-6, p. 22. See plan book. Mr. Austin Buckman formerly lived on Glenwood place, off Glenwood street, Roxbury and at his suggestion this street received the same name. The portion of the street from Prospect to Highland was formerly called Cross. See city plan of date 1885 in Public Library.
<b>GRAPE STREET</b>	1,118 feet. Accepted 1875, 1889. T. R. 1875-6, p. 28. Extended to Central street by City Council, 1889. See Cl. S. & w., vol 1, p. 4. See plan book. See city plan of date 1876, extension, and date of 1889 and city profile plan of no date in Public Library.
<b>GREEN STREET</b>	5,980 feet. Accepted 1854, 1858, 1871, 1872. Cl. vol. 18, p. 200, 530; vol. 21, pg. 75, 220, 344. See plan book. Formerly called Flagg's lane. See Highland. See city plan of dates 1854 and 1861, extension, and dates 1871 and 1872 and city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
<b>GROVE STREET</b>	694 feet. Accepted 1880. T. R. 1880-1, p. 14. See Oak street. See city plan of no date in Public Library.
<b>HANSON COURT</b>	280 feet. Accepted 1888. T. R. 1888, p. 20. Named for James I. Hanson. See city plan of date 1888 in Public Library.
<b>HARRISON AVENUE</b>	3,799 feet. Accepted 1863, 1880. Cl. vol. 19, p. 482; T. R. 1880-1, p. 15. See plan book. Formerly called Rag Rock avenue. Named changed in 1886. Named for the president. See city plan of date 1854 and city profile plans of dates 1854 and 1876, extension, city plan of date 1880 in Public Library.
<b>HART STREET</b>	Accepted 1887. T. R. 1887-8, p. 29; T. R. 1888, p. 21. Not constructed. Named for D. D. Hart.

<b>HIGH STREET</b>	1,767 feet. Accepted 1869, 1873. Cl. vol. 20, p. 559; vol. 21, p. 371. See plan book. Mr. Thomas Emerson gave the name of this street. See Pleasant street. See Waltham street. Extension of, see city plan of date 1872 and 3 city profile plans of no date, extension in Public Library.
<b>HIGHLAND STREET</b>	1,295 feet. Accepted 1854, 1867. Cl. vol. 18, p. 201; vol. 20, p. 321. See plan book. Highland, Prospect and Green streets are named on a plan of building lots belonging to S. Wood and J. E. Littlefield, dated April, 1845. See city plan of date 1854 and 3 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
<b>HIGHWAY TO READING</b>	See New Boston street.
<b>HIGHWAY</b>	near the house lots of John and Francis Wyman. See Wyman Street.
<b>HILL STREET</b>	2,198 feet. Accepted 1858. C.C. 1858, p. 487. Formerly called Maple, which see. Hill street proper, now wrongly called Maple, was named for James Hill, who owned the present Woodrough and Clemson Saw Manufactory. See city plan of date 1876 in Public Library.
<b>HILL'S COURT</b>	See Auburn street.
<b>HILLY WAY</b>	See Montvale avenue.
<b>HOLTON STREET</b>	See introductory remarks.
<b>HOUGHTON STREET</b>	1,779 feet. Accepted 1877, 1881. T. R. 1877-8, p. 18; 1881-2, p. 13. Named for James Houghton. See city plan of date 1877, extension, and city plan of date 1881 in Public Library.
<b>HOVEY STREET</b>	355 feet. Accepted 1846. Cl. vol. 16, p. 337. Appears on 1849 list. Named for Thomas Hovey. See city profile plan of no date in Public Library.
<b>HUDSON STREET</b>	1,046 feet. Accepted 1837. Cl. vol. 16, p. 28; vol. 21, p. 77; T. R. 1876-7, p. 16. Laid out as Canal street by Selectmen, May, 1837. See plan book. Named for E. W. Hudson. See city plan of date 1876 and 2 city profile plans of date 1876 in Public Library.
<b>JAMES STREET</b>	767 feet. Accepted 1878. T. R. 1878-9, p. 14. The old private way was so named for J. and M. James, lumber dealers of Medford, who years ago were interested in building operations there. See city plan of date 1878 in Public Library.
<b>JEFFERSON AVENUE</b>	1,500 feet. Accepted 1882. T. R. 1882-3, p. 23. Named for the president. See city plan of date 1882 and city profile plan of date 1883 in Public Library.

<b>JEFFERSON COURT</b>	370 feet. Accepted 1887. T. R. 1887-8, p. 40. See city plan of date 1887 in Public Library.
<b>JOHN STREET</b>	583 feet. Accepted 1882. T. R. 1882-3, p. 21. Named for John G. Richardson. See city plan of date 1882 in Public Library.
<b>JOHNSON STREET</b>	455 feet. Accepted 1844, 1851. Cl. vol. 16, p. 329; vol. 17, p. 359. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list. Named for Nathan M. Johnson. See 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
<b>JONES COURT</b>	See Lawrence street. See introductory remarks.
<b>JOSHUA STREET</b>	See Wood street.
<b>JUNCTION STREET</b>	See Eldridge street.
<b>KILBY STREET</b>	2,527 feet. See plan book. Formerly a part of Bedford street. The name Kilby was adopted by the residents of that street and has no peculiar significance. Called Rag Rock road in 1831. See Bedford street. Kilby, Chestnut and Main streets bounds at juncton of, established 1890. Cl. s. & w., vol. 1, p. 9.
<b>LAKE AVENUE</b>	2,046 feet. Cl. vol. 15, p. 197; C.C. 1838, p. 249; 1852, p. 10; 1854, p. 330; 1875, p. 29. See plan book. Frmerly called Pond street. Name changed in 1887 by vote of the town. Appears on 1834 and 1849 lists. [Lake Avenue is an ancient highway.] See city plan of date 1857 and 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library. Called Horn Pond road in 1831.
<b>LAWRENCE STREET</b>	1,000 feet. Accepted 1857. Cl. vol. 18, p. 487. See plan book. Named for Joseph Lawrence. Formerly called Jones' Court. Lawrence Street is referred to as "a lane laid out by Jacob Pierce" in deed from Benjamin H. Kimball to ---- Parker, dated August 3, 1852. See city plans of dates 1872 and 1886, also one on no date and city profile plan of date 1872 in Public Library. Lawrence Street, extended to Canal street 1893. Accepted 1893. Cl. s. & w., vol 1, p. 35.
<b>LEXINGTON STREET</b>	13,196 feet. Accepted 1817. Cl. vol. 14, p. 209; vol. 15, p. 197; vol. 16, p. 100; C. C. 1875, p. 183. See plan book. Appears on 1834 and 1849 list. See Garden Street. See city plan of date 1875 in Public Library. Called road from Woburn Meeting House and road to Lexington in 1831. It began at the west end of the common, embraced Pleasant Street, continued through Burlington street to John Johnson's road, now Burlington street, and thence by Garden street to Lexington street and thence to Cambridge street, continuing to Joseph Parker's corner through Parker Street to Lexington Street and thence west to the town line.
<b>LIMERICK STREET</b>	See Everett street.

**LOCUST STREET**

3,800 feet. Cl. vol. 17, p. 172. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list. Named for its locust trees. Two hundred years ago Israel Reed lived on this street some distance from Cambridge Street. The brook which the street now crosses was called Potash Brook. [Locust Street is a part of ancient Military Lane. Laid out 1645, and mentioned in 1732. -- Woburn Records, vol. i, pp. 7. lxix.] Called road by James Bruce's in 1831.

**LONGWOOD AVENUE**

346 feet. Accepted 1890. Cl. s. & w., vol. 1, p. 18.

**LOWELL STREET**

4,259 feet. Appears on 1834 and 1849 list. Formerly known as the Swamp road. The old road to Lowell was by way of Wyman street around Mount Playnum. [A paper connected with the origin of this street is preserved in Woburn Public Library. The era was 1796. This was an example of the unusual method of building a road by private subscription. The paper mentioned is entitled Proceedings of the petitioners for the new road from William Abbott's to Leonard Thompson's. William Abbott's was later in the year Mr. Marion's place, and the house of William Abbott alluded to is shown on a road map by Samuel Thompson, Esq., of date about 1796 or 97. The first meeting of the petitioners was held November 14, 1796, and the last on the record preserved was held December 9, 1796. The Selectman were requested to lay out the road and estimate the expense and report. A committee of those interested ran the line through the swamp and Mr. Thompson gave his land.] See city plan of date 1817 in Public Library. Called Swamp Road in 1831.

**LYNN STREET**

1,250 feet. Accepted 1848. C. C. 1848, p. 240. Appears on 1849 list.

**MADISON STREET**

317 feet. Accepted 1885. T. R. 1885-6, p. 14. Named for the president. Was formerly a portion of a proposed street called Valley.

**MAIN STREET**

21,416 feet. C. C. 1849, p. 5; C. C. 1855, p. 443; 1881, p. 247; Cl. vol. 13, p. 11; vol. 14, p. 360. Line between Chestnut and Kilby altered by City Council, 1889. Appears on 1834 and 1849 list. The portion from the railroad near Baldwin's to North Woburn centre was called New Bridge street on 1834 list, and was laid out in 1832. See C. C. 1832, p. 97. [Southerly half of Main street was laid out in 1646. -- Woburn records, vol. i, xxiv, xxviii, xxix.] See Elm Street. See city plans of dates 1817, 1854 in four sections, 1868 sidewalk) 1881 (alterations) 1885, 1886, 1889, one of no date, and city profile plans of dates 1856, 1886, 1871, four of date 1872, two of date 1877, one of no date, two of no date in Public Library. Alteration of section of easterly side line of, taking 121 square feet of land from George S. Dodge, 114 feet from F. A. Hartwell, 66 feet from Alvah Buckman, 80 feet from Lena G. and Mary C. Hart, accepted 1894. Cl. s. & w., vol. 1, p. 38. Alteration easterly side line of between Fowle and John Streets, accepted 1891. Cl s&w, vol 1, p. 38. Main, Kilby and Chestnut streets, bounds at junction of, established 1890. Cl. s. & w., vol. 1, p. 9.

**MANNING STREET**

544 feet. Accepted 1891. Cl. S. & w., vol. 1, p. 26. Named for Uriah Manning, who purchased the land on either side in 1813, and owned it for some years thereafter.

**MAPLE STREET**

3,090 feet. C. C. 1876; T. R. 1876-7, p. 233; 1877-8, p. 44. Appears on 1849 list as Hill, which see. See Hill street. See North Maple street.

**MAVERICK STREET**

See Beacon street.

**MERRIMAC STREET**

4,797 feet. Accepted 1877, 1878. T.R. 1877-8, p. 19; 1878-9, p. 22. Named for Merrimac Chemical Company. Continuation of, see city plan of date 1878, and one of no date in Public Library.

**MIDDLE STREET**

9,387 feet. C. C. 1851, p. 390; 1864, p. 539; 1867, p. 140. See plan book. Appears on 1834 and 1849 lists. [Middle street is certainly ancient, and was probably the Standfast street of 1673. -- Woburn records, vol i, p. xxi. In 1785 it was the road leading to the dwelling house of Mr. Josiah Wright, where Woburn Poor House now stands.] See Mishawum Road. See city profile plans of dates 1850 and 1874 in Public Library. Called Road by Jonas Manning's in 1831.

**MIDDLESEX STREET**

814 feet. Accepted 1853. Cl. vol. 18, p. 129. Appears on 1949 list as Franklin avenue. Named for the old Middlesex Canal. See city profile plan, of no date in Public Library.

**MILITARY LANE**

See Locust street. See Pleasant street. See Common street.

<b>MILL STREET</b>	2,675 feet. Appears on 1849 list. Named for Thaddeus Richardson's mill. [Mill Street was named on plan of 1855.]
<b>MISHAWUM ROAD</b>	New Boston street from Main street to its junction with Valley, Valley to Middle, Middle from its junction with Valley, to Washington, named Mishawum Road in 1896. Called road to Reading in 1831. Former site of Mishawum House was corner of Main street and Mishawum road. See New Boston Street.
<b>MONTVALE AVENUE</b>	12,229 feet. Accepted 1837, 1840, 1842. Cl. vol. 15, p. 163; vol. 16, p. 15; C. C. 1840, p. 438; 1842, p. 75; 1853, p. 224; 1867, p. 229; 1869, p. 42; 1873, p. 331; 1874, p. 33. See plan book. Appears on 1834 and 1849 list. Formerly called Railroad street. Name changed in 1878 by vote of the town. That portion of Montvale avenue in the centre of the village was once called Tub street. [Was a part of the ancient Hilly Way, 1673. -- Woburn Records, vol. i, p. xviii.] Alterations of, see city plans of dates 1852, 1873, 1880 and city profile plans of date 1854, two of date 1872, one of date 1875, and one of no date in Public Library. Montvale avenue was described in 1831 as the road from Zebadiah Wyman's store by William Fowle's to Stoneham line. Montvale avenue, near Sherman place, lines relocated 1890. Cl s. & w. vol. 1, p. 21.
<b>MONTVALE ROAD</b>	1,135 feet. Accepted 1894. Cl. S. & w., vol. 1, p. 44.
<b>MORSE STREET</b>	275 feet. Accepted 1871. Cl.vol. 21, p. 219. Named for George Morse. See city plan of date 1871 in Public Library.
<b>MOUNTAIN STREET</b>	2,128 feet. Cl. vol. 18, P. 38. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list. Named for its elevation. [Mountain Street is shown by name on a plan of 1852. An unsigned report of Selectmen to lay out or to alter this street, dated June 29, 1852, states that this road "covers the old passage way called Mountain Street, never before laid out by metes and bounds."] See city plan of date 1852 in Public Library.
<b>MOUSALL STREET</b>	See Prospect street.
<b>MOUSALL'S LANE</b>	See Prospect street.
<b>MT. PLEASANT STREET</b>	2,189 feet. Accepted 1858, 1867, 1887. Cl. vol. 18, p. 529; vol. 20, pp. 205, 320; vol. 21, p. 365; T. R. 1887-8, p. 28. See plan book. Named by Mr. L. L. Whitney in rivalry of Pleasant Street. Formerly called West. Relocation, of, see city plan of date 1872 and two city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
<b>MUNROE STREET</b>	442 feet. Accepted 1871. Cl. vol. 21, p. 219. Named for Harris Munroe. See city plan of date 1871, and city profile pan of date 1874 in Public Library.

- MYRTLE STREET** 748 feet. Accepted 1857. Cl. vol. 18, p. 447. See plan book. Formerly called South Pleasant. See city profile plan of date 1857 in Public Library.
- NASHUA STREET** 3,514 feet. Accepted 1872, 1875, 1880. Cl. vol. 21, p. 345; T. R. 1875-6, p. 28; 1880-1, p. 23. See introductory remarks. A portion of it was formerly called Beacon, and later Wilson. It runs near to the old Boston, Lowell and Nashua Railroad. Hence its name. See city plan of date 1872, and extension, city profile plan of date 1876, also one of no date in Public Library.
- NEW BOSTON STREET** 14,466 feet. Cl. vol. 17, p. 60; C. C. 1864, p. 539; 1870, p. 147; 1877, p. 331. Appears on 1834 and 1849 list. Named New Boston because it led to the neighborhood beyond the junction of Alfred and New Boston streets, which was called New Boston fifty years ago. [New Boston Street was a part of the highway to Reading (that part of old Reading now Wakefield) mentioned in 1646. -- Woburn Records, vol. i, p 9. In 1770 the upper part of this street was the road leading from Deacon Samuel Eames' of Woburn. In 1785 it was the road to the Woburn First Parish Meeting-house.] See Mishawum road. See city plans of dates 1870, 1871, also two of date 1877, and city profile plan of date 1876, also one of no date in Public Library. A portion of New Boston Street called Road by Step Rock in 1831. See North Maple Street. The length (14,466 feet) includes part of Mishawum Road.
- NEW BRIDGE STREET** See Main street.
- NICHOLS STREET** 818 feet. Accepted 1851. Cl. Vol. 17, p. 358. See plan book. Named for Stephen Nichols. Formerly called Tanners'. See city profile plan of no date in Public Library.
- NICHOLS STREET EXT.** 594 feet. Accepted 1896. Cl. s. & w. vol. 1, p. 66. See Nichols street.
- NORTH MAPLE STREET** Appears on 1849 list as Maple. Given as a public street on 1863 list. [Maple Street or Step Rock Road is called by both names on a plan of Dr. R. Parks' "Keimer Place," in 1852. On the same plan is a tracing of the "Old Road from Andover to Boston." On another plan of the same year is named a road, called "new Boston Street or Step Rock Road", evidently a part of the old Andover Road above mentioned.] See introductory remarks. Widened and relocated by City Council in 1894 from Merrimac Street to tracks of B. & M. R. R., distance 1793 feet. se cl s & w vol. 1, p. 47. (Ext. 1941)
- NORTH WARREN STREET** 1,247 feet. Accepted 1871. Cl. Vol. 21, p. 218. See city plans of dates 1868, 1871 and city profile plans of dates 1872, 1876, also two of no date in Public Library.

<b>OAK STREET</b>	369 feet. Accepted 1881. T. R. 1881-2, p. 12. Oak and Grove streets are named on a plan of John Bacon and William A. Colegate, dated May 15, 1857. See city plan of date 1881 in Public Library.
<b>OCKLEY COURT</b>	See Everett street.
<b>OLD ROAD FROM ANDOVER TO BOSTON</b>	See North Maple street. Main street north of Central square was once so called.
<b>ORANGE STREET</b>	1,453 feet. Accepted 1874. T. R. 1873-4, p. 32; 1874-5, p. 26. The Woburn Agricultural and Manufacturing Association expected to raise oranges as well as to grow silk on their land. Hence the name. See city plan of date 1872, also one of no date and city profile plan of no date in Public Library.
<b>PAGE PLACE</b>	420 feet. Accepted 1879. T. R. 1879-80, p. 26. Named for Mrs. Catherine Page.
<b>PARK STREET</b>	1,156 feet. Accepted 1846. Cl. vol. 16, p. 336; vol. 17, p. 13; vol. 18, p. 43, 127; T. R. 1875-6, p. 19. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list. G. R. Gage had a small pond and miniature park on the property now owned by W. H. Cummings and Dr. C. E. Chase on the easterly side of the street. Hence its name. Continuation of, see city plan of date 1870, alterations 1875 and city profile plan of date 1861 in Public Library.
<b>PARKER STREET</b>	1,357 feet. Accepted 1817. Cl. vol. 14, p. 209. Appears on 1849 list. Named for Benjamin Parker. Called Lexington road in 1831. See Lexington street.
<b>PEARL STREET</b>	4, 164 feet. Accepted 1846. Cl. vol. 16, p. 337; vol. 18, 40. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list. [Pearl Street was formerly called Back Street. -- <i>City Press</i> , November 28, 1889.] See city profile plan of no date in Public Library. Called Hungry Plain road in 1831.
<b>PENNY LANE</b>	See West street.
<b>PICKERING STREET</b>	See Border street.
<b>PIERCE STREET</b>	240 feet. Accepted 1887. T. R. 1887-8, p. 22. Named for Sewall Pierce.
<b>PINE STREET</b>	3,455 feet. T. R. 1887-8, p. 25. Appears on 1849 list. Named for the thick growth of pines which formerly grew on both sides.
<b>PLAIN STREET</b>	1,700 feet. Accepted 1832. Cl. vol. 15, p. 233; vol. 20, p. 39. Appears on 1849 list. Named for the plain land through which it runs. See Cambridge street.

**PLEASANT STREET**

3,281 feet. C.C. 1849, p. 69; 1854, p. 327; 1875, p. 183; 1881, p. 247. See plan book. Appears on 1834 and 1849 list. [Pleasant street and also Common street were laid out on 1644 (Nov. 4) as a part of Military Lane, "which leads from our meeting-house, through the training-field...[etc.] into that highway leading to Shawskin, known by the name of Up Street." -- Woburn Records, vol. i, p. 1xix. See also Locust Street. As late as 1831 this street is described in a deed as the county road leading from the meeting-house in Woburn to Lexington. The part of Pleasant street bordering upon the common is the ancient High street of 1673 -- Woburn Records, vol. i, pp. xxi, xxvi. On this ancient High street was situated the dwelling-house, bark-house, mill-house, beam-house and tan-vats of Gershom Flagg, being near the meeting-house, and bounded west by Mr. Thomas Carter, and east by the burying-place, and south by the training-field. Mr. Thomas Carter's lands, in 1677, were situated on High street.] See city plan of date 1875 and 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library. Called West Side road and road to Lexington in 1831.

**PLYMPTON STREET**

935 feet. Accepted 1870, 1887. Cl. vol. 21, pp. 74, 90; T. R. 1887-8, p. 41. See plan book. Named for Dr. Sylvanus Plympton. See city plan of date 1887 and 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.

**POND STREET**

See Lake avenue.

**POOLE STREET**

1,877 feet. Accepted 1856, 1873. Cl. vol. 18, p. 400; vol. 21, p. 520. See plan book. Named for William Poole. See city plan of date 1873 and city profile plan of date 1875 in Public Library.

**PORTER STREET**

841 feet. Accepted 1886. T. R. 1886-7, p. 15. Named for Charles Porter. See city plan of date 1886, in Public Library.

**PROSPECT STREET**

2,354 feet. Accepted 1854, 1866, 1868. Cl. vol. 18, p. 200; vol. 20, pp. 205, 440; vol. 21, p. 365; C. C. 1869, p. 42. See plan book. Formerly called Mousall's lane, then Tweed's lane and later, Russell's lane. In March, 1868, Mr. Geo. W. Reed petitioned the Selectmen to name the present Prospect Street, Mousall Street, in honor of John Mousall, who in the early days owned all the land in that vicinity. The present freight yard was called Mousall pasture as late as 1830. At the April town meeting, 1868, it was voted to name it Prospect. See Highland. See city plans of dates 1854, 1855 and 2 city profile plans of date 1872, also relocation, one of date 1872, also one of no date in Public Library.

**RAG ROCK AVENUE**

See Harrison avenue.

**RAILROAD STREET**

See Montvale avenue.

**READING STREET**

See School street.

- REED STREET** 708 feet. Accepted 1873, 1887. Cl. vol. 21, p. 522; T. R. 1887-8, p. 24. Named for Mrs. Oliver Bacon, born Mary B. Reed. See city plan of date 1873 in Public Library.
- RICHARDSON STREET** 1,026 feet. Accepted 1873. Cl. vol. 21, p. 497. Named for Josiah Richardson. See city profile plan of date 1877 in Public Library.
- ROAD** leading to Reading. See Middle street. Road leading to the dwelling-house of Mr. Josiah Wright. See Middle street. Road leading from Deacon Samuel Eames of Woburn. See New Boston street. Road to Woburn First Parish meeting-house. See New Boston street. Road to Wood End Village. See Washington street. Road from Andover to Boston. See North Maple street. Road from Zebadiah Wyman's store by William Fowle's to Stoneham line. See Montvale avenue. Road from Woburn to Lexington. See Pleasant street.
- RUSSELL'S LANE** See Prospect street.
- RUSSELL STREET** 8,030 feet. C. C. 1857, pp. 257, 313. See plan book. Appears on 1834 and 1849 list. Named for Loammi Russell, who lived in Durenville. [The former equivalent of a part of Russell street was Sawpit lane. That part of the way is now discontinued -- see Woburn Records, vol. i, p. 7. In this designation of Sawpit lane we disagree entirely with Sewall, History of Woburn, p. 26, note.] See city plan of date 1857, alterations, one of date 1858 in Public Library. Called Porter lane in 1831.
- SALEM STREET** 11,750 feet. Accepted 1805, 1829. Cl. vol. 15, p. 234; C. C. 1805, p. 273; 1829, p. 285; 1867, p. 216; 1874. See plan book. Appears on 1834 and 1849 list. It was left to Joshua Converse to name this street and he called it Salem because it led to Salem. See city plan of date 1874, alterations, and city profile plan of date 1872 and 3 of date 1875 in Public Library. Called New road from John Flagg's to Reading line in 1831.
- SAWPIT LANE** See Russell street.
- SCHOOL STREET** 4,104 feet. Accepted 1850. C. C. 1850, p. 341. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list as School court. The school-house formerly stood on the corner of Main and School street. Formerly called Reading street. See city profile plan of date 1850, also one of no date in Public Library.
- SCOTT STREET** 1,025 feet. Accepted 1881. T. R. 1881-2, p. 19. It was Nathan Wyman's wish that this street be named in honor of General Scott. Mr. Wyman built his house in 1860, and General Scott was then looked upon as the great military leader.

<b>SECOND STREET</b>	249 feet. T. R. 1875-6, p. 12. Appears on 1849 list. See city plan of no date and city profile plan of no date in Public Library.
<b>SHERIDAN STREET</b>	2,408 feet. Accepted 1873. Cl, vol. 21, p. 521. Named for General P. H. Sheridan. See city plan of dates 1873 and 1878 in Public Library.
<b>SHERMAN PLACE</b>	760 feet. Accepted 1875. T. R. 1875-6, p. 27. Named for Sherman Converse, Esq. See city plan of no date and city profile plan of date 1875 in Public Library.
<b>SHIELDS STREET</b>	854 feet. Accepted 1879. T. R. 1879-80, p. 25. Named for Dennis Shields. See city plan of date 1879 in Public Library.
<b>SILK STREET</b>	264 feet. Accepted 1896. Cl. s. & w., vol. 1, p. 70. Named in 1898 in recognition of the effort made 60 years ago to grow silk in Montvale. See remarks under Orange street.
<b>SNOW HILL STREET</b>	See Union street.
<b>SOUTH STREET</b>	578 feet. Accepted 1858. Cl. vol. 18, p. 529. See plan book. See Main street. See 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
<b>SOUTH STREET</b>	at Reading Line. 775 feet. T. R. 1875-6, p. 29.
<b>SOUTH BEDFORD STREET</b>	2,028 feet. Accepted 1850. C. C. 1850, p. 344; 1872, p. 93. See plan book. Formerly called Cummings. See city profile plan of date 1850, also 4 of date 1874 in Public Library.
<b>SOUTH PLEASANT STREET</b>	See Myrtle street.
<b>SPRING COURT</b>	866 feet. Accepted 1894. Cl. s. & w. vol. 1, p. 50.
<b>SPRING STREET</b>	See introductory remarks.
<b>STODDARD STREET</b>	666 feet. Accepted 1892. Cl. s. & w., vol. 1, p. 31. Named for Joshua Stoddard who owned the land on either side from 1828 to 1866.
<b>STANDBAST STREET</b>	See Middle street.
<b>STEP ROCK ROAD</b>	See North Maple street.
<b>STURGIS STREET</b>	1,466 feet. Accepted 1859, 1870. Cl. vol. 19, p. 104; vol. 21, pp. 89, 185. See plan book. Named for William Sturgis. Extension of, see city plan of date 1874 (fences) and city profile plan of date 1870 also 2 of date 1872 in Public Library.
<b>SUMMER STREET</b>	691 feet. Accepted 1833. C.C. 1833, p. 211. See plan book. Appears on 1834 and 1849 list. See 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library. Called Academy Hill road, also the Cross road in 1831.

<b>SWAMP ROAD</b>	See Lowell street.
<b>TANNERS' STREET</b>	See Nichols street.
<b>THOMPSON STREET</b>	297 feet. Accepted 1884. T. R. 1884-5, p. 20. Named for General Abijah Thompson. See city plan of date 1884 in Public Library.
<b>THORN STREET</b>	868 feet. Accepted 1870, 1873. Cl. vol. 21, pp. 78, 510; T. R. 1873-4, p. 32. See plan book. Mr. Stephen Hadley says that the old private way which occupied the location of the present street was full of thorns and brambles and he is of the opinion that the name was suggested by this circumstance. See city plan of date 1873 in Public Library.
<b>THORNTON STREET</b>	734 feet. Accepted 1880. T. R. 1880-1, p. 22. Named for John Thornton.
<b>TRAVERSE STREET</b>	609 feet. Cl. vol. 17, p. 359; vol 18, p. 199. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list. Location changed by the City Council, 1889. Named by Cyrus Thompson. [Named on a plan of date 1853.] See city plans of dates 1854 and 1889, and city profile plans of same in Public Library. See Cl. s. & w., vol. 1, p. 1.
<b>TUB STREET</b>	See Montvale avenue.
<b>TWEED'S LANE</b>	See Prospect street.
<b>UNION STREET</b>	1,087 feet. Accepted 1843. Cl. vol. 16, p. 266; vol. 18, p. 488; vol. 21, p. 353. Appears on 1849 list. Formerly called Snow Hill street for William Snow, who owned land at the top of the hill and lived in the house now owned by W. S. York. Called Union street because it united several streets with Main Street. See city plan of date 1872 and 3 city profile plans of date 1857 in Public Library.
<b>UP STREET</b>	See Cambridge street. See Pleasant street.
<b>UTICA STREET</b>	See introductory remarks.
<b>VALLEY STREET</b>	1,734 feet. Accepted 1864. C. C. 1864, p. 539. See plan book. See Mishawum road. See Madison street.
<b>VERNON STREET</b>	1,882 feet. Accepted 1874. T. R. 1974-5, p. 39. Vernon street is named on a plan of Jeduthun Fowle land, dated July 12, 1855. See city plan of date 1874 in Public Library.
<b>VINE STREET</b>	See introduction. Called Cross road in 1831.
<b>WADE AVENUE</b>	753 feet. Accepted 1883. T. R. 1883-4, p. 20. Named for Col. John Wade. See city plan of date 1883 in Public Library.

- WALNUT STREET** 676 feet. Accepted 1844. Cl. Vol. 16, pp. 288, 328; vol. 18, p. 491; vol. 21, p. 515; T. R. 1873-4, p. 32. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list. Named for its Walnut trees. See city plan of date 1873 and city profile plan of date 1871 in Public Library.
- WALTHAM STREET** 2,494 feet. Accepted 1824. Cl. vol. 15, p. 37; vol. 17, pp. 326, 361. See plan book. Referred to as High street in 1834 and 1849 list. Called Ezekiel Johnson's road in 1831.
- WARD STREET** 1,018 feet. Cl. Vol. 18, p. 125. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list. Named for Ward Hill, which lies to its south-west. [Named on a plan of date 1853.] See city profile plan of no date in Public Library. Called Cold Spring road in 1831.
- WARREN AVENUE** 2,469 feet. Accepted 1833. C. C. 1833, p. 211; 1881, p. 247. See plan book. Appears on 1834 and 1849 list. Named for Warren Academy. Formerly called Warren street. Named changed in 1898. Warren street is referred to as the "Road lately made over Academy Hill" in deed from Ebenezer Lawrence, trustee, to Josiah Richardson, dated May 15, 1828, and recorded in 1894, at Cambridge. See city plan of date 1881, and 2 city profile plans of date 1872, in Public Library. Called Academy Hill road and Academy road in 1831.
- WASHINGTON STREET** 13,906 feet. Accepted 1807. Cl. vol. 13, p. 233; vol. 15, p. 68; vol. 16, p. 67; C. C. 1832, p. 69; 1867, p. 233. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list. Named for the president. On a plan of farm at East Woburn, surveyed for Dr. G. Astle, dated Dec. 1, 1856. Washington street appears as the "Road to Wood End Village." That portion of Washington street near the Winchester line is identical with East street first referred to in a deed from Isaac Learned to B. Pierson, dated the "last of second month," 1652 and recorded in the Registry of Deeds, Book 1, p. 72. Alterations of, see city plan of date 1867, also one of no date, and city profile plan of date 1867 also one of no date in Public Library. Called Richardson's Row Road in 1831.
- WATER STREET** 1,697 feet. Accepted 1838. Cl. vol. 16, p. 76; vol. 21, p. 87; T. R. 1882-3, p. 14. See plan book. Appears in 1849 list. It extends along the brook to Horn Pond. Hence its name. See city plans dated 1870, extension 1882, alterations no date, and 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library. See also city plan of unknown street off Water street, of date 1884 in Public Library.

<b>WEBSTER STREET</b>	1,405 feet. Accepted 1869. Cl. vol. 20, p. 560. See plan book. Named for Jacob Webster. By a deed dated January 21, 1853, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds, Book 647, Page 19, Charles Bond, Jonathan Tidd, carriers, Olver Fisher, wheelwright and William Poole, cordwainer, dedicated this street "two rods and a half wide," to public use.
<b>WEST STREET</b>	1,224 feet. Appears on 1849 list. Formerly called Penny lane. See <i>Woburn City Press</i> , November 28, 1889. [West street is named on a plan of Hungry Plain road, 1849.] Called Ward Hill road in 1831. See Mount Pleasant Street.
<b>WILLIAM STREET</b>	See Church street.
<b>WILLOW STREET</b>	4,200 feet. Accepted 1850. C. C. 1850, p. 181. See plan book. Named for its willow trees. Alterations of, see city plan of date 1880, and city profile plan of date 1874 in Public Library.
<b>WILSON STREET</b>	See Nashua street.
<b>WINN STREET</b>	5,904 feet. Accepted 1854. C. C. 1854, p. 390. See plan book. Named for William Winn. See two city plans of date 1854, and two city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
<b>WINTER STREET</b>	2,211 feet. Accepted 1824. Cl. Vol. 15, p. 39. Appears on 1849 list. The snow drifts into this street to a great depth in winter. Hence its name. See city plans of dates 1852 and 1858 in Public Library.
<b>WOOD STREET</b>	2,534 feet. Accepted 1872. Cl. vol. 21, p. 342. See plan book. Formerly called Joshua, for Joshua Converse. Derives its present name from the woods which formerly skirted it and not from Isaac and William Wood who lived at the foot of Wood's Hill and from whom the hill gets its name. See city plan of date 1872 in Public Library.
<b>WOODBROOK STREET</b>	227 feet. Accepted 1896. Cl. S. & w., vol. 1, p. 59. Named in 1898.
<b>WRIGHT STREET</b>	991 feet. Accepted 1880. T. R. 1880-1, p. 12. Named for Jacob Wright. See city plan of date 1880 in Public Library.
<b>WYER'S COURT</b>	386 feet. Accepted 1852. Cl. vol. 18, p. 44. See plan book. Appears on 1849 list. Given as a private way in 1863 list. Named for George Wyer. See 2 city profile plans of date 1872 in Public Library.
<b>WYMAN STREET</b>	3,730 feet. Appears on 1834 and 1849 list. Named for John and Francis Wyman. [Wyman Street was extant as early as 1649, being mentioned as the highway near the house lots of John and Francis Wyman at that time. - Woburn Records, vol. i, p. 13; also p. 13 note. Also called the road to Billerica in ancient times.] Entrance to Wyman street called Swamp road in 1831.

In the above list there appear the names of one hundred and fifty-nine accepted public highways. As, however, Hart street has never been constructed, it is proper to call the number one hundred and fifty-eight. These aggregate a length of 345,956 feet, or about 65.52 miles.

[Note. – Traces of streets from an official description of real estate in the First Parish of Woburn in the year 1798 – the description taken as showing the situation on October 1, 1798. The streets then were called by such general names as the “great road,” the “country” or “county road,” or the “town road” or a “town road.” No one of these are mentioned except in connection with an estate bordering upon them. Driftways, bridle-ways and lanes are other names used. Such phrases as the “Reading road” or the “road leading to Reading,” the “Stoneham road,” and others similar are used. The “road leading to Shred Pine” is one of the ways mentioned. The “road to Jacob Eames’s,” now a portion of New Boston street, is also mentioned, and the Hungry Plain road, or a highway near it, is mentioned as a “bridle-way road” in 1798. These items are interesting as showing the primitive condition of affairs even at so late a date in the history of the town as the close of the last century. The changes prior to that period had been few and the movements of everything connected with municipal affairs was slow, particularly in relation to such matter as highways. The streets of which tracings are found in the description of estates in 1798, are the following, mentioned somewhat in their order of their importance.

Main street. Reading road, or Washington street. Cross street. New Boston street. Middle street. Pleasant street. Wyman street. Bedford and Kilby streets. Cambridge street. A road of which Russell street is in part a successor. Lexington street. Montvale avenue. Salem street. A part of Bow street leading from that street, supposed. Cedar street.

Pearl, West, Elm, Ward, and North Maple streets, North Woburn.

Common street.

Pond street – now Lake avenue – called the “road leading to Horn Pond” in 1798. See an account of an old way by this street in an article in “The Winchester Record,” vol. iii, p. 22.

As the description of estates in 1798 was left incomplete, so the list of roads given as existing in that year is probably imperfect, and we have made as much as we are able out of the subject. We may be guilty of some mistakes, but in the main believe our conclusions to be accurate.]

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