

Cambridgeport, Nov 11, 1883.
To the
Committee on Roads & Bridges
City of Cambridge
Gentlemen,

Your attention is called to the petition of Jacob Eaton and others for the acceptance of a portion of School St. between Windsor & Moore St. and as one of the petitioners the undersigned desired to call your attention to a few facts concerning this section of the street. From Moore to Clark St. a distance of about 300 ft, both sides are owned by M. E. D. Brooks and there are tenements for the accommodation of at least 75 families. This portion of the street is in very fair condition, and drains towards Clark St. At the corner of Clark on School St. there is a cesspool or catch basin. During the winter of 82-83 the street at the corner of Clark became lower than the catch basin and a small pond, holding

after a heavy rain at least 1500 gals of water would remain. Your committee of that year, filled the pond up and graded School St. towards Windsor for about 50 feet; which remedied matters at that point and backed the "pond" up towards Windsor St.

From Windsor to Carrs, the abutments are Augustus Ford Heirs of Geo H. Highland, and two vacant lots owned by Jacob Eaton and R. Esterbrook. This portion drains towards Carrs St; the fall being at least 3 feet, in a distance of 75 feet. Between the lots of Eaton and Esterbrook there is a pond of water holding 12 to 1500 gals, which cannot drain, as it ought to, into the cesspool at corner of Carrs and School Sts.

School St. between Windsor & Moore Sts is 30 ft wide and supplied with sewer and water. Has been open as a Public Street for over 40 years. This small portion is the only part of the street not accepted. The pond of water, which has

not diminished in size for a year, is within 125 ft. of the Boardman Primary School, and the health of the young attendants of this school is endangered by its location. From 1 to 3 of these small children fall into it every day, and the number of wet feet are beyond counting. The cellars of the neighboring houses are rendered damp and sometimes wet from this want of drainage, and your petitioners pray that the street may be accepted and graded before winter.

Teams in passing through the street drive over the sidewalks.

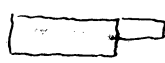
Trusting that your Honorable Committee will visit the place and investigate I am,

Very truly Yours

Wm. C. Copeland
for Henry of Geo. C. Copeland.

Boardman School

Austin Pond



Nursery
Jacob Eaton

Owner

Unknown

15 ft. *Cherry St.*

E. O. Brooks 1

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cedar
3 ft. lower than Windsor St

20 ft.

Pond
School St.
Pond

30 ft.

140 ft.

Heirs of
G. H. Copeland

Vacant Lot.
of
R. Estabrook
&
B. P. Clark

30 ft. *Cherry St.*

E. O. Brooks

Communication; 118
Acceptance of School Street,
Nov. 11. 1885.