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*To His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth and the Honorable
Council.*

GENTLEMEN: — Enclosed please find the annual report of
the Greylock Reservation Commission.

Very respectfully yours,

FRANCIS W. ROCKWELL,
Chairman.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

REPORT OF THE GREYLOCK RESERVA- TION COMMISSION.

A BRIEF STATEMENT.

The improvement of the Greylock State Reservation, now consisting of over 8,600 acres, is not merely a local matter. It concerns every citizen of the Commonwealth who wishes to have scenic beauties properly preserved. Aside from its preservation of the forests and water supplies it adds to the "health, education and happiness" of all who visit it.

Under the act creating it, chapter 543 of the Acts of 1898, three residents of Berkshire County were to be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, as a Commission, one for two, one for four and one for six years, and, in like manner, one every two years thereafter to serve for the term of six years. The Commission was authorized and directed to take by purchase, gift or otherwise lands in the Greylock mountain range in certain towns named, not to exceed 10,000 acres in extent. An appropriation was made. The Commission was authorized to acquire lands in a similar manner as, by a previous statute, was given to the Metropolitan Park Commission, and was "vested with full power and authority to care for, protect and maintain the same on behalf of the commonwealth." "The necessary expense for the care and maintenance" was to be "annually estimated" by the Commission, "and if approved and accepted by the county commissioners of the county of Berkshire," was to "be embodied in the estimate annually submitted by them to the general court," and was to "be assessed upon said county and collected in the same manner as county taxes." The county treasurer was to "hold, subject to the order of" the Commission, "all sums

raised by taxation, in the manner provided," and all sums "donated to said commission for the purposes of the reservation."

The act took effect upon its passage, June 20, 1898, but the appropriation granted was not to be available until the title to certain property then held by a corporation known as the Greylock Park Association was first transferred to the Commonwealth.

At the time the act was passed it was understood that no greater "care and maintenance" would be required of the county than would be necessary to keep the reservation as a mountain forest reserve. If the county cares for and maintains it, protecting and preserving its forests, it does its duty under the act. If the county does anything more than that the State should give authority. The Commission is governed by statutes passed in reference to State reservations in general and to the Greylock Reservation in particular, unless the matter is in the nature of a gift accepted by the Commission and even then the gift must not conflict with the statutes. The Commission may receive gifts of land and donations for the purposes of the reservation.

The original appropriation was made upon the agreement that the title to certain property then held by the corporation known as the Greylock Park Association (400 acres on the summit, a steel tower, a road from the north to the summit, $5\frac{2}{3}$ miles, and a small shelter) should first be transferred to the Commonwealth as a gift, free of cost. This condition was complied with before any of the first appropriation for land was used.

The old Greylock Park Association had expended \$4,079.51 in building roads, had built a log stable, a small shelter house and the steel tower. They had charged tolls, etc. They had expended in all about \$10,000.

GIFTS TO THE RESERVATION.

The sum of \$1,965.18 was raised by subscription among certain of the northern Berkshire towns, including Lenox, to secure the transfer of the 400 acres with the tower and the road, etc., free of incumbrance, to the Commonwealth.

The stockholders of the old Greylock Park Association, incorporated in 1885, gave up their shares on payment of the old association's obligation of \$1,378. A deed of conveyance was duly made to the State. The late Mr. George B. Perry gave up the mortgage he held for \$5,000, on payment of \$1,250. The stockholders of the Greylock Park Association, some of whom could hardly afford to do so, gave up their interest for the greater public interest that would come with the enlarged State reservation. They should have full credit for their action. Of the balance of the sum raised, \$454.06 was used on the first land purchases in 1901.

Even before the reservation was established, several sums were raised by Pittsfield gentlemen for starting a road up the mountain from the south, perhaps \$500 in all, under the leadership of Mr. Eugene H. Robbins of Pittsfield, and much volunteer work was done by others with the same object in view. A cistern was given by Mr. Robbins near the log stable, in 1900 (\$40). In 1905, 19½ acres of land was given by a Pittsfield woman, the late Miss Susan A. Churchill. The sum of \$800, now at interest, held by the county was raised by subscription toward a fund for a larger house on the summit. This subscription came from Dalton and Pittsfield gentlemen. That fund on Jan. 10, 1920, will amount to \$1,297.01. This sum was deposited by the county treasurer in the City Savings Bank of Pittsfield. This amount was raised unconditionally, Mr. Rockwell being authorized by the Commission to raise in the two towns the sum of \$2,000. He offered to raise another thousand in \$10 subscriptions, and the Commission paid for the circulars to raise that amount, but the majority of the Commission afterwards decided that not less than \$25 subscriptions should be asked for.

The majority of the Commission undertook to raise in the northern towns the sum of \$5,000, subscriptions to be solicited upon the understanding that they should not be paid in until the full amount of \$7,000 had been raised for a house. This plan for raising funds for a house was suggested by Dr. Bascom. Certain subscriptions were made on paper, but no funds were ever collected from the northern towns.

Professor Bascom writes, on Dec. 8, 1899, "I have engaged

Mr. Bauer to take the house on the mountain and to work the roads at \$45 per month."

Under date of Sept. 24, 1902, Professor Bascom writes: "Our shanties are no longer inhabitable. They are too poor to repair, and I am pulling them down and rebuilding them a little farther back. If we get the money for the house we shall still need a place for workmen. I can get through with this job on the county appropriation."

The word "house" in the above quotation refers to a house costing \$10,000 which the Legislature was petitioned for and a bill introduced. A legislative committee came up to view the mountain, and Professor Bascom and the late John M. Stevenson of Pittsfield were with them. The bill never passed the Legislature.

This project for a State mountain reservation in Massachusetts was inaugurated not only to preserve certain sources of water supply for the northwestern section of the State, but to preserve from threatened destruction this portion of the mountain forests in the highland section of Massachusetts.

In order to make it easier for the Commonwealth and the Berkshire taxpayers, and to maintain the State's control in large measure, it was to be managed by a State Commission of three, residents of Berkshire, who should serve without compensation. In other words, while the State held possession and control of the land through the State Commission, the county was to raise by taxes a sufficient sum to care for and maintain the reservation.

Incidentally the Commonwealth and the county are interested in it also because of its peculiar characteristics, which make it an asset of value as a recreation ground for the public.

In all, the Commonwealth has thus far appropriated for the reservation \$94,700 for lands, titles, surveys and marking and cutting out boundary lines.

The county, up to Jan. 1, 1920, has appropriated the sum of about \$69,486.68. This includes care and maintenance, a small house for the man in charge and his family, roads and rough trails and a new stable and garage, and salary of superintendent.

The larger part of the sums appropriated by the county have been used outside the care and maintenance feature, mostly under special road statutes authorizing the county to build and maintain roads. There are now about 25 miles of rough, narrow mountain roads used on, or as approaches to, the reservation. Berkshire County, in other words, has done and is now doing its share under the original statute creating the reservation.

The State Auditor has charge of the State Greylock Reservation funds appropriated by the State; the State Treasurer has the custody of recorded deeds; the county commissioners control the list of county appropriations; and the county treasurer holds the sums raised by county tax and gifts, and looks after the vouchers for the sums drawn by the Commission.

The State owns the lands, providing for their purchase, for proper surveys, marking of boundary lines, and such other matters as the State deems best.

The plans of the Commission are simple and not extravagant, looking to keeping the reservation in as simple a way as possible, providing, in the end, ways of enjoying it by the public, by means of proper roads, trails, etc., which will make it easily accessible and easy to care for until the time comes to derive some income from its forests. The roads and trails will, in some measure, act as fire-guards, provide, as well, ways of reaching all parts of the reservation in case of forest fires, and be of great service in the future work upon the reservation.

This mountain reservation will be the more appreciated as time goes on. It is not yet altogether complete, but the main features are already obtained. Much remains to be done. Thus far the work has been reasonably satisfactory, and, we trust, in the proper lines.

MINUTES AND NOTES FROM THE ANNUAL REPORTS.

Of these, all but 1903 are dated January 1 of the following year; that was dated in June.

As will be seen from a reading of the reports, many details of the work of the reservation are omitted. The parts of the reports written by Mr. Rockwell previous to 1911 are num-

bered on page 31 of the 1914 report. He has written the reports since 1910.

The records of the Commission are very brief, and these reports supplement in great measure an account of the work of the Commission. Dr. Bascom acted as chairman, secretary and treasurer of the Commission until Mr. Sperry's appointment, Dec. 31, 1902. Upon Mr. Sperry's appointment Dr. Bascom was made chairman, and acted in that capacity until his resignation. Mr. Sperry was then made secretary and treasurer. On Mr. Daniels appointment, in 1910, Mr. Rockwell was made chairman, Mr. Daniels secretary, and Mr. Sperry continued as treasurer, the latter having charge of the Commission accounts, filed with the county treasurer, and the practical superintendence of work on the mountain. There are many items of interest in the reports not minuted in these notes. The Commission was appointed in June, 1898.

REPORT OF 1902.

Transfer of Greylock Park Association property was not completed until the close of 1899.

First appropriation from the county was \$1,500 for the year 1900 (note).

Sum collected by subscription and paid to Greylock Park Association, \$1,378.

Sum received from Lenox cottagers, \$500, of which \$454.06 was paid in excess of land purchases over the \$25,000 appropriation by consent of the cottagers, who subscribed the \$500 to help start the reservation; also paid excess in running expenses, \$59.84, leaving a balance of \$73.28.

These four items make up the total of \$1,965.18, and account for all the money subscribed, enabling the reservation to make a start and the Greylock Park Association to pay its debts; also enabling that corporation to give its 400 acres on the summit, the structures then on the summit, and the road from North Adams.

Three thousand three hundred and twenty-four and one-quarter acres were bought from the \$25,000 appropriation from the State and the \$454.06 included in the Lenox cottagers' subscription. (See statement in the report.)

REPORT OF 1903.

The Commission expended the \$20,000 granted in 1902 in purchasing about 1,732 acres.

Survey of outside boundaries of reservation commenced (page 3).

List of purchases of 1902 and 1903.

In 1902 the \$1,500 given by the county was expended on the salary of the superintendent, on his dwelling and on roads (page 4).

Note. — Mr. Sperry (one of the associate corporators of the Greylock Park Association in 1885) was appointed on the Commission to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Edward S. Wilkinson on Dec. 31, 1902, by Gov. W. Murray Crane, Mr. Wilkinson having succeeded Mr. A. B. Mole of Adams, one of the original appointees on the Commission who had removed from the State. Mr. Wilkinson died after a few months of service.

REPORT OF 1904.

The whole amount of land belonging to the reservation is estimated at 5,460 acres.

The two appropriations made by the State have been expended.

Five hundred and forty-six acres have been added at a cost of \$7,209.

One trail made toward Adams. There are now two roads to the summit and three trails.

REPORT OF 1905.

Last year the Legislature granted an additional appropriation of \$14,000.

A road toward Pittsfield with a better grade partially completed.

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In March Mr. Rockwell appeared before the county commissioners, and in April Mr. Sperry also appeared with him.

The chairman of the county commissioners, Mr. Sherrill, agreed that the commissioners would go up on the mountain this season, which promise was kept by Mr. Sherrill and Mr. Howard, accompanied by Mr. Charles E. Hibbard and their clerk, Mr. Gamwell.

At the time of that visit, after examination, some suggestions were made by Mr. Sherrill, a good road-master himself, as to repairs upon the Stony Ledge road, which afterwards were carried out, as far as possible, under Mr. Sperry's directions.

Other suggestions were made by Mr. Sherrill which should be of aid in the future.

The improvements on the Stony Ledge road were the building of a wall and stone work on the curve a short distance below the summit of Stony Ledge, and the laying of a road with heavy stone foundations, 16 feet wide, from near the high bridge to form one entrance to the road to Stony Ledge.

This last piece is of great interest, for it may determine the cost of stone roads in the future, near where material is obtainable.

Mr. Sperry's Statement of Some of the Expenditures for 1919.

Cost of grading at summit,	\$76 00
Cost of Stony Ledge road,	961 50
Estimated length of wall near Stony Ledge (feet),	100
Estimated length of wall near the high bridge (feet),	500
Cottage, garage and stable are insured.	

Mr. Rockwell had read to the Commissioners a typewritten statement showing the need of certain improvements and other matters connected with the mountain roads, which was filed with the county commissioners and can be referred to. He also submitted a statement of the estimated cost of these improvements amounting to about \$30,000, and suggested that the matter be considered by the county commissioners, and \$5,000 yearly appropriated for six years to cover the improvements.

He addressed the Commission on general matters connected with the reservation. (See the press reports in the "Berkshire Evening Eagle" of December 16 and "Springfield Republican" of December 17.)

The arrangement for a telephone made in 1906 has been given up by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, and the county has assumed charge of the telephone up the mountain. (See report of 1907, page 4.)

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