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For National Bank tax,	628.18	
For Military aid,	12.00	
For State aid,	242.00	
Income of school fund,	333.54	
County Treasurer, dog fund,	194.46	
D. S. Mason, Collector,	4,959.68	
Discounted loans,	2,450.12	
Sarah A. Warner, toward support of of Sarah L. Warner,	83.29	
Moses S. Douglass, for support of William D. Taber,	169.46	
John M. Collins for support of Pa- tience S. Collins,	170.00	
O. A. Gifford, tuition 1892,	5.60	
Town of Rochester, tuition 1892-3,	12.86	
State Treasurer, balance of 1892 :		
For Corporation tax,	31.65	
For National Bank tax,	324.57	
City of Gloucester, for support of Hattie Wilcox,	49.17	
E. R. Ashley, auctioneer's licenses,	4.00	
P. A. Bradford, milk licenses,	.50	
A. Turner, toward burial of Rose A. Turner,	15.00	
Wm. Dinwoodie, toward support of John Dinwoodie,	50.00	
Thomas Dunham, for grass on town house lot,	2.00	
City of New Bedford, for support of Joseph H. Lewis,	21.31	
Overseers of Poor, for support of Jonathan Potter in almshouse,	500.00	
City of New Bedford,	3.00	
Milk and butter sold from town farm,	16.43	\$11,502.23

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By amount paid for support of poor,	\$967.59	
Support of schools,	2,978.41	
Repair of highways,	1,752.42	
Incidental expenses,	2,222.23	
Merchants National Bank,	2,500.00	
Balance of cash in treasury Feb.		
15, 1894,	1,091.58	\$11,502.23



I respectfully present to you my report as Town Clerk for the year ending December 31, 1893.

### Births Registered in Acushnet, 1893.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
Feb. 6	William Clifton Jordan.	William W. and Mabel C.
Mar. 1	William Robbins Burt.	Joseph W. and Helen R.
	Albert S. Crandon.	Philip H. and Emma F.
April 1	Maria Bettencourt.	Anselmo Jose and Maria A.
	Nellie Braley Geggatt.	Thomas B. and Dora W.
May 25	Leslie Arnold Tripp.	William R. and Mary E.
June 3	Atlee Nelson Cobb.	James H. and Ruth A.
July 8	Olive Beatrice Bradford.	Walter B. and Olive A.
	Sadie Annie Harding.	Otis H. and Annie B.
	Lottie Francis Pittsley.	William J. and Harriet M.
	Charles Emerson Williams.	Edmund C. and Addie J.
Aug. 10	Lewis Stephen Tripp.	Alfred R. and Elizabeth E.
	Elsie Shaw Jenney.	Albert S. and Nancy M.
	Clifton Ripley Ward.	Francis R. Ward.
	Merton Baker Morse.	George H. and Amelia.
Sept. 9	Leroy Everett Ellis.	Nathaniel B. and Clara M.
	——— Tripp.	Lester A. and Annie F.
Oct. 2	Edward Roy Cory.	Alfred M. B. and Lizzie L.

### Marriages Registered in Acushnet, 1893.

DATE.	NAME OF GROOM AND BRIDE.	RESIDENCE.
Feb. 2	Arthur E. Collins.	Acushnet.
	Cora E. Harding.	"
Feb. 28	Francis O. Jenney.	"
	Annie C. Chase.	"
July 10	Allen G. Briggs.	"
	Ida M. Kingsley.	New Bedford.
Oct. 18	John P. Fuller.	Edgartown.
	M. Emma Keen.	Acushnet.
Nov. 16	Thomas O. Hathaway.	"
	Harriet N. Hall.	Wareham.
Nov. 30	Frank E. Taber.	Acushnet.
	Marie Louise Taber.	"
Dec. 21	Eugene White.	"
	Annie T. Wing.	"
Dec. 24	Francis A. Tinkham.	Mattapoisett.
	May L. Doscher.	Acushnet.
Dec. 30.	Charles E. Allen.	New Bedford.
	Annie B. Churchill.	Acushnet.



## Deaths Registered in Acushnet, 1893.

DATE.	NAMES.	AGE.			DISEASE.
		Y.	M.	D.	
Jan. 9	Amah W. Bennett.	79	5	12	Disease of Liver.
10	Antonio C. Mandonas.	31			Phthisis Pul.
25	John Dinwoodie.	35			Convulsions.
29	Ashley Taber.		3		Convulsions.
Feb. 13	H. Minerva Braley.	51	2	12	Gastro-enteritis.
Mar. 5	James G. Sinclair.	57	7		Softening of Brain.
April 4	John K. Braley.	19	9	8	Phthisis.
5	Jonathan Potter.	55			Diabetes.
7	Maria Bettencourt.			7	Icterus Neonatorum.
9	Martha Champlin.	86			Inflammation of Bladder.
30	Rosa A. Turner.	19	7		Pneumonia.
30	Ann H. Perry.	73	6		Blood Poisoning.
May 17	Joseph Tripp.	4	4		Unknown.
June 3	May B. Sears.	38			Tetanus.
July 22	Rebecca Hathaway.	74			Senility.
31	Benjamin Robinson.	66	2	17	Disease of Kidneys.
Aug. 23	Elmer R. Gurney.	1	1	16	Enterocolitis.
Sept. 2	Elizabeth A. Ball.	73	2	21	Dysentery.
2	Joan M. Anthony.	67			Heart Disease.
4	Maggie Kerouach.	1	1		Meningitis.
9	George S. Weeks.	61	6		Oedematous Laryngitis.
11	— Tripp.				Stillborn.
13	Joseph F. Gifford.	58		27	Cerebral Hemorrhage.
16	George W. Nye.	58	9		Cancer.
27	Charles E. Washburn.	54	10	28	Consumption.
Oct. 28	Lucy D. Taber.	26			Typhoid Fever.
Nov. 1	Horace Harris.	76			Cerebral Hemorrhage.
28	Eliza L. Vincent.	39	6	13	Disease of Brain.
Dec. 4	Lucy S. Clark.	69			
16	Charles E. Williams.		4	21	Marasmus.
28	Sarah L. Bassett.	53	4		Phthisis Pul.

Number of dogs licensed in Town of Acushnet, 1893—  
104; 94 males, 10 females.

D. S. MASON,  
Town Clerk of Acushnet.



The Selectmen of the town of Acushnet respectfully submit the following annual report of the financial affairs of the Town of Acushnet for the year ending February 15, 1894 :

### School Account.

#### TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Paid Cornelia R. Church, Long Plain,	\$360.00
Marie S. Howard, Village Primary,	315.00
Jennie M. Cowen, Village Grammar,	342.00
Ida F. Leonard, Whelden,	136.00
Amy J. Spooner, Perry Hill,	317.00
Sarah J. Braley,	272.00
Anna E. Davis,	248.00
Ella F. Wilson, Whelden,	160.00
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	\$2,150.00

#### TUITION.

Paid City of New Bedford, High School,	\$135.26
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#### SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Paid H. S. Hutchinson & Co.,	\$85.80
E. B. Goodrich & Co., 7 sets school charts,	122.50
Silver, Burdett & Co., books, &c.,	23.20
D. T. Devoll, school supplies,	18.33
Seth S. Crocker, 7 sets number wheels,	35.00
Briggs & Lawrence, desk \$11, chair \$2.50,	13.50
Frank Kennedy, repairing organs,	17.50
Geo. J. Parker, curtains at Whelden school,	2.00
C. Maxfield & Co., elbow and pipe for stove,	2.00
C. C. D. Gilmore, for 13 cords 5 ft. 7 in. oak wood at \$3.99 per cord,	54.65
For 6 cords 7 ft. 1 in. pine at \$3.20 per cord,	22.04
For services of man sawing the same,	10.65
C. Westgate, for 1 cord 2 ft. 7 in. oak wood at \$4.50 per cord,	5.95



Paid S. Wing, for 1 cord 1 ft. 4 in. pine wood,	3.45
J. T. Brownell, 4 feet oak wood,	2.25
G. J. Parker, 4 feet pine wood,	1.60
Sawing same,	.50
D. S. Mason, 5 ft. 4 in. oak wood, \$4.50 per cord,	3.00
Joseph Maxam, sawing and splitting wood,	14.79
E. W. Bennett, sawing and housing wood,	5.40
H. N. Parker, sawing and preparing wood,	2.50
R. G. Morse, " " "	2.88
Tripp & Bro., " " "	6.00
Bennie A. Tripp, " " "	.65
Allen Briggs, " " "	.75
Geo. J. Parker, repairing organ, and supplies,	2.70
Dora Harding, cleaning school-houses,	13.52
Rachel A. Pittsley, cleaning school-houses,	4.00
Jeddie Whitehead, sweeping and building fires,	8.50
Arthur C. Barton, " " "	2.70
Emma B. Robinson, " " "	2.60
Theron R. Parker, " " "	6.45
Minnie A. Chase, " " "	8.50
Rose Roberts, " " "	2.40
Johnnie Harding, " " "	3.25
Mabel Bumpus, " " "	1.40
Augusta Drake, " " "	3.50
Lina D. Fuller, " " "	3.20
Leslie P. Morse, " " "	5.25
F. Eugene Rose, " " "	5.00
Bennie A. Tripp, " " "	2.75
Hattie S. Chase, " " "	4.20
Geo. Norton, " " "	2.60
Walter Denham, " " "	1.00
Cornelia R. Church, " " "	13.00
Cornelia R. Church, cleaning school-house,	7.00
Sarah J. Braley, sweeping and building fires,	12.00



Paid C. M. Morse, Jr., measuring wood,	1.50	
C. M. Morse, Jr., school supplies,	6.12	
W. W. Jordan, sawing and preparing wood,	1.50	
W. W. Jordan, expressage and carting box	3.00	
charts,	.75	
W. W. Jordan, repairing clock,	1.05	
A. C. Shattuck, expressage on school registers,	.63	
George J. Parker, 1½ doz. drawing pencils,	5.50	
Everett Hawes, building fires, etc.,		
W. W. Jordan, labor and material on school-	36.78	
houses,	2.82	
C. M. Morse, Jr., shingles and nails,		
E. W. Ashley, 2 days' labor on Long Plain	3.00	
school-house,		
George J. Parker, labor on Whelden school-	10.00	
house,		
George W. Barton, labor and lumber on Perry	13.89	
Hill school-house,		
Alden Rounseville, shingles for Whelden school-	15.00	
house,	6.70	
Richard Davis, paint, hinges, screws, etc.,		
Hillman, Washburn & Co., screws, netting,	2.44	
etc.,	5.11	
D. S. Mason, nails, screws, broom, etc.,	4.95	
A. M. B. Corey,		
Total expenditure of the School Committee,	\$2,978.41	
Appropriation for schools,	\$2,000.00	
Income of dog fund,	194.46	
State school fund,	333.54	\$2,528.00

#### Poor Account.

Paid Henry F. Braley, keeper at alms-house from	\$43.78
Jan. 21, 1893, to April 21, 1893,	2.40
Wright Drug Co., medicine for Hattie Wilcox,	



Paid M. S. Douglass, wood to C. W. Sheppard,	18.70
Rufus Lincoln, groceries to Lucina Sears,	49.75
Jeremiah Hammett, digging grave for Martha Champlain,	2.00
W. C. Vaughan, coffin for Martha Champlain,	16.00
W. G. Branscomb, M. D., med. attendance,	10.00
D. S. Mason, groceries for Joseph Lewis,	21.31
D. S. Mason, groceries at alms-house,	183.22
James E. Blake, medicine for Hattie Wilcox,	29.40
James E. Blake, truss for Frank Gammons,	5.00
W. C. Vaughan, coffin for Rosa Turner,	15.00
City of New Bedford, medicine for H. Wilcox, 1892,	3.50
City of New Bedford, for medicine, groceries, and burial of Charles W. Sheppard,	110.65
City of New Bedford, medicine and medical attendance to Charles E. Washburn,	86.25
C. H. Bassett, meat at alms-house,	41.87
P. H. Crandon, 2 bu. onions,	2.00
E. W. Ashley, for shingles, lumber, labor,	20.03
Richard Davis, groceries at alms-house,	64.01
Gerard C. Tobey, house rent for Lucina Sears, 57 months at \$2 per month,	114.00
Town of Whitman, medical attendance and groceries to Joseph James and family,	91.00
Eben F. Leonard, boots to B. F. Pittsley,	2.00
M. S. Douglass, expense to Whitman on James' case,	3.50
M. S. Douglass, half ton of coal to Mrs. C. W. Sheppard,	3.35
J. T. Weeks, M. D., medical attendance to F. Gammons,	4.00
H. F. Braley, supplies,	3.87
John Manter, shoes for Frank,	7.00
Town of Wareham, med. att. to Lucina Sears,	4.00
	<u>\$957.59</u>



Received from City of New Bedford, for support of Joseph H. Lewis,	\$21.31
Abram Turner, for burial of Rosa Turner,	15.00
City of Gloucester, for Hattie Wilcox,	31.80
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	\$68.11

Due from the Commonwealth for the burial of Mar- tha Champlain,	\$15.00
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Frederic E. Besse, an inmate of our alms-house, the Overseers succeeded in placing in the school for the feeble-minded in Waverly, Mass., at no expense to the town except his clothing, as the school is a State institution. We visited him in December and found him well, and heard no unfavorable report from the superintendent.

#### Highway Account.

Under the direction of Noah F. Mendall.

Paid N. F. Mendall, 39½ days' work pair horses,	\$98.75
N. F. Mendall, 45 days at \$2.50 per day,	112.50
N. F. Mendall, 104 loads gravel at 6c. per load,	6.24
Wm. Gardner, 94 loads gravel at 5c. per load,	4.70
Abram Dillingham, 64 loads gravel 6c. load,	3.84
Eli Reed, 4½ days 4 horses on scraper,	31.50
W. G. Taber, 2½ days 2 horses \$4 per day,	10.00
Geo. W. Norton, labor \$68.70, gravel \$11.58,	80.28
Samuel Wing, 7 days 2 horses at \$4 per day,	28.00
C. M. Morse, 7 days 1 h. 2 horses \$4 per day,	28.45
Michael Sullivan, 6 days 6 h. at \$1.50 per day,	10.00
Antone Sylvia, 7½ days at \$1.50 per day,	11.25
Geo. P. Morse, 2 days with team \$4 per day,	8.00
Geo. P. Morse, 2 days with man \$1.50 per day,	3.00
W. H. Maxam, 7 days " "	10.50



Paid Levi Wing, 2 days	at \$1.50 pe day,	3.00
C. F. Norton, 1 day	" "	1.50
Abram Turner, 6 days	" "	9.00
S. Haskell, 3 days	" "	4.50
Alexander Albro,		11.75
George White, 13 days	at \$1.50 per day,	19.50
Simon White, 18 days	" "	27.00
Andie Penie, 30 days	" "	45.00
John Finney, 20½ days	" "	30.75
Amos Reynolds, 1½ days	" "	2.25
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		\$601.26

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Received of Geo. F. Bartlett, gutter scrapings, \$4.75		
Geo. L. Hathaway, " "	2.43	7.18
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Balance,		\$594.08

## Under the direction of George A. Fuller.

Paid Geo. A. Fuller, 39 days 6½ h. at \$2.50 per day,	\$99.31
G. A. Fuller, pair horses 37 d. 6½ h. \$2.50 "	94.31
G. A. Fuller, 1 horse 9½ days at \$1.50 "	14.25
Benj. Wilson, pair horses 8 days 1 hour \$4 "	32.44
Geo. Tripp, 7 days 5½ hours at \$1.50 "	11.41
John Gifford, 14 days 1 hour at \$1.50 "	21.16
James Butterworth, 1½ days at \$1.50 "	2.25
Samuel Tripp,	2.33
Geo. Norton, 2½ days team at \$4 per day,	10.00
Geo. S. Crocker, 5 d. 5 h. team \$4 per day,	22.20
Clarence Ellis, 18 days 5 hours,	16.75
Horatio Morse, 27 days 5½ hours \$1.50 per day,	41.42
Charles Morse, 27 days 1 hour \$1.25 per day,	33.89
Wallace Morse, 3 days at .50 per day,	1.50
Samuel Wing, 7 days 1 hour team \$4 per day,	28.44



Paid Lester A. Tripp, 10 days 1 hour \$1.50 per day,	15.17
Walter Taber, 1 day team at \$4 per day,	4.00
Humphrey Taber, 14 days 1 h. \$1.50 per day,	21.17
Gustavus L. Bennett, 1 day team \$4 per day,	4.00
James H. Cobb, 1½ days at \$1.50 per day,	2.25
Geo. A. Fuller, 235 loads of gravel,	14.10
Geo. A. Fuller, tools,	3.40
Luther H. Reynolds, blacksmithing,	3.60
John F. Hammett, 2½ days at \$4,	10.00
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	\$509.35

Expended by Geo. A. Fuller :

On Perry Hill road,	\$92.50
Gammons road,	30.25
Mendall road,	40.85
Mattapoisett road,	83.00
Long Plain road,	255.75
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	\$502.35

Under the direction of James C. Gammons.

Paid James C. Gammons, 45 days 2 hours 2 pairs horses and man at \$6.50 per day,	\$228.80
James C. Gammons, 4 days pair horses at \$4 per day,	16.00
James C. Gammons, 40 days 2 hours at \$2.50 per day,	100.50
E. W. Ashley, 22½ days at \$1.50 per day,	33.75
Emerson W. Bennett, 3 days at \$1.50 per day,	4.50
John Geggatt, 26 days " "	39.00
Russell P. Hammett, 8 days " "	12.00
Cyrus B. Sherman, 35 days 6½ h. " "	53.55
Geo. P. Whelden, 10 days " "	15.00
Geo. S. Crocker, 7 days 2 horses \$4.00 " "	28.00
P. H. Crandon, 24 days 4 hours \$1.50 " "	36.60



Paid F. J. Braley, 3 days	\$1.50 per day,	4.50
John Geggatt, 2½ days	" "	3.75
Joseph Besse, 1½ days	" "	2.25
J. C. Gammons, painting road machine and material,		3.00
C. A. Howland, sharpening picks and repairing road machine,		5.45
J. C. Gammons, 2 plow points at 65c. each,		1.30
E. A. Allen, 83 loads gravel at 6c. per load,		4.98
J. R. Sherman, 101 loads gravel " "		6.06
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		\$598.99

**Snow Account.**

Paid J. C. Gammons and others,	\$10.99
Geo. A. Fuller and others,	12.30
N. F. Mendall and others,	26.71
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	\$50.00

Total expenditure of the Road Commissioners, \$1,759.60

**Incidental Account.**

Paid E. L. Barney, settling suits in the Thurber, Look, and Chase cases,	\$61.25
Wm. C. Parker, advice,	10.00
Traders and Mechanics Insurance Co. (on town house),	7.50
Bristol County Mutual Fire Insurance Co., assessment on Alms-house,	4.00
Joseph T. Brownell, auditor,	2.00
Daniel T. Devoll, auditor,	5.00
" " services as counsel on Coggeshall street bridge,	63.00
Geo. T. Barton, labor and material on town house,	26.40



		4.15
Paid A. C. Shattuck, expressage,		7.00
Greene & Wood, shingles,		24.00
E. Anthony & Sons, printing town reports,		
Alden White, making map of town for bridge	1.50	
hearing,		
Evening Journal Pub. Co., printing two order	7.50	
books,	15.00	
Sylvester Pratt, services as constable,	.55	
Horatio Morse, work on well at Perry Hill,	3.00	
" " work on sidewalk 2 days, 1892,		
E. W. Ashley, putting railings on mill dam and	34.81	
bridges,	7.25	
Mercury Pub. Co., tax book and tax bills,	12.88	
C. A. Howland, iron work for bridge railings,		
A. P. R. Gilmore, services as teller at spring	2.00	
election,		
Levi Wing, agent for Taber Cemetery Associa-	100.00	
tion,		
Henry F. Howard, appraising real estate on the		
revaluation of the town, 17 days at \$2.50,	42.50	
Alden Rounesville, appraiser, 18 " 2.50,	45.00	
Moses S. Douglass, " 18 " 2.50,	45.00	
John A. Russell, " 1 " 2.00,	2.00	
And on extra help, showing boundaries, &c.,	4.25	
W. C. Vaughan, returning notices of 17 deaths,		
at 25 cents,	4.25	
E. T. Wilson, returning notices of 4 deaths at		
25 cents,	1.00	
Samuel Corey, inspector of fall elections,	2.00	
E. W. Ashley, " " "	2.00	
Henry T. Russell, deputy inspector of fall elec-		
tions,	2.00	
A. P. R. Gilmore, deputy collector of fall elec-		
tions,	2.00	
Geo. S. Crocker, labor on sidewalks, 1892,	14.00	



Paid D. S. Mason, envelopes, stamps, &c.,	11.25
Levi Wing, making, painting and setting guide-boards,	5.00
Philip A. Bradford, inspector of cattle, 16 days at \$3.00,	48.00
Philip A. Bradford, books,	1.30
Charles M. Morse, Jr., services as school committee,	30.00
Daniel T. Devoll, services as school committee,	25.00
Geo. J. Parker                    "                    "	25.00
M. S. Douglass, services as selectman, assessor, overseer of poor, and health committee,	90.00
Eben F. Leonard, services as selectman, assessor, overseer of poor, and health committee,	63.00
Henry F. Taber, services as selectman, assessor, overseer of poor, and health committee,	52.00
Geo. A. Fuller, work on pump at Perry Hill,	.75
E. R. Ashley and others, watching wood fires,	4.75
M. S. Douglass, stationery, stamps and books,	4.56
"                    "                    expense to Boston on corp. taxes,	3.50
M. S. Douglass, rendering oaths, etc.,	3.25
Geo. J. Parker, services as constable on the Pittsley case,	13.01
Sylvester Pratt, services as constable on the John King case,	9.62
J. F. Weeks, M. D., reporting 14 births,	3.50
Commonwealth of Mass., for James Warren,	36.00
Taunton Lunatic Hospital, for Wm. D. Taber,	169.46
"                    "                    Willie V. Taber	169.46
"                    "                    Patience T. Collins,	87.66
Taunton Lunatic Hospital, for Sarah L. Warner,	83.29
Worcester Insane Asylum, for Patience T. Collins,	86.35



Paid Worcester Insane Asylum, for Sarah L. Warner,	86.36
C. A. Howland, on the Long Plain cemetery	
account,	2.05
Sylvester Pratt, state aid,	48.00
James H. Sears,     "	36.00
Elizabeth Potter,   "	48.00
Alexander Turner,   "	36.00
Lemuel Dillingham,   "	24.00
Charles E. Washburn, military aid,	96.00
Mary T. Washburn, soldier's relief,	16.00
Geo. J. Parker, services as constable,	5.00
"     "     truant officer,	5.00
D. S. Mason, envelopes, stamps,	3.70
"     "     rec. births, marriages, and deaths,	16.45
"     "     for collecting and disbursing,	209.17
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	\$2,222.23

**Appropriations for 1893.**

Schools,	\$2,000.00
Highways,	1,800.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Poor,	600.00
Taber cemetery,	100.00
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	\$5,500.00

**Valuation of the Town of Acushnet, May 1, 1893.**

Real estate,	\$492,370.00
Personal estate,	105,790.00
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	\$598,160.00

Rate of taxation per \$1,000, \$11.20.

Number of polls,	253
Horses,	300
Cows,	330
Neat cattle,	45



Number of Swine,	54
Fowl,	6,586
Dwelling-houses,	249
Acres of land,	10,893
Tramps lodged at alms-house in 1893,	75

At the annual town meeting held March 6, 1893, it was voted to have a revaluation of all real estate in the town, and in accordance with that vote it has been done, and we find it amounts to \$515,270.00—an increase of \$22,900.00.

MOSES S. DOUGLASS, }  
 ALDEN ROUNSEVILLE, } Appraisers.  
 HENRY T. HOWARD, }

The guide-boards of the town of Acushnet are all in good condition.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MOSES S. DOUGLASS, }  
 EBEN F. LEONARD, } Selectmen  
 HENRY F. TABER, } of  
 Acushnet.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Town of Acushnet for the financial year ending Feb. 15, 1894, and find them correct.

JOSEPH T. BROWNELL, Auditor.

Feb. 26, 1894.

**List of Jurors Presented to the Town by the Selectmen for the Year 1894.**

John M. Vincent,	James E. Chamberlain,
Thomas E. Braley,	Nathan C. Bumpus,
Eben F. Leonard,	Thomas Hersom,
George W. Pierce,	Asa M. Brightman,
Alden White, (Keene road,)	William I. Shockley,
Noah F. Mendell,	John R. Thompson, Jr.,
Joseph B Slocum,	Richard Davis,
Henry F. Taber,	Charles L. Kenyon.



# School Report, Town of Acushnet.

1893-94.

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The School Committee of the town herewith present their annual report:

## SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The school buildings throughout the town are in good condition. Some minor repairs within and without have been made; one building, the Whelden, has been partially shingled.

## SESSIONS.

The schools have been in session continuously thirty-six weeks, and in only one or two instances have the schools been closed on account of the weather, and these cases occurred during the past month.

## ATTENDANCE.

The average of attendance throughout the year has been satisfactory, although the committee have had and are now dealing with some stubborn cases of truancy in the pupil and a seeming disregard of the child's best interest in the parent, that are extremely difficult to cope with. In a small community it is often difficult to take a stand that seems antagonistic to a friend or neighbor's feelings, but the law is not permissive but mandatory in these cases, and it is not unlikely that the committee will at the beginning of the school year take steps to bring such as will disregard the school laws to a realizing sense of their duties to themselves and their children.



## DISCIPLINE.

The discipline of our schools, considered as a whole, is excellent. The conduct of the pupils, as it is observed by frequent visits of the committee, is respectful and obedient; and while all methods are not alike any more than all children are alike, the general result is what it is intended to be, not only the keeping of order, but a branch of the education of the pupil as well. In no element of the child's training can a good or bad influence help or hinder; and where can the teacher look for that good influence to help her, except it be in the home where the child so much is; and does she always get it?

## OUT OF TOWN PUPILS.

At the present time we have two boys attending the New Bedford High School, and a young lady the Fairhaven High School. During a portion of the year we have had four, but two of them, Masters Morse and Allen, have now graduated. At the Long Plain school, four pupils have at different periods attended, and at its close two were in attendance. This is the only record we have to make of outside attendance.

## CLASSIFICATION.

In the opinion of a majority of the committee, at the opening of the year, the time had arrived when we were entitled to a graded school at the north end of the town.

With this in view, the committee fitted at the commencement of the year the upper part of the Long Plain school-house into a primary department, in charge of Mrs. Sarah J. Braley, a teacher of experience, and changed the Long Plain school proper into a grammar grade, in charge of Mrs. Church, who has so long taught the whole school.

This change the committee have no reason to regret. Its wisdom, to them at least, has never been questioned; and while, of course, it has added to the expense of the schools, taken as a whole its influence and added usefulness will be



apparent as the days go on and the pupils come out from its influence.

It was tried at the outset to do away with the Bisbee school but the people in that neighborhood were in arms at the thought.

Geographically the north part of the town was entitled to a graded school; educationally it was the duty of the committee to give them one.

It is not the fault of the committee that parents will still continue to send their boys and girls from 11 to 14 to the ungraded schools when there are now graded schools at each end for their accommodation. The committee did not feel that they ought longer to punish the pupils who did want the advantage of a graded education for their misdoing.

#### TEACHERS.

The corps of teachers in our schools are efficient, earnest, and practical. The change in the Long Plain school necessitated the employment of a new teacher, and Miss Anna Davis of this town was employed. The retirement of Miss Leonard again brought a vacancy, and Miss Ella Wilson took charge. These young ladies were both without experience in their work, but have shown much adaptability to their chosen profession.

The year closes with the retirement of two of our teachers, both of whom, Acushnet girls, have served the town and schools well. Reference is made to the retirement of Misses Ida Leonard and Josie Spooner. The committee desire to place on record their appreciation of the efficiency, earnestness, and fidelity with which they always discharged the duties of their position.

#### CONCLUSION.

This committee has learned, after two years of constant association together, that schools will not run themselves; that it is easier to criticise than create; that so long as they



do their work as they see it, with an honesty of purpose, the people will approve of it.

The organization of the Board is as follows :

Chairman—Daniel T. Devoll.

Secretary—Charles M. Morse, Jr.

Truant Officer—George J. Parker.

The assignments were as follows :

Long Plain, Bisbee—Daniel T. Devoll.

Perry Hill, Whelden—George J. Parker.

Acushnet Grammar and Primary—Chas. M. Morse, Jr.

The details and statistics of our school work follows :

Number of children in town between 5 and 15,	140
Appropriated by town,	\$2,000.00
Income dog fund,	194.46
State fund,	333.54
Due from out of town pupils,	34.63

NO.	TERM.	NAME.	TEACHER.	WAGES.	LENGTH OF SCHOOL.
1	Spring,	Bisbee,	Anna E. Davis,	\$28.00	3½ months.
	Fall,			30.00	3 months.
	Winter,			32.00	2½ months.
2	Spring,	Whelden,	Ida F. Leonard, Ella F. Wilson, " "	34.00	3½ months.
	Fall,			32.00	3 months.
	Winter,			32.00	2½ months.
3	Spring,	Acushnet Primary,	Mary S. Howard, " " " "	35.00	3½ months.
	Fall,			35.00	3 months.
	Winter,			35.00	2½ months.
4	Spring,	Acushnet Primary,	Jennie M. Cowan,	38.00	3½ months.
	Fall,			38.00	3 months.
	Winter,			38.00	2½ months.
5	Spring,	Perry Hill,	Amy J. Spooner,	34.00	3½ months.
	Fall,			36.00	3 months.
	Winter,			36.00	2½ months.
6	Spring,	Long Plain Grammar,	Cornelia R. Church,	40.00	3½ months.
	Fall,			40.00	3 months.
	Winter,			40.00	2½ months.
7	Spring,	Long Plain Primary,	Sarah J. Braley,	30.00	3½ months.
	Fall,			30.00	3 months.
	Winter,			30.00	2½ months.

SPRING.							FALL.							WINTER.						
No. of Schools.	No. of Pupils.	Pupils under 5 years.	Pupils over 15 years.	Pupils between 8 and 14 years.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	No. of Schools.	No. of Pupils.	Pupils under 5 years.	Pupils over 15 years.	Pupils between 8 and 14 years.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	No. of Schools.	No. of Pupils.	Pupils under 5 years.	Pupils over 15 years.	Pupils between 8 and 14 years.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.
113	0	2	9	8½	5.½	11	11	0	1	9	7.½	5½	11	12	0	2	9	8.½	6.½	10.67
231	1	0	21	22	10.½	23	23	0	0	23	24.	20	26	2	26	0	1	20	16.	10.67
323	0	0	10	22½	18.	32	20	0	0	5	18.33	16½	31	8	0	0	5	17.	12.	12.
416	0	1	12	13½	12.½	41	18	0	0	14	17.	15½	41	8	0	0	15	17.½	15.	15.
518	0	1	14	17½	15.	52	21	0	1	15	19.	16½	52	21	0	3	16	20.	17.	17.
621	0	6	18	19½	17.	61	17	0	3	11	16.	15	61	17	0	3	12	17.	14.	14.
719	0	0	10	16	16.	71	14	0	0	7	12.	11½	71	16	0	0	10	13.	12.	12.



# ROLL OF HONOR.

## PUPILS NOT ABSENT OR TARDY.

### No. 2. WHELDEN.

Wallace Parker,  
Granville Norton,

Spring and Fall Terms.  
Fall Term.

### No. 3. ACUSHNET PRIMARY.

Mildred Thomas,  
Jeddie Whitehead,  
Harold Taber,

Spring Term.  
Fall Term.  
Fall Term.

### No. 4. ACUSHNET GRAMMAR.

Elsie Collins,  
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Mina E. Taber,  
Mildred Thomas,  
Arthur C. Barton,  
William H. Phelps,  
Lizzie F. Norton,  
George P. Norton,

Spring Term.  
Fall Term.  
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Winter Term.  
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### No. 5. PERRY HILL.

Clara E. Tripp,  
Clara E. Tripp,  
Hattie Bumpus,  
Alton B. Ellis,

Spring Term.  
Fall Term.  
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Winter Term.

### No. 6. LONG PLAIN GRAMMAR.

NOT ABSENT OR TARDY DURING THE YEAR.

Grace Wilson, Arthur White.

Carrie Parker,  
Etta Gammons,  
James Gammons,  
Charles Peckham,

Spring Term.  
Fall Term.  
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Lena Bachman,  
Ella Gammons,  
Lena Bachman,  
Willie Leominster,  
Theron Parker,

Fall Term.  
Winter Term.  
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NO. 7. LONG PLAIN PRIMARY.  
NOT ABSENT OR TARDY DURING THE YEAR.  
Alton Wilson.

Herbert Leonard,  
Charlie Crandon,  
Frank Crandon,

Fall Term.  
Winter Term.  
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Respectfully submitted,

DAN'L T. DEVOLL,  
CHAS. M. MORSE, JR., } Committee.  
GEO. J. PARKER,

ACUSHNET, Feb. 16th, 1894.

Mr. C. M. Morse, Jr., Secretary of School Committee.

During the past school year have made ten visits as Truant Officer, and in all cases find the parents or guardians are the ones at fault in keeping their children at home, and the attention of all is respectfully invited to the law on truancy.

Yours respectfully,

GEORGE J. PARKER, Truant Officer.