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ACUSHNET  
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# 40th ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF

# ACUSHNET

TO

MARCH 1, 1900.

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NEW BEDFORD, MASS.:  
THE NEW BEDFORD PRINTING COMPANY,  
1900.

## TOWN OFFICERS

Elected at the Annual Town Meeting held April 3, 1899.

*Town Clerk, Treasurer, and Collector of Taxes.*

DENNIS S. MASON.

*Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor.*

MOSES S. DOUGLASS, EBEN F. LEONARD,  
HENRY F. TABER.

*School Committee for Three Years.*

THOMAS HERSOM, JR.

*Board of Health for Three Years.*

CHARLES M. MORSE.

*Single Highway Surveyor for Three Year.*

JAMES C. GAMMONS.

*Auditor.*

JOSEPH T. BROWNELL.

*Trustee of Free Public Library for Three Years.*

GEORGE J. PARKER.

*Constables.*

SYLVESTER PRATT, CHARLES F. ALLEN.

*Surveyors of Lumber.*

EDWARD R. ASHLEY, CHARLES F. LEONARD,  
EMERY E. CUSHMAN, CHARLES M. MORSE,  
HENRY F. TABER.

*Pound Keepers.*

JOHN M. VINCENT, HENRY A. JACKSON.

*Field Drivers.*

GEORGE A. FULLER, JOSEPH F. TABER.

*Fence Viewers.*

EDWARD R. ASHLEY, JEREMIAH E. BORDEN,  
SAMUEL WING.

## REPORT.

I would most respectfully present to you my account as Collector of Taxes and Town Treasurer for the financial year ending March 1, 1900.

D. S. MASON, COLLECTOR, IN ACCOUNT WITH  
THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET.

*Dr.*

To uncollected taxes of 1896,	\$2.00
Uncollected taxes of 1897,	84.22
Uncollected taxes of 1898,	454.00
Amount of tax bills of 1899:	
State tax,	360.00
County tax,	1,081.40
Town tax,	9,470.73
Extra assessment,	.51
Interest on taxes collected,	11.20
	<hr/> \$11,464.06

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By amount paid State Treasurer,	\$360.00
Amount paid County Treasurer,	1,081.40
Amount paid Town Treasurer,	9,027.53
Discount for prompt payment,	589.15
Abatement by Assessors,	5.80
Taxes remitted,	67.01
Uncollected taxes of 1898,	66.10
Uncollected taxes of 1899,	267.07
	<hr/> \$11,464.06

D. S. MASON, TOWN TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH  
THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET.

*Dr.*

1899.	
March 1. Balance of cash,	\$7.51
To amount received from State Treasurer:	
For corporation tax,	115.69
For national bank tax,	395.71
For state aid,	228.00
Income of school fund,	355.51
For superintendent of schools,	250.00
Balance of corporation tax for 1898,	1.95
County treasurer, dog fund,	221.63
City of Fall River,	65.14
C. H. Grinnell, bal. of rent for 1898,	10.00
C. H. Grinnell, rent to Feb. 18, 1900,	46.00
Discounted loan,	993.11
Discounted loan,	976.30
Albert T. Sherman, for support of	
Patience T. Collins,	169.45
Moses S. Douglass, for support of	
William D. Taber,	146.00
E. R. Ashley, auctioneer's license,	2.00
W. C. Ashley, for use of school hall,	2.00
Jose, Parker & Co., Bankers, 7 notes,	6,800.00
Premium on same,	82.93
J. C. Gammons, for use of crusher plant	
by town of Rochester,	57.50
Alden Rounseville, Jr., Middleboro road,	100.00
Chas. L. Spooner,	10.00
D. S. Mason,	1.00
Harry B. Parker,	3.00
Chas. F. Leonard,	10.00
Babbitt & Wood,	5.00
H. W. Cushman, for Long Plain road,	604.25
Samuel Wing, for Mattapoissett road,	270.00
E. J. Whiting,	10.00
Samuel Wing, labor and material on	
Wing lane,	167.79
M. O. Bradford, labor and material on	
"Shady lane,"	73.26

M. S. Douglass, labor and material on	
state highway,	182.81
Town of Rochester, services of roller man,	13.19
H. W. Cushman, crushed stone,	119.39
E. E. Cushman, screenings,	2.00
F. E. Wellington,	2.50
Benj. Randall,	4.00
James Allen,	1.00
Godfrey Cottle,	.50
J. C. Gammons, for junk sold,	.50
Money refunded on bill of Mayhew Pub. Co.,	.96
D. S. Mason, collector,	9,027.53
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	\$21,535.11

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By amount paid for support of poor,	\$723.24
Amount paid for insane poor,	952.84
Amount paid for incidentals,	1,710.43
Amount paid superintendent of schools,	200.00
Amount paid for support of schools,	2,644.94
Amount paid for state aid,	319.50
Amount paid for highways,	635.22
Amount paid for drains,	234.06
Amount paid for macadamizing highways,	8,555.71
Amount paid Jose, Parker & Co., 1 note,	1,000.00
Amt. paid Coddington Sav. Bank, 1 note,	1,000.00
Amount paid Commonwealth, 1 note,	1,000.00
Amount paid Merchants National Bank,	1,000.00
Amount paid Anna H. Bradford, Treas.,	75.00
Balance of cash,	1,484.17
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	\$21,535.11

CEMETERY FUND.

*Dr.*

March 1, 1899. To amount of Elizabeth	
Taber fund,	\$200.00
Interest to October, 1899,	8.16
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	\$208.16

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By amount paid Allen Russell, Jr., treas.,	\$8.00
Cash in New Bedford Institution for	
Savings, March 1, 1900,	200.16
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	\$208.16

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

I respectfully present to you my report as Town Clerk for the year ending Dec. 31, 1899.

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN ACUSHNET IN 1899.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
Jan. 19	Clifton Sumner James,	Joseph H. and Viola E.
Jan. 20	Jennie Elizabeth Bennett,	Charles D. and Lucy E.
Feb. 9	Elmer Howard Sherman,	Harry G. and Lottie E.
Feb. 23		Illegitimate.
Mar. 19	Henry Clay Taber,	Frank E. and Louise
March 26	M. Marguerite Marvis,	Godias and Antonia
March 29	Elmer Edward Harding,	Otis H. and Annie B.
April 13	Charles Edward Ashley,	Herbert W. and Fannie W.
May 15	Willis Sherman Mason,	Dennis S. and Bertha W.
May 24	Beatrice Estelle Gifford,	Charles E. and Lizzie F.
June 24	Leroy Watson Tinkham,	Arthur C. and Annie S.
June 27	— Borden,	Frank E. and Clara M.
July 18	Arthur C. Paquette,	Servile and Anda
Aug. 3	Harold B. Hammond.	Alonzo B. and Delia I.
Aug. 23	George Davis Sherman,	Cyrus B. and Fannie E.
Aug. 23	Ruth Davis Morse,	Frank W. and Edith H.
Aug. 24	— — — — —	Stillborn
Aug. 24	— — — — — } Twins	Stillborn
Sept. 8	Gladys Barton Parker,	Harry B. and Myra F.
Sept. 22	Louis Sylvia,	Joseph F. and Celia A.
Sept. 28	Lloyd Roger Tripp,	Lester A. and Mabel F.
Oct. 3	James Washington Keithley,	George W. and Lucy B.
Oct. 23	Betsey White Taber,	Walter and Lydia A.
Oct. 24	Henry Clifton Ripley Ward,	Francis R. and Josephine,
Oct. 28	May Louise Murphy,	Dennis and Margaret.

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN ACUSHNET IN 1899.

DATE.	NAMES OF GROOM AND BRIDE.	RESIDENCE.
January 21	Henry W. Pittsley Hannah M. C. Westgate.	Acushnet. Wareham.
April 10	Walter H. Delano, Laura Shaw.	Middleboro. Middleboro.
April 29	Frank E. Borden, Clara M. Chase.	New Bedford. New Bedford.
June 20	Albert T. Davis, Nellie Wrigley.	New Bedford. Acushnet.
June 29	Thomas W. Davis, Alice S. Francis.	Fairhaven. Acushnet.
June 29	Melvin O. Bradford, Harriet E. Bradley.	Acushnet. New Haven, Ct.
July 2	George F. Morse, Mary Wilsoncroft,	Acushnet. New Bedford.
July 11	James C. Dexter, Lizzie M. Nye.	Acushnet. Acushnet.
July 27	Charles F. Allen, Alice W. Stuart.	Acushnet. Rochester.
August 1	Daniel G. Pittsley, Cora F. Pittsley.	Freetown. Freetown.
August 15	William Wilkinson, Jr., Esther M. Thomas.	Acushnet. Acushnet.
October 4	George W. Norton, Alida J. Chesbro.	Acushnet. New Bedford.
October 14	Frank F. Maloney, Mary A. Larner.	New Bedford. New Bedford.
October 19	John P. Stratton, Minnie E. Hammett.	Fairhaven. Acushnet.
October 22	Michael Wolf, Annie Nestele.	New Bedford. Acushnet.
December 20	Edson V. Moranville, Alice M. James.	Taunton. Acushnet.
December 22	Stephen D. Kelley, Josephine L. Hathaway.	Middleboro. Acushnet.
December 24	Henry C. Lawrence, Lucy W. Rounseville.	New Bedford. Freetown.

## DEATHS REGISTERED IN ACUSHNET IN 1899.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			DISEASE.
		Y.	M.	D.	
Jan. 5	Salmon F. Perry,	80	11		Influenza.
Jan. 12	Mary J. Allen,	42	1	8	General anasarca.
Feb. 4	Julia A. Beals,	9	11		Typhoid fever.
Feb. 9	Martha W. Morse,	59			Myelitis.
Feb. 9	Lillian Caswell,	3	4		Diphtheria.
Feb. 15	Judith C. Lewis,	82	9	1	Cerebral hemorrhage.
Mar. 11	Rufus W. White,	82	1	9	Intestinal nephritis.
Apr. 11	Maria A. Pierce,	71	1	13	Inanition.
May 16	George S. Russell,	87	11	8	Old age.
May 31	Margaret Whalen,	42			Sarcoma.
June 7	Edward Martin,	77			Heat exhaustion.
June 14	Lydia Purdon,	72	6	6	Bright's disease.
June 25	Dorothy Taber,		1	22	
July 2	Nathan D. Manter,	78	9		Senility.
July 24	Phebe T. Devoll,	84	6		Apoplexy.
Aug. 4	Harold B. Hammond,			1	Infantile debility.
Aug. 8	John R. Thompson,	54	11	28	Phthisis pulmonalis.
Aug. 14	Myra F. Chadwick,		11	19	Enterocolitis.
Aug. 20	Ellen M. Russell,	58			Dysentery.
Aug. 24	-----				Stillborn.
Aug. 24	-----				Stillborn.
Aug. 31	M. Marguerite Marvis,		5	5	Cholera infantum.
Sept. 16	Russell S. Braley,	70	1	23	Chronic disease stomach.
Sept. 15	Garrison B. Blackmer,	74	4	14	Cancer of face.
Sept. 17	John T. Chadwick,	50	5	11	Typhoid fever.
Sept. 28	Norman E. Stevens,		3	5	Cholera infantum.
Oct. 10	Edmund Williams,	62	11		Phthisis pulmonalis.
Oct. 18	Charles L. Russell,	58			Cancer of liver.
Oct. 25	Deborah Rounseville,	77	6		Senility.
Dec. 7	Sarah P. Gammons,	85	4		Senile gangrene.
Dec. 18	Betsey W. White,	73	5		Bronchitis.
Dec. 28	Lucinda S. Skiff,	73			Pneumonia.
Mar. 16	Bethany Gammons,	88	11		Apoplexy.

Number of dogs licensed in town of Acushnet, 1899, 116;  
103 males, 13 females.

D. S. MASON, *Town Clerk of Acushnet.*

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The Selectmen of the Town of Acushnet submit the following annual report of the financial affairs of the town for the year ending March 1, 1900.

## POOR ACCOUNT.

Paid John M. Collins, house rent Lewis Besse and family,	\$39.00
Uriah S. Cole, board of Fred Haskell,	45.64
Town of Middleboro, on Nellie Walker case,	7.50
City of New Bedford, supplies to Wm. H. Thatcher,	37.00
City of New Bedford, supplies to Louisa Hunnewell,	32.00
City of New Bedford, supplies to Ernest Caswell,	2.00
State Board of Insanity, removing patients from Taunton to Medfield asylum,	10.68
Susan H. Brightman, care of Louisa Hunnewell,	30.46
Mrs. Edward A. Collins, supplies, etc.,	5.00
Hatch & Co., express,	1.30
George W. Lawrence, labor at almshouse,	1.50
George W. Bennett, labor and paper at almshouse,	2.88
Town of Fairhaven, supplies to Peleg Green's family,	6.10
Mass. School for Feeble Minded, Fred Besse,	39.40
D. S. Mason, groceries, etc., to Chas P. Washburn,	117.42
Mary R. Burns, housekeeper to " "	1.50
Sarah Madison, housekeeper to " "	22.00
Rachael Pittsley, nurse to " "	3.00
E. W. Bennett, cutting wood for " "	12.61
Dr. J. F. Weeks, med. attendance, " "	8.00
Elizabeth Taber, board of Fred Haskell,	7.50
Alden Rounseville, lumber to almshouse,	6.19
Dr. W. B. Branscombe, medical attendance to George Harding's family,	10.00

Henrietta King, housekeeper to Charles P. Washburn,	35.00
New Bedford Gas & Edison Light Co., coke to Mrs. A. Chadwick,	4.50
J. H. Paige, groceries to Mrs. A. Chadwick,	12.68
A. G. Alley, groceries to Mrs. A. Chadwick,	1.03
James Blake, medicine for Mrs. A. Chadwick,	7.05
Town of Rochester, medical attendance to Lewis Besse's family,	49.00
J. H. Paige, groceries to George Harding,	21.00
Alfred Nye, groceries to Peleg Green's family,	71.50
M. S. Douglass, wood to Peleg Green's family,	13.25
D. S. Mason, nails to almshouse,	.55
M. S. Douglass, wood to Geo. Harding,	4.00
Eben F. Leonard, labor at almshouse,	2.00
Rufus Lincoln, groceries to Lucina Sears,	53.00
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	\$723.24

## INCIDENTAL ACCOUNT.

Paid New Bedford Printing Co., 400 town reports,	\$36.00
" " " " 25 women's voting lists and tax bills,	3.25
New Bedford Printing Co., stamped envelopes,	3.50
" " " " 1500 receipts,	3.50
Sherman & Habicht, 50 danger cards,	2.00
Traders & Mechanics Ins. Co., insuring town-house,	7.92
J. T. Brownell, services as auditor,	2.00
Leslie Morse, watching fires,	1.20
Philip H. Crandon, watching fires,	1.60
C. M. Drake, watching fires,	1.60
E. W. Ashley, services as teller,	2.00
A. P. R. Gilmore, services as teller,	2.00
N. P. Hayes, pump handle,	1.25
D. S. Mason, expenses to Boston, stamps, etc.,	29.01
Wood, Brightman & Co., work on pumps,	17.74
H. S. Hutchinson & Co., printing tax book,	4.50
George W. Barton, labor at town-house,	5.12
D. S. Mason, recording births, marriages and deaths,	22.70

Samuel Corey, services as ballot clerk,	2.00
A. P. R. Gilmore, services as inspector,	2.00
C. A. Howland, work on pump,	.60
J. F. Weeks, M. D., reporting births,	4.00
Weston C. Vaughan, 12 death returns,	3.00
D. S. Mason, stamps, telephone, attending two town meetings and recording same,	18.23
M. S. Douglass, rendering oaths,	3.25
M. S. Douglass, two trips to Boston on bank and corporation taxes, also state highway,	7.00
M. S. Douglass, expense to Taunton on State Highway hearing for Bristol County,	1.50
M. S. Douglass, stamps, envelopes, stationery, etc.,	3.75
H. B. Robinson, M. D., reporting one birth,	.25
Frank Pease, supplies to Board of Health,	1.00
Benj. White, making two pump handles,	2.50
David Brownell, damage to well by overflow of water caused by stoppage of drain and bridge,	10.00
M. S. Douglass, services as moderator,	5.00
George J. Parker, one record book,	1.00
Sylvester Pratt, services as constable, etc.,	40.00
Williams C. Ashley, services as school committee,	25.00
Thomas Herson, Jr., " " "	25.00
Ida F. Morse, " " "	25.00
M. S. Douglass, services as selectman, assessor, and overseer of the poor,	100.00
Eben F. Leonard, services as selectman, assessor, and overseer of the poor,	67.00
Henry F. Taber, services as selectman, assessor, and overseer of the poor,	55.00
George J. Parker, services as board of health,	7.00
P. A. Bradford, inspector of cattle, meat, etc.,	63.00
Joseph A. But, for land taken on state highway,	46.85
E. B. Gray, services as supt. of schools,	200.00
C. M. Morse, Jr., services as chairman board of health,	10.00
Dennis S. Mason, services as collector,	165.70
Dennis S. Mason, services as treasurer,	98.91
M. S. Douglass, temporary loan in 1898,	230.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, interest on notes,	200.00

Coddington Savings Bank of Newport, R. I., interest on note,	136.00
Melrose Savings Bank, interest on notes,	119.00
Jose, Parker & Co., Boston, interest on notes,	85.00
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	\$1,985.43

## MACADAM NOTES PAID IN 1899.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	1,000.00
Coddington Savings Bank, Newport, R. I.,	1,000.00
Jose, Parker & Co., Boston,	1,000.00
Merchants Bank, New Bedford, temporary loan,	1,000.00
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	\$4,000.00

## STATE AID.

Sylvester Pratt,	\$48.00
Edward C. Tew,	48.00
Alexander Turner,	72.00
Nathan D. Sturtevant,	40.50
Edwin A. Wright,	28.00
Elizabeth Potter,	24.00
Edmund Williams,	24.00
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	\$284.50
Paid for burial of Edmund Williams,	35.00
Paid Taunton Lunatic Hospital:	
Support of Lucy M. Delano,	\$71.97
Support of Hattie Wallen,	71.97
Support of Mary J. Clapp,	71.97
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	\$215.91
Paid Medfield Insane Asylum:	
Support of Lucy M. Delano,	\$84.00
Support of Hattie Wallen,	84.00
Support of Mary J. Clapp,	84.00
Support of William D. Taber,	146.00
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	\$398.00

Paid Worcester Insane Asylum:	
Support of Patience T. Collins,	\$169.45
Support of Sarah L. Warner,	169.48
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	\$338.93

Paid Anna H. Bradford, treasurer of trustees of Free Public Library, as appropriated,	\$75.00
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Orders given by the selectmen on bills approved by the school committee,	\$2,644.94
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## PRESENT TOWN DEBT.

Note in favor of Jose, Parker & Co. at 4½%, due Nov. 23, 1900,	\$1,000.00
Note in favor of Coddington Savings Bank at 4%, due Oct. 15, 1902,	2,400.00
Note in favor of Commonwealth of Mass., at 4%, due Nov. 1, 1903,	4,000.00
Note in favor of Melrose Savings Bank at 3½%, due Oct. 1, 1907,	6,800.00
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	\$14,200.00
Merchants National Bank, temporary loan,	1,000.00
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Total debt,	\$15,200.00

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1899.

Support of Schools,	\$2,300.00
Support of Poor,	1,325.00
Incidentals,	2,000.00
Highways and Bridges,	600.00
Drain at D. Cochran's,	250.00
Free Public Library,	75.00
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Insurance on town-house, expires April, 1902,	\$600.00

## VALUATION OF THE TOWN,

May 1, 1899.

Personal property,	\$119,180.00
Buildings,	254,175.00
Land,	268,535.00
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	\$641,890.00

Rate of taxation per \$1,000,	\$17.00
No. of polls,	279
" horses,	363
" cows,	385
" neat cattle,	72
" swine,	79
" dwelling houses,	268
" acres of land,	10,951 5-6
" fowl assessed,	8,505

## GUIDE BOARDS.

The guide boards of the town are all in fair condition.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MOSES S. DOUGLASS,  
EBEN F. LEONARD,  
HENRY F. TABER,

*Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of Poor.*

## REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

Paid J. C. Gammons, 26 days 8 hrs. at \$2.00 per day,	\$53.60
" " team, 31 days 2 hrs. at \$2.00 "	62.40
George Norton, 9 days 8 hrs. at \$1.50 per day,	14.70
H. White, 11 days 5 hrs, "	17.25
C. R. Sherman, 20 days 1 hour, "	30.15
Harry Parker, 3 days 4 hrs. "	5.10
Frank Rogers, 2 days, "	3.00
Albert Demars, 10 days, "	15.00
Fred Gifford, 10 days 5 hrs. "	15.75
J. Gagne, 1 day, "	1.50
C. H. Grinnell, 13 days 5 hrs. "	20.25
C. Fritz, 2 days. "	3.00
Alden White, 2 days, "	3.00
Fred Morse, 7 days, "	10.50
Charles Morse, 9 days 4 hrs. "	14.10
L. Demoranville, 14 days 9 hrs. "	22.35
William Macomber, 4 days, "	6.00
C. Lawrence, 1 day, "	1.50
L. Perry, 1 day, "	1.50
Patrick Mahoney, 1 day, "	1.50
George Parker, 3 days, "	4.50
Walter Bradford, team, 10 days at \$3.50,	35.00
Harry Parker, team, 2 days, 2 hrs. "	7.70
P. H. Crandon, 3 days, "	10.50
Albert Morse, 7 days, "	24.50
Harry Sherman, 1 day, "	3.50
William Pittsley, 6 days, "	21.00
Charles Bennett, 4 days, "	14.00
George Fuller, 7 hrs. "	2.45
M. O. Bradford, 1 day, "	3.50
Samuel Wing, 1 day, "	3.50
John Thompson, 2 days 2 hrs. "	7.70
J. T. Brownell, 1 day 6 hrs. "	5.60
Charles Sullivan, 1 day at \$1.75,	1.75
James Cobb, 6 days at 1.67,	10.00



New Bedford Machine Co., shafting,	3.90
D. S. Mason, telephone, nails, etc.,	7.96
Wilson & Wordell, shovels, picks, etc.,	22.95
Melvin Bradford, dynamite,	1.45
Richard Davis, oil, tarred paper, etc.,	10.27
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	\$946.37

## MACADAM ACCOUNT.

## CROSS ROAD LABOR.

Paid J. C. Gammons, \$2.50 per day,	\$99.75
Thomas Luce, 3.00 "	48.00
Clarence S. Caswell, 2.50 "	2.50
Charles E. Sullivan, 1.75 "	63.87
Arthur Davis, 2.00 "	46.00
Harry Lawrence, 1.00 "	39.00
Charles H. Grinnell, 1.50 "	57.15
Fred. C. Gifford, " "	56.40
Andrew Bismore, " "	54.15
Louis Perry, " "	29.40
Fred Morse, " "	29.40
Charles Morse, " "	29.40
Clarence Lawrence, " "	57.75
William B. Macomber, " "	27.75
Russell Hammett, " "	15.00
Albert Demars, " "	57.90
Cyrus Sherman, " "	47.25
Luther Demoranville, " "	59.70
Frank E. Borden, " "	18.15
George Norton, " "	48.00
Charles Leonard, conveying F. Luce to and from car,	7.80
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	\$894.32

## TEAMING.

Paid Walter Bradford, at \$3.50 per day,	\$15.45
Willard Peckham, " "	13.50
Henry Jackson, " "	.50

Frank L. Borden, at \$3.50 per day,	.50
William E. Collins, " "	5.80
Thomas L. Clark, " "	1.82
C. C. D. Gilmore, " "	1.62
George S. Crocker, " "	16.45
James C. Gammons' team at \$2.00,	66.20
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	\$121.84

## STONE.

Paid Job A. E. Chase,	\$34.06
H. B. Parker,	2.29
James C. Gammons,	60.44
William E. Collins,	60.42
William Durfee,	22.34
Edward W. Morse,	151.84
Joseph T. Brownell,	50.19
Willard Peckham,	36.14
John M. Vincent,	87.24
Emerson Bennett,	10.67
Henry Jackson,	32.59
Edward Pittsley,	13.15
Charles Norton,	97.49
George Parker,	62.23
F. Norton,	7.37
Eugene White,	19.80
O. A. Bradford,	3.52
L. T. Jennings,	181.69
E. C. Morse,	9.75
E. F. Leonard,	27.24
Eben F. Leonard,	11.99
George P. Morse,	18.34
Charles D. Bennett,	59.41
George S. Crocker,	3.36
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	\$1,063.56

Cost of Incidentals on Cross Road,	252.32
Cost to the Town for Labor, Teaming, Stone, and Incidentals,	\$2,332.04
Credit by cash subscriptions,	139.50
Total cost to the town,	<hr/>
	\$2,192.54

There was built on the cross road about 6289 feet.

## LONG PLAIN ROAD.

## LABOR.

Paid J. C. Gammons at \$2.50 per day,	\$156.75
Thomas Luce at \$3.00 per day,	64.50
Arthur Davis at \$2.00 per day,	132.00
C. H. Vincent at \$1.00 per day,	52.30
J. M. Gammons at \$1.00 per day,	10.00
C. H. Grinnell at \$1.50 per day,	87.45
Louis Perry "	92.40
Gilbert Collins, "	64.80
Albert Demars, "	80.70
Fred C. Gifford, "	93.90
Cyrus Sherman, "	88.65
George Norton, "	68.10
L. K. Demoranville, "	89.40
Patrick Mahoney, "	79.50
Charles Morse, "	85.95
Andrew Bismore, "	83.55
James Cobb, "	75.75
Fred Morse, "	7.50
Herbert White, "	5.55
Henry F. Taber, conveying Thomas Luce to and from car,	10.00
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	\$1,428.75

## TEAMING.

Paid Fred O. Tripp at \$3.50 per day,	\$28.00
John F. Hammett, "	22.05
James A. Thompson, "	50.05
Charles D. Bennett, "	40.95
George A. Fuller, "	22.75
Fred C. Taber, "	58.10
Walter B. Bradford, "	90.50
Loring P. Ashley, "	45.50
J. C. Gammons, team at \$2.00 per day,	103.20
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	\$461.10

## STONE.

Paid George A. Fuller,	85.53
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Edward W. Morse,	14.40
K. T. Eldredge,	23.78
H. W. Cushman,	38.41
Henry F. Taber,	20.80
Joseph A. Marion,	33.66
James A. Thompson,	46.23
David Brownell, Jr.,	44.90
Walter B. Bradford,	22.92
Loring P. Ashley,	10.85
Gilbert Collins,	5.50
Levi E. Pittsley,	15.51
N. B. Ellis,	86.34
M. S. Douglass,	32.80
Thomas J. Robinson,	28.37
Lester A. Tripp,	1.85
Horatio Morse,	6.46
Fred C. Taber,	69.22
J. F. Taber,	41.51
Frank T. Howland,	31.81
John F. Hammett,	103.78
Joseph T. Brownell,	143.74
N. F. Mendall,	155.43
John M. Vincent,	43.44
Charles D. Bennett,	12.95
John E. Hammond,	17.01
Thomas Norton,	1.02
George P. Norton,	6.35
Mrs. H. N. F. Mendall,	20.26
Fred Tripp,	21.72
Walter S. Perry,	5.66
Mrs. Betsey Taber,	86.42
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	\$1,278.63

Cost of incidentals on Long Plain road, 347.03

Cost to the town for labor, stone and  
teaming, and incidentals, \$3,515.51

Cr. by cash subscriptions, 645.25

Total cost to the town, \$2,870.26

There was built on the Long Plain road about 7,351 feet.

## MATTAPOISETT ROAD.

## LABOR.

Paid J. C. Gammons, \$2.50 per day,	\$149.75
Arthur Davis, 2.00 "	130.00
James Cobb, 1.67 "	92.49
Percy Ashley, 1.00 "	36.10
Charles Vincent, 1.00 "	7.00
Charles F. Morse, 1.50 "	67.80
Patrick Mahoney, 1.50 "	84.75
Louis Perry, 1.50 "	87.45
Andrew Bismore, 1.50 "	12.75
George Parker, 1.50 "	45.60
Albert Demars, 1.50 "	7.95
Gilbert Collins, 1.50 "	19.50
Charles Grinnell, 1.50 "	63.00
Fred C. Gifford, 1.50 "	75.98
Horatio Morse, 1.50 "	6.00
Cyrus Sherman, 1.50 "	39.00
Luther Demoranville, 1.50 "	84.75
Herbert White, 1.50 "	78.75
George Norton, 1.50 "	6.75
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	\$1,095.37

## TEAMING.

Paid Melvin O. Bradford, at \$3.50 per day,	\$94.50
John R. Thompson, " "	7.00
Joseph T. Brownell, " "	21.00
Orloff R. Howland, " "	21.00
Samuel Wing, " "	93.80
William T. Howland, " "	27.30
J. C. Gammons, team at \$2.00 per day,	103.40
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	\$368.00

## STONE.

Paid Frank T. Howland,	\$44.81
P. A. Bradford,	236.52
N. B. Ellis,	37.16
Horatio Morse,	42.02
Samuel Wing,	230.35
Orloff R. Howland,	90.99

Walter Bradford,	4.95
Edward Pittsley,	10.92
William Pittsley,	4.23
Joseph T. Brownell,	9.96
William Ingram,	5.85
John Richardson,	4.54
E. Therrien,	95.57
Fred Taber,	76.08
John M. Vincent,	1.95
S. Paquette,	1.87
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	\$897.77

Cost of incidentals on Mattapoissett road, 347.02

Cost to town for labor, stone and  
teaming, and incidentals, \$2,708.16  
Cr. by cash subscriptions, etc., 852.94

Total cost to town, \$1,855.22

There was built on the Mattapoissett road about 7,000 feet.  
Part of the road was built only 12 feet wide.

Cost to town, all three roads, \$6,917.62  
Appropriated for macadam roads, 6,800.00

Exceeded appropriation, \$117.62

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MOSES S. DOUGLASS,  
HENRY W. CUSHMAN,  
AUGUSTUS WHITE,

*Committee on Macadam Roads.*

LONG PLAIN ROAD.

H. W. Cushman,	\$100.00
H. F. Taber,	25.00
M. S. Douglass,	50.00
Joseph Marion,	20.00
N. F. Mendall,	25.00
J. K. Allen,	25.00
Mrs. C. S. Cushman,	25.00
Mrs. C. D. Pope,	5.00
J. C. Gammons,	21.00
Franklyn Howland,	2.50
J. R. Thompson,	28.00
P. R. Porter,	20.00
Estate P. Taber,	25.00
John B. Jane,	2.00
Mrs. Harriet Rogerson,	25.00
Michael Mahoney,	5.00
J. G. Whalen,	5.00
Arthur E. Collins,	2.00
Miss Lillie W. Hallett,	5.00
C. M. Morse, Jr.,	5.00
Cash,	10.00
Cash,	5.00
T. Herson, Jr.,	7.50
H. N. Wilber,	5.00
J. F. Weeks,	15.00
J. M. Babbitt,	5.00
L. P. Ashley,	21.00
Fred G. Taber,	21.00
William G. Taber,	10.00
Augustus White,	15.00
Cash,	5.00
E. E. Cushman,	10.00
Jimmie Thompson,	7.00
Mrs. T. Fairchild,	5.00
John Taber,	5.00

## CROSS ROAD.

W. B. Peckham,	\$25.00
W. A. Bradford,	50.00
D. T. Devoll,	10.00
J. C. Gammons,	25.00
James A. Hartley,	50.00
James A. Lawrence,	25.00
T. L. Clarke,	15.00
Frank Borden,	10.00
H. A. Jackson,	10.00
D. S. Mason,	50.00
A. P. R. Gilmore,	10.00
A. Rounseville, Jr.,	100.00
H. Parker,	3.00
W. E. Collins,	25.00
John M. Collins,	15.00
Eben F. Leonard,	10.00
Charles F. Leonard,	10.00
C. H. Grinnell,	3.00
L. F. Jennings,	20.00
C. L. Spooner,	10.00
Babbitt & Wood,	5.00
George S. Crocker,	21.00
I. V. Braley,	2.64
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	\$504.64

## MATTAPOISETT ROAD.

Samuel Wing,	\$100.00
Shady Lane Farm,	100.00
Moses S. Douglass,	50.00
Oloff R. Howland,	30.00
James B. Hamblin,	25.00
Frank T. Howland,	25.00
John T. Richardson,	25.00
E. J. Whitney,	10.00
Charles Dillingham,	10.00
William Ingram,	10.00

Serville Paquette,	10.00
Henry LeLievre,	10.00
Augustus White,	10.00
Isaac Hathaway,	10.00
Benjamin Ellis,	10.00
Charles W. Morse,	9.00
Horatio N. Wilbur,	5.00
C. W. Ellis,	5.00
Thomas C. Tinkham,	10.00
W. B. Bennett,	2.00
Horatio Morse,	3.00
George A. Cobb,	4.90
James R. Allen,	25.00
N. H. Wilbur,	20.00
George H. Doscher,	20.00
E. A. Lion,	15.00
John M. Howland,	10.00
J. H. Hathaway,	10.00
Thomas Hersom, Jr.,	7.50
Elijah Bates,	5.00
J. Frank Weeks,	5.00
Herbert Hammond,	1.00
George Hammond,	1.00
R. E. Bassett,	1.00
C. H. Kenyon,	1.00
P. H. Wing,	1.00
Marguerite P. Gammons,	3.00
Viola Gammons,	2.00
Franklyn Howland,	1.00
Friend,	.50
Miss L. W. Hallett,	2.00
George M. Nichols,	1.00
George F. Brightman,	5.00
John Lombard,	3.00
Arthur C. Cory,	2.00
J. M. Babbitt,	5.00
Henry S. Hutchinson,	2.00
Henry B. Howland,	1.00
Charles F. Wing,	2.00
George F. Nye,	1.00
P. P. Jenney,	1.00

A. L. Hazzard,	1.00
F. W. Palmer,	1.00
S. E. Bryant,	1.00
Ellis L. Howland,	1.00
M. T. Vincent,	1.00
F. C. Clarke,	1.00
Charles M. Wilber,	1.00
Charles F. Spooner,	1.00
George F. Russell,	25.00
Joseph Slocum,	2.00
J. A. Taylor,	1.00
A. M. Cory,	1.00
William Hathaway,	1.00
George L. Hathaway,	1.00
B. A. Randall,	10.00
C. M. Morse, Jr.,	5.00
Ezra Therrien,	10.00
John Thompson,	3.50
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	\$696.40

### AUDITOR'S REPORT.

ACUSHNET, Mar. 19, 1900.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Tax Collector, Treasurer, Selectmen, Surveyor, and Macadam Committee's report, of the Town of Acushnet, for the financial year ending March 1, 1900, and find them correct.

JOSEPH T. BROWNELL,

*Auditor.*

### REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

For the year 1899.

The Board organized April 10, with C. M. Morse, Jr., Chairman, and George J. Parker, Secretary.

The whole number of deaths reported were 31 and two stillborn. The deaths in Acushnet were 20 and two stillborn. Eleven were burials from other places.

Of contagious diseases, there were four cases of typhoid fever with two deaths. There were 10 cases of scarlet fever, with no deaths.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. MORSE, JR.,  
GEORGE J. PARKER,  
EDWARD R. ASHLEY,

*Board of Health.*

### REPORT OF CATTLE INSPECTOR

For the Year 1899.

Late in the summer, after concluding that there was nothing required of your inspector, came orders from the State Board to make a very thorough inspection of *all* cattle and barns where cattle are kept in the town, taking measurements of each, and distances from where cattle were watered, and a list of 29 questions was sent to be answered in regard to every place where an animal was found; and all to be done and a report sent to them before the 15th of November. The inspection of horses being included, I have killed two affected with glanders. I have found but one case of tuberculosis, and killed that cow immediately, thus preventing by a thorough disinfection of the premises, as ordered by the State Board, any spread of the disease. I have inspected and measured 128 barns, and found them mostly in a very good condition, and the cattle in much better shape than I expected, or have done in former years.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP A. BRADFORD, *Inspector.*

## ACUSHNET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

Within the past year there has been an increased interest in our Public Library and its branches. From April 1, 1899, to March 12, 1900, there have been given out from the three rooms 1,895 volumes, also a number of magazines. As our fund for the purchase of books is very limited, it gives us pleasure to record donations to our libraries. Mrs. Clement Swift and Miss Emma Cochran kindly gave us a good many books, the latter adding magazines. Mrs. Joseph Ricketson, 2d, of New Bedford, kindly remembered us with a donation of about 50 valuable volumes from the library of her deceased husband.

Last summer a large, handsomely bound volume was presented our Library by Sanford H. Dudley, Attorney-at-Law, in Boston. This was the "Life of Thomas Dudley, Second Governor of Massachusetts." Being a descendant of this governor of colonial fame, Mr. Dudley wrote he presented the book "as a token of good will toward the town" with "kindly remembrance of some of the town's people living and departed." All these gifts, and the interest and thoughtfulness that prompted the donors, are fully appreciated by the patrons of the libraries and by the Trustees, and they may be valuable also as an inspiration to others to "go and do likewise." We have sometimes received magazines and one or two books from friends. All favors gratefully accepted. Last fall we received from the Millicent Library, Fairhaven, 100 books, partly worn, and recently about fifty (50) more. These are a great help to us.

A larger, pleasanter place for our main library at Acushnet seems necessary to all concerned. What we really need is a *new Town Hall*, where the business of the town could be conducted more easily and comfortably; where the archives of the town could be kept with safety and dignity; where a warm convenient room for books and space for a reading table would tempt more of our citizens to visit the Library; and where a modern hall, suitable for lectures and entertainments, would meet a long felt want. We wish some of our public

spirited citizens would consider this suggestion, agitate it and then act upon it.

Your Trustees are glad to report a smaller deficit than before, and an addition of several valuable volumes new from the publishers. We earnestly appeal to the generosity of our town, both for donations of books and the appropriation of the "dog fund," which a majority of the towns in our state allow for the support of *Free Public Libraries*.

EMILY A. BROWNELL, *Secretary*.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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Deficit from last year,	\$5.95	
April 24. Paid Elsie Collins,	6.50	
26. Paid Florence Manter,	8.04	
July 1. Paid Elsie Collins	6.25	
1. Paid Florence Manter,	6.25	
Oct. 1. Paid Elsie Collins,	6.00	
1. Paid E. A. Brownell,	3.00	
1. Paid Florence Manter,	6.00	
Jan. 1. Paid Elsie Collins,	6.50	
1. Paid Florence Manter,	6.50	
Paid for 2 vols. "Life of Dewey,"	3.00	
Paid for 3 vols. "Life of Christ,"	6.50	
April 1, 1900. Paid Elsie Collins,	6.25	
Paid Florence Manter,	6.25	
		\$82.99
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Town appropriation,	\$75.00	
Fines,	5.55	
		\$80.55
Balance due April 1, 1900,		\$2.44

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE J. PARKER,  
EMILY A. BROWNELL,  
ANNA H. BRADFORD,

*Trustees of Board.*

## DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

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TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF ACUSHNET:

In accordance with your rules and regulations, I submit herewith the third annual report of the district superintendent for the year 1899.



WINTER TERM, 1899.  
JANUARY 2D TO MARCH 24TH.

TEACHERS.	Wages per month.	Whole No. enrolled.	Average membership.	Average daily attendance.	Per. cent attendance.	Cases of tardiness.	Cases of dismissal.
<i>Bisbee.</i> Elizabeth A. Haskins....	\$28.00	10	8.66	7.94	91.80	4	3
<i>Whelden.</i> Grace Deming .....	32.00	28	25.11	18.47	73.56	31	22
<i>Primary.</i> Marie S. Howard .....	38.00	36	33.05	26.47	80.10	9	0
<i>Grammar.</i> Lydia R. Hiller .....	40.00	30	27.37	25.18	91.99	39	22
<i>Perry Hill.</i> Mary E. Carey .....	36.00	27	25.18	17.60	69.94	38	7
<i>Long Plain.</i> Rose D. Lanphear, } Alice V. Bryant, }	40.00 28.00	35	33.02	28.91	87.55	97	11
TOTAL .....	\$242.00	166	152.39	124.57	81.74	218	65

SPRING TERM, 1899.  
APRIL 10TH TO JUNE 9TH.

TEACHERS.	Wages per month.	Whole No. enrolled.	Average membership.	Average daily attendance.	Per. cent attendance.	Cases of tardiness.	Cases of dismissal.
<i>Bisbee.</i> Elizabeth A. Haskins....	\$28.00	11	8.56	7.85	91.71	3	1
<i>Whelden.</i> Grace Deming .....	36.00	29	27.74	25.21	90.88	25	15
<i>Primary.</i> Marie S. Howard .....	38.00	38	27.40	25.11	91.64	7	0
<i>Grammar.</i> Lydia R. Hiller .....	40.00	27	26.04	24.30	93.32	25	18
<i>Perry Hill.</i> Mary E. Carey .....	36.00	26	24.89	22.64	90.96	21	5
<i>Long Plain.</i> Rose D. Lanphear, } Alice V. Bryant, }	40.00 28.00	32	31.72	29.30	92.37	84	17
TOTAL .....	\$246.00	163	146.35	134.41	91.84	165	56