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TOWN OFFICERS

Elected at the Annual Meeting held March 3rd, 1919.

Town Clerk, Treasurer and Collector of Taxes,
HENRY F. TABER.

Selectmen and Overseers of Poor for One Year,
ALDEN WHITE, FRED E. WELLINGTON,
JAMES O. DOUGLASS.

Assessor for Three Years,
BENJAMIN A. GILMORE.

School Committee,
WALTER E. TRIPP, for three years.

Member Board of Health,
FRED E. WELLINGTON, for three years.

Tree Warden for One Year,
ROBERT E. PARKER.

Trustee of Free Public Library for Three Years,
ANNIE A. SWIFT.

Auditor for One Year,
JOSEPH T. BROWNELL.

Constables for One Year.
CHARLES E. GIFFORD, ELZEAR LAPALME.

Surveyors of Lumber for One Year,
EDWARD W. ASHLEY, HENRY F. TABER,
BENJAMIN F. HOWE, ALBERT L. SNELL.

Cemetery Board for Three Years,
EUGENE WHITE.

Water Commissioner for Three Years,
THOMAS HERSOM, Jr.

Water Commissioner for Two Years,
MOISE BERARD.

Finance Committee,

ALDEN WHITE,	FRED E. WELLINGTON,
JAMES O. DOUGLASS,	FRANK P. CRANDON,
EBEN F. LEONARD,	WILLIAM G. TABER,
WALTER E. TRIPP,	EDWARD L. MACOMBER,
WALTER F. DOUGLASS.	

HENRY F. TABER, Collector,

In account with the Town of Acushnet.

Dr.

To uncollected taxes of 1916,	\$1,207.18	
To uncollected taxes of 1917,	2,752.90	
To uncollected taxes of 1918,	7,659.10	
Town taxes,	45,387.41	
Extra assessments,	254.75	
Interest on taxes,	476.38	
	<hr/>	\$57,737.72

Cr.

By amount paid treasurer,	\$46,423.35	
Taxes remitted,	1,793.23	
Uncollected taxes of 1917,	1,315.78	
Uncollected taxes of 1918,	2,715.49	
Uncollected taxes of 1919,	5,489.87	
	<hr/>	\$57,737.72

HENRY F. TABER, Treasurer,

In account with the Town of Acushnet.

Dr.

To balance in treasury,	\$8,219.29
Amounts received from State Treasurer:	
Public service,	307.85
Business,	3,435.47
Income tax,	370.00
Income,	3,070.00
National Bank tax,	284.37
Soldiers' exemption,	29.04
State aid,	288.00
School fund,	1,037.07
One-half Industrial school tuition,	259.20
One-half inspection of animals,	40.00
One-half Superintendent of Schools,	208.34
Income taxes,	773.00
For Highways,	2,000.00
On account of mothers of dependent children,	30.33
Merchants National Bank, 2 discounted notes,	5,901.25
New Bedford Institution for Savings,	25,000.00
Sunday licenses,	44.00
Slaughterhouse license,	1.00
Pool license,	16.00
Auctioneer's licenses,	4.00
Circus license,	1.00
City of New Bedford poor,	494.59
T. B. Geggatt, telephone tolls for 1919,	4.55
F. P. Crandon, telephone tolls for 1919,	19.45
John M. Vincent for 1917,	6.30
H. F. Taber, for 1919,	1.50
County Treasurer, killing 11 dogs,	11.00
N. E. Tel. & Tel Co., overcharge,	1.26
Bureau of Statistics, rebate,	20.00
Third District Court, balance of fines,	61.02
Henry Bartlett, use of roller,	18.00
Building drain, Middle street,	118.00
Department of Weights and Measures,	8.00
From Water Works,	4,203.66
Interest on deposits,	175.69
J. E. Borden, fees collected,	18.79

County Treasurer, dog fund,	405.05
From J. E. Chamberlain,	300.00
Town of Rochester, poor,	38.90
C. E. Gifford, telephone tolls,	3.51
H. F. Taber, collector of taxes,	46,423.35
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	\$103,651.83

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Amount paid for state tax,	\$4,070.00
Amount paid for state highway tax,	460.30
Amount paid for special state tax,	244.20
Amount paid for county tax,	2,243.33
Amount paid for poor,	3,568.83
Amount paid for state aid,	96.00
Amount paid for soldiers' relief,	48.00
Amount paid for incidentals,	1,354.64
Amount paid for notes and interest,	11,496.62
Amount paid for schools, superintendent's salary and high school tuition,	19,768.61
Amount paid for industrial school,	289.00
Amount paid for library,	401.40
Amount paid for highways,	7,368.53
Amount paid for board of health,	344.75
Amount paid for forest warden,	233.38
Amount paid for moth work,	228.30
Amount paid for weights and measures,	16.03
Amount paid for water works,	6,581.88
Amount paid for town officers,	3,077.55
Amount paid for street lights,	554.64
Amount paid for telephones,	246.91
Amount paid for town hall,	53.80
Amount paid for high school transportation,	783.65
Amount paid for new schoolhouse,	23,760.87
Amount paid for water, 1917,	270.65
Amount paid for water, 1918,	461.00
Amount paid for water, 1919,	461.00
Amount paid for state, county and town highways,	6,404.17
Amount paid for fire hose, etc.,	301.00
Balance in treasury,	8,462.79
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	\$103,651.83

HENRY F. TABER, Treas.

CEMETERY FUNDS.

Held in trust by the Town of Acushnet.

To principal Elizabeth Taber fund,	\$205.09	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	78.07	
	<hr/>	\$283.16
Paid A. T. Wilbur,		5.00
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Balance,		\$278.16
To principal of William D. Taber fund,	\$50.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	24.00	
	<hr/>	\$74.00
Paid A. T. Wilbur,		1.00
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Balance,		\$73.00
To principal of Pardon Taber fund,	\$75.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	19.29	
	<hr/>	\$94.29
Paid A. T. Wulbur,		2.00
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Balance,		\$92.29
To principal of Joseph Taber fund,	\$100.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	47.76	
	<hr/>	\$147.76
Paid R. P. Hammett and others,		4.50
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Balance,		\$143.26
To principal of Ellis Mendall fund,	\$100.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	42.73	
	<hr/>	\$142.73
Paid R. P. Hammett and others,		3.00
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Balance,		\$139.73

To principal of John B. Fowler fund,	\$200.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	84.85	
	<hr/>	\$284.85
Paid R. P. Hammett and others,		7.00
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Balance,		\$277.85
To principal of William Taber fund,	\$100.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	36.54	
	<hr/>	\$136.54
Paid R. P. Hammett and others,		2.50
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Balance,		\$134.04
To principal of Samuel Pierce fund,	\$150.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	56.63	
	<hr/>	\$206.63
Paid R. P. Hammett and others,		2.50
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Balance,		\$204.13
To principal of Mary S. Davis fund,	\$200.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	65.30	
	<hr/>	\$265.30
Paid R. P. Hammett and others,		2.75
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Balance,		\$262.55
To principal of John S. Perry fund,	\$100.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	6.82	
	<hr/>	\$106.82
Paid T. B. Geggatt,		3.50
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Balance,		\$103.32
To principal of Albert Morse fund,	\$100.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	12.71	
	<hr/>	\$112.71
Paid T. B. Geggatt,		3.50
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Balance,		\$109.21
To principal of James Cathell fund,	\$100.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	38.24	
	<hr/>	\$138.24
Paid R. P. Hammett and others,		2.75
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Balance,		\$135.49

To principal of Sylvester Pratt fund,	\$50.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	2.31	
	<hr/>	\$52.31
Paid R. P. Hammett and others,		2.31
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Balance,		\$50.00
To principal of James Hamlin fund,	\$200.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	46.00	
	<hr/>	\$246.00
Paid A. T. Wilbur,		3.00
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Balance,		\$243.00
To principal of George J. Parker fund,	\$100.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	16.40	
	<hr/>	\$116.40
Paid R. P. Hammett and others,		2.00
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Balance,		\$114.40
To principal of William and A. Omey fund,	\$100.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	12.60	
	<hr/>	\$112.60
Paid R. P. Hammett and others,		4.25
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Balance,		\$108.35
To principal of John and Lucy Parker fund,	\$100.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	10.40	
	<hr/>	\$110.40
Paid R. P. Hammett and others,		2.50
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Balance,		\$107.90
To principal of Edward Morse fund,	\$200.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	26.08	
	<hr/>	\$226.08
Paid R. P. Hammett and others,		4.50
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Balance,		\$221.58
To principal of B. White fund,	\$100.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	9.78	
	<hr/>	\$109.78
Paid R. P. Hammett and others,		2.75
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Balance,		\$107.03

To principal of B. White fund,	\$100.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	7.95	
	<hr/>	\$107.95
Paid R. P. Hammett and others,		2.50
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Balance,		\$105.45
To principal of Samuel B. Pierce fund,	\$150.00	
Interest on hand October, 1919,	8.58	
	<hr/>	\$158.58
Paid R. P. Hammett and others,		2.25
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Balance,		\$156.33
To principal of Samuel Cory, Jr. fund,	\$100.00	
Interest on hand April, 1919,		1.13
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Balance,		\$101.13
Cemetery addition, Long Plain,	\$85.22	
Interest to April, 1919,		1.35
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Balance,		\$86.57
H. H. Rogers fund,	\$817.41	
Interest to April, 1919,		18.38
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Balance,		\$835.79
Held in trust by Alden White,	\$309.00	
Interest to October, 1919,	14.06	
	<hr/>	\$323.06
Care of cemetery,		14.06
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Balance,		\$309.00
To principal of Sally Nye lot,	\$100.00	
Balance,		\$100.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

Births Registered in Acushnet in 1919.

Date.	Name of Child.	Name of Parents.
Jan. 3	Raymond Joseph Dionne	Walter, Izella
Jan. 4	Elizabeth Manchester	Philip, Bertha
Jan. 4	— Parker	Thomas, Mary
Jan. 9	Rita Dupuis	Albanie, Evelino
Jan. 13	Weronika Zofia Gryś	Jan, Maryanna
Jan. 16	Roger Samuel Gaumont	Bertrand, Josephine
Jan. 17	Doris May Braley	Edgar, Hattie
Jan. 21	Romeo Joseph Goodreau	David, Dora
Jan. 25	Rolande Levasseur	Elzear, Laura
Jan. 26	Alice Vinnissimo	Estanislaw, Mary
Jan. 30	Henri Wilde Leclerc	Alfred, Lucie
Feb. 11	Wladiptaw Zaneł	Susseff-Anna
Feb. 15	Dulcie Caesar Fernandes	Augustus, Alvira
Feb. 25	Illegitimate	
Feb. 27	Helen Gertrude Brown	Frank, Lucy
Feb. 27	Joseph Ludger Thibeault	Ludger, Emma
Mar. 2	Genouefa Zediozefouska	Elbert, Antonia
Mar. 10	Harold Jackson Crowther	William, Lillian
Mar. 15	James Farnsworth	Fred, Eliza
Mar. 16	Frederic T. Galligan	Thomas, Lucy
Mar. 20	Wictoria Kaszyk	William, Mary
Mar. 22	Alberto Costa	Alfred, Maria
Mar. 27	Charles Andrew Brightman	George, Carrie
April 13	Roger Russell Braley	Walton, Mae
April 17	— Morin	Emil, Emma
April 19	Marie Blanche Bourgeois	Albert, Georgianna
April 22	Stanislaw Starvony	Lawrence, Carolyn
April 28	Arthur Lewis De Prato	Leo, Julia
April 29	Emma Beauregard	John, Freida
May 8	Marie Rosanna Alice Trahan	Honorius, Concorde
May 17	Alton Daniel Wilcox	Daniel, Gertrude
May 23	Marie Rose Martin	Calxte, Rose
May 23	Roger Joseph George Belange.	John, Emelia
May 26	Theodore Andre George Diol	Andre, Oliveine
June 10	James Nepokimsa	Arthur, Anna
June 13	Raymond Nestall Babbitt	Raymond, Fannie
June 23	Keistut Gervickas	Aleks, Sophia
June 28	Illegitimate	
July 2	Ernest Albert Laliberte	Irene, Julia
July 13	Aurora Gertrude Sorelle	Donald, Clara
July 24	Walter Etchells Key	Walter, Mary
July 25	Joseph Ernest Leblanc	Theophile, Anna
July 25	— Souza	Frank, Christine

Births — Continued.

Date.	Name of Child.	Name of Parents.
Aug. 1	Janina Josephine Dabrowski	Joseph, Helen
Aug. 7	Velma Collins	Ira, Edna
Aug. 9	May Elizabeth Thoresz	Nick, Elizabeth
Aug. 17	Kenneth Elwin Reynolds	Everett, Nellie
Aug. 22	Eleanor Richmond Parker	Theron, Flora
Aug. 27	Marie Dorisse Lepage	Joseph, Victoria
Aug. 27	— Hagerstrom	Edward, Hannah
Aug. 31	Bertha Caroline Braman	Everett, Lila Belle
Sept. 10	George Houghton Klemm	Frederick, Mary
Sept. 13	Beatrice White Taber	Carl, Edith
Sept. 14	Peter Texeira	Dennis, Mariana
Sept. 18	Edwardo d'Oliveira	Manuel, Maria
Sept. 19	Eddy Follockz	Alex, Francis
Sept. 20	Joseph Felix Wilmire Mathurin	Simeon, Marguerite
Oct. 1	George Arthur D. St. Aubin	Joseph, Anna
Oct. 4	Caldek Gervickas	Alebes, Zopia
Oct. 9	Charles Ferrar	Manuel, Eva
Oct. 11	Gabeyela Tomkiewicz	Ladislav, Katrina
Oct. 22	Anna Pesnal	Paul, Agatha
Oct. 25	Howard Le Vernon Rose	Frank, Carrie
Nov. 1	Jozef Dziora	Jan, Katarzyna
Nov. 1	Nathaniel Talmadge	Frank, Lillian
Nov. 3	Gretchen Xavier	Anthony, Elice
Nov. 7	Eleanor Frances Hathaway	Adul, Ellen
Nov. 8	Wilfred Norman Potter	Alfred, Ida
Nov. 9	Joseph Ernest Clarence Lebadie	Treffe, Rose
Nov. 12	Albert Leger	Placide, Delino
Nov. 13	Norman Joseph George Auclair	Ephraim, Antonia
Nov. 13	Florence Bourgeois	Philias, Anna
Nov. 20	Edward McDonald	Stephen, Cecelia
Nov. 22	Raimund Janak	Jerome, Julia
Dec. 3	Stillborn	
Dec. 11	Sophie Battles	George, Mary
Dec. 12	Eva Gills	Peter, Mary
Dec. 19	Aurore Gaucher	Felix, Annie
Dec. 20	Stella Witkos	Walter, Mary
Dec. 24	Laura Gertrude St. Jean	August, Ida
Dec. 26	Baby Charest	Armand, Rose
Dec. 30	Mary Louise Lorraine Leblanc	Frank, Eva

Marriages Registered in Acushnet in 1919.

Date	Name of Bride and Groom.	Residence
Jan. 20	Lyman T. Vinto Susan D. Mayhew	Tisbury Tisbury
Jan. 29	Herbert C. Braley Viola L. Reed	Acushnet Acushnet
Feb. 18	Albinie Leblanc Anna Jaskolka	New Bedford New Bedford
Mar. 15	William Theophile Wood Eva Cardin	New Bedford Acushnet
April 6	James Henry Hall Beatrice Estelle Gifford	Acushnet Acushnet
April 12	Jarvis Counsell Jane Ainsworth	New Bedford New Bedford
April 21	Henry Martin Louise Deggree	Acushnet Acushnet
June 2	Manuel A. Torres Lillian Sorelle	New Bedford Acushnet
June 2	Ernest Wilder Chapin Helen Almy	Somerville Cambridge
June 16	Francois Coons, Jr. Jeanette Blier	Acushnet New Bedford
June 19	Percival L. Ashley Mary E. Kearnan	Acushnet Acushnet
June 23	Theophile Bourque Ida Roy	Acushnet New Bedford
June 28	Herbert M. Spooner Mertie Eleanor Peckham	New Bedford Acushnet
June 28	Alphonse Begnoche Elizabeth F. Petty	Westport Westport
June 30	Joseph Orlowsky Rosalie Maskiewicz	Acushnet New Bedford
July 12	Stephen Dugay Mary Surette	Monson Acushnet
July 14	Clarence M. Cory Bertha S. Lewis	Acushnet Fairhaven
July 21	Thomas Poirier Exilda Maloncon	Acushnet New Bedford

Marriages — Continued.

Date	Name of Bride and Groom.	Residence
Sept. 1	Anthony Braley Sylvia Meda Robinson Waugh	Acushnet New Bedford
Sept. 8	Omer Laperle Laura Fortin	Acushnet New Bedford
Sept. 15	Alfred Francis Nye Irene Bennett Douglass	Fairhaven Acushnet
Sept. 15	Thomas Edmund Sherman Josephine Kolasz	New Bedford New Bedford
Sept. 27	Manuel Terry Sylvia Sadie Enos	Acushnet Acushnet
Sept. 28	Consantinos Petros Malicourtis Helen Pantalio Papaivannon	Lowell Acushnet
Oct. 13	William J. Kobza Eleadea M. Provencher	Acushnet New Bedford
Oct. 23	Joseph Silva Virginia Silva	Chilmark Chilmark
Oct. 27	Ernest Bessette Clara Pineau	New Bedford Acushnet
Nov. 10	Napoleon Courtemanche, Jr. Blanche Dextraze	Acushnet New Bedford
Nov. 17	Pierre Pelletier Alma L. Cote	Westport Acushnet
Nov. 18	Antone J. Bettencourt Josephine Marshall	Acushnet Marion
Nov. 19	Earl D. Chase Rosalie Browning	New Bedford Acushnet
Nov. 27	John F. Silvia Mary Noyer	Fairhaven Acushnet
Nov. 27	Donat Joseph Audette Lauretta Dora Paradis	Acushnet New Bedford
Dec. 24	Herbert Franklin Lawrence Hope Leonard Darling	New Bedford Freetown
Dec. 27	Manuel Martins Evangelina Machardo	New Bedford Acushnet

Deaths Registered in Acushnet in 1919.

Date.	Name.	Age		Residence.
		Yrs.	Mos. Da.	
Jan. 3	Albert Breault	11	6	Acushnet
Jan. 17	Doris Mary Braley		1	Acushnet
Jan. 27	Wladislaw Antoniewicz	42		Acushnet
Jan. 4	Yvonne Choquette	3	9 23	Acushnet
Feb. 3	J. Henri Dion	9	0 10	Acushnet
Feb. 15	Charles D. Reynolds	88	10 23	Acushnet
Feb. 17	Emma B. Bumpus	36	8 3	Acushnet
Mar. 5	Fanny Ellsworth Babbitt	73		New Bedford
Mar. 6	Henry Texeira	1	4	Acushnet
Mar. 16	Helen M. Bealey	87	2 5	Acushnet
Mar. 25	Grace S. McCarthy	30	10 12	New Bedford
Mar. 25	Benjamin T. Cundell	85	2 18	Acushnet
Mar. 28	James J. Fanning	74	5	Acushnet
Mar. 15	Romeo Bouchard	17	8 17	Acushnet
Mar. 16	Robert Wolfenden	53	5 10	Acushnet
May 1	Annie A. Swift	70	11 23	Acushnet
May 4	Cora Tomlinson Buffington	54		Taunton
May 6	Frank Szinkowski	32	0 21	Acushnet
May 9	John E. Mellor	76	9 27	Acushnet
May 31	John T. Richardson	83	5 4	New Bedford
June 6	Joseph C. Forbes	52	7 20	Acushnet
June 17	Jerome P. Tripp	83	1 26	Acushnet
June 22	Annie C. Tripp	51	11 27	New Bedford
June 30	James A. Peckham	77	5 12	Acushnet
July 4	Charles J. Perry	71	1 4	Acushnet
July 5	Joao Domingo	36		New Bedford
July 5	James Nash	45		Acushnet
July 9	Henrietta Gray	85	11 11	New Bedford
July 16	Isabelle A. Lewis	31	11 5	Acushnet
July 28	Nellie C. Nicholson	33	7 1	Wareham
Sept. 16	Amelia Andrews	51	5 25	Taunton
Sept. 25	Mary A. G. Delano	89	0 10	New Bedford
Oct. 21	William Degree	75	2 4	Acushnet
Oct. 23	Anna Presnal		1	Acushnet
Oct. 25	Joseph Sears	59		Acushnet
Oct. 31	Winifred Gill	16	10 27	Acushnet
Nov. 6	Leonora Francis		3 24	Acushnet

Deaths — Continued.

Date.	Name.	Age			Residence.
		Yrs.	Mos.	Da.	
Nov. 7	Lillian F. Holmes	57			New Bedford
Nov. 23	Edward Green Tallman	74	6	21	Fairhaven
Dec. 1	Lucienne Gaudette	1	9	29	Acushnet
Dec. 3	Stillborn				Acushnet
Dec. 5	Jeanette Gadbois	3	9		Acushnet
Dec. 21	Alice Tomlinson	59	2	8	Acushnet
Dec. 19	Aurore Gaucher			1	Acushnet

Hunters' Licenses.

One hundred thirtyeight resident- hunters' certificates of registration were issued in 1909.

Twelve resident fishermen's certificates of registration were issued in 1919.

Dogs.

Number of dogs licensed in 1919: 222 males, 28 females.
 Paid County Treasurer, \$534.00
 Returned by County Treasurer, \$405.05

HENRY F. TABER,
 Town Clerk.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Poor Account.

Paid for supplies,	\$1,772.41
Paid for rent,	184.95
Paid cash,	482.00
Paid for board,	354.00
Paid for hospital,	168.07
Paid for clothing,	67.09
Paid for medical attendance,	35.35
Paid for wood,	320.57
Paid for milk,	95.84
Paid for eggs,	10.80
Paid for miscellaneous,	77.75
	<hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$3,568.83

Incidental Account.

George T. Parker, moderator,	\$10.00
The Pratt Co., signs,	5.13
Traffic Sign Co., signs,	2.37
D. Guillotte,	1.70
C. S. Ashley & Sons, treasurer's bond,	15.00
H. F. Taber,	6.00
A. W. Brownell, printing,	3.09
Chas. Mitchell, school plans,	350.00
A. F. Harding, labor,	3.00
The Davol Printing Co.,	10.70
Hobbs & Warren, forms,	25.50
Anna L. Smith, transfer records,	15.00
A. White, plans,	8.00
G. A. Cobb, town pump,	9.17
Paul & Dixon, insurance,	114.50
F. E. Wellington, stamps, etc.,	16.02
U. S. Cole, Memorial day,	15.00

C. F. Wing Co.,	44.20
F. E. Wellington, miscellaneous items,	3.60
Bureau of Statistics,	4.00
Henry B. Worth, legal advice,	25.00
John T. McKay, reward,	50.00
Auto Publishing List,	5.00
E. L. Macomber,	3.95
Sullivan & Crocker, tax book,	6.50
U. S. Cole, watching fire,	3.00
Carter Ink Co.,	.21
Williams Law Book Co., voting booths,	66.00
R. P. Hammett, labor,	1.00
F. S. Brightman, stationery,	2.80
John M. Vincent, Com. vs. Studley,	4.86
Saul Guilbault, Com. vs. Manville,	1.88
Elzear Lapalme,	5.10
W. A. Greenough, directory,	6.50
E. L. Macomber, killing three dogs,	3.00
Henry Bartlett, Com. vs. Frates,	6.48
C. E. Gifford, Com. vs. Frates,	6.04
Library Bureau,	1.15
E. Papalme, killing three dogs,	3.00
Alden White, surveying,	30.00
F. E. Wellington, surveying,	6.00
W. C. Vaughan, death returns,	2.25
Frank P. Crandon, stationery,	8.50
R. E. Parker, surveying,	16.00
F. E. Wellington,	18.30
Alden White,	3.00
J. P. Bradford and others, birth returns,	19.00
E. L. Macomber, Com vs. Morse,	8.55
E. L. Macomber, repairs,	3.00
E. L. Macomber, town warrants,	43.00
H. F. Taber,	4.75
C. E. Gifford, killing seven dogs,	7.00
N. B. Printing Co.,	149.25
E. Anthony & Sons,	22.34
A. R. Hambly, stamped envelopes,	58.40
Perry, Jenney & Potter,	32.00
A. P. R. Gilmore, teller,	21.00
C. E. Beals, teller,	13.00
E. W. Ashley, teller,	25.00
W. F. Douglass, telephoning,	.85

\$1,354.64

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

During 1919 there have been tested and sealed, etc., the following:

- 3 platform scales over 5,000 lbs.
- 18 platform scales under 5,000 lbs.
- 5 spring scales.
- 2 beam balances.
- 19 spring scales.
- 7 computing platform scales.
- 95 weights.
- 34 liquid measures.
- 6 automatic pumps.
- 2 molasses pumps.
- 3 yard sticks.

Condemned:

- 2 computing platform scales.
- 3 weights.

Non-sealed:

- 1 platform scale over 5,000 lbs.
 - 3 platform scales under 5,000 lbs.
 - 1 counter scale.
- Inspected 10 stores.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. BORDEN,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Financial Report.

Paid W. & L. E. Gurley,	\$1.03
Paid for transportation,	15.00
	<hr/> \$16.03

MOTH INSPECTION.

Paid Samuel Cabot, supplies,	\$8.30
Paid George W. Loxton, labor,	5.50
Paid Albert J. Parker, labor,	57.00
Paid R. H. Ashley, labor,	57.00
Paid R. E. Parker, labor,	66.50
Paid A. P. R. Gilmore, labor,	34.00
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	\$228.30

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

I have inspected this year 128 barns, 592 cows, 19 bulls, 181 young cattle, 1 pair of oxen and 216 pigs.

No cows were quarantined this year. Barns were in good condition.

Respectfully submitted,

F. O. TRIPP,
Inspector of Animals.

NOTES AND INTEREST.

Paid Merchants National Bank, 2 notes,	\$5,901.25	
Paid New Bedford Institution for Savings,	3,000.00	
Paid C. D. Parker & Co.,	1,100.00	
	<hr/>	\$10,001.25
Paid Merchants National Bank,	\$111.25	
Paid New Bedford Institution for Savings,	1,155.49	
Paid C. D. Parker & Co.,	95.63	
Paid Charlestown Savings Bank,	85.00	
Paid Elizabeth H. Brayton,	48.00	
	<hr/>	1,495.37
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		\$11,496.62

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

To the Citizens of the Town of Acushnet:

The Board of Health respectfully submits the following report for the year 1919:

Immediately following the annual election the Board organized as follows:

Joel P. Bradford, M. D., chairman, term expires, 1921.

Fred E. Wellington, secretary and agent, term expires, 1922.

Henry D. Pierce, term expires 1920.

There have been 19 cases of contagious diseases reported to the Board as follows:

Influenza,	1
Diphtheria,	7
Measles,	2
Tuberculosis,	6
Scarlet fever,	3

Of the 41 reported deaths, 13 were under five years of age.

Albert S. Jenney was reappointed inspector of slaughtering for the year 1919, and was approved by the state, and has done his work in a satisfactory manner.

The usual number of complaints and nuisances have been adjusted without serious difficulty.

JOEL P. BRADFORD, M. D.,

FRED E. WELLINGTON,

HENRY D. PIERCE,

Board of Health.

Financial Report.

Paid H. C. Toupin,	\$35.10
Paid New Bedford Printing Co.,	1.50
Paid F. E. Wellington,	17.00
Paid A. H. Mandell,	6.00
Paid J. O. Douglass,	1.75
Paid Albert S. Jenney,	234.40
	\$295.75

Town Hall.

Paid A. Pate, stock and labor,	37.90
Paid N. B. Gas Co., light,	4.50
Paid Estate G A. Cobb, supplies,	9.00
Paid A. Laliberte, labor,	2.40
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	53.80

INSPECTION OF MEAT.

Paid A. S. Jenney,	\$234.40
Condemned:	
Swine,	1
Veal,	6
Beef,	8
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Total,	15

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT S. JENNEY,
Inspector.

Valuation of Town, April 1, 1919.

Personal property,	\$385,866.00
Buildings,	702,270.00
Land,	674,635.00
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Total,	\$1,376,905.00
Rate of taxation,	\$25.00
Number of assessed polls,	659
Number of assessed horses,	228
Number of assessed cows,	638
Number of assessed neat cattle,	118
Number of swine,	195
Number of dwellings,	552
Number of acres of land assessed,	11,451
Number of fowl,	8,190
Value of fowl,	\$8,190.00
Number of registered voters,	

Appropriations for 1919.

Schools, salary of superintendent, transportation and High school tuition,	\$18,500.00
Poor,	2,500.00
Incidentals, including salaries, street lights and telephones,	4,360.00
Highways and bridges,	6,000.00
Free Public Library,	400.00
Notes and interest,	4,000.00
Moths,	250.00
Board of Health,	300.00
Forest warden,	200.00
Industrial school tuition,	300.00
For highways with state and county,	2,000.00
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	\$38,810.00

The Town Owns Property as follows:

School houses and lots,	\$50,000.00
Town house and lot,	6,500.00
Crusher plant,	1,000.00
Library books and fixtures,	1,000.00
Safes,	350.00
Gravel lots,	200.00
Roller house and lot,	1,000.00
Steam roller,	1,100.00
Watering cart,	200.00
Pump and scales,	250.00
School books and supplies,	200.00
School barges,	100.00
Forest fire apparatus and building,	1,000.00
Road scraper,	250.00
Portable school house,	3,200.00
Tar heater and sweeper,	400.00
Isolation hospital and lot,	500.00
Fire hose, etc.,	300.00
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	\$67,550.00

The Present Town Debt.

1 highway note No. 77, due Dec. 15, 1920, at 4%,	\$600.00
8 bridge notes of \$500 each, due April 15, 1920 to 1927, at $4\frac{1}{4}\%$,	4,000.00
4 drainage notes of \$500 each due Sept. 10, 1920, to 1923, at 5%,	2,000.00
27 water works notes of \$500 each, due June 1, 1920 to 1946, at 4%,	13,500.00
3 water works notes of \$1,000 each, due Aug. 1, 1920, to 1922, at $4\frac{1}{2}\%$,	3,000.00
2 highway notes (concrete road) of \$1,000 each, due Sept. 1, 1920 to 1921, at $4\frac{1}{2}\%$,	2,000.00
4 portable school house notes of \$500 each, due Jan. 1, 1921 to 1924, at 5%,	2,000.00
25 Middle street school notes of \$1,250 each, due July 1, 1920 to 1939, at $4\frac{3}{4}\%$,	25,000.00
	<hr/> \$52,100.00
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Interest due 1920 on present town debt,	\$2,346.50
Amount of notes due 1920,	\$5,850.00

The Guide Boards in town are in good condition.

TOWN HIGHWAY ACCOUNT.

Labor:

Paid A. H. Burke,	\$609.93	
Paid H. F. Perry,	201.97	
Paid Erroll Perry,	211.67	
Paid John F. Smith,	224.67	
Paid G. A. Soule, Jr.,	418.54	
Paid W. E. Jenkins,	287.69	
Paid E. W. Ashley,	258.73	
Paid Arthur Harding,	80.50	
Paid H. B. Parent,	30.00	
Paid P. E. Macomber,	58.34	
Paid George Haskell,	15.75	
Paid A. St. Jean,	20.50	
Paid E. Bennett,	15.00	
Paid F. E. Wellington,	3.50	
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		\$2,436.79

Teaming:

Paid C. P. Cottle,	\$714.50	
Paid J. A. Budd,	515.83	
Paid M. J. Fagundi,	235.99	
Paid P. P. Parent,	167.75	
Paid Levi Hawes,	48.00	
Paid T. J. Brownell,	29.26	
Paid Frank Taber,	9.00	
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		1,720.33

Sand and Gravel:

Paid W. I. Shockley,	\$12.00	
Paid H. F. Taber,	9.62	
Paid Mitchee Manakowski,	.60	
Paid C. W. Ellis,	3.50	
Paid Harry Sherman,	7.02	
Paid Joseph Sitarz,	4.70	
Paid A. L. Dillingham,	.38	
Paid E. F. Leonard,	1.13	
Paid W. A. White,	30.29	
Paid Errol Tinkham,	1.25	
Paid J. M. Vincent,	4.00	
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		74.49

Fuel:

Paid Akin, Denison Co., coal,	\$165.25	
Paid R. E. Parker, wood,	4.00	
Paid Gardner Taber, wood,	4.00	
Paid H. F. Taber, wood,	3.00	
Paid H. A. Jackson, wood,	12.00	
	<hr/>	188.25

Supplies:

A. E. Wordell,	\$33.65	
Babbitt Steam Co.,	30.80	
J. A. Lawrence,	5.00	
New England Road Machinery Co.,	20.43	
Cape Cod Sand Co.,	1.53	
Rounseville Bros.,	1.00	
Geo. S. Cobb,	26.45	
H. B. Parker & Son,	1.65	
A. F. Lawrence,	2.15	
A. R. Hambly,	.85	
Carl E. Taber,	2.85	
J. E. Borden,	1.40	
Acushnet Saw Mill Co.,	5.61	
J. F. Dabrowski,	.66	
	<hr/>	134.03

Paisler & Willis, cement pipe,	\$45.90	
Blue Stone Quarry,	1,541.29	
Valvoline Oil Co.,	3.30	
N. B. Gas Co., road oil,	728.45	
N. B. Printing Co.,	3.75	
E. H. Wefer, insurance,	93.94	
F. O. Tripp, trucking,	31.50	
P. Bragdon, inspecting boilers,	10.00	
D. Guillotte, repairs,	6.95	
L. Reynolds, repairs,	1.50	
F. E. Wellington, supervision,	100.00	
	<hr/>	2,566.58

Miscellaneous supplies,	\$23.39	
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Cost of State, County and Town Highway.

Paid Blue Stone Quarry, stone,	\$2,934.52	
Paid Sullivan Construction Co., stone,	550.77	
Paid Schlais Bros., stone,	55.00	
Paid J. T. Brownell, stone,	34.80	
Paid The Barrett Co., Tarvia,	1,217.40	
Paid Akin, Denison Co., coal,	44.61	
Paid H. F. Taber, sand,	47.00	
Paid A. H. Wordell, lanterns,	8.00	
Paid Louis Baude, oil,	2.85	
Paid J. W. Laycock, oil,	.95	
Paid Merle Ames, care of light,	3.00	
Paid T. Hersom & Co., soda,	.75	
Paid A. H. Burke, labor,	216.01	
Paid H. F. Perry, labor,	108.94	
Paid Errol Perry, labor,	110.25	
Paid John F. Smith, labor,	71.50	
Paid G. A. Soule, Jr., labor,	153.13	
Paid W. E. Jenkins, labor,	139.63	
Paid E. W. Ashley, labor,	128.13	
Paid George Haskell, labor,	19.30	
Paid A. F. Harding, labor,	11.38	
Paid Peter Parent, teaming,	265.25	
Paid C. P. Cottle, teaming,	231.00	
Paid F. E. Wellington, supervision,	50.00	
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		6,404.17

Paid for Stone.

Paid Manuel J. Fagundi,	\$64.78	
Paid Manuel Oliver,	67.97	
Paid W. A. White,	44.71	
Paid J. A. Budd,	6.70	
Paid C. P. Cottle,	1.35	
Paid Henry Bartlett,	24.86	
Paid C. E. Gifford,	14.30	
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		224.67

Total cost of town highways,	<hr/>	\$7,368.53
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The following has been spent on different streets:

Main Street,	\$2,544.00
Quaker Street,	410.00
Nye Lane,	55.00
Slocum Street,	130.00
Middle Street,	2,750.00
Perry Street,	210.00
Peckham Street,	190.00
Hamlin Street,	75.00
Wing Street,	115.28
John Street,	15.00
Hope Street,	52.00
Gammons Street,	120.00
Garfield Street,	230.00
Peckham Street,	23.48
Farewell Street,	75.00
Jean Street,	143.00
River Street,	17.50
Boylston Street,	131.02
Westland Street,	82.25

7,368.53

6,404.17

\$13,772.70

Appropriations:

General Highways,	\$6,000.00
Main Street,	2,000.00
From State,	2,000.00
Due from County,	2,000.00
Received for building drain,	118.00
Received from Henry Bartlett, use of roller,	18.00
Appropriations, special town meeting,	725.00
Transferred to Highway Account:	
Interest on taxes,	476.38
Interest on deposits,	175.69
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	13,513.07
Overdrawn,	<hr/>
	\$259.63

FRED E. WELLINGTON,
ALDEN WHITE,
JAMES O. DOUGLASS,
Selectmen of Acushnet.

ACUSHNET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Library Report for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1919.

Books taken out, Jan. 1, 1919, to Dec. 31, 1919,	11,561
Average per day,	84
New books added,	218
New card holders,	175
Receipts.	
Fines and cards lost,	\$31.17
Expenses.	
Books, postage, express and sundries,	27.67
Balance,	\$3.50

We have greatly to regret the death of Mrs. Clement Swift, Librarian and Trustee for the past several years. The work of the Library has progressed as usual. There is a large increase in the circulation of books. The reading of this year's report and last year's, will show almost a double circulation, which means many new card holders. Such a large increase necessarily demands an increase in the appropriation.

Books have been donated by Misses Katherine Hersom, Eva Major, Susan Geary, Mr. William Pate and others.

RUTH W. GURNEY,
Librarian.

Long Plain Branch Library.

Report from Jan. 1, to Sept. 30, 1919.

Books taken out,	1,015
Receipts.	
Fines,	\$2.90

MRS. HENRY F. PERRY,
Librarian.

Report from Oct. 1, to Dec. 31, 1919.

Books taken out,	50
MINERVA BROWN,	
Librarian.	

Our library seem each year to be of greater interest to its patrons, who are enjoying now a greater variety of books and magazines than ever before. Like many others at this time, we feel the stir of increased activities all around us, the changed conditions that follow, especially with regard to wages. The library is now open three afternoons in the week, and we have a much larger number of books than ever before. Both facts increase the work of a librarian, and at her wish the trustees are giving her a larger salary. When the hours given to the public are over, an hour or two more must be spent in necessary duties before the books are replaced, the room made orderly, and closed, etc.

In the death of our former librarian we lost a valuable leader. Mrs. Swift was deeply interested in the work, and with her knowledge of books and current literature, her suggestions, especially to the young, were helpful and appreciated. Away from the library she spent much time and thought, considering its needs, and planning improvements.

After a period the trustees were fortunate in securing the services of Miss Ruth Gurney as librarian, and she is faithful, obliging, and likes the position.

We were again fortunate in gaining Miss Elsie Collins as a third trustee. Some years ago she was librarian for this library, remaining until she left to take a similar position in the New Bedford branch library. With such experience, she is well fitted to select books and magazines for the library, one of the pleasant duties for a trustee. As the population increases, the number of books will be larger in our library, and in some calmer, brighter year, we hope for a larger, and thus more convenient room or rooms for patrons and books.

Respectfully submitted,

EMILY A. BROWNELL,

Trustee.

Financial Report of Public Library.

Dr.		
Town appropriation,		\$400.00
Balance from 1918,		7.29
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		\$407.29
Cr.		
H. S. Hutchinson,	\$63.29	
Frank Coons,	10.50	
Annie A. Swift,	25.00	
Ruth A. Gurney,	87.50	
Mrs. H. F. Perry,	18.75	
Mrs. Brown,	6.25	
Spiller & Braley,	1.25	
Library Bureau,	5.23	
National Geographical Society,	2.50	
Harper & Bros.,	12.00	
G. W. Loxton,	10.50	
Herman Goldberger,	60.05	
John Heys,	15.50	
DeWolf & Fiske,	78.08	
Munn & Co.,	5.00	
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Balance,		<hr/>
		\$5.89

Salaries of Town Officers.

Fred E. Wellington, chairman selectmen,	75.00
James O. Douglass, selectman,	50.00
Alden White, selectman,	37.50
Frank P. Crandon, chairman assessors,	305.00
Benjamin A. Gilmore, assessor,	210.00
William G. Taber, assessor,	163.00
Walter E. Tripp, chairman school committee,	50.00
Edward L. Macomber, school committee,	50.00
Walter F. Douglass, school committee,	40.00
Fred E. Wellington, chairman overseers of poor,	50.00
James O. Douglass, overseer of poor,	25.00
Alden White, overseer of poor,	18.75
Joel P. Bradford, chairman board of health,	35.00
Fred E. Wellington,	50.00
Henry D. Pierce,	10.00
Fred O. Tripp, inspector of animals,	85.00
Robert E. Parker, tree warden,	5.00
Joseph T. Brownell, auditor,	5.00
J. E. Borden, sealer of weights and measures,	50.00
Henry F. Taber, town clerk,	94.10
Henry F. Taber, treasurer,	384.04
Henry F. Taber, collector,	803.97
Charles E. Gifford, constable,	198.76
Henry Bartlett, constable,	132.93
Elzear Lapalme, constable,	51.50
Edward L. Macomber, constable,	86.00
John M. Vincent, constable Jan. and Feb., 1917,	12.00
	\$3,077.55

REPORT OF FOREST WARDEN.

Supplies :

Hiller's Tire Shop,	\$58.00
Robertson Motor Car Co.,	9.43
Julian R. Weigel,	6.25
T. B. Geggatt,	42.40
Giles Tobey Co.,	51.05

\$167.13

Joshua Geggatt, attending fires and care of truck,	\$32.95
Others fighting fires,	20.50
H. F. Taber, posting notices,	5.00
H. F. Taber, forest warden,	5.00

63.45

\$230.58

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY F. TABER,
Forest Warden.

Street Lights.

Paid N. B. Gas & Electric Light Co.,	\$554.64
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Telephones.

Paid N. E. Telegraph and Telephone Co.,	\$246.91
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Cost of Town Telephones.

	Cost of 'Phones.	Cost of Tolls.
Chairman of Selectmen	\$25.82	\$5.80
Chairman of School Committee,	20.96	6.60
Chairman of Assessors,	13.98	24.70
Town Clerk,	25.31	2.55
C. E. Gifford,	19.43	6.70
E. Lapalme,	32.38	1.76
J. Geggatt,	14.24	6.65
Town Hall,	20.92	1.11
Henry Bartlett, 3 months,	6.90	3.35
E. L. Macomber, 3 months,	5.68	2.07
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Total cost,	\$185.62	\$61.29
Received for tolls,		\$246.91
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Net cost,		\$215.11

**Bills Paid on Approval of Chairman of Building Committee
for Middle Street School Building, to Feb. 1, 1920.**

The Globe Newspaper Co.,	\$27.60
Wm. H. McLane, architect,	1,348.52
E. Anthony & Sons,	7.43
Bureau of Statistics,	40.00
George S. Cobb,	7.00
O. H. Toothaker,	26.78
Walter A. White,	800.00
James H. Murphy, contractor,	16,426.56
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.,	150.22
Dolbear & Co.,	503.66
E. P. Hirst,	1,165.95
A. J. Sequaria,	14.50
J. O. Douglass,	3.00
A. J. Silvia,	225.00
Paul & Dixon,	566.40
George J. Allen,	2,200.00
J. A. Budd,	10.00
W. E. Jenkins, janitor,	138.25
Elliott, Marchette & Co.,	100.00
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	\$23,760.87

HONOR ROLL OF ACUSHNET SERVICE MEN.

Ashley, Clifford H.	Laperle, Omer
Ashley, Frederic E.	Leblanc, Edgar
Ashley, Rawson H.	Loxton, George W.
Beals, Brayton	Macomber, Oscar D.
Beals, Rufus W.	Martin Fred
Bettencourt, Joseph J.	Martin, George
Bettencourt, Jose	Martin, George
*Blain, Adrian	Marvin, Antone
*Blain, Henry	Maud, Lawrence C.
Blanchette, Charles L.	Meunier, Ulderich
Blackburn, William	Murphy, Peter F.
Boisvert, Joseph A.	Papaioanon, George P.
Bowman, Leo	Paquette, George F.
Breault, Hermilde	Paquette, Harvey
Breault, Sylvester	Parker, Albert J.
*Burt, Mason W.	Pate, Alexander, Jr.
Cardin, Henry N.	Pate, Charles
Chartier, Victor	Pemberton, F. Russell
Chartier, Wilfred	Perry, Errol C.
Colombe, Emile	Pineau, Amede
Contois, Stanley	Proulx, Arthur
Cory, Clarence M.	Provencal, Edward
Cory, Earle T.	Provencal, Sam
Costa, Joseph M.	Riendeau, Jerry J.
Crandon, Albert S.	Roberts, Hormidas
Crandon, Charles H.	Rogers, Edward
Dansereau, Joseph	St. Aubin, Donat
*Douglass, Walter E.	St. Aubin, Louis
Duteau, Wilfred	Sylvia, Anthony B.
Ellis, George H.	Sylvia, John
Gentilhomme, Emile M.	Taber, Elliott R.
Gilmore, Benjamin A.	Taber, Henry C.
Guilbeault, Alfred	Taber, Mason M.

Guilbeault, Arthur
 Hammond, Herbert
 Hebert, Edmund
 Hebert, Henry
 Hewitt, Wilfrid P.
 Jackson, Henry W.
 Jackson, Howard O.
 Jackson, Leo T.
 Jolicoeur, Henry
 King, Felix
 Kobza, William
 Labonte, Ovila

Tootle, Richard E.
 Tootle, Robert
 Tripp, John H.
 Tripp, Leslie A.
 Tripp, Theodore A.
 Washburn, Charles H.
 Wexler, Paul,
 Whitney, Raymond E.
 Wilkinson, Harold N.
 Wilkinson, Malcolm
 Yanak, John A.

*Gave his life.

REPORT OF ACUSHNET WATER COMMISSIONERS.

To the Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Your Board of Water Commissioners beg to submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1919:

In number of services installed this has been our best year, as the new services doubled those of 1918. This increase in services and the rapid growth in dwellings in this center makes the need of greater extensions the more apparent. Owing to the water supply more houses are in process of construction; and it is needed both for sanitation and fire protection.

In answer to an imperative demand and a chance to buy at advantage, your Board bought one car load of main pipe to be laid in the spring.

We still feel more than ever the need of water in the poorly drained districts east of South Main Street.

We now have 129 services in use, 18 have been installed this year. 197 feet of new mains was laid on Nye Street.

T. HERSOM, Jr.,
 JOEL P. BRADFORD,
 MOISE BERARD,
 Acushnet Water Commissioners.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

Receipts.

Balance brought forward,	\$1,403.28
Services,	700.43
Metered water tax,	2,897.92
Meter rent,	108.50
Hydrant rent,	475.00
Meter repairs,	15.01
Service repairs,	6.80
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	\$5,606.94
Inventory,	2,421.67
Bills receivable,	116.44

Expenditures.

Maintenance,	\$334.85
Express, cartage, etc.,	113.71
Meters,	202.97
Extensions:	
(A) Mains,	189.90
(B) Service,	506.90
Equipment,	1,703.96
Water Tax of New Bedford,	2,429.78
Repairs,	49.81
Paid on bonds,	500.00
Interest on bonds,	550.00
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	\$6,581.88

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Tax Collector, Treasurer, Selectmen, Schools, Water Board, Highway Account, and all trust funds held by the town, for the financial year ending Dec. 31, 1919, and find them correct.

JOSEPH T. BROWNELL, Auditor.

SCHOOL REPORT

1919

TOWN OF ACUSHNET

School Committee.

WALTER F. DOUGLASS,	Term expires 1920
EDWARD L. MACOMBER,	Term expires 1921
WALTER E. TRIPP,	Term expires 1922

WALTER E. TRIPP, Chairman.

CHARLES F. PRIOR, Superintendent.

Telephone at home in Fairhaven, 3499-W

Telephone at office in Fairhaven Town Hall, 3891.

Voted in Committee on Jan. 31, 1919 to accept the Report of the Superintendent and approve it as the Report of the Committee.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To the School Committee of Acushnet:—

Herewith is submitted my seventh annual report as Superintendent of schools.

My period of service during the current year extends from May first. Permit me at this time to express to the committee my appreciation of the opportunity granted me to engage in welfare work over seas. Without the aid of the joint committee of the district, it would have been impossible to have done so. The fact that I felt in a sense your representative over there gave added zeal to my efforts.

ATTENDANCE.

The average membership during the year ending June 1919 was 482; the average attendance 440, and the percent of attendance 91. This was a good record taking into consideration the "flu" epidemic. The present actual enrollment, including 15 pupils in Fairhaven High School and 15 in New Bedford is 603. There are sixty more pupils than at the same time last year:

FINANCES.

Following is the financial statement for the year:—

GENERAL EXPENDITURES.

Acushnet School Department, Jan. 1, 1919 to Dec. 31, 1919.

General Control.

Superintendent's salary,	\$427.09	
Office clerk,	86.61	
Attendance officer,	40.25	
School census,	65.00	
Other office expenses,	16.33	
	<hr/>	\$635.28

Instruction.		
Teacher's Salaries,	\$9,171.72	
Text books,	401.25	
Supplies,	483.70	
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Operation and Maintenance.		
Janitor's salaries,	\$1,296.65	
Fuel,	958.86	
Building supplies,	92.68	
Repairs,	148.37	
New Equipment	226.20	
	<hr/>	2,722.76
Other Agencies.		
High school transportation,	\$783.65	
Transportation,	3,334.35	
Health,	75.00	
Tuition,	2,050.00	
	<hr/>	6,243.00
Miscellaneous,	110.90	
	<hr/>	110.90
Total,		<hr/> \$19,768.61

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation,	\$18,500.00
Mass. State School Fund,	1,037.07
State on Account of Supt.,	208.34
County Dog Tax,	405.05
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Total,	\$20,150.46
Expenditures,	19,768.61
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Balance from regular appropriation,	381.85
New State School Fund,	3,010.23
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Total balance 1919,	\$3,392.08

There are always some bills not paid because not rendered and other held up for re-adjustment. No bills are purposely carried over this year nor have they been in any year since 1912. In 1917 two bills aggregating slightly over \$400. were carried forward because not approved as rendered.

The estimates for 1920 are as follows:

	1920	1919
General Control,	\$700.00	\$635.28
Instruction,	14,550.00	10,056.67
Operation and Maintenance,	4,350.00	2,722.76
High School Transportation,	800.00	783.65
Grade Transportation,	2,500.00	3,334.35
Health,	75.00	75.00
High School Tuition,	2,050.00	2,050.00
Miscellaneous,	175.00	110.90
	<hr/> \$25,200.00	<hr/> \$19,768.61

With the amount on hand and receipts from the several funds; the above can be met with the same appropriation as last year, viz., \$18,500.

BUILDINGS.

The pupils of Parting Ways were distributed on the date of this report in the nine rooms available as follows:

Grade	Number of Pupils
1 (Two Divisions)	81
2	62
3 (Two Divisions)	93
1-3 (Portable)	51
4	44
4 & 5	45
5 (Town Hall)	37
6 (Portable)	41
7 & 8	56
Total,	<hr/> 510

Eighty-one pupils in grade one and ninety-three in grade three are in attendance on the half session plan. Grade three has had this experience for over two years. A total of 174 are receiving one-half the schooling required by law. In four other rooms the enrollment is over fifty—too high to do even fairly good work and also above the legal limit. These have been the conditions at Parting Ways since September. The new building on Middle road is now completed and ready for occupancy. It is the plan of the school

committee to discontinue the barges driven by Messrs. Vincent and Gifford. The children on these, and other children north of the post office, are to attend the new school. The Perry Hill barge will convey its children also there instead of to Parting Ways. The enrollment there will then be approximately 120. This will fill three rooms. It will leave at Parting Ways school 390 pupils, an average of about 43 per room. Because children cannot be distributed irrespective of grade, two rooms will still be so crowded as to require the half session plan. It is proposed, therefore, to run a barge from the Fairhaven line to Slocum street, transporting the children in this section and a few from the lower end of Slocum street to the new building. The enrollment here will then total about 150 pupils. The grades at Parting Ways will then be as follows:

Grade I	39 Pupils
Grade I	39 Pupils (Portable)
Grade II	52 Pupils
Grade III	46 Pupils
Grade III	46 Pupils
Grade IV	42 Pupils
Grade V	46 Pupils (Town Hall)
Grades VI-VII	37 Pupils (Portable)
Grades VII-VIII	31 Pupils

A casual survey of the building in progress in the vicinity of Parting Ways convinces one that a further increase in school population is assured for next year. Provision should be made at once to meet it. It ought never to happen again that Acushnet allows so large a percentage of its children only half their school privileges. This is unfair to the children and seriously affects the future welfare of the community. The problem of school accommodations should be faced by the town and met in a business-like way.

In view of the fact that the town continues to grow in the vicinity of Parting Ways and especially toward the Fairhaven line it is obvious that a new building should be erected in this neighborhood. An investigation of the sites available for a school building indicates only one good one, viz., a lot on the Gardiner estate. This is slightly over one-half a mile by actual measurement from Slocum road, and about the same distance from Fairhaven line. It will serve to accommodate the children from both directions without

giving them an undue distance to walk. I hope that the article in the warrant authorizing the purchase of this land as a site for a school building will be adopted.

A petition to the legislature of 1920 for permission to borrow money outside the debt limit has been entered. It will probably be granted. I believe strongly that the town should appropriate the money this year to erect a four-room building on this lot. Two of these rooms will undoubtedly be needed next year and the others a year later. It is economically better to erect a four-room building than a two-room building.

The only way in which the town can anticipate the increase in enrollment next year without erecting a new building will be by partitioning off the hall in the new school and transporting there from the vicinity of Parting Ways fifty or sixty pupils. The transportation alone would cost approximately \$2,000. It is not a sound proposition to transport so many children from so near their natural school center.

With the erection of the building on Fairhaven road and the use of the new building on Middle Road it may be possible to do away with transportation except at the Long Plain school. In the opinion of your superintendent the erection of these two buildings will solve the problem for two or three years, a result sought for by various parties in Acushnet—the difference in opinion between them being principally as to which building should be erected first.

TEACHERS.

Nine teachers have resigned since the last report. This is over sixty-five per cent. of the whole corps. Your superintendent has been trying for six weeks to secure four teachers for the new building and two to fill positions vacated at Parting Ways. Up to the time this report goes to press he is still short one teacher. There is almost no response at present to offers based on salaries paid in Acushnet. Practically every town in Massachusetts is now paying at least \$850 per year. In the middle of the year all teachers of merit are in positions. It is obvious that the same salary will not attract them to Acushnet. It seems probable now that the new building can open by March 1st or slightly earlier. What are the prospects of securing teachers for next year? It is practically certain that with one or two exceptions every teacher in the corps will leave

us if the present schedule is continued. These positions can probably be filled next summer by beginners. This will be disadvantageous to the schools but will keep expenditures down. It is for the voters at their annual meeting to determine whether they wish this to be done. I recommend that the salary be raised to a maximum of \$1,000 per year. It will then bear about the same relation to the salaries in the other towns of this superintendency district that it does now. The maximum in these will be \$1,200.

The present situation in regard to teachers admits of no comparison with the past. For three years the supply has decreased. This year the Normal schools have twenty-five per cent. less enrollment than last. The high wages paid in the mills to girls who are not even graduates of grammar schools, has naturally lessened the number who go to Normal. During the war many positions ordinarily filled by men were filled by women who are being continued. There is little incentive for a young woman to spend four years in high school and two or three in Normal if she is to receive no more than the girl in the mill or in the telephone office without such training, nor will she take up teaching while better paying positions are available in other lines. The only way in which young women can be won back to teaching is by payment of higher salaries. The shortage in teachers is nation wide. The crisis in the schools is real. Unless communities awaken quickly to it the deterioration of your schools will be rapid. If Acushnet is compelled to replace its present corps with beginners it is a certainty that less experience and therefore less efficiency will be the result.

NEW GENERAL SCHOOL FUND.

A law passed by the last legislature established a General School Fund from the redistribution of the income tax. Provision is made thereby for the subsidizing of education by the state to the end that educational opportunities may be more nearly equalized. Every town and city receives annually from this fund \$100, for teachers, with specified training and experience, employed at a salary of \$650; \$150 for each teacher employed at a salary of \$750; and \$200 for each teacher employed for \$850. In addition to these sums, towns with a valuation of \$4,500 per pupil or less receive supplementary aid. The less the valuation per pupil

the greater the aid. Acushnet's valuation is about \$4,000.

On November 15th, Acushnet received from the state under the provision of the above law \$3,010. The money is paid into the general treasury and must be appropriated to the schools before so used. At a special town meeting it was so appropriated. The amount has not been included in the receipts for the current school year. The purpose of the committee in securing its appropriation was to make sure that it had sufficient funds to increase salaries from \$760 to \$850 per year on January first. Next year, owing to increases in salaries, the town will receive \$3,500 from the state. With the balance on hand, this will enable a further raise in September without increasing the amount for schools from taxation.

Under the new school laws not only must this New School Fund be voted to the schools before being used, but also what the town receives from the old Massachusetts State School Fund, hitherto automatically credited to that department. Articles should therefore be inserted in the warrant asking for the appropriation of the Massachusetts School Fund and the New General School Fund for school purposes. Both are designed to equalize school opportunities and the proposition to use them for this purpose is not debatable.

MARIE S. HOWARD SCHOOL.

By unanimous vote of the Selectmen and the School Committee, the new school has been named the Marie S. Howard school. This tribute of respect to a teacher who has served the town efficiently and long is eminently deserved. For nearly fifty years with a fidelity and devotion unexcelled she has continued in the same position. Fully 1,500 children have received their first training from her. Into the life of each something of herself has gone. Chafing somewhat over conditions unfavorable to good work, nevertheless, she goes about her task with a determination to give the best possible to the children. Many teachers would have been content with superficial results in recent years when the enrollment has become large. Many teachers would have left the system. Not so with Miss Howard. She has re-doubled her effort; she is still at work with unabated zeal and will continue as long as health and the law permit. The Committee join sincerely with the

community in congratulating her upon the honor paid, and is glad to present a bouquet to the living.

NEW SCHOOL LAWS.

The educational legislation of 1919 included several laws far reaching in effect. The establishment of the General School Fund to equalize educational opportunities has been mentioned. Another important enactment raised the educational standard set for pupils who may leave school. Completion of the sixth grade by the child instead of the fourth is now required. This will increase the enrollment in Acushnet.

Making normal progress a child finishes the eighth grade at fourteen or earlier. Those compelled to remain in school for two additional years, are with occasional exceptions, retarded pupils. Many of them will profit little by the work of the ordinary grade. A different type of instruction is demanded. There are many other pupils who should have special attention. The retention of children in school to meet the legal standard necessary to be employed emphasized the need of special classes. There is a new law requiring that these be formed when the retardation is as much as three years. It reads as follows:

"The school committee of each city and town shall, within one year after the passage of this act, and annually thereafter, ascertain, under regulations prescribed by the board of education and the director of the commission on mental diseases, the number of children three years or more retarded in mental development who are in attendance upon the public schools of its city or town, or who are of school age and reside therein.

"At the beginning of the school year of nineteen hundred and twenty, the school committee of each city and town in which there are ten or more children three years or more so retarded shall establish special classes to give such children instruction adapted to their mental attainments, under regulations prescribed by the board of education."

It is probable that the tests mentioned will reveal more than ten pupils in your schools to whom the law applies and that a special class will be necessary next year.

CLOSING.

In this, as in other Acushnet reports for many years, appeal has been made for only the barest essentials of a school system. Practically nothing has been said on any topics except need of buildings and of adequate salaries for teachers. These problems have not been met. In the meantime in most towns in the state means have been found to broaden and enrich the school life of children beyond the mere book subjects. Courses in domestic science and manual training have been introduced. The question of health supervision has been given consideration, and medical inspection by the physician and school nurse has been secured. Systematic physical training has been started. Many small towns have organized evening schools for the better training of adult alien citizens in American citizenship. Junior high schools have been initiated. None of these things have been done in Acushnet. All or a part of these changes have been made in the school work of every other town in the superintendency union of which Acushnet is a member. Your superintendent has not advocated them here because it was hoped by narrowness of appeal to secure the ordinary necessities. Acushnet is financially not so well able to educate its children as fully as the other towns, but it needs to be remembered, on the other hand, that the town of the future will suffer if it does not have in its citizenship more men and women who have profited by broader and better educational opportunities than it is now offering. Some will deny that these are necessary. It is clear, however, to most thoughtful people that comparison of what is being given with that of the past is useless. We are living in a new age. The boys and girls of today need the facilities of a modern school system to fit them for the future. I hope the citizens of the town will insist upon a program which will not only provide good housing and teaching for the children, but also enable a gradual growth in the breadth of educational opportunities offered.

The aftermath of the war is here. Many great problems are before America. The beginning of their solution is now. Their ultimate settlement is of the future. The result lies in the physical, mental and moral qualities of coming generations. These depend upon the efficiency of the

institutions charged with the development of clear thinking and clean living. The work of the home, and the school will determine the safety and permanence of our government. The true patriot is giving more attention and support to these than ever before. The theoretical importance of education in a republic is obvious and is always recognized. Practical recognition of its claims is often evaded. Theory and practice should become partners.

I wish to express to the Committee my appreciation of the kindnesses shown me and the support given to efforts to advance the interests of the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. PRIOR.

PRESENT CORPS OF TEACHERS.

Parting Ways School.

Frederic W. Hayford, 5 Years of Teaching.	Principal, Grade 8,	Milbridge (Me.) High School Washington Normal School (Me.) *Bates College (Summer Course)
Nora H. Leary, 1 Year of Teaching.	Grades 7-8,	Newburyport High School Salem Normal School
Mrs. Ava R. Schaffer, 16 Years of Teaching.	Grade 6,	Manchester (N. H.) High School *Hyannis Normal *University Extension *Plymouth (N. H.) Normal
Mrs. Bessie P. Willcott, 6 Years of Teaching.	Grade 5,	Partridge Academy *Scituate Training School *North Adams Normal School
Kathryn Campbell, 6 Years of Teaching.	Grades 4-5,	Hingham High School Bridgewater Normal
Marguerite F. Sullivan, 1 Year of Teaching.	Grade 4,	Lowell High School Lowell Normal School
Ruth V. Thyng, First Year of Teaching.	Grade 3,	B. M. C. Durfee High School Bridgewater Normal
Mildred S. Frank, 6 Years of Teaching.	Grade 2,	New Bedford High School Bridgewater Normal
Marie S. Howard, 43 Years of Teaching.	Grade 1,	New Bedford High School *Professional Study with Miss Ottiwel
Doris C. Eddy, 2 Years of Teaching.	Grades 1-3,	Oak Bluffs High School Bridgewater Normal
Gladys L. Butterrick,	Assistant,	Hillsboro High School Keene Normal School

Long Plain School.

Ruth P. Forbes, 3 Years of Teaching.	Grades 1-4,	Bridgewater Normal School
Eugenie E. Beach, First Year of Teaching.	Grades 5-8,	Salem Normal School
Anna B. Trowbridge,	Supervisor of Music.	

*Attended but did not graduate.

CALENDAR.

1920.

Monday, December 29,	Schools re-open for Winter term
Monday, Feb. 23,	Holiday, Washington's Birthday
Friday, March 19,	Schools close
Monday, March 29,	Schools re-open
Monday, April 19,	Holiday, Patriot's Day
Monday, May 31,	Holiday, day following Memorial Day
Friday, June 11	Schools close for summer vacation
Tuesday, Sept. 7,	Schools re-open
Tuesday, Oct. 12,	Holiday, Columbus Day
Wednesday, Nov. 24,	Schools close, Thanksgiving recess
Monday, Nov. 29,	Schools re-open
Friday, December 17,	Schools close

1921.

Monday, Jan. 3,	Schools re-open
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**Tabulated Grades, Teachers, Attendance, Etc.
SCHOOL YEAR. September, 1918—June, 1919.**

SCHOOLS	Grades	TEACHERS	Whole number enrolled	Average membership	Average daily attendance	Per cent. attendance	Total days absence	Cases of tardiness	No. of weeks in year
Parting Ways	1	Marie S. Howard . . .	87	62.3	56.3	90.3	834.	16	32
Parting Ways	1-3	Linea A. Hoerstedt . .	49	33.2	29.2	87.9	644.5	9	
Parting Ways	2	Marian E. Coleman . .	74	59.6	54.0	90.6	885.	46	
Parting Ways	3	Florence O'Connor . .	78	63.8	58.4	91.5	879.	25	
Parting Ways	4	Beatrice Dean	56	46.0	41.0	89.1	752.5	76	
Parting Ways	4 & 5	Kathryn Campbell . . .	53	41.8	39.1	93.4	411.5	14	
Parting Ways	5	Clara K. Bowers	49	37.6	33.7	89.6	636.	34	
Parting Ways	6	Ava R. Schaffer	52	38.1	35.0	92.1	418.	30	
Parting Ways	7 & 8	Frederic Hayford . . .	45	34.5	32.4	93.9	304.	13	
Long Plain	1-4	Doris C. Eddy	56	41.2	38.6	93.6	2051.	114	
Long Plain	5-8	Gladys J. Tabor	31	24.0	22.7	94.5	1330.	217	
TOTALS,			630	482.1	440.4	91.1	18954.5	588	32

DETAILED EXPENDITURES.

Superintendent.		
Chas. F. Prior,	\$315.99	
Oliver H. Toothaker,	111.10	
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Office Clerk.		
Madge K. Westgate,	\$86.61	
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Attendance Officer.		
Saul Guilbeault,	\$40.25	
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School Census.		
Oliver H. Toothaker,	\$65.00	
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Miscellaneous.		
Oliver H. Toothaker,	\$8.46	
Charles F. Prior,	4.35	
Wright & Potter,	1.02	
Margaret Porter,	1.50	
Sylvia Almy,	1.00	
	<hr/>	16.33
Transportation.		
Charles E. Gifford,	\$358.00	
Mr. Beaudé,	16.68	
John Vincent,	352.00	
A. Gladu,	760.00	
Charles D. Bennett,	792.00	
Mr. St. Jean	168.00	
John W. Laycock,	220.00	
Melvin O. Bradford,	495.00	
Union Street Railway,	37.50	
Bay State Street Railway,	135.17	
	<hr/>	3,334.35
New Equipment.		
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins,	\$226.20	
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Supplies.		
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	\$288.85	
Fairhaven Star,	11.59	
C. E. Doner,	16.29	

J. L. Hammett,	132.13	
Russell Sage Foundation,	1.10	
Houghton, Mifflin Co.,	25.74	
Massachusetts Child Labor Committee,	8.00	
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		483.70

Teachers' Salaries.

Kathryn Campbell,	\$711.10	
Eugenie E. Beach,	304.00	
Doris C. Eddy,	693.06	
Ruth Forbes,	304.00	
Mildred Frank,	320.00	
Frederic W. Hayford,	1,168.64	
Marie S. Howard,	716.00	
Nora H. Leary,	320.00	
Margaret Sullivan,	320.00	
Ruth Thyng,	304.00	
Anna B. Trowbridge,	180.72	
Bessie P. Willcott,	530.40	
Mrs. Ava R. Schaffer,	716.00	
Beatrice Dean,	388.80	
Linea Hoerstedt,	396.00	
Marian Coleman,	363.60	
Mrs. Florence O'Connor,	438.00	
Gladys J. Taber,	382.00	
Clara K. Bowers,	374.40	
Sybil K. Leonard,	18.00	
Mildred Brink,	41.40	
Caroline J. Starr,	21.60	
Gladys L. Buttrick,	160.00	
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		9,171.72

Books.

Edward E. Babb & Co.,	\$24.70	
The Macmillan Co.,	109.60	
Little, Brown & Co.,	38.80	
Ginn & Co.,	27.72	
The American Book Co.,	53.82	
Benj. H. Sanborn & Co.,	8.38	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	106.73	
D. C. Heath & Co.,	24.02	
Milton, Bradley Co.,	5.19	
D. Appleton & Co.,	2.29	
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		401.25

Fuel.

Gardner W. Taber,	\$7.32
H. E. Lincoln, agent,	347.45
F. L. Borden,	14.62
Pine Hill Farm,	8.00
W. F. Douglass,	21.38
A. St. Jean,	4.16
Myron Douglass,	6.00
E. S. Whiting, Jr., agent,	518.43
Annie L. Hartley,	31.50

 958.86
Miscellaneous.

New Bedford Gas & Edison Lt. Co.	\$14.00
A. F. Lawrence,	4.32
West Disinfecting Co.	8.75
F. J. Moriarty,	49.90
H. I. Dallman,	10.71
J. Alfred Fredette,	5.00

 92.68
Repairs.

L. E. Simmons,	\$5.00
A. T. Wilbur,	9.20
Earnest Haworth & Co.,	4.55
D. Guillote,	10.90
N. P. Hayes,	13.24
Arthur C. Smith,	1.90
E. P. Hirst,	76.51
P. P. Jenney & Son,	2.40
Briggs & Beckman,	10.30
George A. Cobb,	12.62
Wood Brightman Co.,	1.75

 148.37
Health.

J. Frank Weeks, M. D.,	\$75.00
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 75.00
Janitors' Salaries.

Frank Coons,	\$239.50
Frank Crandon,	313.00
John Heys,	284.00
George W. Loxton,	407.15
John Guerin,	43.00
D. Brown,	10.00

 1,296.65

Sundries.

Browne Pharmacy,	\$.99
Mrs. Chas. F. Prior,	33.33
E. Anthony & Sons,	8.78
Mercury Publishing Co.,	4.98
Sullivan & Crocker,	6.25
Gardiner & Milliken,	15.00
George A. Cobb,	3.03
Acushnet Water Works,	11.00
J. F. Dabronski,	1.11
Charles F. Wing Co.,	2.40
Shady Lane Farm,	5.00
Adams Express,	.53
West Disinfecting Co.,	18.50
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	110.90

High School Transportation.

Charles E. Gifford,	\$17.70
Henry A. Jackson,	99.30
Alfred Cory,	16.50
H. E. Taber,	16.10
William G. Taber,	50.40
John R. Linden,	32.60
Alfred Guilbeault,	16.70
A. P. R. Gilmore,	50.40
James H. Hathaway,	53.40
Mrs. Houston,	8.25
Edmund A. Lambert,	16.60
Edward L. Macomber,	46.20
Walter White,	8.80
Mrs. Ida Morse,	91.20
Leo O. Tripp,	43.20
Wilfred Fortin,	17.10
C. P. Ames,	8.80
Harry B. Parker,	45.00
E. P. Noyer,	60.20
Mr. Perry,	31.80
James H. Hathaway,	53.40
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	783.65

High School Tuition.

City of New Bedford,	\$1,075.00
Fairhaven High School,	975.00
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	2,050.00
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Total expenditures,	\$19,768.61



