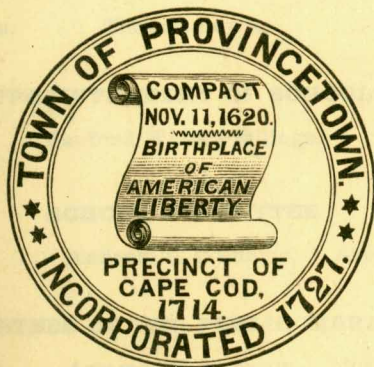


TOWN RECORDS  
AND  
REPORTS  
OF THE  
TOWN OFFICERS  
AND COMMITTEES  
OF  
PROVINCETOWN, MASS.,  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1892.



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# TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN.

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## OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1892.

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### TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER.

Seth Smith.

### SELECTMEN.

Marshall L. Adams,

James A. Small,

Thomas Lewis.

### ASSESSORS.

James A. Small,

Thomas Lewis,

Marshall L. Adams.

### OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Marshall L. Adams,

Thomas Lewis,

James A. Small.

### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Sanford Waters Billings.

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

\*Henry Shortle,

Andrew T. Williams,

Artemas P. Hannum.

### TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

James H. Hopkins,

Artemas P. Hannum,

Moses N. Gifford,

Andrew T. Williams,

George H. Holmes,

Fred'k. A. H. Gifford,

A. Louis Putnam,

Robt. D. Baxter,

Edwin N. Paine.

**TAX COLLECTOR.**

John N. Swift.

**ROAD COMMISSIONERS.**

Frank Chase, Prince I. Freeman, Charles L. Young.

**CONSTABLES.**Joseph P. Bickers, J. Harvey Dearborn, Reuben O. Kelley.  
Robert M. Lavender, Alexander Livingston.**BOARD OF HEALTH**

Bangs A. Lewis, William S. Birge, Reuben O. Kelley.

**AUDITOR.**

George F. Miller.

**FENCE VIEWERS.**

J. Harvey Dearborn, Jerome S. Smith, Isaiah Turner.

**BEACH GRASS COMMITTEE.**

Gideon Bowley, James C. Dunham, Zenas W. Crocker.

**SURVEYORS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER.**

Newell C. Brooks, Daniel F. Lewis, John G. Whitcomb.

**FIELD DRIVER.**

Zephaniah Rich.

**POUND KEEPER.**

Thomas E. Carr.

**MONUMENT COMMITTEE.**

Samuel Knowles.

**WATER COMMISSIONERS.**

Lysander N. Paine, A. Louis Putnam, John D. Adams.

**PARK COMMISSIONERS.**

Joseph A. West, Alpheus W. Young, Joshua Cook.

**CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.**

Joseph Whitcomb, Moses N. Gifford, Frederick A. H. Gifford.

**APPOINTMENTS BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN.****BOARD OF REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.**Michael Bradshaw, Heman S Cook, George Allen,  
Seth Smith.**ENGINEERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.**John D. Hilliard, George O. Knowles, John G. Whitcomb,  
George H. Holmes, James H. Barnett.**KEEPER OF THE LOCKUP.**

Nathaniel W. Ayers.

**JANITOR OF TOWN HALL.**

Nathaniel W. Ayers.

**NIGHT WATCH AND POLICE.**Jesse Ghen, Reuben O. Kelley, Charles A. Cook,  
William Powe, Hugh McFadyen, Josiah G. Whorf,  
Alexander Livingstone, George H. Lewis.

**SPECIAL POLICE.**

Timothy T. Chase,

John L. Martin,

John W. Beaty.

**SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.**

Seth Smith.

**INSPECTOR OF MILK.**

Seth Smith.

**PROVINCETOWN TOWN RECORDS.**

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 1892.

ANNUAL MEETING, FEBRUARY 8, 1892.

WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

BARNSTABLE, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown,

GREETING:—

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the Town Hall on Monday, the eighth day of February next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, for the following purposes, to wit:

FIRST. To choose a Moderator.

SECOND. To hear and act upon the reports of town officers and committees.

THIRD. To accept the list of Jurors as revised by the Selectmen and posted according to law.

FOURTH. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of the taxes the current year, agreeably to Sec. 20 of the By-Laws of the town.

FIFTH. To choose the following town officers by ballot, viz.:

A Town Clerk and Treasurer for one year.

One Selectman and Assessor for three years.

One Overseer of the Poor for three years.

One member of School Committee for three years.

Three Trustees of the Public Library for three years.

One Road Commissioner for one year.

One Road Commissioner for two years.

One Road Commissioner for three years.

A Collector of Taxes for one year.

Five Constables for one year.

Three members of Board of Health for one year.

An Auditor for one year.

Three Fence Viewers for one year.  
 Three members of Beach Grass Committee for one year.  
 Three Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber for one year.  
 One Field Driver for one year.  
 One Pound Keeper for one year.  
 One Monument Committee for one year.

Also to vote "Yes or No" in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" All on one ballot. The polls will open at eleven o'clock A. M.

SIXTH. To see if the town will place a reservoir or tubular well for fire purposes at or near the junction of Pleasant and Franklin Streets.

SEVENTH. To see if the town will cause that part of Conant Street lying north of Bradford Street and intersecting therewith, to be properly graded and hardened.

EIGHTH. To see if the town will cause the road laid out by its Selectmen over the lands of Thomas and Heman Sparks and accepted at the annual meeting held February 9th, 1891, to be graded and hardened and appropriate money for the same.

NINTH. To see if the town will accept the provisions of Chapter 276 of the Acts and Resolves of the year 1889, authorizing the town to supply itself and its inhabitants with water, and will pass the votes requisite and appropriate moneys necessary to attain the introduction of water.

TENTH. To see if the town will accept the provisions of Chapter 264 of the Acts and Resolves of the year 1890 relating to public cemeteries, or will act upon the report of any committee hitherto appointed to consider such statute.

ELEVENTH. To see if the town will accept the provisions of Chapter 154 of the Acts and Resolves of the year 1882 and the amendments thereof, authorizing the laying out of public parks.

TWELFTH. To see if the town will act upon the report of any committee hitherto appointed to report upon additional accommodations for the public schools, authorize the construction of a new public schoolhouse in Provincetown, appropriate the moneys necessary, and appoint a committee to carry out its votes, or will take any action to provide additional accommodations or buildings for the public schools, or authorize the loan of moneys for any of the purposes aforesaid.

THIRTEENTH. To see if the town will cause to be built an earth sidewalk four feet wide, six inches high, with suitable curbing, commencing at the junction of Bradford and Ryder Streets, running easterly to Charles B. Snow's block and appropriate the money for the same.

FOURTEENTH. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to establish and maintain Street Lights in the following localities and appropriate money for the same, viz.: One on Bradford Street near

the premises of Frank A. Days, one on Law Street, near the residence of Edwin W. Smith, one on Montello Street, near the residence of Mary Gonsalves, one at the corner of Nickerson and Tremont Streets.

FIFTEENTH. To see if the town will raise and appropriate one hundred dollars for the due observance of the next Memorial Day the same to be expended under the direction of J. C. Freeman Post, Grand Army of the Republic.

SIXTEENTH. To appropriate such sums of money as may be required to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting one attested printed copy thereof at each of the following places, to wit, Stores of A. G. Small, Andrew T. Williams, John Brown, Central Wharf Company, John Adams, George O. Knowles, R. B. Dyer, H. & S. Cook & Co. and Joseph Francis, also at the Post Office in said town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Selectmen or Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two.

MARSHALL L. ADAMS,  
 JAMES A. SMALL,  
 THOMAS LEWIS,

Selectmen of Provincetown.

A true and attested copy,

ROBERT M. LAVENDER,  
 Constable for the town of Provincetown.

In pursuance of the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown, qualified to vote as the law directs, met in the Town Hall, in said town, on Monday, February the 8, 1892, and was called to order by Seth Smith, Town Clerk. M. L. Adams, Selectman, read the warrant calling said meeting and the return thereon of the officers who served the same.

The Clerk then appointed as tellers: M. L. Adams, Thomas Lewis, Joseph S. Atwood, and administered to them the oath of office.

The first article was then taken up,—"To choose a Moderator." James A. Small was duly elected, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 2. To hear and act upon the reports of town officers and committees.

The reports of the town officers and committees were accepted, excepting that part of the Engineers' report relating to a Central Fire Station and Electric Alarm which was referred to the following committee: A. P. Hannum, J. D. Hilliard, M. L. Adams, to report at a special meeting.

The report of the Special Committee on School Accommodations, page 74 printed report of 1891, was accepted.

The report of the Special Committee on Articles 3 and 7 of the warrant of April 4, 1891, page 75 printed report, accepted.

ART. 3. To take action on the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

Voted, to accept the list as revised.

ART. 4. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of taxes the current year, agreeable to Sec. 20 of the By-Laws of the town.

Voted, that the Selectmen be so instructed.

ART. 5. To choose the following town officers by ballot, viz.: a Town Clerk and Treasurer for one year, one Selectman and Assessor for three years, one Overseer of the Poor for three years, one member of the School Committee for three years, three Trustees of the Public Library for three years, one Road Commissioner for one year, one Road Commissioner for two years, one Road Commissioner for three years, a Collector of Taxes for one year, five Constables for one year, three members of the Board of Health for one year, an Auditor for one year, three Fence Viewers for one year, three members of Beach Grass Committee for one year, three Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber for one year, one Field Driver for one year, one Pound Keeper for one year, one Monument Committee for one year. Also to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question "Shall licenses be granted for the the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" All on one ballot. The polls will open at eleven o'clock, A. M.

The Moderator appointed as tellers: Joseph S. Atwood, Freeman A. Smith, Marshall L. Adams, and George W. Holbrook, and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, that the polls be closed at three o'clock P. M.

The polls were then declared open for the reception of votes, and were kept open until three o'clock P. M.

At the close of the polls the Moderator, James A. Small, Tellers M. L. Adams and George W. Holbrook, proceeded to canvass the votes given in and the whole number was four hundred and forty-five (445) and were for the following town officers:

TOWN CLERK FOR ONE YEAR.		Votes.
Seth Smith . . . . .		338
SELECTMAN AND ASSESSOR FOR THREE YEARS.		
Thomas Lewis . . . . .		293
James A. Reed . . . . .		150
OVERSEER OF THE POOR FOR THREE YEARS.		
Thomas Lewis . . . . .		260
James A. Reed . . . . .		142
SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS.		
Henry Shortle . . . . .		248
James H. Hopkins . . . . .		167
J. H. Dyer . . . . .		1
TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR THREE YEARS.		
Fred. A. H. Gifford . . . . .		328
George H. Holmes . . . . .		322
Andrew T. Williams . . . . .		338
Scattering . . . . .		2
ROAD COMMISSIONERS.		
Frank Chase (3 years) . . . . .		213
Alexander Gayland (3 years) . . . . .		207
Prince I. Freeman (2 years) . . . . .		210
James Rich (2 years) . . . . .		139
Charles L. Young (1 year) . . . . .		206
John M. Graham (1 year) . . . . .		148
COLLECTOR OF TAXES FOR ONE YEAR.		
John N. Swift . . . . .		350
CONSTABLES FOR ONE YEAR.		
J. Harvey Dearborn . . . . .		331
Joseph P. Bickers . . . . .		330
Robert M. Lavender . . . . .		322
Alexander Livingstone . . . . .		314
Reuben O. Kelley . . . . .		288
James M. Burke . . . . .		84
Scattering . . . . .		6

## BOARD OF HEALTH FOR ONE YEAR.

Bangs A. Lewis	328
*William M. Moore	323
*Nathan Young	320
Scattering	4
*Resigned.	

## AUDITOR FOR ONE YEAR.

George F. Miller	322
Scattering	3

## FENCE VIEWERS FOR ONE YEAR.

Jerome S. Smith	301
J. Harvey Dearborn	297
Isaiah Turner	294

## BEACH GRASS COMMITTEE FOR ONE YEAR.

Gideon Bowley	297
Zenas W. Crocker	288
James C. Dunham	292

## SURVEYORS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER FOR ONE YEAR.

*George Allen	308
Daniel F. Lewis	306
Newell C. Brooks	300
*Resigned.	

## FIELD DRIVER FOR ONE YEAR.

Zephaniah Rich	305
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## POUND KEEPER FOR ONE YEAR.

Thomas E. Carr	280
Scattering	4

## MONUMENT COMMITTEE FOR ONE YEAR.

Samuel Knowles	322
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In answer to the question "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town," the whole number of votes was 305.

No	235
Yes	70

Voted, that this meeting now adjourn to 9 o'clock A. M. Feb. 9, 1892. Meeting met according to adjournment.

ART. 6. To see if the town will place a reservoir or tubular well for fire purposes at or near the junction of Pleasant and Franklin Streets.

Voted, that article six be laid on the table until article ninth has been acted upon.

ART. 7. To see if the town will cause that part of Conant Street lying north of Bradford Street and intersecting therewith to be properly graded and hardened.

Voted, that \$175.00 be raised and appropriated for the grading and hardening, the same to be sold at public auction.

ART. 8. To see if the town will cause the road laid out by its Selectmen over the land of Thomas and Heman Sparks and accepted at the annual meeting held February 9, 1891, to be graded and hardened and appropriate money for the same.

Voted, that \$175.00 be raised and appropriated and the working of the road be done the same as Conant Street.

ART. 9. To see if the town will accept the provisions of Chapter 276 of the Acts and Resolves of the year 1889, authorizing the town to supply itself and its inhabitants with water and will pass the votes requisite and appropriate the moneys necessary to attain the introduction of water.

Voted, that Chapter 276 of the Acts and Resolves of the year 1889, authorizing the town to supply itself and its inhabitants with water be accepted and the vote taken by a ye and nay ballot. Whole number of votes, 218. Yea, 156; nay, 62.

ART. 10. To see if the town will accept the provisions of Chapter 264 of the Acts and Resolves of the year 1890 relating to public cemeteries, or will act upon the report of any committee hitherto appointed to consider such statute.

Article 10 indefinitely postponed, the subject matter of said article having been already adopted by the acceptance of the committees report, see page 75 printed report 1891.

ART. 11. To see if the town will accept the provisions of Chapter 154 of the Acts and Resolves of the year 1882 and the amendments thereof authorizing the laying out of public parks.

It was so voted.

ART. 12. To see if the town will act upon the report of any committee hitherto appointed to report upon additional accommodations for the public schools, authorize the construction of a new public schoolhouse in Provincetown, appropriate the moneys necessary, and appoint a committee to carry out its vote, or will take any action to provide additional accommodations or buildings for the public schools, or authorize the loan of moneys for any of the purposes aforesaid.

Voted, that the Moderator appoint a committee of five to carry into effect the subject matter of article 12 of the warrant. James H. Hopkins, Moses N. Gifford, Henry Shortle, Thomas Lewis, and Andrew T. Williams appointed.

ART. 13. To see if the town will cause to be built an earth sidewalk four feet wide, six inches high with suitable curbing commencing at the junction of Bradford and Ryder Streets running easterly to Charles B. Snow's block and appropriate money for the same.

It was so voted and the Road Commissioners instructed to build the same.

ART. 14. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to establish and maintain street lights in the following localities and appropriate money for the same, viz.: One on Bradford Street, near the residence of Frank A. Days, one on Law Street, near the residence of Edwin W. Smith, one on Montello Street, near the residence of Mary Gonsalves, one at the corner of Nickerson and Tremont Streets.

Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to establish the lights.

ART. 15. To see if the town will raise and appropriate one hundred dollars for the due observance of the next Memorial Day, the same to be expended under the direction of J. C. Freeman Post, Grand Army of the Republic.

It was so voted.

ART. 16. To appropriate such sums of money as may be required to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

Voted, that there be appropriated the sum of twenty-seven thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$27,325.00) for the following purposes, viz.:

For Watch and Police . . . . .	\$1200 00
Town Hill and Fences . . . . .	25 00
Memorial Day . . . . .	100 00
Cemeteries . . . . .	50 00
Health Department . . . . .	100 00
Jetty System . . . . .	500 00
Roads and Walks . . . . .	2500 00
Street Lights . . . . .	750 00
Interest on Demand Loans . . . . .	300 00
Support of Poor . . . . .	4000 00
Reshingling and Painting Almshouse . . . . .	350 00
Discount and Collection of Taxes . . . . .	650 00
Abatement of Taxes . . . . .	50 00
Incidental Expenses . . . . .	1700 00
Public Library . . . . .	500 00
Fire Department . . . . .	2400 00
Public Schools . . . . .	9000 00
School Incidentals . . . . .	500 00
School House Repairs . . . . .	500 00
Free Text Books and Supplies . . . . .	800 00
School Deficiency, Year 1891 . . . . .	500 00
Grading and Harding Conant St. . . . .	175 00
Grading and Hardening Brewster St. . . . .	175 00
Total, . . . . .	\$27325 00

Voted, that this meeting be now dissolved.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

BARNSTABLE, SS.

Then personally appeared the persons below named and were sworn to a faithful discharge of the duties of their offices, at the time set against their names, or signified their acceptance of the office to which they had been chosen, viz.:



- 1892.
- Feb. 9. Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor, for three years—Thomas Lewis.
- Feb. 9. Town Clerk and Treasurer for one year—Seth Smith.
- Feb. 10. Trustees of Public Library for three years—F. A. H. Gifford, George H. Holmes, Andrew T. Williams.
- Feb. 10. School Committee for three years—Henry Shortle.
- Feb. 10. Tax Collector for one year—John N. Swift.
- Feb. 10. Road Commissioner for three years—Frank Chase.
- Feb. 10. “ “ two years—Prince I. Freeman.
- Feb. 10. “ “ one year—C. L. Young.
- Feb. 9. Constable, one year—Joseph P. Bickers.
- Feb. 9. “ “ —Reuben O. Kelley.
- Feb. 9. “ “ —Robert M. Lavender.
- Feb. 9. “ “ —Alexander Livingstone.
- Feb. 12. “ “ —J. Harvey Dearborn.
- Feb. 10. Board of Health, one year—Bangs A. Lewis, Wm. M. Moore.
- Feb. 10. Auditor, one year—George F. Miller.
- Feb. 12. Fence Viewers, one year—J. Harvey Dearborn.
- Feb. 10. “ “ —Jerome S. Smith.
- Feb. 10. “ “ —Isaiah Turner.
- Feb. 10. Beach Grass Committee, one year—Gideon Bowley, James C. Dunham, Zenas W. Crocker.
- Feb. 10. Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber—Newell C. Brooks, Daniel F. Lewis, John G. Whitcomb.
- Feb. 9. Field Driver, one year—Zephaniah Rich.
- Feb. 9. Pound Keeper, one year—Thomas E. Carr.
- Feb. 9. Monument Committee, one year—Samuel Knowles.
- Mch. 15. Inspector of Milk and Sealer of Weights and Measures, one year—Seth Smith.
- Mch. 15. Keeper of the Lockup, one year—N. W. Ayers.
- Mch. 15. Special Police—John W. Beaty, Timothy T. Chase, John L. Martin.
- Mch. 15. Night Watch and Police—Jesse Ghen, Reuben O. Kelley, William Powe, Charles A. Cook, Hugh McFadyen, Josiah G. Whorf, Alexander Livingstone, George H. Lewis.

PROVINCETOWN, MASS., Feb. 9, 1892.

Received the following petition for a recount of votes cast in this town for Road Commissioner for three years :

PROVINCETOWN, MASS., Feb. 8, 1892.

*To Seth Smith, Town Clerk, Provincetown, Mass.*

We the undersigned, legal voters in said town, have reason to believe that an error was made in counting the votes for Road

Commissioner for three years. We hereby petition that a recount be made of said votes as provided by the statutes of the Commonwealth.

ALEXANDER MCKENNON,  
M. BRADSHAW,  
JOHN N. SWIFT,  
JOHN L. RICH,  
CHARLES W. BURKETT,  
SAMUEL KNOWLES,  
MOSES S. TURNER,  
J. D. HILLIARD,  
LUTHER NICKERSON,  
W. T. BURKETT,  
JAMES M. COOK.

In pursuance of the foregoing notice the Moderator and Town Clerk met in the Town Clerk's Room, in the Town Hall on Tuesday, the ninth day of February, 1892, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

The Moderator appointed M. L. Adams, John N. Swift to assist in canvassing and counting the votes cast as aforesaid and they were sworn to a faithful discharge of that duty.

The Moderator then opened the packages of votes which had been sealed up by the Town Clerk and were in his custody and the whole number were canvassed and counted and were as follows as shown by the following certificate of the Moderator, to wit :

*To Seth Smith, Clerk of the Town of Provincetown, Mass.*

The undersigned Moderator of the annual town meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown, duly notified and warned and holden on Monday, the eighth day of February, 1892, for the election of town officers and the transaction of other business, hereby certify that the ballots cast at said meeting for Road Commissioner for three years have upon the petition of eleven citizens of said town been recounted in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 262 of the Acts of 1886, and the result of the recount is as follows, to wit :

Frank Chase had two hundred and thirteen.

Alexander Gayland had two hundred and seven.

JAMES A. SMALL, Moderator.

The ballots were again sealed up and delivered into the custody of the Town Clerk.

Attest : SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, FEB. 25, 1892.

In pursuance of the warrant the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown qualified to vote as the law directs, met in the Town Hall on Thursday, the 25th day of February, 1892, at seven o'clock in the evening, and was called to order by Seth Smith, Town Clerk. M. L. Adams, Selectman, read the warrant calling said meeting and the return thereon of the officer who served the same upon the inhabitants of the town.

M. L. Adams, Thomas Lewis, and M. C. Atwood were appointed tellers by the Town Clerk and sworn.

The first article was then taken up. "To choose a Moderator." James A. Small was duly elected and sworn by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the town will confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting lately held in accepting the provisions of Chapter 154 of the Acts of the year 1882, and the amendment thereof and will determine the terms of the officers to be elected thereunder.

It was so confirmed.

Voted, that the number of Park Commissioners be three, to serve, one for one year, one for two years and one for three years.

ART. 3. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to establish and maintain one street light on Bangs street, near Spencer Fisher's premises, and appropriate money for the same.

Voted, not to instruct the Selectmen.

ART. 4. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to increase the compensation of the night watch, and appropriate money for the same.

Voted, not to instruct the Selectmen.

ART. 5. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of constructing a laboratory for the use of the High School.

Voted, to indefinitely postpone.

ART. 6. To determine the compensation of the Road Commissioners elected at the annual meeting held Feb. 8, 1892.

Voted, that the compensation of the Road Commissioners be sixty dollars each annually.

Voted, that the Road Commissioners in their annual report show the expense of keeping the sidewalks and roads in repair separately.

ART. 7. To see if the town will authorize and instruct the Town Treasurer and the Selectmen to borrow temporarily such moneys or sums of money as may be necessary to meet the obligations or indebtedness incurred by the Committee upon a new school building under the votes of the annual meeting.

By a vote of 18 yeas to 2 nays the Treasurer and Selectmen were so authorized and instructed.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote to amend Sect. 53 of the By-Laws by striking out the word eight in the fifth line, and inserting the word seven so as to read, seven feet at least above the level of the street.

Laid on the table.

ART. 9. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of fifty dollars for the purchase of a cabinet for Mineralogical and Zoological collections, to be used by the High School.

It was so voted.

ART. 10. To see if the town will authorize the Road Commissioners to build an earth walk of proper width with suitable curbing on the south side of Bradford Street, commencing at the junction of Gosnold Street and running southwesterly to the rise of Lothrop's Hill, the expense of building the same be taken from the appropriation of Roads and Walks.

It was so voted.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. James Gifford and adopted by an unanimous vote:

Resolved, That the bill under consideration in the National House of Representatives intended to relieve the pursuit of mackerel, menhaden and other sea fishing from the arbitrary, unjust restrictions of State and local control, ought to pass, and thereby secure to our fishermen their indefeasible right to pursue their calling unmolested in all the bays and upon all the coasts of the United States.

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M. L. Adams, Thomas Lewis, and M. C. Atwood were appointed tellers by the Town Clerk and sworn.

The first article was then taken up. "To choose a Moderator." James A. Small was duly elected and sworn by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the town will confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting lately held in accepting the provisions of Chapter 154 of the Acts of the year 1882, and the amendment thereof and will determine the terms of the officers to be elected thereunder.

It was so confirmed.

Voted, that the number of Park Commissioners be three, to serve, one for one year, one for two years and one for three years.

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Voted, not to instruct the Selectmen.

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Voted, that the Road Commissioners in their annual report show the expense of keeping the sidewalks and roads in repair separately.

ART. 7. To see if the town will authorize and instruct the Town Treasurer and the Selectmen to borrow temporarily such moneys or sums of money as may be necessary to meet the obligations or indebtedness incurred by the Committee upon a new school building under the votes of the annual meeting.

By a vote of 18 yeas to 2 nays the Treasurer and Selectmen were so authorized and instructed.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote to amend Sect. 53 of the By-Laws by striking out the word eight in the fifth line, and inserting the word seven so as to read, seven feet at least above the level of the street.

Laid on the table.

ART. 9. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of fifty dollars for the purchase of a cabinet for Mineralogical and Zoological collections, to be used by the High School.

It was so voted.

ART. 10. To see if the town will authorize the Road Commissioners to build an earth walk of proper width with suitable curbing on the south side of Bradford Street, commencing at the junction of Gosnold Street and running southwesterly to the rise of Lothrop's Hill, the expense of building the same be taken from the appropriation of Roads and Walks.

It was so voted.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. James Gifford and adopted by an unanimous vote:

Resolved, That the bill under consideration in the National House of Representatives intended to relieve the pursuit of mackerel, menhaden and other sea fishing from the arbitrary, unjust restrictions of State and local control, ought to pass, and thereby secure to our fishermen their indefeasible right to pursue their calling unmolested in all the bays and upon all the coasts of the United States.

Also voted, that the clerk send a copy of this resolution to Congressman Randall, Senator Simpkins, and Representative Jenkins.

The Moderator appointed the following committee to attend a hearing at the State House, in relation to an appropriation for the preservation of the Province Lands and the laying out of a Marine Park :

Marshall L. Adams, W. P. Burnell, A. P. Hannum, John D. Hilliard, J. H. Hopkins, George H. Holmes, James A. Reed, A. T. Williams, Atkins Nickerson, George O. Knowles, Joseph Manta and John L. Rich.

Voted, that this meeting be now dissolved.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

The following jurors were drawn to attend the April term of the Superior Court :

Grand Jurors—Herbert Engles, Franklin N. Smith.

Traverse Jurors—James W. Fuller, William P. Hudson, John M. Burch.

Traverse Jurors to attend the October term—Francis S. Miller, Frank Chase and Byley Lyford.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, APRIL 6, 1892.

In pursuance of the warrant the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown qualified to vote as the law directs, met in the Town Hall on Wednesday, the sixth day of April current, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and was called to order by Seth Smith, Town Clerk, who read the warrant calling said meeting and the return thereon of the officer who served the same upon the inhabitants of the town.

The Town Clerk appointed as tellers: Marshall L. Adams, Thomas Lewis, Geo. W. Holbrook, and administered to them the oath of office.

Article first, "To choose a Moderator," was taken up. James A. Small was duly elected and sworn by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 2. To act upon the reports of any committees hitherto appointed by the town.

Voted, to lay article second on the table.

ART. 3. To see if the town will vote to amend Section 53 of the By-Laws by striking out the word eight in the fifth line and inserting the word seven, so as to read seven feet at least above the level of the street.

It was so voted.

ART. 4. To see if the town will construct and furnish a Laboratory for the use of the High School and will appropriate money therefor.

Voted, not to appropriate money for the same.

ART. 5. To see if the town will request the Committee on new Schoolhouse and land to report at some regular or special meeting, estimates and plans of the same before making any contract binding the town.

On motion of George H. Holmes it was voted, that the committee on new schoolhouse and land report at some regular or special meeting estimates and plans before making any contract binding the town.

ART. 6. To see if the town will appropriate money to water the streets or any of the streets of the town during any portion of the year 1892.

Voted, that the Road Commissioners let the watering of the streets by contract, and five hundred dollars be appropriated for the same.

ART. 7. To appropriate any moneys that may be required under any articles of the warrant.

Laid upon the table.

Adjourned to one o'clock P. M. Met according to adjournment.

ART. 8. To choose the following town officers, viz.:

Three Water Commissioners to hold office one until the expiration of three years; one until the expiration of two years; one until the expiration of one year from the next succeeding annual town meeting.

Three Park Commissioners, to hold office, one until the expiration of three years; one until the expiration of two years, one until the expiration of one year from the next succeeding annual town meeting.

Three Cemetery Commissioners, one to be elected for three years, one for two years, one for one year, said terms to expire with the end of the municipal or official year.

Two members of the Board of Health for the current year, to fill vacancies caused by resignations.

All on one ballot. The polls will open at one o'clock P. M., and may be closed at five o'clock P. M.

The Moderator appointed as tellers: Freeman A. Smith, Joseph S. Atwood, John N. Swift, and administered to them the oath of office.

The following named persons having a majority of the votes cast were declared elected to the various offices, viz.:

Water Commissioner, one year—John D. Adams.  
 “ “ two years—A. Louis Putnam.  
 “ “ three years—Lysander N. Paine.

Park Commissioner, one year—Joshua Cook.  
 “ “ two years—Alpheus W. Young.  
 “ “ three years—Joseph A. West.

Cemetery Commissioner, one year—F. A. H. Gifford.  
 “ “ two years—M. N. Gifford.  
 “ “ three years—Joseph Whitcomb.

Board of Health, one year—William S. Birge.  
 “ “ “ —Reuben O. Kelley.

The votes cast and the list of voters which had been used at the polls were then sealed and endorsed by the Selectmen and delivered into the custody of the Town Clerk, in conformity with the law in such cases made and provided.

The meeting was then declared dissolved by vote.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

BARNSTABLE, SS.

PROVINCETOWN, April 7, 1892.

Then personally appeared the persons named above and were sworn to a faithful discharge of the duties of their offices or signified their acceptance of the office to which they had been chosen.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, JULY 5, 1892.

In pursuance of the warrant the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown qualified to vote as the law directs, met in the Caucus Hall, Town Hall building, on Tuesday, the fifth day of July, current, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and was called to order by Seth Smith, Town Clerk, who read the warrant calling said meeting and the returns thereon of the officer who served the same upon the inhabitants of the town.

The Town Clerk then appointed as tellers: Thomas Lewis, George H. Holmes, and Freeman A. Smith, and administered to them the oath of office.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator.

James A. Small was chosen and sworn by the Clerk.

ART. 2. To see what action the town will take to prevent further injury by the sea to the land of Solomon Bangs, occasioned by the eastern jetty, one of the series of jetties constructed by the town, and which is rapidly washing away the premises of said Bangs to his serious loss.

The Selectmen and Road Commissioners were chosen a committee to take such action as shall prevent further injury to the premises named in this article, provided the committee shall first submit a plan of their proposed work and probable cost to some special or regular town meeting.

ART. 3. To hear the report of the Committee upon a new School Building.

Voted, that the plans and specifications as submitted by the committee on new School Building be accepted.

ART. 4. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to lease or sell the Smith Dwelling House and the land adjacent on Bradford Street.

It was voted, that the committee on new School Building be authorized to sell or lease the Smith building and the Selectmen be authorized to sign any lease or deed necessary to be given for and by them.

ART. 5. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to purchase or take a small parcel of land adjacent to the new schoolhouse lot on Bradford Street for the purpose of enlarging said schoolhouse lot.

Selectmen were so instructed.

ART. 6. To see what action the town will take, if any, relative to a District Superintendent of Schools.

It was voted that the town of Provincetown herewith ratify the action of the School Committee in forming the School District in 1891 by a union with the towns of Harwich, Orleans, Eastham and Wellfleet and that hereafter the School Committee be authorized and instructed for the purpose of maintaining a School District to unite with any town or towns in the County of Barnstable that may be necessary to obtain the required number of schools.

Voted, that this meeting be now dissolved.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

### NATIONAL AND STATE ELECTION, NOV. 8, 1892.

In pursuance of the warrant the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown qualified to vote as the law directs met in the Caucus Hall, Town Hall, on Tuesday, the 8th day of November, 1892, and were called to order at nine o'clock in the forenoon by the Town Clerk

The following is the result of the election :

#### ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT.

Bidwell and Cranfill, Prohibition . . . . .	6
Cleveland and Stevenson, Democratic . . . . .	187
Harrison and Reid, Republican . . . . .	381
Weaver and Field, People's Party . . . . .	6
Wing and Matchett, Socialist Labor . . . . .	0

#### GOVERNOR.

William H. Haile of Springfield, Republican . . . . .	334
Walcott Hamlin of Amherst, Prohibition . . . . .	6
Squire E. Putney of Somerville, Socialist Labor . . . . .	0
William E. Russell of Cambridge, Democratic . . . . .	215
Henry Winn of Malden, People's Party . . . . .	2

#### LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

James B. Carroll of Springfield, Democratic . . . . .	182
Edward Kendall of Cambridge, Prohibition . . . . .	7
William J. Shields of Boston, People's Party . . . . .	2
Charles N. Wentworth of Lynn, Socialist Labor . . . . .	0
Roger Wolcott of Boston, Republican . . . . .	320

#### SECRETARY.

Charles S. Hamlin of Brookline, Democratic . . . . .	153
George Kempton of Sharon, People's Party . . . . .	3
Frederick A. Nagler of West Springfield, Socialist Labor . . . . .	0
William M. Olin of Boston, Republican . . . . .	305
Samuel B. Shapleigh of Boston, Prohibition . . . . .	18

#### TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

Wilbert D. Farnham Jr., of Somerville, Prohibition . . . . .	8
James S. Grinnell of Greenfield, Democratic . . . . .	152
George A. Marden of Lowell, Republican . . . . .	317
James R. Nugent of Boston, Socialist Labor . . . . .	1
Thomas A. Watson of Braintree, People's Party . . . . .	2

#### AUDITOR.

Alfred H. Evans of Ashburnham, Prohibition . . . . .	8
John W. Kimball of Fitchburg, Republican . . . . .	314
Maurice W. Landers of Springfield, People's Party . . . . .	2
Michael Lynch of Boston, Socialist Labor . . . . .	0
Irving B. Sayles of Millbury, Democratic . . . . .	150

#### ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Charles S. Lilley of Lowell, Democratic . . . . .	149
Herbert McIntosh of Worcester, People's Party . . . . .	3
Albert E. Pillsbury of Boston, Republican . . . . .	307
Robert F. Raymond of New Bedford, Prohibition . . . . .	7
James Waldo of Boston, Socialist Labor . . . . .	1

## REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS.—THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

Charles S. Randall of New Bedford, Republican	317
Henry C. Thacher of Yarmouth, Democratic	208

## COUNCILLOR.—FIRST DISTRICT.

Ziba C. Keith of Brockton, Republican	329
Daniel D. Sullivan of Fall River, Democratic	148

## DISTRICT ATTORNEY.—SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

Hosea M. Knowlton of New Bedford, Republican	346
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## SHERIFF.—BARNSTABLE COUNTY.

Peleg T. Brown of Sandwich, Prohibition	7
Oliver M. Holmes of Mashpee, Democratic	137
Joseph Whitecomb of Provincetown, Republican	351

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Charles E. Lothrop of Harwich, Democratic	146
Richard A. Rich of Truro, Republican	333
William F. Sears of Harwich, Prohibition	8

## SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS.

Nehemiah P. Baker of Falmouth, Prohibition	8
Watson F. Baker of Dennis, Republican	270
Robert D. Baxter of Provincetown, Democratic	166
Henry M. Chase of Barnstable, Democratic	115
Freeman Howes of Yarmouth, Republican	247
John S. Smith of Sandwich, Prohibition	7

## COMMISSIONERS OF INSOLVENCY.

Charles F. Chamberlayne of Bourne, Democratic	127
George N. Chipman of Sandwich, Democratic	127
Sylvanus Covill of Dennis, Prohibition	9
Eben B. Crocker of Barnstable, Republican	277
Thomas C. Day of Barnstable, Democratic	121
William M. Hubbard of Falmouth, Prohibition	8
George W. Jones of Falmouth, Republican	250
John M. Smith of Orleans, Prohibition	9
Fred C. Swift of Yarmouth, Republican	256

## SENATOR.—CAPE DISTRICT.

Cyrus A. Bradley of Brewster, Prohibition	12
John Kenrick, Jr., of Orleans, Republican	307
Miller T. T. Nickerson of Dennis, Democratic	144

## REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT. THIRD BARNSTABLE DISTRICT.

William P. Burnell of Provincetown, Democratic	203
John A. Clark of Eastham, Republican	306
Wallace Cutter of Provincetown, Prohibition	6
Reuben H. Horton of Eastham, Rep. Ind. Nom. Paper	4

## AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

Shall the proposed amendment to the constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of governor be approved and ratified.

Yes	112
No	77

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

PROVINCETOWN, MASS., Nov. 8, 1892.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 109, Chapter 423, Acts of 1890, I certify that five hundred and ninety-eight names of voters are checked on the list of voters as having voted in the town of Provincetown at the National and State Election holden on the eighth day of November, 1892.

SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

The business of the meeting being completed, the returns were filled up, signed by the Selectmen, countersigned by the Town Clerk and sealed up in open Town Meeting as required by law and delivered to the Town Clerk to forward to their several places of destination.

The meeting was then declared dissolved by vote.

SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

PROVINCETOWN, Nov. 12, 1892.

Received the following petition for a recount of votes cast in this town for a Governor of the Commonwealth:

The undersigned legal voters of Provincetown having reason to believe that the returns of votes cast in said Provincetown for candidates for Governor, on the 8th day of November, 1892, are erroneous in that fewer votes were counted for William H. Haile than were cast for said Haile and that more votes were counted for William E.

Russell then were cast for said Russell, respectfully request a recount of the votes cast for said Wm. H. Haile and Wm. E. Russell.

A. T. WILLIAMS,  
HEMAN S. COOK,  
FRED E. WILLIAMS,  
J. H. LIVERMORE,  
THOMAS W. DYER,  
A. L. PUTNAM,  
J. E. ATKINS,  
SAMUEL KNOWLES,  
JAMES GIFFORD.

In pursuance of the foregoing petition the Selectmen, Marshall L. Adams and Thomas Lewis, Town Clerk Seth Smith, Teller George Allen, George H. Holmes of the Democratic Town Committee, and A. T. Williams of the Republican Town Committee met in the School Committee's room, Town Hall, on Tuesday, the 15th day of November, 1892, at 2 o'clock P. M. and proceeded to open the packages of ballots cast at the election held by the town on Tuesday, the 8th day of November, 1892, which were in the custody of the Town Clerk and canvassed and counted the ballots cast for Governor and the whole number was five hundred and fifty-nine.

PROVINCETOWN, MASS., Nov. 15, 1892.

To Seth Smith, Town Clerk, Provincetown, Mass.

We the undersigned, a majority of the Board of the Selectmen of said town, hereby certify that the ballots cast in the election held Tuesday, November 8th, 1892, have this day been recounted by us upon the petition of Andrew T. Williams and nine other legal voters of said town, in accordance with the provisions of Section 104, chapter 423, Acts of 1890, and the result of the recount so far as it relates to the vote cast for Governor is as follows:

William H. Haile of Springfield	334
William E. Russell of Cambridge	217
Walcott Hamlin of Amherst	6
Henry Winn of Malden	2

Total number of votes,	559
Blanks,	39

Total number of ballots cast,	598
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MARSHALL L. ADAMS,  
THOMAS LEWIS,  
Selectmen of Provincetown.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

PROVINCETOWN, Nov. 18, 1892.

At a legal meeting of the several Town Clerks of Representative District No. 3, held in the Town Clerk's office, Provincetown at noon on the above date to ascertain the number of votes cast for Representative in said District and to make declaration of the same. It was found in counting the votes that the whole number so cast was 927.

	Clark.	Burnell.	Cutter.	Horton.
Provincetown,	306	203	6	4
Truro,	83	29	2	2
Wellfleet,	125	43	4	3
Eastham,	76	21	2	18
	590	296	14	27

John A. Clark of Eastham, having received a plurality of votes, was declared elected.

SETH SMITH, Town Clerk of Provincetown.  
BARNABAS S. YOUNG, Town Clerk of Wellfleet.  
JOHN B. DYER, Town Clerk of Truro.  
GEORGE G. DILL, Town Clerk of Eastham.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, DEC. 12, 1892.

In pursuance of the warrant the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown, qualified to vote as the law directs, met in the Town Hall on Monday, the twelfth day of December, current, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and was called to order by Seth Smith, Town Clerk, the warrant was read by M. L. Adams, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, and the return thereon of the officer who served the same upon the inhabitants of the town.

The Clerk then appointed as tellers: Marshall L. Adams, Thomas Lewis, Geo. W. Holbrook to take charge of the check list and administered to them the oath of office.



Article first was taken up: "To choose a Moderator". James A. Small was unanimously elected and sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, that the votes on articles two and three be taken by a yea and nay ballot.

Article second taken up: "To see if the town will convey to the Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association the lot of land belonging to the town of Provincetown known as the Town Hill lot, or will take any other action toward donating or deeding a site for the proposed Pilgrim Monument to be erected by said Association."

Mr. James Gifford made the following motion:

Moved, that the Cape Cod Pilgrim Monument Association have permission to erect their proposed Monument on the Town Hill, and that the Selectmen be and hereby are instructed and required to take any necessary steps to prevent the use of the Hill for any purpose detrimental to its use as a site for the Monument.

The motion was lost by a vote of 195 yeas to 152 nays.

Meeting adjourned to 7 o'clock P. M.

Pursuant to adjournment the meeting met at 7 o'clock P. M.

Article third taken up: "To see if the town will authorize its Treasurer under the direction of the Water Commissioners to hire money and to issue from time to time bonds, notes or scrip to an amount not exceeding sixty-five thousand dollars to pay the necessary expenses and liabilities in supplying itself with water for the extinguishment of fires and for domestic and other purposes agreeable to an act approved April 19, 1889, entitled "An act to supply the town of Provincetown with water."

On motion of John D. Adams it was voted:

That the Treasurer be authorized under the direction of the Water Commissioners, to hire money and to issue from time to time bonds, notes or scrip to an amount not exceeding sixty-five thousand dollars to pay the necessary expenses and liabilities in supplying itself with water for the extinguishment of fire and for domestic and other purposes, agreeable to an act approved April 19, 1889, entitled an Act to supply the town of Provincetown with water.

Yeas, 197; nays, 195.

Voted, that the Moderator appoint three tellers to recount the votes cast. Fred E. Williams, Jerome S. Smith, and Myrick C. Atwood appointed and sworn by the Town Clerk. The recount was as follows: Yea, 197; nay, 196.

The business of the meeting having been completed it was dissolved by vote.

Attest:            SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

ORGANIZATION OF SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND  
OVERSEERS OF THE POOR FOR 1892.

REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS OF PROVINCETOWN

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1892.

For State Aid,	8752 00
For balance Corporation tax, 1892,	52 48
Taxes of 1892,	88 00
1891,	17 52 71
1890,	1093 47
1891,	2772 98
1892,	12 526 22

ORGANIZATION OF SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND  
OVERSEERS OF THE POOR FOR 1892.

SELECTMEN.

Marshall L. Adams, Chairman, James A. Small, Thomas Lewis.

ASSESSORS.

James A. Small, Chairman, Thomas Lewis, Marshall L. Adams.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Marshall L. Adams, Chairman, Thomas Lewis, James A. Small.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

The Selectmen respectfully submit the following report for  
the year ending December 31, 1892:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Gross debt, December 31, 1891,	\$26,350 00
Borrowed during the year:	
In anticipation of taxes for 1892,	12,700 00
On account of new Schoolhouse,	16,900 00
On account of Water Supply,	6,400 00
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	\$62,350 00

Debt paid by taxes and other receipts was as  
follows:

On Demand Loans,	\$12,700 00
New Schoolhouse Loan,	3,000 00
Water Supply Loan,	3,200 00
Town Hall Funded Loan,	4,600 00
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	23,500 00

Gross debt, December 31, 1892, \$38,850 00

CASH ASSETS.

Due from Commonwealth:

For State Aid,	\$752 00
For balance Corporation tax, 1892,	32 48
Taxes of 1888,	33 09
" 1889,	227 71
" 1890,	1,032 47
" 1891,	2,779 98
" 1892,	12,526 23
Cash in Treasury,	1,130 81
Net liabilities, Dec. 31, 1892,	20,335 23
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	\$38,850 00

Gross debt is composed of the following items :

Town Hall Funded Loan,	\$18,400 00
New Schoolhouse Loan,	13,900 00
Water Supply Loan,	3,200 00
Demand Loans,	3,350 00
<b>Total,</b>	<b>\$38,850 00</b>

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1892.

DR.

Feb. 9, 1892.	Watch and Police,	\$1,200 00
" "	Town Hill and Fences,	25 00
" "	Memorial Day,	100 00
" "	Cemeteries,	50 00
" "	Health Department,	100 00
" "	Public Library,	500 00
" "	Support of Poor,	4,000 00
" "	Reshingling and Painting Almshouse,	350 00
" "	Roads and Walks,	2,500 00
" "	Jetty System,	500 00
" "	Fire Department,	2,400 00
" "	Public Schools,	9,000 00
" "	Schoolhouse Repairs,	500 00
" "	School Incidentals,	500 00
" "	Free Text Books and Supplies,	800 00
" "	School Deficiencies 1891,	500 00
" "	Street Lights,	750 00
" "	Interest on Demand Loans,	300 00
" "	Discount and Collection of Taxes,	650 00
" "	Abatement of Taxes,	550 00
" "	Incidental Expenses,	1,700 00
" "	Grading and Hardening Conant St.,	175 00
" "	" " " Brewster St.,	175 00
Feb. 25,	" Cabinet for High School,	50 00
Apr. 6,	" Watering Streets,	500 00
<b>Town expenses,</b>		<b>\$27,875 00</b>

Amount brought forward,	\$27,875 00
Funded Loan (Town Hall),	4,600 00
Interest on Funded Loan,	862 50
State Tax,	1,837 50
County Tax,	1,916 84
Non-resident Bank Tax,	1,914 61
Overlayings,	72 05

Total amount of Collector's Warrant, \$39,078 50

CR.

1358 Polls, at \$2.00,	\$2,716 00
\$1,012,934 Personal Estate, at \$15.90,	16,110 42
\$1,153,300 Real Estate, at \$15.90,	18,337 47
Non-resident Bank Tax,	1,914 61
	<b>\$39,078 50</b>

DR.

WATCH AND POLICE.

CR.

Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.
To appropriation,	\$1200 00
Jan. 30, By payments,	\$206 40
Feb. 29, "	202 85
Mar. 31, "	171 20
Apr. 30, "	128 40
May 31, "	9 00
July 30, "	59 25
Aug. 31, "	27 68
Sept. 30, "	30 12
Nov. 30, "	7 50
Dec. 31, "	329 13
Dec. 31, Bal.unexp'nd'd,	28 47
	<b>\$1200 00</b>
	<b>\$1200 00</b>

DR.

MEMORIAL DAY.

CR.

Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.
To appropriation,	\$100 00
June 4, By payment,	\$97 28
Dec. 31, Bal. unexp'nd'd,	2 72
	<b>\$100 00</b>
	<b>\$100 00</b>

DR.	TOWN HILL AND FENCES.		CR.
Feb. 9, 1892.		1892.	
To appropriation,	\$25 00	June 4, By payment,	\$2 00
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	9 71	Nov. 23, " "	*7 00
		Dec. 31, " "	25 71
	<u>\$34 71</u>		<u>\$34 71</u>

DR.	CEMETERIES.		CR.
Feb. 9, 1892.		1892.	
To appropriation,	\$50 00	Nov. 23, By payments,	\$13 50
		Dec. 31, " "	32 73
		Dec. 31, Bal. unexp'nd'd,	3 77
	<u>\$50 00</u>		<u>\$50 00</u>

DR.	TOWN HALL — FUNDED LOAN.		CR.
Jan. 1, 1892.		1892.	
To am't outstanding liabilities,	\$23000 00	April 22, By payment,	\$431 25
April 7, 6 mos. Int.,	431 25	Oct. 3, " "	5031 25
Oct. 7, " "	431 25	Oct. 7, Bal. liabilities,	18400 00
	<u>\$23862 50</u>		<u>\$23862 50</u>

DR.	HEALTH DEPARTMENT.		CR.
Feb. 9, 1892.		1892.	
To appropriation,	\$100 00	Jan. 23, By payments,	\$22 00
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	7 77	June 25, " "	14 75
		July 30, " "	10 82
		Aug. 30, " "	2 80
		Sept. 24, " "	37 70
		Oct. 29, " "	1 50
		Dec. 31, " "	18 20
	<u>\$107 77</u>		<u>\$107 77</u>

\* On account of fire.

DR.	PUBLIC LIBRARY.		CR.
Jan. 1, 1892.		1892.	
To Dog tax rec'd,	\$219 56	Feb. 9, By payment,	\$719 56
Feb. 9, To appropriation,	500 00		
	<u>\$719 56</u>		<u>\$719 56</u>

DR.	WATER SUPPLY.		CR.
July 1, 1892.		1892.	
To Loan,	\$500 00	July 28, By payments,	\$474 85
July 22, To Loan,	1000 00	Aug. 31, " "	1200 23
Aug. 27, " "	1000 00	Sept. 16, " "	533 51
Nov. 19, " "	700 00	Nov. 19, " "	928 46
Dec. 13, " "	3200 00	Dec. 10, " "	25 26
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	10 19	Dec. 13, " "	*3247 88
	<u>\$6410 19</u>		<u>\$6410 19</u>

DR.	LIQUOR PROSECUTIONS.		CR.
1892.		1892.	
To Cash received from J.H. Hopkins, Justice Second District Court:		Jan. 30, By payments,	\$1 25
April 14,	\$139 99	Feb. 27, " "	1 25
July 9,	119 51	Mch. 26, " "	58 25
Oct. 11,	34 69	Apr. 30, " "	1 25
Dec. 31,	141 35	May 28, " "	1 25
		June 25, " "	1 25
		July 30, " "	1 25
		Aug. 27, " "	1 25
		Sept. 24, " "	1 25
		Oct. 29, " "	1 25
		Nov. 26, " "	1 25
		Dec. 31, " "	178 95
		Dec. 31, Bal. unexp'nd'd,	185 84
	<u>\$435 54</u>		<u>\$435 54</u>

\* Amount outstanding notes Dec. 31, 1892, \$3200 00.

Dr.	SUPPORT OF THE POOR.	Cr.
Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation,	\$4000 00	Jan. 30, By payments, \$592 80
For reshingling and painting Alms-house,	350 00	Feb. 27, " 205 02
Dec. 31, Cash received from reimbursements,	516 14	Mch. 26, " 242 34
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	221 03	April 30, " 966 18
		May 28, " 179 79
		June 25, " 303 57
		July 30, " 552 66
		Aug. 27, " 217 98
		Sept. 24, " 210 37
		Oct. 29, " 597 78
		Nov. 26, " 230 49
		Dec. 31, " 338 19
		Dec. 31, Salaries of Overseers, 450 00
	<u>\$5087 17</u>	<u>\$5087 17</u>

Dr.	ROADS AND WALKS:	Cr.
Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation,	\$2500 00	Jan. 30, By payments, \$191 01
Dec. 31, Rebate,	09	Feb. 29, " 23 23
Dec. 31, Material sold,	15 00	Mch. 31, " 180 91
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	268 52	April 30, " 338 26
		May 31, " 484 52
		June 25, " 1022 52
		July 30, " 231 12
		Aug. 31, " 202 00
		Sept. 30, " 40 00
		Oct. 31, " 23 85
		Nov. 30, " 28 80
		Dec. 31, " *17 39
	<u>\$2783 61</u>	<u>\$2783 61</u>

Dr.	JETTY SYSTEM.	Cr.
Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation,	\$500 00	Feb. 27, By payments, \$44 50
Dec. 31, Rebate,	07	April 30, " 357 16
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	45	May 31, " 52 35
		June 25, " 18 25
		Oct. 29, " 26 30
		Dec. 31, " 1 96
	<u>\$500 52</u>	<u>\$500 52</u>
Dr.	WATERING THE STREETS.	Cr.
April 6, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation,	\$500 00	June 25, By payments, \$149 49
		July 30, " 3 00
		Aug. 27, " 199 32
		Oct. 15, " 148 19
	<u>\$500 00</u>	<u>\$500 00</u>

Dr.	GRADING AND HARDENING CONANT ST.	Cr.
Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation,	\$175 00	Oct. 29, By payments, \$6 50
		Nov. 26, " 159 60
		Dec. 31, Bal.unexp'nd'd, 8 90
	<u>\$175 00</u>	<u>\$175 00</u>
Dr.	GRADING AND HARDENING BREWSTER ST.	Cr.
Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation,	\$175 00	Dec. 31, By payments, \$172 11
		Dec. 31, Bal.unexp'nd'd, 2 89
	<u>\$175 00</u>	<u>\$175 00</u>

DR.	FIRE DEPARTMENT.	CR.
Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation, \$2400 00	Mch. 31, By payments, \$30 98	
Dec. 31, Material sold, 71 83	April 30, " 1667 80	
	May 28, " 13 00	
	June 25, " 4 40	
	Aug. 31, " 3 00	
	Sept. 30, " 51 23	
	Dec. 31, " 470 57	
	Dec. 31, Bal.unexp'nd'd, 230 85	
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	\$2471 83	\$2471 83

DR.	NEW SCHOOL BUILDING.	CR.
1892.	1892.	
April 11, To Loan, \$3000 00	April 20, By payments, \$2575 00	
July 18, " 1000 00	May 31, " 45 00	
Oct. 3, " 3000 00	July 30, " 931 33	
Oct. 10, " 3500 00	Aug. 30, " 206 80	
Nov. 7, " 3000 00	Oct. 8, Payment of	
Dec. 14, " 3400 00	loan April 11, with	
	interest, *3054 37	
	Oct. 31, By payments, 3446 70	
	Nov. 30, " 3624 51	
	Dec. 31, " 2983 50	
	Dec. 31, Bal unexp'nd'd, 32 79	
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	\$16900 00	\$16900 00

\* Total amount notes outstanding Dec. 31, 1892, \$13900 00.

DR.	PUBLIC SCHOOLS.	CR.
Jan. 25, 1892.	1892.	
To cash from the	Jan. 30, By payments, \$340 79	
Commonwealth, \$106 36	Feb. 27, " 226 32	
Feb. 9, Appropriation, 9000 00	Mch. 31, " 2205 10	
June 23, Cash from	April 30, " 269 57	
the Commonwealth, 493 54	May 31, " 309 31	
June 23, Cash from S.	June 25, " 2222 47	
W. Billings, 44	July 30, " 251 50	
Dec. 31, Deficiency, 194 52	Aug. 31, " 256 76	
	Sept. 30, " 569 44	
	Oct. 31, " 496 85	
	Nov. 30, " 579 06	
	Dec. 31, " 2067 69	
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	\$9794 86	\$9794 86

DR.	SCHOOLHOUSE REPAIRS.	CR.
Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation, \$500 00	Mch. 30, By payment, \$24 96	
	April 30, " 10 35	
	May 28, " 18 57	
	June 25, " 14 01	
	July 30, " 16 60	
	Aug. 31, " 79 80	
	Sept. 30, " 3 90	
	Oct. 30, " 99 02	
	Nov. 30, " 7 64	
	Dec. 31, " 205 43	
	Dec. 31, Bal.unexp'nd'd, 19 72	
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	\$500 00	\$500 00

DR.	SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.	CR.
July 9, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation,	\$500 00	Feb. 20, By payments, \$33 80
Oct. 8, Rebate,	30	Mch. 31, " 54 80
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	27 67	April 30, " 38 37
		June 25, " 27 10
		July 30, " 72 50
		Aug. 31, " 99 40
		Sept. 30, " 31 20
		Nov. 30, " 27 90
		Dec. 31, " 142 90
	<u>\$527 97</u>	<u>\$527 97</u>

DR.	FREE TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.	CR.
Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation,	\$800 00	Feb. 27, By payments, \$123 40
Dec. 31, Cash for books sold,	33 43	Apr. 30, " 121 90
		June 25, " 61 20
		Sept. 24, " 253 14
		Dec. 31, " 261 64
		Dec. 31, Bal. unexp'nd'd, 12 15
	<u>\$833 43</u>	<u>\$833 43</u>

DR.	SCHOOL DEFICIENCIES, 1891.	CR.
Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation,	\$500 00	Feb. 27, By payments, \$499 19
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	49 19	Mch. 31, " 50 00
	<u>\$549 19</u>	<u>\$549 19</u>

DR.	CABINET FOR HIGH SCHOOL.	CR.
Feb. 25, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation,	\$50 00	Dec. 31, By balance unexpended, \$50 00
	<u>\$50 00</u>	<u>\$50 00</u>

DR.	STREET LIGHTS.	CR.
Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation,	\$750 00	Jan. 30, By payments, \$28 46
Dec. 31, Cash received for empty bbls.,	59 34	Feb. 29, " 99 11
		Mch. 31, " 61 54
		Apr. 30, " 31 97
		May 31, " 80 03
		June 25, " 29 52
		July 30, " 29 52
		Aug. 31, " 123 21
		Sept. 30, " 34 71
		Oct. 31, " 60 26
		Nov. 30, " 84 57
		Dec. 31, " 124 06
		Dec. 31, Bal. unexp'nd'd, 22 38
	<u>\$809 34</u>	<u>\$809 34</u>

DR.	STATE AID (CHAP. 301, ACTS 1889).	CR.
Dec. 13, 1892.	1892.	
To Cash received from the Commonwealth,	\$678 00	Jan. 1, By bal. due from the Commonwealth, \$678 00
Dec. 31, Balance due from the Commonwealth,	752 00	Jan. 30, By payments, 63 00
		Feb. 29, " 63 00
		Mch. 31, " 63 00
		April 30, " 63 00
		May 31, " 63 00
		June 25, " 63 00
		July 30, " 63 00
		Aug. 31, " 63 00
		Sept. 30, " 63 00
		Oct. 31, " 63 00
		Nov. 30, " 63 00
		Dec. 31, " 59 00
	<u>\$1430 00</u>	<u>\$1430 00</u>



DR.	DEMAND LOANS.	CR.
Jan. 1, 1892.	1892.	
To am't outstand- ing liabilities,	Feb. 27, By payments,	\$900 00
Feb. 29, To Loan,	April 30, " "	2500 00
Mch. 29, " "	Aug. 30, " "	5600 00
April 5, " "	Oct. 31, " "	3000 00
April 13, " "	Dec. 31, " "	800 00
April 28, " "	Dec. 31, Balance out- standing liabilities,	3350 00
April 27, " "		
April 30, " "		
May 28, " "		
June 25, " "		
Nov. 26, " "		
	\$16150 00	\$16150 00

DR.	INTEREST ON DEMAND LOANS.	CR.
Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation,	Feb. 27, By payments,	\$41 67
Dec. 31, Interest col- lected :	April 30, " "	135 00
Taxes of 1888,	Aug. 31, " "	50 82
Taxes of 1889,	Oct. 31, " "	52 50
Taxes of 1890,	Dec. 31, " "	3 56
Taxes of 1891,	Dec. 31, Bal.unexp'nd'd,	118 81
	\$502 36	\$502 36

DR.	STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.	CR.
1892.	1892.	
May 1, State tax as- sessed,	Nov. 5, By county tax,	\$1916 84
May 1, County tax as- sessed,	Dec. 13, State tax,	1837 50
May 1, Non-resident Bank tax assessed,	Dec 13, Non-resident Bank tax,	1848 04
Dec. 13, Corporation Tax,	Dec.31, Bal.unexp'd'd,	2753 15
Dec. 13, Nat'l bank tax,		
Dec. 13, Foreign ships,		
	\$8355 53	\$8355 53

DR.	DISCOUNT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES.	CR.
Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation,	June 4, By payments,	\$1 50
	July 30, " "	43 70
	Aug. 13, " "	1 16
	Dec. 31, " "	520 15
	Dec. 31, Bal. unexp'nd'd,	83 49
	\$650 00	\$650 00

DR.	ABATEMENT OF TAXES.	CR.
Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation,	Jan. 30, By payments,	\$1 69
Dec. 31, Additional taxes collected,	May 28, " "	2 00
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	June 25, " "	311 57
	Aug. 31, " "	5 96
	Sept. 30, " "	1 19
	Oct. 31, " "	36 58
	Nov. 30, " "	7 95
	Dec. 31, " "	310 24
	\$677 18	\$677 18

DR.		COLLECTOR OF TAXES, 1888.		CR.	
		SETH SMITH.			
Jan. 1, 1892.		1892.			
To bal. taxes due,	\$314 13	Feb. 9, By cash,	\$18 00		
Dec. 31, Int. collected,	1 40	May 7, "	8 00		
		June 18, "	197 40		
		July 30, "	12 00		
		Dec. 31, "	47 04		
		Dec. 31, Bal. taxes due,	33 09		
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	\$315 53		\$315 53		

DR.		COLLECTOR OF TAXES, 1889.		CR.	
		SETH SMITH.			
Jan. 1, 1892.		1892.			
To bal. taxes due,	\$798 55	Jan. 14, By cash,	\$82 82		
Dec. 31, Int. collected,	23 41	Mch. 31, "	38 51		
		May 28, "	15 87		
		June 18, "	28 27		
		Sept. 30, "	52 72		
		Dec. 31, "	376 06		
		Dec. 31, Bal. taxes due,	227 71		
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	\$821 96		\$821 96		

DR.		COLLECTOR OF TAXES, 1890.		CR.	
		SETH SMITH.			
Jan. 1, 1892.		1892.			
To bal. taxes due,	\$1913 62	Jan. 14, By cash,	\$251 82		
Dec. 31, Int. collected,	50 22	Feb. 29, "	88 89		
		Mch. 31, "	79 60		
		May 28, "	32 87		
		June 25, "	39 57		
		July 30, "	92 33		
		Sept. 30, "	171 55		
		Oct. 28, "	132 29		
		Nov. 30, "	42 45		
		Dec. 31, Bal. taxes due,	1032 47		
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	\$1963 84		\$1963 84		

DR.		COLLECTOR OF TAXES, 1891.		CR.	
		JOHN N. SWIFT.			
Jan. 1, 1892.		1892.			
To bal. taxes due,	\$9571 02	Jan. 30, By cash,	\$1900 48		
Dec. 31, Additional		Feb. 29, "	454 06		
taxes collected,	9 00	Mch. 31, "	588 54		
Dec. 31, Int. collected,	127 33	April 30, "	621 30		
		May 31, "	233 48		
		June 25, "	758 44		
		July 30, "	252 16		
		Aug. 30, "	428 21		
		Sept. 30, "	234 95		
		Oct. 30, "	219 29		
		Nov. 30, "	381 06		
		Dec. 31, "	855 40		
		Dec. 31, Bal. taxes due,	2779 98		
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	\$9707 35		\$9707 35		

DR.		COLLECTOR OF TAXES, 1892.		CR.	
		JOHN N. SWIFT.			
Aug. 1, 1892.		1892.			
To State tax,	\$1837 50	Aug. 30, By cash,	\$10961 48		
County tax,	1916 84	Sept. 30, "	3309 17		
Town tax,	33337 50	Oct. 30, "	2172 32		
Non-resident		Nov. 30, "	4017 09		
Bank tax,	1914 61	Dec. 31, "	6177 81		
Overlayings,	72 05	Dec. 31, Bal. taxes due,	12526 23		
Dec. 31, Add. taxes					
collected,	85 60				
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	\$39164 10		\$39164 10		

DR.	TOWN HALL.	CR.
1892.	1892.	
To cash received from	A. T. Williams,	
the following persons:	6 1220-2000 tons	
Jan. 19, Thomas Doute-	coal, at \$5.34,	\$35 30
ney,	\$25 00	
Feb. 27, J. C. Free-	10 1-2 tons coal, at	
man Post,	\$5.76,	60 48
Mch. 3. St. Peters Aid	2 cords wood,	13 00
Society,	Lewis & Brown,	
Mch. 8, Patterson Club,	10 tons coal, at \$5.50,	55 00
Mch. 16, Tiger Engine	Putting in do,	2 50
Co.,	5 tons coal, at \$5.75,	28 75
Mch. 26, W. C. Hardy,	Putting in do,	1 25
Apr. 5, Center M. E.	2 cords wood,	13 00
Church,	1 1-2 cords slabs,	12 00
June 4, A. L. Putnam,	J. D. Hilliard,	
June 24, Class of '92,	10 860-2000 tons	
July 13, Center M. E.	coal, at \$5.50,	57 37
Church,	Paint, oil and pack-	
July 18, J. C. Freeman	ing,	9 41
Post,	Joseph W. Cook,	
Aug. 2, Lucier's Min-	Bronzing radiators	
strels,	and pipes, stock	
Aug. 8, Josephine Cam-	and labor,	41 00
eron,	Callahan & Co.,	150
Sept. 16, Democratic	feet hose,	49 75
Committee,	J. S. Smith, dressing,	26 80
Sept. 30, Republican	Sam'l Walker Oil Co.,	
Committee,	Gasolene,	51 31
Oct. 22, Fisherman's	C. B. Demarest & Co.,	
Benevolent Society,	Seat bottoms,	15 00
Oct. 24, J. C. Rockwell,	Wm. Lumb & Co.,	
Nov. 9, Republican	Wash bowl and pipe,	4 94
Committee,	Walworth M'fg' Co.,	
Nov. 9, Congregational	Sill cocks,	3 58
Society,	H. V. Lawrence, 1 tree,	1 50
	J. A. West, fixtures,	24 01

Nov. 11, Center M. E.	G. H. Holmes, pipe and	
Church,	leather,	\$2 00
Nov. 14, J. H. Hopkins,	Geo O. Knowles, paraf-	
Nov. 23, Geo. H. Holmes,	fine wax,	1 25
Nov. 26, Democratic	John Adams, soap and	
Committee,	pearline,	3 20
Nov. 26, J. C. Rockwell,	B. H. Dyer, lime and	
Dec. 2, Underhay Oil	brush,	1 42
Co., rebate on gasolene,	Joseph Breck & Sons,	
Dec. 5, Women's Relief	Lawn mower,	10 00
Corps,	Grass collector,	2 75
Dec. 8, Marine Lodge,	Herbert Engles, labor,	3 21
Dec. 26, Manuel M. Cook,	W. B. Bangs, labor,	50
Dec. 31, Starr Bros.,	Steamer Longfellow,	
Dec. 31, County of	Freight,	2 60
Barnstable,	James Fuller, labor and	
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	cement,	4 55
	W. L. Burbank, insur-	
	ance,	350 00
	Old Colony R. R.,	
	Freight,	3 85
	W. H. Herbolt, labor,	3 25
	Alfred Small, labor,	4 45
	Eunice Brown, cleaning,	10 00
	Louise Silver, cleaning,	15 50
	Flora Brown, cleaning,	6 00
	Amelia Francis, cleaning,	4 00
	Mary Lema, cleaning,	1 00
	T. J. Mahan, tuning	
	piano,	3 00
	N. C. Brooks, teaming,	75
	Wm. Jason, teaming,	1 20
	Hugh McFadyen, labor	
	on snow,	70
	John Garland, labor	
	on snow,	70
	Lewis A. Smith, labor	
	cleaning cistern,	90

Am't br'ght forward, \$1266 55	Isaiah Lewis, labor on settes,	\$1 00
	Chester A. Cook, labor on settes,	70
	Geo. W. Tuttle, labor on settes,	3 55
	gasolene, gas fixtures and grass,	10 60
	Stage,	4 30
	Stephen McCann, labor on settes,	70
	B. A. Turner, labor on settes,	70
	Antone Francis, labor on settes,	60
	Lemuel F. Nickerson, labor on settes,	3 55
	gasolene,	2 50
	grounds,	2 00
	Nathaniel W. Ayers, salary as janitor,	200 00
	extra labor on gasolene,	4 40
	settes,	3 60
	whitewashing,	12 10
	grounds,	59 40
	fixtures,	3 40
	putting in coal,	6 32
	putting in wood,	2 00
	cleaning cistern,	1 50
	washing towels,	90
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	\$1266 55	\$1266 55

DR.	INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.	CR.
Feb. 9, 1892.	1892.	
To appropriation,	\$1700 00	By cash paid George F. Miller, auditor, 1891,
Dec. 31, Cash received		Howard F. Hopkins,
for weir licenses,	220 00	printing town reports, 1891,
milk "	27 00	other printing,
junk "	6 00	Beacon Pub. Co., printing,
auctioneer licenses,	6 00	James A. Small,
billiard "	4 00	Moderator's services,
peddlers' "	10 00	M. R. Warren, law blanks,
circus "	20 00	J. L. Fairbanks & Co., repairing seal,
sealing weights		Samuel Knowles,
and measures,	24 90	clay for monument grounds,
bounty on seals,	9 00	team hire,
permits granted by State Agent,	7 00	Putting up and taking down election stalls,
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	169 76	Repairing law books,
		Hooper, Lewis & Co., Books and titles,
		John D. Hilliard, sundries,
		Andrew F. Sherman, Abstracts of records,
		Freeman H. Lothrop, Abstracts of records,
		Jonathan Higgins, proving claim,
		B. A. Turner, crying,
		David Ryder, State Agent,
		12 00

Am't br'ght forward, \$2203 66	Marston Sign Co., signs, \$4 00
	A. L. Putnam,
	stationery, 3 25
	Registrar of voters,
	record book, 2 25
	Samuel O. Newcomb,
	bounty on 1 seal, 3 00
	Election officers :
	Annual election, 13 75
	April " 12 50
	Nov. " 26 50
	Dec. meeting, 3 00
	Philip R. Howes, meals
	for election officers,
	Annual election, 3 85
	Nov. election, 12 00
	Board of Registrars'
	salary, 100 00
	Assessors' salary, 630 00
	M. L. Adams,
	travelling expenses, 39 51
	James A. Small,
	travelling expenses, 6 87
	H. P. Harriman,
	legal advice, 42 00
	Seth Smith,
	Services treasurer, 250 00
	" Insp. milk, 20 00
	" sealer of wts.
	and meas., 25 00
	Services attending and
	recording the fol-
	lowing meetings :
	Annual, 10 00
	Special Feb. 25, 6 00
	" April 6, 6 00
	" July 5, 4 00
	" Dec. 12, 3 00

Am't br'ght forward, \$2203 66	National and State
	election, \$15 00
	Recording,
	51 marriages, 7 65
	137 births, 68 50
	20 deaths, 4 00
	123 " 12 30
	Official oaths, 7 50
	P. O. Box rent, 1 00
	Expressage, 9 55
	Postage, 7 46
	Telegrams, 60
	Joseph Whitcomb re-
	turning 143 deaths, 35 75
	Mary Silva, ret'n'g 19b'ths, 4 75
	Mary Tarves, " 25 " 6 25
	Anna Caton, " 10 " 2 50
	Wm. S. Birge, " 25 " 6 25
	Ella F. Birge, " 16 " 4 00
	Wm. M. Moore " 18 " 4 50
	R. C. Dailey, " 6 " 1 50
	Rosa Lewis, " 5 " 1 25
	Hannah Jones " 4 " 1 00
	Isabella Jones " 2 " 50
	Mary J. Alves, " 2 " 50
	Mary Joseph, " 1 " 25
	E. C. Peck, " 1 " 25
	C. P. French, " 1 " 25
	Selectmen's salary, 400 00
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	\$2203 66

## ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR 1893.

The following appropriations for the Selectmen will be needed for the ensuing year:

Watch and Police,	\$1200 00
Town Hill and Fences,	100 00
Street Lights,	700 00
Interest on Demand Loans,	200 00
Discount and Collection of Taxes,	600 00
Abatement of Taxes,	550 00
Incidental Expenses,	1800 00
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	\$5150 00

MARSHALL L. ADAMS,  
 JAMES A. SMALL,  
 THOMAS LEWIS,  
 Selectmen of Provincetown.

## REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS.

VALUATION MAY 1, 1892.

Personal estate, excluding bank stock,	\$849,350 00
Resident bank stock,	163,584 00
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Total personal estate,	\$1,012,934 00

## REAL ESTATE.

Buildings, excluding land,	\$824,096 00
Land, excluding buildings,	329,204 00
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Total real estate,	1,153,300 00

Total assessed valuation May 1, 1892,	\$2,166,234 00
Rate of taxation on \$1000,	\$15 90

Amount raised by taxation for State, County and Town purposes,	\$37163 89
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On personal estate,	16110 42
On real estate,	18337 47
On polls,	2716 00
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	\$37163 89

Number of persons assessed on property,	986
“ “ “ on poll only,	667
Total number assessed,	1653
Number of polls,	1358
Tax on each poll,	\$2 00
Number of residents assessed on property individual,	865
“ of all others,	50
Total number residents assessed,	915

Number of non-residents assessed individual,	68
“ “ all others,	3
Total number assessed,	71
Registered voters, Nov. 8, 1892,	767
Population, census 1890,	4642
Number of vessels 7 tons and over assessed whole or part, May 1, 1892 :	
Whaling fleet,	8
Fishing “	76
Merchant service,	15
Steamers fishing,	2
<b>Total,</b>	<b>101</b>
Number of horses assessed,	102
“ of cows “	50
“ of dwelling houses assessed,	1001
“ of acres land assessed,	1060

**JAMES A. SMALL,**  
**THOMAS LEWIS,**  
**MARSHALL L. ADAMS,**  
Assessors of Provincetown.

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

### RECEIPTS.

Cash in treasury Jan. 1, 1892,	\$2,762 71
County dog fund,	219 56
Received from J. H. Hopkins, Justice Second Dis- trict Court,	435 54
On account of poor,	516 14
Roads and walks,	15 09
Jetty system,	07 00
Fire Department,	71 83
Public schools,	600 34
School incidentals,	30 00
Free text books and supplies,	33 43
Street lights,	59 34
State aid,	678 00
Demand loans,	12,700 00
Interest on demand loans,	202 36
State and County taxes,	2,686 58
Abatement of taxes,	94 60
Taxes of 1888,	281 04
“ 1889,	570 84
“ 1890,	88 15
“ 1891,	6,791 04
“ 1892,	26,552 27
Town Hall,	974 22
Sealer of Weights and Measures,	24 90
Weir licenses,	220 00
Peddlers' licenses,	10 00
Milk “	27 00
Auctioneers “	6 00

Junk licenses,	\$6 00
Billiard " "	4 00
Circus " "	20 00
Bounty on seals,	9 00
David Ryder, permits,	7 00
New Schoolhouse loan,	16,900 00
Water loan,	6,400 00
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	\$80,760 35

## EXPENDITURES.

The treasurer has paid out upon vouchers the following sums:—

Water supply,	\$6,410 19
New schoolhouse,	16,867 21
Watch and Police,	1,171 53
Town Hill and fences,	34 71
Memorial Day,	97 28
Cemeteries,	46 23
Town Hall, funded loan,	5,462 50
Public Library,	719 56
Health department,	107 77
Liquor prosecutions,	249 70
Poor department,	5,087 17
Roads and walks,	2,783 61
Jetty system,	500 52
Fire department,	2,240 98
Public schools,	9,794 86
School house repairs,	480 28
School incidentals,	527 97
Free text books and supplies,	821 28
School deficiencies,	549 19
Street lights,	786 96
State aid,	752 00
Demand loans,	12,700 00
Interest on demand loans,	283 55
State and County taxes,	5,602 38

Discount and collection of taxes,	\$566 51
Abatement of taxes,	677 18
Town Hall,	1,266 55
Incidental expenses,	2,203 66
Grading Conant Street,	166 10
Watering the streets,	500 00
Grading Brewster Street,	172 11
Balance in the treasury Dec. 31, 1892,	1,130 81
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	\$80,760 35

Respectfully submitted,

SETH SMITH, Town Treasurer.



## REPORT OF AUDITOR.

A careful examination of the books of the Selectmen and Treasurer for the year ending Dec. 31, 1892, by your Auditor, reveals the same care and accuracy which has been noted and stated in previous reports.

A voucher for every order drawn, properly indorsed and receipted, was found and examined.

The following is a statement of the business done by the town officers for the year 1892 :

Balance in the treasury Jan. 1, 1892,		\$2,762 71
Receipts for the year,		77,997 64
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		\$80,760 35
Paid out on vouchers,	\$79,629 54	
Bal. in treasury Dec. 31, 1892,	1,130 81	
	<hr/>	\$80,760 35
Number of orders drawn,		1662
Amount paid on orders,		\$79,629 54

The following is a statement of the receipts and expenditures of Public Library for the year 1892 :

### BOOK ACCOUNT.

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1892,		\$313 02
Receipts of the year (as per trustees' report)		536 84
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		\$849 86
Paid out on Acct. of books,	\$755 61	
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1892,	94 25	
	<hr/>	\$849 86

### TOWN APPROPRIATION.

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1892,		\$12 44
Received from the town,		500 00
Received from fines and catalogues,		27 65
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		\$540 09
Paid expenses for the year (as per trustees' report)	\$520 90	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1892,	19 19	
	<hr/>	\$540 09

The securities belonging to the Benj. Small Fund remain the same as last year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. F. MILLER, Auditor.

## REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor submit the following report :

Our Almshouse continues in a satisfactory condition, admirably kept, by Mr. and Mrs. Cobb, and providing, in the best way, for those within its walls, while it acts usefully as a preventive to many who would become dependent on the town, were out door relief accessible to all.

### INSANE.

We have a larger number of insane in the hospital than last year. One half of the money expended for relief outside of the Almshouse is on account of these unfortunate people. Since the beginning of this report one new case has been added to their number. This necessarily implies a large outlay, but the cases are none of them such as can be safely removed to our Almshouse, and there is no other method of economy open to us. We recommend an appropriation of \$4000 for the Support of Poor and salaries the ensuing year.

The following is the financial statement of this department :

### ALMSHOUSE.

Salary of Superintendent,	\$260 00
Groceries and provisions,	415 28
Fuel and lights,	80 50
Clothing and bedding,	42 90
Boots and shoes,	13 56
Medical attendance and medicine,	22 70
Burial expenses,	17 00
Sanitary expenses,	13 00
Furniture and fixtures,	37 97
Repairs,	54 39
Moving trees,	8 60
Dressing for land,	14 80
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Almshouse expenses,	\$980 70
Shingling Almshouse,	\$237 25
Painting " "	115 63
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	352 88
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	\$1333 58
Remaining in Almshouse Dec. 31, 1891,	7
Admitted during the year,	2
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	9
Died,	1
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Remaining in Almshouse Dec 31, 1892,	8
Number of persons fully supported during the year 1892, viz. :	
At Almshouse,	9
At Hospital for Insane,	9
Insane in private families,	2
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	20
Number of families partially supported,	32
Number of dependents,	81
Number of tramps,	2

INMATES OF THE ALMSHOUSE FROM DECEMBER 31ST, 1891, TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1892.

NAME.	AGE.	BIRTHPLACE.	NATURE OF SETTLEMENT.	WHEN REG.	REMARKS.
Frank A. Cook,	47	Provincetown,	Father,	1888	
Annie A. Costa,	79	Flores, W. I.,	Acts of 1879,	1891	
Zilla D. Howe,	62	Eastham,	Father,	1858	
Ida Newcomb,	41	Harwich,	"	1877	
Hiram B. Nickerson,	56	Provincetown,	Taxation,	*1892	Died March 26, 1892.
Joshua Smith,	79	"	"	1882	
Reuben A. Smith,	44	"	Father,	1870	
Sarah Wareham,	77	Boston,	Marriage,	1873	
Charles Wright,	62	New Jersey,	Taxation,	1888	

\*March 5.

## SUPPORT OF THE POOR OUT OF THE ALMSHOUSE.

Atkins, Bethia,	\$16 17
Brown, Jennie,	36 00
Barnes, Rosa,	82 84
Cobee, Mary A.,	88 00
Costa, Annie A.,	13 92
Davis, Louise,	132 66
Enos, Joquain,	37 05
Enos, Gertrude,	25 00
Francis, Anna,	5 00
Francis, Manuel B.,	32 00
Francis, Sarah H.,	7 39
Freeman, Mary,	20 60
Leander, Joseph F.,	168 82
Lema, Mary,	101 45
Lurton, William J.,	16 00
Martin, Rosa,	30 00
Marshall, Mary,	71 50
Morris, Isabelle,	67 50
McCurdy, Archibald,	21 75
Newcomb, Christina,	7 00
Paine, Elizabeth,	14 18
Parone, Amelia,	131 10
Roderick, Selina,	86 83
Rogers, Jesse D.,	72 00
Scannell, Florence,	60 00
Silver, Joseph F.,	58 13
Smith, Joseph A.,	9 13
Tarves, Almena,	96 58
Taylor, William H.,	12 33
Thomas, Antone,	85
Two tramps,	1 00

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 \$1522 78

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK OF PROVINCETOWN, MASS., FOR THE YEAR 1892.

Brown, George T.,	\$169 92	
Fine, Ellen,	169 92	
Freeman, Frank Y.,	114 21	
Hamilton, Francis,	156 86	
Kelley, James F.,	144 00	
Lema, Joseph,	169 92	
Martin, Julia P.,	169 92	
Winslow, James,	169 92	
Insane, reimbursed,	365 59	
	<hr/>	1,630 26
Temporary aid,		23 53
Other towns cases,		78 74
Commonwealth cases,		48 28
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Amount expended outside the Almshouse,		3303 59
Almshouse expenses,		980 70
Shingling and painting Almshouse,		352 88
Salary of Overseers,		450 00
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		\$5087 17
Appropriation for Poor and Salaries	\$4000 00	
"    "    Painting and Shingling,	350 00	
Cash received for insane,	365 59	
"    "    for temporary aid,	23 53	
"    "    for poor of other towns,	78 74	
"    "    from Commonwealth,	48 28	
Dec. 31, deficiency,	221 03	
	<hr/>	\$5087 17

MARSHALL L. ADAMS,  
THOMAS LEWIS,  
JAMES A. SMALL,  
Overseers of the Poor.

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

### MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN PROVINCETOWN IN 1892.

- Jan. 1. Harry Clark Bickmore of Providence, R. I., and Margaret Jane Lucas of Provincetown.
- Jan. 8. Joseph K. Silva of Truro and Emma Marshall of Provincetown.
- Jan. 9. Joseph Rogers of Truro and Mary E. Marshall of Provincetown.
- Jan. 16. Domingo Francis and Mary C. Veara Martin, both of Provincetown.
- Jan. 18. Frank L. Roderick of Provincetown, and Mary Silva of Truro.
- Jan. 23. William Enos and Amelia S. Corea, both of Provincetown.
- Jan. 28. Joseph H. Dow and Mary Flaherty, both of Provincetown.
- Jan. 30. Joseph Silva and Virginia I. Caton, both of Provincetown.
- Feb. 21. Elisha H. Tillson and Martha A. Alexander, both of Provincetown.
- March 15. Willie Leslie Swift and Emily Holbrook Cobb, both of Provincetown. Married in East Boston.
- March 29. John Freeman Atkins of Provincetown and Annie E. Humphrey of Somerville. Married in Somerville.
- April 10. Oscar A. Nickerson of Orleans and Helen F. Ryder of Provincetown. Married in Orleans.
- April 14. James Henry McInnis and Mary McMaster, both of Provincetown.
- April 30. Watson S. Dolliver of Provincetown and Catherine E. Ford of Boston. Married in Boston.

- May 3. John Francis Caton and Justine Small Rich, both of Provincetown.
- June 24. James Franklin Boardman of Somerville and Evelyn Ward Fisher of Provincetown.
- June 25. William Morrison Newton of Everett and Mary Eldridge Nickerson of Provincetown.
- June 26. Frank Rogers and Isabella Silva, both of Truro. Married in Provincetown.
- July 2. George Adams of Truro and Mabel Nickerson of Provincetown.
- July 7. Antone Barnes and Nellie Marshall, both of Provincetown.
- Aug. 6. Antone Frates and Emma Oliver, both of Provincetown.
- Aug. 15. Fernando J. Oliver and May Jecouse, both of Provincetown.
- Sept. 8. John Wallace Savage and Lydia Small Blaisdell, both of Provincetown.
- Sept. 27. Benjamin Gross Pierce of Provincetown and Sadie S. Rich of Truro. Married in Truro.
- Sept. 27. Edwin D. Smith and Isabella Morris, both of Provincetown.
- Sept. 29. Antone Medears and Philomena Concesao Peter, both of Provincetown.
- Oct. 9. Walter Harris Adams and Ellen O'Donnell, both of Provincetown.
- Oct. 10. Herbert L. Newcomb and Lizzie F. Whorf, both of Wellfleet. Married in Provincetown.
- Oct. 18. John Lopes of Harwich and Roza Nunes Lessa of Provincetown.
- Oct. 21. William Kilburn Nickerson and Annie Allen Rich, both of Provincetown.
- Oct. 26. Clarence Allen Ghen of Provincetown and Grace Della Eldridge of Harwich. Married in Harwich.
- Nov. 1. Joseph Henry Butler and Annie Ellen Dyer, both of Provincetown.

- Nov. 2. Manuel Guiser DeRosa and Hannah Frates, both of Provincetown.
- Nov. 4. Frank Gaspie and Mamie Gracies, both of Provincetown.
- Nov. 9. Isaiah Adelbert Small and Carrie Willis Clarke, both of Provincetown.
- Nov. 12. Alves Almeda and Rosa Amelia Jason, both of Provincetown.
- Nov. 15. Anthony Lewis Rogers and Mamie O'Donald, both of Provincetown.
- Nov. 19. Frank V. Rogers and Ellen Marshall, both of Provincetown.
- Nov. 19. Michael Oliver and Mary Nascirmento Noia, both of Provincetown.
- Nov. 19. Marion Souza and Mary Silva, both of Provincetown.
- Nov. 19. Manuel Ferreira Estrella and Julia Silva Parone, both of Provincetown.
- Nov. 22. John Cravalho and Mary C. Lema, both of Provincetown.
- Nov. 22. Manuel Oliver and Mary Crowley, both of Provincetown.
- Nov. 23. Manuel DeCosta and Jacenta Emelia, both of Provincetown.
- Nov. 24. Manuel Morris Valaro and Mary Flora, both of Provincetown.
- Nov. 29. Alfred Olson and Mary Ann McLeod, both of Provincetown.
- Dec. 3. Manuel Joseph Simmons and Clara Enos Ferrira, both of Provincetown.
- Dec. 10. Eugene Ashton Perry and Ella May Mayo, both of Provincetown.
- Dec. 17. William Mello and Emily Thomas, both of Provincetown.
- Dec. 29. John J. Koser of Shippensburg, Pa., and Ada Cornelia Atkins of Provincetown.

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN PROVINCETOWN IN 1892.

## JANUARY.

Date.	Name.	Name of Parents.
3.	Emma J. Alves,	Manuel J. & Marianna J., nee Joseph.
6.	Clarence A. Wood,	John P. and Mary L., nee Alves.
6.	Joseph Patrick,	Antone and Mary, nee Tasha.
7.	Amelia Azevod,	Antone J. and Maria, nee Ferriara.
14.	Lillian Ferry,	Joseph and Carrie, nee Jason.
25.	Miriam Christie Corea.	Wm. J. and Mary A., nee McKenzie.
27.	George Conrad Wagner.	Herman and Pauline, nee Wolz.
28.	John Facha,	Frank R. and Frances, nee Tiadora.

## FEBRUARY.

5.	Betsey Doane Holway,	Chas. H. and Lydia A., nee Cook.
12.	Emily Tarves,	Brass and Gertrude, nee Quil.
15.	Rosa Silva,	Joseph K. and Mary, nee Thomas.
26.	Bertha Ross Williams,	James F. and Justine L. nee Hutchins.

## MARCH.

5.	——Forrest,	Wm. H. and Ida B. T., nee Grozier.
7.	George Francis,	Manuel S. and Josephine, nee Jesouce.
12.	Joseph Davis,	Manuel and Jessie, nee Souza.
12.	Angie Crowley,	Manuel and Christie, nee Williams.
15.	Jesse Lincoln Paine,	Oren O. & Georgie D., nee Matheson.
19.	Georgie Bent,	Joseph and Mary C., nee Perry.
21.	Mary Patrick,	Joseph and Mary, nee Bell.
25.	Harrow Maxwell Paraway,	Charles and Sadie, nee Lloyd.
25.	Wesley Baker Lewis,	Isaac W. and Laura M., nee Freeman.
28.	Earle Carlton Kenney,	Joshua and Sarah, nee Walker.
31.	Marenius Barnhard Poulsen	Frank and Bernardina, nee Benson.

## APRIL.

1.	Emmons Joseph Days,	Emmons J. and Frances, nee Deglory.
5.	William C. Veara,	Manuel and Mary, nee Corea.
5.	Nellie M. James,	Manuel D. and Mary F., nee Flores.
8.	Anthony Jason,	Justine and Minnie, nee Marks.
9.	Irving Wyman Walker,	Joseph S. and Albertina, nee Virge.
10.	Elsie Frank,	Peter and Ida, nee Marks.
13.	Ethel May Frates,	John and Rosa, nee Francis.
17.	William Morris,	James and Paldina, nee Pinna.
18.	William Elma Worth,	James E. and Nellie P., nee Lewis.
19.	Carrie Waldron Rich,	Reuben E. & Carrie W., nee Freeman.
20.	Albert Leslie Silva,	Antone and Mary L., nee Newcomb.
24.	Mamie Almedia Antone,	John and Gracie, nee Sears.

## MAY.

1.	Lillian Sanford Stenhouse,	Charles A. and Rachel A., nee Byers
9.	Elsie May Sears,	Joseph W. and Maggie, nee McNally.
10.	Harvey Osborn Sparrow,	Harvey O. Jr. & Nellie M. nee Matheson
22.	Leslie Carlos Chapman,	Benjamin R. and Kate, nee Bank.
22.	Warren Joseph Tarves,	Joseph and Mary A., nee Whalen.
23.	Gracie May Silva,	John and Mamie, nee Barnett.

## MAY.

Date.	Name.	Names of Parents.
23.	Rosie Perry,	Joseph and Nancy, nee Silva.
26.	John Silva,	Manuel F. and Mary, nee Marshall.
27.	John Frates,	Manuel and Josephine, nee Marks.
29.	Josephine Wolf, { twins }	William and Jessie, nee McLeod.
	Wolf,	

## JUNE.

2.	Ernest Lloyd Suker,	Daniel L. and Annie E., nee Berry.
3.	Angie Avela,	Joseph M. and Angie J., nee Avela.
10.	Mary Jason,	John and Mary, nee Silva.
12.	Frank Alonzo Davis,	Frank and Clarissa N., nee Kendall.
12.	Lester Winthrop Dearborn,	Winthrop C. & Mary E., nee Burgess.
14.	William Souza,	Antone and Rosa.
15.	John Calvin Rye O'Donnell,	Michael and Ada M., nee Scoville.
16.	——Campbell,	John W. and Jessie, nee McLennan.
17.	Manuel Ross,	Jos. L. & Mary Philomena, nee Souza.
17.	Manuel Meads,	Manuel and Mary, nee Tarves.
27.	John Rocheteau,	Joseph and Margaret C., nee Lopez.

## JULY.

11.	——Virgin, { twins }	Joseph and Mary, nee Frates.
	——Virgin,	
13.	Adeline Lin Simons,	Manuel L. and Rosa, nee Marshall.
15.	Manuel Parone,	Manuel and Sopher, nee Andrews.
16.	Mary Cabral Silva,	Antone C. and Mary, nee Souza.
17.	John Veara,	Manuel and Mary, nee Souza.
19.	Manuel F. Ventura, Jr.,	Manuel F. and Emma, nee Thomas.
21.	Clarence Jacob Francis Whalen,	Henry W. & Mary Ann, nee McManary.
27.	Howard Wallace Foss,	Frank R. and Ida H., nee Tuttle.

## AUGUST.

1.	Helen Rounds,	Israel P. and Abbie E., nee Graves.
2.	John Silva,	John D. and Annie, nee Francis.
2.	Evelyne Nickerson,	Joseph A. and Maggie A. nee Patterson
4.	Angus Birge Ross,	Angus and Mary Ann, nee McLeod.
10.	Frank Allen Bowring,	David and Mary E., nee Powers.
11.	Manuel Jason,	John and Marianna, nee Costa.
11.	Joseph Pershake, { twins }	Joseph M. and Jessie, nee Souza.
	John Pershake,	
12.	Frank Mayo Silva,	John V. and Carrie M., nee Mayo.
15.	——Oliver,	Frank F. and Mary J., nee Ritengurt.
16.	William Edgar Kenney,	Joseph E. and Lillie M., nee Rich.
16.	Caroline Marks,	Antone and Mary, nee Holmes.
18.	Elmont Burton Abbott,	Edwin and Abby A., nee Smith.
18.	Nellie Soncs,	Joseph and Emily, nee Tarves.
20.	Seraphino Steel,	Joseph and Mary, nee Brown.
22.	Joseph Agner,	Edward P. and Julia C., nee Andrews.
25.	Edward Cabral,	Joseph and Rosa C., nee Lemon.
29.	Lizzie Evelen Scoville,	George and Minnie, nee McGrath.
29.	William Frates,	Joseph and Frances, nee Leal.

## SEPTEMBER.

Date.	Name.	Names of Parents.
3.	William Gaspie,	Jesse and Rosa Adeline.
5.	Frank Gracie,	Manuel and Maggie P., nee Martin.
6.	Madeline Alves,	John J. and Rosa, nee Francis.
11.	Leonora May Silva,	William B. and Mary, nee Augusta.
12.	Joseph Roderick,	Joseph and Selina, nee White.
14.	Annie Carr,	Joseph Jr. and Julia S., nee Carr.
15.	Walter Avela,	John and Phebe.
16.	—Brown,	George A. and Georgie E., nee Lewis.
20.	Joseph Medeiros, Frankie Tasha,	Serjio G. and Mary, nee Silva. Joseph and Maggie, nee Lewis.
23.	Virginia Carey, { twins } Nellie Carey,	Manuel and Nancy, nee Tarves.
25.	—Souza,	Victor and Mary.
26.	Vastena Jason,	Manuel and Mary P.
26.	Gertrude Weston Dyer,	Chas. W. and Gertie R., nee Smith.
26.	Laura Mello,	Victorine and Mary S., nee Souza.

## OCTOBER.

1.	Jennie Eva Wager,	Frank and Phebe, nee Silva.
4.	Georgia Cook, Emma Cook, { triplets, } —Cook,	Frank F. and Amelia L., nee Laurie.
5.	Mamie Tasha,	Virginia and Fannie, nee Lewis.
5.	Mamie Veara,	Antone and Mary, nee Sants.
5.	Manuel Oliver,	[der. Jos. P. and Philomena, nee Marshall.
6.	Blanche Sherbon Harven-	Heman W. & Emma G., nee Sprague.
10.	Chester Henry Boudrot,	John and Josephine, nee DeCosta.
11.	Phebe Roderick,	Albert and Marianna, nee Glades.
13.	Edward Silva,	Joseph K. and Emma, nee Marshall.
15.	Annie Silva,	Jule and Flossie, nee Glory.
19.	Ralph Kidder,	Albert A. and Hattie, nee Kinsman.
22.	—Williams,	Frank A. and Georgie E., nee Colburn
23.	Florinne Brewer Davis,	John W. and Ida B., nee Davis.
28.	Willie Orloe Jensen,	Hans P. & Jannsine K., nee Lyster.
28.	—Rose,	Manuel and Capitulina, nee Sulidade.

## NOVEMBER.

6.	Joseph Pershake,	Joseph and Mary, nee Souza.
8.	Emma Meads,	John and May, nee Casmus.
9.	Joseph Costa,	Manuel N. and Jennie B., nee Christie.
12.	Minnie Enos,	Joseph and Mary, nee Silva.
14.	Mamie Silva,	William and Almena, nee Glory.
15.	Frank Souza,	Joseph and Mary, nee Silva.
18.	Edna Patrick,	Manuel and Mary, nee Costa.
21.	John Alvin Rich,	John F. and Justine S., nee Rich.
29.	Emma Marshall,	Albion and Lucy M., nee Souza.
29.	—Hatch,	Luther P. and Mercy E., nee Grozier.

## DECEMBER.

1.	Edward Loring,	Frank and Mary A., nee Tarves.
4.	—Matheson,	John A. and Katie, nee Campbell.
8.	Mamie Dutra,	Frank and Mary.
10.	—Stevens,	John and Sarah A., nee Lloyd.
16.	Arthur Perry Francis,	Domingo and Mary, nee Carden.
18.	Mamie Dantos,	Joseph L. and Delphine, nee Pershake
23.	Catherine A. Bangs,	James D. and Frances P., nee Witham
27.	—Emery,	Alfred C. and Eva M., nee Hurlburt.

## DEATHS REGISTERED IN PROVINCETOWN IN 1892.

Date.	Name.	Age.	Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death,
Jan. 2.	Mamie Tarves,	0	6	27		Enteritis, Congestion of
6.	Angus Ross,	27	0	0		Drowned at sea. [brain.
6.	Sylvanus Cook,	79	8	23		Spinal sclerosis.
7.	Manuel John Cruse,	38	0	0		Pleuro pneumonia.
9.	Annie S. Days,	30	0	0		Acute Laryngitis.
11.	Annie McLeod,	37	5	11		Hemorrhage, Heart fail-
14.	Elanor D. Atwood,	71	9	0		Exposure to cold. [ure.
15.	Joseph Jason,	3	3	11		Unknown.
17.	Mary Rogers,	24	11	7		Consumption.
20.	Georgianna Souza,	0	2	28		LaGrippe.
22.	Joseph Souza,	39	9	27		Accidental drowning.
23.	Betsey Johnson,	92	0	11		Capillary bronchitis.
23.	Rosetta Burt,	74	9	0		Pneumonia followingLa-
25.	Alexander Hamlen,	76	0	21		Acute bronchitis[Grippe
28.	Mamie Souza,	0	5	0		Croup.
28.	Joseph G. Silva,	0	5	23		Congestion of Lungs.
29.	Benjamin S. Kelley,	76	4	25		Pneumonia.
29.	Sarah G. Holmes,	88	5			Heart failure.
30.	John Burt,	77	11	12		Paralysis.
30.	William W. Smith,	66	2	19		Pleurisy, pericarditis.
31.	Apphia D. Freeman,	66	4	19		LaGrippe, pneumonia.
31.	Lizzie E. Freeman,	41	4	23		LaGrippe, anaemia.
Feb. 2.	Hatsuld Freeman,	75	4	0		LaGrippe, pneumonia.
4.	Amelia Cabral,	1	5	18		Bronchitis.
4.	Alvin J. Nickerson,	5	10	9		Scarlet fever.
9.	Mary Leonard,	0	1	28		Capillary bronchitis.
9.	Arthur Rogers,	1	21			Consumption.
13.	Lizzie W. Bowley,	1	17			Bronchitis.
13.	Mamie Gaspie,	1	6	6		Enteritis.
15.	Abner B. Rich,	62	5	3		Apoplexy.
15.	John J. Almeda,	86	0	0		Old age.
15.	Georgie A. Souza,	0	2	0		Influenza.
15.	Manuel D. Silva,	58	0	18		Convulsions.
25.	John Sears,	16	0	0		Accidental.
26.	Nancy H. Burch,	74	1	13		LaGrippe.
29.	Christie A. Burden,	32	0	12		Pneumonia.
Mch. 4.	Harvey A. Cook,	35	1	23		General tuberculosis.
4.	Atkins D. Snow,	63	6	11		LaGrippe and heart fail-
5.	—Forrest,	0	0	0		Still born. [ure.
5.	John Thomas,	14	2	4		Pericarditis with pneu-
5.	Raymond Ellington,	50	0	0		Varicosis. [monia.
8.	Arozana Lewis,	61	4	20		LaGrippe, heart failure.
10.	Lorina D. McDonald,	15	2	14		Phthisis.
13.	Nancy A. Holmes,	64	11	25		Apoplexy & hemiplegia.
14.	Arthur W. Kenney,	0	10	14		Broncho pneumonia.
15.	Lombard Rich,	81	4	16		LaGrippe.
22.	Harold W. Cobb,	4	3	6		Broncho pneumonia.
26.	Hiram B. Nickerson,	55	1	12		Bright's disease.
27.	Ida B. F. Forrest,	37	2	6		Pericarditis.
29.	Nellie Marshall,	0	4	10		Convulsions.
Apr. 5.	Henry Souza,	4	8	25		Tubercular meningitis.
8.	Manuel Grassie,	63	0	0		Consumption.
12.	Hiram J. Snow,	84	3	8		Shock from injuries re-
14.	Joseph P. Tasha,	0	3	7		Convulsions. [ceived.



Date.	Name.	Age.		Cause of Death.
		y.	d.	
Apr. 15.	Mary Young,	84	1	13 Broncho pneumonia.
	22. Nathaniel Hopkins,	77	2	25 Pericarditis.
	27. Manuel Silva,	53	0	0 Accidental drowning.
May. 6.	Susan P. Holmes,	35	10	21 Phthisis and heart dis-
	6. Minnie C. Nickerson,		3	7 Bronchitis. [ease.
	8. Maggie C. McCarthy,	24	10	2 Consumption.
	8. Frank Hall,	42	0	0 Heart disease.
	9. Annie Cook,	3	0	26 Membraneous croup.
	13. Julia M. Burke,	24	5	12 Phthisis pulmonarius.
	16. Margaret D. Peach,	57	6	0 Nervous prostration and softening of brain.
	17. Martha D. Sparks,	69	11	12 Paralysis.
	19. Mary Van Cleif,	56	0	0 Pericarditis.
	29. ————Wolf,	0	0	0 Still birth.
June 13.	Ann E. Bangs,	62	5	3 Mammary Carcinoma.
	16. ————Campbell,	0	0	0 Still birth.
	18. Mary Lewis,	75	5	3 Dropsy of the heart.
	20. Ebenezer Turner,	77	5	3 Phthisis pulmonarius.
	21. Ann Roberts,	61	1	20 Cancery stomach.
	21. Margaret J. Lucas,	59	9	0 Cancer of liver.
	21. Mary E. Cowing,	27	0	17 Metritis.
July 1.	Joseph F. Rogers,	67	6	25 Congestion of lungs.
	1. Amanda Nickerson,	84	4	28 Accident. Old age.
	6. Warren J. Healey,	6	6	10 { Concussion of brain, caused by accident.
	8. Henry B. Gayland,	24	9	3 Typhoid fever.
	11. ————Virgin,	0	0	0 Still birth.
	11. ————Virgin,	0	0	0 Still birth.
	14. Joseph E. Enos, Jr.,	0	10	7 Cholera infantum.
	20. Jonathan Cashin,	72	7	27 Brights disease.
	26. John Cabral,	0	10	29 Cholera infantum.
	27. Samuel S. Smith,	71	1	24 Brights disease.
	29. Joseph Davis,	0	4	16 Diarrhoea.
	30. Nellie M. James,	0	3	25 Cholera infantum.
Aug. 3.	Angie Crowley,	0	4	21 Cholera infantum.
	8. Frank Silva,	57	3	0 Heart disease.
	12. Mary Patrick,	0	4	21 Cholera Infantum.
	13. Calista Cook,	75	2	29 Exhaustion, exposure.
	15. ————Oliver,	0	0	0 Asphyxia.
	15. Mary J. Oliver,	36	0	0 Heart disease.
	17. Elsie M. Sears,	0	3	10 Consumption of bowels.
	21. Phebe N. Chapman,	76	6	14 Congestion of lungs.
	23. Joseph Foot,	75	0	0 Dysentery & kidney trou-
	28. Dorothy F. Douglas,	2	6	24 Cholera infantum. [ble.
Sept. 3.	Annie M. Lewis,	23	2	7 Consumption.
	5. Phebe Perry,	1	9	1 Cholera infantum.
	6. Rosie Perry,	0	3	14 Diarrhoea.
	11. Henry Shortle,	56	10	26 Tuberculosis.
	13. Rebecca S. Eldridge,	56	2	26 Cancer.
	16. ————Brown,	0	0	1
	19. William Frates,	0	0	20 Unknown.
	29. John Rocheteau,	0	1	22 Cholera infantum.
	25. Rebecca R. Nickerson,	57	11	25 Morbus coxar.
	26. Frank Gracie,	0	0	20 Infantile diarrhoea.
	28. Eva May Perry,	4	1	1 Typhoid fever.
	28. Mary S. King,	32	0	0 Heart disease. [monia.
Oct. 2.	Joseph F. Swett,	51	0	0 Typhoid fever & pneu-

Date.	Name.	Age.		Cause of Death.
		y.	d.	
Oct. ] 4.	———Cook,	0	0	0 Still born.
	5. Manuel Thomas, Jr.,	37	6	10 Tuberculosis.
	7. Adeline B. Henderson,	5	9	12 Congestion of brain.
	8. Frankie M. Silva,	0	1	24 Infantile diarrhoea.
	9. Seth D. Perry,	41	1	24 Typhoid fever.
	10. Laura M. Mello,	0	0	14 Cholera infantum.
	10. Manuel Parone,	0	2	23 Cholera infantum.
	10. Willie M. Silva,	1	1	16 Infantile diarrhoea.
	10. Emma Cook,	0	0	6 Premature birth.
	11. Isabella Costa,	45	0	0 Hemorrhage of lungs.
	11. Sarah Hilliard,	80	7	18 Heart disease.
	15. Georgie Cook,	0	0	11 Premature birth.
	16. John Facha,	0	9	18 Cholera infantum.
	20. Bernard Sereigo,	46	2	0 Consumption.
	22. ————Williams,	0	0	0 Still birth.
	25. Mary S. Winslow,	72	0	0 Heart disease.
	25. Paul L. Bangs,	64	2	15 Paralysis.
	28. Frank A. Bowering,	0	2	18 Premature birth.
Nov. 2.	Rebecca C. Lothrop,	86	3	25 Capillary bronchitis.
	6. Nancy S. Walker,	54	10	28 Cirrhosis of liver.
	7. Isaac Small,	81	2	8 Carcinoma of stomach.
	8. William C. Veara,	0	7	3 Convulsions.
	9. Jesse Lewis,	27	9	6 Drowning accidental.
	11. Mercy H. Joseph,	63	0	28 Crebral apoplexy.
	18. Thomas C. F. Williams,	44	0	0 Carcinoma of lip.
	23. Phebe A. Nickerson,	65	6	9 Heart disease & conges-
	28. Thomas N. Paine,	59	11	14 Heart disease. [tionlungs
	29. ————Hatch,	0	0	1 Premature birth.
Dec. 9.	Annie M. Meads,	4	4	24 Acute laryngitis.
	10. Samantha L. Nickerson,	51	0	19 Diabetis.
	11. Eliza S. C. Smith,	82	9	11 Bronchitis.
	14. Earnest Patrick,	0	0	27 Cakrum oris.
	15. Sally Whorf,	73	6	18 Cancer of liver.
	18. Alice S. Hilliard,	27	5	12 Consumption.
	23. Blanche L. Nickerson,	4	2	0 Tuberculosis.
	31. Joshua Nickerson,	90	8	11 Old age.

## SUMMARY.

The following are the statistics of marriages, births, and deaths registered in Provincetown for the year ending December 31, 1892:

## MARRIAGES.

Number of marriages registered in 1892,	51
Both parties born in the United States,	29
“ “ “ Western Islands,	15
Mixed, one American,	5
“ other nationalities,	3

## BIRTHS.

Number of births registered in 1892,	137
Males,	72
Females,	65

The parentage of the children is as follows:

Both parents American,	32
“ “ Portuguese,	57
“ “ British Provinces,	8
Mixed, one American,	34
“ other nationalities,	6
Three pairs of twins. Triplets.	

## DEATHS.

Number of deaths registered in 1892,	143
Males,	67
Females,	76
Born in United States,	116
“ Western Islands,	19
“ British Provinces,	4
“ Ireland,	2
“ England,	1
“ Spain,	1

## DOGS LICENSED.

Number of dogs licensed in Provincetown in 1892,	118
Paid County Treasurer,	\$224.40

SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

## REPORT OF MILK INSPECTOR.

The following persons have procured licenses to sell milk in the town of Provincetown the past year:

Isaiah Gifford, Provincetown.	Manuel E. Perry, Provincetown
Ira K. Small, “	Moses S. Turner, “
John A. Matheson, “	Stephen F. Atwood, “
Andrew T. Williams, “	E. Rice Conwell, “
A. G. Small, “	Isaiah Young, “
Frank Williams, “	Richard Baxter, “
Joseph P. Silva, “	R. B. Dyer, “
Philip Freeman, “	Heman F. Smith, “
John Jones, “	Sarah G. Cook, “
Ellis & Burch, “	Antone J. Rollins, “
John M. Carnes, “	Joseph Francis, (2), “
Frank G. Cook, “	Jerome S. Smith, (2), “
P. R. Howes, “	R. G. Loring, “
Joseph Mathews, “	W. C. Dearborn, “
John Brown, “	David Rich, “
Wm. E. Rogers, “	L. N. Paine & Co., “
James E. Rich, “	Byley Lyford, “
Francis J. Corea, “	Salathiel Hamilton, “
John Adams, “	Baldwin & Small, Truro.
Charles A. Cook, “	Josiah H. Sparrow, “
Joshua T. Small, “	David D. Stocker, “
Thomas W. Sparks, “	Frank M. Brown, “
Nathaniel Gifford, “	William Holden, “
Jeremiah A. Rich, “	Michael A. Rich, “
Henry F. Pierce, “	Warren W. Small, “
Joseph Patrick, Jr., “	

Respectfully submitted,

SETH SMITH, Milk Inspector.

## REPORT OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

The Road Commissioners herewith submit their report of receipts and expenditures for the year ending Dec. 31, 1892:

Appropriation,	\$2500 00
Material sold,	15 00
Rebate, J. Fuller,	09
Deficiency,	268 52
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	\$2783 61
Paid Frank Chase, Supt. Streets,	\$36 94
Road Commissioners,	145 50
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	\$182 44

### LABOR AND MATERIAL ON WALKS.

Paid A. McCurdy, labor,	\$2 90
Peter Morrell, "	2 80
Seneca G. Ewell, "	1 00
Alfred J. Emery, "	2 60
Joseph Perry, "	80
Isaac B. Lewis, "	40
Arthur L. Lombard, "	1 20
Antone Silva, "	50
Josiah Nickerson, "	50
Benj. Brown, "	40
John Williams, "	1 90
Antone King Asvey, "	80
William M. Ewell, "	1 00
James H. Sullivan, "	1 65
James Lopez, "	1 75
Geo W. Ready, "	30
Alfred Francis, "	1 55
Reuben Ryder, "	1 00

Paid Antone Boatman, labor,	\$0 80
Elisha S. Newcomb, "	90
Manuel Enos, "	25
Frank N. Atwood, "	80
John Lovett, "	73
John C. Heim, "	70
Augustus E. Rich, "	80
Mannel Patrick, "	80
Zephaniah Rich, "	60
Hermie Snow, "	70
R. F. Freeman, "	3 05
Wm. B. Dunham, "	3 10
Manuel Antone, "	1 20
Manuel Swartz, "	1 20
Frank Lima, "	2 65
Wm. Newcomb, "	2 10
Manuel Valentine, "	1 50
Everett Small, "	1 20
Reuben W. Rich, "	2 20
Clarence L. Burch, "	1 10
Geo. M. Allen, "	1 30
Henry J. Lewis, "	30
Henry S. Ghen, "	38
Jesse Ghen, "	3 15
John McIntosh, "	45
Hugh. McFadyen, "	3 03
James M. Lewis, "	1 50
Alex. Livingstone, "	3 00
William Whalen, "	50
Joseph E. Weeks, "	3 32
Wallace McLeod, "	50
Geo. Mott, "	50
John Joseph, "	45
Boniface Silva, "	1 82
Bangs A. Lewis, "	2 63
Josiah G. Whorf, "	65 05
John Garland, "	3 13
Willis Higgins, "	13 80

Paid Joseph Weeks,	"	Paid Anton...	\$4 69
Antone Francis,	"	Elisba...	2 43
Geo. Crosby,	"	Mann...	5 45
Henry B. Gayland,	"	Frank Atwood,	40
Charles C. Atkins,	"	John...	4 20
Benj. W. Atkins,	"	John...	15 60
Manuel King,	"	August...	70
Chas. A. Cook,	"	Mann...	35
John H. Settes,	"	Neph...	4 93
Enos Costa,	"	Hermi...	40
Manuel Francis,	"	R. F. ...	3 10
A. W. Newcomb,	"	Wm. ...	80
Fred A. Lewis,	"	Mann...	40
Herbert S. Cook,	"	Mann...	40
James C. Roberts,	"	Frank...	1 10
James N. Ryder,	"	Wm. ...	30
Geo. P. Cook,	"	Mann...	30
R. G. Alexander,	"	Ever...	30
Geo. W. Tuttle,	"	Hend...	58 05
Manuel Williams,	"	Glenn...	90
Frank Silva,	"	Geo. ...	30
Lewis P. Morgan,	"	Henry...	2 35
Joseph H. Emery,	"	Henry...	1 30
Lemuel F. Nickerson, labor,	"	Leas...	73 05
William H. Settes, Jr.,	"	John...	80
William H. Settes,	"	Hugh...	8 65
Thomas A. Weeks,	"	James...	3 29
Thomas Welch,	"	Alex...	3 20
Joseph King Lima,	"	Willi...	2 80
Geo. Allen, material,	"	Joseph...	58 88
Lewis & Brown, material,	"	Walt...	202 65
James H. Small, labor,	"	Geo. ...	3 15
A. Irving Freeman, labor,	"	John...	4 74
Josiah L. Young,	"	Bonit...	50 70
Samuel L. Smith,	"	Bang...	10 65
Joseph L. Chase, teaming,	"	Josia...	68 40
Manuel F. Noons, labor,	"	John...	12 90
			\$766 85

		ROADS:	
Paid Parker J. Hall, gravel,		\$771 00	
Josiah L. Young, labor,		107 00	
Samuel L. Smith,		45 20	
Joseph L. Chase, teaming,		135 40	
James H. Small,	"	214 30	
Manuel F. Noons,	"	133 25	
A. Irving Freeman, labor,		49 37	
Lewis A. Smith, labor,		3 30	
James Fuller, labor and material,		5 35	
Frank Rogers,	"	1 40	
Geo. W. Standish, labor on cesspools,		12 42	
William W. Cook,	"	60	
William H. Herbolt, labor and material,		3 40	
Alexander Livingstone, labor,		1 60	
Thomas Welch, hoisting gravel,		8 50	
Joseph Marshall, labor,		70	
John Welch, hoisting gravel,		8 40	
Michael Barnett, labor,		1 30	
James Campbell, teaming,		5 60	
Lewis P. Morgan, labor,		6 00	
James M. Lewis,	"	95	
William Settes,	"	1 10	
Geo. W. Tuttle,	"	2 50	
Manuel Francis,	"	5 15	
Geo. Crosby,	"	10 25	
James Carr, cleaning cesspool,		27 00	
Josiah G. Whorf,		3 85	
Bangs A. Lewis, labor,		1 23	
Stephen Bennett, teaming,		3 20	
Geo. F. Johnson, labor on cesspools,		1 75	
F. T. Doggett, labor,		4 95	
John Swartz,	"	1 25	
Newell C. Brooks, labor with team,		4 00	
James H. Sullivan, labor,		1 60	
John Davis,	"	1 20	
Geo. P. Cook,	"	90	
Frank Burke,	"	40	

Paid S. Bennett, labor with team,	\$3 20
B. A. Turner, crying,	1 00
Henry J. Lancy, board signs,	1 75
Frank Chase, expense to Rockport and Quincy,	14 10
H. F. Hopkins, printing,	4 00
A. L. Putnam, rubber stamp,	70
Fred L. Stinson, crushed stone,	64 60
William A. Atkins, cinders,	3 00
Andrew T. Powe, shells,	2 00
David Rich, "	13 00
John Martin, "	5 00
Eugene E. Franzen, "	15 00
William Settes, cutting sods,	65 62
Geo. Allen, lumber and brick,	2 07
John D. Hilliard, wharfage,	2 75
Marshall L. Adams, Trustee, wharfage,	8 40
Geo. O. Knowles, teaming and wharfage,	38 42
L. N. Paine, & Co., spikes,	3 34
David Ryder, permit,	1 00

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\$1834 32

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\$2783 61

#### GRADING AND HARDENING BREWSTER STREET.

Appropriation,	\$175 00
Paid B. A. Turner, crying,	\$ 1 00
H. S. Cook, auctioneer,	2 00
Walter Welch, contract,	120 00
" " extra labor,	30 00
Geo. Allen, lumber,	11 11
Josiah L. Young, labor,	4 00
Geo. I. Randall, "	2 00
John McIntosh, "	2 00
Balance unexpended,	2 89

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\$175 00

#### GRADING AND HARDENING CONANT STREET.

Appropriation,	\$175 00
Paid Howard F. Hopkins, printing,	\$2 50
H. S. Cook, auctioneer,	4 00
Thomas Welch, Jr., contract,	150 00
M. F. Noons, teaming,	3 20
J. H. Small, "	3 20
Josiah L. Young, labor,	1 60
J. L. Chase, team,	1 60
Balance unexpended,	8 90

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\$175 00

#### JETTY SYSTEM.

Appropriation,	\$500 00
Rebate,	07
Deficiency,	45

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\$500 52

Paid Geo. Allen, lumber,	\$144 18
S. Bangs, brush,	1 00
L. N. Paine & Co., bags, twine and spikes,	8 34
John D. Hilliard, bags and twine,	10 05
James H. Small, labor,	46 50
M. F. Noons, teaming,	21 60
Josiah L. Young, labor,	14 80
J. L. Chase, teaming,	11 50
Geo. Crosby, labor,	45 60
Frank McKay, labor,	6 00
Alex. Gayland, "	49 95
Henry B. Gayland, "	33 30
A. Irving Freeman, "	22 50
R. F. Freeman, "	33 30
Samuel L. Smith, "	17 70
L. F. Nickerson, "	6 50
A. Livingstone, "	11 20
J. H. Sullivan, "	11 20
H. S. Ghen, "	4 50
Thomas A. Weeks, "	80

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\$500 52

## WATERING THE STREETS.

Appropriation,	\$500 00
Paid Stephen Bennett, contract,	\$497 00
Howard F. Hopkins, printing,	3 00
	<hr/> \$500 00

We recommend for the consideration of the town the following appropriations:

Bills of 1892 unpaid,	\$167 29	
Roads and Walks,	3000 00	
	<hr/>	\$3167 29
Jetty System,		500 00
Watering Streets,		500 00

The bulkhead near Miller Hill was built when Bradford Street was opened in 1869. It is now decayed and a new bulkhead of plank or stone should be placed there to save the town further expense and trouble.

The two new roads built during the year (Conant and Brewster Streets) are hardened with sods only. In order that they may be durable an appropriation should be made to clay both roads the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK CHASE,  
PRINCE I. FREEMAN,  
CHARLES L. YOUNG,  
Road Commissioners.

## REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

The appropriation for care of cemeteries was nearly all expended in repairing the fence around the western cemetery as is shown by statement of expenditures given below. The western cemetery fence is now in fair condition. Extensive repairs will soon be necessary on the fence surrounding the eastern cemetery.

We notice a growing interest in the care and improvement of lots in the different cemeteries and that each year adds much to their tidiness and adornment. We would call attention, however, to the poor condition of many lots in the eastern cemetery lying opposite the Gifford cemetery. They are overgrown with bushes and beach grass which with a little labor might be removed and add greatly to the appearance not only of the immediate lots concerned but to all the lots in that section.

An addition will soon be needed to be made to the eastern cemetery or a new cemetery laid out.

Your commissioners would recommend that the Selectmen and Cemetery Commissioners be appointed as a committee to take into consideration what additional cemetery accommodations are necessary and report to the next annual town meeting.

Appropriation for 1892, \$50 00

EXPENDITURES.	
George Allen, stock for fence,	\$30 48
Chas. Holway, labor on fence,	13 50
James Fuller, labor on tomb,	2 25
Balance unexpended,	3 77
	<hr/> \$50 00

We would recommend an appropriation of \$100 for ensuing year.

JOSEPH WHITCOMB,  
MOSES N. GIFFORD,  
FREDERICK A. H. GIFFORD,  
Cemetery Commissioners.

# REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1892.

Benjamin Small fund invested,	\$5000 00	
Balance on hand last report,	313 02	
Received Dog Fund,	219 56	
"    Income Benj. Small fund,	310 00	
"    M. N. Gifford,	2 00	
"    Dividend S. S. Bank,	5 28	
Paid James Gifford, insurance,	\$36 00	
Balch Brothers, books,	24 00	
Estes & Lauriat, " "	602 22	
Geo. V. Jones, " "	18 00	
J. H. Hopkins, " "	1 50	
H. A. Jennings, " "	3 75	
D. Appleton & Co., " "	6 00	
F. B. Goss, " "	15 00	
Bay State Co., " "	6 50	
Magazines,	33 90	
Freight,	74	
Library Cards,	8 00	
Bonds of Benjamin Small Fund, income only available,	5000 00	
Cash in S. S. Bank,	94 25	
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	\$5849 86	\$5849 86

Appropriation for annual expenses,	\$500 00	
Cash on hand last report,	12 44	
Received for fines and catalogues,	27 65	
Paid Hattie M. Dyer, librarian,	\$250 00	
Alden Batchelder, book cases,	125 00	
Freight on book cases,	4 20	
David Cook, labor,	4 20	
Freeman A. Smith, labor,	6 70	
"    "    janitor,	39 25	
H. Engles, supplies,	21 09	
N. W. Ayers, labor,	1 60	
H. F. Hopkins, printing,	10 00	
Saml. Knowles, teaming,	4 00	
A. L. Putnam, supplies,	4 41	
J. D. Hilliard, coal,	6 25	
A. T. Williams, coal and oil,	35 85	
B. H. Dyer, supplies,	5 50	
Alfred Small, labor,	2 85	
Cash in First National Bank,	19 19	
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	\$540 09	\$540 09

## CONDITION OF THE LIBRARY.

Number of new books purchased,	419
Books received by donation,	4
"    "    from State,	5
"    "    from United States,	13
Present number of books,	5536
Number of periodicals,	10
Number of names registered Dec. 31, 1891,	2614
"    "    added during 1892,	87
Present number of names,	2701
Circulation for the year,	11942
"    for 1891,	10806
Appropriation required,	\$400 00

The increased use of the Library by the reading public is due in part to the opening of the Library on every week day evening and, in part it is hoped, to the convenient catalogues and to

the very numerous additions of carefully selected books provided by the Trustees during the past few years. The Library now provides for the public ten of the leading magazines of the day, the use of which is very much abridged by the lack of a pleasant and convenient reading room. The additional expense of providing such a room with the leading newspapers, with cabinets for curiosities, and with cases for books of reference would be very small. It is certainly to be hoped that the Trustees will have placed at their disposal at no very distant date a room which will permit the town to add to the Library a feature so likely to be attractive and useful to the people of the town.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of Chapter 304 of the Acts of 1888 the Trustees respectfully report that they are holding in behalf of the town the following donations :

Balance of appropriation of 1873 in Seamen's Savings Bank, \$94 25  
Benjamin Small fund received in 1888, income only applicable for the purchase of books, 5000 00

The Benjamin Small fund is invested as follows :

\$1000, City of Cincinnati 7 per cent bond due in 1908. Market value about 128.  
\$1000, Chicago, St. Paul and Minneapolis 6 per cent. 1st Mtge. railroad bond due in 1918. Market value 120.  
\$3000, Chicago and Illinois railroad 6 per cent. 1st consolidated Mtge. bond due in 1934. Market value 120.

JAMES H. HOPKINS,  
A. T. WILLIAMS,  
E. N. PAINE,  
A. P. HANNUM,  
GEO. H. HOLMES,  
FRED'K A. H. GIFFORD,  
A. L. PUTNAM,  
ROBT. D. BAXTER,  
M. N. GIFFORD,

Provincetown, Dec. 31, 1892.

Trustees.

ORGANIZATION OF FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR 1892.

ENGINEERS.

CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT.

J. D. Hilliard.

ASSISTANTS.

John G. Whitcomb,

George O. Knowles.

## THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CLERK.

George O. Knowles.

CAPTAINS.

Ulysses Engine No. 1—T. Julian Lewis.

Franklin Engine No. 2—Fred E. Williams.

J. D. Hilliard, Steam Engine No. 3—Jeremiah A. Rich.

Isaacson, Chemical Engine No. 4—Stephen A. Childs.

Tiger Engine Co. No. 5—Heor Allen.

Hoscoe Hook and Ladder No. 1—James A. Small.



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#### ASSISTANTS.

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James H. Barnett.

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Rescue Hook and Ladder No. 1—James A. Small.

## THIRTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## ENGINEERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

### FINANCIAL.

Salaries paid to May 1, 1892:

Chief Engineer,	\$20 00	
Sec'y Board of Engineers,	15 00	
Three Assistant Engineers at \$10,	30 00	
		<u>\$65 00</u>
Four Engine Companies, each \$250,	1000 00	
One " "	200 00	
Hook and Ladder Company,	125 00	
		<u>1325 00</u>
3 Stewards, each \$40,	120 00	
1 " "	25 00	
1 " "	20 00	
1 Stoker,	65 00	
1 Engine Man,	12 50	
1 Asst. Engine Man,	5 00	247 50
		<u>\$1637 50</u>

Sundry bills to Jan. 1893:

Engine, hose reels and truck repairs,	\$16 00
Engine and truck house repairs including new sills and doors to No. 1 house and shingling No. 3's house, also painting,	207 16
Fire cracker notices and printing,	4 50

Fuel, lights and stoves,	\$59 54	
2 tons cannel coal for the steamer bought in December,	28 00	
Repairs to flag staffs and flags,	34 97	
Horse hire,	58 50	
Ringing fire alarm bells,	14 50	
Reservoir repairs and clearing snow,	2 15	
Night watch in engine houses,	16 00	
Watching ruins after fires,	9 00	
Key box repairs,	1 25	
Forest fires expenses,	3 35	
House supplies—cotton waste, polish, etc.,	14 97	
Record books,	3 75	
100 steamer lighting fuse,	4 00	
2 hose pipes,	27 00	
Repairing engineers' hats,	17 50	
Independent feed pump suction and fixtures,	6 45	
Hose repairs,	18 30	
8 lanterns,	16 50	
Spanner belts and sockets,	6 00	
Refreshments after fires,	11 97	
Badge and repairs,	6 25	
Other expenses,	17 22	
	<hr/>	\$604 83
		\$2242 33
Balance unexpended,		230 85
Appropriation,	\$2400 00	
Received from sale of old hose,	71 83	
“ “ of 1 reservoir curb stone,	1 00	
“ “ “ of bunting,	35	
	<hr/>	\$2473 18
		\$2473 18

## RECORDS OF FIRES IN 1892.

February 25th. Alarm at 11.50 o'clock A. M. for burning grass near Franklin Street. A needless alarm. No damage.

March 16th. Alarm at 8.05 P. M. for the burning of Marshall L. Adams' three connected ice houses, situated on the shore of Shank Painter Pond, head of Franklin Street. Value of ice houses, \$1500; total loss. Value of ice owned by Stephen Bennett, stored in the western house, \$300; loss, \$100; value of ice tools \$100; partly saved. No insurance on buildings or contents. This may have been an accidental fire, but evidently was incendiary. Close watching has failed as yet to discover the person or persons who applied the match. Engines Nos. 2, 5, 1 and 3 in use. These buildings were doomed, the fire having such a headway before being discovered, that the attention of the department was given to saving as much of the ice as possible.

March 16th. Still alarm at 9.30 P. M., to which the Chemical Engine responded to the ruins of the ice house fire.

April 19th. 5 o'clock P. M. A needless alarm for burning grass, rear of the Johnson Street schoolhouse. No damage. Chemical Engine used.

June 5th. 5.10 o'clock P. M. Alarm for a slight fire on the outside of the L to Andrew Kennedy's shop, opposite Conant St. Evidently set by three unknown children who were in the immediate vicinity; they suddenly disappeared and have not since been seen. Damage trifling. Engines not used.

Aug. 11th. Alarm at 4 o'clock P. M., for burning grass, bushes and 15 feet old fence on the northerly brow of Town Hill. Damage \$10. The steamer, using hose laid by the Tiger Company, extinguished the blaze and wet down the surroundings.

Dec. 7th. Alarm at 8.10 P. M., fire in Jesse Rogers' house, on "Lancy's Corner," Commercial Street, caused evidently by mice and matches.

Value of building,	\$1500 00
Insurance,	1500 00
Damage,	475 00

Insurance paid,	\$477 50
Value of contents, consisting of furniture, clothing and carpenter's tool,	1450 00
Insurance,	1450 00
Damage, mostly by moving,	525 00
Insurance paid,	525 00
Number 2 and 4 Engines used.	

During the year 2800 feet of hose have been in use.

There has been no need for several years, particularly the past, for all the engines responding to the alarms at once. Feb. 25th, March 16th, April 19th, June 5th, August 11th and Dec. 7th No. 1 could have remained; April 19th, Aug. 11th, No. 2 could have remained; Feb. 25th, March 16th, June 5th, Dec. 7th No. 5 could have remained in their respective houses to cover in the event of a fire in another part of the town at the same time, but with the ringing of church bells there seems no way but to call all the apparatus at every alarm. With the prospect of having the water works completed before another annual meeting it appears evident that to stop the running of all the hose companies at every alarm electricity should be the means used to call out the firemen. We call your attention to the report of the special committee on "Electric Alarm and Central Fire Station" and ask you to give it your serious consideration. If you feel that the town finances will permit the outlay we believe it will be a wise expenditure to introduce an electric fire alarm and a good investment to build a central station.

#### HOUSES.

The houses of this department are mostly in good order. A beneficial change might be made in the front doors of several houses. If the steamer is to remain where it now is a thicker floor will be needed. During the past year the front and a part of the eastern sill of No. 1's house has been replaced, both front corner posts partly new and the front below the belt all new. No. 3's house has been shingled and No. 5's house repaired on lower end.

#### REORGANIZATION OF THIS DEPARTMENT.

When the water works are completed and ready for use there will arise a necessity of reorganizing this department and several changes in the rules and regulations governing it, adopted by the citizens at a legal meeting held May 6, 1859, will be necessary.

General Statutes, Chapter 24, section 32, reads:

"No act hereafter passed establishing a fire department shall take effect until it is accepted and approved by the inhabitants of such town at a meeting held for that purpose."

We recommend that the Engineers, or a special committee if preferred, be hereby instructed to present at some special town meeting immediately before the introduction of water a revision of the Fire Department rules and regulations.

With the introduction of water hand engines streams will be superseded by hydrant streams, the latter more effective. We recommend that the Engineers of this department be hereby authorized to retire from service from time to time such hand engines as in their judgment the interest and good of the town will warrant, and substitute as many hose carriages now owned by the town as in their judgment will be needed to give the proper protection. There will then seem no need for keeping all of the hand engines. We recommend that the Board of Engineers be hereby authorized to dispose of such engines as in their judgment the interests of the town will warrant. The oldest engines are of but little value if put at forced sale, but with the necessary authority a fair price may be obtained should either of the Cape or other towns desire to purchase.

#### RESIGNATION.

On the last of April, 1892, Engineer Lysander N. Paine, who for twenty-three years had served faithfully as one of the Engineers of this department—twenty-one years of that time Clerk of the Board—resigned his position. Capt. James H. Barnett was regularly appointed to fill the vacancy and entered upon duty the first day of May last. By the retiring of Engineer Paine, the town loses the services of a faithful servant; the

Engineers a careful and considerate adviser; the fire department an honored member.

The money requirements of this department for the year 1893 will be, for

Salaries to May 1,	\$1675 00
Other expenses,	500 00
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	\$2175 00

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. HILLIARD,  
GEO. O. KNOWLES,  
JOHN G. WHITCOMB,  
GEO. H. HOLMES,  
J. H. BARNETT,

Engineers of the Fire Department.

Provincetown, Jan. 14, 1893.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FIRE ALARM.

TO THE TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN:

The Committee appointed to investigate the matter of an Electric Fire Alarm System has attended to that duty and herewith submits its report:

In pursuing our labors we visited several cities and towns where an Electric Fire Alarm was in successful use and visited the manufactories where such apparatus is made. We also thoroughly inspected several Central Fire Stations and witnessed the practical working of the system. We are convinced that an Electric Fire Alarm is a public necessity and that the equipment of a Central Fire Station would not only double the efficiency of our Fire Department but, by lessening the expense in several other departments, would, notwithstanding its first cost, prove a paying investment.

Built of wood as our town is, with buildings close together like beads on a string, nothing would be easier than for a small fire to become a conflagration. Our chief dependence must always be in putting out a fire when it is first discovered, and nothing will aid the engineers and firemen so much, in this way, as an Electric Fire Alarm System and a Central Fire Station.

The following figures will show the cost of such equipment, the expense of running the same, and the cost of these departments the past year, showing a very favorable balance in favor of the new system. We submit these figures for your careful consideration.

## ELECTRIC ALARM ESTIMATE.

1 Tower striker for 1200 to 2000 lb. bell,	\$300 00
2 Tower strikers for 600 lb. bells, each \$200,	400 00
9 Street, non interference pulls, pony boxes,	400 00
4 Engine house gongs, each \$30,	120 00
1 Ladder house gong,	30 00
5 Engineers' gongs, each \$20,	100 00
1 Galvanometer and switch board,	15 00
Poles and No. 9 best wire erected complete,	310 00
Freight and expenses of men,	40 00
40 cells battery,	40 00
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	\$1755 00

This estimate was made last March by a reliable manufacturer and to equip the department as it now is. We are safe in saying that owing to the developments in Electric Alarm appliances and the competition of today this can be done for \$1600, and possibly for \$1500. With this arrangement the strikers would be one in the town house tower and one each in the eastern and western school houses, substituting 600 lb. bells in each tower in place of the 300 lb. bells, now there, which expense is not estimated in the above figures. The present bells could be used if satisfactory to the town. To change the school house bells would probably cost completed, seventy-five dollars each.

If the town should vote to build a central fire station and place a 2000 lb. bell above the hose tower the striker could be placed upon this bell instead of the town house bell with much better and more satisfactory results.

Comparative cost of labor and horse hire on the roads, labor caring for the street lights and cost of sprinkling the streets, also salaries of so much of the Fire Department as would be in a Central Fire Station. These figures are taken from the town books for the year 1892 as compared with the cost of

running the road department, street lights, sprinkling the streets and that part of the fire apparatus which would locate at the Central Station.

Labor and horse hire on the roads for the year,	\$1575 00
Care of street lights,	370 00
Sprinkling the streets,	500 00
Salary of No. 3 Engine Co.,	250 00
“ of No. 4 “ “	250 00
“ of No. 5 “ “	200 00
“ of Hook and Ladder Company,	125 00
“ of stoker No. 3 Engine Co.,	65 00
“ of steward No. 4 “ “	40 00
“ of “ No. 5 “ “	20 00
“ of “ Hook and Ladder Company,	25 00
Horse hire by the Fire Department 1892,	58 00
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	\$3478 00

With the Central Fire Station fully equipped with Engine No. 3 (the steamer), Engine No. 4 (the chemical), the ladder truck and hose wagon located in it with five permanent men, who would give their whole attention to the wants of the town (possibly 4 men could do the work satisfactorily) and who would be obliged to sleep in the station; men who would take care of the apparatus housed there, take the care of and light the street lamps, sprinkle the streets, keep the roads in repair and drive the fire apparatus, the town owning five horses, two of which to be at the station at all times. Possibly four horses would be sufficient, probably if another horse was needed for the hose wagon some owner of horses would be only too glad to place a good one in the station for his keeping. Of the five men above mentioned have one of the number to be the superintendent of streets, doing away with the Road Commissioners. Purchase a new ladder truck, the one now in use not adapted nor can it be so for horses. To do all this we present the following carefully prepared schedule.

For the pay of one superintendent and three men :		
Superintendent,		\$500 00
3 men, each \$450,		1350 00
Feed of 5 horses, each \$100,		500 00
Shoeing 5 horses, each \$25,		125 00
10 hosemen for the steamer, each \$5,		50 00
5 men for the Chemical Engine, each \$5,		25 00
15 ladder men (10 will be sufficient), each \$5,		75 00
		<u>\$2625 00</u>
A saving in the item of salaries of one year by having a central station,		
		\$853 00
Deduct extra help that may be necessary to clear snow, discharge material from vessels, etc.,		
		500 00
		<u>\$353 00</u>
Leaving a clear saving per year over the present system,		
To erect a suitable building and purchase a piece of land, we carefully estimate the following :		
Land,		\$1000 00
Building,		5000 00
To equip the same complete with the following :		
1 New ladder truck,		800 00
1 Double swinging harness for the steamer,		125 00
1 Single " " for the chemical,		75 00
1 " " " for the ladder truck,		75 00
1 " " " for the hose wagon, if desired,		65 00
2 Watering carts, each \$125,		250 00
2 Extra cart harnesses, each \$50,		100 00
5 Horses, each \$300 (just now they can be bought for \$225 to \$250 each),		1500 00
1 Wagon for street light business,		50 00
2 Dump carts, each \$100,		200 00
		<u>\$9240 00</u>
From this deduct the sale of the present ladder house and land a very desirable location for business,		
		\$1200
Engine No. 5 house and land,		350
		<u>1550 00</u>
		<u>\$7690 00</u>

In making the above figures we have not taken the lowest ones but have endeavored to make such figures as would do the work well and not exceed the estimates. We of course had no authority to ask for bids for supplying the above items or to bond a piece of land.

The Electric Fire Alarm we deem to be essential: first, in notifying the firemen of the exact location of a fire; second, the companies near would be quick to respond, while those remote would assemble at their several houses and await the ringing of the second alarm should their services be needed, by which arrangement that part of the town would be protected in the event of another fire starting while one was being fought, or should an incendiary start two or more fires at one time. If the town desires, any manufacturer of fire alarms will come here with street boxes, gongs, etc., and erect the same in the town hall for exhibition, but we feel that that would hardly be necessary, that most of the people well understand the workings of such an addition to the fire department.

The advantages of a Central Fire Station are many. The Ladder Truck, a very essential arm of the service, would be prompt in reaching a fire; the Chemical engine would be the first to respond and would immediately be ready to catch any fire not too far advanced, it would also be moved from place to place to wet down leeward buildings threatened with burning fire brands in the event of a smart fire at either end of the town, in a dry time and hot summer day.

The steamer would be much quicker than now reaching any building on fire and its powerful streams would the sooner "drown out" the blaze before it became too extended or beyond control. Not only a saving of money over the present system, but more efficient service. In the night time our inhabitants would rest more safely, knowing that in one house were apparatus, men and horses that on receiving an alarm would immediately be on the move. In places no larger than this where such an arrangement is in successful operation time

in starting for a fire is counted by seconds and not by minutes.

The above report as the result of our investigation is

Respectfully submitted,

A. P. HANNUM,  
J. D. HILLIARD,  
MARSHALL L. ADAMS.

Provincetown, Jan. 16, 1893.

## REPORT OF J. C. FREEMAN POST,

NO. 55, G. A. R.

### DR. RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR MEMORIAL DAY. CR.

Feb. 9, 1892.

To appropriation, \$100 00

May 30, 1892.

Flowers,	\$17 00
Flags,	1 58
Crape,	40
Trimming for monument,	3 30
Cleaning monument,	2 00
H. F. Hopkins, printing,	8 00
Orator,	15 00
Puritan Band,	50 00
Balance,	2 72

\$100 00

\$100 00

JOHN ROSENTHAL, Quartermaster.

## REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.

In accordance with the requirements of the "Act to authorize the town of Provincetown to supply itself with water", the Water Commissioners chosen at the Special Town Meeting, held April 6th, 1892, herewith present a report of their doings and expenditures to date, Dec. 31, 1892:

Acting in obedience to the instructions of the town, to proceed at once with the works, the commissioners met April 15, 1892, and organized as follows: L. N. Paine, Chairman; J. D. Adams, Secretary.

After some consultation, it was voted to visit a few towns having a system of water works similar to those proposed for Provincetown. We visited a number, and found in every place that they were a decided success.

Before constructing a permanent system, it was thought advisable by the board to make a preliminary test, and the services of Mr. Louis E. Hawes, a civil engineer of ability, and of whom we had heard very favorable reports, was engaged to do the work, consisting of making plans, exploring for water, and giving the work his personal supervision.

Wells were driven in different localities and the best results were obtained, where we have located. In this section forty three wells were driven and in each well the water was sampled every two feet in depth. Samples from the different wells were sent to the State Board of Health for analysis.

It was then decided to put down six five-inch wells, such as would be used permanently, and construct a temporary pumping plant to see if the requisite amount of water could be pumped for a town supply which was done, and proved a success in every way.

Water from time to time was sent to the State Board of Health for analysis, in not one instance, was found to be polluted or contaminated in any way dangerous to health.

Following will be found the report of the State Board and if space would permit we would publish the analyses.

OFFICE OF STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

13 BEACON STREET.

BOSTON, October 6, 1892.

TO THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS OF PROVINCETOWN:

GENTLEMEN: The State Board of Health has considered your request, dated August 9, 1892, for its advice with regard to a proposed water supply for Provincetown, and having caused an investigation of the proposed source and many examinations of water from the test wells and other sources to be made herewith presents its reply.

In regard to the quantity of water, there is no reason to doubt that an ample supply can be obtained from the ground at the place where the pumping test was made.

The water as it comes from the ground has a decided odor, a noticeable taste and a moderate amount of color. The odor disappears quite rapidly when the water is exposed to the air and still more quickly when agitated, so that there is little doubt that it can all be removed from the water by efficient aeration and exposure to the air. The taste disappears to a considerable extent with the odor and not enough remains to make the water seriously objectionable. The color of the water increases after it is drawn from the ground, this result probably being produced by the oxidation of the iron dissolved in the water.

All samples pumped from the test wells with the steam pumps were shown by analysis to contain a large amount of iron in solution. There is doubt, however, as to how much of the iron came from the ground and how much from the large uncoated wrought iron pipes which connected the wells with the steam pumps, because a sample obtained by pumping with a hand pump directly from one of the wells four weeks after the pumping test was concluded contained only half as much iron as samples pumped from the same well with the steam pumps. Another sample collected from one of the small observation wells in this vicinity contained only a very little iron, the amount being less than one-tenth as much as in the last sample mentioned, which was collected the same day.

In view of this variation in the results obtained from samples taken in the same vicinity, but under different conditions, there is much uncertainty as to how much the presence of iron in the water

will affect a supply from this source. The present indications are that the water will not be satisfactory for laundry purposes unless the iron is removed from it in some way. A portion of one of the samples, which contained a large amount of iron, by being passed through a sand filter which also contained a small amount of alumina, had all the color and nineteen-twentieths of iron removed from it, but whether a similar result could be obtained by filtering the water intermittently at a practicable rate through the sand found at Provincetown can only be told by experiment. From a health standpoint the water from the proposed source would be very much better than that taken from private wells in the town, where the porous sand permits a very free communication between the cesspools and the wells. Analyses were made of the water of six wells in the town and only one was found to be entirely free from contamination. In some cases the water was polluted to such an extent as to render it dangerous to health, and in other cases there was evidence of contamination though to a less extent.

The water from the proposed source is soft while that of most of the wells in town was hard, a result which is due to the percolation of water from cesspools into the wells.

The conditions at Provincetown in regard to a water supply are different from those in other parts of the state, so that it is impracticable to judge from experience elsewhere whether the water taken from the proposed source will improve or deteriorate with long continued pumping.

The Board is unable to advise the introduction of the water from the proposed source and advises further search to see if a source cannot be obtained which will be satisfactory. The Board of Health will continue to cooperate with your Board in making such examination.

By order of the Board,

SAM'L W. ABBOTT, Secy.

OFFICE OF THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH,

13 BEACON ST.

BOSTON, December 8, 1892.

TO THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS OF PROVINCETOWN:

GENTLEMEN: The State Board of Health acknowledges the receipt of your communication of November 28, 1892, in which you call attention to the last paragraph in the reply of the Board dated Oct. 6, 1892, and state that you have, as there recommended, made further search for a better source of water supply by testing in three other localities with no better results. You also say "we have been over all the available territory for a water supply and are of opinion that no better water can be found for a town supply than the proposed source where our wells are located".



From your statements, from analyses of samples of water which you have sent to the Board during recent investigations and from a study of a recent map of Provincetown based upon surveys made this year, the Board finds no reason to doubt your conclusion that the source where your temporary pumping station was located will furnish as good water as any other in the town. The character of the water from this source was fully set forth in the former reply of the Board. As this water is entirely uncontaminated by sewage and from a health standpoint is very much better than water taken from private wells in the town, even though somewhat unsatisfactory in other respects, the Board is of opinion that you will be warranted in adopting this source for supplying the town. If after the works have been in operation a considerable time the water should prove to be of unsatisfactory quality it may become necessary to improve it by filtration or otherwise, or to go beyond the limits of the town for a better source of supply.

The views of the Board, based upon its present data, with regard to the feasibility of improving the character of the water by aeration and filtration before it is delivered to the consumers are stated in the previous reply.

By order of the Board,

S. W. ABBOTT, Secretary.

After receiving the report of the State Board, it was decided to construct a permanent system of water works and October 24, 1892, a contract was made with Mr. Hawes, our former Engineer, for his services as engineer on our permanent and complete system of water works.

Already we have made contracts for the cast iron pipe, water gates and hydrants at very favorable prices and the contract for the distribution of pipe is nearly ready.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT.

1892.	DR.	
July 1,	To loan from S. S. Bank, note 1,	\$500 00
July 22,	“ “ “ “ 2,	1000 00
Aug. 27,	“ “ “ “ 3,	1000 00
Nov. 19,	“ “ “ “ 4,	700 00
Dec. 13.	“ “ “ “ 5,	3200 00
	Deficit,	10 19
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By expenses as follows:

Note S. S. Bank, No. 1,	\$500 00
“ “ “ No. 2,	1000 00
“ “ “ No. 3,	1000 00
“ “ “ No. 4,	700 00
Interest on above notes,	47 88
Bill Louis E. Hawes, services,	562 72
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe,	533 51
McNeal Pipe & Foundry Co., pipe,	309 01
Geo. T. McLauthlin, boilers,	153 50
Knowles Steam Pump Co., pumps,	148 70
O. C. R. R., freight,	167 77
Cook Well Co., strainers,	129 00
Danl. Russell, labor,	163 42
Chas. W. Burkett, labor and stock,	162 46
John McIntosh, labor,	122 60
Water Commissioners, travelling expen's	62 02
P. R. Howes, team and teaming,	76 00
A. T. Williams, coal,	74 84
Wm. W. Cook, labor,	63 60
Lewis & Brown, lumber,	56 84
Chas. L. Young, teaming,	30 60
R. F. Freeman, labor,	30 00
P. I. Freeman, teaming,	30 55
Mrs. Mary McPhee, board,	29 80
B. & P. S. S. Co., freight,	26 99
Lem'l F. Nickerson, labor,	44 00
Perrin Seamans & Co., supplies,	23 70
N. C. Brooks, teaming,	12 75
Frank Burke, labor,	13 00
John Davis, labor,	11 40
E. G. Berry, lead,	10 08
J. A. Reed, board,	8 75
Jas. H. Small, labor,	8 40
Chas. Holway,	7 80
N. P. West, brush,	7 50
Geo. H. Holmes, stock and labor,	7 25

Bill Josiah Young, team and labor,	\$6 60
Thos. E. Carr, labor,	5 00
J. A. West, supplies,	4 28
Patrick J. Lewis, labor,	4 00
B. H. Dyer, supplies,	3 85
J. D. Hilliard, supplies,	3 56
Wm. Dunham, labor,	3 40
Thos. Welch, teaming,	2 40
E. Bailey, labor,	3 00
Bay State Belting Co., supplies,	2 10
J. D. Adams, expenses to Boston and sundries,	33 56
Howard Hopkins, printing,	2 00

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The question of locating the standpipe, which is a very important one, we wish to be decided by a vote of the citizens at their annual town meeting, as the commissioners have no preference in the matter, but wish to follow the instructions of the town. We present below a report of our engineer on the different sites with an estimate of the increase in cost of the one next best to Town Hill, and in case the Town should vote to locate on this site we recommend that authority be given to apply to the Legislature authorizing us to issue bonds or notes for the extra amount of five thousand dollars in case it may be required.

#### REPORT OF ENGINEER HAWES.

75 STATE STREET, BOSTON, January 17, 1893.

MESSRS. L. N. PAINE, A. L. PUTNAM, AND J. D. ADAMS, PROVINCE-TOWN WATER BOARD:

GENTLEMEN: I have examined the available hills in Provincetown with reference to a possible location of the standpipe with the following results:

On account of the central location of Town Hill, the good road to its summit, its large level area at the greatest altitude, it is naturally the first choice; but if it is desired for any reason to locate elsewhere, then doubtless Telegraph Hill would be the next suitable on

account of its area and elevation, were it not for its position at the extreme west end of the town, rendering the fire service less uniform and the piping system more expensive. As it is deemed advisable to pass the water from the pumps through the reservoirs before delivering it to consumers, the extra expense for pipe alone to Telegraph Hill would be about \$9000.

Less additional pipe would be required to go to Miller's Hill and it is fairly central, but the summit area is small. It would require a higher standpipe, and there is a serious question as to the stability of the precipitous bluff that forms its eastern side.

Of the hills near the pumping station there is but one within reasonable distance whose summit is high enough for consideration, and this has not sufficient area. A standpipe in that locality would be much more expensive on account of inaccessibility and the increased size of main required to bring the water into town and give satisfactory results for fire purposes.

Concerning the hill one thousand feet west of Town Hill, its summit is 13 feet lower than Town Hill, and to have sufficient level surface it should be graded down 4 feet. A standpipe on this hill having its high water level the same as one on Town Hill would consequently be 17 ft. deeper. This hill is reasonably near the main street and quite centrally located, having decided advantages in this respect. The additional expense of locating there over Town Hill location is given in detail as follows:

12 inch pipe laid 744 feet, at \$1.56,	\$1160 64
10 " " " 543 " 1.22,	662 46
8 " " " 470 " .95,	446 50
3 " " " 36 " .40,	14 40
Standpipe, additional depth and additional thick- ness of material in entire structure,	1800 00
Land and right of way,	400 00
Grading road and hill, sodding, etc.,	200 00
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	\$4,684 00

Very respectfully,

LOUIS HAWES,  
Engineer Provincetown Water Works.

Respectfully submitted,

L. N. PAINE,  
A. L. PUTNAM,  
J. D. ADAMS,  
Water Commissioners.

## REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

In presenting their annual report for the past year the Board of Health of the town of Provincetown take a pride in the record they can present, and feel that our citizens ought to be congratulated upon the comparative freedom from many of the severe and dangerous epidemics that have visited some parts of our Commonwealth. During the past year the Board of Health have done their best to try and prevent the spread of typhoid fever, which was so prevalent the year before and to a certain extent have been successful. Early in the summer this disease again started in the same district as heretofore but instead of nearly eighty cases as in 1891, there were less than thirty. This to a great extent was due to enforcing the laws of cleanliness and care in the use of infected water. Two hundred and seventy six outhouses, not including cesspools, were cleaned out by order of the Board of Health, over half of that number being in the infected district, which extended from Court St. to West Vine St. Another year it is hoped that even better results may be realized, and we believe that the introduction of water will be a factor in augmenting the immunity from this and other diseases of bacteriological origin. There has been in several instances a violation of the village ordinance in regard to the keeping of swine within twenty five feet of any street or dwelling. We hope another year that individuals will exercise more care in this regard without interference by the Board of Health. We would recommend that more care be used in the handling of fish, that the entrails and refuse be not thrown upon the beach beyond low water mark, also that when

water closets are cleaned the refuse be removed beyond the village limits, and not buried in the earth a few feet from some dwelling as is often done, permeating the soil with filth that may engender disease. The indications are that the Board of Health will be called upon to do an extra amount of work for the year to come inasmuch as there is a probability that cholera may reach our shores another summer. That such an event may be apprehended is predicted by the Boards of Health of the different states, and cities and towns everywhere, particularly on the sea board, will be required to take especial pains in enforcing cleanliness, and various quarantine regulations will be found necessary. We would recommend that an appropriation of \$250 be made for 1893. The amount expended the past year is somewhat in excess of the appropriation, and to meet that and whatever circumstances may arise we think that sum, at least, should be allowed.

We extend our thanks to the Selectmen and others who have so kindly aided us in our work during the past year.

The following are the expenditures for the past year :

Health Department appropriation,	\$100 00
Deficit,	7 77
Bills paid :	
Bangs A. Lewis,	\$26 00
Wm. M. Moore, M. D.,	14 00
Reuben O. Kelley,	26 50
Beacon Pub. Co.,	16 25
Advocate,	7 50
C. L. Young, labor with team,	9 70
Isaac B. Lewis, labor,	1 90
C. W. Maker, "	1 28
Geo. Crosby, "	1 08
J. W. Frates, "	90
J. H. Little,	1 52
Alex. Livingstone,	94
Andrew T. Williams,	20

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\$107 77 \$107 77

There are a few bills amounting to perhaps \$50 that have not been paid as the appropriation has been exceeded, so there will be a deficit to come out of the amount appropriated another year.

BANGS A. LEWIS,  
REUBEN O. KELLEY,  
WM. S. BIRGE, M. D., Sec'y.,  
Board of Health.

## REPORT OF PARK COMMISSIONERS.

In submitting our first annual report to the town, we make no recommendations, deeming it advisable to await the action of the legislation concerning a Marine Park which we understand is under advisement by the Board of Trustees of Public Reservations.

At a meeting of the commissioners the organization was completed as follows:

Chairman—Joshua Cook.

Secretary—Alpheus W. Young.

Joseph A. West.

Should the town consider it advisable the land in the rear of Town Hill can be laid out as a Park and estimates will be submitted to the town at our next annual meeting if so desired.

JOSHUA COOK,  
ALPHEUS W. YOUNG,  
JOSEPH A. WEST,  
Park Commissioners.

## LIST OF JURORS OF THE TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN.

REVISED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN JANUARY 12, 1893,  
AND POSTED ACCORDING TO LAW.

Alexander, Robert G.	Gifford, Fred'k A. H.
Atkins, Charles C.	Ghen, Samuel H.
Atwood, Stephen F.	Ghen, Jesse.
Atwood, Stephen F. A.	Gross, George T.
Baxter, Robert D.	Holmes, James P.
Bangs, William B. E.	Hannum, Artemas P.
Bell, John.	Jennings, Herman A.
Bradshaw, Michael.	Kelley, Reuben O.
Brown, Reuben F.	Kennedy, Andrew.
Brown, John.	Knowles, George O.
Carlow, David S.	Knowles, Otis M.
Conwell, Amasa F.	Knowles, Samuel.
Cook, James D.	Lewis, George H.
Cook, Charles A.	Little, Jonathan H.
Cook, David.	Lavender, Robert M.
Cook, Joshua.	Livermore, John H.
Cook, Heman S.	Loring, Charles.
Dearborn, Winthrop C.	Manta, Joseph.
Dyer, Charles H.	Martin, John L.
Ewell, Seneca G.	McKay, Daniel M.
Ewell, William M.	McFadyen, Hugh.
Emery, Joseph H.	Marston, Henry W.
Freeman, Prince I.	Miller, George F.
Fuller, Charles A.	Nickerson, Lemuel F.
Gifford, Nathaniel N.	Nickerson, Theodore S.

Nickerson, Jesse.  
 Nickerson, Luther C.  
 Paine, Thomas K.  
 Powe, Andrew T.  
 Rich, David.  
 Rich, James E.  
 Rich, Jeremiah A.  
 Roberts, William.  
 Rosenthal, John.  
 Small, Alexander G.  
 Small, Aylmer F.  
 Small, James A.  
 Smith, Freeman A.

Smith, Wm. M.  
 Smith, Seth.  
 Smith, Amasa.  
 Snow, Woodbridge C.  
 Sparrow, Harvey O.  
 Sumner, Josiah T.  
 Swift, John N.  
 Turner, Isaiah.  
 Tuttle, George W.  
 Tillson, Elisha H.  
 Williams, Frederick E.  
 Watson, George W.  
 Young, Alpheus W.

Young, Charles L.

Total number seventy-seven, agreeable to section six, chapter one hundred and seventy, Public Statutes.

MARSHALL L. ADAMS,  
 JAMES A. SMALL,  
 THOMAS LEWIS,  
 Selectmen of Provincetown.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NEW SCHOOL BUILDING.

TO THE INHABITANTS OF PROVINCETOWN:

The Committee upon a new school building appointed at the annual meeting in February, 1892, respectfully reports that the Committee has nearly completed the erection of a four room school building on Bradford Street near Conant Street in pursuance of the votes of the annual meeting of 1892.

The Statutes of the Commonwealth and the directions of the Inspectors of Public Buildings authorized by those Statutes required the construction of a building thoroughly ventilated, properly heated with the best sanitary arrangements and with adequate safeguards against fire. The Committee selected from the plans submitted by three competing architects a plan drawn by Messrs. Howard & Austin of Brockton, architects, and submitted the plan with the specifications to the Chief of the District Police for his approval, as required by Section one of Chapter 316 of the Acts of 1888. The plans and specifications were approved by Rufus R. Wade, Chief Inspector, and by Edwin G. Brown, Inspector of Factories and Public Buildings. The plans as approved required the use of the system of heating and ventilating and sanitary arrangements known as the Smead System, furnished by the Smead Warming and Ventilating Company of Boston.

Knowing that the new building must necessarily be a comparatively costly one and believing from an examination of the plans that the schoolhouse when completed could not fail to be an ornament to the section of the town in which it was placed, the Committee after examining a great many different sites finally selected the estate of Mary S. Smith on Bradford Street

as the most convenient, as the most sightly, and as the cheapest available site obtainable. The Committee accordingly purchased the estate of Mrs. Smith, and removed the dwelling house thereon to an adjacent lot of land purchased of Mrs. Nancy E. Cashman.

In the meanwhile a special town meeting held April 6, 1892, instructed the Committee to report at some regular or special meeting estimates and plans before making any contract binding the town. The Committee reported accordingly at a special meeting held July 5, 1892, its purchase of the so called Smith lot as a site for the new building and the need of taking or purchasing a small lot of land adjacent to the Smith lot to make the site thoroughly satisfactory to the Committee. The Committee also submitted the plans and specifications already approved by the Inspectors with a statement that the lowest acceptable bid for the construction of a building from the plans submitted was that of Prescott H. Jackson of Brockton, eleven thousand six hundred and fifty dollars; that the bid of the Smead Warming and Ventilating Company for the heating, ventilation and sanitary arrangements was one thousand four hundred dollars; and that the architect's services and the expense of furnishing the school rooms were not included in the bids submitted.

The Committee's report was unanimously accepted and the Selectmen were instructed by a unanimous vote to take or to purchase the lot of land adjacent to the new school house lot to enlarge said lot.

The Selectmen purchased of Antone P. Souza for one hundred and twenty-five dollars the land necessary to complete the school lot. The Committee awarded the contract for building to Prescott H. Jackson and for heating and ventilating to the Smead Warming and Ventilating Company as directed by the town. The new school building which after conference with the School Committee, the committee designated for convenience "The Governor Bradford School" is practically completed the stairways, floors and the furniture only remaining to be added at the time of this report. The Smith dwelling house, which still remains the property of the town, the Committee

hopes to sell advantageously after completing the grading and sodding of the school lot.

The Committee was obliged, under the terms of the contract, to keep the school building insured and believing that the interests of the town required a continuance of the policies until the payment of the new loans the Committee has effected a considerable saving by taking out policies for the term of three years.

The Committee presents an itemized account of its expenditures grouped under the proper headings that the citizens of the town may ascertain readily the cost of the new building.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

DR.	NEW SCHOOLHOUSE LOAN.	CR.
1892.		1892.
Dec. 31, To loans by		Oct. 8, By loan paid, \$3,000 00
Town Treasurer		Dec. 31, By cash on
during year, \$16,900 00		hand, 32 79
		Dec. 31, By payment
		acct. new school
		and land, 13,867 21
	\$16,900 00	\$16,900 00

#### NEW SCHOOLHOUSE AND LAND.

1892. *Expenses of Schoolhouse Lot and Smith House.*

Apr. 16, Land and dwelling of Mary L. Smith,	\$2500 00
Apr. 16, Land of Nancy E. Cashman,	75 00
May 14, A. F. Sherman, examining title,	8 50
July 30, Land of A. P. Souza, purchased by Selectmen,	125 00
Oct. 24, J. H. Hopkins, cash for record of deeds,	1 20
June 9, John Davis, Jr., labor,	2 00
George A. Beaty, "	17 70

June 9, W. B. Dunham, labor,	\$9 50
John W. Beaty, "	18 10
July 18, Alexander Gayland, contract to move Smith house,	300 00
July 30, James Fuller & Son, masonry,	96 52
Lewis & Brown, bricks,	91 93
George Allen, lumber,	50 63
S. D. Nickerson, carpenter,	31 80
Oct. 29, B. H. Dyer, materials,	12 01
May 14, Mary L. Smith, unexpired in- surance policy,	14 00
May 28, S. S. Gifford & Son, carpenter's permit,	2 00
July 30, S. S. Gifford & Son, vacancy permit,	6 00
Total cost of school lot,	*\$3361 89

1892. *Expense of School Building.*

May 17, W. L. Floyd, architect,	\$10 00
May 28, W. M. Bacon, " J. H. Hopkins, cash for express,	10 00 50
July 30, H. H. Goss, civil engineer,	13 95
Aug. 30, Hanley Bros., moving sand, Hanley Bros., brickwork to deep- en basement for furnaces,	75 00 100 00
July 23, Howard & Austin, architects,	200 00
Oct. 29, " " "	100 00
Oct. 29, Smead Warming & Ventilating Co.,	350 00
Nov. 9, " " " "	700 00
Oct. 30, Prescott H. Jackson, contractor,	2912 50
Nov. 5, " " "	2912 50
Dec. 10, " " "	2912 50
Dec. 30, H. F. Hopkins, advertising,	3 00
Total cost of school building to Dec. 31, 1892,	\$10299 95

\* The cost of the lot will be reduced finally by the sale of the Smith house and land valued at \$1500 or more.

1892. *Insurance and Interest.*

Oct. 8, Interest on Treasurer's Loans,	\$54 37
Oct. 30, S. S. Gifford & Son, insurance premium and permits, \$4000,	83 00
Dec. 10, James Gifford, insurance premi- um and permits, \$2000,	32 00
Dec. 10, Edwin N. Paine, insurance premi- um and permit, \$2000,	32 00
Dec. 10, S. S. Gifford & Son, carpenter's permit,	4 00
Total cost insurance and interest to Dec. 31, 1892,	\$205 37
Total expenditures,	\$13,867 21

DR.	RECAPITULATION.	CR.
Loans outstanding, \$13900 00	Cost of lot,	\$3461 89
	Cost of building,	10299 95
	Cost of insurance and interest,	205 37
	Cash on hand,	32 79
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	\$13900 00	\$13900 00

## STATUTES OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

[CHAP. 149.]

AN ACT TO CAUSE PROPER SANITARY PROVISIONS AND PROPER  
VENTILATION IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND SCHOOLHOUSES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECT. 1. Every public building and every schoolhouse shall be kept in a cleanly state and free from affluvia arising from any drain, privy or other nuisance, and shall be provided with a sufficient number of proper water closets, earth closets, or privies for the reasonable use of the persons admitted to such public building or of the pupils attending such schoolhouse.

SECT. 2. Every public building and every schoolhouse shall be ventilated in such a proper manner that the air shall not become so

exhausted as to be injurious to the health of the persons present therein. The provisions of this section and the preceding section shall be enforced by the inspection department of the district police force.

SECT. 3. Whenever it shall appear to an inspector of factories and public buildings that further or different sanitary provisions or means of ventilation are required in any public building or schoolhouse in order to conform to the requirements of this act, and that the same can be provided without incurring unreasonable expense, such inspector may issue a written order to the proper person or authority directing such sanitary provisions or means of ventilation to be provided, and they shall thereupon be provided in accordance with such order by the public authority, corporation or person having charge of, owning or leasing such public building or schoolhouse.

SECT. Any school committee, public officer, corporation or person neglecting for four week after the receipt of an order from an inspector, as provided in the preceding section, to provide the sanitary provisions or means of ventilation required thereby shall be punished by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars.

SECT. The expression "public building" used in this act means any building or premises used as a place of public entertainment, instruction, resort or assemblage. The expression "schoolhouse" means any building or premises in which public or private instruction is afforded to not less than ten pupils at one time.

SECT. 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage. [Approved March 20, 1888.]

[CHAP. 316.]

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE ERECTION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN BUILDINGS.

Be it enacted etc., as follows:

SECT. 1. No building designed to be used in whole or in part, as a public building, public or private institution, school-house, church, theatre, public hall, place of assemblage or place of public resort, and no building more than two stories in height designed to be used above the second story, in whole or in part, as a factory, workshop or mercantile or other establishment and having accommodations for ten or more employees above said story, and no building more than two stories in height designed to be used above the second story, in whole or in part, as a hotel, family hotel, apartment house, boarding house, lodging house or tenement house and having ten or more rooms above said story, shall hereafter be erected, unless in process of erection at the date of the passage of this act, until a copy of the plans of such building has been deposited with the inspector of factories and public buildings for the district in which

such building is to be located, if outside of the city of Boston, or with the inspector of buildings of the city of Boston, if within said city, together with a copy of such portion of the specifications of such building as such inspector may require, nor shall any such building be so erected without the provisions of sufficient ways of egress and other means of escape from fire, properly located and constructed; the certificate of the inspector above named endorsed, if the building is to be located outside of the city of Boston, with the approval of the chief of the district police force, shall be conclusive evidence of a compliance with the provisions of this act, provided that after the granting of such certificate no change is made in the plans or specifications of such ways of egress and means of escape unless a new certificate is obtained therefor. Such inspector may require that proper fire stops shall be provided in the floors, wall and partitions of such buildings and may make such further requirements as may be necessary or proper to prevent the spread of fire therein or its communication from any steam boiler or heating apparatus; and no pipe for conveying hot air or steam in such building shall be placed nearer than one inch to any wood-work unless protected to the satisfaction of such inspector by suitable guards or casings of incombustible material, and no wooden flue or air-duct for heating or ventilating purposes shall be placed in any such building.

SECT. 2. Any person erecting or constructing a building in violation of the provisions of this act shall be punished by fine not less than fifty nor more than one thousand dollars, and such erection or construction may be enjoined in a proceeding to be had before the superior or supreme judicial court at the instance of the inspector above named, and upon the filing of a petition for such injunction any justice of the court in which such proceeding is pending may issue a temporary injunction or restraining order, as provided in proceedings in equity.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight. [Approved May 9, 1888.]

Chapter 426 of the Acts and Resolves of 1888, which is too long to be printed at length, contains most stringent provisions for safeguards against fire in school buildings with all of which the Committee has complied.



## INSPECTOR'S CERTIFICATE.

*Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*

## OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF THE DISTRICT POLICE.

## CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL.

TO MESSRS. HOWARD &amp; AUSTIN, ARCHITECTS, BROCKTON, MASS.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 1 of Chapter 316 of the Acts of 1888, I herewith approve of the plans submitted for the construction of a two story, four room, wooden schoolhouse to be situated at Provincetown, Mass.

BOSTON, July 21, 1892.

EDWIN Y. BROWN,

Inspector of Factories and Public Buildings.

Approved. RUFUS R. WADE, Chief Inspector.

The Committee respectfully recommends that its members be authorized to complete the new school building; that the Town Treasurer under the direction of the Selectmen be authorized to borrow temporarily such further moneys as may be needed by the School Building Committee; and that the Treasurer under the direction of the Selectmen be authorized upon the completion of the school building, to negotiate a permanent loan, payable in ten annual installments of an amount sufficient to cover the temporary loans outstanding when the school building shall be completed.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. HOPKINS,

MOSES N. GIFFORD,

THOMAS LEWIS,

A. T. WILLIAMS.

PROVINCETOWN, Dec. 31, 1892.



PROVINCETOWN, MASS.

Chas. J. Adams, Secy.

1892.

# ANNUAL REPORT

SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE  
DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT  
TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN

FOR THE  
PRESENT CORPS OF TEACHERS  
HIGH SCHOOL  
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1892.



PROVINCETOWN, MASS.:

The Advocate Press. Howard F. Hopkins.

1893.

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE.**

	Term Expires.
*HENRY SHORTLE, . . . . .	1895
ANDREW T. WILLIAMS, . . . . .	1893
ARTEMAS P. HANNUM. . . . .	1894

The Board meets in the Committee's Room at the Town Hall, on the Thursday before the last Saturday of each month, at 7.30 P. M.

**DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT.**

SANFORD WATERS BILLINGS.

Office hours: Last Thursday in each month, when school is in session, at Center School building, from 4 to 5 P. M.

**PRESENT CORPS OF TEACHERS.****HIGH SCHOOL.**

IRA A. JENKINS, . . . . .	Principal.
EMMA GARDNER, . . . . .	Assistant.
PHEBE E. FREEMAN, . . . . .	Assistant.

**GRAMMAR SCHOOL.**

WILLIAM TILLSON, . . . . .	Principal.
M. E. JENKINS, . . . . .	Assistant.

**HIGHER INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS.**

SARA CAVANAGH,	ELLA M. MAYO.	NELLIE B. HILLIARD.
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**INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS.**

FRANCES S. CROCKER,	JULIA C. KNOWLES,	ANNIE W. MCKENNON.
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**PRIMARY SCHOOLS.**

JESSIE B. ALLEN,	CARRIE A. COWING,	SUSIE E. BOWLEY,
BLANCHE A. HOLMES,	ANGIE F. BLAKE,	MAY B. MCINTYRE,
HATTIE P. ALLEN,	MATTIE H. GROSS,	ANNA W. ATKINS,
MATTIE W. BANGS,	OLIVIA S. SILVA.	

\*Died September 11, 1892.

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.****TO THE TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN:**

In preparing their report as well as in all other duties your School Committee sadly miss the wise counsel and able hand of their chairman who has laid aside the cares and troubles of this world and gone to take up the duties of a higher life.

The Public Schools have enjoyed a prosperous year. Eight hundred and seventy-nine pupils have been enrolled and the attendance has been as good as the average in past years, the teachers have worked faithfully and the results obtained have been, for the most part, satisfactory.

We cannot expect however, to reach such results by the expenditure of ten dollars per scholar as is attained in towns where twice or three times that amount is appropriated, for it should be remembered that while comparatively few towns in the state expend less than we do, per scholar, most of the towns spend more.

Were the tax-rates lower we should feel that a larger appropriation would be wise — indeed an obligation.

**CHANGES OF TEACHERS.**

Mr. M. M. McKenzie of the High School, whose many good qualities had won the respect of all was obliged, on account of ill health, to resign his position soon after the beginning of the spring term. He was succeeded by Mr. W. H. Walrath of New York who taught the remainder of the term very acceptably.

Mr. Ira A. Jenkins of Maine, the present principal, was elected in September last. He has won the love of the pupils

and the respect of the people and the school under his management bids fair to be very successful. This school is fortunate in retaining the services of the able assistants, Misses Gardner and Freeman.

Mr. E. A. Perry, principal of the Grammar School since March, 1891, was succeeded in September last by Mr. W. D. Tillson of Mansfield, Mass. Miss Annie Y. Shortle, whose three years of service have given her an enviable reputation as a teacher, resigned her position in September to enter Wellesley College and was succeeded by Miss Mary E. Jenkins of Dover, N. H. This school is doing good work.

The Western Primary being overcrowded the Committee rented and fitted up rooms in the Savings Bank building and took forty pupils from Miss Cowing's department, placing the new school in charge of Miss Mattie H. Gross. This will afford temporary relief until the new school building is ready for occupancy.

#### SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

During the summer vacation all the school buildings were thoroughly cleaned, the walls and ceilings whitewashed, the floors oiled and the desks varnished. One side of the roof of the Conant St. building was shingled and all other necessary repairs were made. The Johnson St. and High School buildings should be painted the coming year and all the school buildings except the High and Grammar and the Montello St. should be painted inside. No paint has been put on the inside of these buildings for years and their appearance is by no means creditable to the town. We would recommend an appropriation of three hundred dollars for this painting and fifty dollars for shingling roof of Conant St. building. The roof of the Montello St. building leaks badly. It is covered with a patent roofing material and though we have had it repaired many times we cannot keep it tight. We would recommend an appropriation of seventy-five dollars for a new covering of tin or duck. These estimates will be found in our recommendations in the financial report.

#### TRUANTS.

One great cause of trouble in our schools is the large number of truants. The officers do what they can but their efforts result only in expense to the town and damage to the schools without any good result to the truants. These truants form a dangerous class in the community. In bad weather they loaf in the back shops and practice profanity and vulgarity, in good weather they steal, set fires, break windows in unoccupied buildings and in every way do all the harm they can, many of them eventually growing up into criminals. Can the town afford to allow such a class to run at large?

Parents and guardians are largely to blame for this, as well as the storekeepers and others who allow these boys to loaf about their premises.

The District Superintendent treats this matter more fully in his report and we commend his article to the attention of all thoughtful citizens.

Provincetown has now no suitable place for the "confinement, instruction and discipline" of truant children, and consequently has not complied with the law. Towns that do not establish such places within their precincts may elect some reformatory where children may be sent according to the provision of the statute. We would recommend that the town take some action relating to this subject at the approaching Annual Meeting.

#### TEXT BOOKS.

The usual appropriation for this department has been found too small and the Committee feel compelled to ask for a larger appropriation for the ensuing year. Some of the text-books in use, particularly the geographies and arithmetics, are not abreast of the times. Old boundaries have been changed, new countries have been explored, better methods of instruction have been devised and in fact the same advance has been made in the text books as in the arts and sciences. Justice to our teachers and pupils requires that we should change one or more of our text books.

## CABINET FOR HIGH SCHOOL.

The Committee have not purchased a cabinet, owing partly to the changes in teachers in the year and partly to the fact that a large part of the minerals were the property of a teacher who has now removed them. However, a very fair collection is still the property of the school and we recommend that the appropriation be continued and applied to its intended use.

## VENTILATION.

We have been warned by the Inspector of School Buildings that the method of heating our school rooms is wrong, that the system of ventilation is bad and the air decidedly impure. It was only upon our assurance that the new school building would contain all modern improvements that he consented to defer immediate action. When the new building is finished and the schools in the Western district reorganized an inspection may show better results but we are of the opinion that the Western school building will have to be supplied with a better system of heating and ventilation in the near future.

## CLOSING.

We cannot close this report without a word to parents. The teachers and the pupils in our schools need constant encouragement and this can be afforded in no better way than by frequent visits by the parents of the pupils and by all others who take an interest in school matters. Such visits encourage the teachers to secure the best results, they stimulate the pupils to do their best work and they give the visitors a far better idea of the labor and perplexity of teaching and being taught, and in case of trouble between teacher and pupil a much better judgment might be formed.

Let us hope that the coming year will see many visitors at every school.

## FINANCIAL REPORT.

## SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation,		\$500 00
Rebate,		30
Paid Henry Shortle, taking census, 1890,	\$12 00	
Henry Shortle, cash paid procuring teachers for 1890 and 1891,	21 80	
A. P. Hannum, furnishing water,	10 00	
J. D. Hilliard, supplies,	60	
Geo. W. Beaty, labor,	18 75	
Josiah Swift, supplies,	7 46	
H. O. Sparrow, labor and supplies,	49 20	
A. T. Williams, supplies,	64 47	
H. F. Hopkins, printing,	20 75	
J. W. Beaty, cleaning Western school-house,	19 00	
J. W. Beaty, cleaning Conant St. school-house,	15 00	
J. H. Dearborn, cleaning High and Grammar schoolhouse.	40 00	
Geo. W. Crosby, cleaning Eastern school-house,	19 00	
Geo. W. Crosby, cleaning Center school-house,	19 00	
Geo. W. Crosby, cleaning outhouses,	5 00	
J. H. Dearborn, " "	5 00	
" " labor,	17 00	
" " returning truants to July,	15 50	
Geo. W. Crosby, labor,	6 60	
Geo. W. Ready, " "	6 00	
W. B. Bangs, " and supplies,	27 50	
A. L. Putnam, supplies,	14 67	
T. W. Dyer, labor and supplies,	5 20	
W. W. Sprague, supplies,	6 00	
Willis Higgins, labor,	8 30	
Chas. Burkett, cleaning Johnson Street schoolhouse,	8 00	
F.N.Days, labor, Johnson St. schoolhouse,	11 57	

Paid J. L. Hammett, desk and blackboard,	\$18 00	
J. L. Hammett, chairs and desks,	24 00	
H. Engles, labor and supplies,	17 90	
J. H. Dearborn, labor,	3 50	
J. W. Beaty, returning truants to July,	6 75	
J. W. Holway, labor,	4 45	
Deficiency,		27 67
	<u>\$527 97</u>	<u>\$527 97</u>
SCHOOLHOUSE REPAIRS.		
Appropriation,		\$500 00
Paid Josiah Snow, labor,	7 25	
Joseph W. Cook, supplies and labor,	13 09	
Lewis & Brown, supplies,	31 14	
Geo. W. Crosby, labor,	34 50	
F. N. Days, supplies and labor,	11 90	
S. D. Nickerson, labor,	19 20	
Andrew Kennedy, supplies and labor,	12 20	
Jos. W. Snow, labor,	17 82	
Willis Higgins, labor,	13 99	
Thos. W. Dyer, supplies and labor,	25 38	
Geo. Allen, supplies,	40 15	
J. W. Beaty, labor,	17 95	
James Fuller, supplies and labor,	72 56	
J. A. West, " "	60 70	
Geo. W. Beaty, labor,	15 95	
A. T. Williams, supplies,	21 46	
Victor J. Leonard, labor,	3 40	
Chas. W. Burkett, supplies and labor,	2 50	
J. L. Hammett, supplies,	9 60	
Geo. C. Hill, labor,	3 25	
Alfred Small, labor,	4 17	
B. H. Dyer, supplies,	1 97	
J. D. Hilliard, supplies,	35	
S. S. Bank, rent,	21 00	
W. C. Snow, labor,	1 80	
Balance in treasury,	19 72	
	<u>\$500 00</u>	<u>\$500 00</u>

SCHOOL DEFICIENCIES.

Appropriation,		\$500 00
Paid F. A. H. Gifford,	\$0 25	
Estate James Cobb, labor,	1 00	
H. Merrill Smith, supplies,	1 18	
H. Shortle, salary,	50 00	
J. D. Hilliard, supplies,	8 88	
Andrew Kennedy, "	11 75	
J. H. Dearborn, returning truants,	7 00	
A. L. Putnam, commission,	93 95	
A. L. Putnam, supplies,	12 64	
H. Engles, labor and supplies,	46 98	
J. A. West, " "	73 90	
A. T. Williams, supplies,	30 42	
B. H. Dyer, labor and supplies,	123 03	
A. P. Hannum, labor and supplies,	59 08	
W. B. Bangs, " "	29 13	
Deficiency,		49 19
	<u>\$549 19</u>	<u>\$549 19</u>



TEACHERS' SALARIES.  
WINTER TERM, 1891—1892.

	Number of weeks.	Salary per week.	Amount per year. 38 weeks.	Amount per term.
M. M. McKenzie, Principal High School . . .	11	\$31 58	\$1200 00	\$347 38
Phebe E. Freeman, Assistant " . . .	12	10 00	380 00	120 00
Emma Gardner, " " . . .	12	14 47.4	550 00	173 68
E. A. Perry, Principal Grammar School . . .	12	25 00	950 00	300 00
Annie Y. Shortle, Assistant " . . .	12	10 00	380 00	120 00
Ella M. Mayo, Principal Higher Intermediate	12	8 50	323 00	102 00
Nellie B. Hilliard " " " . . .	12	8 50	323 00	102 00
Sara Cavanagh, " " " . . .	12	8 50	323 00	102 00
Fannie S. Crocker, Principal Intermediate School	12	7 00	266 00	84 00
Julia C. Knowles, " " " . . .	12	7 00	266 00	84 00
Annie McKennon, " " " . . .	9.8	7 00	266 00	68 60
Anna W. Atkins, " Primary School	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
May B. McIntyre, " " " . . .	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
Mattie W. Bangs, " " " . . .	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
Hattie P. Allen, " " " . . .	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
Susie E. Bowley, " " " . . .	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
Jessie B. Allen, " " " . . .	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
Olivia S. Sylva, " " " . . .	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
Carrie A. Cowing, " " " . . .	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
Angie F. Blake, " " " . . .	9.8	6 50	247 00	63 70
Blanche A. Holmes, Assistant " " . . .	12	4 00	152 00	48 00
Mattie H. Gross, " " " . . .	12	4 00	152 00	48 00
Belle G. Smith, Principal " " . . .	2.2	6 50	247 00	14 30
Angie F. Blake, " Intermediate " . . .	2.2	7 00	266 00	15 40
				\$2417 06



# TEACHERS' SALARIES.

SUMMER TERM, 1892.

	Number of weeks.	Salary per week.	Amount per year. 38 weeks.	Amount per term.
M. M. McKenzie, Principal High School . . .	2	\$31 58	\$1200 00	\$ 63 16
W. H. Walrath, " " " " . . .	9	31 58	1200 00	284 22
Emma Gardner, Assistant " " . . .	12	14 47.4	550 00	173 69
Phebe E. Freeman, Assistant " " . . .	12	10 00	380 00	120 00
E. A. Perry, Principal Grammar School . . .	12	25 00	950 00	300 00
Annie Y. Shortle, Assistant " " . . .	12	10 00	380 00	120 00
Sara Cavanagh, Principal Higher Intermediate	12	8 50	323 00	102 00
Nellie B. Hilliard " " " " . . .	12	8 50	323 00	102 00
Ella M. Mayo, " " " " . . .	12	8 50	323 00	102 00
Annie W. McKennon, Prin. Intermediate School extra service,	12	7 00	266 00	84 00
Julia C. Knowles, Principal Intermediate School	12	7 00	266 00	84 00
Fannie S. Crocker, " " " " . . .	12	7 00	266 00	84 00
Carrie A. Cowing, " Primary School	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
Angie F. Blake, " " " " . . .	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
Jessie B. Allen, " " " " . . .	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
Olivia S. Sylva, " " " " . . .	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
Mattie W. Bangs, " " " " . . .	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
Hattie P. Allen, " " " " . . .	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
Susie E. Bowley, " " " " . . .	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
May B. McIntyre, " " " " . . .	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
Anna W. Atkins, " " " " . . .	12	6 50	247 00	78 00
Blanche A. Holmes, Assistant " " . . .	12	5 00	190 00	60 00
Mattie H. Gross, " " " " . . .	12	5 00	190 00	60 00

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TEACHERS' SALARIES.

FALL TERM, 1892.

	Number of weeks.	Salary per week.	Amount per year. 38 weeks.	Amount per term.
Ira A. Jenkins, Principal High School . . . . .	13	\$31 58	\$1200 00	\$410 54
Emma Gardner, Assistant " . . . . .	13	15 79	600 00	205 27
Phebe E. Freeman, Assistant " . . . . .	13	12 00	456 00	156 00
W. D. Tillson, Principal Grammar School . . . . .	13	20 00	760 00	260 00
M. E. Jenkins, Assistant " . . . . .	13	9 00	342 00	117 00
Sara Cavanagh, Principal Higher Intermediate . . . . .	13	8 50	323 00	110 50
Nellie B. Hilliard " " " . . . . .	13	8 50	323 00	110 50
Ella M. Mayo, " " " . . . . .	13	8 50	323 00	110 50
Annie W. McKennon, Prin. Intermediate School . . . . .	13	7 00	266 00	91 00
" " " extra service, . . . . .				13 00
Julia C. Knowles, Principal Intermediate School . . . . .	13	7 00	266 00	91 00
Fannie S. Crocker, " " " . . . . .	13	7 00	266 00	91 00
Carrie A. Cowing, " Primary School . . . . .	13	6 50	247 00	84 50
Angie F. Blake, " " " . . . . .	13	6 50	247 00	84 50
Jessie B. Allen, " " " . . . . .	13	6 50	247 00	84 50
Olivia S. Sylva, " " " . . . . .	13	6 50	247 00	84 50
Mattie W. Bangs, " " " . . . . .	13	6 50	247 00	84 50
Hattie P. Allen, " " " . . . . .	13	6 50	247 00	84 50
Susie E. Bowley, " " " . . . . .	13	6 50	247 00	84 50
May B. McIntyre, " " " . . . . .	13	6 50	247 00	84 50
Anna W. Atkins, " " " . . . . .	13	6 50	247 00	84 50
Blanche A. Holmes, Assistant " " " . . . . .	13	6 50	247 00	84 50
Mattie H. Gross, " " " . . . . .	13	6 50	247 00	84 50
Lillian Brooks, " " " . . . . .	.6	6 50	247 00	3 90
				\$2699 71

# JANITORS' SALARIES.

\$5000 00

	Building.	No. of weeks.	Price per week.	Amount.
<b>WINTER TERM.</b>				
Geo. C. Hill,	Johnson Street,	12	\$1 00	\$12 00
Geo. Crosby,	Eastern,	12	2 50	30 00
John W. Holway,	Center,	12	2 50	30 00
J. H. Dearborn,	High and Grammar,	12	4 50	54 00
J. W. Beaty,	Western and Conant,	12	4 50	54 00
				\$180 00
<b>SPRING TERM.</b>				
John W. Holway,	Center,	12	2 50	30 00
Geo. C. Hill,	Johnson Street,	12	1 00	12 00
Geo. Crosby,	Eastern,	12	2 50	30 00
J. W. Beaty,	Western and Conant,	12	4 50	54 00
J. H. Dearborn,	High and Grammar,	12	4 50	54 00
				\$180 00
<b>FALL TERM.</b>				
J. W. Beaty,	Western, Conant & Mechanic St.	13	5 50	\$71 50
Geo. C. Hill,	Johnson Street,	13	1 00	13 00
J. H. Dearborn,	High and Grammar,	13	4 50	58 50
Geo. Crosby,	Eastern,	13	2 50	32 50
David Cook,	Center,	13	2 50	32 50
				\$208 00

## FUEL.

A. T. Williams, 6 tons coal, \$5.23,	31 38
“ “ 97 3-4 tons coal, \$5.76,	563 04
“ “ 1770 lbs. coal, \$7.25,	6 42
“ “ wood kindlings,	24 83
	<hr/> \$625 67

## MISCELLANEOUS.

J. W. Beaty, truant committee,	9 25
J. H. Dearborn, “ “	10 50
H. Shortle, Chairman School Committee,	167 50
A. T. Williams, School Committee,	20 00
A. P. Hannum, “ “	20 00
John S. Perry, taking school census,	12 00
Sanford Waters Billings, District Superintendent,	743 55
H. F. Hopkins, printing,	16 00
Beacon Pub. Co., advertising,	1 50
School Committee, attending Dis. Conventions,	11 45
“ “ procuring teachers,	19 60
	<hr/> \$1031 35

## RECAPITULATION.

Mass. School Fund,	\$106 36
From State on account of District Superintendent,	493 54
Rebate,	44
Appropriation,	9000 00
Teachers' salaries,	7569 84
Janitors' “	568 00
Fuel,	625 67
Miscellaneous,	1031 35
Deficiency,	194 52
	<hr/> \$9794 86
	\$9794 86

## RECOMMENDATIONS.

For Public Schools,	\$9800 00
School Incidentals,	875 00
Schoolhouse Repairs,	625 00
Free Text Books and Supplies,	1000 00

A. T. WILLIAMS,  
A. P. HANNUM,  
School Committee.

## In Memoriam.

Dr. Henry Shortle came among us from his home in Virginia when a mere lad and quickly won the respect and esteem of our people by his honesty, his integrity and his upright life. He early became a member of the Center M. E. Church and remained a faithful worker in that body until his death. He took a strong interest also in political matters and was several times elected to the General Court. He will be best remembered, however, for his connection with the public schools, having been a member of the School Board for twenty-two successive years, in the last eleven of which, he served as Superintendent, filling these positions with credit to himself and honor to the town.

The loss of Dr. Shortle is a positive one to our schools. To their aid he brought sound learning, a clear intellect, and an honest purpose. As a student and scholar he was always painstaking, diligent in research and elaborate in presenting his subject; as a writer he was copious and pleasant; as a speaker he was fluent and when occasion prompted, impressive.

In his intercourse with the world and with his friends he was kind beyond the average, truthful beyond question, guided by knowledge, controlled by good judgment and possessed of the courage of his convictions.

And now that his tongue is mute and his pen lies motionless we gaze after our brother in contemplation of his virtues; loving him for what he was we turn toward his vacant chair and realize that it will be long before those who knew him best can look upon it without a sigh of regret.

## GRADUATES OF HIGH SCHOOL.

## CLASS OF '92.

MISS ETHEL FAY CUSHMAN,  
 MISS ANNA MAY DOLAN,  
 MISS ELIZA MITCHELL FORD,  
 MR. WALLACE EDGAR MCLEOD,  
 MISS GRACE OSBORNE PARKS,  
 MR. CLARENCE ATWOOD RICH,  
 MISS SELENA FRANCIS SMITH,  
 MR. EDGAR JAMES WHORF.

## GRADUATING EXERCISES.

THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 23, 1892.

MARCH. Miss Fannie Gifford  
 PRAYER. Rev. W. P. Burnell  
 PIANO DUET. Waltz Rondo, Misses Dunham and Frank  
 LATIN SALUTATORY. The Monuments of Egypt,  
 Miss Anna May Dolan  
 ORATION. The Achievements of Henry M. Stanley,  
 Mr. Wallace Edgar McLeod  
 TRANSLATION. The Death of Dido, Miss Grace Osborne Parks  
 PIANO SOLO. Grande Polka de Concert, Miss Lizzie N. West  
 ESSAY. The Japanese, their Character and Customs,  
 Miss Eliza Mitchell Ford  
 ORATION. Victory or Defeat, Mr. Clarence Atwood Rich  
 ESSAY. The Pastimes of the Roman Amphitheater,  
 Miss Selena Frances Smith  
 VIOLIN SOLO. Auld Robin Grey, Mr. Stephen Cook Whorf  
 PROPHECY. Miss Grace Osborne Parks  
 ORATION. The Career of Napoleon Bonaparte,  
 Mr. Edgar James Whorf  
 VALEDICTORY. England in the time of Queen Elizabeth,  
 Miss Ethel Fay Cushman  
 PIANO DUET. Dance Espagnole. Misses Knowles and Hilliard  
 PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS.  
 BENEDICTION.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF PROVINCETOWN:

GENTLEMEN: In commencing my report of the past year's work in connection with the schools of Provincetown I cannot forbear to acknowledge the kind guidance of the Hand Divine which has conducted all so graciously during the year just closed.

Neither can I pass over in silence my high appreciation of the kindness shown me by all with whom I am brought in contact. The pleasant relations thus existing are a source of encouragement to me in my work and awaken a gratitude those alone can know who are the recipient of kindly favors.

Yet death has invaded your ranks. The official chair is still vacant. I pause for a moment, as I refer to the work of the year, in regard for the memory of him who has gone before.

## IN MEMORIAM.

During the year death has invaded the ranks of the School Committee and removed one who for a quarter of a century had been intimately connected with the public schools of Provincetown in the highest official capacity. He was a friend to pupil and teacher. The name of no one was more widely known in this vicinity, who had been employed as a member of the School Board, than that of Dr. Henry Shortle. He passed away with the "harness on," with the duties of Chairman of the School Committee still resting upon him. He will long be remembered by the many who were permitted to share his friendship.

I first made his acquaintance about twenty years ago when we were associated together as members of the House of Representatives of the General Court. I had met him but once, I believe, during these intervening years, until the day of election of Superintendent in May, 1891. In his legislative career he was eminently one desirous of securing from the State those statutes which would prove elevating for the pupils in the common schools.

## COURSE OF STUDY FOR LOWER GRADES.

Soon after my appointment as Superintendent a course of study for the lower grades was suggested. This was discussed informally on several occasions by the teachers of these grades and also by members of the School Board. In September last the School Committee most willingly caused a sufficient number of copies for the use of the teachers to be printed. They suggested most kindly to the Superintendent that this course be followed, so far as it could be made to apply to the schools in their present working capacity. No course is perfect, every course is at best only suggestive, yet some outline of study, it seems, is necessary for such systematic work as one likes to see in the various schools of the same grade in any town or city. This course was placed in the hands of the teachers by the School Committee. The Superintendent requested of the teachers that its general provisions be followed. This has been done to a greater or less extent. I find the most satisfactory results in those schools where the teachers appear to be most desirous to put in practice such lines of work as the course suggests and in the way stated. While no course of study can take the place of the efficient and faithful instructor; while the actual advantages of a course must to a great degree be the harvest arising from the resources and work of apt and devoted teaching, yet it is always a source of encouragement to every Superintendent when he is conscious of the earnest determination of a teacher to put in practice hearty methods and plans suggested.

## GRADUATION AT GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

In many localities diplomas are granted to pupils graduating from Grammar Schools, appropriate graduation exercises being held. While all must feel the importance of continuing the course of study until the graduation at the High School is reached many seem compelled by circumstances, apparently beyond their control, to leave school after passing through the Grammar grade. Some recognition of faithful work on the part of such pupils may well be shown. A diploma honestly and faithfully earned by diligent research and successful study

is a blessing highly to be desired. It has aided many a possessor to positions of remuneration and trust. It often saves much time spent in needless explanation why a pupil did not secure such a gift. The course of study in a Grammar grade should be practical and strong. Accurate and faithful work should be required in every department. When pupils have performed this work acceptably a testimonial of such fidelity may well be given. Besides, this plan will serve to raise and strengthen the work of the High School. Better preparation for admission will result and the time now required upon some branches taught in the High School might, we believe, be abbreviated. This plan seems to be well worth a trial.

## HIGH SCHOOL COURSE.

I desire to suggest some changes of the course of study pursued in the High School for the consideration of all interested in this department of school work. I recommend a course which shall be eminently practical and helpful in the preparation of young ladies and gentlemen for active successful business life. I also fully believe that there shall also be a course which will thoroughly prepare one for Harvard College, Wellesley College and other similar institutions. Provincetown is a town of great importance. None surpass it in Barnstable County. By its geographical position, it like other Cape towns, is isolated from the present popular fitting schools of the city. Brockton affords fine opportunities for students desiring to make careful preparations for college life. I can think of no educational center more easily reached than that city. But the fathers and mothers of Provincetown should not be asked or compelled to send their children even that distance for such preparation. The expense is too great. The money thus expended is needed for the necessities of college life. Besides, the pupil should be kept within the home of the parent during the early education unless the parent deliberately chooses to make such outlay and train the child away from the influences of home. Your town with its large population, its increasing numbers of children to be educated, should offer inducements, which small towns cannot afford, in regard to a higher educa-

tion. Pupils, however, should be able, after due consideration by the parents and the regard which every fond parent feels for the welfare of a child, to determine when they enter the High School whether they propose to take the college course or not. To spend two years of the time without any regard to one's future career and then at the beginning of the third year to expect a suitable preparation for college in the remaining two years is an impossibility. The decision should be made at the entrance upon High School work. Four years are none too long for careful preparation. They are sufficient, if the time is properly utilized, to secure preparation. Some may urge that there is no call for such an outline of work by the young people of Provincetown. True, there may be only a few who desire such drill, but if there is any number however small who would only be too glad for ample preparation for college life this cherished wish should be granted. It is also true that when the means are provided for such studies the call will gradually increase. Provide ample means for preparatory work in anticipation of college and the number desiring to accept such provisions will be found multiplying.

While the course may be to some extent elective I believe the study of mathematics should be pursued by every pupil. The drill in this department of study is in some directions the best. Many a person is glad to acknowledge the worth of the drill in geometry, enforced it may have been in school life. Pupils frequently choose other branches of study. They claim to have a distaste for mathematical study, even go so far as to confess that they are unable to master the requirements in this line of study. My conviction is, however, that any pupil, who is able to pass the requisite tests of admission to a High School can by faithful application and persistent labor perform acceptably the work required in mathematics. The results of ignoring this branch of studies and choosing others, because easier or better suited to the taste, are weakening to the standard which a High School should sustain and injurious to the best mental training of the pupil.

My suggestion is that the present course be modified and amplified in the direction I have pointed out and be adopted

for the working of the school at the beginning of the spring term which is also the beginning of the year in some requirements. Should this outline prove acceptable to the School Committee I shall be glad with their assistance to prepare a curriculum of study in detail which will secure I trust when put in operation the results above delineated.

At all events, I wish the importance of your High School magnified. It is a delightful feature to see the largest possible number prepare themselves for admission. To retain those who enter, until they complete the studies of the four years successfully and graduate with the high honor of a diploma justly earned, is a problem which requires a thoughtful solution.

#### ALARM FOR CLOSING SCHOOLS.

It sometimes happens that the schools continue during the early part of the day but their suspension in the afternoon seems to be necessary and advisable. Uniformity in this is greatly to be desired. The continuance of some schools in one part of the town and their suspension in other parts cause demoralization and dissatisfaction. It seems desirable if a part of the schools of certain grades are suspended all others of the same grades should be similarly treated. We suggest that some uniform plan of alarm may be adopted reaching at the same time all the schools, a plan which will be thoroughly understood by all and which will work with equality and system for every school.

#### TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

Although the Teachers' Institute was held near the close of the year 1891 I desire to leave on record my appreciation of its blessings. The school officials, teachers and the public in general conspired to make these meetings a success. The officers of the Institute pronounced high encomiums upon the success of the meetings. Improvement in the work has been seen, especially by some of the instructors in the lowest grades, largely in reading and writing. Those who attended the meetings with the one purpose to appropriate to themselves every idea which they could use prized the sessions and their work



shows marked improvement and a determination to leave those ways which have long been travelled when they perceive a better road for a teacher's feet to journey.

#### TEACHERS' MEETINGS.

Teachers' meetings have been held in Provincetown as in other towns in the District. As a rule nearly every teacher has been present and frequently members of the School Committee. Practical topics have been discussed, teachers have aided in these discussions and often given expression to opinions of practical importance. The meeting where several of the teachers gave an exercise in reading in response to the call of the Superintendent was enjoyable and helpful. The School Committee willingly offer an hour from the session of one afternoon per month for the holding of these meetings without obliging teachers to make use of time outside of school hours. While the Superintendent is glad to meet teachers at any time outside of the hours of legitimate work the willingness of the Committee to confer the favor of the time which is ordinarily spent in school and the value of the sessions, if properly conducted and appreciated, will render the meetings more willingly the objects of support by the various teachers in town.

#### GRADE MEETINGS.

Besides the meetings held for the attendance of all the teachers, meetings of teachers of different grades have been held separately. At these meetings the topics of the course of study are discussed the plan more carefully delineated and the work for the coming weeks systematized. While nothing should be done to weaken or destroy the individuality of a teacher yet every proper effort may well be made to render the work in the different grades to some degree systematic. I recognize most heartily the co-operation of those teachers who are willing to meet to discuss such measures and learn the wishes of the Superintendent and after having derived the idea of the meeting conscientiously carry out such plans in their every day work in the school room.

#### SUPPLIES FOR TEACHERS.

The teachers, especially those in the lowest grades, need many helps which will be of great advantage in accomplishing their work. In these days of renewed interest in Primary work the call for many articles which will be of service to teachers is imperative. The "busy work" of the children so important and indispensable in such grades can only be secured by placing in the hands of the teachers such helps as are requisite for every improvement of the child. The days when children can be required to sit with folded hands quiet and statue-like have gone by. It is a thing of the past. Such a state of things as existed in the days of the fathers cannot exist now. The demand is large, the supply is necessary, but the expense to the town is comparatively small. In several instances the teachers have voluntarily supplied the want experienced from their own salaries. In some other cases the want has gone unsupplied. The salary of the teachers of Provincetown does not warrant the outlay of any sum for such purposes. I appreciate fully the spirit that prompts such teachers to action. Yet no one desires the expenditure of such a nature to be made from the money earned by teachers. I suggest a special appropriation for this purpose by which the need which has been felt during the past and which is increasing with the demands of the times may be granted by the town at its annual meeting.

#### LANGUAGE STUDIES.

I regard the study of Language the weakest in the branches pursued by the curriculum of the grades below the High School. It needs strengthening. Various reasons conspire to render the present condition as it now exists. Much of the language heard by many pupils is either altogether foreign or an impure English. The conversation away from the school room is in an idiom different from that which every thorough teacher employs. The phrases of the street are too often the object lessons in language. I have urged the teachers to use the utmost care in correcting false expressions of language. In addition to this those employed as teachers in the lowest grades

are obliged to teach many pupils as they enter school "how to talk English." In the Intermediate schools text books in language should be placed in the hands of every pupil, increased time and attention be given to this study, and renewed application and thought required of the pupils. In the Primary grades I recommend that this department of study be emphasized by the teachers and made more impressive if possible upon the minds of the pupils. The use of correct English should be the aim of every teacher and pupil at all times.

#### PROMOTION OF TEACHERS.

I notice that the plan has long been adopted of promoting teachers from one grade of work to another after terms of trial. The honor of a promotion is always a thing worthy of the ambition of every one. I learn, however, that this promotion eventually leads to an increase in remuneration of services. This remuneration is certainly desirable. It seems to me the salary of the teachers in the Primary grades should be sufficiently compensatory for services that the instructors in this line of work will be satisfied to continue with these lower schools when the results of their labors are satisfactory. The preparation of teachers for Primary work is no less important than that required from those in the upper grades. This work also requires peculiar adaptation and tact. Teachers making a success in the Primary room should be well paid and not be induced to leave the work of a character so eminently important because of an increase of a few dollars per month which allures them. I believe in economy and have no sympathy with those who desire to make expenditures regardless of the consequences, but I must add that there are teachers in Provincetown who have been laboring, as I learn, for years indefatigably and successfully whose services are worthy increased compensation. Yet such teachers may rest assured of this fact that their labors are appreciated, I dare say, by many who have witnessed their work for years. I never visit their schools without feeling impressed with their conscientious fidelity and if the sincere approval of a Superintendent is any encourage-

ment I am glad to say most sincerely that this work of self denial passes not by without my earnest appreciation.

#### COLUMBUS DAY.

The anniversary known as Columbus Day was celebrated in a manner worthy of the importance of the event commemorated. At an appointed time the School Committee, Superintendent and teachers met and plans were adopted, the carrying out of which was universally approved. Appropriate exercises were observed at all of the school buildings. While invited by the friends of the schools in Provincetown, Wellfleet and Harwich to be present at the exercises in each of the towns, time and space prevented me from being present at all the exercises. Wellfleet claimed my attention in the forenoon and Provincetown in the afternoon. I was glad to be one of them in the parade of the afternoon of that day. Hundreds of children walked the streets cheering the flags preceded by honored men. The Fire Department and the Grand Army led the advance and the sight was one never experienced before in Provincetown. The streets were decorated and the public gave themselves to a holiday observance. The lessons of the entire day will not, we trust, soon be forgotten.

#### FLAG OF THE FREE.

Another result secured by the observance of the Columbus anniversary was the obtaining of flags for the various school buildings. It was observed when I first visited Provincetown for school work that there was only one school building where the "Banner of the Free" was floating. This was the High School building, the flag I am told the gift of one of the patriotic citizens who has recently passed away. But now a flag is found upon every school building. Much credit is due the pupils and teachers in securing gifts sufficient for the purchase of nearly all of these while the gifts granted by the citizens and others secure my hearty acknowledgement. The individual gifts of patriotic citizens were a testimonial to their interest in the common schools. Long may the lessons of loyalty taught

on that occasion, and by these gifts be impressed upon the minds of the children and the day never dawn when the public schools will be forgotten or their influence and power be diverted from their proper channels.

#### ADMISSION TO SCHOOLS.

I notice pupils are admitted to the lowest grades of the Primary schools during the first two weeks of each term. This plan interferes with the classification of the pupils and requires a constant repetition of work with different pupils during many weeks of the year. While promotions will be made as fast as pupils are ready for promotion in these grades it seems to me that the time for admission should be limited to the month of September in each year. If a pupil has not reached the age of five years at that time the delay of another year cannot, in a long run, prove injurious to the child. Children entering at the age of six years are often found doing better work than those entering earlier and in a few months after entering school are in advance of those joining the school at five years of age. A change in this plan it seems to me would be an advantage to the schools.

#### UNGRADED PUPILS.

I find cases of persons who are not in attendance upon school especially during the winter months because they have reached an age when they cannot well be placed in the grade to which they would legitimately belong. They are not truants, but they need still some provision for a better preparation for the duties of citizenship. Could a day or a night school taught by some competent person, whose tact would fit him for the position, be provided, an opportunity would be afforded such, which would result in good work. The expense would be comparatively little. I most heartily commend the plan to your kind consideration.

#### LENGTH OF SCHOOL.

At present the school year continues usually 38 weeks, the year 1892, 37 weeks. So far as I am informed the schools in

towns of the population of Provincetown generally continue 40 weeks. The work required is always pressing and if the school year could be extended two weeks longer additional work might be done as well as the character of the present work improved. Teachers who devote themselves to school work usually desire to teach forty weeks. The pupils of the town would be placed more nearly on a par with those of other similar localities. Nature studies, music and drawing could be pushed more to the front during a school year of this length.

#### DRAWING.

I am anxious that drawing should be introduced into the curriculum of the school course. This branch calls into exercise certain faculties which can be trained in no other way. Teachers have objected to this work because of their expressed want of preparation. They have never tried to impart instruction in drawing in the past, they still hesitate to begin in the present. This difficulty will soon be removed. The opportunity for preparation is soon to be presented to the teachers for elementary work. It is a pleasure to announce that Mr. Henry T. Bailey, agent of the State Board of Education and State Supervisor of Drawing, will visit the District placed in my charge and meet the various teachers. On Monday afternoon, Feb. 20, Mr. Bailey will be at the High School room in Provincetown to give lessons in this department. It is perhaps needless to say that Mr. Bailey is an enthusiast in this work and inspires all who come under his influence. None need fear to express their ignorance in his presence. Those who meet him learn at the outset to place confidence in him, and grasp his methods with alacrity. Every active teacher in town will be expected to be present and all others who have taught or who aspire to the position of teachers in the immediate future will be gladly welcomed.

#### MUSIC.

I should be pleased to see the teaching of music introduced into the schools. Children and youth are often fond of music. They learn to sing readily. Exercises in this department will

help in securing good discipline. It forms a part of the school work of many towns of importance and population similar to Provincetown. May it not be hoped an advance step may be taken in this direction in her schools?

#### NEW SCHOOL BUILDING.

A want which I seriously felt the first time I visited the schools of Provincetown is soon to be satisfied. When I saw from 75 to 95 children crowded into one small room under two teachers laboring together, my inquiry was, what can be done? How can this evil be remedied? I at once made inquiries whether it were possible to obtain any additional rooms for school use. Such rooms could not then be found. Even Provincetown with its large number of buildings could afford no place for school accommodations. I submitted to the inevitable, impressed with the conviction that I could not reasonably expect satisfactory results in such crowded schools. To keep the children in school "decently and in order" was about all that could be expected. To require advancement in scholarship and development in mental training was beyond the attainable. What a pleasant change is to be seen! A beautiful structure with every modern improvement adorns the town. The citizens of Provincetown receive my sincere gratitude for their generous appropriation, the Building Committee my truest appreciation of the devotion and fidelity of their services. When the building is completed and it has received the fitting dedication which it deserves, changes can be made greatly to the advantage of the children who will be members of the schools. Such a building, carefully preserved, as it ought to be, must prove a blessing in years to come to those soon to enjoy its accommodations such as those who have gone before have not been permitted to appropriate. Great and good results will be claimed from the advantages thus provided.

#### TRUANT SCHOOL.

The importance of the education of all the children cannot be over estimated. Almost always pupils are desirous of attending school and parents are even more desirous that their

children shall avail themselves of every opportunity afforded for the mental and moral training of their children as provided in the public schools. But there are cases of an opposite character. Carelessness, indifference, even wilful obstinacy, conspire to cause pupils to acquire habits of truancy. With truancy follows its train of evil, indolence, slothfulness, crime. When a pupil is absent from school and then sought for by the teacher, the truant officer notified to find the pupil and return him to the school-room, and then comes the child, no truant school is needed. But when time and again the child when absent is sought for and returned to the school to remain only a part or a whole of the day upon which he is returned, and again a truant the second day, only to be returned as on the preceding day with similar results, a cure must be found more effective, a remedy that will be more healthful and lasting. A truant school is reformatory, not punitive. The influence of such pupils as above described is demoralizing and corruptive to an alarming degree. Such pupils not only work out their own destruction but they drag others down. The duty belonging to the moral and obedient child and that due the faithful teacher demands that such pupils should be removed from shedding their contaminating spirit upon others, and placed where they will both cease to injure others and become themselves reclaimed. I have known such boys to be reclaimed and to become good citizens, and the love I bear the young and the interest I feel in every child prompts me to be explicit upon this thought.

Mr. Samuel B. Capen, recently elected chairman of the Boston School Board in his report on a Parental School for the City of Boston, says:

"We need such a school, not only to save the boys themselves but as an act of justice and safety to other children from purer and better homes who have not gone astray. These should be saved as far as possible from contamination. Furthermore, this separation not only makes the clear distinction between that which is good and that which is evil, but it helps to confirm the one class in the right, while it is rescuing the other that is going astray."

"Again, it is just to the teachers that these bad boys who are the storm-centers of evil in the schoolroom shall be put under restraint. Every teacher will testify that the dealing with these few rebellious boys costs them more mental strain and exhaustion than all their teaching. Often they cannot do their best work for those who want to advance, because of this anxiety over these special cases. Ought either the teacher or the faithful thus to suffer?"

He also writes: "We want an institution for an ENTIRELY DIFFERENT CLASS of boys from those who are in the Reform School. What we ask for is a Parental School to care for the truant and the rebellious BEFORE THEY HAVE COMMITTED WHAT IS COMMONLY CALLED CRIME."

Further Mr. Capen adds: "We want what was contemplated by those who framed the law, who are living to day and know just what they wanted: A PARENTAL SCHOOL TO PREVENT CRIME NOT A REFORM SCHOOL TO CURE CRIME."

The following statement is also convincing: "Without consideration the higher motive of saving the boys, and putting the question only on a money basis we would say: THE MOST EXPENSIVE THING FOR THE STATE IS CRIME, THE BEST WAY TO PREVENT IT IS THE HIGHEST ECONOMY."

At the conclusion of his report while referring to the schools of the city Mr. Capen very fittingly says: "All considerations of a political nature have been eliminated and the thought that they are the common schools of every race and creed is kept in mind. We need now these PARENTAL SCHOOLS as a supplement to all the rest to save the tempted and to protect the innocent. To such calls of humanity Boston always responds."

Bristol, Norfolk and Plymouth counties have made provisions for their truants by sending them to the Truant School at Walpole under the direction of Mr. A. R. Morse who acts both as parent and principal. I have met those pupils. The school is doing excellent work as a parental reformatory. Barnstable County, so far as I can learn, has made no provision by which the various towns upon the Cape can avail themselves of the opportunity of placing truants in reformatory institutions. The school at Walpole I learn from the chairman of the County

Commissioners of Norfolk County is filled to overflowing. I am told a new building for such a school is in process of erection in Worcester and if any arrangement can be made with any such school by which truants can be reformed when found in the district entrusted to my charge I shall be delighted. A saving advantage will in my opinion be gained whose value may not be wholly computed.

#### TRAINING SCHOOL.

The demand for teachers who have enjoyed the advantage of Normal or other training schools is constantly increasing. The supply cannot meet this demand. Many must yet be employed who have received no such advantages. Years of experience will often be an equivalent for training of this character. Teachers of experience who are performing conscientious and successful work should not be removed to give place to those who may have been trained for the work but have had no actual school work. In cases where changes are to be made and teachers are to be appointed outside those of the present body who are performing successful work regard will be shown for those who have been able to enjoy the blessings of systematic training. Many of the ladies in Provincetown desirous of entering upon a teacher's life have been unable to incur the expense of attending such professional schools. Most gladly would they have seized such an opportunity if possible. Habits of study, professional reading, an indefatigable desire and will to prepare themselves for the best work and advancing days of increasing excellence in school work are rendering some teachers highly valuable in their schools. But what can be done for those who now desire to enter the schoolroom as teachers but have only enjoyed the privilege of the High School course. My plan is this, that in one of the rooms in the new school building one of the schools shall be placed in charge of a superior teacher whose training and requirements are of the highest order. The salary must be adequate to secure and hold the services of a teacher thoroughly prepared for such a position. This school shall be known as a training school where young ladies who have

graduated from your High School may be in constant attendance, witnessing the operation of the most improved methods, taking part in the work of the teacher, conducting classes under her direction; in a word spending their time under the control and direction of such a teacher and faithfully studying and putting into practical workings so far as possible, the ideas and methods suggested. When this has been done in a satisfactory manner and for a period sufficiently long to warrant success in actual work such persons shall be considered eligible for election as teachers when vacancies occur. For years Provincetown has furnished a very large majority of her teachers from her own young lady graduates of the High School. Such are employed at the present time. The faithful work of those who are thus laboring conscientiously I most sincerely appreciate. I have no desire to interrupt good work. Doubtless in the future many of the teachers will continue to labor who will be selected from the High School graduates. From these new teachers an increasing demand for improved work will be made by the community. The attainments of such teachers when entering upon their new work which can be derived from the ordinary work of the schools will not suffice unless supplemented by training of some kind which will fit them for work at the first. I am convinced that the establishment of a school of the character above described will be an important step in securing marked results of improvement in school work.

#### GENERAL REVIEW.

The lowest Primary grades known as the Primary No. 1 now number six. At the beginning of the year there were five. At the opening of the schools in September the School Committee were able to find, what it was impossible to find in years gone by, a vacant room to be used by a school. Such a room was obtained in the former Savings Bank Building. The Primary school in the western building which has shown as high an average membership per month as 96 was divided, a new school organized and Miss Mattie H. Gross transferred her position as assistant and placed at the head of this school. Good results

have followed. Each school is doing better work. The other schools of this grade continue thus far as before. The Conant Street school requires the services of two teachers although the advantage of a recitation room is enjoyed. This grade of school work is in some respects of paramount importance. The very starting of the pupils in their school work is never to lose its influence. While all the teachers of these schools labor hard the results vary both as the surroundings and attendant circumstances vary and as the enthusiasm and reparation by the teachers for the work vary.

The second Primary grades known as the Primaries No. 2 have been taught generally by the same persons during the year. There has been one exception in the Center building. Miss Hattie Allen was obliged to leave her post in consequence of ill health and Miss Nellie Allen, her sister, completed the year as substitute. This grade of work is preferred to that of the beginners by most teachers. Still we regard the work of no less importance. In the lowest Primaries promotions can be more readily made and in fact some of the time is employed in classifying and preparing the pupils for the room above as such promotions warrant. Two classes occupy the attention of the teacher in the higher Primaries. The work can be more systematic. The outline of study can be more closely followed. It has been my desire to obtain similar work from the different teachers in these four schools. I am grateful for every effort I have seen on the part of teachers anxious to aid in securing my wishes. The tests I have given show widely differing attainments. Increased sympathy and earnest cooperation can secure better results. I am hoping in the months just before us to witness even higher attainments and better results.

Those schools known as the Lower Intermediate schools or Intermediate No. 1 have been in charge of the teachers of previous years. Not a single change has happened. This has tended to secure continuously faithful work. The teachers at the head of these schools meet for mutual conference and the good results arising from such conference and union of efforts are seen.

The remaining three schools below the Grammar grade

known as the Higher Intermediates or Intermediate No. 2 have also been under the guidance of the same teachers as have directed them in the past. These teachers have for months been in the habit of holding conferences for mutual improvement and success. I have been pleased to see the beneficial results arising from such sympathy and uniformity in carrying on the work of the schools. I commend the example of each of the two grades in the Intermediate department of the schools to the emulation of others.

More changes in teachers have been seen in the Grammar School. Mr. Perry as principal and Miss Shortle as assistant continued with the school during the winter and spring terms. Both resigned during the long summer vacation. Mr. Tillson and Miss Jenkins were selected as successors and entered upon their work in September. The school is cooperating with these teachers in their work. Language in this school needs especial attention. Such it is receiving. English Grammar demands hard and thoughtful work. Better preparation for High School work in this very department makes it imperative and the stern duties of every day life with its increasing calls upon all emphasize its need.

An unusually large number of changes have been necessitated in the principalship of the High School. Mr. McKenzie was obliged to relinquish his position in consequence of ill health comparatively early in the year. He was succeeded by Mr. Walrath, who completed the spring term, carrying the class of 1892 through its graduation. I wish to commend the exercises of that evening in June when I enjoyed the privilege of listening to that class as it bade farewell to school life and entered upon the more active duties that will press upon the young of to-day. Mr. Jenkins was placed at the head of the school in September. He is a graduate of Bates College and a teacher of experience. Miss Gardner and Miss Freeman have continued with the school and their work is a testimonial to what can be accomplished when the same faithful and conscientious teachers are long continued in their work.

The school is working harmoniously. I trust that the derangement always incident to a greater or less degree upon a

frequent change of teachers may not be an experience in the immediate future.

By an inspection of the school registers I conclude the entire enrollment made April 4, 1892, and subsequently during the remainder of the year numbers 879.

Whole number connected with the schools:

During the term commencing Dec. 28, 1891,	839
“ “ “ “ Apr. 4, 1892,	833
“ “ “ “ Sept. 12, 1892,	836

#### CONCLUSION.

I cannot close my report without renewedly expressing my high appreciation of every act of kindness and cooperation shown me. My relations with school official, teacher, child and parent were never more congenial. I wish to leave this record of my gratitude for all favors, wishing for the schools of Provincetown the highest attainments and the richest success.

Respectfully submitted,

SANFORD WATERS BILLINGS,

District Superintendent.

Provincetown Mass., Dec. 31, 1892.

## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MONDAY, FEB. 13, '93.

### *Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*

BAENSTABLE, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown, in said County, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the Town Hall on Monday, the thirteenth day of February next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon for the following purposes, to wit:

FIRST. To choose a Moderator.

SECOND. To hear and act upon the reports and recommendations of the town officers and committees.

THIRD. To accept the list of Jurors as revised by the Selectmen and posted according to law.

FOURTH. To see if the town will vote for the Selectmen to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of taxes the current year, agreeably to Section 20 of the By-Laws.

FIFTH. To see if the town will revoke the acceptance of the provisions of the Public Statutes, or any other Statute of the Commonwealth, providing for the election of Road Commissioners. Adopted April 13, 1891.

SIXTH. To see what action, if any, the town will take to reduce the salary of the Road Commissioners.

SEVENTH. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars for the due observance of the next Memo-

rial Day, the same to be expended under the direction of J. C. Freeman Post, Grand Army of the Republic.

EIGHTH. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the plank sidewalk at the crossings of the streets, both public and private, and substitute some other material therefor.

NINTH. To see if the town will establish and maintain a street light at the junction of Conway and Bradford Streets.

TENTH. To see if the town will establish and maintain a street light at the junction of Masonic Place and Bradford Street, near the premises of Adam Macool.

ELEVENTH. To see if the town will establish and maintain a street light on Winthrop Street at the northeast corner of the premises of Mercy F. Whelden, deceased.

TWELFTH. To see if the town will establish and maintain street lights in the following localities, viz.:

One on Court Street near the residence of Manuel Woods.

One at the junction of Court and Winthrop Streets.

One at the corner of Winthrop and Browne Streets.

THIRTEENTH. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to cause the licenses for weir privileges in the waters of the town of Provincetown to be disposed of at public auction.

FOURTEENTH. To choose the following town officers, all on one ballot, viz.:

A Town Clerk and Treasurer for one year.

One Selectman and Assessor for three years.

One Overseer of the Poor for three years.

One member of the School Committee for two years.

One member of the School Committee for three years.

Three Trustees of the Public Library for three years.

One Road Commissioner for three years.

Five Constables for one year.

A Collector of Taxes for one year.

Three members of the Board of Health for one year.

One Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

An Auditor for one year.



Three Fence Viewers for one year.

Three members of the Beach Grass Committee for one year.

Three Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber for one year.

One Field Driver for one year.

One Pound Keeper for one year.

One Monument Committee for one year.

Also to vote "Yes or No" in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town"? The polls will be open at eleven o'clock A. M. and may be closed at three o'clock P. M.

FIFTEENTH. To appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up one attested printed copy thereof at each of the following places to wit, Stores of A. G. Small, A. T. Williams, L. N. Paine & Co., Joseph Matthews, John Brown, Andrew Kennedy, S. F. A. Atwood, B. H. Dyer & Co., John Adams, James P. Holmes, Joseph A. West, Thomas W. Sparks, John D. Hilliard, George O. Knowles, R. B. Dyer, R. G. Loring and Joseph Francis, also at the Post Office, all in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Selectmen or Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

MARSHALL L. ADAMS,

JAMES A. SMALL,

THOMAS LEWIS,

Selectmen of Provincetown.

A true and attested copy.

ROBERT M. LAVENDER,

Constable of the town of Provincetown.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE AND PREPARE ESTIMATES AND PLANS TO PREVENT FURTHER ENCROACHMENTS OF THE SEA UPON THE LAND OF SOLOMON BANGS.

Your Committee appointed at the Special Meeting held July 5, 1892, have examined the premises and find that the eastern jetty owned by the town is situated at the foot of a high hill owned by the heirs of John Young, heirs of Ephraim Ryder, and Solomon Bangs. The foot of this hill is gradually washing away, the sand from the same going eastward and lodging on the eastern bounds of Mr. Bangs. The shore from the boundary between Provincetown and Truro to the land of Charles O. Elliott is rapidly extending out into the sea, the only apparent washing away being from the base of the hill mentioned to the western bound of said Elliott.

We submit the estimate furnished by Mr. Bangs for a floating breakwater to be built in sections 65 feet long, consisting of one large and one small spar put together with plank 4 feet long of equal distance apart, to be moored 100 feet below the rising by a 3-4 inch chain 15 fathoms long, also a chain of same size and length at the end of each stick to run off shore, the middle of the breakwater to be confined with three smaller chains, the whole to be secured to the flats with proper holdings. The estimated cost of each section of 65 feet is \$44.40. The plan calls for 520 feet or 8 sections, making a total amount of estimate to cover the whole section of \$355.20. A plan of the proposed structure will be exhibited at the annual meeting.

MARSHALL L. ADAMS,

THOMAS LEWIS,

FRANK CHASE,

PRINCE I. FREEMAN,

CHARLES L. YOUNG.