

TOWN RECORDS

AND

REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF

PROVINCETOWN, MASS.

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1900.



PROVINCETOWN, MASS.:

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Town of Provincetown, Mass.

OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1900.

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER.

Seth Smith.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Marshall L. Adams, George Allen, John N. Swift.

AUDITOR.

Elijah O. Snow.

COLLECTORS OF TAXES.

John N. Swift, Seth Smith.

CONSTABLES.

Timothy T. Chase, James E. Callaghan, J. Harvey Dearborn,
Reuben O. Kelley, Alexander Livingston.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Artemas P. Hannum, A. Louis Putnam, Andrew T. Williams.

TRUSTEES PUBLIC LIBRARY.

*M. C. Atwood, †F. A. H. Gifford, Moses N. Gifford,
Artemas P. Hannum, George H. Holmes, Howard F. Hopkins,
Raymond A. Hopkins, A. Louis Putnam, Isaiah A. Small,
Andrew T. Williams.

* Elected April 7, 1900.

† Died May 15, 1900.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

John D. Adams, Charles W. Burkett, Lysander N. Paine.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

Seth Smith, Thomas S. Taylor, Enos N. Young.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

William S. Birge, Bangs A. Lewis, Elisha H. Tillson.

SURVEYORS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER.

Joseph S. Atwood, Daniel F. Lewis.

FENCE VIEWERS.

Marshall L. Adams, Stephen F. Atwood, William B. Bangs.

FIELD DRIVER.

Henry F. Pierce.

POUND KEEPER.

Henry F. Pierce.

TREE WARDEN.

J. Harvey Dearborn.

MONUMENT COMMITTEE.

John Rosenthal.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

Joseph S. Atwood.

SPECIAL POLICE.

Nathaniel W. Ayers, John W. Beaty, James F. Pratt.

NIGHT WATCHMEN.

Benj. R. Chapman, Joseph C. Ellis, James W. Dunham,
Geo. H. Hurlbert, Jr., Geo. F. Johnson, Reuben O. Kelley,
Geo. H. Lewis, Frank V. Perry, Geo. E. Rich,
Simeon L. West.

ENGINEERS FIRE DEPARTMENT.

James H. Barnett, *George H. Holmes, Jeremiah A. Rich,
Jonathan F. Snow.

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS.

§Frederick A. H. Gifford, †Nathaniel H. Small.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Charles W. Burkett.

INSPECTOR OF PROVISIONS AND ANIMALS.

Artemas P. Hannum.

KEEPER OF LOCKUP.

Nathaniel W. Ayers.

JANITOR OF TOWN HALL.

Nathaniel W. Ayers.

* Chief.

§ Died May 15, 1900.

†Appointed May 26, 1900.

BURIAL AGENT, CHAP. 102, ACTS OF 1900.

George W. Holbrook.

ELECTION OFFICERS.

ANNUAL MEETING, FEB. 12, 1900.

BALLOT CLERKS—Charles W. Burkett, Frank Chase.

TELLERS—Joseph S. Atwood, David S. Carlow, James P. Holmes,
Nathaniel H. Small, Freeman A. Smith, John R. Smith.

STATE ELECTION, NOV. 6, 1900.

BALLOT CLERKS—Charles W. Burkett, Freeman A. Smith.

TELLERS—David S. Carlow, George W. Holbrook, James P. Hol-
mes, John Rosenthal, James A. Small, John R. Smith.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Lorena S. Dyer.

Provincetown Town Records,

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 1900.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MONDAY, FEB. 12, 1900.

WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

BARNSTABLE, 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
directed to notify and summon the inhabitants of the Town of Prov-
incetown, qualified to vote in elections to meet at the Town Hall on
Monday, the twelfth 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 see if the town will vote to accept the list of Jurors, as
prepared by the Selectmen and posted according to law.

FOURTH. To see if the town will authorize its Treasurer to borrow
money temporarily in anticipation of taxes the current year, agree-
ably to Section 20, of the By-Laws of the town.

FIFTH. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Select-
men to be its agents and attorneys to prosecute, defend, compromise
and settle any and all legal suits or proceedings in which the town
may be in anyway engaged or interested for the year ensuing.

SIXTH. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for
the observance of Memorial Day.

SEVENTH. To choose the following town officers, 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 three years.
- One Water Commissioner for three years.
- One Cemetery Commissioner for three years.
- One member of the Board of Health for three years.
- Three Trustees of the Public Library for three years.
- Five Constables for one year.
- A Collector of Taxes for one year.
- An Auditor for one year.
- Three Fence Viewers for one year.
- Three Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber for one year.
- Two or more Field Drivers for one year.
- A Pound Keeper for one year.
- A 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.

EIGHTH. To elect a Tree Warden, on a separate ballot, agreeably to Chapter 330, Acts of 1899. The polls will be open at eleven o'clock A. M., and may be closed at three o'clock P. M.

NINTH. To see if the town will provide a suitable number of places to be used as dumping grounds for the reception of refuse matter, and appropriate a suitable sum of money for the same.

TENTH. To see if the town will establish and maintain a street light in each of the following localities: At the junction of Soper and Tremont Streets; at the junction of Pearl Street and Turner's Lane, near the premises of George O. Knowles; on the private way leading from West Vine Street, near the premises of George Allen.

ELEVENTH. To see if the town will vote to accept the road laid out by the Selectmen upon the petition of Jackson R. Williams and twenty-two others, a report of which is filed with the Town Clerk, agreeably to Section seventy-one, Chapter forty-nine of the Public Statutes of the Commonwealth.

TWELFTH. To see if the town will pass resolutions in favor of the Fish Weirs.

THIRTEENTH. To see if the town will vote to dissolve the union with the town of Wellfleet, relative to the District Superintendent of Schools.

FOURTEENTH. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint a Chief of Police to act with the Selectmen in the enforcement of the liquor laws.

FIFTEENTH. To see if the town will request the Selectmen to furnish rooms in the Town Hall building for the J. C. Freeman Post, G. A. R., and the Woman's Relief Corps, agreeably to Chapter 60, Acts of 1885.

SIXTEENTH. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Board of Selectmen to petition the County Commissioners to change the grade of the two hills situated at the east end of the town on the County road between Charles O. Elliott's cottage and Bangsville (so called).

SEVENTEENTH. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars for the suppression of crime.

EIGHTEENTH. To raise and appropriate by ballot such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the current expenses of the town and matters voted on at this meeting.

You will serve this precept by posting up one attested printed copy thereof at the following places: Stores of Richard G. Tarrant, Alexander G. Small, William Trevosh, Andrew T. Williams, Joseph Matthews, Joseph Silva, B. H. Dyer & Co., Albert W. Fuller, John Adams, George H. Holmes, Manuel Perry, Lewis & Brown, Jonathan Y. Cook, James, E. Rich, Joseph Patrick, Jr., Matthais Morris, David S. Carlow & Co., John D. Hilliard, Jeremiah A. Rich, Franklin E. Hill, Leonard N. Swift, George O. Knowles, R. B. Dyer, Frederick A. Lewis, Simeon C. Smith, and Joseph Francis, also at the Post Office, all in said town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this precept with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Witness, the seal of the town of Provincetown hereunto affixed, this twenty-ninth day of January in the year nineteen hundred.



MARSHALL L. ADAMS,
JAMES A. SMALL,
JOHN N. SWIFT,
Selectmen of Provincetown.

A true copy attest:

FREDERICK E. WILLIAMS,
Constable of the town of Provincetown.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

BARNSTABLE, SS.

PROVINCETOWN, Jan. 30, 1900.

In pursuance of this precept I have this day notified and summoned the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown qualified to vote in elections to meet at the Town Hall on Monday, the twelfth day of February next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose herein named, by posting one attested printed copy thereof at each of the following places, to wit: Stores of Richard G. Tarrant, Alexander G. Small, William Trevosh, Andrew T. Williams, Joseph Matthews, Joseph Silva, B. H. Dyer & Co., Albert W. Fuller, John Adams, George H. Holmes, Manuel Perry, Lewis & Brown, Jonathan Y. Cook, James E. Rich, Joseph Patrick, Jr., Matthias Morris, David S. Carlow & Co., John D. Hilliard, Jeremiah A. Rich, Franklin E. Hill, Leonard N. Swift, George O. Knowles, R. B. Dyer, Frederick A. Lewis, Simeon C. Smith, and Joseph Francis, also at the Post Office, all in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

FREDERICK E. WILLIAMS,
Constable of the town of Provincetown.

Attest, SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown qualified to vote in elections met in the Town Hall in said town on Monday, the twelfth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred, and were called to order at nine o'clock in the forenoon by the Town Clerk. The warrant calling said meeting was read and the return of the officer who served the same.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. Edward J. Ayres.

The Town Clerk appointed as Tellers to take charge of the check list, Marshall L. Adams, James A. Small, and John N. Swift, and were sworn by the Clerk.

Article first was then taken up: To choose a Moderator.

The polls were then declared open for the reception of ballots and were kept open until all had voted who wished, when they were declared closed. The Clerk and Selectmen then proceeded to sort and count the votes so given in, and the whole number was sixteen (16), all for Heman S. Cook, and he was declared elected and sworn by the Town Clerk.

Article second taken up:

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

Moved, That the report of the Town Clerk on pages nine to thirty-one, inclusive, printed report, be accepted, and it was so voted.

Moved, That the report of the Selectmen on pages thirty-five to sixty, inclusive, printed report, be accepted, and it was so voted.

Moved, That the recommendations of the Selectmen on page sixty, printed report, that the exterior of the Town Hall building be painted was adopted, and it was voted that four hundred dollars (\$400) be raised and appropriated for the same.

Moved, That the report of the Assessors on pages sixty-one and sixty-two be accepted, and it was so voted.

Moved, That the report of the Overseers of the Poor on pages sixty-three to sixty-eight, inclusive, printed report, be accepted, and recommendation of four thousand five hundred dollars be adopted, and is was so voted.

Moved, That the report of the Treasurer on pages sixty-nine to seventy-one, inclusive, printed report, be accepted, and it was so voted.

Moved, That the report of the Treasurer of the Cemetery Trust Funds on pages seventy two to seventy-five, inclusive, printed report, be accepted, and it was so voted.

Moved, That the report of the Auditor, pages seventy-six and seventy-seven, printed report, be accepted, and it was so voted.

Moved, That the report of the Town Clerk on pages seventy-nine to eighty-nine, inclusive, printed report, be accepted, and it was so voted.

Article third taken up ;

To see if the town will vote to accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen and posted according to law.

By request the following named persons were excused from serving as Jurors the ensuing year : Franklin E. Hill, Thomas S. Taylor, George S. Chapman, James E. Rich, Daniel F. Small, Heman N. Smith, Tilden A. Snow, Leonard N. Swift, Henry H. Young, Jesse Rogers. Also by request the names of Heman S. Cook, Reuben O. Kelley, James P. Holmes, Andrew T. Powe, and James B. Dyer were added. Moved, That the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen and amended by the town meeting be adopted, and it was so voted.

Moved, That the report of the Engineers of the Fire Department on pages 92 to 97, inclusive, printed report, be accepted, and recommendations adopted, and it was so voted.

Moved, That the report of the Water Commissioners on pages ninety-nine, to one hundred and nine, inclusive, printed report, be accepted, recommendation page one hundred and two, for three hundred and fifty-two dollars and nineteen cents, to pay outstanding bills, adopted. The recommendation of five hundred dollars for experimental work in filtration, referred to a committee of three to be appointed by the Moderator and to report at some future meeting, and it was so voted. The following persons appointed committee, Joseph A. West, E. Olin Snow, James A. Reed.

Unanimous consent granted to introduce the following motion: Moved, That the Water Commissioners of the town are hereby authorized and directed to supply water for running the Shirt Factory at the rate of twenty dollars per month, for the ensuing year, and it was adopted by a unanimous vote.

Moved, That the report of the Trustees of the Public Library

be accepted and recommendation of three hundred and fifty dollars be adopted, and it was so voted.

Moved, That the report of the Cemetery Commissioners be accepted and the recommendation for two hundred dollars be adopted, and it was so voted.

Moved, That the report of the Board of Health be accepted.

Moved, That the report of the Board of Health be amended by striking out that portion of their report in relation to the matter of vaccination found on pages one hundred and fourteen and fifteen. Laid on the table. Taken from the table and adopted by a large majority vote.

Moved, That recommendation on page 115, printed report, that a suitable number of dumping places be purchased or leased by the town as a receptacle for refuse matter, and that two hundred dollars be appropriated for the same. Amended by making the amount one hundred dollars. Accepted as amended and it was so voted.

Moved, That the Selectmen of the town are hereby authorized and directed to acquire by purchase, lease or otherwise as many places as they may deem requisite for the deposit of refuse material and of rubbish of whatever kind or sort, and that the Board of Health shall be charged with the care and regulation of said places and the disposition of the deposits thereon, and that there be raised and appropriated for the purchase or lease of the aforesaid places for deposits the sum of one hundred dollars, and it was so voted.

Moved, That the places of deposits authorized by the previous vote shall not be located within distance of two hundred and fifty yards from any dwelling house, and it was so voted.

Moved, That the report of the Superintendent of Streets be accepted and recommendation on pages one hundred and twenty-one, printed report, be adopted, and it was so voted.

Meeting adjourned to 11 o'clock A. M.

The meeting was called to order at 11 o'clock A. M., by the Moderator in accordance with adjournment.

Article seven taken up :

To choose Town Officers also to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Ballot Clerks Charles W. Burkett and Frank Chase, who had been appointed by the Selectmen and sworn by the Town Clerk were stationed at the entrance of the polling place and furnished with a list of the registered voters of the town. Eleven hundred (1100) men's ballots and one hundred (100) women's ballots were delivered to Charles W. Burkett by George F. Miller, Town Clerk pro tempore, and his receipt taken for the same.

Tellers David S. Carlow, Freeman A. Smith, John M. Burch, John R. Smith, James P. Holmes, and Joseph S. Atwood were stationed at the tables and furnished with a list of the registered voters of the town, and sworn by the Town Clerk. The ballot box to be used was opened and examined in open town meeting by the election officers and shown to be empty. The register of the box was set at zero (0) and each part was locked and keys delivered to J. Harvey Dearborn, Constable.

Moved, That the polls be kept open until three o'clock P. M., and it was so voted. The polls were then declared open and each voter as he presented himself to vote was given a ballot by the ballot clerk and his name was checked upon the list.

The ballot box was opened eight times during the election in order to obtain the ballots for counting the votes. The first time at 11.15 when the register stood at 52; again at 11.50, 167; at 12.08, 200; at 12.55, 250; at 1.15, 300; at 1.40, 350; at 2.18, 400; again at the close of the polls, three o'clock, when the register stood at 440. At three o'clock the Moderator declared the polls closed and the announcement made that 440 ballots had been registered.

The Ballot Clerks announced that 440 ballots had been given out, and the names checked on the list of voters was 440.

The election officers canvassed the votes so given in and found them to be 440, which were sorted, counted and recorded and declaration thereof made in open town meeting as required by law and were for the following town officers:

	Votes.
TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER—ONE YEAR.	
Seth Smith,	339
AUDITOR—ONE YEAR.	
Elijah O. Snow,	327
SELECTMEN AND ASSESSORS—THREE YEARS.	
George Allen,	234
James A. Small,	196
OVERSEERS OF THE POOR—THREE YEARS.	
George Allen,	230
James A. Small,	189
SCHOOL COMMITTEE—THREE YEARS.	
Artemas P. Hannum,	311
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY—THREE YEARS.	
Moses N. Gifford,	330
Artemas P. Hannum,	311
Howard F. Hopkins,	321
WATER COMMISSIONER—THREE YEARS.	
John D. Adams,	341
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER—THREE YEARS.	
Enos N. Young,	335
CONSTABLES—ONE YEAR.	
James E. Callaghan,	221
Timothy T. Chase,	241
J. Harvey Dearborn,	247
Charles A. Foster,	182
Reuben O. Kelley,	208
Alexander Livingston,	241
Fred'k E. Williams,	188
BOARD OF HEALTH—THREE YEARS.	
Bangs A. Lewis,	226
C. Burton Conner,	127

TAX COLLECTOR—ONE YEAR.

Seth Smith, 368

SURVEYORS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER—ONE YEAR.

Daniel F. Lewis, 5

Joseph S. Atwood, 3

Scattering, 31

FENCE VIEWERS—ONE YEAR.

Joseph S. Atwood, 3

Marshall L. Adams, 2

Wm. B. Bangs, 3

Scattering, 17

FIELD DRIVERS—ONE YEAR.

Henry F. Pierce, 8

Scattering, 18

POUND KEEPER—ONE YEAR.

Henry F. Pierce, 9

Scattering, 19

MONUMENT COMMITTEE—ONE YEAR.

John Rosenthal, 392

TREE WARDEN.

J. Harvey Dearborn, 22

In answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town"? the whole number of votes cast was three hundred and fifty-six.

Yes, 141

No, 215

In voting the check list was used and no person was allowed to deposit a vote until his name was found on the list and checked. The election of officers being completed, the votes cast, the list of voters used at the polls were then sealed up and endorsed by the election officers and given in charge of the

Town Clerk pro tempore, George F. Miller, who was appointed by the Selectmen and sworn by the Moderator.

After the announcement of the ballot, Seth Smith having been elected Town Clerk, was sworn by the Moderator, and took up the duties of that office.

The packages containing ballots and voting lists were placed in his keeping.

GEORGE F. MILLER, Town Clerk, Pro Tempore.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

Meeting adjourned to 7 o'clock P. M. Met according to adjournment.

The following resolution introduced by unanimous consent: "Resolved, That it is the wish of the citizens of Provincetown as expressed in open town meeting, that the Board of Health will refrain from any further enforcement of the State law, which requires all children to be vaccinated before entering the public schools," and it was so voted.

Article fourth taken up:

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

Moved, That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of taxes the current year, agreeably to Section 20 of the By-Laws of the town, and it was so voted.

Article fifth taken up:

Moved, That the Selectmen be authorized and appointed to be the town agents and attorneys to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all legal suits or proceedings in which the town may be in anyway engaged or interested for the year ensuing, and it was so voted.

Article sixth taken up:

Moved, That there be raised and appropriated for the observance of Memorial Day the sum of one hundred dollars, and it was so voted.

Article tenth taken up:

To see if the town will establish and maintain a street light in each of the following localities: at the junction of Soper and Tremont Streets; at the junction of Pearl Street and Turner's Lane, near the premises of George O. Knowles; on the private way leading from West Vine Street, near the premises of George Allen.

Motion to accept Article 10 of the Warrant was rejected. Yes, 16; No, 19.

Article eleventh taken:

Moved, That the road laid out by the Selectmen upon the petition of Jackson R. Williams and twenty-two others, a report of which is filed with the Town Clerk, agreeably to Section seventy-one, Chapter forty-nine of the Public Statutes of the Commonwealth, be accepted, and it was so voted.

Article twelfth taken up:

Moved, That the town pass resolutions in favor of the fish weirs. The following resolutions were adopted. Yes, 149; No, 2.

Resolved, That the legal inhabitants of Provincetown in town meeting assembled believing that the passage of House Bills number 878 and 885 will be detrimental to the fishing interests of this town and Gloucester, the principal fishing ports of New England, respectfully protest against any action being taken favorable to said bill, and hereby request the Senator of the Cape Senatorial District and the Representative of the Third Barnstable District, to use their influence against said bill.

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be forwarded by the Town Clerk to the presiding officers of both branches of the Legislature and the Senate and Representatives of the Cape Senatorial District.

Article thirteenth taken up:

To see if the town will vote to dissolve the union with the town of Wellfleet, relating to the District Superintendent of Schools.

Moved, That the union effected with the town of Wellfleet for the purpose of the employment of a Superintendent of Schools, be dissolved, and it was so voted. Yes, 140; No, 46.

Voted, That this meeting stand adjourned to 7 o'clock P. M. Met according to adjournment.

Article fourteenth taken up:

To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint a Chief of Police to act with the Selectmen in the enforcement of the liquor laws.

Moved, That article 14th of the Warrant be laid on the table and it was so voted.

Article fifteenth taken up:

To see if the town will request the Selectmen to furnish rooms in the Town Hall building for the J. C. Freeman Post, G. A. R., and Woman's Relief Corps, agreeably to Chapter 60, Acts of 1885.

Moved, That article 15th of the warrant be laid on the table, and it was so voted.

Article 16th taken up:

Moved, That the Selectmen be instructed to petition the County Commissioners to change the grade of the two hills situated at the east end of the town on the county road between the Charles O. Elliott cottage and Bangsville, so called, by taking down the top of the two hills to a grade that will better suit the public convenience, and it was so voted.

Moved, That the report of the School Committee and Superintendent on pages 131 to 152, printed report, be accepted and recommendations on page 133, printed report, \$75 for new windows at the Eastern schoolhouse; \$60 for cement floor at the Bradford schoolhouse; \$100 for painting the Centre schoolhouse, also recommendations on page 140, printed report, Public Schools, \$10,500; Schoolhouse Repairs and School Incidentals, \$1,000; Free Text Books and Supplies, \$1,000; Unpaid Bills for repairing furnaces in High School Building, \$108; amounting to \$12,843, be adopted, and it was so voted.

Moved, That all school bills presented to the Treasurer for payment (except for salaries) be itemized and dated, and it was so voted.

Article seventeen taken up:

To see if the town will appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars for the suppression of crime.

Moved, That there be raised and appropriated the sum of two hundred dollars for the suppression of crime, and it was so voted.

Moved, That article eighteen be taken from the table :

To raise and appropriate by ballot such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the current expenses of the town and matters voted on at this meeting.

And it was so voted.

Moved, That the sum of thirty thousand two hundred and fifty-nine dollars and nineteen cents (\$30,259.19) be raised and appropriated for the ensuing year, and it was so voted, by ballot. Yes, 34; No, 4.

APPROPRIATIONS, 1900.

Watch and Police,	\$900 00
Town Hill and Fences,	50 00
Interest on Demand Loans,	650 00
Discount and Collection of Taxes,	800 00
Abatement of Taxes,	650 00
Street Lights,	800 00
Incidental Expenses,	1,900 00
Insurance on Gov. Bradford Schoolhouse and Town Hall,	100 00
Painting Town Hall Building (exterior),	400 00
Support of Poor and Salaries,	4,500 00
Fire Department Annual Expenses,	1,450 00
New Hose,	300 00
Water Department, Outstanding Bills,	352 19
Public Library,	350 00
Cemeteries,	200 00
Health Department,	150 00
Roads and Walks,	3,000 00
Cess Pools,	100 00
Watering the Streets,	250 00
Public Schools,	10,500 00
Painting Center Schoolhouse,	100 00
Schoolhouse Repairs,	600 00
Cementing Basement Floor, Gov. Bradford Schoolhouse,	60 00
School Incidentals,	400 00
Free Text Books and Supplies,	1,000 00
Unpaid Bills of 1899,	108 00
Memorial Day,	100 00
Dumping Grounds,	100 00
Awards on New Road,	114 00
Suppression of Crime,	200 00
	<u>\$30,259 19</u>

Moved, That the School Committee be instructed to give Miss Annie Caton, a native of this town, a graduate of the High School and Normal School of Hyannis, a school to teach as soon as there is a vacancy.

The following amendment offered and adopted :

If in the judgment of the School Committee she is wanted.
Motion accepted as amended.

Moved, That this meeting be now dissolved and it was so voted.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

BARNSTABLE, SS.

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

- Feb. 12. Town Clerk and Treasurer—Seth Smith.
- Feb. 13. Auditor—Elijah O. Snow.
- Feb. 13. Selectman and Assessor—George Allen.
- Feb. 13. Overseer of the Poor—George Allen.
- Feb. 13. School Committee—Artemas P. Hannum.
- Feb. 13. Trustees of Public Library—Moses N. Gifford, Artemas P. Hannum, Howard F. Hopkins.
- Feb. 13. Water Commissioner—John D. Adams.
- Feb. 13. Cemetery Commissioner—Enos N. Young.
- Feb. 14. Constables—James E. Callaghan, Timothy T. Chase, J. Harvey Dearborn, Reuben O. Kelley, Alexander Livingston.
- Feb. 13. Board of Health—Bangs A. Lewis.
- Feb. 13. Tax Collector—Seth Smith.
- Feb. 13. Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber—Daniel F. Lewis, Joseph S. Atwood.
- Feb. 14. Fence Viewers—Stephen F. Atwood, Marshall L. Adams, William B. Bangs.
- Feb. 14. Field Driver—Henry F. Pierce.
- Feb. 14. Pound Keeper—Henry F. Pierce.
- Feb. 14. Tree Warden—J. Harvey Dearborn.
- Feb. 14. Monument Committee—John Rosenthal.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

PROVINCETOWN, February 17, 1900.

At a legal meeting of the Board of Selectmen held this day the following named persons were drawn as Traverse Jurors to attend the Superior Court to be holden at Barnstable on the 5th day of March, 1900 :

Edwin Abbott, Benjamin K. Chapman, Prince I. Freeman, William H. Herbolt, Theodore S. Nickerson, Andrew T. Powe, James A. Small, John S. Smith, Harvey O. Sparrow, Eugene W. Watson, George W. Watson, Walter Welsh, Enos N. Young.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

PROVINCETOWN, March 15, 1900.

I hereby certify that the ballots cast at the Town Election, February 12th, 1900, and the unused ballots were this day destroyed by me as required by law.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

PROVINCETOWN, March 22, 1900.

At a legal meeting of the Board of Selectmen held this day the following named persons were drawn as Grand and Traverse Jurors, to attend the Superior Court to be holden at Barnstable on the third day of April, 1900 :

Grand Jurors—James E. Callaghan, Charles H. Marston, Nathaniel H. Small, James P. Holmes.

Traverse Jurors—Frederick F. Cook, Winthrop C. Dearborn, Alpheus I. Freeman, Jonathan D. Smith, Joseph Swett.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

PROVINCETOWN, September 13, 1900.

At a legal meeting of the Board of Selectmen held this day, authority was granted to the Southern Massachusetts Telephone Company to erect and maintain poles and wires, to be placed thereon, together with such supporting and strengthening

fixtures and wires, as said Company may deem requisite, on the following named streets and highways of said town: Beginning at the boundary line between the town of Truro and Provincetown, running thence over the County road to Allerton Street in said town of Provincetown, thence on said Allerton Street to Bradford Street, thence over Bradford Street to Gosnold Street, thence over Gosnold Street to Commercial Street, with the privilege of extending their line over Ryder Street to and across Commercial Street to the office of the New York and Boston Dispatch Express Co.

MARSHALL L. ADAMS,
GEORGE ALLEN,
JOHN SWIFT,
Selectmen of Provincetown.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

PROVINCETOWN, September 22, 1900.

At a legal meeting of the Board of Selectmen held this day the following named persons were drawn as Traverse Jurors to attend the Superior Court to be holden at Barnstable on the 9th day of October, 1900:

James H. Barnett, George F. Johnson, William Roberts, John B. Rich, Thomas A. Weeks.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, OCT. 9, 1900.

WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

BARNSTABLE, 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 directed to notify and summon the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown qualified to vote in elections to meet at the Town Hall on Tuesday, the 9th day of October next, at 7.30 o'clock, P. M., to act on the following articles:

ONE. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

TWO. To hear and act upon the report of the committee appointed at the annual meeting of February, 1900, to investigate the subject of Filtration of the Water Supply of the town.

You will serve this precept by posting up one attested printed copy thereof at the following places:

Stores of Alexander G. Small, Andrew T. Williams, Joseph Matthews, Joseph Silva, B. H. Dyer & Co., William E. Rogers, Wm. B. E. Bangs, George H. Holmes, Lewis & Brown, John D. Adams, Joseph Patrick, John D. Hilliard, Jeremiah A. Rich, George O. Knowles, R. B. Dyer, Frederick A. Lewis, Simeon C. Smith and Joseph Francis, also at the Post Office, all in said town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this precept with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Witness, the Seal of the Town of Provincetown hereunto affixed this twenty-ninth day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred.

MARSHALL L. ADAMS,
GEORGE ALLEN,
JOHN N. SWIFT,

Selectmen of the Town of Provincetown.



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

BARNSTABLE, SS. PROVINCETOWN, September 29, 1900.

In pursuance of the within precept, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose herein named, by posting up one attested printed copy thereof at each of the following places, to wit: Stores of Alexander G. Small, Andrew T. Williams, Joseph Matthews, Joseph Silva, B. H. Dyer & Co., William B. E. Bangs, George H. Holmes, Lewis & Brown, John D. Adams, Joseph Patrick, John D. Hilliard, Jeremiah A. Rich, George O. Knowles, R. B. Dyer, Frederick A. Lewis, Simeon C. Smith and Joseph Francis, also at the Post Office, all in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

J. HARVEY DEARBORN,

Constable for the Town of Provincetown.

Attest, SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing precept, the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met in the Town Hall in said town on Tuesday, the ninth day of October, in the year one thousand nine hundred and was called to order at 7 o'clock P. M. by the Town Clerk, who read the warrant calling said meeting and the return thereon of the officer who served the same.

The Clerk then appointed as Tellers, Marshall L. Adams, John N. Swift, and administered to them the oath of office and they took charge of the check list.

Article first taken up: To choose a moderator.

Moved and Voted, That the Town Clerk cast one vote for Moderator. The vote so cast was for Heman S. Cook and he was declared elected.

Article second taken up:

To hear and act upon the report of the committee appointed at the annual meeting of February, 1900, to investigate the subject of Filtration of the Water Supply of the town.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

PROVINCETOWN, February 26, 1900.

The Committee appointed at the last Annual Meeting and to whom was referred the matter of experimental filtration as recommended by the Board of Water Commissioners on page 102 and fully indorsed by the State Board of Health on page 107 (Town Report) have attended to their duty and after careful investigation, do heartily recommend that the amount stipulated in the Water Commissioners Report (\$500) be appropriated for this purpose. The same to be expended by the Water Commissioners under the directions of the State Board of Health.

The State Board has successfully tested the mode of Filtration referred to and in the judgment of your committee is the only wise course to pursue. The work to be accomplished as soon as practicable.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. WEST,

JAMES A. REED,

E. OLIN SNOW,

Committee.

Moved, That the report of the committee on filtration be re-committed and instructed to investigate the system of artesian wells for furnishing a water supply to the town. No action taken.

Moved, That a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator, to investigate the methods and costs of filtration, also the feasibility and cost of driving a deep well or wells, and to report the same at the next Annual Town Meeting, also that the report of the committee be printed in the next annual town report, and it was so voted.

Committee appointed: John D. Adams, George F. Miller, Lysander N. Paine.

Moved, That this meeting be now dissolved, and it was so voted.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

STATE ELECTION, TUESDAY, NOV. 6, 1900.

WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

BARNSTABLE, 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 directed to notify and summon the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in elections to give in their votes on Tuesday, the sixth day of November next, for fifteen electors of President and Vice President, a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, a Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General, a Representative to represent the thirteenth Congressional District in the Congress of the United States, a Councillor for the First Councillor District, a Senator for the Cape Senatorial District, a Representative in General Court for the third Barnstable District, One County Commissioner, a Register of Deeds and County Treasurer for the County of Barnstable.

The polls will be open at the polling place in the Town Hall at nine o'clock A. M., and may be closed at four o'clock P. M.

You will serve this precept by posting up one attested printed copy thereof at the following places: Stores of Richard G. Tarrant, Alexander G. Small, William Trevosh, Andrew T. Williams, Joseph Matthews, Joseph Silva, B. H. Dyer & Co., Albert W. Fuller, Andrew Kennedy, George H. Holmes, Manuel Perry, Lewis & Brown, Jonathan Y. Cook, James E. Rich, Joseph Patrick, Jr., Matthias Morris, John D. Hilliard, Jeremiah A. Rich, Franklin E. Hill, Leonard N. Swift, George O. Knowles, R. B. Dyer, Frederick A. Lewis, Simeon C. Smith and Joseph Francis, also at the Post Office, all in said town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this precept with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Witnessed, the Seal of the Town of Provincetown hereunto affixed, this thirteenth day of October in the year nineteen hundred.



MARSHALL L. ADAMS,
GEORGE ALLEN,
JOHN N. SWIFT,

Selectmen of Provincetown.

BARNSTABLE, SS.

PROVINCETOWN, October 22, 1900.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown by posting up one attested printed copy thereof at each of the following places, to wit: Stores of Richard G. Tarrant, Alexander G. Small, William Trevosh, Andrew T. Williams, Joseph Matthews, Joseph Silva, B. H. Dyer & Co., Albert W. Fuller, Andrew Kennedy, George H. Holmes, Manuel Perry, Lewis & Brown, Jonathan Y. Cook, James E. Rich, Joseph Patrick, Matthias Morris, John D. Hilliard, Jeremiah A. Rich, Franklin E. Hill, Leonard N. Swift, George O. Knowles, R. B. Dyer, Fred'k A. Lewis, Simeon C. Smith and Joseph Francis, also at the Post Office, all in said town, it being seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

J. HARVEY DEARBORN,

Constable for the Town of Provincetown.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in election, met in the

Caucus Hall, in said town on Tuesday, the 6th day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred, and were called to order at 9 o'clock in the forenoon by the Town Clerk.

The following is the result of the election :

ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT.

BRYAN AND STEVENSON. Democratic.

At Large—Thomas Wentworth Higginson of Cambridge,	114
At Large—Thomas J. Gargan of Boston,	114
Dist. 1. William Nugent of Pittsfield,	114
2. Charles J. Ballamy of Springfield,	114
3. Eben S. Stevens of Dudley,	114
4. Robert E. Bisbee of Pepperell,	114
5. Nathan D. Pratt of Lowell,	114
6. Arthur Withington of Newburyport,	114
7. Thomas E. Dwyer of Wakefield,	114
8. Henry T. Schafer of Winchester,	114
9. Thomas F. Keenan of Boston,	114
10. Richard Sullivan of Boston,	114
11. John H. Lee of Boston,	114
12. Albert P. Worthen of Weymouth,	114
13. Charles R. Codman of Barnstable,	114

DEBS AND HARRIMAN. Democratic Social Nom. Paper.

At Large—Charles S. Grieses of Amesbury,	1
At Large—Herbert L. Wood of Brockton,	1
Dist. 1. Leon S. Oliver of Westfield,	1
2. William H. Lawler of Springfield,	1
3. Charles E. Fenner of Worcester,	1
4. John P. McDonald of Clinton,	1
5. James A. Wilkinson of Methuen,	1
6. George L. Evans of Haverhill,	1
7. Ernest W. Timson of Lynn,	1
8. John A. Aitken of Cambridge,	1
9. Morris Koplman of Boston,	1
10. William M. Packard of Quincy,	1
11. David M. Chase of Boston,	1
12. Samuel L. Smith of Brockton,	1
13. Lawrence Roettinger of New Bedford,	1

MALLONEY AND REMMEL. Socialist Labor Party,	
At Large—Patrick O'Keefe of Salem,	0
At Large—John A. Kenley of Lynn,	0
Dist. 1. Henry Noffke of Holyoke,	0
2. James Noonan of Springfield,	0
3. Walter J. Hoar of Gardner,	0
4. Francis H. Taylor of Fitchburg,	0
5. John F. Bradley of Woburn,	0
6. Burton C. Woodbury of Haverhill,	0
7. John Welton of Chelsea,	0
8. Herman W. A. Raasch of Boston,	0
9. William H. Young of Boston,	0
10. William H. Carroll of Boston,	0
11. C. Arvide Olson of Hyde Park,	0
12. Thomas L. Leonard of Taunton,	0
13. Wright Wilde of Fall River,	0
MCKINLEY AND ROOSEVELT. Republican.	
At Large—Roger Wolcott of Boston,	304
At Large—William Whiting of Holyoke,	304
Dist. 1. James W. Toole of Holyoke,	304
2. Charles E. Stevens of Ware,	304
3. Josiah Perry of Dudley,	304
4. Josiah P. Thacher of Littleton,	304
5. William Beggs of Woburn,	304
6. Arthur D. Story of Essex,	304
7. George L. Morse of Melrose,	304
8. William H. Dyer of Boston,	304
9. Henry C. Richardson of Boston,	304
10. John Shaw of Quincy,	304
11. Eben S. Draper of Hopedale,	304
12. Wilmon W. Blackmar of Hingham,	304
13. Edmund Anthony, Jr., of Fairhaven,	304
WOOLLEY AND METCALF. Prohibition.	
At Large—Edward Kendall of Cambridge,	3
At Large—John Bascom of Williamstown,	3
Dist. 1. Thomas A. Frissell of Hinsdale,	3
2. Oliver W. Cobb of Easthampton,	3

Dist. 3. William W. Nash of Worcester,	3
4. Alfred L. Cutting of Weston,	3
5. William W. Sherman of Lowell,	3
6. Frank N. Rand of Haverhill,	3
7. George H. Harwood of Lynn,	3
8. George E. Crosby of Medford,	3
9. Herbert B. Griffin of Winthrop,	3
10. Samuel F. Smith of Quincy,	3
11. Samuel B. Shapleigh of Boston,	3
12. Edward G. Knight of Hull,	3
13. Elijah Humpries of New Bedford,	3

GOVERNOR.

Michael T. Berry of Haverhill, Socialist Labor Party,	6
Charles H. Bradley of Haverhill, Dem. Social Nom. Paper,	8
W. Murray Crane of Dalton, Republican,	243
John M. Fisher of Attleborough, Prohibition,	5
Robert Treat Paine, Jr., of Boston, Democratic,	90

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

John L. Bates of Boston, Republican,	258
John B. O'Donnell of Northampton, Democratic,	80
Wilbur M. Purrington of Williamsburg, Prohibition,	2
Moritz E. Ruther of Holyoke, Socialist Labor Party,	0
George W. Wrenn of Springfield, Dem. Social Nom. Paper,	2

SECRETARY.

Addison W. Barr of Worcester, Dem. Social Nom. Paper,	9
Alfred E. Jones of Everett, Socialist Labor Party,	3
William M. Olive of Boston, Republican,	250
William H. Partridge of Newton, Prohibition,	2
Luther Stephenson of Hingham, Democratic,	72

TREASURER.

Edward S. Bradford of Springfield, Republican,	252
Joseph L. Chalifaux of Lowell, Democratic,	81
Napoleon B. Johnson of Milford, Prohibition,	5
Fred A. Nagler of Springfield, Socialist Labor Party,	0
Stephen O. Shanghnessy of Boston, Dem. Social Nom. Paper,	5

AUDITOR.

Elbridge Gerry Brown of Brockton, Democratic,	82
Frank Albin Forsstrom of Worcester, Socialist Labor Party,	2
William G. Merrill of Malden, Prohibition,	8
Henry E. Turner of Malden, Republican,	252
Frank S. Walsh of Brockton, Dem. Social Nom. Paper,	2

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

John A. Billings of Rockland, Dem. Social Nom. Paper,	11
Allen Coffin of Nantucket, Prohibition,	6
John C. Crosby of Pittsfield, Democratic,	65
Hosea M. Knowlton of New Bedford, Republican,	237
Frank MacDonald of Stoneham, Socialist Labor Party,	1

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS—THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

Herbert L. Chipman of Sandwich, Prohibition,	10
William S. Greene of Fall River, Republican,	245
Charles T. Luce of New Bedford, Democratic,	81
William Swindlehurst of Fall River, Socialist Labor Party,	0
William Holden of Truro,	1

COUNCILLOR—FIRST DISTRICT.

John J. Fox of Abington, Dem. Social Nom. Paper,	7
George R. Rigby of Fall River, Socialist Labor Party,	0
Henry A. Rosa of Fall River, Democratic,	77
David F. Slade of Fall River, Republican,	239

SENATOR—CAPE DISTRICT.

Walter O. Luscombe of Falmouth, Republican,	245
William L. Nye of Sandwich, Democratic,	84
William S. Swift of Tisbury, Prohibition,	6

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT—THIRD BARNSTABLE DISTRICT.

Isaac M. Small of Truro, Republican,	264
William H. Holden,	28

COUNTY COMMISSIONER—BARNSTABLE.

Henry H. Fish of Dennis, Republican,	248
John W. B. Parker of Barnstable, Democratic,	78
Silas Perry of Bourne, Prohibition,	3

REGISTER OF DEEDS—BARNSTABLE COUNTY.

Wallace Cutter of Provincetown, Prohibition,	43
James O. Hulse of Harwich, Democratic,	60
Andrew F. Sherman of Barnstable, Republican,	225

COUNTY TREASURER—BARNSTABLE.

Peleg T. Brown of Sandwich, Prohibition,	13
Edward L. Chase of Barnstable, Republican,	236
Benjamin R. Gifford of Falmouth, Democratic,	77

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 votes cast and the list of voters used at the polls were then sealed up and endorsed by the Election Officers and delivered to the Town Clerk, in conformity with the laws in such cases made and provided.

The meeting was then dissolved by vote.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

At a legal meeting of the several Town Clerks in Representative District, Number Three, held in the town of Wellfleet at noon, November 16, 1900, 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 so cast that the whole number was

	Small.	Holden.
Provincetown,	264	28
Truro,	83	0
Wellfleet,	108	6
Eastham,	75	0
Orleans,	118	4
Brewster,	105	0
	<hr/> 753	<hr/> 38

Isaac M. Small of Truro had seven hundred and fifty-three votes and was declared elected.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

BARNSTABLE, SS.

Pursuant to a law of this Commonwealth, the qualified voters of Representative District Number Three in their several meetings on the sixth day of November instant for the choice of Representative in the General Court did elect Isaac M. Small of Truro, being an inhabitant of said District, to represent them in the General Court to be holden on the first Wednesday of January next. Dated at Wellfleet, the sixteenth day of November, in the year one thousand and nine hundred.

SETH SMITH, Town Clerk of Provincetown,
 JOHN B. DYER, Town Clerk of Truro,
 ALVIN L. WILEY, Town Clerk of Wellfleet,
 GEORGE T. DILL, Town Clerk of Eastham,
 DAVID L. YOUNG, Town Clerk of Orleans,
 E. W. PAINE, Town Clerk of Brewster.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

PROVINCETOWN, November 10, 1900.

At a legal meeting of the Board of Selectmen held this day the following named persons were appointed Night Watch and sworn to a faithful discharge of the duties of their office at the time set against their names:

Nov. 14. Simeon L. West, James W. Dunham, Geo. H. Hurlburt.
 Nov. 19. Joseph C. Ellis, Benjamin R. Chapman.
 Nov. 21. Frank V. Perry, George H. Lewis, Reuben O. Kelley.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, DECEMBER 10, 1900.

WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

BARNSTABLE, 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 directed to notify and summon the inhabitants of the Town of Prov-

incetown, qualified to vote in elections to meet at the Town Hall on Monday, the tenth day of December next, at 7.30 o'clock, P. M., to act on the following articles:

ONE. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

TWO. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to hire such sums of money as may be requisite for the surveying, grading, sodding and hardening of the County Road at the east end of the town as ordered in a report of the Commissioners of Barnstable County issued to the Selectmen of Provincetown September 22, 1900.

THREE. To see if the town will amend the vote of the town passed at the annual meeting held February 9th, 1891, relating to the election of Town Officers on an official ballot.

FOUR. To see if the town will vote to instruct their Representative to the General Court to introduce a bill to repeal the Compulsory Vaccination laws of Massachusetts and to use his best efforts to secure the passage of the same.

You will serve this precept by posting up one attested printed copy thereof at the following places: Stores of Andrew T. Williams, Joseph Matthews, B. H. Dyer & Co., William B. E. Bangs, George H. Holmes, Lewis & Brown, John D. Adams, Joseph Patrick, Jr., John D. Hilliard, Jeremiah A. Rich, George O. Knowles, R. B. Dyer, Frederick A. Lewis, Simeon C. Smith, and Joseph Francis, also at the Post Office, all in said town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this precept with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Witness, the seal of the town of Provincetown hereunto affixed, this thirtieth day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred.

MARSHALL L. ADAMS,
 GEORGE ALLEN,
 JOHN N. SWIFT,

Selectmen of Provincetown.



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

BARNSTABLE, SS.

In pursuance of the within precept I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown qualified to vote in elections to meet at the time and place and for the purpose herein

named, by posting one attested printed copy thereof at each of the the following placés, to wit: Stores of Andrew T. Williams, Joseph Matthews, B. H. Dyer & Co., William B. E. Bangs, George H. Holmes, Lewis & Brown, John D. Adams, Joseph Patrick, Jr., John D. Hilliard, Jeremiah A. Rich, George O. Knowles, R. B. Dyer, Frederick A. Lewis, Simeon C. Smith, and Joseph Francis, also at the Post Office, all in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

J. HARVEY DEARBORN,

Constable of the town of Provincetown.

Attest, SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing precept, the inhabitants of the town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, met in the Town Hall in said town on Monday, the tenth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred, and were called to order at 7.30 o'clock P. M., by Seth Smith, Town Clerk. The warrant calling said meeting was read and the return thereon of the officer who served the same.

The Clerk then appointed Marshall L. Adams, George Allen and John N. Swift to take charge of the check list, and administered to them the oath of office.

Article one was then taken up: To choose a Moderator.

The polls were then declared open for the reception of ballots and were kept open until all had voted who wished. Heman S. Cook had one vote. No other vote having been cast, he was declared elected, and sworn into office by the Town Clerk.

Article two taken up:

To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to hire such sums of money as may be requisite for the surveying, grading, sodding and hardening of the County Road at the east end of the town, as ordered in a report of the Commissioners of Barnstable County issued to the Selectmen of Provincetown September 22, 1900.

Moved, That the Treasurer be authorized under the direction of the Board of Selectmen to hire such sums of money, not exceeding Fifteen Hundred Dollars in the aggregate, as may be

required for the sodding, surveying, grading and hardening of the County Road at the east end of the town as ordered in a report of the Commissioners of Barnstable County issued to the Selectmen of Provincetown September 22, 1900, and was adopted by a unanimous vote.

Article three taken up:

To see if the town will amend the vote of the town passed at the annual meeting held February 9th, 1891, relating to the election of Town Officers on an official ballot.

Moved, That the vote of the town passed at the annual meeting held February 9, 1891, relating to the election of Town Officers on an official ballot be amended by striking out in the eighth line of said vote as inscribed upon page 214 of the Town Records the words "Three members of the Board of Health for one year," and substituting the words "One member of the Board of Health for three years;" by striking out in the tenth line of said vote inscribed upon page 214 of the Town Records the words "Three members of the Beach Grass Committee; also by adding the following officers: One Water Commissioner for three years; One Cemetery Commissioner for three years; A Tree Warden for one year; also to vote on the following: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town" so as to read as follows:

A Town Clerk for one year, who shall also serve as Town Treasurer.

One Selectman, who shall also serve as 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 member of the Board of Health for three years.

One Water Commissioner for three years.

One Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

One Auditor for one year.

A Collector of Taxes for one year.

Five Constables for one year.

Three Fence Viewers 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 person for Monument Committee for one year.

One Tree Warden for one year.

Also to vote on the following question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Adopted as amended by a unanimous vote.

Article four taken up :

To see if the town will vote to instruct their Representative to the General Court to introduce a bill to repeal the Compulsory Vaccination laws of Massachusetts, and to use his best efforts to secure the passage of the same.

Resolved, That the inhabitants of Provincetown in Town Meeting assembled, understanding full well the evil results of vaccination, take this opportunity of instructing the Hon. Isaac M. Small, Representative to the General Court from the Third Barnstable District, to introduce into the Legislature, as soon as possible after this body convenes a bill to repeal the compulsory vaccination laws of Massachusetts and to use his influence and ability to secure the passage of said bill.

Moved, That the Resolution be adopted, and it was so voted, with one dissenting vote.

Moved, That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the Town Clerk to the Hon. Isaac M. Small, Representative Third Barnstable District, and it was so voted.

Moved, That this meeting be now dissolved and it was so voted.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

PROVINCETOWN, MASS., December 14, 1900.

I hereby certify that the ballots cast at the State Election November 6, 1900, and the unused ballots were this day destroyed by me as required by law.

Attest: SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

REPORT

OF THE

Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers
of the Poor

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1900.

Report of the Selectmen.

Agreeably to the laws of the Commonwealth, we submit our report of the financial condition of the town for the year ending December 31, 1900 :

Gross debt, December 31, 1899,	\$83,364 55
Received from Demand Loans,	28,100 00
Trust Funds,	4,307 20
Grading County Road Loan,	600 00
	\$116,371 75

Paid from receipts on account of	
Demand Loans,	\$28,925 00
Trust Funds,	68 93
Water Loans,	2,000 00
Gov. Bradford Schoolhouse Loan,	2,000 00
Road Loan,	227 90
Improvement of Water Supply Loan,	200 00
Gross debt, Dec. 31, 1900,	82,949 92
	\$116,371 75

CASH ASSETS.

Due from Commonwealth on account	
State Aid,	\$1,035 99
Due from Commonwealth on account	
Superintendent of Schools,	231 50
Due from Commonwealth on account	
State Poor,	187 59
Taxes of 1897,	57 26
1898,	484 47
1899,	2,149 52
1900,	10,633 46
Cash in the Treasury,	656 98
Net liabilities, Dec. 31, 1900,	67,513 15
	\$82,949 92

ORGANIZATION, 1900.

SELECTMEN.

MARSHALL L. ADAMS, Chairman.

GEORGE ALLEN, Secretary.

JOHN N. SWIFT.

ASSESSORS.

MARSHALL L. ADAMS, Chairman.

GEORGE ALLEN.

JOHN N. SWIFT, Secretary.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

MARSHALL L. ADAMS, Chairman.

GEORGE ALLEN.

JOHN N. SWIFT, Secretary.

Itemized gross debt :	
Water Bonds, dated June 1, 1893, 15 to 60, inclusive,	\$46,000 00
Water Bonds, dated April 1, 1894, 61 to 70, inclusive,	10,000 00
Improvement Water Supply Loan,	1,400 00
Governor Bradford Schoolhouse Bonds, 15 to 20, inclusive,	6,000 00
Road Loan, dated Dec. 24, 1894,	911 65
Grading County Road East End, Loan,	600 00
Demand Loans,	13,800 00
Trust Funds,	4,238 27
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	\$82,949 92

DR.	APPROPRIATIONS, 1900.	CR.
Feb. 14, 1900.		
Watch and Police,	\$900 00	
Suppression of Crime,	200 00	
Town Hill and Fences,	50 00	
Interest on Demand Loans,	650 00	
Discount and Collec- tion of Taxes,	800 00	
Incidental Expenses,	1,900 00	
Insurance Gov. Brad- ford and High School Buildings,	100 00	
Painting Exterior Town Hall,	400 00	
Support of the Poor and Salaries,	4,500 00	
Fire Department:		
Current Expenses,	1,450 00	
New Hose,	300 00	
Water Department:		
Unpaid Bills of 1899,	352 19	

Public Library,	350 00
Cemeteries,	200 00
Health Department,	150 00
Roads and Walks,	3,000 00
New Cesspool,	100 00
Watering the Streets,	250 00
Public Schools,	10,500 00
Schoolhouse Repairs,	600 00
School Incidentals,	400 00
Free Text Books and Supplies,	1,000 00
Unpaid School Bills of 1899,	108 00
Painting Center Schoolhouse,	100 00
Cementing floor Gov. Bradford School- house,	60 00
New Windows East- ern Schoolhouse,	75 00
Memorial Day,	100 00
Dumping Grounds,	100 00
Award on Town Land- ing,	114 00
Abatement of Taxes,	650 00
Street Lights,	800 00
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Town Expenses,	\$30,259 19
Water Bonds, 13-14,	2,000 00
6 mos. int. on Bonds 13 to 60, \$48,000, 4 1-2 p. c.,	1,080 00
6 mos. int. on Bonds 15 to 60, \$46,000, 4 1-2 p. c.,	1,035 00
1 year's int. on Bonds 61 to 70, \$10,000, 4 p. c.,	400 00

Gov. Bradford Schoolhouse Bonds, 13 and 14,	2000 00	May 1, 1900, 1162 Polls at \$2,	\$2,324 00
6 mos. int. on Bonds 13 to 20, \$8000, 4 p. c.,	160 00	Personal Estate, \$673,313.00, at \$19.40,	13,062 28
6 mos. int. on Bonds 15 to 20, \$6,000, 4 p. c.,	120 00	Real Estate, \$1,175,825.00 at \$19.40,	22,811 00
Road Note of Dec. 24, 1894, \$2,279 09, 1-10th,	227 90	Non Resident Bank Tax,	793 21
1 year's int. on bal. outstanding Jan. 1, 1900, \$1,139 55, 5 p. c.,	56 98		
Improvement Water Supply, Funded Loan, \$2,000, 1-10th,	200 00		
1 year's int. on bal. Jan. 1, 1900, \$1600, 4 1-2 p. c.,	72 00		
State Tax,	1,140 00		
County Tax,	3,834 08		
Overlayings on Taxes,	58 34		
Non Resident Bank Tax,	793 21		
	<u>\$43,436 70</u>		
Estimated Receipts,	4,446 21		
Amt. of Collector's Warrant,	\$38,990 49		<u>\$38,990 49</u>

DR.	WATER SUPPLY—FUNDED LOAN.	CR.	
1900.		1900.	
Jan. 1, Amount outstanding,	\$58,000 00	Mch. 27, By payment,	\$200 00
Apr. 1, 6 mos. int., on Bonds 61 to 70,	200 00	May 28, " "	3,080 00
June 1, 6 mos. int., on Bonds 13 to 60,	1,080 00	Sept. 29, " "	200 00
Oct. 1, 6 mos. int., on Bonds 61 to 70,	200 00	Nov. 24, " "	1,035 00
Dec. 1, 6 mos. int., on Bonds 15 to 60,	1,035 00	Dec. 1, Balance outstanding,	56,000 00
	<u>\$60,515 00</u>		<u>\$60,515 00</u>

DR.	IMPROVEMENT WATER SUPPLY—FUNDED LOAN.	CR.	
1900.		1900.	
Jan. 1, Amount outstanding,	\$1,600 00	June 21, By payment,	\$36 00
June 22, 6 mos. int.,	36 00	Dec. 22, " "	236 00
Dec. 22, 6 mos. int.,	36 00	Dec. 22, Amount outstanding,	1,400 00
	<u>\$1,672 00</u>		<u>\$1,672 00</u>

DR.	GOV. BRADFORD SCHOOLHOUSE—FUNDED LOAN.	CR.	
1900.		1900.	
Jan. 1, Amount outstanding,	\$8,000 00	May 28, By payment,	\$2,160 00
June 1, 6 mos. int., on Bonds 13 to 20,	160 00	Nov. 24, " "	120 00
Dec. 1, 6 mos. int., on Bonds 15 to 20,	120 00	Dec. 1, Amount outstanding,	6,000 00
	<u>\$8,280 00</u>		<u>\$8,280 00</u>

DR.	GRADING COUNTY ROAD EAST END LOAN.	CR.	
1900.		1900.	
Dec. 15, Loan from S. S. Bank,	\$600 00	Dec. 31, By amt. outstanding,	\$600 00
	<u>\$600 00</u>		<u>\$600 00</u>

DR.	ROAD LOAN OF DEC. 24, 1894.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Jan. 1, Amount out- standing,	\$1,139 55	Dec. 22, By payment, \$284 88
Dec. 21, 1 year's int.,	56 98	Dec. 24, Amount out- standing,
	<u>\$1,196 53</u>	911 65
		<u>\$1,196 53</u>

DR.	DEMAND LOANS.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Jan 1, Outstanding liabilities,	\$14,625 00	Mch. 26, By payment, \$800 00
Feb. 1, Loan,	1,000 00	Mch. 31, " 3,125 00
Mch. 26, " 800 00		Apr. 13, " 1,000 00
Mch. 27, " 300 00		Apr. 28, " 500 00
Mch. 31, " 800 00		May 26, " 3,200 00
Apr. 13, " 1,000 00		June 30, " 5,500 00
Apr. 27, " 1,000 00		July 30, " 500 00
Apr. 28, " 800 00		Aug. 25, " 8,800 00
Apr. 30, " 500 00		Sept. 29, " 5,000 00
May 5, " 1,000 00		Dec. 31, " 500 00
May 14, " 1,000 00		Dec. 31, Outstanding liabilities,
May 23, " 1,000 00		13,800 00
May 26, " 2,200 00		
May 28, " 5,500 00		
June 9, " 1,000 00		
June 21, " 1,000 00		
June 23, " 5,000 00		
June 29, " 1,500 00		
July 7, " 500 00		
Oct. 27, " 700 00		
Dec. 15, " 1,500 00		
	<u>\$42,725 00</u>	<u>\$42,725 00</u>

DR.	INTEREST ON DEMAND LOANS.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Feb. 14, To appro- priation,	\$650 00	Mch. 26, By payments, 93 93
Dec. 31, Interest re- ceived :		Apr. 28, " 85 00
Taxes of 1894,	5 75	May 26, " 105 00
Taxes of 1897,	22 28	June 30, " 137 50
Taxes of 1898,	72 46	July 30, " 20 84
Taxes of 1899,	115 38	Aug. 25, " 117 93
		Sept. 29, " 72 64
		Dec. 31, " 184 72
		Dec. 31, Balance un- expended,
		48 31
	<u>\$865 87</u>	<u>\$865 87</u>

DR.	CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Mch. 31, To cash re- ceived from Seamen's Savings Bank,	\$3,457 20	Oct. 12, By payments, \$142 27
To cash from Amelia Rich,	50 00	Dec. 31, Outstanding Liabilities,
May 7, Heirs of Char- lotte M. Weeks,	200 00	4,238 27
Sept. 28, George F. Miller, Ex- ecutor will of Millie W. Young,	600 00	
Oct. 1, Interest to date,	73 34	
	<u>\$4,380 54</u>	<u>\$4,380 54</u>

DR.	TOWN HILL AND FENCES.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	\$50 00	Feb. 24, By payments, \$4 87
		May 28, " 27 52
		Dec. 29, " 16 50
		Dec. 31, Balance un-
		expended, 1 11
	\$50 00	\$50 00

DR.	PUBLIC LIBRARY.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 9, To Dog Tax received,	\$202 67	Jan. 20, By payment, \$202 67
Feb. 14, Appropriation,	350 00	Mch. 31, " 350 00
	\$552 67	\$552 67

DR.	MEMORIAL DAY.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	\$100 00	June 13, By payments, \$93 51
		Dec. 29, " 2 89
		Dec. 31, Balance un-
		expended, 3 60
	\$100 00	\$100 00

DR.	CEMETERIES.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	\$200 00	June 30, By payments, \$138 66
Dec. 31, Material sold,	4 00	July 28, " 4 77
		Sept. 29, " 2 00
		Dec. 29, " 44 09
		Dec. 31, Balance un-
		expended, 14 48
	\$204 00	\$204 00

DR.	HEALTH DEPARTMENT.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	\$150 00	Mch. 31, By payments, \$4 00
Dec. 31, Cash rec'd for inspection,	27 00	Apr. 28; " 1 00
		May 26, " 14 60
		June 30, " 10 75
		July 28, " 24 75
		Sept. 29, " 26 05
		Oct. 27, " 2 25
		Dec. 29, " 36 32
		Dec. 31, Balance un-
		expended, 57 28
	\$177 00	\$177 00

DR.	DUMPING GROUNDS.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	\$100 00	May 26, By payments, \$9 95
		Sept. 29, " 30 00
		Oct. 27, " 1 00
		Dec. 29, " 7 45
		Dec. 31, Balance un-
		expended, 51 60
	\$100 00	\$100 00

DR.	CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
To cash from :	Jan. 27, By payments,	\$1 25
July 20, 2d Dist. Court,	Feb. 24, " "	3 71
Oct. 1, " "	Mch. 31, " "	8 54
Dec. 31, " "	Apr. 28, " "	1 25
Dec. 31, Lockup fees,	May 26, " "	1 25
	June 30, " "	1 25
	July 28, " "	1 25
	Aug. 25, " "	1 25
	Sept. 29, " "	1 25
	Oct. 27, " "	1 25
	Nov. 24, " "	1 25
	Dec. 29, " "	1 75
	Dec. 31, Balance un-	
	expended,	53 50
		<u>\$78 75</u>
		\$78 75

DR.	SUPPRESSION OF CRIME.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Feb. 14, To appro-	Nov. 15, By payments,	\$375 00
priation,	Dec. 29, " "	40 00
Dec. 31, Cash recd.	Dec. 31, Balance un-	
2d District Court,	expended,	36 31
		<u>\$451 31</u>
		\$451 31

DR.	SUPPORT OF THE POOR.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Feb. 14, To appro-	Jan. 27, By payments,	\$210 33
priation, \$4,500 00	Feb. 24, " "	380 11
Dec. 31, Cash received :	Mch. 31, " "	497 55
From Commonw'th,	Apr. 28, " "	498 77
" Temporary Aid,	May 26, " "	299 16
" Insane,	June 30, " "	310 55
" Board,	July 28, " "	579 90
" Poor of other	Aug. 25, " "	321 16
towns,	Sept. 29, " "	328 93
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	Oct. 27, " "	457 64
	Nov. 24, " "	318 96
	Dec. 29, " "	580 50
		<u>\$4,783 56</u>
		\$4,783 56

DR.	ROADS AND WALKS.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Feb. 14, To appro-	Jan. 27, By payments,	\$71 64
priation, \$3,000 00	Feb. 24, " "	167 80
Cesspools,	Mch. 31, " "	88 52
Dec. 31, Material sold,	Apr. 28, " "	507 89
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	May 26, " "	358 38
	June 30, " "	711 43
	July 28, " "	536 29
	Aug. 25, " "	176 45
	Sept. 29, " "	112 97
	Oct. 27, " "	45 92
	Nov. 24, " "	102 01
	Dec. 29, " "	290 71
		<u>\$3,170 01</u>
		\$3,170 01

DR.	WATERING THE STREETS.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	\$250 00	June 30, By payments, \$40 25
		July 28, " 69 00
		Aug. 25, " 69 00
		Sept. 29, " 56 75
		Sept. 29, Balance un-
		expended, 15 00
	\$250 00	\$250 00

DR.	GRADING COUNTY ROAD, EAST END.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Dec. 15, To loan,	\$600 00	Nov. 24, By payments, \$349 30
		Dec. 29, " 120 70
		Dec. 31, Balance un-
		expended, 130 00
	\$600 00	\$600 00

DR.	AWARDS NEW TOWN LANDING.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	\$114 00	Mch. 1, By payments, \$114 00
	\$114 00	

DR.	SHIPWRECKED SEAMEN.	CR.
1900.		1900.
To cash rec'd from:		June 30, By payment, \$6 60
Jan. 27, Commonw'th,	\$59 70	July 28, " 19 50
Dec. 11, " 43 40		Oct. 27, " 17 30
		Dec. 29, Balance un-
		expended, 59 70
	\$103 10	\$103 10

DR.	INSURANCE GOV. BRADFORD SCHOOLHOUSE AND TOWN HALL.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	\$100 00	Apr. 28, By payments, \$42 00
		June 30, " 33 60
		July 28, " 19 60
		Dec. 31, Balance un-
		expended, 4 80
	\$100 00	\$100 00

DR.	FIRE DEPARTMENT.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	\$1,450 00	Feb. 24, By payments, \$307 10
Feb. 14, for new hose,	300 00	Mch. 31, " 26 00
		May 26, " 1,013 00
		June 30, " 37 05
		July 28, " 13 05
		Aug. 25, " 19 50
		Sept. 29, " 6 75
		Nov. 24, " 11 75
		Dec. 29, " 148 31
		Dec. 29, Balance un-
		expended, 167 49
	\$1,750 00	\$1,750 00

DR.	PUBLIC SCHOOLS.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 27, To Mass. School Fund, \$294 38	Jan. 27, By payments, \$1,115 76	
Feb. 14, To appropriation, 10,500 00	Feb. 24, " 1,128 41	
Apr. 27, Cash from Town of Truro, 85 00	Mch. 31, " 1,248 26	
July 10, Cash from Commonwealth, 1,000 00	Apr. 28, " 1,113 51	
	May 26, " 1,176 89	
	June 30, " 1,178 11	
	July 28, " 16 00	
	Aug. 25, " 802 20	
	Sept. 29, " 828 32	
	Oct. 27, " 1,139 91	
	Nov. 24, " 1,036 40	
	Dec. 29, " 1,059 20	
	Dec. 31, Balance unexpended, 36 41	
	<u>\$11,879 38</u>	<u>\$11,879 38</u>

DR.	SCHOOLHOUSE REPAIRS.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Feb. 14, To appropriation, \$600 00	Feb. 24, By payments, \$1 25	
	Mch. 31, " 38 65	
	Apr. 28, " 3 80	
	May 26, " 3 26	
	June 30, " 29 96	
	July 28, " 19 60	
	Aug. 25, " 139 60	
	Sept. 29, " 65 48	
	Nov. 24, " 8 50	
	Dec. 29, " 268 30	
	Dec. 31, Balance unexpended, 21 60	
	<u>\$600 00</u>	<u>\$600 00</u>

DR.	SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Feb. 14, To appropriation, \$400 00	Feb. 24, By payments, \$81 36	
Dec. 31, Deficiency, 10 69	Mch. 31, " 16 40	
	Apr. 28, " 14 25	
	May 26, " 5 00	
	June 30, " 20 77	
	July 28, " 35 00	
	Aug. 25, " 87 30	
	Sept. 29, " 98 08	
	Oct. 27, " 49 53	
	Nov. 24, " 3 00	
	<u>\$410 69</u>	<u>\$410 69</u>

DR.	FREE TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Feb. 14, To appropriation, \$1,000 00	Feb. 24, By payments, \$165 79	
	Mch. 31, " 30 56	
	Apr. 28, " 52 17	
	May 26, " 17 88	
	June 30, " 20 80	
	Aug. 25, " 3 50	
	Sept. 29, " 458 20	
	Oct. 27, " 45 04	
	Nov. 24, " 32 16	
	Dec. 29, " 110 50	
	Dec. 31, Balance unexpended, 63 40	
	<u>\$1,000 00</u>	<u>\$1,000 00</u>

DR.	UNPAID SCHOOL BILLS OF 1899.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	\$108 00	Feb. 24, By payment,
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	28	\$108 28
	<hr/> \$108 28	<hr/> \$108 28

DR.	PAINTING CENTER SCHOOL BUILDING.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	\$100 00	Sept. 29, By payment,
	<hr/> \$100 00	Dec. 31, Balance un-
		expended,
		3 58
		<hr/> \$100 00

DR.	CEMENTING FLOOR GOV. BRADFORD SCHOOL BUILDING.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	\$60 00	Sept. 29, By payment,
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	1 60	\$61 60
	<hr/> \$61 60	<hr/> \$61 60

DR.	NEW WINDOWS EASTERN SCHOOL BUILDING.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	\$75 00	Aug. 25, By payment,
	<hr/> \$75 00	\$75 00
		<hr/> \$75 00

DR.	WATCH AND POLICE.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	\$900 00	Jan. 27, By payments,
		Feb. 24, " "
		186 94
		Mch. 31, " "
		224 00
		July 28, " "
		48 87
		Oct. 27, " "
		8 62
		Nov. 24, " "
		5 74
		Dec. 29, " "
		237 80
		Dec. 31, Balance un-
		expended,
		15 23
	<hr/> \$900 00	<hr/> \$900 00

DR.	STREET LIGHTS.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	\$800 00	Feb. 24, By payments,
		Feb. 24, " "
		\$29 49
		Mch. 31, " "
		62 32
		Apr. 28, " "
		71 45
		May 26, " "
		31 43
		June 30, " "
		72 74
		July 28, " "
		65 17
		Aug. 25, " "
		30 58
		Sept. 29, " "
		81 56
		Oct. 27, " "
		79 87
		Nov. 24, " "
		98 81
		Dec. 29, " "
		143 08
		Dec. 31, Balance un-
		expended,
		33 50
	<hr/> \$800 00	<hr/> \$800 00

DR.	STATE AID.	CR.
	(Chapter 374, Acts of 1899.)	
1900.	1900.	
Dec. 1, To cash from Commonwealth,	Jan. 1, By balance due from Commonwealth,	\$1,082 00
Dec. 31, Bal. due from Commonwealth,	Jan. 27, By payments,	1,035 99
	Feb. 24, " "	87 00
	Mch. 31, " "	83 00
	Apr. 28, " "	83 00
	May 26, " "	87 00
	June 30, " "	87 00
	July 28, " "	91 00
	Aug. 25, " "	91 00
	Sept. 29, " "	91 00
	Oct. 27, " "	83 00
	Nov. 24, " "	83 00
	Dec. 29, " "	83 00
		\$2,117 99

DR.	SOLDIERS' RELIEF.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
June 23, To cash rec'd,	Feb. 24, By payment,	\$5 00
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	Oct. 27, " "	12 00
	Nov. 24, " "	4 00
	Dec. 29, " "	4 00
		\$17 00

DR.	STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Mch. 19, To cash received for balance Corporation Tax, 1899,	Dec. 10, By cash paid State Tax,	\$31 45
May 1, State Tax assessed,	Dec. 10, Non Resident Bank Tax,	1,140 00
May 1, County Tax assessed,	Dec. 15, County Tax,	3,834 08
Dec. 11, Corporation Tax of 1900,	Dec. 31, Balance unexpanded,	620 65
Dec. 11, National Bank Tax,		520 22
Dec. 11, Foreign ships,		
		\$6,259 91

DR.	DISCOUNT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	July 28, By payments,	\$800 00
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	Nov. 24, " "	29 74
	Dec. 29, " "	
		\$829 74

DR.	ABATEMENT OF TAXES.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Feb. 14, To appropriation,	Jan. 27, By payments,	\$650 00
Dec. 31, Additional taxes collected:	Mch. 31, " "	
1894,	Aug. 25, " "	5 12
1896,	Sept. 29, " "	4 60
1899,	Nov. 24, " "	14 55
1900,	Dec. 29, " "	21 82
	Dec. 31, Balance unexpanded,	8 79
		2 00
		2 00
		10 67
		619 76
		79 63
		\$756 15

(Collector of Taxes, 1891.)

DR.	JOHN N. SWIFT.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 1, To balance	Dec. 3, By cash,	\$114 00
taxes due,		
		<u> </u>
		\$114 00

(Collector of Taxes, 1892.)

DR.	JOHN N. SWIFT.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 1, To balance	Mch. 22, By cash,	\$98 54
taxes due,	Dec. 3, "	44 00
		<u> </u>
		\$142 54

(Collector of Taxes, 1893.)

DR.	JOHN N. SWIFT.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 1, To balance	Mch. 22, By cash,	\$87 31
taxes due,	Dec. 3, "	57 31
		<u> </u>
		\$144 62

(Collector of Taxes, 1894.)

DR.	JOHN N. SWIFT.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 1, To balance	Mch. 22, By cash,	\$139 61
taxes due,	Aug. 4, "	43 01
	Nov. 1, "	18 54
Aug. 4, Interest col-	Dec. 3, "	296 58
lected,		
		<u> </u>
Aug. 4, Add. taxes		
collected,		
		6 20
Nov. 1, Interest col-		
lected,		95
Nov. 1, Add. taxes,		2 59
		<u> </u>
		\$497 74

(Collector of Taxes, pro tempore, 1895.)

DR.	SETH SMITH.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 1, To balance	Mch. 22, By cash,	\$206 67
taxes due,	Dec. 3, "	65 11
		<u> </u>
		\$271 78

(Collector of Taxes, pro tempore, 1896.)

DR.	SETH SMITH.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 1, To balance	Mch. 22, By cash,	\$117 87
taxes due,	Nov. 13, "	2 00
	Dec. 3, "	37 13
Nov. 13, Additional		
taxes,		2 00
		<u> </u>
		\$157 00

(Collector of Taxes, 1897.)

DR.	SETH SMITH.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 1, To balance	Jan. 31, By cash,	\$83 43
taxes due,	Mch. 23, "	53 97
	Apr. 28, "	51 93
Apr. 12, Interest col-	Dec. 31, "	46 72
lected,		
		16 56
Dec. 3, Interest col-	Dec. 31, Balance taxes	
lected,	due,	57 26
		<u> </u>
		\$293 31

(Collector of Taxes, 1898.)

DR.	SETH SMITH.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 1, To balance	Jan. 27, By cash,	\$227 26
taxes due, \$1,668 13	Mch. 31, "	191 81
July 11, Interest col-	Apr. 28, "	104 96
lected, 36 17	May 26, "	125 24
Nov. 27, Interest col-	July 28, "	119 00
lected, 26 27	Oct. 27, "	118 04
Dec. 31, Interest col-	Nov. 27, "	250 19
lected, 10 02	Dec. 31, "	119 62
	Dec. 31, Balance taxes	
	due,	484 47
		<u>\$1,740 59</u>
		\$1,740 59

(Collector of Taxes, 1899.)

DR.	SETH SMITH.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 1, To balance	Jan. 27, By cash,	\$1,284 76
taxes due, \$9,704 92	Feb. 24, "	1,612 47
Apr. 9, Interest col-	Mch. 31, "	953 72
lected, 18 93	Apr. 28, "	351 96
Sept. 19, Interest col-	May 26, "	657 17
lected, 50 32	June 30, "	147 62
Dec. 31, Interest col-	July 30, "	499 41
lected, 46 13	Aug. 25, "	442 69
Dec. 31, Additional	Sept. 29, "	364 01
taxes collected, 2 00	Oct. 27, "	460 65
	Nov. 27, "	204 22
	Dec. 31, "	694 10
	Dec. 31, Bal. taxes	
	due,	2,149 52
		<u>\$9,822 30</u>
		\$9,822 30

(Collector of Taxes, 1900.)

DR.	SETH SMITH.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
July 19, State Tax, \$1,140 00	July 20, By cash,	\$ 924 69
County Tax, 3,834 08	Aug. 25, "	11,014 70
Town Tax, 25,812 98	Sept. 29, "	4,931 59
Assessed	Oct. 27, "	1,377 49
agreeably to	Nov. 27, "	4,022 40
Chap. 133, 1882 ;	Dec. 31, "	6,179 52
Chap. 276, 1889 ;	Dec. 31, Balance	
Chap. 102, 1893, 7,351 88	taxes due,	10,633 46
Non-Resident		
Bank Tax, 793 21		
Overlayings, 58 34		
Dec. 31, Additional		
taxes collected, 93 36		
	<u>\$39,083 85</u>	<u>\$39,083 85</u>

DR.	TAX SALE PURCHASES.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Dec. 31, To deficiency, \$12 28	Sept. 19, By payments,	\$12 28
	<u>\$12 28</u>	<u>\$12 28</u>

DR.	WATER SUPPLY.	DR.
1900.		1900.
Jan. 1, Bal. in Treas., \$65 91		Jan. 27, By payments, \$477 13
Jan. 26, Cash from Supt, 427 50		Feb. 24, " 615 36
Feb. 14, Appropriation, 352 19		Mch. 31, " 218 42
Feb. 23, Cash from Supt, 256 86		Apr. 28, " 130 31
Mch. 30, " " 219 75		May 26, " 341 90
Apr. 28, " " 156 50		June 30, " 165 74
May 26, " " 308 51		July 28, " 714 28
June 29, " " 175 00		Aug. 25, " 131 09
July 9, " " 200 00		Sept. 29, " 168 21
July 27, " " 515 14		Oct. 27, " 196 26
Aug. 25, " " 124 00		Nov. 24, " 82 99
Sept. 29, " " 174 00		Dec. 31, Balance
Oct. 26, " " 192 89		unexpended, 29 56
Nov. 23, " " 74 00		
Dec. 29, " " 29 00		
	\$3,271 25	\$3,271 25

DR.	TOWN HALL.	CR.
1900.		1900.
To cash received:		Cash paid:
Jan. 10, St. Peter's Aid Society, \$45 00		Underhay Oil Co., for gasolene, \$125 59
Jan. 11, Portuguese Fraternal Society, 40 00		Cleaning Hall, 37 50
Jan. 12, Marine Lodge, I. O. O. F., 55 00		W. B. Dunham, labor, 29 90
Jan. 12, Equitable Ins. Co., 2 00		Antoine Martin, " 30
Jan. 25, Patterson Club, 18 00		Joseph Martin, " 30
Jan. 31, Christian Doctrinal Society, 15 00		Geo. W. Readey, " 16 90
Feb. 1, Seamen's Savings Bank, 2 00		Barn. A. Turner, " 1 10
		Edward Lewis, " 70
		M. L. Adams, paid " 2 20
		Garfield Crocker, " 30
		James Dyer, " 30
		Wm. A. Williams, " 30

Feb. 24, Citizens' Ball, \$37 50	George A. Settes, labor, \$0 20
Feb. 24, Christian Doctrinal Society, 15 00	Jesse Rogers, " 12 90
May 2, Frank Days, Jr., 15 00	R. A. Groebe, " 10 00
July 16, Billy Van's Minstrels, 24 50	Isaiah H. Lewis, " 1 05
Aug. 4, Nellie Nickerson, 30 00	Alfred Small, " 2 85
Aug. 14, C. E. Kimball, 15 00	Fred. A. Fisher, " 30
Aug. 16, Amphion Orchestra, 23 35	John A. Matheson, 3 cords slabs, 18 00
Aug. 18, Bailey & Co., 18 75	John Adams, Soap, pearline, oil, matches, 4 04
Aug. 23, Amphion Orchestra, 21 02	N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., Freight, 9 09
Sept. 7, A. W. Cushman, 30 00	Angus McKay, Cheese cloth, 75
Nov. 23, J. C. Rockwell, 120 00	W. B. Bangs, repairs, 43 10
Nov. 24, High School Alumni, 30 00	Lewis & Brown, 43 50-2000 tons coal, 248 33
Dec. 8, County of Barnstable, 150 00	1 Cord slabs, 8 00
Dec. 12, Patterson Club, 18 75	Lumber and bricks, 16 11
Dec. 31, Portuguese Fraternal Society, 45 00	Wm. E. Barrett Co., Lawn dressing, 10 05
Dec. 31, Deficiency, 266 88	James E. Atkins, fixtures, 12 51
	T. J. Mahan, Tuning piano, 3 00
	Irving W. Wheeler & Co., Bunting, 1 60
	Mitchell, Woodbury & Co., Gas chimneys, 1 45
	Henry K. Barnes, Linen hose, 18 00
	George M. Stevens, Repairing town clock, 19 45
	Benj. A. Dyer, repairs, 22 50
	Chas. A. Fuller, " 5 70
	Henry W. Goodwin, Paper, 4 50

DR.	WATER SUPPLY.	DR.	
1900.		1900.	
Jan. 1, Bal. in Treas.,	\$65 91	Jan. 27, By payments,	\$477 13
Jan. 26, Cash from Supt,	427 50	Feb. 24, " "	615 36
Feb. 14, Appropriation,	352 19	Mch. 31, " "	218 42
Feb. 23, Cash from Supt,	256 86	Apr. 28, " "	130 31
Mch. 30, " "	219 75	May 26, " "	341 90
Apr. 28, " "	156 50	June 30, " "	165 74
May 26, " "	308 51	July 28, " "	714 28
June 29, " "	175 00	Aug. 25, " "	131 09
July 9, " "	200 00	Sept. 29, " "	168 21
July 27, " "	515 14	Oct. 27, " "	196 26
Aug. 25, " "	124 00	Nov. 24, " "	82 99
Sept. 29, " "	174 00	Dec. 31, Balance	
Oct. 26, " "	192 89	unexpended,	29 56
Nov. 23, " "	74 00		
Dec. 29, " "	29 00		
	<u>\$3,271 25</u>		<u>\$3,271 25</u>

DR.	TOWN HALL.	CR.	
1900.		1900.	
To cash received:		Cash paid:	
Jan. 10, St. Peter's		Underhay Oil Co.,	
Aid Society,	\$45 00	for gasolene,	\$125 59
Jan. 11, Portuguese		Cleaning Hall,	37 50
Fraternal Society,	40 00	W. B. Dunham, labor,	29 90
Jan. 12, Marine Lodge,		Antoine Martin, "	30
I. O. O. F.,	55 00	Joseph Martin, "	30
Jan. 12, Equitable		Geo. W. Readey, "	16 90
Ins. Co.,	2 00	Barn. A. Turner, "	1 10
Jan. 25, Patterson Club,	18 00	Edward Lewis, "	70
Jan. 31, Christian		M. L. Adams, paid "	2 20
Doctrinal Society,	15 00	Garfield Crocker, "	30
Feb. 1, Seamen's Sav-		James Dyer, "	30
ings Bank,	2 00	Wm. A. Williams, "	30

Feb. 24, Citizens' Ball,	\$37 50	George A. Settes, labor,	\$0 20
Feb. 24, Christian		Jesse Rogers, "	12 90
Doctrinal Society,	15 00	R. A. Groebe, "	10 00
May 2, Frank Days, Jr.,	15 00	Isaiah H. Lewis, "	1 05
July 16, Billy Van's		Alfred Small, "	2 85
Minstrels,	24 50	Fred. A. Fisher, "	30
Aug. 4, Nellie Nickerson,	30 00	John A. Matheson,	
Aug. 14, C. E. Kimball,	15 00	3 cords slabs,	18 00
Aug. 16, Amphion Or-		John Adams,	
chestra,	23 35	Soap, pearline, oil,	
Aug. 18, Bailey & Co.,	18 75	matches,	4 04
Aug. 23, Amphion Or-		N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.,	
chestra,	21 02	Freight,	9 09
Sept. 7, A. W. Cushman,	30 00	Angus McKay,	
Nov. 23, J. C. Rockwell,	120 00	Cheese cloth,	75
Nov. 24, High School		W. B. Bangs, repairs,	43 10
Alumni,	30 00	Lewis & Brown,	
Dec. 8, County of		43 50-2000 tons coal,	248 33
Barnstable,	150 00	1 Cord slabs,	8 00
Dec. 12, Patterson Club,	18 75	Lumber and bricks,	16 11
Dec. 31, Portuguese		Wm. E. Barrett Co.,	
Fraternal Society,	45 00	Lawn dressing,	10 05
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	266 88	James E. Atkins, fixtures,	12 51
		T. J. Mahan,	
		Tuning piano,	3 00
		Irving W. Wheeler & Co.,	
		Bunting,	1 60
		Mitchell, Woodbury & Co.,	
		Gas chimneys,	1 45
		Henry K. Barnes,	
		Linen hose,	18 00
		George M. Stevens,	
		Repairing town clock,	19 45
		Benj. A. Dyer, repairs,	22 50
		Chas. A. Fuller, "	5 70
		Henry W. Goodwin,	
		Paper,	4 50

John D. Hilliard,	
Wicking,	\$0 15
B. H. Dyer & Co.,	
Fixtures,	15 43
Water Rates,	15 00
Amasa S. Dyer,	
Teaming,	1 30
Newell C. Brooks,	
Teaming,	90
George H. Holmes,	
Fixtures,	3 00
Nathaniel W. Ayers,	
Janitor,	200 00
Extra labor on grounds and building,	113 10
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\$1,037 75	\$1,037 75

DR.	PAINING EXTERIOR TOWN HALL.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Feb. 14, To appro-		Oct. 20, By payment, \$440 00
priation,	\$400 00	
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	40 00	
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	\$440 00	\$440 00

DR.	INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Feb. 14, To appro-		By cash paid :
priation,	\$1,900 00	E. Olin Snow,
Dec. 31, Cash rec'd. :		Auditor, 1899,
From County of		Heman S. Cook, ser-
Barnstable, bounty		vices as Moderator,
on seals,	9 00	Howard F. Hopkins,
Commonwealth,	15 00	Printing annual re-
Weir licenses,	180 00	ports,
Junk licenses,	6 00	Other printing,
		194 40
		106 50

Auctioneers' li-		A. F. Sherman,	
censes,	\$4 00	Abstracts of records,	\$17 50
Billiard and Pool		Freeman H. Lothrop,	
licenses,	12 00	Abstracts of records,	3 92
Sealing Weights and		Assessors' salaries,	630 00
Measures,	28 13	John Pierce,	
Dec. 31, Deficiency,	104 18	Labor on monument	
		grounds,	20 00
		Election Officers :	
		Annual election,	25 00
		State " "	25 00
		Meals for election	
		officers,	15 50
		Putting up and taking	
		down election booths,	6 50
		Wm. B. Dunham,	
		Posting notices,	1 80
		George W. Readey,	
		Posting notices,	1 00
		Repairing town pound,	4 43
		Bounty on seals,	12 00
		Samuel Ward Co.,	
		Stationery,	8 25
		Hooper, Lewis & Co.,	
		Books,	4 00
		J. L. Fairbanks & Co.,	
		Books and stationery,	7 50
		A. L. Putnam,	
		Supplies,	1 43
		Henry Shaw, law book,	2 12
		Wm. H. Young,	
		Copies of resolutions,	1 00
		Kendrick & Atkins,	
		Carriage hire,	42 00
		Carter Ink Co., ink,	2 20
		M. L. Adams,	
		Expenses to Boston,	14 28

Selectmen's expenses to Barnstable, hearing Mass. Highway Com- mission,	\$8 76
Costs in Snow vs. Lan- cy case,	39 19
Petition to County Commissioners,	3 00
Horace J. Stevens, Transcript of mining stocks,	8 33
C. L. Berger & Son, Cleaning and repair- ing compass,	3 00
A. P. Hannum, Inspector, salary,	30 00
Board of Registrars, Salaries,	98 61
C. W. Burkett, Sealer of Weights and Measures,	20 00
Selectmen's salary,	400 00
N. N. Gifford, Returning 41 deaths,	10 25
Thomas S. Taylor, Returning 32 deaths,	8 00
Welsh & Cook, Returning 25 deaths,	6 25
Seth Smith, Services as Treasurer,	250 00
Attending and re- cording the fol- lowing meetings :	
Annual, Feb. 12,	15 00
Special, Oct. 9,	3 00
Special, Dec. 10,	3 00

State Election, meet- ing at Wellfleet and recording,	\$15 00
Returning 27 deaths,	6 75
Recording 25 mar- riages at .20,	5 00
4 births of 1899 at .50,	2 00
113 births, 1900 at .50,	56 50
130 deaths, at .20,	26 00
Physicians and midwives, returning 117 births at .25,	29 25
Expressage, postage and telegrams,	24 59
Official oaths,	7 50
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	\$2,258 31

ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR 1901.

Interest on Demand Loans,	\$450 00
Interest on Trust Funds,	200 00
Town Hill and Fences,	50 00
Insurance, Gov. Bradford and Town Hall Buildings,	150 00
Watch and Police,	900 00
Street Lights,	800 00
Discount and Collection of Taxes,	800 00
Abatement of Taxes,	350 00
Incidental Expenses,	1,950 00
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	\$5,650 00

MARSHALL L. ADAMS,

GEORGE ALLEN,

JOHN N. SWIFT,

Selectmen of Provincetown.

Report of the Assessors.

VALUATION MAY 1, 1900.

VALUE OF ASSESSED PERSONAL ESTATE.

Excluding resident bank stock,	\$615,200 00
Resident bank stock,	58,113 00
Total,	<u>\$673,313 00</u>

VALUE OF ASSESSED REAL ESTATE.

Buildings, excluding land,	\$862,605 00
Land, excluding buildings,	313,220 00
Total,	<u>\$1,175,825 00</u>

Total valuation of assessed estate, \$1,849,138 00

Taxed for State, County and
and Town purposes, includ-
ing Overlayings:

On Personal Estate,	\$13,062 28
On Real Estate,	22,811 00
On 1162 Polls,	2,324 00
	<u>\$38,197 28</u>

Rate of total tax per \$1,000, \$19 40

Number of residents assessed on property:

Individuals,	940
All others,	127

Total, 1,067

Number of non-residents assessed on property,	
Individuals,	132
All others,	10
	<u>142</u>
Total number assessed on property,	1,209
For poll tax only,	522
	<u>1,731</u>
Total,	1,731
Number of male polls assessed,	1,162
Tax on each male poll,	\$2 00
Number of horses assessed,	136
" cows assessed,	66
" dwelling houses assessed,	1,036
" acres of land assessed,	930
Registered voters, Nov. 6, 1900, male,	708
" " " female,	53
Population, census 1900,	4,247
Valuation of shipping in foreign trade, May 1, 1900,	\$7,031 25
Exempted church property, May 1, 1900,	\$54,000 00
Value of schoolhouses and other public property as returned to the tax commissioner, May 1, 1900,	97,600 00
Value of fire apparatus as returned,	7,000 00
Public Library,	8,000 00
Water Works,	60,000 00
Number of vessels of 7 tons and over assessed whole or in part May 1, 1900, as follows:	
Whaling fleet,	5
Fishing fleet,	65
Merchant service,	8
Steamers,	3
	<u>81</u>
Total,	81

MARSHALL L. ADAMS,
GEORGE ALLEN,
JOHN N. SWIFT,
Assessors of Provincetown.

Report of Overseers of the Poor.

In accordance with the requirements of the town by-laws we herewith submit the annual report of the Overseers of the Poor and also include with it the report of the State Board of Insanity on the condition of the Almshouse.

The Almshouse still continues under the excellent management of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac A. Dyer, to which the good physical condition of the inmates, the cleanliness of the interior and the general appearance of the property testify.

We would recommend an appropriation of \$4,500 for the ensuing year for this department.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

STATE BOARD OF INSANITY.

STATE, HOUSE, BOSTON, December 5, 1900.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, PROVINCETOWN, MASS.

Dear Sirs:—I am directed by the Board of Insanity to call your attention to the following criticism of your almshouse:

“This almshouse needs very much bathing facilities, at least one tub is an ABSOLUTE NECESSITY.

There is no way to heat the inmates' rooms on the west side of the building, and they must be uncomfortably cold in average winter weather. Steam heat should be introduced, the house could then be properly heated, and the inmates, who are mostly elderly people, made MUCH more comfortable.”

I submit these criticisms to your consideration, and shall be glad to hear from you.

Very truly yours,
OWEN COPP, Executive Officer.

ALMSHOUSE.

Salary of Superintendent,	\$260 00
Groceries and provisions,	408 85
Fuel and lights,	106 23
Clothing and bedding,	12 92
Boots and shoes,	5 58
Medical attendance and medicines,	19 90
Furniture and fixtures,	103 22
Repairs,	59 45
Sanitary expenses,	7 00
Dressing for land,	4 80
Water rates,	4 00
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	\$991 95

Remaining in the Almshouse, Dec. 31, 1899,	5
Admitted during the year,	2
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Discharged,	1
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Remaining Dec. 31, 1900,	6
Number of persons fully supported during the year, viz.:	
At Almshouse,	7
Hospitals for Insane and Dipsomaniacs,	11
Other Hospitals,	1
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	19
Number of families partially supported,	49
“ dependents,	136
“ tramps,	7

INMATES OF THE ALMSHOUSE FROM DEC. 31, 1899, TO DEC. 31, 1900.

NAME.	AGE.	BIRTHPLACE.	NATURE OF SETTLEMENT.	WHEN REGISTERED.
Enos, Gertrude,	77	Fayal, Azores,	Act of 1879,	Nov. 28, 1887.
Foster, Delia A.,	59	Dorchester,	Act of 1879,	Apr. 11, 1896.
Howe, Zilla D.,	70	Eastham,	None,	Apr. 1858.
Jason, Maria M.,	57	Fayal, Azores,	Marriage,	Aug. 16, 1899.
*Kirley, Charles,	56	Concord, N. H.,	Military,	May 5, 1900.
Scannell, Florence,	33	Provincetown,	Father,	Nov. 16, 1894.
Winslow, James,	55	Provincetown,	Taxation,	July 18, 1885.

*Discharged May 8, 1900.

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NAME.	AGE.	BIRTHPLACE.	NATURE OF SETTLEMENT.	WHEN REGISTERED.
Enos, Gertrude,	77	Fayal, Azores,	Act of 1879,	Nov. 28, 1887.
Foster, Delia A.,	59	Dorchester,	Act of 1879,	Apr. 11, 1896.
Howe, Zilla D.,	70	Eastham,	None,	Apr. 1858.
Jason, Maria M.,	57	Fayal, Azores,	Marriage,	Aug. 16, 1899.
*Kirley, Charles,	56	Concord, N. H.,	Military,	May 5, 1900.
Scannell, Florence,	33	Provincetown,	Father,	Nov. 16, 1894.
Winslow, James,	55	Provincetown,	Taxation,	July 18, 1885.

* Discharged May 8, 1900.

FAMILIES PARTIALLY SUPPORTED.

Abner, Mary (Boston),	\$33 00
Andrews, Mary G.,	60 50
Avella, Annie,	30 55
Azevedo, Alvira,	20 00
Azevedo, Mary F.,	60 00
Barnett, Julia,	19 30
Barnes, Rosa,	60 00
Berry, Elbridge G. Jr., (Somerville),	28 14
Burke, Mary L.,	24 00
Cabral, Amelia,	60 00
Cabrille, Philomena,	55 00
Davis, Louise,	96 00
Dantos, Manuel L.,	10 00
Dill, James S.,	137 07
Dutra, Manuel S.,	60 00
Enos, Gertrude,	21 30
Francis, Mary,	10 54
Gorman, Margaret (Holyoke),	105 00
Jones, Stephen (New Bedford),	15 00
Kirley, Charles,	3 95
Lema, Mary,	72 00
Marks, Mary (New Bedford),	60 00
Marshall, Mary,	60 00
McCurdy, Archibald,	86 13
Morris, Anna F.,	30 00
Noons, Mary A.,	60 00
Patrick, Manuel,	63 00
Peirara, Joseph,	104 25
Perry, Mary,	111 00
Raisins, Nellie,	60 00
Rodgers, John (New Bedford),	23 50
Rosa, Manuel (Lowell),	134 10
Sands, Philomena,	96 24
Silva, Emma,	72 00
Silva, Joseph King,	15 00
Shuma, Julia,	60 00
Tarves, Almena,	1 88
Tarves, Maria,	60 00
Taylor, Wm. H. (Dennis),	12 00
Taylor, Ruth K. (Dennis),	14 00
Woods, Hannah,	60 00

\$2,164 45

DIPSOMANIACS AND INSANE FULLY SUPPORTED.

Barnes, John,	\$109 20	
Fine, Ellen,	109 20	
Hamilton, Frank,	109 20	
Lema, Amelia M.,	12 54	
Mayo, Joseph A.,	89 92	
Martin, Julia P.,	109 20	
McCarthy, Patrick (dipsomaniac),	86 36	
Parks, Susan T.,	104 76	
Woods, Francenia M.,	54 79	
Insane, reimbursed,	36 68	
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Commonwealth cases,	\$139 02	
Medical attendance and medicine,	48 75	
Repairs to Smith house,	13 89	
Temporary Aid,	115 90	
Tramps,	1 75	
Salaries of Overseers,	450 00	
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Almshouse expenses,		991 95
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		\$4,783 56

Feb. 14, 1900, Appropriation,	\$4,500 00	
Dec. 31, 1900, Cash received:		
Commonwealth cases,	46 05	
Temporary aid,	115 90	
Insane,	36 68	
Board,	25 43	
Poor of other towns,	11 25	
Deficiency,	48 25	
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MARSHALL L. ADAMS,
JOHN N. SWIFT,
GEORGE ALLEN,
Overseers of the Poor.

Report of the Superintendent of Streets.

TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

GENTLEMEN:—I respectfully submit my annual report of the expenses incurred in the Highway Department for the year ending December 31, 1900:

The amount appropriated at the last annual meeting for Roads and Walks was		\$3,000 00
Material sold,	\$13 46	
Deficiency,	100 89	
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		\$3,114 35

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Fred A. Stimson, crushed stone,	\$938 00
Lewis & Brown, stock,	445 50
J. S. Atwood, salary,	350 00
J. S. Atwood, horse and team,	150 00
James H. Barnett, salary and extra team,	389 65
10-12 contract for clearing snow from walks, 1900,	204 58
Balance contract, clearing snow 1899,	39 81
Alexander Gayland, labor on walks,	60 90
Wm. R. Gayland, labor on walks,	27 60
Geo. O. Knowles, wharfage and carting,	21 30
J. D. Hilliard, wharfage,	7 60
John A. Matheson, wharfage,	19 60
H. O. Sparrow, Jr., oyster shells,	11 00
James E. Rich, oyster shells,	5 00
R. F. Barnett, labor,	35 25

Paid Philip A. Whorf, wharfage,	\$12 50
J. H. Livermore, labor,	42 30
Water Department, valve,	15 21
Manuel F. Noons, teaming,	16 90
James Campbell, "	13 90
Prince I. Freeman, "	5 20
John S. Jones, "	6 80
N. C. Brooks, "	5 40
A. E. Rich, "	7 60
J. W. Welsh, "	3 00
Samuel A. Bennett, "	19 75
Heman S. Cook, auctioneer,	3 00
Wm. H. Settes, labor,	2 45
Geo. I. Herbolt, "	2 25
Ira K. Small, "	2 25
Thos. E. Carr, "	9 95
Thos. McQuillan, "	12 65
Geo. W. Tuttle, "	1 60
Jas. P. Holmes, "	1 70
Antoine S. Brown, "	2 10
Jas. H. Sullivan, "	1 75
Wm. Marks, "	1 70
A. I. Freeman, "	1 65
Joseph E. Weeks, "	1 10
James Dyer, "	50
D. Lewis Allen, "	50
John J. Roderick, " cutting sods,	34 30
James F. Pratt, "	5 35
Wm. H. Sprague, "	50
Wm. H. Settes, Jr., "	3 55
Geo. A. Beatty, "	1 40
Charles Gardner, filing saws,	3 25
Joseph R. Atkins, sods,	4 74
Jos. Francis, nails,	3 85
Pauline Atkins, fence on bulkhead,	5 40
Reuben Nickerson, stone,	3 50
Geo. Allen, expenses to Hingham,	80

Paid Cemetery, posts,	\$2 90
McInnis & Ramos, iron work,	1 25
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., iron,	24 00
John Roderick, 2d, labor,	2 85
Josiah G. Whorf, "	2 85
James Winslow, "	8 00
James W. Dunham, "	2 85
James Carr, 2d, "	8 50
C. H. Holway, "	12 00
J. K. Lema, "	60
Manuel Williams, "	5 80
Chas. A. Fuller, "	6 60
Geo. H. Lewis, "	3 60
Geo. W. Readey, "	1 20
James V. Bowley, "	90
Peter Perry, "	1 70
John McFadden, "	1 80
Geo. A. Settes, "	2 30
Wm. H. Carr, "	3 40
Walter T. Smith, "	5 90
Thos. Welsh, Jr., "	7 10
John McQuillan, "	7 00
Peter Carr, "	4 65
Wm. B. Dunham, "	4 20
Benj. R. Chapman, "	20
Edward Brown, "	2 85
Henry Brown, "	2 85
Benj. T. Benson, "	2 35
Chas. H. Long, "	2 35
B. H. Dyer & Co., stock,	15 66
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	\$3,114 35

CESSPOOLS.

Appropriation, \$100 00

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Lewis & Brown, stock,	\$13 75	
Reuben Nickerson, stone,	11 00	
Roads and Walks, material,	8 46	
Chas. A. Fuller, labor,	10 80	
John J. Roderick, cutting sods,	5 00	
Geo. A. Settes, labor,	2 65	
M. F. Noons, teaming,	2 30	
J. W. Welsh,	1 20	
John H. Livermore, iron work,	50	
Balance unexpended,	44 34	
		\$100 00

WATERING THE STREETS.

Appropriation, \$250 00

EXPENDITURES.

Sept. 19, 1900, Paid James Carr, contract,	\$230 00	
Jonathan Sparrow,		
rent of land,	5 00	
Balance unexpended,	15 00	
		\$250 00

Of the amount paid for labor, \$301.84 were paid for clearing the roads and walks of snow. The experience of the past three years has proved that the present system of clearing the roads and walks of snow is a most expensive one, and I would recommend that a return be made to the system employed immediately prior to the annual meeting of February, 1898.

Our present system of watering the streets is unsatisfactory, the watering cart used of late—sole one owned in town—being old and defective. Rejection of the cart owner's bid (if deemed extortionate) might entail loss of service for an entire season. A watering cart owned by the town would ensure abundant bids for services as driver, doubtless.

I would recommend the purchase of a street sprinkler to be owned by the town.

I recommend the following appropriations for this department for the ensuing year:

Roads and Walks,	\$3000 00
Watering the Streets,	250 00
New Street Sprinkler,	300 00
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	\$3,550 00

J. S. ATWOOD,
Superintendent of Streets.

List of Jurors of the Town of Provincetown.

PREPARED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN JAN. 12, 1901, AND
POSTED AGREEABLY TO SECTION 7, CHAPTER 170,
PUBLIC STATUTES.

Alexander, Robert G.,	Francis, John A.,
Atkins, Charles C.,	Freeman, George W.,
Atkins, James S.,	Freeman, Nathaniel W.,
Atkins, John,	Gayland, Wm. R.,
Atwood, Daniel W.,	Hopkins, Charles S.,
Atwood, Joseph S.,	Hannum, Artemas P.,
Atwood, Stephen F.,	Hudson, Nathan S.,
Bangs, Wm. B. E.,	Hudson, Wm. P.,
Bennett, Samuel A.,	Hughes, Hezekiah P.,
Bradshaw, Michael,	Kelley, Reuben O.,
Bragdon, Sumner,	Knowles, Otis M.,
Burch, John M.,	Livingston, Alexander,
Carlow, David S.,	Lurten, Jonathan C.,
Cook, Charles A.,	Manta, Joseph,
Cook, Clarence A.,	Manta, Joseph A.,
Cook, Heman S.,	McKay, Augus,
Cross, Wm. P.,	McKay, Daniel M.,
Dearborn, Frederick H.,	Nickerson, Lemuel F.,
Dyer, Charles A.,	Nickerson, Luther,
Dyer, Isaac A.,	Powe, Wm.,
Emery, Joseph H.,	Reed, James,
Engles, Herbert,	Rich, Elisha,
Ewell, Seneca G.,	Rich, Sylvanus,

Rodgers, Elden C.,
Rosenthal, John,
Savage, John W.,
Small, James H.,
Small, John W.,
Small, Samuel,
Smith, Freeman A.,
Smith, Jerome S.,
Smith, Joseph C.,
Smith, Simeon C.,
Snow, Elijah O.,
Snow, Louis M.,

Snow, Woodbridge C.,
Stull, David C.,
Turner, Isaiah,
Tuttle, George W.,
Weeks, Edward Q.,
Weeks, Joseph E.,
Whelden, Edwin A.,
Wippich, Henry A.,
Whorf, Henry S.,
Whorf, Philip A.,
Young, Alpheus W.,
Young, Josiah L.,

Total number seventy, agreeably to Section 6, Chapter 170,
Public Statutes.

MARSHALL L. ADAMS,
GEORGE ALLEN,
JOHN N. SWIFT,
Selectmen of Provincetown.

Report of the Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.

Jan. 1, 1900, Cash in the Treasury,		\$437 25
Demand Loans,	\$28,100 00	
Cemetery Trust Funds,	4,307 20	
	<hr/>	32,407 20
Public Library (Dog Fund),		202 67
Cemeteries,		4 00
Health Department,		27 00
Criminal Prosecutions,		78 75
Suppression of Crime,		251 31
Support of Poor,		235 31
Roads and Walks,		13 46
Grading County Road (East End) Loan,		600 00
Shipwrecked Seamen,		103 10
Public Schools:		
Massachusetts School Fund,	\$294 38	
Com. on acct. of Dis. Supt.,	1,000 00	
Tuition, 7 pupils,	85 00	
	<hr/>	1,379 38
State and Military Aid,	1,082 00	
Soldier's Relief,	5 00	
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Corporation Tax, 1899, bal.,	31 45	
" " 1900,	620 65	
National Bank Tax,	497 85	
Tax on Foreign Ships,	135 88	
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Taxes of 1891,	\$114 90
" 1892,	142 54
" 1893,	144 62
" 1894,	483 20
" 1895,	271 78
" 1896,	155 00
" 1897,	213 77
" 1898,	1,183 66
" 1899,	7,555 40
" 1900,	28,357 03
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	\$38,621 00
Interest on Taxes,	215 87
Additional Taxes,	106 15
Water Supply, Maintenance Account,	2,853 15
Town Hall,	770 87
County of Barnstable:	
Bounty on seals,	9 00
Weir licenses,	180 00
Junk licenses,	6 00
Auctioneer licenses,	4 00
Pool and Billiard licenses,	12 00
Sealing Weights and Measures,	38 13
Inspection of Animals,	15 00
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	254 13
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	\$80,933 43

EXPENDITURES.

The Treasurer has paid out upon vouchers the following sums:

Water Supply, funded loan, bonds 13-14,	\$2,000 00
Apr. 1, one year's int., on bonds 61-70,	200 00
June 1, 6 mos. int. on bonds 13-60,	1,080 00
Oct. 1, 6 mos. int. on bonds 61-70,	200 00
Dec. 1, 6 mos. int. on bonds, 15-60,	1,035 00
Improvement Water Supply, loan,	200 00
Dec. 22, one year's interest,	72 00
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	\$4,787 00

Bradford Schoolhouse Loan, bonds 13-14, 2,000 00	
June 1, 6 mos., int. on bonds, 13-20,	160 00
Dec. 1, 6 mos. int. on bonds, 15-20,	120 00
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	\$2,280 00
Road Loan,	284 88
Demand Loans,	28,925 00
Interest on Demand Loans,	817 56
Cemetery Trust Funds,	142 27
Town Hill and Fences,	48 89
Public Library,	552 67
Memorial Day,	96 40
Cemeteries,	189 52
Health Department,	119 72
Dumping Grounds,	48 40
Criminal Prosecutions,	25 25
Suppression of Crime,	415 00
Support of Poor and Salaries,	4,783 56
Roads and Walks,	3,170 01
Watering the Streets,	235 00
Grading County Road, (East End),	470 00
Awards New Town Landing,	114 00
Shipwrecked Seamen,	43 40
Insurance, Bradford Schoolhouse and Town Hall,	95 20
Fire Department,	1,582 51
Public Schools,	\$11,842 97
Schoolhouse Repairs,	578 40
School Incidentals,	410 69
Free Text Books and Supplies,	936 60
Unpaid School Bills, 1899,	108 28
Painting Center School Building,	96 42
Cementing Floor Gov. Bradford School Building,	61 60
New Windows Eastern School Building,	75 00
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	14,109 96
Street Lights,	766 50
Watch and Police,	884 77
State and Military Aid,	1,036 00

Soldiers Relief,		\$17 00
State Tax,	\$1,905 61	
County Tax,	3,834 08	
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Discount and Collection of Taxes,		829 74
Abatement of Taxes,		676 52
Tax Sale purchase,		12 28
Water Supply, Maintenance Account,		3,241 69
Town Hall,		1,037 75
Painting Exterior Town Hall,		440 00
Incidental Expenses,		2,258 31
Balance in the Treasury, Dec. 31, 1900,		656 98
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		\$80,933 43

Respectfully submitted,

SETH SMITH, Treasurer.

Report of the Treasurer of Cemetery Trust Funds.

The Treasurer of the Cemetery Trust Funds herewith submits his seventh annual report:

DR.	WILLIAM A. ATKINS FUND.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Jan. 1, To bal. deposited in Seamen's Savings Bank,	\$500 00	Nov. 3, By payment, \$2 00 Dec. 31, Cash on hand, 21 33 Dec. 31, Bal. in Town Treasury,
Apr. 1, Dividend rec'd,	13 07	500 00
Oct. 1, Interest rec'd,	10 26	
	\$523 33	\$523 33

DR.	JAMES EMERY FUND.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Jan. 1, To bal. deposited in Seamen's Savings Bank,	\$200 00	Nov. 3, By payment, \$7 06 Dec. 31, Bal. in Town Treasury,
Apr. 1, Dividend rec'd,	3 00	200 00
Oct. 1, Interest rec'd,	4 06	
	\$207 06	\$207 06

DR.	FRANCIS GODFREY FUND.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Jan. 1, To bal. deposited in Seamen's Savings Bank,	\$88 27	Nov. 3, By payment, \$1 50 Dec. 31, Cash on hand, 1 61 Dec. 31, Bal. in Town Treasury,
Apr. 1, Dividend rec'd,	1 32	88 27
Oct. 1, Interest rec'd,	1 79	
	\$91 38	\$91 38

DR.	NANCY HANDLEY FUND.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Jan. 1, To bal. deposited in Seamen's Savings Bank,	\$500 00	Oct. 6, By payment, \$22 30 Dec. 31, Bal. in Town Treasury,
Apr. 1, Dividend rec'd,	12 06	500 00
Oct. 1, Interest rec'd,	10 24	
	\$522 30	\$522 30

DR.	HENRY J. LANCY FUND.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Jan. 1, To bal. deposited in Seamen's Savings Bank,	\$500 00	Oct. 6, By payment, \$11 00 Dec. 31, Cash on hand, 6 65 Dec. 31, Bal. in Town Treasury,
Apr. 1, Dividend rec'd,	7 50	500 00
Oct. 1, Interest rec'd,	10 15	
	\$517 65	\$517 65

DR.	JOHN NICKERSON FUND.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Jan. 1, To bal. deposited in Seamen's Savings Bank,	\$500 00	Oct. 6, By payment, \$10 00 Dec. 31, Cash on hand, 7 65 Dec. 31, Bal. in Town Treasury,
Apr. 1, Dividend rec'd,	7 50	500 00
Oct. 1, Interest rec'd,	10 15	
	\$517 65	\$517 65

DR.	NEHEMIAH NICKERSON FUND.	CR.
1900.		1900.
Jan. 1, To bal. deposited in Seamen's Savings Bank,	\$200 00	Nov. 3, By payment, \$4 00 Dec. 31, Bal. in Town Treasury,
Oct. 1, Interest rec'd,	4 00	200 00
	\$204 00	\$204 00

DR.	RICHARD E. NICKERSON FUND.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 1, To bal. deposited in Seamen's Savings Bank,	Oct. 15, By payment, Dec. 31, Bal. in Town Treasury,	\$10 59 300 00
April 1, Dividend rec'd,		4 50
Oct. 1, Interest rec'd,		6 09
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		\$310 59

DR.	AMELIA O. RICH FUND.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 1, To bal. deposited in Seamen's Savings Bank,	Dec. 31, Cash on hand, Dec. 31, Bal. in Town Treasury,	\$1 00 50 00
Oct. 1, Interest rec'd,		1 00
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		\$51 00

DR.	PHILIP RICH FUND.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 1, To bal. deposited in Seamen's Savings Bank,	Dec. 31, Cash on hand, Dec. 31, Bal. in Town Treasury,	\$3 53 100 00
Apr. 1, Dividend rec'd,		1 50
Oct. 1, Interest rec'd,		2 03
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		\$103 53

DR.	BENJAMIN SMALL FUND.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 1, To bal. deposited in Seamen's Savings Bank,	Oct. 6, By payment, Dec. 31, Bal. in Town Treasury,	\$7 54 200 00
Apr. 1, Dividend rec'd,		3 47
Oct. 1, Interest rec'd,		4 07
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		\$207 54

DR.	EBENEZER S. SMITH FUND.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 1, To bal. deposited in Seamen's Savings Bank,	Dec. 31, Cash on hand, Dec. 31, Bal. in Town Treasury,	\$7 06 200 00
Apr. 1, Dividend rec'd,		3 00
Oct. 1, Interest rec'd,		4 06
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		\$207 06

DR.	MARY STIDD FUND.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Jan. 1, To bal. deposited in Seamen's Savings Bank,	Nov. 3, By payment, Dec. 31, Cash on hand, Dec. 31, Bal. in Town Treasury,	\$2 00 12 25 100 00
Apr. 1, Dividend rec'd,		12 01
Oct. 1, Interest rec'd,		2 24
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		\$114 25

DR.	CHARLOTTE M. WEEKS FUND.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
May 27, To deposit in Town Treasury,	Dec. 31, By payment, Dec. 31, Bal. in Town Treasury,	\$3 20 200 00
Oct. 1, Interest rec'd,		3 20
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		\$203 20

DR.	MILLIE W. YOUNG FUND.	CR.
1900.	1900.	
Sept. 28, To deposit in Town Treasury,	Dec. 31, By bal. in Town Treasury,	\$600 00 \$600 00
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		\$600 00

Respectfully submitted,

SETH SMITH,
Treasurer Cemetery Trust Funds.

Report of Auditor.

The Auditor of Accounts of the Town has carefully examined the Treasurer's Cash Book, Ledger, Account of Cemetery Trust Funds and General Order Book, also the accounts of the Water Department and Public Library and would respectfully submit the following report for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1900:

Balance in the Treasury Jan. 1, 1900,	\$437 25	
Receipts for the year,	80,496 18	
		<u>\$80,933 43</u>
Paid out on proper vouchers,	\$80,276 45	
Balance in Treasury Dec. 31, 1900,	656 98	
		<u>80,933 43</u>
Total number of orders drawn for the year,	1995	

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS.

Jan. 1st, 1900, Trust Funds deposited in the Seamen's Savings Bank,	3,409 10	
Dividend to May 1, 1900,	48 10	
		<u>3,457 20</u>
Total amount of Trusts drawn from Seamen's Savings Bank and deposited in the Town Treasury May 1, 1900,	3,457 20	
New Trusts added in 1900,	850 00	
Interest from May 1st to Oct. 1, 1900,	73 34	
		<u>\$4,380 54</u>
Bills paid by Treasurer on approved vouchers,	\$81 19	
Dec. 31, 1900, Cash in hands of Treasurer,	61 08	
Balance of Trusts in Town Treasury, Dec. 31, 1900,	4,238 27	
		<u>4,380 54</u>

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1900,	\$2 35	
Dog Fund,	202 67	
Town Appropriation,	350 00	
		<u>\$555 02</u>
Expenses for the year (per Trustees' report),	\$548 46	
Dec. 31, 1900, Cash balance,	6 56	
		<u>555 02</u>

BOOK ACCOUNT.

Received Interest Benj. Small Fund,	\$310 00	
Received from sale of books,	6 59	
Received Dividend from Seamen's Savings Bank,	96	
		<u>\$317 55</u>
Jan. 1, 1900, To deficiency,	\$8 33	
Paid for books during the year,	307 76	
Dec. 31, 1900, Cash balance,	1 46	
		<u>\$317 55</u>

I have examined the Benjamin Small Trust Fund Securities, and find them same as last report, amount \$5,000.

WATER DEPARTMENT.

MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

To cash balance Jan. 1, 1900, Town Treasurer,	\$65 91
Cash balance Jan. 1, 1900, Supt. Water Dept.,	161 87
Received from water rates,	2,665 04
Received from service work,	81 75
Received from sale of old material,	7 00
Town appropriation at last annual meeting for outstanding bills,	352 19
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	\$3,333 76
Bills paid as per vouchers,	\$3,241 69
Balance in hands of Town Treasurer, Dec. 31, 1900,	29 56
Balance in Supt.'s hands, Dec. 31, 1900,	62 51
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	\$3,333 76

Respectfully submitted,
ELIJAH O. SNOW, Auditor.

Town Clerk's Report.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN PROVINCETOWN IN 1900.

JANUARY.

8. Joseph Enos and Stephenia Adelaide Woods, both of Provincetown.
8. William Murphy and Maria C. Veara, both of Provincetown.
10. John Davis, Jr., and Minnie Silva, both of Provincetown.
10. Joseph Cabral Vincent and Maryanna Rescamor, nee Lema, both of Provincetown.
15. Manuel Perry Lema and Selina Tarves, both of Provincetown.
24. William Rodgers and Lizzie Ellsworth Newcomb, both of Provincetown.

FEBRUARY.

19. Frank C. Silva of Truro and Emma A. Perry Silva, both of Provincetown.

APRIL.

23. Louis Souza and Anna Tarves, both of Provincetown.
26. William W. Taylor and Lena C. Sparrow, both of Provincetown.

JUNE.

3. Albert Lewis Burch and Mercy Rogers Weeks, both of Provincetown.

JULY.

1. James Rich Turner and Jennie Baker Newcomb, both of Provincetown.

SEPTEMBER.

1. John Cabral Sonce and Mary Noons Jason, both of Provincetown.
12. Gilbert Henry Fifield of Brooklyn, N. Y. and Susie Wells Small, of Provincetown.
15. Manuel Santos Silva and Mary Patrick, both of Provincetown.

OCTOBER.

3. Henry Augustus Wippich and Helen Gertrude Thayer, both of Provincetown. Married in Springfield, Mass.
15. Vincent Veara and Mary Silva, both of Provincetown.
15. Manuel Prayder, Jr., and Maggie Parone, both of Provincetown.
17. Fred Leslie Pigeon of East Boston and Elizabeth Newton West, of Provincetown.
18. Joseph Perry Flores and Frances Gloria Ariago, both of Provincetown.
24. Charles P. Kelley and Hannah C. Buck, nee Graham, both of Provincetown.

NOVEMBER.

8. Martin Nelson and Louisa C. Smith, both of Provincetown.
19. Manuel Santos Perry and Pamela Doshanjos Pavao, both of Provincetown.

DECEMBER.

12. Richard Flood Smith of Eastham, Mass., and Olive Adele Timson, of Provincetown.
15. Charles Hollinsworth Jennings and Edith Josephine Rogers, both of Provincetown.
31. James M. Burke and Ada Louise Holmes, both of Provincetown.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN PROVINCETOWN IN 1900.

JANUARY.

Date.	Name.	Names of Parents.
7.	Frank Henry Smith,	Chester O. and Clara E.
9.	Emma Caton,	Manuel and Ida, nee Silva.
14.	Joseph C. Page,	John S. and Christina C., nee Perry.
14.	Walter Grant Dyer,	Charles W. & Gertrude R., nee Smith.
17.	Mamie Ferry,	Manuel Ferry and Julia, nee Cabral.
18.	George Fillmore Miller, Jr.,	George F. and Ada H., nee Dyer.
22.	America Frates,	Antoine and Emma, nee Oliver.
27.	Madeline Veara,	Manuel and Clara, nee Holmes.
28.	Justine Francis Jason,	Justine and Minnie, nee Marks.
31.	Theresa Prayder Morrell,	Manuel P. and Josephine, nee Roche.

FEBRUARY.

Date.	Name.	Names of Parents.
7.	Stanley Choate Ellis.	Jonathan F. and Addie Frances, nee Choate.
13.	James Arthur Lombard, } twins, Esther Lombard, }	Arthur C. and Estella E., nee Hatch,
14.	Eva Snow Mabbitt,	Albert G. and Grace May, nee Henderson.
15.	Mary Oliver,	Augustus and Amelia, nee Caton.
22.	Walter Albion Rogers,	Antoine and Mamie, nee O'Donnell.
25.	Alice Morris,	Manuel and Mary, nee Flores.
28.	Antoine Prayder Silva, Jr.,	Antoine P. and Mary, nee Brown.

MARCH.

1. Harold Frederick Waterman, Albert and Annie M., nee Curtis.
2. Agnes Blackford Carlos, Frank and Jennie M., nee Randall.
2. Stillborn.
2. Lucy Meads, Joseph and Mary G., nee Ferry.
7. Lawrence Frates, Manuel and Josephine, nee Marks.
8. John Crawley, Jr., John and Mary C., nee Lema.
18. Albion Edward Kelley, Levi A. and Lenora B., nee Lewis.
28. Frank Flores, Jr., Frank and Annie, nee Frates.

APRIL.

6. Manuel Lombard, Joseph and Josephine, nee Christie.
8. Mary Lincoln Matheson, John A. and Lizzie L., nee Atkins.
9. Lewis Perry, Antoine and Amelia, nee Perry.
11. Joseph Crawley, Frank and Mary, nee Joseph.
14. Mamie Cadosh, Manuel and Antonite, nee Gaspie.
15. — Sears, Manuel and Emma F., nee Lewis.
16. Hilda Agnes Veart, Joseph and Louisa J., nee Thomas.
18. Nora Perry, Peter and Nellie, nee Sullivan.
19. — Jenkins, Ira A. and Mabel E., nee Clark.
28. Almeda Silva, John and Almeda, nee Souza.
29. Florence Adams Freeman, Alpheus I. and Alice A., nee Adams.

MAY.

4. Russell John Dagle, Augustus A. and Katie.
7. Catherine White, Jesse and Jennie M., nee Rose.
10. Mary Loring, Bernard V. and Annie, nee Silva.

MAY.

Date.	Name.	Names of Parents.
22.	Lawrence Rogers,	Merton L. and Ada M., nee Magee.
22.	Sylvester Wager,	Frank C. and Phebe A., nee Silva.
25.	Alvena Georgie Cook,	Frank F. and Amelia L.
25.	Angus Stull MacIntyre,	William J. and Mary E., nee Stull.
28.	Maggie Gomes,	Frank and Mary T., nee Prayder.
28.	Ethel S. Silva,	Manuel S. and Emily, nee Oliver.
30.	Ill.	

JUNE.

3.	Herman J. Brown,	George A. and Georgie E., nee Lewis.
3.	Stillborn.	
5.	Joseph Enos,	John and Isabella, nee Mayo.
20.	Stillborn.	

JULY.

3.	Mabelle Willard Wareham,	William M. and Jessie, nee McKenzie.
4.	Margaret Elizabeth Williams,	Jackson R. & Minnie F., nee Lucas.
21.	Joseph Leonard Corea,	Frank and Phebe, nee Page.
22.	Catherine Frances DeRiggs,	Joseph G. and Mary, nee Silva.
22.	Antoine DeRiggs,	Frank and Amelia, nee Jesouce.
24.	Joseph Caton,	John A. and Philomena, nee Prada.
29.	Margaret Jane McInnis,	James H. and Mary, nee McMaster.
31.	Leslie Stanford Lombard,	Arthur L. and Bessie S., nee Weeks.

AUGUST.

3.	Aylmer Osborn Rogers,	William W. & Lizzie E., nee Newcomb.
7.	Amelia Santos,	Peter and Maggie, nee Joseph.
8.	Willie Murphy,	William and Mary C., nee Mello.
9.	Rose Feirado,	Jesse and Mary J., nee Vasha.
10.	Laura Carr,	James, 2d, and Mary, nee Brown.
11.	Joseph Bent, Jr.,	Joseph and Mary, nee Christie.
16.	Raymond William Lewis,	William B. & Winifred S., nee Small.
16.	John Joseph Alves, Jr.	John J. and Rosa F., nee DeRays.
20.	Joseph Dutra,	Frank and Mary, nee Havender.
21.	Ill.	
21.	Ollie Silva,	Manuel F. and Mary, nee Marshall.
22.	William Henry Cabral,	Joseph S. and Rosa, nee Silva.
29.	Mary Bent,	Manuel and Mary, nee Santos.
30.	Joseph Souza,	Manuel and Philomena, nee Jesouce.
31.	Catherine Gertrude Jacob,	Joseph J. and Mary, nee Veara.

SEPTEMBER.

Date.	Name.	Names of Parents.
1.	John Gaspie, Jr.,	John and Mary, nee Souza.
5.	Madeline Mello,	Victorine and Mary, nee Souza.
8.	Marion Perry, Jr.,	Marion and Mary, nee Souza.
16.	Ferdinand Souza, Jr.,	Ferdinand and Mary F., nee Silva.
20.	Sylvester Fisher Francis,	Manuel and Carrie M., nee Silva.
24.	Mamie White.	Antoine and Rosie A., nee Vasha.
26.	James Franklin Pierce,	Henry F. and Mary, nee McQuillan.
28.	Madeline Silva,	William and Almema, nee Prada.
OCTOBER.		
5.	Frank Gaspie, } twins, Stillborn,	John and Mary, nee King.
7.	Cassie Perry Rogers,	Joseph and Mary L., nee Rogers.
7.	Eva May Prada,	Joseph M. and Rebecca M., nee Newcomb.
8.	John Holmes,	Joseph K. and Josephine, nee Prada.
10.	Constance Hopkins,	Raymond A. and Elizabeth K., nee MacIntyre.
11.	Georgie Knowles Cook,	Irving W. & Carrie D., nee Knowles.
12.	Nora Joseph Silva,	Manuel J. and Lucy A., nee Silva.
13.	Frank Perry,	Antoine and Selena C., nee Martin.
24.	Angie Perry,	John and Mary, nee Marshall.
24.	Ellen Patrick,	Antoine and Mary, nee Tasha.
24.	Jessie Cook Burch,	Clarence L. and Dorothy, nee McKenzie.
26.	Mary Helen Vincent,	Joseph and Marion, nee Perry.
31.	Virginia Tasha, Jr.,	Virginia and Fannie, nee Lewis.
31.	Mary Gaspie,	Frank and Mary, nee Gracie.
NOVEMBER.		
2.	Ernest Thomas,	Frank and Rosa, nee Gracie.
15.	Roland Lester Powe,	William and Lucy Ellen, nee Cashin.
16.	Lawrence Fratus,	John W. and Mary J., nee Williams.
18.	Eveline Francis Sints,	Joseph and Emily, nee Tarves.
18.	Mamie Fields,	John D. and Virginia, nee Joseph.
21.	Antoine Gaspie, Jr.	Antoine and Reta, nee Constance.
22.	Mary Lema,	Manuel and Mary, nee George.
25.	Nicholas DeLuz,	Zachariah & Gertrude R., nee Gomes.
27.	Pearl Agnes Snow,	Manuel and Matilda A., nee Powers.
30.	— Francis,	Joseph and Annie, nee O'Donnell.

DECEMBER.

Date.	Name.	Name of Parents.
2.	Celia Camera Souza,	Joseph E. and Mary, nee Souza.
6.	Clarence Enos,	Joseph and Mary, nee Silva.
19.	— Swett,	Joseph & Mary Elizabeth, nee Silva.
27.	Joseph Peter,	Manuel and Mary, nee Silva.
29.	— Simmons,	Manuel M. and Rosa, nee Marshall.
31.	Lewis King,	Antoine and Clara, nee Enos.

BIRTHS RETURNED AFTER JANUARY 1, 1901.

Oct. 30.	John Steel,	Joseph and Mary, nee Brown.
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DEATHS REGISTERED IN PROVINCETOWN IN 1900.

JANUARY.

Date.	Name.	Age.			Cause of Death.
		Y.	M.	D.	
1.	*Joaquina Williams,	55	6	11	Cancer of stomach.
25.	Millie W. Young,	34	7	11	Pneumonia.

FEBRUARY.

4.	Antoine deRosa,	59	5	0	Cardiac dilatation.
5.	Catherine A. Morris,	0	6	0	Capillary bronchitis.
9.	Agnes Tarves,	0	3	26	Inanition.
10.	Nellie Souza,	0	5	18	Broncho pneumonia.
13.	Zephaniah Rich,	72	5	20	Edema of glottis.
14.	Bernard J. Alexander,	0	7	28	Broncho pneumonia.
15.	Joseph F. McDonald,	0	1	24	Broncho pneumonia.
18.	Joseph M. Andrews,	0	3	15	Broncho pneumonia.
18.	*Minerva B. Kelley,	43	6	23	Pneumonia, rheumatic fever.
19.	†George H. Cornell,	47	4	28	Syncope.
23.	Walter Connor,	66	0	0	Angina Pectoris.
27.	Joseph E. Perry,	30	6	27	Tuberculosis.

MARCH.

2.	Joseph Alves,	3	5	11	Membranous croup.
2.		0	0	0	Still born.
8.	Joseph Perry,	0	3	15	Convulsions.
9.	Mamie Veara,	6	5	0	Pneumonia.
12.	†Silas R. Atkins,	65	9	14	Pneumonia.

*Died in Somerville. †Died at Sailors Snug Harbor, N. Y. ‡Died in Boston.

MARCH.

Date.	Name,	Age.			Cause of Death.
		Y.	M.	D.	
13.	Sally Maria Bennett,	73	1	6	Diabetis.
18.	Justine L. Alves,	1	1	18	Capillary bronchitis.
19.	Mary Ann Adams,	59	8	14	LaGrippe, complicated by heart failure.
19.	Clarence N. Webber,	19	1	9	Tuberculosis.
21.	John Crawley, Jr.,	0	0	14	Acute arthritis.
21.	Hannah G. Holway,	74	6	23	Paralysis.
22.	Francis J. Corea,	71	8	15	LaGrippe.
22.	William H. Hedge,	70	8	15	Angina pectoris,
23.	Susan G. Lewis,	81	7	13	Broncho pneumonia.
24.	Mariner H. Chase,	4	3	18	Cerebral.
26.	Lewis Gaspie,	2	6	0	Intussusception.
26.	Joseph D. Loring,	42	10	0	Tuberculosis.

APRIL

1.	*Jesse I. Kendall,	77	5	0	LaGrippe.
5.	Mary W. Bowley,	47	8	21	Mitral regurgitation complicated by lagrippe.
7.	Mary E. Smith,	60	6	0	Heart failure.
16.	— Sears,	0	0	1	Convulsions.
19.	— Jenkins,	0	0	1	Premature birth.
24.	Albert A. Roderick,	0	9	1	Capillary Bronchitis.
30.	Lauren Young,	80	11	11	Fibroid phthisis,

MAY.

6.	Rosie M. Cabral,	0	7	28	Abscess.
9.	Catherine White,	0	0	3	Hemorrhage.
10.	James Allen,	0	9	10	Pneumonia.
12.	Margaret A. Welsh,	11	7	26	LaGrippe and rheumatism.
15.	Frederick A. H. Gifford,	53	10	15	Double pneumonia.
16.	Leroy G. Baker,	0	5	11	Cholera infantum.
16.	Joseph Costa,	53	0	0	Pulmonary congestion.
22.	Lawrence Rogers,	0	0	1	Premature birth.
23.	Stanley S. Small,	15	4	8	Pneumonia.
25.	Dorothy Crowell,	6	1	22	Cerebral meningitis.

* Died in Boston.

JUNE.

Date.	Name.	Age.			Cause of Death.
		y.	m.	d.	
3. ———		0	0	0	Still born.
3. John Smith,		70	9	10	General paresis.
5. §Carl John Fellman,		43	6	25	Suicide.
11. Willam M. Lavine,		2	10	28	Pneumonia.
13. Florence R. Hatch,		17	8	16	Brights disease.
19. George V. Loring,		4	0	0	Tubercular cerebral meningitis,
20. ———		0	0	0	Still born.

JULY.

1. David C. Smith,		73	5	25	Apoplexy.
8. Hervey W. Baldwin,		65	0	0	Softening of brain.
12. Mamie C. Brazil,		24	8	19	Epilepsy.
21. Mary F. Leander,		20	11	20	Pulmonary tuberculosis.
31. Alvena G. Cook,		0	2	5	Convulsions.

AUGUST.

1. Louise H. Clark,		1	3	4	Hydrocephalus.
7. Joseph C. Silva,		0	8	6	Cholera infantum.
29. Antoine Tarves,		87	0	0	Senility.

SEPTEMBER.

4. Manuel Francis Greal,		17	10	4	Typhoid fever.
7. Herman J. Brown,		0	3	4	Cholera infantum.
9. Willie Murphy,		0	1	4	Marasmus.
14. John E. Pine,		5	9	16	Dysentery.
19. Eben Lothrop,		70	3	1	Angina pectoris, chronic nephritis.
22. Ill.		0	1	1	Marasmus.
24. George W. Randall,		0	9	29	Cholera infantum.
27. Frank Flores, Jr.,		0	5	27	Marasmus.

OCTOBER.

5. ———		0	0	0	Still born.
6. Maggie Gomes,		0	4	9	Acute enteritis.
9. Eveline N. Soper,		96	4	9	Old age.

§ Died in Truro.

OCTOBER.

Date.	Name.	Age.			Cause of Death.
		y.	m.	d.	
15. Tomaza Souza,		35	11	0	Heart failure.
18. Mary Carmel Bent,		0	1	20	Whooping cough.
20. John W. Myrick,		55	11	16	Valvular disease of heart.
22. Thomas W. Dyer,		74	1	8	Lupus Ulcer.
22. Joseph Davis,		2	8	19	Broncho pneumonia.
24. Antoine Tarves,		57	0	0	Phthisis pulmonalis.
27. Manuel Veara,		65	0	0	Cirrhosis of liver.
27. Virginia Woods,		0	10	12	Whooping cough.
28. Manuel Roderick,		0	11	9	Cholera infantum.

NOVEMBER.

4. Antoine Rocheteau,		1	3	17	Whooping cough.
8. Frank Loring,		83	0	0	Senile debility.
8. Joseph Atkins,		81	2	2	Progressive paralysis,
9. Vedora Antoine,		0	10	28	Capillary bronchitis.
13. John W. Beaty,		76	1	28	Asthenia, heart failure.
14. Edward Martin,		1	4	1	Capillary bronchitis.
14. Madeline Silva,		0	1	17	Pertussis, convulsions.
16. Louisa M. Carlos,		88	0	0	Old age, bronchitis.
16. Walter G. Dyer,		0	10	2	Whooping cough.
18. Emma L. Dyer,		3	3	17	Whooping cough, meningitis.
19. Nora May Oliver,		4	5	18	Whooping cough, cerebral meningitis.
19. Henry S. Kelley,		40	0	0	Chronic alcoholism and exposure.
21. *Alfred Olsen,		33	0	0	Consumption.
29. §Mary Louisa Burke,		27	0	14	Pulmonary phthisis.

DECEMBER.

5. Phebe Silva,		1	3	1	Capillary bronchitis.
10. Laura B. Carr,		0	4	0	Capillary bronchitis.
11. Manuel L. Dañtos,		0	8	5	Phthisis, bronchitis.
16. Nicholas de Luz,		0	0	22	Capillary Bronchitis.
21. Lewis Carter,		1	0	11	Cerebral meningitis.
28. Frank Gaspie,		0	2	25	Capillary bronchitis.

*Died in Malvern, Jamaica, W. I.

§Died in Cambridge.

MARCH.

	Age.		
	y.	m.	d.
Drowned in Cape Cod Bay:			
5. Manuel Silva,	23		
5. Manuel Silva, 3d,	56		
22. Joseph K. Silva,	35		

JUNE.

Drowned on Western Bank from Sch. I. J. Merritt:

8. Bernard Ventura Delora, 29

SEPTEMBER.

Drowned on Virgin Rocks, Grank Banks, Sch. Willie McKay:

12. George Naugler, 36 4

Died on board Sch. Glenelg in Cape Cod Bay:

30. James E. McCarthy, 37 7 12

The crew of Sch. Cora McKay who were lost on the Virgin Rocks,
Grand Banks:

12. Roderick W. Matheson, Captain,	36		
12. Peter Souza Armel,	39		
12. Joseph Bent,	39		
12. Manuel N. Costa,	35		
12. Joseph Lombard Dantos,	30		
12. Hans P. Jensen,	42		
12. Luther Jensen,	14		
12. Antoine Perry Lema,	19		
12. Marion Perry Lema,	32		
12. Joseph Madears, 2d,	32		
12. Joseph Madears, 3d,	29		
12. Manuel deCosta Narcissus.	47		
12. Joseph Souza Ponts,	24		
12. Joseph Bent Prayder,	35		
12. William Bent Prayder,	19		
12. Joseph Enos Romero,	35		
12. Manuel Sands,	22		
12. Manuel Silva,	21		
12. Manuel Valentine,	51		
12. Manuel Valentine, Jr.,	25	9	23
12. John White,	46		

SUMMARY.

The following are the statistics of marriages, births and deaths registered in Provincetown for the year ending Dec. 31, 1900:

MARRIAGES.

Number of marriages registered in 1900,	25
Both born in the United States,	15
Both born in the Azores,	5
Mixed, one American,	4
Mixed, other nationalities,	1

BIRTHS.

Number of births registered in 1900,	113
Males,	60
Females,	53

The parentage of the children is as follows:

Both parents American,	36
Both parents Portuguese,	45
Mixed, one American,	29
Mixed, other nationalities,	3

DEATHS.

Number of deaths registered in 1900,	130
Males,	93
Females,	37
Number died in Provincetown,	96
Number died in other places,	7
Drowned at sea,	27
Born in the United States,	92
" " Azores,	26
" " British Provinces,	6
" " Ireland,	1
" " Sweden,	3
" " Cape de Verde Islands,	2
Death rate per 1000,	21.66

DOG LICENSES.

Number of dogs licensed in Provincetown in 1900,	112
Paid County Treasurer,	\$219 60

Respectfully submitted,

SETH SMITH, Town Clerk.

Report of the Board of Health.

We are pleased to report that the sanitary condition of the town is an improvement over that of former years, owing to the fact that a majority of our citizens seem to be doing their best to keep their premises in the most cleanly condition possible. But unfortunately there is in this, as in every other community, a class that seem to ignore the laws of health, and by their neglect seem to say, that it does not make any difference to the health of a community whether sanitary rules are observed or not.

The greatest nuisance with which we have to contend is, that some of our citizens keep swine in close proximity to their dwellings, forced to do so, because they have but a small area of land about their homes. The By-Laws of the town stipulate, that no one shall keep swine at a nearer distance than twenty-five feet from any public street or road, or any dwelling not their own; but does not prevent them from keeping swine at their very doors. We have endeavored to strictly enforce the town by-law, and in a number of cases caused swine pens to be removed.

There have been no cases of contagious diseases in this town the past year requiring our attention, thereby saving expense to the town in this department.

The State law, relating to compulsory vaccination of pupils of the public schools, has been enforced; we believing it to be our duty to do so until the law is replaced.

The dumping grounds, that were established during the early spring, in accordance with the vote passed at the last annual town meeting, have proved to be a great convenience. They have generally been used by citizens on which to deposit rubbish

thereby lessening the expenses in this department, while in former years we were at a considerable expense in collecting and removing debris, that had accumulated by the roadside and on vacant lots.

The shores have been almost wholly free from the accumulation of dead fish the past season. This has not been the case for a number of years, and consequently there has been but little expense attendant on the same in the way of removal and disposing of the same.

The Pest House is in good condition, but the fence is quite old and may have to be partially replaced by a wire fence, part of the same now being of that material.

There have been fewer vessels, from foreign ports, to call here this season than for a number of seasons past. Therefore the revenue from that source has been less.

There have been six licenses issued by us the past year, three to undertakers, and three to do sanitary work.

For vital statistics, reference to the Town Clerk's report may be made, that official acting as agent for this Board.

During the month of September, the secretary of this Board was, in consequence of ill health, compelled to seek a more congenial climate, and owing to continued ill health, has been compelled to remain away to the present writing.

We would recommend a sum, not less than that appropriated the last year, be appropriated the present year to defray the expenses of this department. Although you will see by our report that we have returned quite a large surplus into the town treasury, we think this last year has been a favorable one, considering the absence of sickness and other causes, to the saving of expense. We therefore believe that there should not be any reduction in the appropriation for this department. In conclusion we wish to thank all those who have aided us in our endeavors to keep the town in a good sanitary condition.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Amount of appropriation,	\$150 00
Received for 6 licenses,	12 00
Inspecting 3 steamers in quarantine,	15 00
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	\$177 00

EXPENDITURES.

Mch. 31, W. S. Birge, inspecting steamer,	\$3 00
Mch. 31, W. N. Wareham, boatman,	1 00
Apr. 29, W. T. Atkins, boatman,	1 00
May 26, A. E. Rich, team hire,	1 50
May 26, B. A. Lewis, inspecting,	13 10
June 30, B. A. Lewis, labor,	7 00
June 30, A. E. Rich, sanitary work,	3 00
June 30, Prince I. Freeman, labor,	75
July 25, Howard F. Hopkins, printing,	18 25
July 25, B. A. Lewis, labor, etc.,	3 50
July 25, W. S. Birge, inspecting steamer,	3 00
Sept. 7, B. A. Lewis, labor,	3 05
Sept. 27, W. S. Birge, services as Secretary,	20 00
Oct. 27, B. A. Lewis, labor,	2 25
Dec. 8, C. P. Curley, inspecting steamer,	3 00
Dec. 29, E. H. Tillson, labor,	26 10
Dec. 29, J. E. Ellis, boatman,	1 00
R. O. Kelley, serving notice,	50
F. E. Williams, serving notices,	5 22
B. A. Lewis, labor,	50
W. S. Birge, inspecting,	3 00
Dec. 31, Balance unexpended,	57 28
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	\$177 00

E. H. TILLSON,

B. A. LEWIS,

Board of Health.

FORTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Engineers of the Fire Department.

FINANCIAL.

Salaries to May 1, 1900:		
Chief of Department,		\$20 00
Clerk Board of Engineers,		15 00
Three Assistant Engineers, each \$10,		30 00
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		\$65 00
Hook and Ladder Co, No. 1, 25 men,	\$125 00	
Steamer Co., No. 3,	15 "	75 00
Chemical Co., No. 4,	20 "	100 00
Hose Co., No 1,	12 "	60 00
" 2,	12 "	60 00
" 3,	12 "	60 00
" 4,	12 "	60 00
" 5,	12 "	60 00
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		600 00
5 stewards, engine man, asst. engine man and stoker,		270 00
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Total salaries to May 1, 1900,		\$935 00

Sundry bills to Jan. 1, 1901 :		
Engine and hose house repairs,	\$48 50	
Stoves, fuel and lights,	62 60	
House supplies, waste, polish, soda,	34 70	
Printing engine blanks for reports,	13 50	
Hose carriage repairs,	12 40	
Horses on apparatus,	4 00	
Horses on steamer, special contract,	70 00	
Painting department houses,	31 75	
Apparatus repairs,	22 75	
Flag staff repairs,	8 00	
Hose washers and straps,	5 50	
Lead, acid bottle and packing,	33 81	
650 feet 2 1-2 inch circular woven hose,	300 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,582 51
Appropriated at annual meeting, 1900,		
for salaries and running expenses,	\$1,450 00	
Special for hose,	300 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,750 00
Balance unexpended,		167 49
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		\$1,750 00

RECORD OF FIRES FOR 1900.

Nov. 14, 12.45 P. M.

An alarm of fire was rung in at 12.45 P. M., for a blaze in the fish store of John E. Freeman at the west end. A net had fallen on the stove, quickly ignited and caused a dense smoke to issue from the building. The department was quick to respond and was on hand with their apparatus. No hose was put in use. This alarm called out the whole department.

We can but congratulate this community on its freedom from the devouring element and particularly this past year when we had so long and dry a season. Money paid out for night watch a part of the year we consider well invested and wish it could be continued at all times. Each citizen must use all the precaution possible in looking after chimneys and stove pipes, also

building bon-fires and burning up old rubbish in close proximity to dwellings. Hot ashes deposited in wooden vessels is a dangerous practice. We would, if possible, suggest that each church and public hall, also all the school rooms be supplied with Fire Extinguishers of some kind so as to stop a fire in the bud and save a big conflagration.

RESERVOIRS.

During last summer the town reservoirs were looked after and the tops examined, also the depth of water taken in each one. We find them in good condition.

ALARM.

We again call the attention of the people to the absolute necessity of raising an alarm whenever a fire is discovered. The firemen cannot reach a fire quickly unless promptly alarmed. Let all join in the cry Fire! Fire!! and state what street it's on.

HOSE.

The department has on hand 5,000 feet of 2 1-2 inch fire hose, most of which is good. Some of it is old and quite poor, which in a few years will have to be replaced with new and perhaps very soon if we should have a big fire.

THE FIREMAN.

The spirit of the department we are pleased to state is good and though idleness begets inactivity, we feel that it is not so in this department, but that every member is as ready and prompt to respond as all have been in the past.

RINGING CHURCH BELLS.

This is down to a science in this town as we learn that one janitor of a church rang a regular fire bell fifty-five minutes without a let up, which beats the record. The trouble in ringing a regular fire bell for meeting, which is the only alarm the firemen have to get at a fire, is confusing and causes delay which may be the means of serious trouble. In ringing the bell for fire purposes let it be understood that only pay when a

piece of apparatus is used on the fire. And also pay half price to teams to haul apparatus to and from when there is no stream put on the fire.

HOUSES.

The houses of this department are mostly in good order. A beneficial change might be made in the front doors of several houses. Some painting will be necessary and other repairs to preserve the buildings.

APPROPRIATION REQUIRED AND RECOMMENDED.

Salaries one year to May 1, 1901,	\$950 00
Other expenses for one year to Jan. 1, 1902,	500 00
Total appropriation,	\$1,450 00

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. HOLMES,

J. H. BARNETT,

J. F. SNOW,

JEREMIAH A. RICH,

Engineers Fire Department.

Provincetown, Jan. 21, 1901.

Report of Cemetery Commissioners.

Your Commissioners have during the past year endeavored to make some improvement to the general appearance of the cemeteries. Citizens who only occasionally visit the cemeteries will hardly understand the work which is being done and necessary to keep in repair and beautify the places of burial of our citizens.

Removal of brush, grading banks, replacing old fences with new requires the time and best judgment of your Commissioners. A large part of the money appropriated at the last annual town meeting has been expended in removing brush, leveling banks and building a new fence around Cemetery No. 1 situated between Court and Winthrop Streets. This cemetery is the oldest in town. Many of our citizens having lots there prefer to use them instead of removing the remains of their families to other places. Considerable work of a like nature has been done in Cemetery No. 2, opposite the private cemetery known as Gifford's. Your Commissioners believe it is time to call your attention to the need of more room for burials and therefore ask an appropriation to lay out a part of the grounds purchased by the town a few years ago as an addition to Cemetery No. 2. We recommend that the Commissioners in laying out the new cemetery be authorized to fix a price for lots when the same are completed.

We desire that our citizens may give notice of persons using any grounds owned by the town for burials for deposit of refuse material, also the name of owners of cattle or fowl that frequently go at large and sometimes travel into these sacred enclosures.

On the southwesterly part of Cemetery No. 2 is a narrow strip of land where the hearse house formerly stood. No one

has been buried there. We desire to straighten the line of the cemetery at this point and recommend that the town authorize the Commissioners to sell the same agreeable to Section 16 of the By-Laws of the town.

We would recommend for laying out and improving the grounds rear of Cemetery No. 2,	\$300 00
For current expenses,	100 00
	\$400 00

Appropriation,	\$200 00
Material sold,	4 00

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Lewis & Brown, fence material,	\$54 32
John Hinckley & Son, fence material,	25 57
Wm. B. Bangs, paint,	12 15
B. H. Dyer & Co., paint,	6 95
B. H. Dyer & Co., wire and staples for fence,	3 13
James Campbell, teaming,	12 60
James Fuller & Son, whitening town tomb,	2 00
Charles H. Holway, labor,	27 00
James Winslow, "	9 00
Nathaniel H. Small, "	16 63
John McQuillan, "	2 87
James P. Smith, "	10 25
Wm. H. Settes, "	6 25
Geo. W. Readey, "	80
Balance unexpended,	14 48
	\$204 00 \$204 00

SETH SMITH,
THOMAS S. TAYLOR,
ENOS N. YOUNG,
Cemetery Commissioners.

Report of the Water Commissioners.

MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

Expenditures have been as follows :

Lewis & Brown, coal,	\$614 97
John McIntosh, services,	550 00
John A. Matheson, coal,	510 05
William B. Dunham, labor,	385 10
M. L. Cobb, coal,	241 75
J. D. Adams, services,	200 00
Alden Speares Sons Co., oil and supplies,	117 83
Hartford Inspection & Insurance Co.,	100 00
Walworth Manufacturing Co., supplies,	91 23
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., freight on coal and supplies,	74 28
W. R. Gayland, services,	72 00
James Campbell, team for service work,	30 50
Chapman Valve Manufacturing Co.,	23 38
George A. Settes, labor,	21 85
G. E. Gilchrist, supplies,	19 75
H. F. Hopkins, printing bills, notices, cards,	17 00
Manuel K. Lema, labor,	14 30
Henry McShane & Co., supplies,	12 95
Eben Holway, labor,	12 80
Charles A. Fuller, labor and stock,	12 20
W. B. Bangs, labor and supplies,	13 66
A. W. Chesterton & Co., supplies,	11 94
Thomson Meter Co., supplies,	7 64
American Radiator Co., service boxes,	7 20
George W. Standish,	7 00
Jesse Swett, labor,	6 20
H. J. Wagner, services,	5 50

Seth W. Fuller, supplies,	\$5 04	
Lewis & Brown, lumber,	4 37	
John Logan, labor,	4 20	
Peter Bent, labor,	4 05	
Herbert Engles, supplies,	3 98	
Isaiah H. Lewis, labor,	3 60	
Bingham & Taylor, supplies,	3 12	
John Welch, teaming,	3 10	
J. D. Adams, sal-soda for boilers,	3 00	
Frank Rogers, teaming,	3 00	
W. K. Nickerson, teaming,	3 00	
George Ford, teaming,	2 80	
J. S. Jones, teaming,	2 70	
M. F. Noonan, teaming,	2 60	
J. W. Williams, labor,	1 90	
Joseph W. White, labor,	1 80	
James W. Dunham, labor,	1 35	
Hersey Manufacturing Co., supplies,	1 34	
Provincetown Cold Storage Co.,	1 25	
Samuel A. Bennett, labor,	1 25	
Ira K. Small, labor,	1 05	
Henry Pierce,	70	
James P. Smith, labor,	60	
E. Stebbins & Co.,	41	
J. D. Hilliard,	40	
	<hr/>	\$3,241 69

FINANCIAL.

MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

Bal. in hands of Treasurer, Jan. 1, 1900,	\$65 91	
“ “ Supt., Jan. 1, 1900,	161 87	
Appropriation for outstanding bills of 1899,	352 19	
Cash received from water rates, services, etc.,	2,753 79	
	<hr/>	\$3,333 76
Bills paid as per vouchers,	\$3,241 69	
Bal. in hands of Treasurer, Dec. 31, 1900,	29 56	
“ “ Supt., Dec. 31, 1900,	62 51	
	<hr/>	\$3,333 76

SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOUNT OF CASH RECEIVED AND
PAID TO TREASURER.

Superintendent's balance of cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1900, \$161 87
Received from water rates :

January,	\$391 16	
February,	166 76	
March,	288 05	
April,	114 44	
May,	249 56	
June,	138 10	
July,	705 69	
August,	87 75	
September,	133 50	
October,	230 53	
November,	33 50	
December,	126 00	
	<hr/>	2,665 04

Received from service work :

January,	\$2 75	
March,	2 25	
April,	9 75	
May,	10 00	
June,	5 25	
July,	23 75	
August,	3 00	
October,	4 50	
November,	20 50	
	<hr/>	81 75

Received from sale second hand fixtures,

7 00
\$2,915 66

Cash paid Treasurer as per receipts, \$2,853 15
Superintendent's balance cash on hand,
Dec. 31, 1900, 62 51

\$2,915 66

SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOUNT WITH TREASURER.

Balance on hand Treas. Jan. 1, 1900,	\$65 91	
Appropriation for outstanding bills of the year 1899,	352 19	
Cash paid Treas. as per receipts,	2,853 15	
		\$3,271 25
Bills approved and paid by Treas.,	\$3,241 69	
Balance on hand Treas. Dec. 31, 1900,	29 56	
		\$3,271 25

PUMPING STATION RECORDS.

1900.	Water Gallons Pumped.	Coal Lbs. Used.
January,	5,402,900	42,644
February,	3,616,598	30,438
March,	4,994,110	38,283
April,	5,140,824	40,232
May,	4,132,372	35,067
June,	8,753,912	63,186
July,	10,793,306	74,143
August,	9,734,216	73,139
September,	8,615,608	67,680
October,	2,767,194	23,843
November,	2,421,960	19,235
December,	3,200,568	22,825
	<hr/> 69,573,568	<hr/> 530,715

Day on which the greatest amount was pumped, July 11.
Number of gallons pumped, 667,402.

Week during which the greatest amount was pumped, July
16 to 23. Number of gallons pumped, 3,265,514.

During the months of June, August and September we were
frequently obliged to pump nights, an approximate cost for this
work, made necessary more from the waste of the water than
by legitimate use, is \$275.00.

The water furnished the road department for watering the
streets amounts to about 1,200,000 gallons, at an approximate
cost to the water department of \$40.00.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.
WATER ANALYSIS.—(PARTS IN 100,000).

NO.	DATE OF		APPEARANCE.				ODOR.		RESIDUE ON EVAPORATION.		
	Collec- tion.	Exami- nation.	Turbid- ity.	Sediment.	Color.	Cold.	Hot.	Total.	Less on Ignition.	Fixed.	
29859	Jan. 4, 1900	Jan. 5, 1900	Decided iron.	Cons. iron.	Fil. .60.	None.	None.	11.30	3.10	8.20	
30138	Feb. 6, "	Feb. 8, "	Decided iron.	Heavy iron.	Fil. .67.	None.	None.	10.80	4.40	6.40	
30188	Mch. 6, "	Mch. 7, "	Decided iron.	Cons. iron.	Fil.	None.	None.	11.30	3.60	7.70	
30928	Apr. 4, "	Apr. 5, "	Decided iron.	Cons. iron.	Fil.	None.	Faintly earthy.	10.80	3.70	7.10	
31145	May 1, "	May 2, "	Decided iron.	Heavy iron.	Fil.	None.	Faintly musty.	11.50	3.50	8.00	
31485	June 6, "	June 7, "	Decided iron.	Cons. iron.	Turbid .80.	None.	None.	10.30	3.10	7.20	
31930	July 2, "	July 3, "	Decided.	Heavy iron.	.62.	None.	Faintly earthy.	10.50	3.10	7.40	
32357	Aug. 6, "	Aug. 7, "	Slight iron.	Very slight.	.80.	None.	Faintly earthy.	9.80	2.70	7.10	
32339	Sept. 5, "	Sept. 6, "	Decided.	Slight iron.	Iron, about 2.00.	Faintly earthy.	Faintly earthy.	9.70	3.00	6.70	
33180	Oct. 3, "	Oct. 4, "	Decided.	Cons.	None.	None.	None.	11.00	3.70	7.30	
33610	Nov. 7, "	Nov. 8, "	Decided.	Cons. iron.	None.	None.	Distinctly earthy.	12.30	3.20	9.10	
33954	Dec. 5, "	Dec. 6, "	Decided.	Heavy iron.	None.	None.	Faintly earthy.	11.40	2.80	8.60	

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30138	Feb. 6, "	Feb. 8, "	Decided iron.	Heavy iron.	Fil. .67.	None.	None.	10.80	4.40	6.40
30388	Mch. 6, "	Mch. 7, "	Decided iron.	Cons. iron.	Fil.	None.	None.	11.30	3.60	7.70
30928	Apr. 4, "	Apr. 5, "	Decided iron.	Cons. iron.	Fil.	None.	Faintly earthy.	10.80	3.70	7.10
31145	May 1, "	May 2, "	Decided iron.	Heavy iron.	Fil.	None.	Faintly musty.	11.50	3.50	8.00
31485	June 6, "	June 7, "	Decided	Cons. iron.	Turbid .80.	None.	None.	10.30	3.10	7.20
31930	July 2, "	July 3, "	Decided	Heavy iron.		None.	Faintly earthy.	10.50	3.10	7.40
32387	Aug. 6, "	Aug. 7, "	Slight.	Very slight.	.62.	None.	Faintly earthy.	9.80	2.70	7.10
32839	Sept. 5, "	Sept. 6, "	Slight iron.	Slight iron.	.80.	Faintly earthy.	Faintly earthy.	9.70	3.00	6.70
33180	Oct. 3, "	Oct. 4, "	Decided.	Cons.	Iron, about 2.00.	None.	None.	11.00	3.70	7.30
33610	Nov. 7, "	Nov. 8, "	Decided.	Cons. iron.		None.	Distinctly earthy.	12.30	3.20	9.10
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WATER ANALYSIS.—(PARTS IN 100,000).

NO.	AMMONIA.				Chlorine.	NITROGEN AS		Oxygen Consumed	Hardness.	Iron.	REMARKS.
	Free.	Albuminoid.		Nitrates.		Nitrites.					
		Total.	In Solution				In Suspension.				
29859	.0093	.0164			2.80	.0220	.0002	.64	2.7	.1700	Reservoir.
30138	.0104	.0188			2.88	.0070	.0001	.87	2.3	.4800	Reservoir.
30388	.0300	.0156			2.65	.0020	.0001	.68	3.1	.6000	Reservoir.
30928	.0228	.0126			2.62	.0020	.0000	.68	3.0	.3840	Reservoir.
31145	.0196	.0150			2.68	.0030	.0000	.80	3.0	.4200	Reservoir.
31485	.0054	.0146			2.78	.0100	.0000	.62	2.6	.3040	Reservoir.
31930	.0100	.0122			2.69	.0030	.0000	.65	2.2	.3520	Reservoir.
32487	.0022	.0143			2.79	.0140	.0001	.57	2.0	.1150	Reservoir.
32839	.0057	.0185			2.64	.0160	.0001	.64	2.2	.1160	Reservoir.
33180	.0072	.0174			2.69	.0040	.0001	.65	2.0	.4080	Reservoir.
33610	.0226	.022			2.66	.0050	.0002	.81	2.9	.7400	Reservoir.
33954	.0206	.0242			2.62	.0050	.0004	.85	2.9	.4400	Reservoir.

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	Free.	Albuminoid.				Nitrates.	Nitrites.				
		Total.	In Solution	In Suspension.							
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30138	.0104	.0188			2.88	.0070	.0001	.87	2.3	.4800	Reservoir.
30388	.0300	.0156			2.65	.0020	.0001	.68	3.1	.6000	Reservoir.
30928	.0228	.0126			2.62	.0020	.0000	.68	3.0	.3840	Reservoir.
31145	.0196	.0150			2.68	.0030	.0000	.80	3.0	.4200	Reservoir.
31485	.0054	.0146			2.78	.0100	.0000	.62	2.6	.3040	Reservoir.
31930	.0100	.0122			2.69	.0030	.0000	.65	2.2	.3520	Reservoir.
32457	.0022	.0143			2.79	.0140	.0001	.57	2.0	.1150	Reservoir.
32839	.0057	.0185			2.64	.0160	.001	.64	2.2	.1160	Reservoir.
33180	.0072	.0174			2.69	.0010	.0001	.65	2.0	.4080	Reservoir.
33610	.0226	.02			2.66	.0050	.0002	.81	2.9	.7400	Reservoir.
33954	.0206	.0242			2.62	.0050	.0004	.85	2.9	.4400	Reservoir.

The gates, hydrants and buildings are in good condition, no repairs of consequence having been made on either during the year. In June the stand pipe was emptied and thoroughly cleaned, the inner surface was found to be in a good condition and none of the plates needed asphaltting. The outer surface looks bad, but the discoloration is due more to the fact that at times when the telameter was out of order, the water was pumped over the top. In another year it will need to be painted on the outside. The pumps are not in the best of order. During the long continued dry weather of the summer, when the water was low in the reservoir, sand was at times drawn in through the suction pipe and carried along through the pump, thereby injuring it materially.

The boilers are in the best possible condition, as is evidenced by the report of the inspector, who examines them quarterly in the interest of the insurance company.

September 15th the Board was compelled to issue notices restricting the use of hose to certain hours, as well discontinuing to supply water for the road department. This step was necessary for the public safety in case of fire. Owing to a scarcity of supply, together with the excessive waste, it was impossible by pumping night and day to keep up with the consumption. The water in the stand pipe was continuously lowered day by day, and when it was reduced to fifty-five feet we felt that the extreme danger limit had been reached. The Board anticipated the unjust criticism which was made by many, but knew that the well thinking citizen could only favor the precaution taken.

Thinking that it may be of interest to compare this year's work with some previous year, we take the year 1896, with 443 water takers. This year like the present, 1900, was a year of drought, but not to such an extreme.

During the year 1896, 33,231,590 gallons of water were pumped from the driven well system. In doing this 359,045 pounds of coal were used, showing a record of 92 and a fraction gallons pumped for each pound of coal consumed. The present year, 1900, supplying 457 takers shows that 69,573,568 gallons of water were pumped, the amount of coal consumed was

530,715 pounds, showing a record of 131 and a fraction gallons for each pound of coal consumed, a gain of 39 gallons to each pound of coal used. In 1899 we did even better than this. Our record was 141 gallons per pound of coal. This may be accounted for by the facts that the springs were higher and that the pump was in better working order. Besides being enabled to pump more water from the reservoir than from the wells, per pound of coal, we are also saved the annual expense of taking up, relocating and cleaning the strainers of the wells, which expense would average \$125.00. Consequently to the credit of the reservoir we have a saving of \$125.00 for well work annually, together with a sum amounting to about \$394.00 for excess gained over the wells in pumping from the so called "Folly Pond."

The quality of the water is not what is desired, consequently the amount allowed to run to waste is enormous. It is safe to say that a fair estimate of the waste is about one third of the whole quantity pumped.

At the present time the reservoir is not in the best condition to obtain the most economical results. During the past summer when the springs were the lowest, its capacity was about 36,000 gallons, with a rate of flow into it of about 400 gallons per minute. This could by dredging out more sand inside of the curb, thereby increasing the bottom area, be increased to a capacity of about 54,000 gallons with a rate of flow of about 600 gallons per minute. This work could be done for two hundred dollars or less. Then, after so doing, the suction pipe could be extended out to the center and the best and most economical results be had.

As much has been said during the past year about looking for another supply, and among the many mentioned is the Gull Pond of Wellfleet, by request we make the following statement in regard to this preposterous idea: To begin with a pumping station would have to be established there. This of course means a number of thousands of dollars, then comes the pumping main to this town. This item alone would mean an expenditure of from eighty to ninety thousand dollars. Next,

we have the deep wells. This question was referred to a special committee appointed for the purpose by the town and their report on the same can be found in this same edition.

OUTSTANDING BILLS, MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

Lewis & Brown, Sept. 7, coal,	\$100 00	
" " Oct. 12, coal,	145 78	
" " Oct. 24, coal,	50 00	
" " Dec. 12, coal,	100 00	
J. D. Adams, salary and sundry office expenses,	206 56	
John McIntosh, salary for December,	50 00	
		\$652 34

The Board would respectfully recommend that the sum of \$652.34 be appropriated to pay the outstanding bills mentioned above. The following bills amounting to \$91.20 can be paid from the balances in the hands of the Treasurer and Superintendent:

W. B. Dunham,	\$35 00	
B. H. Dyer & Co.,	19 45	
Howard F. Hopkins,	9 00	
James E. Atkins,	6 24	
Amasa Taylor,	5 89	
George W. Pettes,	3 73	
Moses S. Turner,	2 95	
Amasa S. Dyer,	2 00	
J. D. Hilliard,	1 68	
W. B. Bangs,	1 50	
McInnes & Ramos,	1 00	
Lewis & Brown,	96	
Herbert Engles,	95	
George H. Holmes,	85	
		\$91 20
		\$743 54

We also recommend that the Town Treasurer be authorized to hire money in anticipation of water rates for the purchase of coal. Under the present conditions it is impossible to get a low figure on coal as the dealers are obliged to wait months, as is shown above, for their money.

We further recommend that an appropriation of a sum not to exceed fifteen thousand dollars be made for the purpose of improving the present water supply either by filtration or otherwise, and that the town petition the Legislature for authority to issue bonds, notes or scrip amounting to fifteen thousand dollars for improving its present water supply.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. ADAMS,

L. N. PAINE,

Water Commissioners.

Report of Committee on Filtration and Artesian Wells.

Your Committee, appointed at a Special Town Meeting held Oct. 9, 1900, for the purpose of making inquiries into the Systems of Filtration and Deep or Artesian Wells, respectfully submit the following report.

Believing that a better idea of the systems of filtration and the results accomplished could be obtained by a personal visit to places where they might see the filters in operation, it was decided that two of the committee should make inquiries and visit those places where the conditions of the water were similar to those which we have to deal with in our present supply.

From what information we were able to obtain, we were satisfied that at Atlantic Highlands, Keyport and Hightstown, New Jersey, and Reading, Mass., we would be able to witness filters in operation upon water very similar to our water here. On Tuesday, Dec. 4th, we visited

ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS.

Here we found a Continental Pressure Filter in operation capable of filtering 500,000 gallons in 24 hours. This system consists of two large horizontal tanks made of iron. Usually one is filled with charcoal and the other with gravel, but at this place sand was used, and it was claimed that equal results were obtained. The supply is taken from nine deep wells, varying from 110 to 140 feet, situated about one-fourth mile from the Raritan Bay and within a space of one-half acre. The pipes are 4 1-2 inches in diameter and cost \$1.50 per foot not including strainer. All of these wells at first flowed themselves, now

only one, the deepest, flows 5 gals. per minute. This well was practically stopped at one time but now furnishes the most water. Only five wells really furnish the supply at present as the strainers in the other four are stopped up, and the supply varies and is constantly decreasing. The water varies at different times, more iron being found at high tide than at low, and more iron in the deepest well than in the others. The water is lifted from these wells by an air pump and falls into a deep receiving well sunk in the ground, thus assisting in aerating it. As it comes from the ground it is clear, but the water in the receiving well resembled the water as seen in our own supply, "Folly Pond," so called. We were told that the water would precipitate iron in about 10 hours; that it would discolor marble bowls or china, and no laundry work could be done with it before filtering.

We noticed that the ends of the supply pipes were covered with a heavy coating of what looked like rusty iron. From this basin the water is pumped and forced through each of the filters to a standpipe 3-4 of a mile away and from this is supplied to the town. We were unable to obtain an analysis, but were informed that 94 per cent. of the impurities were taken out of the water thus rendering it fit for drinking, laundry or boiler purposes. The filters are easily cleaned by reversing the flow of the water pumped from the basin, from a downward to an upward pressure, or in other words the water is forced in under the filter beds, breaking it up and releasing the sediment, and with the use of an air pump which assists in stirring up the filtering material. At our request both filters were washed, and the waste showed an abundant amount of sediment and coloring matter. This operation occupied 21 minutes from the start to the filters being in working order again. These filters can only be used where a coagulant is not needed and are generally recommended for use in buildings of all kinds in cities and only under certain conditions in municipal supplies, that is, where no coagulant or lime is used. They are in successful operation at Asbury Park, filtering 2,000,000 gals. a day, removing iron from artesian well water. There is being constructed one at

Middletown, N. Y., capable of filtering 1,000,000 gals. surface water per day, also one at Staniford, N. Y., for purifying surface water. There are two at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel having a capacity of 1,386,400 gals. every 24 hours, and many others from 7,200 gals. to 500,000 gals. per day are in successful operation. The plant at Atlantic Highlands we were told cost \$6000 seven years ago. The sand in them was renewed three years ago and has been changed every year since. This plant is run in connection with the Electric Light Plant and three men were employed, but we believe that only one man is needed for the water department.

KEYPORT.

At Keyport we found a system of water works that had been in operation since 1893. The supply is taken from six artesian wells, from 235 to 242 feet deep, put down at high water mark, and about 150 feet apart. The original capacity of these wells was about 500 gals. per minute, now about 200 gals., as the strainers are somewhat filled up, and three of them flow but very little. Each well is connected by a 4 1-2 inch pipe with an 8 inch suction main. The filtering plant was not put in until 1895. Before this time much trouble was caused by iron in the water. This would settle in the main and at times would be found in abundance in the water drawn from certain taps while others in nearby houses would be free from it. The iron is in the form of a bi-carbonate. The water as it comes from the ground is clear, but tastes very strong of iron and has a bad odor. Upon exposure to the air it precipitates iron, and a fungus appears. The filters are of the Warren type and have a capacity of 500,000 gals. every 24 hours, and operate by gravity. By means of a by-pass the suction pipe from the wells is tapped before reaching the pumps, and the water is pumped, together with considerable air, by the use of a Worthington Tank Pump into the settling basin which forms a part of the filter plant. The end of the settling basin next the pump is partitioned off, and the water from the pump enters a portion of it 3 feet by 2 feet 10 inches, having a hopper shaped bottom.

From this it passes over a partition and down a passage-way 2 feet 10 inches by 1 foot. Thence into a third section of 2 feet 7 inches by 2 feet 10 inches from which it passes over a partition into the settling basin proper. Here it drifts along passing down one side of a long center partition and up the other side where it enters a pipe leading to the filters. Above the settling basin is placed a cylindrical tank 3 feet in diameter and 4 feet deep, in which the solution of lime is prepared. In the cover of this tank is placed a galvanized iron hopper with a perforated bottom, and in the hopper is placed common lump lime broken in small pieces. The water supply is branched above the lime tank and a portion of it is delivered over the hopper full of lime by means of a finely perforated pipe so that there is a constant spray of water upon the lime which ensures a continuous slacking, the water and the lime passing down through the hopper and into the large tank where it meets a further supply of water and by a constant rotation of a paddle having wooden blades, so arranged as to keep a continual upward circulation, a milk of lime of the proper consistency is made, which passes off through an overflow pipe by which the milk of lime is delivered into the partition through which the water enters the settling basin. By delivering the lime in this manner, it is sure to meet every portion of the incoming water, and such lime as is not reacted on by the water, remains in the hopper, and is constantly agitated, so that all the lime is eventually brought into solution. The water and the lime then continues its course, and on its entrance into the third section meets a supply of air furnished by a 7 x 7 inch Clayton low-duty air compressor. We are told that by the addition of the lime to the water, the bi-carbonate of iron is converted into a carbonate, which by further aeration is converted into a sesquioxide, which combining with the water forms into a ferric hydrate, while any excess of lime that may exist, is also oxidized, and thus prevented from separating out later, as it would on exposure to the carbonic acid in the air. The change or oxidation can be plainly seen, as the water entering the basin is clear, after receiving the lime it turns green, and after aeration passes from green through yellow into

red, due to the presence of hydrate in the water. Much of this hydrate and the lime settles to the bottom of the settling basin during the progress of the water from the point of delivery to the filters, and the minute portions of hydrated iron are caught in the filters, from which the water issues bright, clear and sparkling into a weir tank, from which it is pumped to a stand pipe 20 by 125 feet, having a capacity of about 300,000 gals. It takes 45 minutes from the time of the pumping of the water to its entrance into the weir tank.

There is two open wooden tanks made of cypress used as the filters, each 10 1-2 feet in diameter and 8 feet deep, having 26 inches of filtering material, which at present consisted of coarse sand and had been in use five years. The filter beds are washed every day by reversing the current, and by using the revolving arms with their rake-like teeth. These arms are rotated by power and gradually sink into the sand as they revolve, thus loosening up the sand which has become packed together and lessening the work of the wash water and the quantity required. Filtered water is used in washing the filters. The power for cleaning the filters, operating the lime agitator and the air compressor, is furnished by the same engine. Both filter beds were washed while we were there and was completed in 23 minutes. In the 5 years and 2 months that this plant has been in operation 147 bbls. of lime have been used. The overflow of the milk of lime represents about a quarter inch stream and adds to every 21,000 gals. of water about six pounds of lime. An analysis of the water made soon after the installing of the plant showed 97 1-2 per cent. of iron removed. Sulphuric acid reduced 50 per cent. Total solids 43 per cent. and organic and volatile matter 88 per cent.

We drew some of the water from a faucet at the hotel, and found it to be clear, and to taste all right for drinking purposes. It is said to be satisfactory for laundry and boiler use, and to keep well.

The cost of the filters, settling basin, extra pump and air compressor was \$3,700, of the 22x25 brick addition \$771, and the extras about \$330, making a total cost of about \$4700.

These figures are taken from information furnished by one of the Water Commissioners, but we were told by the man in charge that the entire cost was \$5,000.

HIGHTSTOWN.

At Hightstown there is a Jewell Filter capable of filtering 250,000 gals. of water in 24 hours, and has been in operation since 1897. There is but small consumption of water here, being only about 30,000 gals. a day in winter and 110,000 gals. in summer. The process of filtration is practically the same as at Keyport, with the exception of the filter beds being square, and no arms in them for stirring up the filter material when washing. Only a reversed current of filtered water is used in washing the filters, it requiring 3 per cent. of the pumpage. The supply of water is procured from 4 deep wells from 200 to 206 feet deep, 8 inches in diameter, the quantity being the same from each well. These were put down by Kisner and Bennett of Belmar, N. J., and cost \$1.90 per foot, strainers extra and are about 30 feet long. The water is clear as it comes from the ground, but tastes badly, has a strong odor of carbonic acid gas, and precipitates a sediment in about twelve hours. Here about two grains of lime is used to one gal. of water, but after about three hours pumping the water varies and a smaller quantity is then used. From a lawn faucet at the Superintendent's house we examined the water and found it clear, free from odor and tasted all right for drinking purposes, and is said to be all right for laundry or boiler use. This plant cost \$2500. At the Peddie Institute in this town there is in operation a Continental Pressure Filter capable of filtering 43,200 gals. in 24 hours and is said to give very good satisfaction.

READING.

The supply of water here is taken from a filter gallery. The gallery is 3 1-2 feet wide, 4 feet high inside, L shaped, with a total length of 250 feet, and the bottom is twenty-two feet below the level of the meadow. The walls are of rough field stone and the gallery is covered with flat stone laid in cement. There

is an abundant supply of water from the filter gallery but the quality is very far from being satisfactory. Chemical analyses of the water showed marked turbidity and heavy sediment throughout the greater part of the year, and monthly samples collected during a space of ten months, are described as having an odor generally disagreeable, sometimes offensive. It is said that this water contains iron in solution, which precipitates out a reddish brown deposit on exposure to the air, and that waters of this character often have a disagreeable odor from carburetted or sulphuretted hydrogen. This water as it comes from the ground is colorless. *Crenothrix*, a species of fungus, is found and is said to thrive in water containing decomposed organic matter and iron in solution as a protoxide. Partially filtered water like ground water from a filter gallery would furnish the organic matter and with iron present in addition, *crenothrix* might be expected. In 1893 the State Board of Health, as a result of twelve monthly analyses, reported an average of 0.1251 parts of iron in 100,000. The odor as faintly mouldy or unpleasant; in June and July disagreeable. The sediment heavy and rusty, and organic matter in a partial state of rotification was quite prominent. Their comments on the analysis was as follows:

"The water offers a good instance of the effect of a marshy soil on the character of the water percolating through it. The organic matter of the soil consumes the free dissolved oxygen in the water and reduces the insoluble iron salts to the condition of protoxide, so that iron passes into solution in the water. On exposure of the water to the air the iron is again oxidized, forming first a precipitate which gives the water a milky appearance and ultimately settles as a rusty sediment. Conditions similar in some respects to those of Reading are found at Provincetown, Bradford and Watertown, and were found in the test wells at Attleboro."

The iron in this water at Reading is present as a sulphate instead of a bicarbonate, as in the three previous towns mentioned, and in this form it is more difficult to be removed. This, however, is being accomplished by the use of the Warren

System of Filtration, using lime, air and the sulphate of alumina. The plant is capable of filtering 1,000,000 gals. in 24 hours, and consists of a settling and coagulating basin 33x19x9 feet, above which is an aerating basin 33x19x4 1-2 feet and six filter beds 8 1-2 feet in diameter, together with a temporary storage tank for filtered water 31 x 10 1-2 x 8 feet, from which the water is pumped to the standpipe. The water is taken from the filter gallery by a Worthington pump and delivered to the aerating basin, through a hopper at one end of it, into which the descending supply of the milk of lime is discharged, which is prepared by an automatic slacking device, as at Keyport. On receiving the lime it passes into the aerating basin proper, which is so divided by partitions as to cause the water to travel back and forth four times before passing over the final weir and entering the settling basin below. The water during this passage receives violent aeration by means of twenty-three 1 1-4 inch nozzles perforated with fifteen 1-32 inch holes. By this method each particle of water receives twenty-three successive aerations, thus thoroughly oxidizing the iron, and the water together with the suspended iron passes over the last weir into the settling basin through a 10 inch pipe, being supplied at this point by means of a Warren Chemical Pump, with the amount of dilute alum solution necessary for its coagulation. The sulphate of alumina is first dissolved in a mixing tank. Gauges are attached to these tanks so as to measure accurately the flow of the alumina solution. By gravity it flows from the mixing tank to the pump tank through a small pipe. A rubber valve connected to this pipe and a rubber float in the pump tank regulates the flow of the solution into the pump tank and keeps it at its desired level. From this it is taken by the Warren Chemical Pump, which is made of rubber and has six hollow arms bending at the hub and passing along the pump axis to a deflecting cup where the liquid is thrown down into a funnel thence into the water to be filtered. This pump may be operated either automatically by a propeller placed in the main supply pump or by steam. In this coagulating basin the water remains about one hour, and from this passes to the filters,

from which it flows bright and clear to the storage tank. There is from 50 to 60 per cent. of sediment that settles in the settling basin and the water when it reaches the storage tank is said to have 99 per cent. of iron removed. At the time we visited Reading they were using 1-2 grain of sulphate of alumina to one gallon of water and a barrel of pure marble lime every week. The necessity for coagulation is due to the fact that the iron varies greatly in its behavior under treatment by lime and aeration. At times the hydrate of iron forms in sufficiently large flakes to serve as its own coagulant, at other times the oxidized iron is in so minute a form as to render the water brown like beer, under which conditions it will pass through any form of filtering material unless a coagulant is used. The total cost of the Reading plant was :

Building and Clear Water Basin,	\$11,000
Suction Pipe,	1,436
Pumps, Engines and Connections,	1,900
Settling Basin, Aerators and Filters about,	7,000
Total,	<u>\$21,336</u>

Since putting in the filters the services have increased 25 per cent. while the amount of water consumed has decreased 50 per cent., showing that previous to the supply being filtered, much of the water must have been wasted. In most of the places where lime is used there is an increase of hardness in the water, and where sulphate of alumina is used there is often found less alum in the filtered water than in the raw water. From all information that we can get there has never been any sickness attributed to the use of sulphate of alumina in water. And in a report made by the Board of Health of the State of Rhode Island in 1899 they say:—"As the experience of the filtration experiments conducted at Louisville and at Providence show that no alum is to be found in filtered water, it is not believed by the Board that alum used in this manner would prove injurious to users of water filtered by these means."

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System of Filtration, using lime, air and the sulphate of alumina. The plant is capable of filtering 1,000,000 gals. in 24 hours, and consists of a settling and coagulating basin 33x19x9 feet, above which is an aerating basin 33x19x4 1-2 feet and six filter beds 8 1-2 feet in diameter, together with a temporary storage tank for filtered water 31 x 10 1-2 x 8 feet, from which the water is pumped to the standpipe. The water is taken from the filter gallery by a Worthington pump and delivered to the aerating basin, through a hopper at one end of it, into which the descending supply of the milk of lime is discharged, which is prepared by an automatic slacking device, as at Keyport. On receiving the lime it passes into the aerating basin proper, which is so divided by partitions as to cause the water to travel back and forth four times before passing over the final weir and entering the settling basin below. The water during this passage receives violent aeration by means of twenty-three 1 1-4 inch nozzles perforated with fifteen 1-32 inch holes. By this method each particle of water receives twenty-three successive aerations, thus thoroughly oxidizing the iron, and the water together with the suspended iron passes over the last weir into the settling basin through a 10 inch pipe, being supplied at this point by means of a Warren Chemical Pump, with the amount of dilute alum solution necessary for its coagulation. The sulphate of alumina is first dissolved in a mixing tank. Gauges are attached to these tanks so as to measure accurately the flow of the alumina solution. By gravity it flows from the mixing tank to the pump tank through a small pipe. A rubber valve connected to this pipe and a rubber float in the pump tank regulates the flow of the solution into the pump tank and keeps it at its desired level. From this it is taken by the Warren Chemical Pump, which is made of rubber and has six hollow arms bending at the hub and passing along the pump axis to a deflecting cup where the liquid is thrown down into a funnel thence into the water to be filtered. This pump may be operated either automatically by a propeller placed in the main supply pump or by steam. In this coagulating basin the water remains about one hour, and from this passes to the filters,

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opinion that our present supply of water can be made clear and right for family use, laundry and boiler purposes. The condition of our water is certainly no worse than those we have mentioned and many others of the 152 cities and towns which are using and obtaining satisfactory results by the use of mechanical filters, such as we have described.

It cannot be introduced without money, and we believe that a supply of good water will increase the services, and thus add to the income of our water department.

What it will cost to introduce this system will depend largely upon what kind of a building you erect, and the size of plant considered necessary, but in all probability \$15,000 would cover all expense. No extra help would be needed unless in summer time if obliged to pump night as well as day.

ARTESIAN OR DEEP WELLS.

After consulting personally four different firms engaged in putting down artesian wells, corresponding with another, and with people who are acquainted, or have had something to do with such wells, your committee are unable to obtain any satisfactory information as to what results might be expected from an artesian well put down in our locality. It is true that there are a great number of such wells located in all parts of the country, some giving a large supply of pure water, others a supply that must be filtered for city uses, and some that are total failures.

Almost unlimited information could be furnished in reference to wells in other sections of the country, but as every section has its own peculiarities and formations, it would not reveal to us the conditions beneath us. It is said that in many cities and towns on the sea coast, in formations of sand, gravel or clay in which no rock or similar obstructions are encountered, and good water cannot be procured either by digging or by driven wells, that in such places good wells, yielding an abundance of pure water for steam boilers and for domestic purposes can be made at depths of 100 to 200 feet. We were told that in all probability we would have to go very deep at our place in order to

obtain water judging from the distance from us of the outcropping of solid rock.

If your committee had any money at their disposal, they could have procured "reliable experts" to make examinations or surveys for the purpose of determining the prospect of obtaining success from a well or wells located here. The charge for this, we are informed, would be actual travelling and hotel expenses, together with a moderate compensation for time, advice, etc. Were we able to do this it would only be a matter of conjecture and the using up of money, which might be used in the only safe and sure way of knowing, that of boring a test well. The New York parties whom we consulted thought that it would cost from four to five dollars a foot to put down a 6 inch well to bed rock, through which an extra price would have to be charged, but in order to give an exact price they would have to look over the ground. Boston parties agree to put down a wrought iron pipe, 6 inch, for seven dollars a foot, 8 inch for eight dollars a foot, 10 inch for twelve dollars a foot, and twelve inch for twenty dollars a foot, for what is sunk in the ground from the level of the surface. They agree to sink the above sizes of pipe to a depth not to exceed 500 feet, provided bed rock is not encountered, for the above price, and if bed rock should be encountered before a depth of 500 feet is reached, they agree to drill a hole in bed rock as near the inside of the pipe as possible, until 500 feet is reached, provided they are not ordered to stop work before this depth is reached.

They to furnish all materials and labor to complete the work for the above sums per foot, and are willing to discontinue work on our order at any time after 200 feet is reached. It is possible that lower prices than these might be obtained were we in a position to ask for proposals.

In Massachusetts are to be found some deep wells, the nearest to us being East Gloucester, Braintree and Hull. These are owned by private parties, furnishing water for private uses, and from what information we can get the water is good. Should it be decided to bore a test well, and the prices obtained should not be satisfactory full outfits may be purchased and work

undertaken by local parties with the assistance of an expert if deemed necessary. So far as your committee know, the nearest city to us that has endeavored to procure a supply of water from deep or artesian wells is Providence, R. I. Their success is set forth in a report of the joint special committee of the City Council, as follows: "Judging from the experience of certain cities and of certain manufacturing plants located in this vicinity it has been assumed by some that a sufficient amount of suitable water might be obtained from driven wells to supply the city with pure water filtered by nature. If such a supply could be obtained in the vicinity of the Pettaconcet Pumping Station, the answer to the first question presented to the committee for consideration would be answered, and it would not become necessary to filter the present supply.

"A proposition was received from Mr. Adelbert Barker, a contractor who has had large experience in driving wells in this vicinity, to obtain the necessary quantity of suitable water. He, therefore, under the direction of the Commissioners of Public Works, made several borings at a point near the pumping station at Pettaconcet, which seemed to him most likely to yield the desired quantity. Although several borings were made at various depths, yet a sufficient quantity was not secured, and the water obtained showed upon analysis a high degree of hardness, and the presence of iron in such quantities as to preclude its use either for manufacturing or domestic purposes. The same conditions prevailed at the time of the investigation made by the previous committee appointed by this council, and it was then found impracticable to consider this as a source of supply. An exhaustive report was made at that time to the City Council by the City Engineer, Mr. J. Herbert Shedd. This report not only found the quantity unobtainable, but the quality poor. It also gave a complete digest of a large number of wells in the city of Providence, and of the quantity and character of the waters obtained from them."

This was the experience of the city of Providence, and only like experiments will reveal to us the quantity and quality of the water beneath our town.

In looking up and investigating the matters given them for their consideration your committee have endeavored to perform their duty to the best of their ability, and for the best interest of the town, and in so doing have expended for hotel bills \$22.56 and for car fares \$39.24, making a total of \$61.80, and we respectfully ask the town to reimburse us for the same and that an appropriation be made at the Annual Town Meeting for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. ADAMS,
L. N. PAINE,
GEORGE F. MILLER,
Committee.

Report of the Trustees of the Public Library,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING, DEC. 31, 1900.

ANNUAL EXPENSES.

Balance on hand last report,	\$2 35	
Received town appropriation,	350 00	
Received Dog Fund,	202 67	
Paid Hattie M. Dyer, Librarian,	\$250 00	
Freeman A. Smith, Janitor,	102 85	
James Gifford, Insurance,	34 56	
Alfred Small,	27 36	
Kate J. Williams,	7 00	
Geo. H. Holmes,	1 00	
A. L. Putnam,	4 30	
H. F. Hopkins,	21 50	
H. Engles,	4 80	
Library Bureau,	20 00	
Freight and Express,	3 30	
John D. Hilliard,	71 79	
Balance on hand,	6 56	
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	\$555 02	\$555 02

BOOK ACCOUNT.

Received income Benj. Small Fund,		\$310 00
Received sale of books,		6 59
Received dividend Seamen's Savings Bank,		96
Due Treasurer, last report,	\$8 33	
Paid Chas. E. Lauriat Co.,	211 36	
A. L. Putnam,	41 75	
D. Appleton & Co.,	6 00	
Wm. Beverly Johnson,	1 20	
A. S. Barnard & Co.,	1 00	
R. F. Bodner, Treas.,	25 00	
F. H. Barnard,	21 45	
Balance on hand,	1 46	
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	\$317 55	\$317 55

CONDITION OF THE LIBRARY DEC. 31, 1900.

Number of books Dec. 31, 1899,	7,697
" " purchased in 1900,	219
" " received from State,	11
" " " " United States,	10
" " " " donation,	13
Present number of books,	7,950
Number of periodicals,	14
Number of names registered Dec. 31, 1899,	3,251
" " added in 1900,	74
Present number of names,	3,225
Circulation for the year,	12,000
New books purchased to replace old,	4

523 strangers visited the Library.

324 selected books for use.

Circulation of books among them 1,609 vols.

Attendance at the reading room, 1,853.

DONATIONS.

Advocate.

Beacon.

250th Anniversary of Malden.

Facing the 20th Century, donated by the American Union League Society.

Victor Serenus by Henry Wood.

Vanilla by Joseph Burnett Co.

Field, Forest and Wayside Flowers, How to Know the Wild Flowers and Nature's Garden were donated by the Arbutus Club.

Catalogue of Authors by Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

Proofs of Theosophy by Alexander Fullerton.

Christian Science Journal and Sentinel from the Publishers.

The Young Carthaginians by Master Joseph Horn.

Clear Skies and Cloudy by Mr. Edward Morgan.

Pen Sketches by Finley Acker.

Life of Charles Bulfinch.

We would recommend an appropriation of \$350 for ensuing year.

MOSES N. GIFFORD,
A. T. WILLIAMS,
GEO. H. HOLMES,
RAYMOND A. HOPKINS,
M. C. ATWOOD,
I. A. SMALL,
HOWARD F. HOPKINS,
A. L. PUTNAM,
A. P. HANNUM,

Trustees.

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting, Monday, February 11th, 1901.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

BARNSTABLE, 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 directed to notify and summon the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in elections to meet at the Town Hall on Monday, the eleventh 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 see if the town will vote to accept the list of Jurors, as prepared by the Selectmen and posted according to law.

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

FIFTH. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be its agents and attorneys to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all legal suits or proceedings in which the town may be in anyway engaged or interested for the ensuing year.

SIXTH. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for the observance of Memorial Day.

SEVENTH. To see if the town will authorize the Cemetery Commissioners to sell a narrow strip of land on the southwestern part of Cemetery No. 2 and instruct the Board of Selectmen to execute a deed for the same.

EIGHTH. To choose the following town officers, 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 three years.
- Three Trustees of the Public Library for three years.
- One member of the Board of Health for three years.
- One Water Commissioner for three years.
- One Cemetery Commissioner for three years.
- An Auditor for one year.
- A Collector of Taxes for one year.
- Five Constables for one year.
- Three Fence Viewers for one year.
- Three Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber for one year.
- Two Field Drivers for one year.
- A Pound Keeper for one year.
- A Monument Committee for one year.
- A Tree Warden 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.

NINTH. To see if the town will vote to establish and maintain a street light on Pearl Street at the Junction of Turner's Lane.

TENTH. To see what action the town will take, if any, towards requesting the Selectmen to reduce the rates for the use of Town Hall to all local organizations or parties.

ELEVENTH. To see if the town will pass resolutions remonstrating against House Bill No. 247, relative to the taking of bluefish in Barnstable Bay and Wellfleet Bay.

TWELFTH. That the Selectmen be instructed and are hereby instructed to lay out and open up for the use of the public on or before April (15) fifteenth, nineteen hundred and one, a town landing. The same to be sixty (60) feet wide, to be located in a southerly direction from the house of Miss Dewing Woodward, said house being known as the "Pungo." That the sum of fifty (\$50) dollars be raised and appropriated for the same.

THIRTEENTH. To raise and appropriate by ballot, such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the current expenses of the town and matters voted on at the meeting.

You will serve this precept by posting up one attested printed copy thereof at the following places: Stores of Richard G. Tarrant, William Trevosh, Andrew T. Williams, Joseph Matthews, B. H. Dyer & Co., William E. Rogers, Albert W. Fuller, John Adams, George H. Holmes, Manuel Perry, Lewis & Brown, Jonathan Y. Cook, John D. Adams, James E. Rich, Joseph Patrick, Jr., John D. Hilliard, Jeremiah A. Rich, Franklin E. Hill, Leonard N. Swift, George O. Knowles, R. B. Dyer, Frederick A. Lewis, Simeon C. Smith, and Joseph Francis, also at the Post Office, all in said town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this precept with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Witness, the seal of the town of Provincetown hereunto affixed, this twenty-eighth day of January in the year nineteen hundred and one.

MARSHALL L. ADAMS,
GEORGE ALLEN,
JOHN N. SWIFT,
Selectmen of Provincetown.



A true copy attest :

J. HARVEY DEARBORN,
Constable of the town of Provincetown.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1900.



PROVINCETOWN, MASS.:

The Advocate Press. Howard S. Hopkins.

1901.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

	Term Expires
Artemas P. Hannum, Chairman,	1903
Andrew T. Williams, Secretary,	1902
A. Louis Putnam, Agent,	1901

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

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT.

Alvan R. Lewis.

TRUANT OFFICERS.

George H. Lewis, J. Harvey Dearborn, Fred E. Williams

TEACHERS.

School.	Grades.	Names.
High	Principal.	Ira. A. Jenkins.
"	1st Assistant.	Phebe E. Freeman.
"	2nd Assistant.	Carra E. Wilcox.
Grammar	Prineipal.	Sara Cavanagh.
"	1st Assistant.	Gertrude Lewis.
"	2nd Assistant.	Nina S. Williams,
Eastern	VII. and VI.	Pauline Atkins.
"	V. and IV.	Cora M. Daggett.
"	III. and II.	Grace E. Cook.
"	I.	Albertina C. Young.
Center	VII. and VI.	Julia C. Knowles.
"	V. and IV.	Nathalia Ryder.
"	III. and II.	Jessie B. Allen.
"	I.	Gertrude L. Snow.
Gov. Bradford	VII. and VI.	Annie W. McKennon.
"	V. and IV.	Katherine I. McIntyre.
"	III. and II.	Susan N. Dearborn.
"	I.	Ethel A. Reed.
Western	VII. and VI.	Frances S. Crocker.
"	V. and IV.	Carrie A. Cowing.
"	III. and II.	Lillian N. Brooks.
"	I.	Anna M. Dolan.
Johnson	III. and II.	Annie A. Swett.

Teacher of Music—Mrs. Abbie S. Taylor.

Report of School Committee.

The School Committee respectfully submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1900, and with it the report of the Superintendent of Schools.

In accordance with our usual custom we made a personal inspection of all school buildings in the early part of the long vacation and all necessary repairs were made during the summer months. The buildings are now in good repair and look well for buildings that have had hard usage for so many years. No unusual outlay seems to be necessary the coming year except, that in accordance with the plan to paint one schoolhouse each year, we would recommend an appropriation of \$100 to paint the Western schoolhouse.

At the last annual town meeting it was voted to dissolve the union with the town of Wellfleet, relative to the District Superintendent of Schools. After the dissolution of this union Mr. A. P. Hannum was made Superintendent of our schools and served until the formation of the new district.

In 1900 the legislature passed the following :

CHAPTER 248, ACTS OF 1900.

SECTION 1. The school committee of each town or city in the Commonwealth may, and after July first in the year nineteen hundred and two shall, employ at the expense of the town or city a superintendent of schools, who under the direction and control of the committee shall have the care and supervision of the public schools; provided, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to dissolve existing unions for the employment of a superintendent, or to prevent towns from uniting for such employment under the provisions of section forty-four and forty-five of chapter forty-four of the Public Statutes, or of section six and seven of chapter four

hundred and sixty-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

SECTION 2. The school committees of towns the valuation of which is less than two million five hundred thousand dollars may, and after July first in the year nineteen hundred and two shall, form unions under the provisions of chapter four hundred and sixty-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

SECTION 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed. [Approved April 18, 1900.]

Under the provisions of this act we formed a union with the towns of Chatham and Wellfleet and, in September, elected Mr. Alvan R. Lewis Superintendent of Schools for the district.

Mr. Lewis is broad minded, well educated and thoroughly fitted for the position, having had successful experience both as teacher and superintendent. It is too early, at the time of this writing, to say much of his labors here, but from the bright and vigorous way in which he has taken up his duties, and the conscientious manner in which he carries on his work we feel that his connection with our schools will result in great benefit.

The changes in teachers during the year have been few. In June Mr. J. H. Clagg, principal of the Grammar School, resigned his position, to take effect at the close of the school year. Mr. Clagg was a faithful, hard working teacher whose whole time was devoted to the interests of his school. We parted from him with regret and are glad to know that he is doing well in his new position.

Miss Sara Cavanagh was made principal to fill the vacancy, Miss Gertrude Lewis was made first assistant and Miss Nina S. Williams, a recent graduate of the normal school at Hyannis, was elected second assistant.

In December, 1899, Miss Carra E. Wilcox, assistant at the High School, was, at her request, granted a leave of absence to enable her to visit Europe. Her place for two terms was filled by Miss Mary H. Dow, whose work was very satisfactory.

Nothing injures our schools so much as absence and tardiness and much of this is the fault of the parents of the pupils. Children are allowed to stay at home for little or no reason, and

are often sent on rival errands at the very time they should be sent to school. This interferes with their progress, causes poor recitations, low marks, and general trouble.

Our advice to parents is—send your children to school every day when they are not sick, and go yourselves occasionally to see what they are doing and how they are doing it.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

FREE TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid E. E. Babb & Co.,	\$236 48	
Ginn & Co.,	27 20	
J. L. Hammett Co.,	196 36	
Silver Burdett & Co.,	94 01	
Thompson, Brown & Co.,	11 92	
D. L. Brownell,	7 00	
American Book Co.,	188 16	
Holden Book Cover Co.,	12 65	
Safety Bottle Co.,	4 50	
D. C. Heath & Co.,	32 16	
Obadiah Snow, •	18 00	
Ira A. Jenkins,	5 00	
E. K. Smith,	10 66	
A. L. Putnam, Agent,	92 50	
Appropriation,	\$1,000 00	
Balance,	63 40	
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	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00

AGENT'S ACCOUNT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Amount stock on hand,	\$451 59
Books sold,	6 83
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	\$458 42

NEW WINDOWS FOR EASTERN SCHOOLHOUSE.

Appropriation,		\$75 00
B. H. Dyer,	\$75 00	
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	\$75 00	\$75 00

PAINTING CENTER SCHOOL BUILDING.

Appropriation,		\$100 00
B. H. Dyer,	\$96 42	
Balance,	3 58	
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	\$100 00	\$100 00

CEMENT FLOOR GOV. BRADFORD SCHOOL BUILDING.

Appropriation,		\$60 00
Chas. A. Fuller,	\$61 60	
Deficiency,		1 60
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	\$61 60	\$61 60

UNPAID BILLS.

Appropriation,		\$108 00
W. B. Bangs,	\$108 28	
Deficiency,		28
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	\$108 28	\$108 28

SCHOOLHOUSE REPAIRS.

Paid Andrew Kennedy,	\$57 70
Masury, Young & Co.,	20 50
A. L. Putnam,	18 88
J. E. Atkins,	55 86
A. P. Hannum,	36 90
H. F. Hopkins,	11 00
F. H. Dearborn,	16 00
Herbert Engles,	10 50
A. T. Williams, Agent,	8 64
J. E. Callaghan,	8 10
Geo. H. Lewis,	22 92
M. Bradshaw,	10 62
H. O. Sparrow,	25 32
Geo. A. Beaty,	5 00
Geo. C. Hill,	32 60
N. H. Small,	4 00
Obadiah Snow,	2 65
Geo. H. Holmes,	2 65
A. S. Dyer,	1 75
W. J. McIntyre,	1 75
Josiah Swift,	1 71
C. W. Dyer,	75
A. Irving Freeman,	75
C. W. Burkett,	1 50
Anthony M. Cabral,	1 25
Lewis & Brown,	39 96
B. H. Dyer & Co.,	65 65
Jesse Rogers,	2 00
W. B. Bangs,	32 35
Manuel Snow,	23 50
John McQuillan,	15 40
Geo. W. Watson,	20 39
J. W. Beaty,	6 00
Chas. A. Fuller,	2 25
James Fuller,	1 25
F. N. Days,	3 35

Paid J. H. Dearborn,		2 00	
Water Department,		5 00	
Appropriation,	\$600 00		
Balance,		21 60	
	<u>\$600 00</u>		<u>\$600 00</u>

SCHOOL INCIDENTALS.

Paid Alex. Livingston,		\$3 00	
James P. Holmes, •		1 00	
Magee Furnace Co.,		10 25	
Wm. Hall & Co.,		2 76	
A. P. Hannum,		76 90	
M. Bradshaw,		22 35	
Obadiah Snow,		2 16	
Fred H. Dearborn,		44 20	
John McQuillan,		7 60	
John Golden,		3 40	
A. T. Williams, Agent,	127 49		
Geo. H. Lewis,		26 00	
Carl A. Bradshaw,		19 00	
A. S. Dyer,		1 50	
Geo. C. Hill,		13 00	
J. W. Beaty,		21 00	
Geo. A. Beaty,		14 70	
J. L. Hammett Co.,		7 40	
Albany Venetian Blind Co.,		4 48	
Charles W. Burkett,		2 50	
Appropriation,	\$400 00		
Deficiency,	10 69		
	<u>\$410 69</u>		<u>\$410 69</u>

TEACHERS.

Ira A. Jenkins, Prin. High School,		\$1,026 00
Phebe E. Freeman, Asst. High School,		513 00
Mary H. Dow, " "		288 00
Carra E. Wilcox, " "		168 00
J. Henry Clagg, Prin. Grammar School,		505 36
Sara Cavanagh, " "		221 06
Sara Cavanagh, Asst. Grammar School,		288 00
Gertrude M. Lewis, " "		394 00
Nina S. Williams, " "		126 00
Pauline J. Atkins, Prin. Higher Int. School,		361 00
Julia C. Knowles, " " "		361 00
Annie W. McKennon, " " "		361 00
Frances S. Crocker, " " "		352 50
Cora M. Daggett, Prin. Intermediate School,		285 00
Nathalin Ryder, " " "		285 00
Katharine J. McIntyre, " " "		265 00
Carrie A. Cowing, " " "		282 00
Albertina C. Young, Prin. Primary School,		285 00
Grace Cook, " " "		261 00
Annie E. Swett, " " "		282 75
Jessie B. Allen, " " "		282 00
Gertrude L. Snow, " " "		282 00
Susan N. Dearborn, " " "		285 00
Ethel A. Reed, " " "		261 00
Lillian N. Brooks, " " "		285 00
Anna M. Dolan, " " "		285 00
Abbie S. Taylor, Teacher of Music,		380 00
		<u>\$8,970 67</u>

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS.

Sadie McKenzie,	\$26 00
Clara L. Watson,	30 10
Annie J. Caton,	35 80
Grace Benson,	11 10
Jennie Adams and others,	6 00
	<u>\$109 00</u>

JANITORS.

A. P. Hannum, Gov. Bradford,	\$318 00
J. H. Dearborn, High and Grammar,	171 00
Michael Bradshaw, Center,	95 00
Geo. H. Lewis, Eastern,	95 00
John W. Beaty, Western,	60 00
Geo. A. Beaty, Western,	35 00
Geo. C. Hill, Johnson St.,	38 00
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	\$812 00

CENSUS.

Fred E. Williams,	\$12 00
A. P. Hunnum,	12 00
J. H. Dearborn,	12 00
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	\$36 00

FUEL.

Lewis & Brown,	\$836 53
John A. Matheson,	2 75
John D. Hilliard,	51 53
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	\$890 81

TRUANTS.

J. H. Dearborn,	\$23 75
Fred E. Williams,	11 00
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	\$34 75

SUPERINTENDENT.

C. W. Fearing,	\$550 00
Alvan R. Lewis,	261 59
A. P. Hannum,	47 50
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	\$859 09

MISCELLANEOUS.

H. F. Hopkins, printing,	\$43 25
Fred H. Dearborn, labor,	20 80
Geo. A. Grant, engrossing,	6 60
School Committee, salary,	60 00
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	\$130 65

RECAPITULATION.

Appropriation,		\$10,500 00
Mass. School Fund,		294 38
Tuition from Town of Truro,		85 00
Superintendent,		1,000 00
Teachers' Salaries,	\$8,970 67	
Substitutes,	109 00	
Janitors,	812 00	
Fuel,	890 81	
Superintendent,	859 09	
Census,	36 00	
Truants,	34 75	
Miscellaneous,	130 65	
Balance,	36 41	
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	\$11,879 38	\$11,879 38

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Public Schools,	\$10,500 00
School Incidentals,	400 00
Schoolhouse Repairs,	600 00
Free Text Books and Supplies,	1,000 00

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

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF PROVINCETOWN:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit for your consideration my first annual report which is the tenth report of the Superintendent of Schools.

Your hearty support, the loyalty of the teachers and the courtesy of the citizens have made my work during the few weeks that I have had charge of your schools pleasant, and, I trust, helpful.

My work has been largely in the school-room in observing the work of the teachers and pupils, offering suggestions and pointing out better methods of instruction. I have frequently held teachers' meetings. The teachers have carefully carried on the work laid out for them.

GRADE MEETINGS.

The teachers of the different grades have occasionally held grade meetings, where the work of a single grade has been considered. These meetings are very helpful. Here the teachers are a mutual help, and by frequent discussions of failure and successes they are able to do better and more uniform work.

MUSIC.

Excellent work in music is accomplished under the direction of Mrs. Abbie S. Taylor and good progress has been made during the short time it has been taught. The progress is most apparent in the grades below the high school. In the high school many of the pupils do not seem to have a thorough knowledge of the scale and its intervals, which is the basis of proficiency in vocal music. The frequent practice which they are given will, it is hoped, overcome this difficulty.

Music is not a luxury but an important part of ones education.

LANGUAGE.

Language is one of the most important subjects taught in our schools. Technical Grammar has its place and should be kept

there. Before pupils begin the study of grammar, they should be able to write intelligently about any subject of which they have knowledge, and be able to express what they know promptly and clearly. They should be able to write interesting letters, be familiar with business forms of correspondence, and understand the use of punctuations. If the pupils have had a thorough drill in Language, the proper place for Technical Grammar is in the eighth and ninth grades.

READING.

Reading or acquiring thoughts from the written or printed page is, I believe, the most important subject taught in our schools. It is impossible to estimate its influence upon character. In teaching this subject, we not only endeavor to develop the power to acquire thought, and the ability to express well, but to establish the habit of reading, and to promote a love for good literature.

The reading for our schools should not only be the best literature available, but should be within the mental grasp of the pupil. The reading in some of our grades is too difficult for the pupils to fully understand, therefore the reading in these grades is poor.

CONSOLIDATION.

The benefit of the change made in the intermediate grades at the beginning of the winter term, by which a teacher was given only one grade, is already apparent. All the pupils in a room are doing the same work; the teacher concentrates her energy on the work of one grade; she can give twice as much time in preparing herself for the work of one grade, as she could give in preparing for two grades; and she has sufficient time to give any pupil who needs it individual help.

This change was made without any great inconvenience to the pupils.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

In November the "Barnstable County Convention" and "Teachers' Institute" were held at Hyannis on two successive days instead of at different seasons as formerly. The change

was made because it was thought it would incur less expense for the teachers, and would not so greatly interfere with the work of the schools. These meetings were inspiring and helpful. Eight of our teachers attended. It is to be regretted that these meetings cannot be held at a place convenient for all the teachers to attend.

ATTENDANCE.

The percent of attendance for the year is 92. Some of our pupils are kept from school, or are allowed to stay away without any good reason. Regular attendance is necessary to the pupils' accomplishment of good work. Frequent absence from school not only interferes with the pupils progress, but hinders the work of the whole class.

There were TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE tardy marks during the year. Promptness is an important element of success. If the parents realized how much the future success of their children depends upon the habit of punctuality, I believe they would be more careful to have their children in school on time.

The following statistics are for the school year ending June 30, 1900.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVAN R. LEWIS.

Provincetown, Dec. 30, 1900.

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Population,	4,247
School census of Sept. 1, 1900:	
Number of children between 5 and 15 years,	759
" " " 7 and 14 years,	521
" of illiterate minors,	4
For the school year ending June 30, 1900:	
Whole number of different pupils,	855
Number between 5 and 15 years,	766
" " 7 and 14 years,	496
Number over 15 years,	87
Number under 5 years,	2
Average membership,	770
Average attendance,	709
Per cent. of attendance.	92

Schools.	Number Enrolled.	Under 5 Years	Over 15 Years.	Between 5 and 15 Years.	Between 7 and 14 Years.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent of Attendance.	Tardy Marks.
High	68	0	60	8	2	64	61	94	152
Grammar	101	0	22	79	37	90	86	90	218
Higher Intermediate									
Eastern	35	0	0	35	35	30	28	93	157
Center	37	0	2	35	26	34	32	91	77
Gov. Bradford	28	0	1	27	27	26	24	92	59
Western	32	0	2	30	18	28	25	90	98
Lower Intermediate									
Eastern	35	0	0	35	35	34	31	91	153
Center	41	0	0	41	41	40	37	93	174
Gov. Bradford	40	0	0	40	40	40	36	90	105
Western	35	0	0	35	35	35	32	93	42
Higher Primary									
Eastern	39	0	0	39	34	39	34	88	225
Johnson	45	0	0	45	38	35	32	90	84
Center	37	0	0	37	30	37	34	91	356
Gov. Bradford	43	0	0	43	38	42	38	91	74
Western	42	0	0	42	33	39	37	95	66
Lower Primary									
Eastern	34	0	0	34	7	32	27	85	73
Center	51	1	0	50	11	37	32	87	104
Gov. Bradford	57	0	0	57	0	44	42	95	76
Western	55	1	0	54	9	44	41	93	162

ROLL OF HONOR.

PUPILS NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY DURING THE YEAR.

HIGH SCHOOL.

*Amy B. Nickerson. Bessie W. Cowing.

**Jennie W. Adams.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Marion Newcomb. Sumner Prince.

EASTERN SCHOOL.

Annie B. Lovett.

GOV. BRADFORD SCHOOL.

William M. Paine.

WESTERN SCHOOL.

Osela Rogers. Susie Newcomb.

*Not absent nor tardy for six years.

**Neither absent nor tardy for four years.

