

42d ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF

ACUSHNET

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

MARCH 1, 1902.

NEW BEDFORD, MASS.:
THE NEW BEDFORD PRINTING COMPANY,
1902.

TOWN OFFICERS

Elected at the Annual Town Meeting held April 1, 1901.

Town Clerk, Treasurer, and Collector of Taxes.

DENNIS S. MASON.

(Resigned May 11, 1901.)

*Appointed by the Selectmen, May 11, 1901, as Town Clerk, Treasurer
and Collector of Taxes pro tem.*

ALDEN WHITE.

Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor.

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

School Committee for Three Years,

WILLIAMS C. ASHLEY.

Board of Health for Three Years.

FRED H. ROBINSON, M. D.

Board of Health for One Year.

EDWARD W. ASHLEY.

Single Highway Surveyor for One Year.

JAMES C. GAMMONS.

Tree Warden for One Year.

JAMES B. HAMLIN.

Trustee of Free Public Library for Three Years.

ANNA H. BRADFORD.

Auditor.

JOSEPH T. BROWNELL.

Constables.

SYLVESTER PRATT, CHARLES P. COTTLE.

Surveyors of Lumber.

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

Pound Keepers.

GEORGE A. MACOMBER, THOMAS B. GEGGATT.

Field Drivers.

GEORGE A. FULLER, JOSEPH F. TABER.

Fence Viewers.

JOHN M. COLLINS, JEREMIAH E. BORDEN,
WILLARD B. PECKHAM.

REPORT.

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

Dr.

To uncollected taxes of 1899,	\$99.19	
Uncollected taxes of 1900,	448.20	
Interest on taxes collected,	.81	
	\$548.20	

Cr.

By amount paid D. S. Mason, Treasurer,	\$40.36	
Amount paid Alden White, Treasurer,	9.90	
Amount unpaid taxes, 1899,	96.34	
Amount unpaid taxes, 1900,	401.60	
	\$548.20	

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

Dr.

1901.		
March 1. To balance of cash,	\$2,005.74	
Received of D. S. Mason, Collector,	40.36	
State Treasurer, balance of Corpora-		
tion tax, 1900,	8.31	
National Bank tax, 1900,	32.45	
Town of Falmouth,	43.50	
T. E. Braley, bottles and junk,	.25	
E. W. Ashley, auctioneer license,	2.00	
Jose, Parker & Co., notes,	2,000.00	
Premium and interest,	39.48	
	\$4,172.09	

Cr.

By amount paid for incidentals,	\$577.38	
Amount paid for support of poor,	387.81	
Amount paid for support of highways,	212.00	
Amount paid for support of schools,	1,061.60	
Cash paid Alden White,	1,933.30	
	\$4,172.09	

ALDEN WHITE, COLLECTOR, IN ACCOUNT WITH
THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET.

Dr.

Amount of tax bills of 1901:

State tax,	\$402.50	
State highway tax,	21.66	
County tax,	1,036.36	
Town tax,	11,190.01	
Extra assessment,	2.31	
Interest on taxes collected,	6.29	
	—————	\$12,659.13

Cr.

By amount paid State Treasurer,	\$402.50	
Amount paid State Treasurer,	21.66	
Amount paid County Treasurer,	1,036.36	
Amount paid Town Treasurer,	10,171.72	
Discount prompt payment,	643.96	
Abatement by Assessors,	8.36	
Taxes remitted,	14.00	
Uncollected taxes of 1901,	360.57	
	—————	\$12,659.13

ALDEN WHITE, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH
THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET.

Dr.

1901.

May 17. Cash received,	\$1,933.30	
Amount received from State Treasurer:		
Corporation tax,	120.68	
National Bank tax,	386.01	
For State aid,	311.00	
From school fund,	630.47	
For superintendent of schools,	250.00	
For inspection of animals,	28.50	
For support of state paupers,	4.39	
For state highway,	2,500.00	

County Treasurer, dog fund,	215.94	
Loan from Merchants National Bank,	1,000.00	
Temporary loan,	150.00	
Albert S. Sherman, for Patience Collins,	169.45	
M. S. Douglass, adm. of Wm. D. Taber,	83.20	
Received for screenings,	50.50	
Received of Richard Davis, for labor	110.09	
Subscriptions to Long Plain state highway,	469.00	
D. S. Mason, Collector, back taxes,	9.90	
A. White, Collector,	10,171.72	
S. Russell, road scrapings,	1.50	
	—————	\$18,595.65

Cr.

By amount paid for support of poor,	\$474.83	
Amount paid for insane,	742.11	
Amount paid for incidentals,	1,210.62	
Amount paid superintendent of schools,	275.00	
Amount paid support of schools,	2,819.75	
Amount paid for state aid,	307.50	
Amount paid for highways,	386.41	
Amount paid for macadamizing,	5,985.65	
Amount paid Melrose Sav. Bank,	1,000.00	
Amount paid Coddington Sav. Bank,	1,000.00	
Amount paid E. H. Gay & Co.,	1,000.00	
Amount paid Merchants Nat'l Bank,	1,000.00	
Amount paid temporary loan, A. White,	150.00	
Balance of cash,	2,243.78	
	—————	\$18,595.65

CEMETERY FUND.

1901.

Elizabeth Taber Cemetery Fund:		
Mar. 1. To amount of fund,	207.73	
Interest to April, 1901,	4.14	
	—————	\$211.87
July 27. Paid Allen Russell, for care of lot,		8.00
		—————
		\$203.87
Alfred Morse Cemetery Fund:		
June 6. To amount of fund,	\$100.00	\$100.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

I respectfully present to you my report as Town Clerk for the year ending December 31, 1901.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN ACUSHNET IN 1901.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
Jan. 9	Milton Leroy Taber	William G. and Mary L.
Feb. 1	Edward A. Tripp	Thomas G. and Cordelia M.
Feb. 20	Mabel Frances Harding	George E. and Lydia J.
March 6	Daniel Robinson Gilmore	Abiel P. R. and Ruth E.
March 24	Annie Macomber Petty	George G. and Mary E.
April 27	Mildred Ashley	Herbert W. and Fannie W.
May 11	Milton Rogers Sherman	Cyrus B. and Fannie E.
July 13	Eugene Kenneth Chapman	Charles A. and Susan M.
Aug. 18	Howard Oliver Jackson	Henry A. and Susie H.
Aug. 27	Clifford Lewis Sherman	Allen L. and Carrie E.
Oct. 1	Eva Rebecca Harding	Otis H. and Annie B.
Oct. 4	— — —	Stillborn.
Dec. 3	Maurice Eben Grinnell	Charles H. and Cornelia D.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN ACUSHNET IN 1901.

DATE.	NAMES OF GROOM AND BRIDE.	RESIDENCE.
February 16	Elliot F. Jones, Carrie M. Biesbo.	Acushnet. Freetown.
May 30	Valmour A. Hammett, Sarah E. Hammond.	Acushnet. Acushnet.
April 18	Edward W. Collins, Ella J. D. Macomber.	Acushnet. Dartmouth.
August 29	Albert S. Veazie, Sophronia W. Geggatt.	Acushnet. Acushnet.
September 2	John W. Annas, Emma L. Parmenter.	Acushnet. Attleboro.
October 8	Johnson E. Whitman, Clara E. Chase.	Middletown, R. I. Acushnet.
October 15	Herbert A. White, Etta P. Gammons.	Acushnet. Acushnet.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN ACUSHNET IN 1901.

DATE.	AGE.			NAME.	DISEASE.
	Y.	M.	D.		
Jan. 4	62	7		Hananiah W. Collins.	Enteritis (tubercular)
Jan. 5	90	8	17	Jane Mandell.	Pneumonia.
Feb. 24	34	1	15	Lydia J. Harding.	Measles, followed by bronchitis & pericarditis
Mar. 2	55	11		Charles H. Bassett.	Pul. tuberculosis.
Apr. 26	81	1	9	Benjamin F. Pittsley.	Old age.
May 5	69			Mary A. Gerrard.	Natural causes.
May 14	67	5	2	Philip H. Wing.	Oedema of lungs.
June 9	22		25	Edward W. Swift.	Typhoid fever.
June 23	77			John Yanak.	Peritonitis.
June 27	77	6		Mary P. Ashley.	Apoplexy
July 25	62	7		Benjamin F. Braley.	Cirrrosis of stomach.
July 27	71			William D. Taber.	Epilepsy.
Aug. 19	46	10		Elizabeth A. Westgate.	Emphysema.
Aug. 22	90			Harriet W. Parsons.	Old age.
Aug. 27	58	10	26	Andrew T. Nash.	Cancer of liver.
Sept. 5	75	7	13	Martha Dahl.	Old age and apoplexy
Sept. 18	77	10		Susan A. Bryant.	Intestinal obstruction.
Sept. 18	45			John Whalen.	Enteritis.
Sept. 20	4	7	5	Alice M. Hammond.	Enteritis.
Sept. 27	77		2	Betsey H. Warren.	Heart disease.
Sept. 29	81	11		Abbie H. Butts.	Gangrene.
Oct. 1			3	Clara Bettencourt.	Cyanosis.
Oct. 1		8		Edward A. Tripp.	Entero colitis.
Oct. 3					Stillborn.
Dec. 3	70	8	12	Almira P. Ashley.	Phthisis pulmonalis.
Dec. 8	5	9		Eva E. Bismore.	Pseudo membranous laryngitis.
Dec. 17	86	2	22	Emeline A. Tinkham.	Bronchitis.

ALDEN WHITE, *Town Clerk.*

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The Selectmen of the Town of Acushnet submit the following annual report of the financial affairs of the town for the year ending March 1, 1902.

POOR ACCOUNT.

Paid City of New Bedford, groceries to William Thatcher,	\$41.00
Massachusetts School for Feeble Minded, for Fred. Besse,	11.35
E. A. Sherman, house rent for Mrs. Besse,	15.00
Margaret P. Gammons, board of E. Hammond,	17.50
W. C. Vaughn, Jr., burial of B. F. Pittsley,	18.00
E. A. Sherman, house rent for Mrs. Besse,	27.00
Elizabeth Chase, support of P. Green,	99.00
A. G. Alley, groceries to D. Green,	75.00
Dr. F. H. Robinson, medical attendance, Ruth Parris,	40.00
Dr. F. H. Robinson, medical attendance, B. F. Pittsley,	6.00
Dr. F. H. Robinson, vaccination, A. Bismore family,	2.00
City of New Bedford, supplies, Louisa Hunniwell,	10.50
City of New Bedford, groceries, Wm. Thatcher and family,	80.00
Support of Mrs. E. A. Collins,	11.50
Dr. F. L. Clarke, treatment, Ann Pittsley,	10.00
Weston C. Vaughn, burial of N. D. Sturtevant,	35.00
Town of Rochester, on account of Mrs. Besse, 1900,	18.00
M. S. Douglass, wood to D. Green,	5.50
School of Feeble Minded, Fred. Besse,	19.83
	\$542.18
Due from State, on account of N. D. Sturtevant,	35.00
Received from State, on account of poor,	4.39
	39.39
Total cost of poor,	\$512.79

There is due the town for rent of poor farm, 50.00
 There were 95 tramps lodged at the Almshouse during the year.

INCIDENTAL ACCOUNT.

Hiram Van Campen & Co., insurance,	\$71.88
Geo. N. Alden, insurance on almshouse and barn,	8.00
J. F. Weeks, 3 calls on Leger family, by order of Board of Health,	3.00
J. T. Brownell, auditor,	2.00
New Bedford Printing Co., 400 Town Reports,	36.00
G. A. Cobb, pump, pipe, etc.,	12.00
Anna H. Bradford, Library appropriation,	150.00
Melrose Savings Bank, interest,	119.00
Jose, Parker & Co., interest,	87.50
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, interest,	60.00
Coddington Savings Bank, interest,	28.00
Wood, Brightman & Co., setting pump at Perry Hill,	4.00
New Bedford Printing Co., books for assessors and highway orders,	8.75
Rex Morse, moving town safe,	5.00
C. M. Morse, Jr., services Board of Health,	2.05
James F. Hoye, Treasurer's bond,	25.00
R. P. Hammett, burial of horse,	1.00
A. Rounseville, Jr., plank for bridge,	1.66
Acushnet Saw Mills Co., oak plank,	2.40
New Bedford Printing Co., tax bills,	2.50
H. S. Hutchinson & Co., tax book,	4.50
Wood, Brightman & Co., repairing pump at Perry Hill and Parting Ways,	10.72
New Bedford Printing Co., burial permits,	1.50
Sylvester Pratt, warrants town meeting and dog warrant,	15.00
A. P. R. Gilmore, services as teller,	2.00
A. C. Shattuck, express,	4.10
E. W. Ashley, services abating nuisance,	4.50
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, interest on notes,	35.00
Jose, Parker, interest on notes,	87.50

Wood, Brightman & Co., pump at Parting Ways,	2.12
New Bedford Printing Co., weigh bills,	4.00
Coddington Savings bank, interest,	28.00
Melrose Savings Bank, interest,	119.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, interest,	40.00
E. H. Gay & Co., interest on note,	20.00
Merchants National Bank, interest,	8.33
E. W. Ashley, inspector state election,	2.00
Sylvester Pratt, services and expenses, Com. of Mass. vs. Manuel Cabral,	18.00
Wood, Brightman & Co., repairing pump, Long Plain,	4.90
Henry Russell, services as teller,	2.00
Wood, Brightman & Co., pump and setting, Long Plain,	14.50
George W. Barton, moving safe,	5.00
Dr. J. F. Weeks, reporting 11 births,	2.75
W. C. Vaughan, Jr., 12 death returns,	3.00
Acushnet Saw Mills Co., pine lumber,	1.55
Dr. F. H. Robinson, reporting 1 birth,	.25
Massachusetts Board of Cattle Commissioners, one stamp and outfit,	1.75
Alden White, stamps, etc.,	7.57
T. J. Robinson, services School Committee,	25.00
W. C. Ashley, services School Committee,	25.00
T. Hersom, Jr., services School Committee,	25.00
Dr. F. H. Robinson, services Board of Health,	10.00
Dr. F. H. Robinson, express and postage,	.41
Samuel Cory, services as election inspector,	2.00
Sylvester Pratt, services truant officer,	3.00
Alden White, recording births, marriages and deaths,	13.30
E. E. Baudoin, fire warden's badge,	2.25
Eben F. Leonard, services as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of Poor,	63.00
Moses S. Douglass, services as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of Poor,	63.00
Henry F. Taber, services as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of Poor,	110.00
Moses S. Douglass, rendering oaths,	3.25
Moses S. Douglass, services as moderator,	5.00
Moses S. Douglass, 3 trips to Boston on macadam roads and corporation tax,	10.50
H. F. Taber, stamps, etc.,	5.07

H. F. Taber, copying valuation book,	10.00
H. F. Taber, 1 trip to Boston, corporation tax,	2.40
Philip A. Bradford, 18 days inspecting cattle,	54.00
Four special examinations of meat,	4.00
E. W. Ashley, services Board of Health,	15.00
E. W. Ashley, services fire ward,	3.00
D. S. Mason, commission as Collector and Treasurer,	11.93
Alden White, commission as Collector,	174.57
Alden White, commission as Treasurer,	68.04
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	\$1,788.00
Orders given by the Selectmen on bills approved by the School Committee,	3,856.35

PRESENT TOWN DEBT.

Note in favor of Coddington Savings Bank at 4%, due Oct. 15, 1902,	\$400.00
Note in favor of Commonwealth of Massachusetts at 4%, due Nov. 1, 1903,	2,000.00
Note in favor of Melrose Savings Bank at 3½%, due Oct. 1, 1907,	5,800.00
Note in favor of Jose, Parker & Co., at 3½%, due 1908,	5,000.00
Note in favor of Jose, Parker & Co., at 3½%, due Oct. 15, 1910,	2,000.00
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Total debt,	\$15,200.00

INSURANCE ON SCHOOL HOUSES.

Acushnet Grammar,	\$2,000.00
Long Plain,	1,750.00
Perry Hill,	800.00
Whelden,	600.00
Bisbee,	600.00
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	\$5,750.00

These buildings are insured for three years, until Apr. 21,
1904, in the Quincy Mutual, through H. Van Campen & Co.

INSURANCE ON ALMSHOUSE, BARN AND SHED.

Almshouse,	\$800.00
Barn and shed,	200.00
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	\$1,000.00

These buildings are insured for five years, until April 28,
1906, in the Bristol Co. Mutual, through G. N. Alden.

STATE AID.

Sylvester Pratt,	\$48.00
Alexander Turner,	72.00
Nathan D. Sturtevant,	49.50
Edward C. Lew,	48.00
Mary A. Williams,	48.00
Edwin A. Wright,	60.00
Daniel V. Smith,	20.00
Ruth A. Haskell,	21.00
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	\$366.50

INSANE.

Worcester Insane Asylum:	
For board of Patience T. Collins,	\$169.45
" " Sarah L. Warner,	143.01
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	312.46

Medfield Insane Asylum:

For board of William D. Taber,	\$83.65	
" " Lucy M. Delano,	146.00	
" " Hattie Wallen,	146.00	
" " Mary J. Clapp,	146.00	
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Taunton Insane Asylum:

For board of Arthur Macomber,	\$169.46	
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Total cost of insane, \$1,003.57

Received of M.S. Douglass, administrator of W. D. Taber,	\$83.20
Received of A. S. Sherman, for P. Collins,	169.45
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252.65

Total cost of insane, \$750.92

APPROPRIATIONS.

Schools,	\$2,100.00
High school tuition,	546.10
Superintendent of schools,	150.00
Support of poor and insane,	1,300.00
Incidentals,	2,000.00
Highways and bridges,	700.00
Library,	150.00
Moderator,	5.00

VALUATION OF THE TOWN, MAY 1, 1901.

Personal property,	\$112,510.00
Buildings,	261,170.00
Land,	263,190.00
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Total	\$636,870.00

Rate of taxation per \$1,000,	\$19.00
Number of polls,	276
Number of horses,	339
Number of cows,	389
Number of neat cattle,	48
Number of swine,	66
Number of dwelling houses,	279
Number of acres of land,	11,021
Number of fowl assessed,	9,020

The guide boards of the town are in fair condition.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor.

MACADAM ACCOUNT, LONG PLAIN ROAD.

STONE.

Mrs. C. C. D. Gilmore, 370.335 tons at 30c.	\$111.10
F. B. Geggatt, 521.845 " "	156.50
Wm. Wilkinson, Jr., 622.155 " "	186.64
G. S. Crocker, 408.150 " "	122.45
Emerson Bennett, 29.705 " "	8.91
Benj. M. Chase, 244.505 " "	73.35
Frank Borden, 428.740 " "	128.62
Henry A. Jackson, 663.575 " "	199.07
J. C. Gammons, 651.885 " "	195.56
S. N. Westgate, 148.495 " "	44.55
E. S. Grinnell, 134.095 " "	40.23
B. O. Braley, 98.975 " "	29.66
W. A. Ashley, 529.405 " "	158.82
D. S. Mason, 130.255 " "	39.08
James Hartley, 589.765 " "	176.93
F. J. Braley, 82.080 " "	24.62
Godfrey Cottle, 104.230 " "	31.27
Ezra Chadwick, 97.505 " "	29.25
C. F. Allen, 55.290 tons at 10c.	5.53
Charles Taylor, 131.515 tons at 30c.	39.46
W. E. Collins, 9 tons at 30c.	2.70
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	\$1,804.36

TEAMING.

J. C. Gammons, at \$3.50 per day,	\$306.25
G. S. Crocker, " " "	111.07
W. B. Peckham, " " "	20.61
Jeremi Gagne,	21.00
C. D. Bennett,	42.00
John Geggatt,	10.50
T. E. Braley,	28.00
A. C. Shattuck,	31.50
Levi Hawes,	24.50

Herbert Lawrence,	115.50
T. B. Geggatt,	115.50
L. E. Pittsley,	42.00
W. Bradford,	49.00
Frank Borden,	66.50
W. E. Collins,	18.67
Harry Sherman,	24.50
H. B. Parker,	5.25
L. D. Braley,	105.00
P. H. Crandon,	103.06
Richard Davis,	56.00
Mrs. C. C. D. Gilmore,	17.50
W. Wilkinson,	1.50
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	\$1,315.41

LABOR.

J. C. Gammons, at \$2.50 per day,	\$279.99
Charles Grinnell, \$1.50 " "	142.00
Chas. Morse, \$1.50 " "	115.75
Willard White, \$2.00 " "	162.00
Fred Morse, \$1.25 " "	111.39
Wallace Morse, \$1.50 " "	114.18
Albert Demars, \$1.50 " "	40.75
Frank Spooner, \$1.00 " "	66.44
George Parris, \$1.50 " "	27.00
Frank Gagne, \$1.50 " "	43.43
Joseph Gagne, \$1.50 " "	133.43
James Cobb, \$2.00 " "	155.00
Herbert White, \$1.50 " "	52.01
Geo. Norton, \$1.50 " "	56.25
Geo. A. Macomber, \$1.50 and \$2.50 per day,	37.11
J. W. Hayes, \$1.50 per day,	15.00
A. Hagerman, \$1.50 " "	1.50
Eugene White, \$1.50 " "	30.00
W. A. Ashley, \$1.50 " "	1.50
Roland Cobb, \$1.00 " "	26.50
Allen Weeks, \$1.50 " "	60.25
Herbert Townsend, \$150 " "	48.00

Herbert Snell, \$1.50	per day,	6.75
Everett Borden, \$1.50	"	18.00
Allen Ashley, \$1.50	"	7.50
A. Johnson, \$1.50	"	7.50
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		\$1,759.23

MACADAM INCIDENTALS.

E. L. Macomber, smithing,	\$52.75
Babbitt, Wood & Co., labor and material,	17.39
Wm. F. Nye, oils,	10.50
Joseph Gagne, labor,	6.00
Wallace Morse, "	6.00
Chas. Morse, "	6.00
Rex Morse, labor and team,	10.00
Albert Demars, labor,	5.25
James Cobb, "	4.00
Slocum & Kilburn, belting,	43.16
Farrell Foundry & Machine Co., machinery,	50.70
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipes,	212.86
Good Roads Machine Co., machinery,	78.35
E. H. Pierce, steam supplies,	12.95
Wood, Brightman & Co., labor and material,	3.05
J. C. Gammons, freight,	7.15
City Coal Co., coal,	200.27
Richard Davis, tools,	16.72
A. C. Shattuck, express,	5.65
G. A. Cobb, tools,	9.80
D. S. Mason, tools,	.49
J. C. Gammons, wood,	6.00
Buffalo, Pitts Co., machinery,	15.00
Acushnet Iron Co., castings,	74.01
S. S. Paine & Bro., pipe and cement,	122.32
C. S. Paisler, brick and cement,	73.05
A Rounseville, Jr., lumber,	19.70
A. H. Wordell, tools,	11.55
W. B. Peckham, teaming,	10.00
M. S. Douglass, teaming and freight,	13.88
N. P. Hayes, hardware,	2.10
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\$1,106.65	

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO LONG PLAIN ROAD.

Rec'd of C. Maxim,	\$10.50
Albert Rounsiville,	3.00
C. L. Spooner,	10.00
W. A. and W. C. Ashley,	25.00
Richard Davis,	25.00
D. T. Davoll,	5.00
Herbert Lawrence,	21.00
James Hartley,	20.00
P. H. Crandon,	21.00
Wm. Wilkinson, Jr.,	10.00
Henry A. Jackson,	10.00
W. B. Bradford,	21.00
Thomas E. Braley,	25.00
Frank L. Borden,	21.00
L. E. Pittsley,	5.00
Moses S. Douglass,	5.00
Henry Bennett,	10.00
A. C. Shattuck,	10.00
H. W. Cushman,	5.00
George Gerrish,	2.00
Ezra F. Chadwick,	10.00
George S. Crocker,	10.50
Charles S. Taylor,	30.00
J. C. Gammons,	5.00
Samuel Wing,	5.00
W. E. Collins,	15.00
John Geggatt,	10.00
L. D. Braley,	100.00
Silas W. Braley,	5.00
E. W. Ashley,	9.00
D. S. Mason,	5.00
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\$469.00	
Cost to the town for Labor, Teaming,	
Stone and Incidentals,	\$5,985.65
Subscriptions received by Town Treasurer,	469.00
Received of R. Davis for macadamizing,	110.09
Received for screenings,	50.50
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\$629.59	
Total cost of macadam,	\$5,356.06

There were 9,300 feet of road built.

Average cost per foot $57\frac{1}{2}$ cents.

Received from the State, \$2,500.00

Actual cost to the town per foot $30\frac{2}{3}$ cents.

MACADAM COMMITTEE REPORT.

We, the macadam committee, claim that the piece of road built the past year is superior to any macadam road that has been built in town.

MOSES S. DOUGLAS,
HENRY W. CUSHMAN,
THOMAS E. BRALEY.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

MARCH 1, 1902.

J. C. Gammons, 34.9 days at \$2.50 per day,	\$87.25
A. White, 1 day at \$1.50,	1.50
A. Demars, 30.9 days at \$1.50,	46.35
H. White, 10.5 " "	15.75
J. Gagne, 25.9 " "	38.85
W. Morse, 24.5 " "	36.75
C. Morse, 24.5 " "	36.75
F. Morse, 20 " \$1.25	25.00
P. Green, 1 " \$1.50	1.50
J. Cobb, 2 " "	3.00
E. Bennett, 1 " "	1.50
F. Gagne, 1 " "	1.50
C. L. Spooner, 2 " "	3.00
E. Pittsley, 1 " "	1.50
A. Weeks, 3 " "	4.50
L. Perry, 4 " "	6.00
J. Cobb, 6 " \$2.00	12.00
J. C. Gammons, team, 28.5 days at \$2.00	57.00
G. A. Fuller, " 2 " \$3.50	7.00
W. B. Peckham, " 2.7 " "	9.45
G. Crocker, " 11.5 " "	40.25
D. S. Mason, " 3 " "	10.50
H. Parker, " 3 " "	10.50
C. D. Rennett, " 3.3 " "	11.55
S. Wing, " 4 " "	14.00
R. Morse, " 7 " "	24.50
R. Morse, 3 horses 2 days at \$4.50,	9.00
R. Morse, 4 horses 1 day at \$5.50,	5.50
A. Sylvia, $1\frac{1}{2}$ days at \$1.50,	2.25
W. Wilkinson, carting cement,	1.00
J. C. Gammons, 1 plow,	8.00
City Coal Co., coal,	11.90
J. Cobb, 6 days at \$2.00,	12.00
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	\$557.10

SNOW BILLS, 1902.

U. Cole, 18	hours at 17 cents,	\$3.06
G. Randall, 3.5	" "	.60
L. Tripp, 5	" "	.85
H. Parker, 9	" "	1.53
A. Johnson, 14	" "	2.38
J. C. Gammons, 7	" "	1.19
A. Sylvia, 12	" "	2.04
C. Grinnell, 5	" "	.85
P. Crandon, 13	" "	2.21
G. Cottle, 6.5	" "	1.11
F. Crandon, 13	" "	2.21
E. W. Ashley, 4	" "	.68
L. Perry, 5	" "	.85
H. Soule, 9	" "	1.53
R. Hammett, 5	" "	.85
M. Enos, 14.5	" "	2.47
M. Douglass, 6	" "	1.00
G. Fuller, 6	" "	1.02
L. Hawes, 7	" "	1.19
E. Hawes, 7	" "	1.19
— Lincoln, 14	" "	2.38
H. Parker, team 9 hours at 25 cents,		2.25
P. Crandon, " 6.5	" "	1.62
G. Fuller, " 6	" "	1.50
J.C. Gammons, " 12	" "	3.00
L. Hawes, " 7	" "	1.75
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		\$41.31

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES C. GAMMONS,

Single Highway Surveyor.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

ACUSHNET, MASS., March 17, 1902.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Tax Collector, Treasurer, Selectmen, Surveyor, School Committee, and Macadam Committee's report of the Town of Acushnet for the financial year ending March 1, 1902, and find them correct.

JOSEPH T. BROWNELL,
Auditor.

LIST OF JURORS.

The following is a list of Jurors presented to the town for acceptance:

Orloff R. Howland,	Henry N. Kenyon,
George A. Macomber,	Albert S. Morse,
Edward W. Morse,	Charles F. Leonard,
James P. Gracie,	Alden White,
George T. Parker,	Willard B. Peckham,
William E. Collins,	Frank T. Howland,
	Francis E. Chadwick.

DOGS.

Number of dogs licensed in town of Acushnet, 1901, 123;
116 males, 7 females.

ALDEN WHITE, *Town Clerk.*

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR 1901.

The board perfected its organization by the election of C. M. Morse, chairman; F. H. Robinson, clerk.

On the removal from town of C. M. Morse, Noah F. Mendall was elected to fill the vacancy thus caused.

Further organization was by the choice of F. H. Robinson, chairman, E. W. Ashley, clerk.

During the year we report 21 deaths in town, 8 permits of burial from other towns, and 4 removals to other cemeteries in town. Contagious diseases for the year recorded were: Scarlet fever, 3 cases; diphtheria, 1 case; measles 17 cases; typhoid fever, 1 case. One nuisance abated by the agent.

F. H. ROBINSON,
N. F. MENDALL,
E. W. ASHLEY, *Clerk.*

REPORT OF FIRE WARDEN.

I was called to three wood fires during the year and viewed one building complete and one slightly damaged by fire in my district.

E. W. ASHLEY,
Fire Warden.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF CATTLE.

FOR THE YEAR 1901.

Your Inspector received notice from the State Board late in September, that all cattle, sheep and swine, and all places where they were kept, should be thoroughly inspected and reported before Nov. 15, and all animals infected with tuberculosis were to be quarantined. Especial care was to be taken to notice the distance from the barn or stable to the well or drinking place. There was a very perceptible improvement in the care of the barns and cattle, and with two or three exceptions, where the stock was too closely crowded, and ventilation illegal, everything was in excellent condition. It has seemed to your Inspector, and doubtless to many others, there was *too much* required in the matter of inspecting, but as these fearful diseases, so fatal to the human family, as well as the animal kingdom, are increasing so rapidly, and in the past has been demonstrated, that much of this contagion is communicated by animals to the human race; and as your Inspector has noticed how much more intelligent owners of cattle are becoming regarding these diseases, and taking much more care and trouble to prevent them, it does not seem so important as when first made necessary by law. There were 160 barns and about 500 cattle and 300 hogs inspected and examined. No trace of tuberculosis was found.

The places illegally sufficient for the stock have been remedied.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP A. BRADFORD,

Inspector.

ACUSHNET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The generous appropriation by the town last year for the Public Library was fully appreciated. It has enabled the trustees to purchase a goodly number of books to satisfy the increasing demand of our readers. The new books include history, biography, poetry, travels, the latest religious literature and fiction of the best kind.

Our faithful Librarian at Acushnet village, Miss Elsie Collins, gave up her position last fall for other duties; but we were fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. J. E. Annas, who has charge of the Library every Wednesday afternoon from 2 until 5 o'clock. We report with pleasure the gift of 100 volumes the past year from the Millicent Library.

Contributions of books and magazines gratefully accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

EMILY A. BROWNELL,
Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

	<i>Dr.</i>	
Town appropriation,	\$150.00	
Balance in treasury April 1, 1901,	2.06	
	<hr/>	152.06
	<i>Cr.</i>	
Paid librarians,	\$50.00	
H. S. Hutchinson, books,	63.96	
Incidentals,	5.00	
Books,	30.00	
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Balance in treasury, April 1, 1902,		<hr/> \$3.10

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA H. BRADFORD, *Treasurer.*

PERRY HILL BRANCH.

I have put out from March 1, 1901, to March 1, 1902, 702 books, an average of 13 1-2 books per week. During the month of July there were taken from the Library 117 books.

Respectfully submitted,

CORA B. FULLER, *Librarian.*

LONG PLAIN BRANCH.

Number of books taken out from March 1, 1901, to March 6, 1902, 309. Fines collected, 84 cents.

FLORENCE A. MANter, *Librarian.*

CALENDAR, 1902-1903.

FRIDAY, MARCH 21	.	Schools close for Spring vacation
MONDAY, MARCH 31	.	Schools re-open
FRIDAY, MAY 30	.	Memorial Day; no school
FRIDAY, JUNE 13	.	Schools close; Summer vacation
TUESDAY, SEPT. 2	.	Schools open
WEDNESDAY, NOV. 26	.	Schools close; Thanksgiving recess
MONDAY, DEC. 1	.	Schools re-open
FRIDAY, DEC. 19	.	Schools close; Christmas vacation
MONDAY, JAN. 5	.	Schools re-open
FRIDAY, MARCH 20	.	Schools close; Spring vacation

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF ACUSHNET:

In accordance with your regulations I have the honor of submitting to you my first report as Superintendent of the schools under your charge. Although my work began in September, the statistics appended to this report cover the previous winter and spring terms.

With one exception, I found new teachers in every school. This involved making practically a new start, and has been unfortunate in many respects. Yet in nearly all your schools there have been pleasing signs of progress, and much honest and efficient work has been done by both teachers and pupils.

The strong and weak points in your school system have been studied during the past months. Necessarily there will always be opportunities for improvement, and our aim will be to secure as many of these improvements as are feasible. The desired results, however, cannot be obtained by any single set of forces. The combined efforts of officers and teachers are seriously handicapped unless they are constantly supplemented by the closer and intelligent interest of the parents and citizens.

One of the vital needs of our schools is the co-operation of the parents, in securing more regular attendance. Irregular attendance and tardiness are most serious obstacles to progress. An absent day here and a week there, entails upon the pupil and the whole school, a loss that cannot be regained. It means that a boy or girl gets out of joint with the class and sadly out of harmony with the work. I wish something might be said through you to those comparatively few parents

who, on account of the irregularity of their children, are making the work in one or two of your schools very unsatisfactory. To be sure there are justifiable cases of absence, but the vital question is to reduce the *unnecessary* cases.

On account of the large enrollment at the primary school, it was necessary to send the 3rd grade up stairs, thus making six grades, with 47 pupils, in the grammar school.

This involved the employment of an assistant, but it has been very difficult both for teachers and pupils to have two recitations going on simultaneously in the same room. However, all have shown a commendable spirit in working under these conditions. The need for more room here will demand your serious attention before the opening of another school year.

By way of suggestion I would say, that instead of spending from \$100 to \$200 for rent or \$500 for temporary relief, it might be practical and, in the long run, more economical, to widen the building in such a way as to provide four rooms, three of which are already needed.

At Long Plain the numbers are not as large as formerly, but it is hoped that the enrollment next year will be large enough to warrant the continuation of the two schools.

A glance at the financial statement shows that there has had to be a curtailment in the purchase of books and supplies. There will be an urgent need for increased expenditure in this line during the coming year.

It is a fact that our public schools are costing more and more every year, but by means of the strictest economy and an *unusual* dividend from the State Fund, your schools have been supported within the appropriation.

For the support of nothing else does the tax payer yield his money more gladly than for the public schools.

Gov. Crane, in his last inaugural address, said, "Upon the public schools more than upon any other public agency depends the welfare of the commonwealth. Their contribution

to the welfare justifies the large sums annually expended upon them."

The cost for high school tuition this year is large, but I believe it is smaller than the expense of anything like a satisfactory local high school, which, even with inexperienced teachers and inefficient equipment would cost from \$1000 to \$1500 a year, and in addition it would be necessary to pay the tuition elsewhere for the last two years of the high school course. At present a local high school would not afford any financial relief, while the advantages would be inferior.

The growing demand of the cities for grade teachers is making the problem of rural schools more perplexing. The rural school especially depends upon a good teacher, but the successful teacher is always looking for promotion to the graded positions. However, the most of your schools have been fortunate in this respect, and there has been a distinct advancement in the interest of the pupils and the kind of work that is being done.

I have appreciated the constant interest of the teachers, and the cordial co-operation of your committee. With the continued support of all those who are interested in the schools, I believe that steady progress is possible.

Very respectfully,

FRANK M. MARSH.

March 1, 1902.

APPENDIX A.
WINTER TERM.

DECEMBER 31, 1900—MARCH 22, 1901.

TEACHERS.	Wages per month.	Whole No. enrolled.	Average membership.	Average daily attendance.	Per cent attendance.	Cases of tardiness.	Cases of dismissal.	No. weeks in term.
<i>Bisbee.</i>								
Jean S. Blight.....	\$26.00	12	9.25	7.25	78.38	21	2	12
<i>Whelden.</i>								
Annie F. Harden.....	36.00	28	25.04	19.88	79.39	3	7	12
<i>Long Plain Gram.</i>								
Celia S. Greenleaf.....	38.00	18	17.07	14.77	86.53	67	12	12
<i>Long Plain Prim.</i>								
Lottie M. Rollins.....	30.00	25	21.80	17.14	78.62	75	14	12
<i>Perry Hill.</i>								
Mrs. M. Ballard.....	38.00	27	26.19	21.36	81.56	10	39	12
<i>Primary.</i>								
Marie S. Howard.....	40.00	41	30.37	26.98	88.84	7	0	12
<i>Grammar.</i>								
Lydia R. Hiller.....	40.00	33	28.70	25.29	88.12	42	6	11
TOTALS, 1901.....	\$248.00	184	158.42	132.67	83.06	225	80	
TOTALS, 1900.....	\$236.00	170	157.96	139.04	88.02	261	65	

APPENDIX B.
SPRING TERM.

APRIL 1, 1901—JUNE 14, 1901.

TEACHERS.	Wages per month.	Whole No. enrolled.	Average membership.	Average daily attendance.	Per cent attendance.	Cases of tardiness.	Cases of dismissal.	No. weeks in term.
<i>Bisbee.</i>								
Winnifred Rose.....	\$26.00	6	5.42	4.78	88.19	3	3	11
<i>Whelden.</i>								
Annie F. Harden.....	36.00	30	28.96	26.93	86.08	4	0	11
<i>Long Plain Gram.</i>								
Celia S. Greenleaf.....	38.00	17	17.00	15.03	88.41	26	12	11
<i>Long Plain Prim.</i>								
Lottie M. Rollins.....	30.00	20	19.25	16.91	87.84	59	7	11
<i>Perry Hill.</i>								
Eva M. Merritt.....	38.00	28	24.17	21.34	88.29	52	23	11
<i>Primary.</i>								
Marie S. Howard.....	40.00	42	37.39	33.52	89.65	7	0	11
<i>Grammar.</i>								
Lydia R. Hiller.....	40.00	32	30.25	28.48	94.15	28	9	11
TOTALS, 1901.....	\$248.00	175	162.44	146.99	88.94	179	54	
TOTALS, 1900.....	\$218.0	159	150.45	132.23	87.89	198	66	

APPENDIX C.

FALL TERM.

SEPTEMBER 3, 1901—DECEMBER 21.

TEACHERS.	Wages per month.	Whole No. enrolled.	Average member-ship.	Average daily at-tendance.	Per cent attendance.	Cases of tardiness.	Cases of dismissal.	No. weeks in term.
<i>Bisbee.</i>								
Hester G. Howland.....	\$26.00	11	10.50	9.02	85.90	79	17	15
<i>Whelden.</i>								
Celia L. Daniels	36.00	30	27.77	23.77	85.59	89	0	16
<i>Long Plain Gram.</i>								
Minnie M. Baker.....	40.00	18	16.45	15.19	92.34	36	4	16
<i>Long Plain Prim.</i>								
Harriet E. Means.....	30.00	16	14.47	13.34	92.19	47	14	16
<i>Perry Hill.</i>								
Bessie L. Dunham	36.00	26	24.01	21.70	90.38	52	17	16
<i>Primary.</i>								
Marie S. Howard....	40.00	31	26.87	23.97	89.21	7	0	16
<i>Grammar.</i>								
Elizabeth E. Fisher } Sarah E. Howard, Asst. }	40.00 30.00	47	45.04	41.46	92.05	43	19	16
TOTALS, 1901	\$278.00	179	165.11	148.45	89.66	353	71	
TOTALS, 1900.....	\$246.00	193	171.10	152.67	89.23	300	57	

TOTALS FOR FIVE YEARS.

	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent attendance.
Totals for 1897	148.44	127.11	85.63
" " 1898	161.14	140.06	86.92
" " 1899	153.53	134.15	87.38
" " 1900	161.56	140.02	88.52
" " 1901	161.99	142.70	87.22

The percentage of attendance for 1901 is lower than for several years. The poor attendance for the winter term last year makes the total lower than it has been since 1898.

The schools which had the highest and lowest records of attendance are given as follows:

	Highest	Lowest
Winter Term. Primary, 88.84%		Bisbee, 78.38%
Spring Term. Grammar, 94.15%		Whelden, 86.08%
Fall Term. Long Plain 92.34%		Whelden, 85.58%
(Grammar)		

During the school year ending June 20, 1901,

EARLE BURT

was not absent or tardy.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

GENERAL SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Balance to credit of school account,	\$498.49	
Appropriation,	2,100.00	
Received from state fund,	630.47	
Received from county,	215.94	
Received from state, (account of superintendent)	100.00	
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	\$3544.90	
Paid teachers, as per schedule (A)	\$2,515.60	
Janitors, " (B)	161.86	
Wood and coal, " (C)	281.02	
Books and supplies, " (D)	83.80	
For repairs, " (E)	212.95	
Incidentals, " (F)	55.02	
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	\$3,310.25	
Balance March 1, 1002,	<hr/>	\$234.65

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOUNT.

Received from the state,	\$150.00	
Town appropriation,	150.00	
	<hr/>	\$300.00
Paid E. B. Gray, salary,	\$150.00	
Frank M. Marsh, salary,	150.00	
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(As a part of a Superintendent's District the town receives from the state the sum of \$100, as appears above in the general account, thus making the net cost to the town for superintendent's service \$50.)

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION.

Appropriation,	\$546.10	
Paid City of New Bedford,	\$410.60	
Paid Town of Fairhaven,	135.50	
	<hr/>	\$546.10

SCHEDULE A. TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Marie S. Howard,	\$380.00
Lydia R. Hiller,	140.00
Una E. Howes,	30.00
Celia S. Greenleaf,	150.00
L. M. Robbins,	120.00
Jean S. Blight,	19.50
Annie F. Harden,	90.00
Eva M. Merritt,	104.50
Winfred Rose,	71.50
Sarah E. Howard,	185.00
Lizzie M. Fisher,	160.00
Celia L. Daniels,	210.60
Alice C. Devereaux,	70.00
Harriet E. Means,	180.00
Hester G. Howland,	140.50
Bessie R. Dunham,	216.00
Minnie M. Baxer,	170.00
Elizabeth Johnson,	55.50
Jane M. Stetson,	4.50
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	\$2,515.60

SCHEDULE B. JANITOR'S SALARIES.

Harriet S. Bumpus,	\$1.38
Annie F. Harden,	9.75
Everett A. White,	12.00
Charles Crandon,	22.00
Edith Ellis,	4.88
Louis Jenney,	5.85
Edna Vincent,	3.50
E. Gladstone Mandy,	12.00
Walter Spooner, Jr.,	27.00
Ralph Parris,	4.30
Fred Ashley,	16.00
Edson Perry,	4.00
Frank N. James,	7.00
Mamie Sylvia,	.85
Grace Reynolds,	.95

George N. Hayward,	4.00
J. Cory Morse,	3.50
Dora S. Tripp, cleaning,	23.00
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	\$161.86

SCHEDULE C. FUEL.

A. Rounseville, Jr., wood,	\$104.40
Samuel Wing, "	6.37
M. S. Douglass, "	11.61
James Hartley, "	4.00
C Stetson, preparing "	.50
Thos. Herson, Jr., "	1.00
City Coal Co., coal,	140.64
L. E. Pittsley, carting coal,	8.00
J. F. Hammett, "	4.50
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	\$281.02

SCHEDULE D. BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Edward E. Babb & Co.,	\$18.79
J. L. Hammett Co.,	30.62
Ginn & Co.,	8.42
American Book Co.,	7.52
Silver Burdett & Co.,	10.95
R. L. Hadley,	7.50
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	\$83.80

SCHEDULE E. REPAIRS.

Daniel V. Smith, painting,	\$33.61
John M. Pierce, "	26.89
Chas. F. Allen,	16.88
G. F. Lawrence, whitewashing,	19.50
Wm. R. West, paint,	35.54
D. S. Mason, paint,	3.93

G. W. Barton,	8.10
Fournier & Nicholson,	2.75
B. F. White,	2.00
George Pierce, repairs on organ,	9.00
E. W. Forrest, stoves, etc.,	47.15
Thomas Herson, Jr., repairs and cleaning,	7.60
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	\$212.95

SCHEDULE F. INCIDENTALS.

Hayward & Brown,	\$2.50
E. W. Ashley, census,	10.00
C. D. Waldron, printing,	1.31
Thomas Herson, Jr.,	2.00
T. J. Robinson,	3.34
E. B. Gray, expenses to Boston and express,	28.33
Wm. C. Ashley, express, supplies, etc.,	7.54
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	\$55.02

W. C. ASHLEY,
THOMAS HERSON, JR.,
T. J. ROBINSON.

Secretary of the Board,
FRANK M. MARSH.