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SELECTMENS' REPORT.

Citizens of Carrer:

The Selectmen submit their annual report of the receipts and expenditures of the Town for the past year, together with such other facts as may be of interest.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

THOMAS COBB, *Treasurer.*

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To cash on hand at commencement of the year,	\$3,371 97
To cash received from—	
J. B. Hatch for support of daughter at State Industrial School,	25 35
Hiram Tillson for license to peddle,	6 00
William L. Randall, for license to peddle,	6 00
Town of Middleboro' for schools,	24 72

Town of Plymouth for schools,	\$28 00
State Treasurer, Military bounty,	651 50
State Treasurer, State aid to soldiers and families,	700 00
State Treasurer, Corporation tax,	514 58
State Treasurer, tax on Bank stock,	622 25
N. S. Cushing, for schooling his children,	7 33
State Treasurer, from School fund,	138 89
Ira C. Bent, for old Hears and House,	10 00
County Treasurer, from license of Dogs,	79 65
County Treasurer, award of County Commis- sioners, on account of new road at the South,	500 00
Sale of pauper effects,	1 00
R. B. Pearson, school money overdrawn,	75
Thomas Cobb, rent of Town farm,	25 00
Collection of taxes,	5,151 93
Total receipts,	<u>\$11,864 92</u>

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SUPPORT OF POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

By Cash paid—

Isaac Shaw, for support of son,	\$44 00
Eben Fuller, for support of son,	48 99
Town of Chelmsford, for sickness and burial of Shurtleff child,	22 00

F. A. Sawyer, for medical attendance on Mary Wrightington,	\$3 00
J. P. Robbins, and others for support of Pa- tience Robbins,	58 39
E. H. Cornish, for medical attendance on Sally Dunham,	22 35
Eben S. Lucas, for support of Sally Dunham,	85 00
Eben S. Lucas, for boarding and clothing fur- nished Dunham boy,	20 94
Eben S. Lucas, for boarding and clothing fur- nished Goodwin children,	23 07
Charles D. Parsons, for board and clothing of one of Goodwin children,	20 28
H. A. Lucas, for board of one of Goodwin children,	11 00
Jabez Benson, for support of Abigail Bumpus,	57 50
Matt Ellis & Co., for goods furnished Abigail Bumpus,	16 34
For assistance to Jacob P. Lucas' family,	40 00
Lucy Ransom, for support of Sally Denham,	52 00
Matt Ellis & Co., for goods furnished Caro- line Wrightington,	36 67
For assistance to Phebe A. Shurtleff, of Ware- ham,	12 00
Benjamin Dunham, for support of E. P. Bumpus,	38 50
Andrew Griffith, for Ansel Barrows. Boston,	25 00
Total expense outside the Almshouse,	<u>\$636 04</u>

SUPPORT OF POOR IN THE ALMSHOUSE.

By Cash paid—	
R. J. Brett, for supplies furnished the Alms- house,	20 43
Alvin Perkins, for supplies furnished Alms- house,	13 72
Atwood & Shaw, for meat furnished Alms- house,	9 56
Ezra Vaughan, for filing wood-saw,	50
L. W. Rickard, for wood furnished Alms- house,	3 50
Thomas Cobb, for bread furnished Almshouse,	47
Abigail S. Cole, for labor done at Almshouse,	46 75
Asa Barrows, for board of paupers at Alms- house,	143 25
Total expense in the Almshouse,	<u>\$238 18</u>
Total cash paid out the Town Treasury for Poor,	\$874 22

Deduct one hundred dollars, the expense in which Edmund P. Bumpus has been to the Town, and which is covered by a note held by the Overseers of Poor, in favor of E. P. Bumpus against Andrew M. Bumpus, and you will have the actual expense of the Poor the last year.

\$774 42

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

By Cash paid—

No. 1,	\$234 00
No. 2,	334 75
No. 3,	382 68
No. 4,	247 88
No. 5,	363 26
No. 6,	231 09
No. 8,	198 00

Total expense of schools,	\$1,991 66
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By referring to the Liabilities of the Town in our last year's report, it will be seen that there stood to the credit of schools an undrawn balance of appropriation, which we insert here together with the appropriation of the present year, and income from other sources for schools.

Undrawn balance of last year,	\$563 75
Town appropriation,	1,200 00
From dog license,	79 65
From State school fund,	138 89
Due from other towns,	19 11
Total school money,	\$2,001 40
Actually paid out,	1,991 66
Carried to new account,	\$9 74

STATE AID TO SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES.

By Cash paid—

Everett T. Manter, twelve months at \$10 00,	\$120 00
Almira A. Barrows, twelve months at \$8 00,	96 00
Daniel Dunham, twelve months at \$6 00,	72 00
Mary T. Dunham, twelve months at \$8 00,	96 00
Huldah McFarlin, twelve months at \$8 00,	96 00
Lydia D. Sherman, twelve months at \$4 00,	48 00
Caroline W. Pratt, twelve months at \$4 00,	48 00
Nancy L. Pratt, thirteen months at \$8 00,	104 00
Atwood R. Drew, fourteen months at \$6 00,	84 00
Sarah A. Brown, two months at \$8 00,	16 00
Total amount of aid paid,	<u>\$780 00</u>

Nancy L. Pratt and Atwood R. Drew were new applicants for aid, consequently their applications dated back of the settlement of our Town accounts.

State aid merely passes through the Treasurer's hands, the Town being reimbursed for the amount paid.

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ABATEMENT ON TAXES.

Jacob Holmes, tax of 1870,	\$10 00
Heirs of William Breach, tax of 1870,	1 00
Alfred M. Shaw, tax of 1870,	2 00
Thomas Lebaren, " " "	69
Hezekiah Cole, highway tax of 1870, worked out,	4 21
Ezra T. Cobb, tax of 1871,	2 78
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Total abatements,	\$20 68

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OTHER TOWN EXPENSES.

By Cash paid—

Andrew Griffith, for services as one of Selectmen and Overseers of Poor, 1870,	\$46 14
Alvin Perkins, for same,	45 20
Eben S. Lucas, for same,	28 00
Nelson Barrows, for Town Clerks services, 1870,	32 00
Linus A. Shaw, for Constable services, 1870,	10 50
Thomas Cobb, for Treasurer and Collector commission, 1870,	178 45
For clearing the roads from snow, 1870-71,	254 03
S. F. McFarlin, for services on School Committee, 1870,	45 14

Eben S. Lucas, for same,	\$33 00
E. T. Pratt, for same,	13 00
Andrews Bros., for printing Town Reports,	25 20
Gustavus Atwood, for repairs on Fresh Meadow bridge,	28 80
Amount of fire bills as allowed by Committee to whom referred,	157 00
Town of Middleboro, for their proportion of Popes Point School-house,	100 00
W. W. Avery, for printing School reports,	18 75
Repairs on several school-houses per order of School Committee,	61 56
S. F. McFarlin, for school-books furnished children unable to pay,	6 75
Thomas Cobb, for returning deaths,	70
E. W. Shaw, " " "	1 00
For Hericks town officer for use of town officers,	2 50
Andrew Griffith, for assessing taxes, 1871,	19 00
Alvin Perkins, " " "	16 00
Eben S. Lucas, " " "	18 00
For tax books,	2 65
Eben S. Lucas, for copying Town valuation,	11 00
Thomas Southworth, for services as one of road Committee,	14 00
For repairs on Town House,	1 00
Albert Mason for services in road case before County Commissioners,	5 00

For bucket at the Almshouse,	\$1 25
Lewis Pratt, for stove furnished Wenham School-house per order of Committee,	9 38
Interest on Reuben Sherman's note,	59 45
Interest on Henry Sherman's note,	2 40
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Town expenses excluding cost of Poor,	\$1,246 65

Add the expense of Poor, \$774.22 to the above town expenses and the actual town charges coming under the appropriation will be \$2,020.87.

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By Cash paid—

Company L for May inspection,	\$73 50
Henry Sherman's note,	85 00
Company L for duty in camp at Muster,	578 00
County Tax,	665 81
State Tax,	1,325 00
Reuben Sherman's notes,	1,325 00
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Total,	\$4,052 31

The above payments were not provided for by town appropriations. The military bounty being reimbursed by the state. The State and County tax required to be assessed by law, and the notes paid out of the surplus cash in the Treasury.

TREASURER'S CREDIT BROUGHT FORWARD.

Poor,	\$874 22
Schools,	1,991 66
State Aid,	780 00
Abatement on taxes,	20 68
Other town expenses,	1,246 65
Payments not provided for by appropriation,	4,052 31
Cash in the Treasury and to balance.	2,899 40
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	\$11,864 92

LIABILITIES.

The Liabilities of the Town are as follows :

Treasurer and Collectors commission of 1871 unpaid,	\$177 96
Armory rent, unpaid,	50 00
Nelson Burrows, for Town Clerks services, 1871,	26 50
Alvin Perkins, for services as one of Selectmen and Overseers of Poor, 1871,	29 70
Eben Lucas, for same,	50 70
Andrew Griffith, for same,	37 25
“ “ for horse hire, car fare, station- ery and postage,	11 40
R. M. Dempsey, for services as Constable, 1871,	75

S. F. McFarlin, for services as one of School Committee, 1871,	\$35 00
R. B. Pearson, for same,	40 00
E. T. Pratt, for same,	9 75
Est. Poor bills unpaid,	100 00
All other bills against the town estimated,	100 00
School appropriation undrawn,	9 74
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Total liabilities,	\$678 00

ASSETS AVAILABLE.

Cash in the Treasury,	\$2,899 40
Uncollected taxes of 1869,	7 33
“ “ 1870,	84 09
“ “ 1871,	822 13
Due from State for aid paid soldiers and families,	1,288 00
Due from State for Armory rent,	50 00
Due on note of E. P. Bumpus against Andrew M. Bumpus,	100 00
Due from other towns for schools,	19 11
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Total,	\$5,270 06

ASSETS NOT AVAILABLE.

Town Farm,	\$700 00
Personal property in the house;	150 00

No. 1, School-house,	\$950 00
“ 2, “	625 00
“ 3, “	760 00
“ 4, “	1,000 00
“ 5. “	950 00
“ 6, “	700 00
“ 8, “	800 00
Total,	<u>\$6,635 00</u>

It will be seen that our available assets have increased over our liabilities since last year nearly \$1900, which may be accounted for by the award of County Commissioners on account of road and revenue from Bank tax, and by its being a very favorable year in respect to town expenses.

AMOUNT RAISED BY TAXATION, 1871.

State tax,	\$1,325 00
County tax,	665 81
For Schools,	1,200 00
For town charges,	1,734 62
Total,	<u>\$4,925 43</u>

There being a change in the law taxing Bank Stock, the state now taxing it, and eventually paying it back into the Town Treasury, the Assessors felt justified in reducing the appropriation from \$2,000.00 to \$1,734.62.

FOR HIGHWAYS.

Labor tax,	\$1,382 45
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RATE OF TAXATION, 1871.

Money tax,	\$8 40 per \$1,000 00
Poll tax,	2 00
Highway tax,	2 25 per 1,000 00
Highway poll tax,	83

We give in the table below the rate of taxation in every town in Plymouth County, also the average in the State.

Abington,	\$16 20 per \$1,000 00
Bridgewater,	12 40 " "
Carver,	10 65 " "
Duxbury,	19 70 " "
E. Bridgewater,	18 70 " "
Halifax,	11 00 " "
Hanover,	12 50 " "
Hanson,	17 00 " "
Hingham,	12 50 " "
Hull,	14 50 " "
Kingston,	7 10 " "
Lakeville,	17 20 " "
Marion,	16 30 " "

Marshfield,	\$19 30	per \$1,000	00
Mattapoissett,	16 50	"	"
Middleboro'	14 10	"	"
N. Bridgewater,	18 00	"	"
Pembroke,	15 50	"	"
Plymouth,	17 20	"	"
Plympton,	15 30	"	"
Rochester,	16 00	"	"
Scituate,	21 60	"	"
South Scituate,	16 70	"	"
Wareham,	17 10	"	"
W. Bridgewater,	15 00	"	"
Average in the State,	15 41	"	"

TOWN VALUATION, 1871, EXCLUDING CORPORATE AND BANK STOCK.

Real Estate,	\$333,842 00
Personal estate,	186,575 00
Total,	<u>\$520,417 00</u>

Number of polls,	279
Number of houses taxed,	228
Horses,	140
Cows,	218
Sheep,	103

The Selectmen present for consideration a schedule of such sums of money as may be found necessary to meet the demands of another year, also to show the burden of taxation.

For highways, and bridges,	\$1,100 00
For town charges not otherwise provided for,	1,000 00
For schools,	1,200 00
State tax estimated,	1,000 00
County tax,	750 00

Chapter 298 of the laws of 1871 repeals the law authorizing the assessment and collection of the highway labor tax and requires the same to be a money tax assessed and collected as other taxes. We think eleven hundred dollars for roads and bridges will be ample if placed in judicious hands.

If the law taxing Bank and Corporate Stock remains the same, one thousand dollars will pay all town charges not otherwise provided for. In absence of any specific sum being recommended by the Committee for the support of schools we use the figures of last year.

The State and County taxes are estimated, but it is hoped that they may be found not far out of the way, With these estimates there will be quite a liberal decrease in the rates of taxation from last year.

LIST OF PERSONS ASSISTED OUT OF THE
ALMSHOUSE DURING THE YEAR.

Foster Shaw, Caroline Wrightington, Abigail Bumpus, Sally Denham, Jacob P. Lucas, Phebe A. Shurtleff, Sally Dunham, part of the year, Edmund P. Bumpus, part of the year, John Goodwin's children, Patience Robbins, Dunham boy, Eben Fuller's son and Ansel Barrows.

It was found expedient to close the Almshouse from April to October, when Mr. Asa Barrows was hired to take the Almshouse, and board the paupers at a specified sum per week, Edmund P. Bumpus and Sally Dunham being the most expensive and only ones coming under his care.

We present a table showing the expense of the Poor for the past five financial years.

In 1867,	\$1,433 38
1868,	1,627 73
1869,	1,441 29
1870,	925 59
1871,	774 22

The annual Town meeting will be held on Monday,
the 25th day of March inst, at 1 o'clock, P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW GRIFFITH,
ALVIN PERKINS,
EBEN S. LUCAS, .

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor of Carver.



