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## REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

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### CITIZENS OF CARVER : —

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.*

DR.

To cash on hand March 5, 1882 .....	\$1,301 03
Received from —	
George B. Fuller, license to peddle .....	6 00
George H. Place, license to peddle .....	6 00
Atwood C. Thomas, license to peddle .....	6 00
Edgar L. Rogers, license to peddle .....	6 00
J. C. Ashley, license to peddle .....	6 00
George W. Cobb, license to peddle .....	6 00
William L. Randall, license to peddle .....	6 00
Plymouth National Bank loans .....	1,800 00
Allen Bennett, portion of wages .....	13 20
Eben S. Lucas from sale of school-books .....	5 87
James Thomas, grass for Town farm .....	1 00
Henry Sherman for gravel .....	75
Thomas Cobb, pasture Town farm .....	10 00
Sale of turnips, Town farm .....	5 52
Town of Wareham, aid to Isaac Benson .....	35 00
State Treasurer, corporation tax .....	610 02

National Bank tax . . . . .	\$553 54
Aid to soldiers and families . . . . .	324 00
Aid to poor and indigent soldiers . . . . .	50 00
State Treasurer, income Massachusetts school fund . . . . .	219 45
County Treasurer, license of dogs . . . . .	85 84
Taxes . . . . .	6,198 79
Interest on taxes . . . . .	53 58
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Total receipts . . . . .	\$11,309 59

The Treasurer is credited with payments on the several accounts as follows :

CR.

Paid for —

Support of poor . . . . .	\$1,299 40
Support of schools . . . . .	2,141 17
Repair of highways . . . . .	1,219 49
Removal of snow from highways . . . . .	571 92
School-house repairs and incidentals . . . . .	101 99
Repair of bridges . . . . .	43 26
State aid to soldiers and families . . . . .	321 00
State aid to poor and indigent soldiers . . . . .	96 00
Incidental Town expenses . . . . .	633 32
Loans at Plymouth National Bank . . . . .	1,800 00
State tax . . . . .	660 00
County tax . . . . .	653 32
Cash on hand March 10, 1883 . . . . .	1,768 72
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	\$11,309 59

*SCHOOLS.*

Receipts and expenditures connected with the schools the past year :—

## DR.

Undrawn balance from 1881 .....	\$490 48	
Appropriation, 1882.....	1,200 00	
From Massachusetts school fund .....	219 45	
From dog licenses .....	85 84	
Due from Pratt fund.....	100 00	
Overdrawn .....	45 40	
	————	\$2,141 17

## CR.

Paid the several schools .. .. .	\$2,141 17
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*HIGHWAYS.*

Receipts and expenditures connected with the repairs of highways the past year : —

DR.

Undrawn balance of 1881.....	\$51 08	
Appropriation of 1882 .....	1,200 00	
		————— \$1,251 08

CR.

Paid —

District No. 1 .....	\$73 36
District No. 2 .....	65 38
District No. 3 .....	70 61
District No. 4 .....	75 98
District No. 5 .....	91 06
District No. 6 .....	63 00
District No. 7 .....	65 98
District No. 8 .....	70 92
District No. 9 .....	17 56
District No. 10 .....	238 26
District No. 11 .....	108 39
District No. 12 .....	58 27
District No. 13 .....	88 87
District No. 14 .....	54 47
District No. 15 .....	77 38

Total expenditures.....	1,219 49
Balance to new account .....	31 59

————— \$1,251 08



*BRIDGES.*

Receipts and expenditures connected with the repairs of bridges the past year :—

DR.

Balance from 1881.....	\$1 20	
Appropriation, 1882.....	50 00	
		\$51 20

CR.

Paid repair of bridge, District No. 7.....	\$40 76	
Paid repair of bridge, District No. 3 ....	1 50	
Paid repair of bridge, District No. 14.....	1 00	
		\$51 20
Total expenditures.....	\$43 26	
Balance to new account .....	7 94	
		\$51 20

*SNOW.*

Receipts and expenditures connected with the removal of snow from the highways the past year :—

DR.

Appropriation, 1883.....	\$600 00
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CR.

Paid—

District No. 1.....	\$27 40
District No. 2.....	66 35
District No. 3.....	37 90
District No. 4.....	50 30
District No. 5.....	81 86
District No. 6.....	19 52

District No. 7 .....	\$31 85	
District No. 8 .....	46 60	
District No. 9 .....	21 00	
District No. 10 .....	40 35	
District No. 11 .....	16 37	
District No. 12.....	41 25	
District No. 13.....	37 65	
District No. 14.....	6 87	
District No. 15.....	46 65	
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Total expenditures.....	\$571 92	
Balance to new account ....	28 08	
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		\$600 00

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*REPAIRS OF SCHOOL-HOUSES AND INCIDENTALS.*

Receipts and expenditures connected with the repairs of school-houses, and school incidentals the past year :—

DR.		
Appropriation, 1882.....	\$100 00	
Overdrawn.....	1 99	
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		\$101 99
CR.		
Paid approved bills of School Committee..		\$101 99

## POOR.

Receipts and expenditures connected with the support of the poor the past year :—

## DR.

Appropriation, 1882.....	\$1,400 00	
Received from —		
Town of Wareham.....	35 00	
Allen Bennett, wages.....	13 20	
James Thomas, grass.....	1 00	
Thomas Cobb, pasture.....	10 00	
Sale of turnips, Town farm.....	5 52	
Henry Sherman, gravel.....	75	
	—————	\$1,465 47

## CR.

Paid —		
Provisions for Almshouse.....	\$319 49	
Medical attendance.....	7 84	
Wood bill.....	26 25	
Clothing bill.....	19 13	
Small repairs.....	3 25	
Matron's services.....	182 00	
	—————	
Total expense in the Almshouse..		\$557 96

## OUTSIDE THE ALMSHOUSE.

Paid aid to —		
John Thomas.....	\$4 50	
Foster Shaw.....	79 50	
George W. Thomas.....	66 45	
Isaac Benson.....	35 00	
Barton Fuller.....	48 00	

Eben Fuller.....	\$19 00	
Barney Lucas.....	34 00	
Elijah Douglass .....	32 50	
Mary E. Thomas .....	83 18	
Mary and C. Wrightington....	82 88	
Asa Wrightington.....	65 00	
Martha A. Bumpus.....	78 00	
Ansel Barrows.....	4 42	
Louisa Benson and children.....	91 00	
Deborah Lucas.....	9 00	
Charles Lucas.....	4 96	
Removal of Benson children to Wanderers' Home .....	4 05	
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Total expense out of Almshouse..		\$741 44
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Total expense of the Poor.....		\$1,299 40
Balance to new account.....		166 07
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		\$1,465 47

*STATE AID.*

Receipts and disbursements connected with State Aid for the past year : —

	DR.	
Due from the State.....		\$381 00
	CR.	
Paid —		
Marcia A. Manter.....	\$48 00	
Caroline W. Pratt.....	48 00	
Abby H. Eddy .....	48 00	
Daniel Dunham .....	72 00	
Benjamin F. Fuller.....	54 00	
William W. Pearson.....	36 00	
Howard K. Swift .....	15 00	
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Total disbursements.....	\$321 00	
Paid previous to March 10, 1893..	60 00	
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		\$381 00

*AID TO POOR AND INDIGENT SOLDIERS.*

DR.

Due from the State.....	\$48 00	
Drawn from Incidental account.....	48 00	
		\$96 00

CR.

Paid Charles Atwood.....		\$96 00
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*INCIDENTAL TOWN EXPENSES.*

Receipts and expenditures connected with Incidental Town Expense Account the past year:—

DR.

Appropriation, 1882.....	\$600 00	
Received from —		
Peddlers' Licenses.....	42 00	
E. S. Lucas, sale of school books... ..	5 87	
Interest on taxes .....	53 58	
National Bank tax .....	553 54	
Corporation tax.....	610 02	
Overdrawn... ..	81 63	
Borrowed of Plymouth National Bank....	1,800 00	
		\$3,746 64

CR.

Paid —

School Committee, purchase books.....	\$18 96
H. A. Lucas, Selectman's services, 1881... ..	47 00
Frederic Cobb, Selectman's services, 1881. .	33 00
Gustavus Atwood, Selectman's services, '81,	28 00

Nellie F. Cole, member of School Committee, 1881.....	\$26 00
R. C. Freeman, member of School Committee, 1881 .....	42 00
E. S. Lucas, member of School Committee, 1881 .....	39 00
Albert T. Shurtleff, Town Clerk's services, 1881 .....	35 00
Albert T. Shurtleff, postage and express...	2 30
William B. Chandler, Constable's services, 1881 .....	3 00
R. M. Dempsey, Auditor's services, 1881...	2 00
Thomas Cobb, Treasurer's and Collector's commission, 1881 .....	151 72
Thomas Cobb, printing and postage, etc...	8 00
Thomas Cobb, returning deaths.....	2 50
E. W. Shaw, returning deaths.....	1 50
Avery & Doten, printing town reports ...	31 25
Avery & Doten, printing school reports...	19 50
D. W. Andrews, printing truant notices ..	1 50
Nelson Sherman, Auditor's services, 1881..	75
Collector's book.....	1 65
Town account and Surveyor's books .....	4 03
S. F. McFarlin for books furnished children unable to pay.....	8 66
Andrew Griffith, Assessor, 1882 .....	20 00
Albert T. Shurtleff, Assessor, 1882.....	20 00
Nelson Sherman, Assessor, 1882.....	20 00
Interest on loans of Plymouth National Bank .....	43 50
Frederic Cobb, Selectman's services early in 1882 .....	4 00

H. A. Lucas, Selectman's services in 1882.	\$8 00	
David M. Bates, Constable's services, 1882,	10 50	
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Total incidental Town expenses.....	\$633 32	
County tax.....	653 32	
State tax.....	660 00	
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		\$1,946 64
Loans of Plymouth National Bank,		1,800 00
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		\$3,746 64

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*COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT.*

DR.

Uncollected taxes, 1878.....	\$11 92	
Uncollected taxes, 1879 .....	100 36	
Uncollected taxes, 1880 .....	309 77	
Uncollected taxes, 1881 .....	1,292 83	
Taxes assessed, 1882 .....	5,617 40	
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		\$7,332 28

CR.

By taxes collected.....	\$6,198 79
George W. Cobb, tax of 1878, abated .....	21
George W. Cobb, tax of 1879, abated.....	19
George W. Cobb, tax of 1880, abated .....	25
George W. Cobb, tax of 1881, abated.....	24
George W. Cobb, tax of 1882, abated.....	25
Chipman Fuller, tax of 1879, abated .....	75
Chipman Fuller, tax of 1880, abated .....	98
Chipman Fuller, tax of 1881, abated.....	95
George W. Tillson, tax of 1880, abated....	2 00



George W. Tillson, tax of 1881, abated . . . . .	\$2 00	
James O. Riley; tax of 1880, abated . . . . .	2 00	
James O. Riley, tax of 1881, abated . . . . .	2 00	
Roswell Houdlette, tax of 1881, abated . . . . .	2 00	
Alexander P. Bump, tax of 1881, abated . . . . .	7 46	
Thomas C. Shurtleff, tax of 1880, abated . . . . .	2 39	
Thomas C. Shurtleff, tax of 1881, abated . . . . .	2 00	
John Murdock, tax of 1882, abated . . . . .	49	
Peter Washburn, tax of 1882, abated . . . . .	1 20	
Taxes uncollected . . . . .	1,106 13	
		\$7,332 28

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*TOWN ASSETS.*

Cash in the Treasury, March 10, 1883 . . . . .	\$1,741 36	
Due from Plymouth, aid to E. Douglass . . . . .	32 50	
Due from Pratt fund . . . . .	100 00	
Uncollected taxes, 1878 . . . . .	8 57	
Uncollected taxes, 1879 . . . . .	91 30	
Uncollected taxes, 1880 . . . . .	173 07	
Uncollected taxes, 1881 . . . . .	266 05	
Uncollected taxes, 1882 . . . . .	567 14	
Due from State, aid paid to soldiers and families . . . . .	431 00	
		\$3,410 99

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*LIABILITIES.*

Thomas Cobb, Treasurer and Collector's commission, 1882 . . . . .	\$160 93
Thomas Cobb, printing and postage . . . . .	8 00
Andrew Griffith, services as Selectman and Overseer of Poor . . . . .	58 00
Andrew Griffith, stationery and postage . . . . .	3 43



Albert T. Shurtleff, services as Selectman and Overseer of Poor.....	\$17 00	
Nelson Sherman, services as Selectman and Overseer of Poor .....	22 00	
Albert T. Shurtleff, services as Town Clerk,	35 00	
Albert T. Shurtleff, express and postage...	3 07	
Highway appropriation undrawn .....	31 59	
Estimated poor bills unpaid.....	125 00	
Estimated expense of removing snow from highways .....	125 00	
All other demands against the Town, estimated .....	110 98	
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Estimated liabilities.....		\$700 00
Balance in favor of the Town .....		<hr/> \$2,710 99

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*ASSESSOR'S STATISTICS, 1882.*

Value of personal estate.....	\$184,744 00	
Value of real estate .....	345,595 00	
Total valuation.....	—————	\$530,339 00
Raised by taxation, State tax .....	\$660 00	
County tax.....	653 32	
Town appropriations.....	4,304 08	
Whole amount raised .....	—————	\$5,617 40

Rate of taxation per \$1,000, \$9.75.

Poll tax, \$2.00.

Number of polls taxed, 219.

Horses taxed, 160.

Cows taxed, 213.

Sheep taxed, 31.

Dwelling-houses taxed, 251.

Acres of land taxed, 19,000.

*APPROPRIATIONS.*

The following appropriations are called for to pay current expenses the ensuing year : —

Schools.....	\$1,200 00
Poor .....	1,300 00
Highways .....	1,200 00
Bridges.....	100 00
Removal of snow .....	125 00
School-houses and incidentals.....	50 00
Incidental Town expenses .....	650 00
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Total.....	\$4,625 00
Estimated bank and corporation tax.....	1,000 00
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If appropriated, sum to be assessed.....	\$3,625 00

*SCHOOLS.*

The school account stands overdrawn to the amount of \$45.40, with two schools yet only partially paid, which will still increase an overdrawn account. But this is a matter for the consideration of the Committee. In the absence of any recommendation from the School Committee, we call for the same appropriation as last year, believing that our people are satisfied with the amount of schooling heretefore afforded, when the money is judiciously expended.

*POOR.*

One thousand three hundred dollars is called for to meet current expenses of the poor ; and unless unforeseen large bills are launched upon us, it will be amply sufficient. It has been our endeavor the past year to draw the lines taut in this account, where there would be no chafing. The expenses at the Alms-house are large, considering the number supported there, and cannot be otherwise in a small town.

Manoah Hurd is now provided for at the Soldiers' Home, and two of the Benson children have been sent to the Wanderers' Home, free of expense to us.

The net expense of supporting the poor the past year is \$1,266.90 ; the balance, \$32.50, is to be reimbursed by Plymouth.

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*HIGHWAYS.*

Your Selectmen, hearing of no special complaint as to the inefficiency of the highways, ask for the same appropriation as last year, \$1,200.00

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*BRIDGES.*

All our large bridges are believed to be in good condition. But there are some small ones to be built anew or repaired. \$100.00 is called for.

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*REPAIR OF SCHOOL-HOUSES AND INCIDENTALS.*

As the duty of keeping the school-houses in repair now devolves upon the School Committee, we know very little of their condition. An appropriation of \$50.00 is thought to be ample, unless it will be found necessary to re-shingle or paint some of them. The Committee will be heard in this matter.

*REMOVAL OF SNOW FROM HIGHWAYS.*

An appropriation of \$125.00 is called for and considered ample, unless heavy snows fall hereafter, which, of course, will disturb our estimate.

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*INCIDENTAL TOWN EXPENSES.*

This account stands overdrawn \$81.63. An appropriation of \$650.00 we think will be required the ensuing year.

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By reference to our assets and liabilities it will be seen that we now have a balance in favor of the Town a little above \$2,700.00, or nearly \$1,000.00 more than last year.

By this fortunate turn of circumstances, and with the adoption of our recommended appropriations, we confidently assure tax-payers that a reduction of from 10 to 15 per cent. from last year's rate can be expected this year.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW GRIFFITH,  
ALBERT T. SHURTLEFF, } *Selectmen*  
NELSON SHERMAN, } *of*  
 } *Carver.*

## TOWN MEETING.

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Contents of Warrant for Town Meeting, to be held on Monday, March 26th inst., at one o'clock, P. M., at the Town Hall :

ART. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose all necessary Town officers for the year ensuing.

ART. 3. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges the ensuing year, and decide when taxes shall become due.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will accept the report of the Selectmen.

ART. 5. To see what pay the Town will vote the Treasurer and Collector, and whether any interest shall be charged on taxes unpaid after a certain date.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money, under the direction of the Selectmen, in anticipation of taxes.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will vote to make the yards of field-drivers Town pounds, providing they be also pound-keepers.

ART. 8. To determine the manner of repairing the highways the ensuing year, and decide the compensation for labor thereon.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will instruct the Herring Committee as to what is required of them. (By request.)

ART. 10. To bring in their votes by ballot, "Yes" or "No," upon the question, "Shall licenses be granted in this Town for the sale of intoxicating liquors?"

Given under our hands,

ANDREW GRIFFITH,	} <i>Selectmen</i>	
ALBERT T. SHURTLEFF,		of
NELSON SHERMAN,		<i>Carver,</i>

## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

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### *MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN CARVER IN 1882.*

- Jan. 18. Fisher A. Bosworth of Woonsocket, R. I. and Jane W. Freeman of Carver.
- Feb. 19. Andrew Elmer Raymond and Annie W. Perkins both of Carver.
- May 28. Nelson F. Manter and Ella Florence Atwood, both of Carver.
- June 2. Gardiner E. Holmes and Sarah Catharine Whidder, both of Carver.
- June 19. Elmer B. Cole and Hannah E. Cookson, both of Carver.
- July 2. Frank W. Bradford of Plympton and Eldora L. Ransom of Carver.
- July 20. Arthur H. Hammond of Wareham and Louisa Pratt of Carver.
- Sept. 5. Frederick A. Dimond and Maria Watson Merritt both of Carver.
- Sept. 12. James E. Case and Waitstill A. Tillson, both of Carver.
- Oct. 20. Joseph B. Rickard of Carver and Abby J. Beals of Plymouth.
- Oct. . David M. Bates and Martha Ann Cornish, both of Carver.
- Nov. 30. Everett E. Lucas and Harriet Inez Atwood, both of Carver.

*BIRTHS REGISTERED IN CARVER IN 1882.*

DATE OF BIRTH.	NAMES.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
Jan. 6,	Elmie Caroline Bump,	J. Myrick and Lucinda T.
Jan. 6,	Lillian Winibel Atwood,	Herbert H. and Alice M.
Jan. 6,	Anna Kimball Shurtleff,	Albert T. and Maria Y.
Feb. 16,	Maude Mary Lucas,	Horatio A. and Mary E.
April 9,	Minnie Viola Sweet,	Charles H. and Maria L.
July 6,	Eliza Golden Shurtleff,	Robert F. and Henrietta F.
Aug. 30,	Mary Ophelia Anderson,	Nicholas and Huldah C.
Sept. 1,	Florence Leslie Bradford,	Frank and Eldora L.
Sept. 8,	Lucy Chace Cole,	Horace C. and Helen F.
Sept. 8,	Elmer Clifton Raymond,	Andrew E. and Annie W.
Oct. 18,	Benjamin Frederick Harlow,	Benjamin F. and Lucy A.
Oct. 31,	Lillius Frances Lewis,	James W. and Jane T.
Dec. 10,	_____ (male),	Benj. W. and Nellie L. Richard.
Dec. 15,	_____ (female),	Zenas Albert and Ellen A. Tillson
Dec. 20,	_____ (female),	Gustavus and Zandee Stanwood.



DEATHS REGISTERED IN CARVER IN 1882.

DATE.	NAMES.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
		Years.	Months.	Days.		
1882.						
Jan. 31,	Lydia D. Sherman,	39	—	6	Consumption,	Otis and Betsey Finney.
April 9,	Fanny Shaw,	81	11	—	Pneumonia,	— — — Barden.
April 15,	Elijah Shaw,	79	9	12	Diabetes,	Benjamin and Relief Shaw.
April 19,	Jacob Holmes,	83	10	17	Old Age,	Zebulon and Rachel Holmes.
April 21,	Andrew R. Eames,	36	8	—	Consumption,	Luther and — Eames.
May 8,	Josiah Chandler,	41	7	6	Consumption,	Job C. and Nancy Chandler.
May 9,	Sarah Robbins,	84	—	—	Fever,	— — — Burgess.
May 10,	Stephen Atwood,	62	8	12	Heart Disease,	Levi and Bethia Atwood.
May 22,	Ephraim Griffith,	46	5	1	Measles,	Ephraim and Sophronia Griffith.
May 31,	Infant.	—	9	20	Typhoid Fever,	James S. and Julia Hudson.
July 4,	Flora A. Gould,	25	4	8	Scarlatina,	Samuel W. and Betsey Gould.
Aug. 16,	Lucy A. Dimond,	59	8	18	Paralysis,	Asa and Hannah Kimball.
Sept. 14,	Anna E. Cole,	24	2	—	Pneumonia,	Law and Martha Cookson.
Nov. 13,	Mary H. Cobb,	72	9	23	Fracture of Hip,	Thomas and Peris Hammond.
Nov. 18,	Elizabeth Stringer,	80	8	14	Dyspepsia,	Andrew and Sophia Lodner.

SUMMARY.

Whole number of marriages, twelve.

Whole number of births, fifteen — males, three ; females, twelve.

Whole number of deaths, fifteen.

ALBERT T. SHURTLEFF, *Town Clerk.*









