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REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

Citizens of Carver:—

The Selectmen submit their Annual Report of the receipts and expenditures of the town for the past year, with such other facts as may be of interest.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

ANDREW GRIFFITH, *Treasurer.*

DR.

To cash on hand March 3, 1889, . . .	\$1,940 76
Rec'd from State Treasurer balance corpo- ration tax,	9 38
Sale of herring privilege,	21 75
W. L. Randall, license to peddle,	6 00
Geo. B. Fuller, license to peddle,	6 00
J. Bent, overpaid bill, 1888,	1 88
Wm. Savery, agent—loan,	1,000 00
Sale of provisions and fowl, almshouse,	8 15
Allen Bennett's estate,	15 00
State Treasurer, corporation tax,	622 57
State Treasurer, National Bank tax,	859 47
State Treasurer, State Aid, Chap. 279,	71 00
State Treasurer, State Aid, Chap. 301,	279 30
State Treasurer, income Mass. School Fund,	205 73
P. McFarlin, trustee Ellis School Fund,	165 00
G. Atwood, trustee Pratt School Fund,	100 00
County Treasurer, dividend from dog licenses,	132 92
Martha Bumpus estate,	75 00
Rent of almshouse,	12 50

Rec'd from collection of taxes, . . .	\$5,764 59
Interest on delinquent taxes, . . .	29 32
Griffith Cemetery Fund, . . .	207 14
Total receipts,	<u>\$11,533 46</u>

1890

CR.

March 5. Paid support of poor, . . .	\$1,926 60
Support of schools, . . .	2,076 38
Repairs of highways, . . .	1,198 39
Repairs of bridges, . . .	218 06
Repairs of schoolhouses, . . .	77 82
School books and incidentals, . . .	199 80
State Aid, Chap. 301, . . .	302 80
State Aid, Chap. 279, . . .	144 00
Incidental town expenses, . . .	574 40
Special repairs highways, . . .	75 00
State tax,	640 00
County tax,	784 97
Wm. Savery, agent, loan, . . .	1,000 00
Town house account, . . .	13 12
New road, So. Carver, account, . . .	9 50
E. W. Peirce Post, 8, G. A. R., . . .	15 00
Griffith Fund, Wareham Savings Bank,	207 14
Cash on hand March 5, 1890, . . .	<u>2,070 48</u>
	<u>\$11,533 46</u>

SCHOOLS.

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

DR.

To balance from 1888,	\$ 32 56
Appropriation of 1889,	1,500 00
J. Bent, overpaid bill, 1888,	1 88
Ellis School Fund, app. to No. 4,	165 00
Pratt School Fund,	100 00
Mass. School Fund,	205 73
Dividend dog licenses,	132 92
	<u>\$2,138 09</u>

CR.

Paid approved bills of School Committee as follows:—

Leila B. Thomas, teacher, No. 5, . . .	\$161 10
Leila B. Thomas, janitor, No. 5, . . .	3 50
Sadie F. Atwood, teacher, No. 8, . . .	285 00
Sadie F. Atwood, janitor, No. 8, . . .	4 50
Vesta B. Shaw, teacher, No. 3, . . .	240 00
E. B. Perkins, teacher, No. 1 Grammar, . .	240 50
Nellie E. Gammons, teacher, No. 4 Primary, .	78 00
Lizzie M. Schouler, teacher, No. 4 Primary, .	126 00
Lizzie M. Schouler, janitor, No. 4 Primary, .	4 50
Charles L. Bates, teacher, No. 4 Grammar, .	270 00
Charles L. Bates, janitor, No. 4 Grammar, .	4 75
Carrie E. Soule, teacher, No. 1 Primary, . .	210 00
Carrie E. Soule, janitor, No. 1 Primary, . .	25
Carrie E. Soule, transportation of books, . .	30
Bernice E. Cornish, teacher, No. 2, . . .	90 00
Tirzah S. Morse, teacher, No. 5, . . .	119 00
Myra A. Shaw, teacher, No. 2, . . .	135 00
Harry Cassidy, janitor, No. 2, . . .	3 00
A. S. Hammond, Janitor, No. 5, . . .	2 75
E. H. Eames, janitor, No. 1 Grammar, . .	4 50
Willie Thomas, janitor, No. 1 Primary, . .	1 50
C. F. Cornell, sawing wood, No. 1, . . .	6 78
T. T. Vaughan, wood bill, No. 3, . . .	6 50
Geo. P. Lincoln, wood and sawing, No. 5, . .	12 63
Abial T. Shurtleff, wood bill, No. 5, . . .	1 13
A. F. Cornish, sawing wood, No. 3, . . .	75
Ellis Gibbs, sawing wood, No. 3, . . .	4 50
C. Robbins, wood bill, No. 1, . . .	15 40
W. T. Southworth, sawing wood, No. 2, . .	3 37
E. Hacket, sawing wood, No. 1, . . .	3 12
G. Atwood, wood and sawing, No. 4, . . .	14 33
G. Atwood, wood and sawing, No. 8, . . .	10 22
Miss N. G. Swift, cleaning, No. 4, . . .	4 50

Mrs. A. E. Winslow, cleaning, No. 1,	3 00
Mrs. M. E. Braddock, cleaning, No. 1,	6 00
Total expenses,	<u>\$2,076 38</u>
Balance unexpended,	61 71
	<u>\$2,138 09</u>

HIGHWAYS.

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

DR.

To balance from 1888,	\$ 71 10
Appropriation of 1889,	1,200 00
	<u>\$1,271 10</u>

CR.

Paid S. N. Gould, surveyor, 1888,	\$ 3 90
John Dunham, surveyor, 1888,	12 90
P. J. Holmes, surveyor, 1888,	9 25
Joseph Morris, surveyor, 1888,	2 02
H. T. Hammond, commissioner,	385 12
I. S. Shurtleff, same,	382 35
O. L. Shurtleff, same,	402 85
Total expenses,	<u>\$1,198 39</u>
Balance unexpended,	72 71
	<u>\$1,271 10</u>

BRIDGES.

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

DR.

To balance from 1888,	\$130 71
Appropriation of 1889,	25 00
	<u>\$155 71</u>
Overdrawn,	62 35
	<u>\$218 06</u>

CR.

Paid expenses of bridge at Beaver Dam,	\$ 44 61
Expenses of bridge at J. E. Vaughan's bog,	27 53
Repairs of Fresh Meadow bridge,	104 68
Repairs of Pope's Point and Quiticus bridges,	41 24
Total expenses,	<u>\$218 06</u>

REPAIR OF SCHOOL-HOUSES.

Receipts and expenses connected with the repairs of school-houses the past year :—

DR.

To balance from 1888,	\$72 06
Appropriation of 1889,	50 00
	<u>\$122 06</u>

CR.

Paid J. F. Lucas, repairs, No. 1,	\$ 2 00
N. Lincoln, repairs, No. 1,	3 08
Bill for paint, No. 1,	13 31
H. Coombs, painting, No. 1,	20 58
E. B. Atwood, for lumber, No. 1,	5 26
E. A. Richards, labor and nails, No. 1,	1 43
T. R. Peirce, stove, No. 2,	9 00
J. Southworth, repairs, No. 3,	3 72
J. F. Shaw, carting cinder, No. 4,	2 60
G. Atwood, repairs, No. 4,	7 93
James Harris, repairs, No. 5,	50
G. Atwood, repairs, No. 8,	4 54
G. Atwood, repairs, No. 2,	3 87
Total expenses,	<u>\$77 82</u>
Balance unexpended,	44 24
	<u>\$122 06</u>

SCHOOL BOOKS AND INCIDENTALS.

Receipts and expenses connected with school books and school incidentals the past year :—

DR.

To balance from 1888,	\$ 26 97	
Appropriation of 1889,	125 00	
	<u>\$151 97</u>	
Overdrawn,	47 83	
		<u>\$199 80</u>

CR.

Paid I. A. Bent, for freight, express and car fare,	\$ 4 90	
I. A. Bent for broom and pencils,	80	
E. W. Babb & Co. for books,	121 98	
G. F. King & Merrill for stationery,	3 79	
Leila B. Thomas, transportation of books,	15	
Carrie E. Soule, transportation of books,	25	
Carroll W. Clark for maps and globes,	55 60	
John Shaw for pencils,	85	
C. L. Bates for bell,	1 00	
J. C. Whitehead, utensils for schools,	1 55	
G. Atwood, car fare, freight and cartage,	8 93	
Total expenses,		<u>\$199 80</u>

NEW ROAD.

Receipts and expenditures connected with new road at South Carver :—

DR.

To balance from 1888,	\$33 50
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CR.

Paid Marcus Atwood for monuments and setting,	\$ 8 00	
Marcus Atwood for railings,	1 50	
Total expenses,	<u>\$ 9 50</u>	
Balance to new account,	24 00	
		<u>\$33 50</u>

STATE AID.

Receipts and disbursements connected with State Aid to soldiers and families under Chap. 301, the past year:—

DR.

Due from the State, \$350 80

CR.

Paid B. F. Fuller,	\$ 8 80
H. K. Swift,	60 00
L. N. Shaw,	36 00
Charles Atwood,	44 00
Isaac Shaw,	18 00
Abby H. Eddy,	48 00
Caroline W. Pratt,	48 00
Lucy W. Fuller,	36 00
P. Jane Barrows,	4 00

Total disbursements, \$302 80

Paid previous to March 3, 1889, 48 00

\$350 80

SPECIAL REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS.

DR.

To appropriation of 1887, \$75 00

CR.

Paid H. T. Hammond, repairs near S. W.

Gould's, \$35 00

I. S. Shurtleff, repairs near E. Dunham's, 40 00

\$75 00

POOR AND INDIGENT SOLDIERS' AID.

Receipts and disbursements under Chap. 279 the past year:—

DR.

Due from the State, \$84 00

One-half paid by Carver, 84 00

\$168 00

Paid Manoah Hurd,	\$96 00
S. J. Ham,	48 00
Total disbursements,	<u>\$144 00</u>
Paid previous to March 3, 1889,	24 00
	<u>\$168 00</u>

TOWN HOUSE ACCOUNT.

DR.

To balance from 1888,	\$110 75
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CR.

Paid J. Southworth, voting shelves, labor and materials,	\$13 12
Balance unexpended,	<u>97 63</u>
	<u>\$110 75</u>

POOR.

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

DR.

To appropriation of 1889,	\$1,500 00
Rec'd from Allen Bennett estate,	15 00
M. A. Bumpus estate,	75 00
Sale of fowl and provisions,	8 15
Rent of almshouse,	12 50
	<u>\$1,910 65</u>
Overdrawn,	<u>15 95</u>
	<u>\$1,926 60</u>

CR.

Paid provisions for almshouse,	\$199 75
Matron services,	105 00
Wood bill,	16 50
Clothing and shoes,	4 21
Medical attendance,	63 55
Expense of four burials,	98 00
Total expense in almshouse,	<u>\$487 01</u>

EXPENSES OUTSIDE ALMSHOUSE.

Paid aid to :—

M. and C. Wrightington,	\$136 04
Mrs. Anna Tornrose,	110 41
John Thomas, and medical attendance,	70 75
Charles Robery, Wareham,	104 00
Wilson McFarlin, Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	169 46
C. W. Pratt, aid to Wm. Pratt,	65 00
Addie Shurtleff and children,	44 00
Town of Northbridge, aid and burial of Mary Kilroy,	50 00
Town of Plymouth, aid and medical attendance, A. Casey,	180 85
Town of Falmouth, aid to Landers child,	19 78
City of Chelsea, aid to S. J. Ham,	11 50
City of Boston, aid and burial of J. F. Bent,	26 29
Town of Norwell, medical attendance on A. Casey,	9 00
Geo. F. Morse, medical attendance on Mary Thomas,	27 60
E. H. Cornish, medical attendance on Allen Stringer,	19 50
J. B. Williams, board of Bennett and Sears,	118 35
J. B. Williams, lunch and care of 99 tramps,	24 75
Clothing bill for W. Sears,	5 31
Town of Plymouth, aid to Mrs. I. F. Atwood under Chap. 298,	193 00
Sylvia C. Dunham, aid under Chap. 298,	54 00
Total outside aid,	\$1,439 59
Total expense of poor,	\$1,926 60

DECORATION OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES.

DR.

To appropriation, \$15 00

CR.

Paid Leander Alden, quartermaster E. W.

Peirce Post, \$15 00

INCIDENTAL TOWN EXPENSES.

DR.

To appropriation of 1889, \$ 625 00

Rec'd corporation tax, 631 95

Sale of herrings, 21 75

National Bank tax, 859 47

Pedlers' licenses, 12 00

Loan, 1,000 00

Interest on taxes, 29 32

\$3,179 49

CR.

Paid A. Griffith, treasurer and collector,

commission, 1888, \$160 49

Printing, postage and stationery, . . 9 13

A. Griffith, Selectman, Overseer of

Poor, Registrar of Voters, and ex-

penses, 1888, 72 42

A. T. Shurtleff, same, 29 00

E. B. Cole, same, 30 00

A. T. Shurtleff, town clerk services, . 35 00

A. T. Shurtleff, postage and express, . 4 26

H. L. Thatcher, blank books, town offi-

cers, 45

Irene A. Bent, member School Com-

mittee, 1888, 35 25

Pratt Brothers, printing Assessors' no-

tices, 1 37

E. W. Shaw, returning deaths, 4 years, 4 00

Paid G. Atwood, member School Committee, 1888,	17 25
G. Atwood, making guide-board,	1 00
I. C. Bent, repair and oiling town scale,	2 87
H. L. Thatcher & Co., printing town reports,	44 00
C. K. Darling for Collector's book,	1 50
A. Griffith, Assessor, 1889,	20 00
A. T. Shurtleff, same,	20 00
F. A. Ward, same,	20 00
M. E. Shurtleff, copying valuation,	7 00
H. L. Thatcher & Co., printing pauper notices,	1 58
Stationery for town house,	43
Interest on borrowed money,	25 00
N. Sherman, returning deaths, 2 years,	2 25
J. W. Atwood, returning deaths, 1889,	2 75
Carbolic acid, order Board of Health,	40
S. B. Briggs, constable service, 1888,	8 00
S. B. Briggs, member Herring Committee, 1889,	4 00
J. Murray, care A. Stringer family (diphtheria,)	15 00
Total incidental and town expenses,	<u>\$574 40</u>
State tax,	640 00
County tax,	784 97
Loan,	<u>1,000 00</u>
	<u>\$2,999 37</u>
Deficiency of 1887 and 1888,	55 50
	<u>\$3,054 87</u>
Balance to new account,	124 62
	<u>\$3,179 49</u>

COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT.

A. GRIFFITH, *Collector.*

DR.

1889.
 March 3. To uncollected taxes of 1879, \$82 29

CR.

1890.
 March 5. By taxes uncollected, \$82 29

DR.

1889.
 March 3. To uncollected taxes of 1886, \$2 74

CR.

1890.
 March 5. By taxes collected in 1889, \$2 74

DR.

1889.
 March 3. To uncollected taxes of 1887, \$28 21

CR.

1890.
 March 5. By taxes collected in 1889, . . . \$14 47
 Amount taxes uncollected, . . . 13 74

 \$28 21

DR.

1889.
 March 5. To uncollected taxes of 1888, \$801 90

CR.

1890.
 March 5. By taxes uncollected in 1889, . . \$741 31
 Eben Ellis, poll abated, 2 00
 Charles W. Peirce, poll abated, 2 00

March 5.	Wm. F. Stanley, poll abated,	2 00
	Sarah Ryder, real abated,	4 36
	Amount taxes uncollected,	50 23
		\$801 90

DR.

1889.		
Aug. 3.	To amount of taxes of 1889,	\$5,705 57

CR.

1890.		
March 5.	By amount of taxes collected in	
	1889,	\$5,006 07
	Frederic Burgess, tax abated, real,	86
	Howard Swift and Bros., tax	
	abated, personal,	86
	Amount taxes uncollected,	697 78
		\$5,705 57

CARVER, March 5, 1890.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts, and find them to be correct.

JAMES A. VAUGHAN, } *Auditors of*
 NELSON SHERMAN, } *Carver.*

TOWN ASSETS.

1890.		
March 5.	Cash in the treasury,	\$2,070 48
	Due from State, aid to soldiers, Ch. 301,	350 80
	“ “ “ “ Ch. 279,	84 00
	“ Taunton, aid to Shurtleff family,	144 00
	Uncollected taxes of 1879,	82 29
	“ “ 1887,	13 74
	“ “ 1888,	50 23
	“ “ 1889,	697 78
	Total assets,	\$3,493 32

LIABILITIES.

A. Griffith, Treasurer and Collector commission, 1889, unpaid,	\$ 159 53
A. Griffith, printing, postage and stationery,	13 11
A. Griffith, Selectman, Overseer of Poor, Register of Voters, and expenses,	74 86
A. T. Shurtleff, same,	31 00
Fred A. Ward, same,	32 00
A. T. Shurtleff, town clerk services,	35 00
A. T. Shurtleff, postage and express,	4 42
N. Lincoln, member of School Committee,	29 00
N. Sherman, Auditor,	2 00
J. A. Vaughan, Auditor,	1 00
School appropriation undrawn,	61 71
Highway appropriation undrawn,	72 71
Bills for poor unsettled, estimated,	200 00
All other demands, estimated,	100 00
Total estimated liabilities,	\$816 34
Assets over liabilities,	\$2,676 98

ASSESSORS' STATISTICS, 1889.

Value of personal estate,	\$155,340
Value of real estate,	434,960
Total valuation,	\$613,590
Value of buildings,	\$155,435
Value of land,	302,815
	<u>\$434,960</u>

Raised by taxation:—

For support of poor,	\$1,800 00
Support of schools,	1,500 00
Repair of highways,	1,200 00
Special repair highways,	75 00
Repair of bridges,	25 00
Repair of schoolhouses,	50 00
School books and incidentals,	125 00

For removal of snow, highways,	\$ 25 00
Town incidentals,	625 00
State tax,	640 00
County tax,	784 97
Decoration soldiers' graves,	15 00
	<u>\$6,864 97</u>
Deduct est. Bank and Corporation tax,	1,200 00
	<u>\$5,664 97</u>
Overlay,	40 60
Total taxes committed to Collector,	<u>\$5,705 57</u>
Rate of taxation,	\$8 60
Poll tax,	\$2 00
Number of polls taxed,	214
Number of persons taxed,	531
On poll only,	60
On property,	471
Number horses taxed,	171
Number cows taxed,	168
Number shotes taxed,	49
Number neat cattle other than cows,	71
Number mules taxed,	6
Number ponies taxed,	5
Number donkeys taxed,	2
Dwellings taxed,	270
Acres of land taxed,	20,208
Acres cranberry bog taxed,	675

APPROPRIATIONS, 1890.

The following sums are recommended to meet current expenses the ensuing year:—

Support of poor,	\$1,450 00
Support of schools,	1,500 00
Repair of highways,	1,200 00
Repair of bridges,	125 00
Repair of school-houses,	50 00

School books and incidentals,	150 00
Town incidentals,	500 00
Fire-proof vault,	100 00
Poor soldiers and families under Chap. 298,	350 00

The Corporation and Bank taxes are estimated to yield \$1,200. The County tax will be the same as last year, unless there is a change after this writing. The State tax very likely will be a little lower. With the adoption of our recommended appropriations, the chances are for a trifle lower tax rate in 1890.

POOR.

We recommend an appropriation of \$1,450 00 for support of poor proper, and an appropriation of \$350 00 for support of poor soldiers and their families under Chap. 298, which requires a special appropriation. This class of poor are not treated as ordinary paupers. The Overseers deemed it best to close the almshouse, four out of five of the inmates having died. One hundred and twenty-eight tramps have been fed and lodged during the year. The expenses of the poor are within the appropriation, which is quite satisfactory, considering the amount of sickness and number of deaths.

FIRE PROOF VAULT.

To answer the demands of law, it becomes necessary to build a fire-proof vault in the town house, for the safe keeping of the town records. Our iron safe is too small to contain but a small part of the records, which are required to be kept in a fire-proof room. To delay the matter, may lay the town open to prosecution by the Commissioner of Public Records for neglecting to comply with the law. One hundred dollars is recommended for the purpose.

Our appropriations, in the aggregate have paid the expenses, thus leaving us substantially in about the same condition as one year ago.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW GRIFFITH,	} <i>Selectmen</i>	
ALBERT T. SHURTLEFF,		<i>of</i>
FRED. A. WARD,		<i>Carver.</i>

To the Citizens of Carver:—

The undersigned, after a service of eight years as a member of your Board of Selectmen, respectfully declines to again be considered a candidate for re-election.

Thanking you for the confidence reposed in me in the past,

I am, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

A. T. SHURTLEFF.

TOWN MEETING.

Contents of Warrant for town meeting, to be held at the town house, on Monday, the 31st day of March, 1890, at one o'clock, p. m.

ARTICLE 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.

ART. 4.—To determine the manner of repairing the highways and decide the compensation for labor thereon.

ART. 5.—To decide when taxes shall become due, and whether any interest shall be charged after a certain date.

ART. 6.—To see what pay the town will vote the Treasurer and Collector and other town officers.

ART. 7.—To see if the town will instruct the Treasurer to hire money, under the direction of the Selectmen, if found necessary, in anticipation of taxes the ensuing year.

ART. 8.—To see if the town will accept the report of the Selectmen.

ART. 9.—To see if the town will vote to make the yards of field-drivers town pounds, provided they also be chosen pound-keepers.

ART. 10.—To see what action the town will take in relation to a claim held against the city of Taunton for aid rendered the Shurtleff family.

ART. 11.—To see if the town will vote to re-imburse L. J. Shaw, a field-driver, for taking a horse illegally. (*By request.*)

ART. 12.—To bring in their votes by ballot, “Yes” or “No,” upon the question, Shall license be granted in this town for the sale of intoxicating liquors?

ANDREW GRIFFITH,	}	<i>Selectmen</i>
ALBERT T. SHURTLEFF,		
FRED. A. WARD,		
		<i>of</i>
		<i>Carver.</i>

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

For the Year 1889.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN CARVER FOR THE YEAR 1889.

1889.

- Jany. 9. Walter William Richards of Carver, and Sarah J. Hollis of Halifax.
- Mch. 17. George Shaw Murdock of Carver, and Minnie Warren Cahoon, of Marshfield.
- Mch. 31. Charles Braddock and Carrie F. Ransom, both of Carver.
- May 15. Josiah Jowitt of Chatham, N. J., and Mary Page Savery of Carver.
- May 18. Daniel Neal Johnson and Alma May Pratt, both of Carver.
- May 26. William L. Johnson and Grace I. Robbins, both of Carver.
- May 31. Herbert Laroy Cushman and Drusilla Barton Griffith, both of Carver.

- June 6. Nathan F. Washburn of Carver, and Alberta F. Vail of Lakeville.
- July 20. Ephraim C. Westgate and Harriet Wrightington, both of Carver.
- Aug. 12. John W. Ellis of Carver, and Sarah W. Fish of West Brewster.
- Aug. 17. Winslow H. Sears and Mary E. Lucas, both of Middleboro.
- Aug. 18. Henry F. Shurtleff of Carver, and Ella Manamon, of Wareham.
- Sept. 14. John W. Carleton of Plymouth, and Angeline F. Appling, of Carver.
- Nov. 7. Harvey W. Raymond and Mamie F. McLean, both of Plymouth.
- Nov. 23. George E. Wilbur and Alice C. Ryder, both of Middleborough.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN CARVER FOR
THE YEAR 1889.

1889.	NAME.	PARENTS.
Jany. 19,	Lydia May Washburn,	Edward A. and Helen B.
Jany. 20,	Clara Bell Shurtleff,	Roswell and Ida W.
Feby. 19,	Harold Clifton McKay,	James S. and Helen F.
Mch. 6,	Robert Dexter,	George and Cora.
April 30,	Charles Evarts Bates,	Charles L. and Georgia R.
May 1,	Russell Ferdinand Shurtleff,	Robert F. and Henrietta F.
May 9,	Cora Spaulding Rickard,	Joseph B. and Abby J.
May 22,	Nellie Earl Benson,	Huldah L. Benson.
May 27,	Henry Clifton Washburn,	Joseph H. and Emma G.
June 1,	Sumner Garfield Braddock,	Charles and Carrie F.
June 16,	Ellis Dexter Atwood,	S. Dexter and Lydia C.
June 23,	Margaret Ellen Lincoln,	Alfred F. and Mary A.
July 26,	Ethel Eugenie Carre,	Frederick E. and Gertrude.
Aug. 30,	Rotha Washburn,	Samuel D. and Cora B.
Sept. 2,	Bernard Elsmere Shaw,	Franklin H. and Nannie A.
Sept. 6,	Frank Harrison Cole,	Theron M. and Annie H.
Sept. 8,	Julien Mozart Southworth,	Thomas M. and Lucy A.
Sept. 20,	Edward Shaw,	E. Watson and Mary.
Oct. 20,	Arthur Anderson,	William and Ellen.
Nov. 21,	Viola Virginia Taber,	William B. and Laura M.
Nov. 25,	Mary Cornish Chandler,	Samuel B. E. and Mary D.
Dec. 26,	Clara Benson Cushing,	Alfred M. and Flora M.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN CARVER FOR THE YEAR 1889.

DATE. 1889.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
		Y.	M.	D.		
Jan. 10.	Winthrop McFarlin.	1	5	13	Congestion of Brain.	Peleg and Eldoretta.
Mch. 9.	Matilda G. Worcester.	67	10	—	Pneumonia.	Cyrus and Rahamah E. Tabor.
May 3.	Perez Thomas Shurtleff.	66	3	11	Congestion of Liver.	James and Elizabeth.
May 6.	Benjamin F. Fuller.	68	2	9	Result of Spinal Injury.	Benjamin and Polly.
May 19.	Frederick C. Sherman.	53	9	17	Congestion of Liver.	Joseph K. and Betsey.
May 22.	Amanda Pratt.	72	3	18	Paralysis.	Gideon and Lucy Shurtleff.
June 2.	Asa Wrightington.	80	2	6	Old Age.	Benjamin and Mary.
June 19.	Martha Bump.	65	—	—	Paralysis.	John and Mary,
June 27.	Ansel Barrows.	87	11	23	Old Age.	Ansel and —
Sept. 10.	Allen Bennett.	78	—	—	Nervous Prostration.	Shepherd and Betsey.
Sept. 14.	Eben D. Shaw.	66	7	6	Consumption.	Joseph and Hannah.
Sept. 20.	Edward Shaw.	—	—	—	Unknown.	E. W. and Mary.
Oct. 7.	Mary Briggs.	38	4	14	Blood Poisoning.	Andrew and Eliza Bump.
Oct. 10.	Cora F. Dexter.	18	6	28	Bright's Disease.	Elijah and Lydia Baxter.
Nov. 8.	J. Alton Southworth.	23	4	—	Diabetes.	Jason and Abby.
Dec. 4.	Theron C. Crocker.	1	2	4	Measles.	Lemuel N. and Betsey A.
Dec. 27.	Ira C. Bent.	69	4	8	Congestion of Lungs.	Asa and Lydia.

Summary, {
 Marriages, 15.
 Births, 21.
 Deaths, 17.

ALBERT T. SHURTLEFF, Town Clerk.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Citizens of Carver:—Your School Committee, in accordance with law and the established custom, would submit the following report for the year ending March 1st, 1890.

Each school, with one exception, which has had twenty-nine weeks, has been in session thirty weeks during the past year, and your Committee have continued the policy of retaining those teachers who have had a previous successful experience in the work desired of them. The Spring term of each school was taught by those who taught the preceding terms—a reference to last year's report may be of interest—one of whom, Miss Vesta B. Shaw, has taught in town eleven years in succession, two others, Miss Carrie E. Soule and Mr. Charles L. Bates, have each taught seven years successively, and one, Miss Sadie Atwood, four years, which shows the interest and respect accorded to them by our citizens and your Committee, and we feel that it cannot be unjustly bestowed on those who have given the best portion of their lives in this employ. The other five, who worked with zeal and fidelity, had taught two or more terms in town. At the Fall term of the schools, we were obliged, but loth, to make three changes in our teachers, caused by that number resigning their positions. Miss Cornish, of No. 2, resigned, to enter the State Normal School at Bridgewater. In her place, we were pleased to be able to reinstate, as teacher, Miss Myra A. Shaw, lately returned from a course at the State Normal School, she having served the town there as teacher previous to entering the same, who satisfactorily taught the Fall and Winter terms.

To fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Gammons, of No. 4 Primary, we obtained the services of Miss Lizzie M. Schouler, of Rock, Mass. She, having taught five terms successively in a mixed school in a neighboring town, came to us well recommended, and has pleasantly and profitably, as we believe, taught the last two terms of school. Readily adapting herself to this grade, she has won the good will of parents and pupils.

Miss Thomas, of No. 5, having taught one year successfully, disappointed your Committee and the parents of the district by resigning. Miss Tirzah S. Morse, of Rochester, Mass., was engaged, and has taught the last two terms of school. She had been a student for a year at the Normal School, but had no experience in teaching publicly. We believe she labored with fidelity in her charge and that a more extended practice would have met the requirements of the district and the expectations of the Committee.

The errors of our teachers—for we must acknowledge that they are human, and liable to err—we would speak of hereafter in a general manner, knowing that it is easier to find fault than to suggest remedies. We would not criticise severely, as we believe that our teachers generally have the interest of the schools at heart, and are working for the best development of the same. We are told "There are no two blades of grass alike"; so are all all classes of things, and our teachers are no exception to the general rule, and differ materially in their methods and their regulations of the school-room. Your Committee acknowledge that all our teachers, without exception, have received all propositions from them kindly and respectfully.

The usual studies have been pursued by the pupils during the past four years, with the usual results.

Each mixed school has been furnished with a set of "Mitchel's Outline Maps," seven in a set, and four "Paper Globes," and each Primary school has been furnished with two globes, which we believe are indispensable in the school-room, and fill a long felt necessity.

There have been no changes in text books the past year, although your Committee has had the matter under consideration.

Some of the most unpleasant features we notice in a school-room, and which hurt the name and fame of a teacher and a school, are :—

First, the low tone of voice used by many pupils : it is a fault more or less prevalent in nearly all our schools, especially if the pupil is not quite certain of giving a correct answer.

Second, hesitation in giving answers.

Third, inability to give correct answers ; incorrect answers, with hesitation and a low tone of voice, are unpleasant to listen to and should not be allowed, and a scholar addicted to all of these faults is an object of pity, while those who can give a prompt, correct answer, and speak with confidence and a clear tone of voice, full and free, are admired and applauded. A teacher should encourage a full and free tone, and demand the same, if confident the pupil has no physical impediment in his or her speech to prevent. By properly grading the classes, poor lessons and poor reading would be done away with in a great measure. Teachers should grade schools in accord with their best judgment, and not rely essentially on the classification of predecessors, or the wishes of the pupils or their parents. This is a right and privilege of teachers, and is one of the first things to attend to, and no other person should interfere. Knowing that there are persons in town who make it a point to dictate to teachers in grading certain scholars has suggested the above, and we would say for their advantage that they are committing an incalculable wrong to a child. It is far better for a pupil to use the Third Reader, if not familiar with and can read correctly only a few pieces, than to advance to the fifth grade. That they are able to read a few pieces fluently is not enough to place them in the next higher grade, not to say two grades higher, which we think we have seen done, and as long as a pupil is not familiar with, or cannot read intelligently the grade of Readers he is using, your Chairman for the past year would not favor the introduction of much supplementary reading, which seems to be the ruling custom of most towns. Teachers are at fault generally for dilatory answers, and can readily train a class to promptness if they will resolutely attempt it. These three faults remedied,

the teacher is a victor and has won laurels to his or her name. Thoroughness should be insisted upon, and no pupil allowed to advance beyond his or her comprehension.

Fourth, poor order, moving of slates and feet, and heavy walking, not pleasant in a school-room. A teacher should have a regular system of order, involving quietness in school hours, walking quietly to and from the recitation seats, and in going out and coming into the room. Rough playing, running and boisterousness of any kind should not be allowed within the walls of a school-room, the teacher being sovereign in this respect, with full control, in-doors and out.

Fifth, much could be said in relation to the manner and method of teaching the various studies, but we will refrain from saying more than has been said, that thoroughness is the point to be gained, and in certain cases we think it a point to be guarded more fully by the teacher.

Sixth, the school-room should be kept swept and dusted. It is left to the janitor in some instances, who attends to it once a week, and an unsightly amount of dirt will accumulate in that length of time. We would advise that they be renovated daily in this particular.

Seventh, the School Register, required by law to be correctly kept, seems to be poorly understood by a portion of our teachers. We would recommend a careful reading of the instructions of same, including all fine print, by them, and that they remember that in no instance does membership mean attendance, and that a pupil is a member of the school after he once enters until he concludes, or discontinues to come. Other points need more care.

SICKNESS.

The average attendance of our schools has been greatly lessened the past winter by an unusual amount of sickness, in several districts nearly or quite one-half of the pupils being out at once, which is generally detrimental to the interests of the teacher and to the advancement of the school.

DISINTERESTEDNESS.

The usual amount of disinterestedness of parents in sending their children has been noticed the past year, to the sorrow of the community and the dishonor of themselves, and they are committing irreparable blunders and robbing children of privileges that belong to them, and are necessary to enable the children to occupy positions in life of which they may be capable.

*GEORGE H. MARTIN, AGENT, AND THE
SCHOOL BUILDINGS.*

State Agent of the Board of Education George H. Martin has visited our schools during the past year, making his usual personal examinations of each school, and at a meeting of the Committee and teacher at District No. 3, he gave us criticisms on our methods, and advanced new methods for our consideration, with other suggestions and advice. In his opening remarks he said:—"The school buildings of the town are not as attractive and are not presenting so good an appearance as they were six years ago, which, to my mind, shows a disinterestedness on the part of the town." He further stated:—"The town of Carver makes the smallest appropriation per child of any town in Plymouth County, except one, and the shortest schools in the county." These thoughts are submitted with the desire that the voters of the town may receive an impetus in the right direction, and that the appropriations for school purposes will be liberally responded to and applied.

During the past year the two buildings at the North, District No. 1, have received a coat of paint, and we would advise that all of the remaining buildings be painted outside, and that much be done to the inside of several rooms. Especially would we call attention to the room at No. 3, which we consider the most begrimed of any in town, and which requires immediate attention.

District No. 4 Primary room, is not a suitable room for this school, which, the present year, enrolls the largest number of pupils of any school in town. This district has claims on the town for better accommodations, and, in the opinion of your

Committee, should have them. As at present, if the school continues to remain as it is, the yard should be divided by a fence, that each school may have a separate yard, with outbuildings for the same, as it is utterly impossible, with the present arrangement, to keep the privies in a fit condition for the use of the schools, and at the visit of Mr. Martin, above referred to, he censured us severely for the condition of the same.

In closing these remarks, we would eulogize the town for the increased appropriation made for schools at its last annual town meeting, and we hope that the disposition of the same by your School Committee will be approved by its citizens. By it we have been enabled to continue the schools two weeks longer than the preceding year, to retain experienced teachers, to employ the same as far as opportunity permitted, and also to employ janitors for the fall and winter terms.

Trusting the town will liberally appropriate in the future for the cause of education, we will conclude our remarks by respectfully submitting the motto: "Education is better than wealth."

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of scholars neither absent nor tardy during the specified terms:—

School No. 1, Grammar. *Elmer B. Perkins*, Teacher.

FIRST TERM.

Embert H. Eames.

School No. 1, Primary. *Carrie E. Soule*, Teacher.

SECOND TERM.

Willie T. Thomas,

Clifton Raymond.

School No. 2. *Bernice E. Cornish*, Teacher.

FIRST TERM.

Flora M. Atwood,

Minnie L. Richards,

Emma F. Richards,

W. Harry Cassidy,

Stephen S. Richards.

SECOND TERM.

Myra A. Shaw, Teacher.

Flora M. Atwood,

Minnie L. Richards,

Emma F. Richards,

W. Harry Cassidy,

Frankie F. Weston,

Stephen S. Richards.

School No. 3. *Vesta B. Shaw*, Teacher.

FIRST TERM.

Gertrude Cornish,

Lucy T. Shurtleff,

Anna K. Shurtleff,

Carrie W. Shaw,

Lillian Vaughan.

SECOND TERM.

Gertrude Cornish,

Lucy W. Shaw,

Alice N. Cornish,

Carrie W. Shaw,

Solon W. Cornish.

THIRD TERM.

William Cornish,

Solon W. Cornish.

School No. 4, Grammar. *Charles L. Bates*, Teacher.

FIRST TERM,

Flora E. Atwood,
M. Elvira Briggs,Victor H. Anderson,
Bernice Briggs.

SECOND TERM.

Flora Atwood,
Bernice Briggs,
Fannie Briggs,Ernest Brett,
Donald McFarlin,
Markie Shurtleff.

THIRD TERM.

Chas. C. Morris.

School No. 4, Primary. *Nellie E. Gammons*, Teacher.

FIRST TERM.

Charlie Brett.

SECOND TERM.

Lizzie M. Schouler, Teacher.

Charlie Brett,

Guy Hudson,

Walter Hudson.

THIRD TERM.

Arthur Nickerson.

School No. 5. *Leila B. Thomas*, Teacher.

FIRST TERM.

Lulu R. Robbins.

THIRD TERM.

Tirzah S. Morse, Teacher.

Edna M. Lucas,

Eleanor E. Lucas.

School No. 8. *Sadie F. Atwood*, Teacher.

FIRST TERM.

Grace A. Washburn,

Mercy B. Griffith,

Susie C. Hudson.

SECOND TERM.

Etta C. Westgate,

Mercy B. Griffith,

Josie Ingalls.

THIRD TERM.

Ellsworth Shaw.

Mercy B. Griffith.

MONEY APPROPRIATED

For use of schools the past year :—

Raised by taxation'	\$1,500 00
Received from State School Fund,	205 73
Received from Ellis Fund,	165 00
Received from Pratt Fund,	100 00
Received from dog tax,	132 92
Received from an overpaid account of last year,	1 88
Total of appropriation,	<u>\$2,105 53</u>

The expenditures for the past year have been as follows :—

Paid for teachers' wages,	\$1,817 50
Wood, cutting, &c.,	81 35
Cleaning,	13 50
Janitor services,	31 05
Total expenses for the year,	<u>\$1,943 40</u>
Balance,	\$162 13

For financial statistics relating to school supplies and school house repairs, reference may be had to the Selectmen's report.

GUSTAVUS ATWOOD, <i>Chairman</i> ,	} <i>School</i>
NEHEMIAH LINCOLN, <i>Secretary</i> ,	
ELLIS H. CORNISH, M. D.,	

Committee.

March 12, 1890.

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

SCHOOLS.	TERMS.	TEACHERS.	No. Weeks.	Wages per Week.	Visitors, including Visits of Committee.	No. Pupils to Term.	Ave. Membership per Term.	Ave. Attendance per Term.	No. between 8 and 14 Years.	No. under 5 Years.	No. over 15 Years.	Ave. Membership for Year in Town.	Ave. Attendance for Year, Each Dist.	Ave. Membership for Year in Town.	Ave. Attendance per Year in Town.	No. Pupils Enrolled.	Cost per Scholar per Ave. Membership.
No. 1, Gram.	1	Elmer B. Perkins.	12	\$8.00	10	22	17.2	11.3	16	—	3	17.7	13.3	—	—	—	—
	2	" "	7	8.00	6	20	18.9	15.7	13	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
	3	" "	11	8.00	9	19	17.1	13.0	12	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
No. 1, Prim.	1	Carrie E. Soule.	11	7.00	32	22	18.6	14.5	11	1	—	19.1	15.0	—	—	—	—
	2	" "	7	7.00	7	24	21.1	16.8	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	3	" "	12	7.00	18	22	17.6	13.7	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
No. 2.	1	Bernice E. Cornish.	12	7.50	29	12	11.8	9.9	7	—	1	13.0	10.4	—	—	—	—
	2	Myra A. Shaw.	7	7.50	2	16	13.9	12.5	9	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
	3	" "	11	7.50	24	15	13.8	9.7	9	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
No. 3.	1	Vesta B. Shaw.	11	8.00	5	16	15.3	14.7	9	—	—	16.5	15.7	—	—	—	—
	2	" "	11	8.00	—	17	16.4	16.1	9	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
	3	" "	8	8.00	6	18	18.0	16.5	12	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
No. 4, Gram.	1	Charles L. Bates.	12	9.00	25	26	24.7	23.1	15	—	6	24.5	22.5	—	—	—	—
	2	" "	10	9.00	6	27	25.8	24.6	15	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—
	3	" "	8	9.00	22	26	22.6	18.8	15	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—
No. 4, Prim.	1	Nellie E. Gammons.	12	6.50	20	29	24.3	20	13	2	—	21.5	17.9	—	—	—	—
	2	Lizzie M. Schouler.	11	7.00	8	27	20.9	18.2	15	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	3	" "	7	7.00	3	24	17.6	13.9	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
No. 5.	1	Leila B. Thomas.	12	7.00	12	15	13.5	11.3	6	—	3	13.7	11.5	—	—	—	—
	2	Tirzah S. Morse.	11	7.00	5	16	14.4	12.2	6	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
	3	" "	6	7.00	2	14	12.9	10.4	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
No. 8.	1	Sadie F. Atwood.	12	7.50	9	18	16.4	14.4	8	—	1	15.6	13.4	—	—	—	—
	2	" "	10	7.50	6	19	15.8	13.7	8	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
	3	" "	8	7.50	4	18	14.3	12.4	8	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—



