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REPORT OF SELECTMEN AND OTHER TOWN OFFICERS.

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.

J. A. VAUGHAN, *Treasurer.*

DR.

Cash on hand March 2, 1895,	\$231 18
Received from State for burial of paupers,	15 00
A. H. Griffith, sale of herrings	16 66
Peleg McFarlin, Ellis School Fund,	190 00
W. L. Chipman, clerk of 4th District Court—fines,	110 00
Gustavus Atwood, sale of school books,	2 45
William Savery, agent, money hired,	4,000 00
Rent of part of town farm,	6 00
Support of State paupers,	158 34
Foster L. Randall, license to peddle,	3 00
Rent of town hall,	2 00
Corporation tax,	709 72
National Bank tax,	925 91
State Aid,	382 00
Dog license dividend,	156 85
Massachusetts School Fund,	335 35

G. Atwood, income of Pratt Fund,	100 00	
Town of Plymouth, for aid for Mrs. Harlow,	3 00	
Taxes collected,	8,394 49	
Interest on delinquent taxes,	78 00	
	<hr/>	\$15,819 95

CR.

Paid for support of schools,	\$2,338 44	
State Aid,	325 00	
Military Aid,	96 00	
Support of poor,	2,202 21	
Incidental town expenses,	1,161 04	
William Savery, agent, money hired,	4,000 00	
School books and incidentals,	148 64	
Repairs of schoolhouses,	42 51	
Repairs of highways,	1,404 39	
Repairs of bridges,	54 29	
Removal of snow,	20 15	
Soldiers' relief,	163 50	
County tax,	1,096 92	
State tax,	495 00	
Town debt,	1,000 00	
Interest on town debt,	45 00	
Town library,	13 16	
Cash on hand,	1,213 70	
	<hr/>	\$15,819 95

SCHOOLS.

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

DR.

To balance from 1894,	\$203 35	
Appropriation, 1895,	1,850 00	
Ellis School Fund, app. to District No. 4,	190 00	
Massachusetts School Fund,	335 35	
Pratt School Fund,	100 00	
Dividend from dog licenses,	156 85	
	<hr/>	\$2,835 55

CR.

Paid Maud Morton, teaching,	\$17 00
Mary E. Flynn, teaching,	241 40
Ellis G. Cornish, teaching,	252 80
Rebecca W. Benson, teaching,	119 00
Leila B. Thomas, teaching,	264 00
Elmer B. Perkins, teaching,	293 50
Edith L. Barrows, teaching,	272 00
Vesta B. Shaw, teaching,	306 00
A. A. C. Harvey, teaching,	120 00
Orrie E. Bumpus, teaching,	90 00
Katharine T. Washburn, teaching,	76 80
Sarah E. Howes,	78 75
Janitors' services,	68 25
Cleaning schoolhouses,	10 25
E. S. Lucas, wood and cutting,	34 45
E. A. Lucas, sawing wood,	1 00
E. S. Dunan, wood,	11 50
Nelson Sherman, wood,	12 50
Gustavus Atwood, wood,	40 04
B. W. Robbins, wood and cutting,	20 30
Lucius Atwood, wood,	4 00
John S. Atwood, sawing wood,	2 60
Ezra Marchant, sawing wood,	2 30
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	\$2,338 44
Balance to new account,	497 11
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\$2,835 55

STATE AID ACCOUNT. CHAP. 301.

DR.

Due from the State,	\$384 00
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CR.

Paid Charles Atwood,	\$8 00
Abby H. Eddy,	48 00
Lucy W. Fuller,	48 00
Eliza B. Shurtleff,	4 00

Lucy Shurtleff,	28 00	
P. Jane Barrows,	48 00	
Mary A. Shaw,	48 00	
James P. Parker,	37 00	
John B. Hatch,	44 00	
Nathaniel Ide,	12 00	
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Total disbursements,	\$325 00	
Paid previous to March 1st, 1895,	59 00	
	<hr/>	\$384 00

MILITARY AID. CHAP. 279.

DR.

Due from the State,	\$56 00	
One-half paid by Carver,	56 00	
	<hr/>	\$112 00

CR.

Paid Monoah Hurd,	\$96 00	
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Total disbursements,	\$96 00	
Paid previous to March 1st, 1895,	16 00	
	<hr/>	\$112 00

POOR ACCOUNT.

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

DR.

To balance from 1894,	\$282 91	
Appropriation, 1895,	1,800 00	
Rent of part of town farm,	6 00	
Plymouth, aid Mrs. Harlow,	3 00	
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	\$2,091 91	
Overdrawn,	110 30	
	<hr/>	\$2,202 21

CR.

Paid C. Lucas, support,	\$173 00
J. A. Coad, support,	208 00

John Thomas, support,	84 00
F. L. Hackett, support,	15 00
Susan Robbins, support,	108 00
Sarah Bumpus, support,	130 00
William Pratt, support,	78 00
Sarah Washburn, support,	102 00
Benjamin Dunham, support,	148 02
B. Lucas, support,	104 00
E. Stringer and family, aid, 1894,	106 72
E. Stringer and family, aid, 1895,	64 92
E. Stringer and family, house rent,	18 00
W. McFarlin, Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	169 46
A. C. Sherman, Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	131 84
Phebe A. Shurtleff, aid,	47 00
Laura I. Pratt, aid,	168 00
C. W. Atwood and family, aid,	35 90
E. E. Fuller, medical attendance, C. W. Atwood and family,	45 00
G. F. Morse, med. attd., F. L. Hackett,	2 50
“ “ “ J. Coad,	3 50
“ “ “ Sally Chase,	11 00
“ “ “ Sarah Bumpus,	20 60
“ “ “ William Pratt,	3 15
E. H. Cornish, “ J. Thomas,	23 00
E. H. Cornish, “ Mrs. Ryder,	3 75
H. C. Peckham, digging grave for Sally Chase,	2 00
E. N. Chase, care of Sally Chase,	2 00
G. L. Soule, burial of Sally Chase,	25 00
Mrs. Robery and son, aid,	102 00
G. W. Thomas, care and supplies for John Thomas,	16 00
T. T. Vaughan, wood for W. Pratt,	5 00
T. T. Vaughan, aid to Mrs. Harlow,	3 00
City of Chelsea, aid to S. J. Ham,	2 50
E. W. Shaw, digging grave for Mary Dunham,	2 00

J. W. Lewis, laying out J. Thomas,	1	50	
G. P. Lincoln, laying out J. Thomas,	1	50	
J. K. & B. Sears, shingles and nails,	13	60	
F. A. Ward, freight,		40	
Etta Thomas, clothes for F. L. Hackett,	2	25	
F. A. Ward, clothing for Sarah Bumpus,	4	48	
H. S. Griffith, aiding pauper to Providence,	1	52	
J. B. Williams, care of 131 tramps,	13	10	
		<u> </u>	\$2,202 21

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

DR.

To appropriation, 1895,	\$250	00	
Due from the State, burial of Chas. Atwood,	35	00	
		<u> </u>	\$285 00

CR.

Paid Eliza B. Alden, board and care of Charles Atwood,	\$49	00	
W. F. Fryer, medical attendance on Charles Atwood,	77	50	
G. L. Soule, burial of Charles Atwood,	35	00	
E. W. Shaw, digging grave for Charles Atwood,	2	00	
Overdrawn in 1894,	20	94	
		<u> </u>	\$184 44
Balance to new account,	100	56	
		<u> </u>	\$285 00

HIGHWAYS.

DR.

To appropriation, 1895,	\$1,400	00	
Overdrawn,	50	18	
		<u> </u>	\$1,450 18

CR.

Paid E. H. Murdock, superintendent,	\$1,404	39	
Overdrawn in 1894,	45	79	
		<u> </u>	\$1,450 18

SAVERY AVENUE.

DR.	
To balance from 1893,	\$16 59
CR.	
By balance to new account,	\$16 59

SCHOOL BOOKS AND INCIDENTALS.

DR.	
To balance from 1894,	\$95 97
Appropriation, 1895,	100 00
Gustavus Atwood, school books,	2 45
	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$198 42
CR.	
Paid R. W. Benson, express, &c.,	\$4 81
Gustavus Atwood,	25
Edward Babb & Co.,	40 21
E. S. Lucas, books rebound,	2 75
E. S. Lucas, supplies,	4 05
Ginn & Co.,	11 67
Carter, Dinsmore & Co.,	2 67
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	70 30
American Book Co.,	3 08
U. S. Furniture Co.,	2 66
Mary E. Flynn, care books,	2 50
Ellis Foundry Co., supplies,	1 83
J. S. Hammett & Co.,	1 86
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	\$148 64
Balance to new account,	49 78
	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$198 42

LIBRARY ACCOUNT.

DR.	
To appropriation, 1895,	\$25 00

CR.

Paid A. T. Shurtleff, lumber bill,	\$5 76	
H. S. Griffith,	7 40	
Balance to new account,	11 84	
	<hr/>	\$25 00

REPAIRS OF SCHOOLHOUSES.

DR.

To balance from 1894,	\$130 72	
Appropriation of 1895,	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$180 72

CR.

Paid W. C. Richards, No. 2,	\$1 75	
R. W. Benson, No. 1,	1 55	
James Harris, No. 1,	10 72	
Hines Bros., Nos. 5 and 1,	4 17	
E. A. Richards, No. 1,	3 12	
Charles Holmes, No. 3,	2 06	
Harlow & Bailey,	3 12	
E. S. Lucas,	6 83	
Edwin C. Raymond, No. 5,	2 00	
Gustavus Atwood, Nos. 4 and 8,	3 74	
Gustavus Atwood, East Head,	3 45	
	<hr/>	\$42 51
Balance to new account,	138 21	
	<hr/>	\$180 72

REPAIRS OF BRIDGES.

DR.

To appropriation of 1895,	\$225 00
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CR.

Paid E. H. Murdock,	\$37 56	
Waldo Bros., drain pipe,	7 73	
W. L. Walker, drain pipe,	9 00	
Overdrawn in 1894,	114 71	
	<hr/>	\$169 00
Balance to new account,	56 00	
	<hr/>	\$225 00

REMOVAL OF SNOW—HIGHWAYS.

		DR.	
To balance from 1894,	. . . . .	\$160	13
Appropriation of 1895,	. . . . .	50	00
		-----	\$210 13
		CR.	
Paid Roswell Shurtleff,	. . . . .	\$2	00
W. E. Vaughan,	. . . . .		80
E. E. Shaw,	. . . . .	3	60
Alton Chandler,	. . . . .		40
E. S. Lucas,	. . . . .		40
George B. Washburn,	. . . . .	8	05
Charles Vaughan,	. . . . .		80
N. Sherman,	. . . . .		20
A. F. Petty,	. . . . .		50
Gustavus Atwood,	. . . . .		88
E. H. Murdock,	. . . . .	1	67
T. W. Southworth,	. . . . .		80
		-----	\$20 10
Balance to new account,	. . . . .	190	03
		-----	\$210 13

SUPPRESSION OF THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

		DR.	
To balance from 1894,		\$19 03
		CR.	
Balance to new account,		\$19 03

TOWN HOUSE ACCOUNT.

		DR.	
To rent of hall,	. . . . .	\$2	00
Still overdrawn,	. . . . .	11	21
		-----	\$13 21
		CR.	
Overdrawn in 1894,	. . . . .		\$13 21

TOWN DEBT ACCOUNT.

DR.

To appropriation of 1895, \$1,000 00

CR.

Paid Plymouth Savings Bank, \$1,000 00

TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOLARS.

DR.

To appropriation of 1895, \$50 00

CR.

By balance to new account, \$50 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

DR.

To appropriation of 1895, \$45 00

CR.

Paid Plymouth Savings Bank, \$45 00

INCIDENTAL TOWN EXPENSES.

DR.

To appropriation of 1895, \$1,800 00

A. H. Griffith, sale of herrings, 16 66

W. L. Chipman, clerk 4th Dis. Court, fines, 110 00

William Savery, agent, loan, 4,000 00

F. L. Randall, license to peddle, 3 00

Corporation tax, 709 72

National Bank tax, 925 91

Interest on taxes, 78 00

\$7,643 29

Overdrawn, 96 65

\$7,739 94

CR.

Paid E. S. Lucas, school committee, 1894, \$28 00

R. W. Benson, school committee, 1894, 33 35

Gustavus Atwood, school committee, 1894,	24	15
F. A. Ward, selectman, overseer of poor, and registrar of voters, 1894,	85	26
T. T. Vaughan, same, 1894,	49	00
W. A. Tillson, same, 1894,	24	60
J. A. Vaughan, treasurer and collector, commissions, 1894,	211	75
A. C. Getchell, town reports,	46	00
Jesse F. Lucas, painting road machine,	6	00
A. H. Griffith, selling herring,	3	00
Peleg McFarlin, auditor,	3	00
John Bent, copying, express and books,	12	95
E. S. Lucas, taking school census,	2	25
E. S. Lucas, looking up truants,	1	50
G. W. Tibbetts, road machine knife,	8	00
Chas. E. Vaughan, cleaning town house,	2	00
Wright & Potter, printing assessors' blanks,	13	50
E. H. Murdock, superintendent of roads,	102	49
H. L. Thatcher, printing assessors' notices,	4	37
Town of Plympton, stone on line of new road,	2	00
Thomas Groom, collector's book,	2	50
Avery & Doten, tax bills,	3	75
T. T. Vaughan, cash for help on town line,	50	
T. T. Vaughan, stationery,	40	
J. D. Lincoln, fighting fire,	1	50
J. Morris and others, fighting fire,	8	45
John M. Cobb, constable, services,	26	06
John M. Cobb, posting warrants,	4	00
Seth C. C. Finney, auditor,	3	00
G. P. Lincoln, services at election,	1	50
J. A. Vaughan, postage and stationery,	16	02
S. C. C. Finney, fighting fire,	3	00
Masten & Wells, flags for schoolhouses,	13	70
Wm. Savery, agent, interest on loan,	117	70
E. E. Shaw, assessor,	41	25
Lucius Atwood, assessor,	33	75

John Bent, assessor.	62 00
J. W. Atwood, returning deaths.	3 00
E. W. Shaw, returning deaths.	2 50
Nelson Sherman, returning deaths.	1 50
J. W. Atwood, services at election.	1 50
Nelson Sherman, inspecting cattle, &c.,	3 50
Nelson Sherman, express on books.	15
W. F. Stanley, posting warrants.	7 50
W. F. Stanley, services as constable.	6 50
Gustavus Atwood, 5 flag poles.	20 30
John Bent, copying valuation book.	10 00
E. S. Lucas, school committee, 1895,	26 82
John M. Cobb, constable, case of Dean & Mackie.	10 84
W. F. Stanley, constable, case of New- man & Peterson.	14 44
J. W. Hurley, case of Currier & Baker,	7 00
Freeman Manter, case of F. E. Crapo.	5 34
Freeman Manter, constable, services.	21 07
H. L. Leonard, case of G. M. Thrasher,	16 83
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Total incidental town expenses.	\$1,161 04
County tax.	1,096 92
State tax.	495 00
Loan.	4,000 00
Overdrawn in 1894.	986 98
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	\$7,739 94

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS.

Labor and material used upon the highways:—

F. E. Crapo.	\$4 67
James Davis.	3 30
W. B. Dunham.	4 50
Andrew Stringer.	1 30
Benjamin Parker.	1 50
Nelson Sherman.	4 41
William Stringer.	10 50
James Kennedy.	4 35

Andrew Markee,	22 50
Roswell Shurtleff (and others),	24 90
Percy Shurtleff,	26 15
Edgar E. Gardner,	85
Eben Sherman,	64
J. W. Sherman,	12 66
Philip Chandler,	16 90
Charles King,	60 69
E. Vaughan,	25
J. F. Shaw (and others),	80 92
Benjamin Wrightington,	32 02
A. P. Robbins,	7 50
W. E. Vaughan,	19 05
L. S. Lucas,	68
C. E. Vaughan,	7 75
Thomas Clark,	5 00
Benjamin Robbins (and others),	12 35
H. T. Maxim,	66
Oliver Shurtleff,	1 00
George E. Atwood,	3 58
Charles Cornell,	8 64
Dennis Morse,	15 82
John Goodwin,	30 91
Lloyd Robbins,	7 68
F. A. Ward,	4 43
A. L. Hammond,	9 06
John S. Atwood,	6 75
F. E. Barrows,	3 00
Bert Sherman,	7 54
Frank Barney,	35 16
A. F. Pettey,	83
W. T. Southworth,	35 32
N. G. Swift,	1 66
E. H. Murdock (and others),	116 86
Embert H. Eames,	18 84
I. T. Shurtleff,	1 10
G. W. Thomas,	13 12

——— Braddock.	1 25
T. T. Vaughan (and others),	59 75
Frank T. Gibbs,	12 00
L. N. Crocker,	8 25
Samuel McHenry,	3 60
Carl Z. Southworth,	2 08
Charles Garvin,	1 50
S. B. Briggs,	6 75
George S. Murdock,	11 23
E. A. Richards (and others),	27 30
A. P. Thrasher,	14 14
Joshua Faunce,	6 45
John Dunham,	32 97
E. E. Shaw (and others),	153 93
Frank Stanley,	15 00
W. H. Thomas,	17 50
G. W. Atwood,	7 13
E. K. Atwood,	3 09
F. W. Shaw (and others),	48 24
Ellis Foundry Co.,	1 35
Z. A. Tillson (and others),	48 02
Chandler Robbins (estate),	2 62
George B. Washburn (and others),	32 42
Nelson Washburn,	4 65
Daniel Conway,	15 00
Alfred Lincoln,	48 75
John Andrews,	6 00
Charles H. Atwood,	8 00
George Johnson,	50
Bert Atwood,	1 00
Wilfred Deshen,	5 83
J. M. Bump (and others),	86 83
Alton Shurtleff,	82
Eli Thomas,	4 50
George Tillson,	18 00
Priscilla S. Holmes,	64

 \$1,404 39

COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT.

J. A. VAUGHAN, *Collector.*

DR.

1895.
March 2. To uncollected tax of 1879, \$82 29

CR.

1896.
March 2. Still uncollected, \$82 29

DR.

1895.
March 2. To uncollected taxes, bills of 1891, . . \$2 97

CR.

1896.
March 2. Still uncollected, \$2 97

DR.

1895.
March 2. To uncollected taxes, bills of 1892, . . \$78 51

CR.

1896.
March 2. By amount collected, . . . \$39 11
By George W. Thomas, Plym-
ton, tax abated, 53
By amount uncollected, . . . 38 87

\$78 51

DR.

1895.
March 2. To uncollected taxes, bills of 1893, . . \$308 24

CR.

1896.
March 2. By amount collected, . . . \$207 57
By amount uncollected, . . . 100 67

\$308 24

DR.

1895.
March 2. To uncollected taxes, bills of 1894, . . . \$1,610 30

CR.

1896.
March 2. By amount collected, . . . \$1,008 04
By amount uncollected, . . . 602 26

\$1,610 30

DR.

1895.
Aug. 30. To amount of taxes, bills of 1895, . . . \$8,798 26

CR.

1896.
March 2. By amount collected, . . . \$7,139 77
By amount uncollected, . . . 1,658 49

\$8,798 26

TOWN LIABILITIES.

Removal of snow, estimated,	\$25 00	
Poor bills, estimated,	280 00	
All other demands, estimated,	425 00	
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	\$730 00	
Assets over liabilities,	3,634 25	<hr style="width: 50%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$4,364 25

ASSETS.

Cash in the treasury,	\$1,213 70	
Due from State, Chap. 301,	384 00	
Due from State, Chap. 279,	56 00	
Due from State, burial of C. Atwood,	35 00	
Ellis school fund,	190 00	
Uncollected taxes of 1879,	82 29	
Uncollected taxes of 1891,	2 97	
Uncollected taxes of 1892,	38 87	
Uncollected taxes of 1893,	100 67	
Uncollected taxes of 1894,	602 26	
Uncollected taxes of 1895,	1,658 49	<hr style="width: 50%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$4,364 25

APPROPRIATIONS, 1896.

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

Support of poor,	\$2,200 00
Support of schools,	1,500 00
Repairs of highways,	1,400 00
Repairs of bridges,	— —
Repairs of schoolhouses,	100 00
School books and incidentals,	200 00
Soldiers' relief, Chap. 447,	— —
Town incidentals,	1,200 00
Removal of snow, highways,	— —
Transportation of scholars,	150 00

LIST OF JURORS.

The following list of jurors is presented for your revision and acceptance:—

E. Herman Murdock,	Farmer.
Oliver L. Shurtleff,	Teamster.
William M. Shaw,	Sawyer.
Benjamin W. Robbins,	Farmer.
Frank H. Shaw,	Coachman.
John A. Winberg,	Moulder.
Frank F. Tillson,	Moulder.
Lemuel N. Crocker,	Moulder.
George B. Washburn,	Farmer.
Allerton L. Shurtleff,	Engineer.
Ponsonby M. Swan,	Farmer.
Frank E. Barrows,	Grocer.
Frederic Anderson,	Moulder.
L. Frank Morse,	Laborer.
George E. Atwood,	Laborer.
Stewart H. Pink,	Grocer.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN CARVER DURING 1895.

Jan. 12. Elmer B. Perkins and Flora M. Atwood.

April 6. Joseph Messenger and Mary L. Cobb, both of
Worcester.

Aug. 28. George P. Lincoln and Ruby A. Robbins.

Sept. 5. Joseph Antone and Annie Fernandes.

Nov. 13. Charles F. Alexander, of Buffalo, N. Y., and Teresa
M. Dunham.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN CARVER FOR 1895.

DATE.	NAME.	PARENTS.
Jany. 4,	Mamie Sarve,	William and Kate (———).
Mar. 7,	Rolie S. Lincoln,	Alfred F. and Mary A. (Conroy).
Mar. 27,	Edwin Wesley McFarlin.	John W. and Alice (Jefferson).
April 2,	Joanna Florence Bruce,	C. W. and Grace A. (Washburn).
April 3,	Arthur Tucker Braddock,	Charles and Carrie F. (Ransom).
May 2,	Eva Howard Bradford,	C. A. and Laura A. (Braddock).
July 14,	George Frederick Washburn,	George B. and Alice M. (Robinson).
July 15,	Cora Hazel Wade,	Arthur H. and Sadie (Cook).
July 23,	Andrew Freeman Griffith,	Henry S. and Helen A. (Tillson).
July 26,	Olive Frances Perkins,	Elmer B. and Flora M. (Atwood).
Aug. 14,	{ Anna May Holmes, { AchsahAllen Holmes, ✓	Gardner E. and Sarah C. (Whidden).
Oct. 8,	Edith Margaret Ellison,	Joseph and Annie (Whitham).
Oct. 23,	James Delbert Kennely,	James P. and Louisa M. (Stringer).
Nov. 4,	Charles Coleman Chandler,	Philip and Alfreda L. (King).
Nov. 11,	Alton Ryder Kenney,	John A. and Adelaide (Ryder).
Nov. 21,	Ruth Tripp Baker,	Benonia T. and Carrie (Jefferson).
Nov. 24,	Joseph William Boyer,	Peter and Mary (———).
Dec. 20,	Delia Litourmeau,	Oliver and Emma (———).

DEATHS RECORDED IN CARVER FOR 1895.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.		CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
		Y.	M.				D.
Jan. 27	Mary Dunham.	82	—	—	Plymouth.	Ichabod Dunham, Betsey Wood.
Feb. 11	Mary Page Savery.	75	4	2	Albany, N. Y.	Stephen Van Schack, Harriet Dunnell.
Feb. 25	Melissa J. Pierce.	54	—	13	Middleboro.	Levi Pierce, Lucy Anna Thomas.
Mar. 14	George W. Tillson.	49	—	—	Carver.	Thomas Tillson, Sally Cobb.
Mar. 14	Huldah Cox.	28	—	—	Carver.	Jabez Benson, Sarah Bumpus.
Mar. 27	Chandler Robbins.	71	2	27	Carver.	Asa Barrows, Deborah Dewey.
Mar. 28	Sally Chace.	83	5	—	Plymouth.	Oliver Leonard, Charlotte Hunt.
April 1	Eliza B. Shurtliff.	70	11	20	Middleboro.	Tillson Atwood, Ruth Tillson.
May 11	Charles Atwood.	59	—	—	Carver.	Nathaniel S. Cushing, Waitfill Murdock.
May 25	Emma Cushing.	20	11	20	Middleboro.	George B. Fowler, Gertrude Pratt.
June 14	Howard E. Fowler.	7	6	9	Boston.	Isaac W. Look, Susanna B. ()
Aug. 17	Louisa C. Thompson.	67	2	23	Rochester.	George Douglass, Martha Nightingale.
Aug. 13	Martha F. Barrows	64	1	—	Plymouth.	Eli Thomas, Lydia Shaw.
Aug. 19	John Thomas.	79	—	—	Carver.	William Sarve, Kate ()
Sept. 14	Mamie Sarve.	79	8	10	Carver.	William E. Bruce, Alice ()
Oct. 2	Ernest B. Bruce.	14	—	—	Nova Scotia.	William E. Bruce, Hannah Cole.
Oct. 3	Lucy Shurtliff.	79	9	14	Middleboro.	William E. Bruce, Alice ()
Oct. 10	Maudie E. Bruce.	12	10	—	Nova Scotia.	John Sherman, Lydia Doten.
Oct. 12	Henry Sherman.	89	6	19	Carver.	Thomas Southworth, Lucinda Harkins.
Oct. 19	Eli Southworth.	81	6	19	Middleboro.	Alfred F. Lincoln, Mary A. Conroy.
Oct. 21	Rosannah F. Robbins.	42	7	14	Carver.	Winslow Pratt, Loisa Maxim.
Oct. 24	Rosannah F. Robbins.	42	10	2	Middleboro.	Ziba Nickerson, Mary A. Small.
Nov. 19	Ziba Nickerson.	65	3	7	Brewster.	Thomas Maxim, Patience Swift.
Nov. 29	Ellis Maxim.	70	10	1	Carver.	Simeon Harlow, Lucy A. Griffith.
Nov. 30	Annie M. Harlow.	22	5	19	Middleboro.	

SUMMARY. {
 Marriages, 6.
 Births, 19.
 Deaths, 25.
 No. of Dogs Licensed, 89.
 Males, 83.
 Females, 6.

Respectfully,

HENRY S. GRIFFITH, Clerk of Carver.

TOWN MEETING.

Contents of Warrant for town meeting, to be held at the town house, on Monday, the 30th day of March next, at nine o'clock, a. m.

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

ART. 2. To see if the town will accept the jury list as prepared by the Selectmen.

ART. 3. To see if the town will accept the report of the Selectmen and other town officers.

ART. 4. To choose all necessary town officers.

ART. 5. To see if the town will vote to choose a committee to prosecute, compromise or defend any suit or suits within the Commonwealth in the name of the town.

ART. 6. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges the ensuing year.

ART. 7. To determine the compensation for labor on the highway.

ART. 8. To decide when taxes shall become due and whether any interest shall be charged after a certain date.

ART. 9. To see what pay the town will vote the Treasurer and Collector for the ensuing year.

ART. 10. To see if the town will instruct the Treasurer to borrow money, under the direction of the Selectmen, if found necessary, in anticipation of taxes the ensuing year.

ART. 11. To see if the town will vote to make the yards of field-drivers town pounds, provided they also be chosen pound-keepers.

ART. 12. To bring in their ballots, "Yes" or "No," upon the question, Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale of intoxicating liquors?

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a certain sum of money for the suppression of crime and for enforcing the law in relation to the same.

ART. 14. To see what action the town will take towards enlarging the Primary school room in District No. 4, and raising and appropriating any money for the same. (Petition of S. B. Briggs and others.)

ART. 15. To see what action, if any, the town will take in regard to insuring their buildings, and raise and appropriate any sum of money that may be necessary for that purpose. (By request.)

ART. 16. To see if the town will vote to establish any by-laws to regulate the width of tires used on vehicles on the highways of and owned in town. (By request.)

ART. 17. We, the undersigned, do petition the town of Carver that the sum of two hundred dollars be raised and appropriated to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors for the ensuing year. (Petition of William F. Stanley and others.)

ART. 18. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for clearing sidewalks of snow, especially for the benefit of school children. (By request.)

ART. 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for conveying pupils to and from the public schools. (By request.)

FRED A. WARD,
T. T. VAUGHAN,
W. A. TILLSON,
Selectmen of Carver.

REPORT OF ASSESSORS,

For the Year ending March 1st, 1896.

Appropriations made at annual meeting, March 25th, 1895,
including statistics:—

RAISED BY TAXATION.

Support of poor,	\$1,800 00
Support of schools,	1,850 00
Highways,	1,400 00
Bridges and repairs,	225 00
Schoolhouses, repairs,	50 00
School books and incidentals,	100 00
Soldiers' relief,	250 00
Town incidentals,	1,800 00
Town debt,	1,000 00
Interest on same,	45 00
Snow,	50 00
Transportation of scholars,	50 00
Public library,	25 00
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	\$8,645 00
State tax,	495 00
County tax,	1,096 92
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	\$10,236 92
Deduct estimated bank and corporation tax,	1,500 00
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	\$8,736 92
Overlay,	51 34
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Total sum assessed,	\$8,788 26

STATISTICS.

Value of personal estate,	\$147,195 00
Value of real estate,	646,354 00
Value of buildings,	\$170,665 00
Value of land,	475,689 00
	—————\$646,354 00
Tax rate per \$1,000,	\$10 50
Poll tax,	\$2 00
Number of polls,	228
Number of persons taxed,	590
On polls only,	50
On property,	540
Number of horses,	176
Number of cows,	139
Number of cattle other than cows,	37
Number of shoats,	38
Number of sheep,	17
Number of dwelling-houses,	292
Number of acres of land,	20,004
Number of acres of cranberry bog,	1,000

It will be observed by an examination of the list of appropriations that the appropriation for the suppression of crime is not included in said list for the purposes of assessment. Having consulted legal counsel in the matter, we found our assessment would have been *illegal* had we included the same in the amount assessed. However, there is a divinity that shapes our ends, as but a small sum has been expended the past year for that purpose.

JOHN BENT,
LUCIUS ATWOOD,
EUGENE E. SHAW,
Assessors of Carver.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

At the close of another year we are reminded of our duty to our fellow citizens to report to you our labors in connection with our public schools.

Our school officers have remained the same as last year, but the work of supervision has been performed by the chairman and secretary, owing to the absence of Mrs. R. W. Benson, who resigned her position as teacher at East Carver shortly before the commencement of the fall term, and left the state for a limited time to engage in duties of a different character.

We close the year with seven schools.

- No. 1. Grammar at the North.
- No. 4. Grammar at the South.
- No. 1. Primary at the North.
- No. 4. Primary at the South.
- No. 3. Mixed at the Centre.
- No. 2. Mixed at Pope's Point.
- No. 5. Mixed at East Carver.

The mixed school at East Head was closed after a fifteen weeks' term, to accommodate as usual cranberry picking.

No. 8 Mixed was abolished from necessity, at the close of the summer term, there being only four scholars left to constitute a school, two of whom have since moved from town, while the others are now members of Grammar No. 4.

The teachers employed at the close of the year are as follows :

- 1st Grammar, Mr. Elmer B. Perkins.
- 4th Grammar, Miss Vesta B. Shaw.
- 1st Primary, Miss Lela B. Thomas.
- 4th Primary, Miss Edith L. Barrows.

3d Mixed, Miss Mary E. Flynn.
 2d Mixed, Mr. Ellis G. Cornish.
 5th Mixed, 1st term, Mrs. R. W. Benson.
 5th Mixed, 2d term, Miss Katharine T. Washburn.
 5th Mixed, 3d term, Miss Sarah L. Howes.
 8th Mixed, 1st term, Miss A. E. C. Harvey.

STATISTICS.

No. of scholars enrolled, 166.
 Average membership, 135.43—81 per cent.
 Average attendance, 114.56—68 per cent.
 No. of scholars in town May 1st, between 5 and 15 years, 159.
 No. between 8 and 14 years, 112.
 No. attending under 5, 1.
 No. attending over 15, 13.
 Cost per scholar, \$17.20.

BY SCHOOLS.

	AV. MEM.	AV. AT.	Length School.	
			W.	D.
1st Grammar,	13.27	12.18	34	
4th Grammar,	16	14.90	34	
1st Primary,	20.97	18.37	33	
4th Primary,	20.94	16.39	34	
No. 2 Mixed,	11.24	9.72	31	3
No. 3 Mixed,	21.71	17.27	30	2
No. 5 Mixed,	14.67	12.88	31	4
No. 8 Mixed,	7.48	5.72	15	
East Head,	8.76	6.78	15	

VISITS.

There have been 182 visits from parents and citizens to our schools during the year, besides the committee.

We have procured three flags in accordance to law, and poles for them to be erected upon, on all pleasant days, which we

believe to be in harmony with the spirit of patriotism existing in every home in town. Glory to the flag!

ROLL OF HONOR.

No. 1 Primary.

John F. Atwood, 2 terms.	Clifford Shurtleff, 2 terms.
Harold C. McKay, 1 term.	R. Arthur Shurtleff, 1 term.
Clarabell Shurtleff, 1 term.	

No. 1 Grammar.

Chester Rickard, 3 terms.	Jay A. Ward, 2 terms.
Edwin B. Atwood, 1 term.	Goldie Shurtleff, 1 term.
E. Lena Shurtleff, 1 term.	

No. 4 Primary.

Ella Carlson, 1 term.	Chester Atwood, 1 term.
Julian Southworth, 2 terms.	Arthur Burke, 1 term.
Elmer McFarlin, 1 term.	Bernard Shaw, 1 term.
Justin Southworth, 1 term.	Lester Swift, 1 term.

No. 4 Grammar.

Grace Gammons, 3 terms.	Adalieta Shaw, 1 term.
Blanche Tillson, 1 term.	Francis Atwood, 1 term.
Eddie Burke, 1 term.	Edna Briggs, 1 term.
Susie Crocker, 1 term.	Helena McFarlin, 1 term.
Arthur Nickerson, 1 term.	Harry Swift, 1 term.

No. 3 Mixed.

Marion Amanda Pratt, 3 terms.	Solon Cornish, 1 term.
Ellsworth V. Shaw, 2 terms.	Myrtle Shaw, 2 terms.
Paul Cornish, 1 term.	*Alfred Freeman.

No. 5 Mixed.

Ira Dimond, 1 term.	A. Carlton Dimond, 2 terms.
Elmer Lewis, 1 term.	

No. 8 Mixed.

N. F. Atwood, 1 term.

East Head.

Elsie Watkins.

*Omitted last year by mistake.

SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS AND FUNDS.

To balance from 1895,	\$203 35
Amount raised by tax,	1,850 00
Amount received from State fund,	335 35
Amount received from dog tax,	156 85
Amount received from Pratt fund,	100 00
Amount received from Ellis fund,	190 00
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	\$2,835 55

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Expenditures :—	
By teachers' salaries,	\$2,131 25
Fuel,	128 69
Janitors' bills,	68 25
Cleaning schoolhouses,	10 25
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	2,338 44
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	\$497 11

TEXT-BOOKS.

To amount balance from 1895,	\$95 97
Amount of appropriation,	100 00
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	\$195 97

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By cash for books as per bills,	148 64
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	\$47 33

REPAIRS OF SCHOOLHOUSES.

To balance from 1895,	\$130 72
Raised and appropriated,	50 00
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	\$180 72

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By expenditures as per bills,	42 51
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Balance,	\$138 21

The Committee recommend the following sums for 1896:—

For teachers' wages, fuel and janitors' services,	\$1,500 00
For repairs of schoolhouses,	100 00
For conveyance of scholars,	150 00
For text-books and supplies,	200 00

REMARKS IN DETAIL.

In speaking of the details of supervision we come to a vital characteristic of our work connected with the daily routine of teachers' and pupils' duties in their schoolroom homes. We observe much excellence in character, motive, and organization, in carrying forward their methods of instruction, and discipline, to develop satisfactory results, which are seen in some features of their work more than in others. We can truthfully award to our teachers faithfulness and virtue, in their work with the children, which are among the *ideal* requisites of a good teacher's practical example and instruction.

All labor in whatever it is employed is progressive and remunerative just in proportion as the best means are used to equip the employe and workshop.

The farmer, the physician, the manufacturer, the banker, the artist, yes, *all* representatives of modern industry, are compelled by force of the growth of competition in the open sale's market to utilize every economic and inventive means in the production and manufacture of their goods for commercial exchange and consumption. Every thing we make or purchase is the outgrowth of the investment of capital in modern facilities. Not a man of us would work our farms today from our father's standpoint. They were well enough then, for all other farmers were like them. Not a mill man of you would run his plant with old style apparatus; nor the only foundry company in town, whose sagacity and enterprise date back to the struggles in their early beginnings, would venture to run a pound of melted ore into their old patterns for stoves and hollow ware for competitive sale and profit. Usually private interests are consulted first, then the interests of the town or the public.

In our common schools nearly a score of years has elapsed since

a beginning was made in grading. At that time four schools were partly graded and the experiment has been successful, as all will testify. The others, or inside schools, still have the mixed system, a detrimental element in all their school work. By it delays are occasioned, loss of time in leaving topics before they are properly considered, alternating studies to enable the teacher to start on a wide plan, or bridge over embarrassments. This should not be so. The children are losing a large share of their school life by the system which we have been obliged to continue. We think the remedy should be used. You have given us a good opportunity in a few years past to observe the working of these damaging agencies in our schools. We are behind other industries of private enterprise in our own town. Other towns are giving their children better opportunities, and our children are attending their schools at a large outlay every year. We think the remedy is largely in our own hands. Our people are asking for it. The State in her generosity is offering large inducements for towns like ours to revolutionize their system of school instruction, before we may be compelled to do it at the instance of State mediation. We think *all* our schools should be run on the same plan, that all may receive equal benefits and good results.

Some of our schoolrooms should be reconstructed or give place to the new ones of larger capacity, and more perfect arrangements, and placed in better locations. The seats, ventilation, methods of heating and lighting, as well as location, are among the defects in our schoolhouses. We recommend a careful inspection of your school system, with a view to enhance the annual outlay of our school money and make our schools equal in value to any in the State.

Respectfully submitted,

EBEN S. LUCAS, *Chairman.*

GUSTAVUS ATWOOD, *Secretary.*

Report of Trustees of Town Library.

In submitting our first annual report we can say but little except to congratulate the friends of the library upon its auspicious opening.

At our last annual meeting, under the law of 1890, the town voted an appropriation of twenty-five dollars, by which action we were granted books from the State to the value of one hundred dollars. With these books as a nucleus, we feel confident that the library will grow through annual additions from the town, and from private donations, to become an established institution in Carver.

The room in the town hall occupied by the W. C. T. U. has been fitted for a library building, and since its opening, on Jan. 1st, the people have manifested a lively interest.

We publish below a catalogue of books in the library to date, and in years to come we recommend only that additions be printed in the annual town report.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT T. SHURTLEEF,
HENRY S. GRIFFITH,
NELSON SHERMAN,
Trustees of Public Library.

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