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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1874-5.

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, and Surveyors of Highways.

* WILLIAM A. HODGES,		ENSIGN S. FELLOWS,
JOHN Q. A. FIELD,		EDMUND B. TAYLOR.

Town Clerk.

GEORGE L. GILL.

Town Treasurer.

HORACE B. SPEAR.

School Committee.

ASA WELLINGTON,	CHAS. F. ADAMS, JR.,	Terms expire March, 1875.
JOHN Q. ADAMS,	CHAS. L. BADGER,	" " " 1876.
JAMES H. SLADE,	WILLIAM B. DUGGAN,	" " " 1877.

Collector of Taxes.

CHARLES N. BAXTER.

Auditors.

CHARLES MARSH,	EDMUND B. TAYLOR,	BENJ. F. CURTIS,
W. B. WORSTER,		SETH DEWING, JR.

Fire Engineers.

WASHINGTON M. FRENCH, CHIEF,		JAMES H. ELCOCK,
AMOS M. LITCHFIELD,	GEORGE B. PRAY,	EDWARD A. SPEAR.

Constables.

AMOS M. LITCHFIELD,	PATRICK F. LACY,
GEORGE B. PRAY,	JOSEPH T. FRENCH,
CHAS. N. DITSON,	EDWARD A. SPEAR,
WASHINGTON M. FRENCH,	WILLIAM PARKER,
WILLIAM C. SEELYE,	F. H. FRENCH,
JEFFERSON MORRILL,	ALONZO GLINES,
JAMES H. ELCOCK,	M. W. GERRY.

Trustees of Public Library.

WM. W. GREENOUGH,	L. W. ANDERSON,	Terms expire March, 1875.
CHARLES F. ADAMS, JR.,	CHARLES H. FOSTER,	" " " 1876.
HENRY BARKER,	H. A. KEITH,	" " " 1877.

Managers of Adams Academy.

CHARLES F. ADAMS,	L. W. ANDERSON,	Terms expire March, 1875.
CHARLES H. PORTER,	*E. H. DEWSON,	" " " 1876.
JOSIAH P. QUINCY,	HENRY BARKER,	" " " 1877.

Managers of Mt. Wollaston Cemetery.

E. S. FELLOWS, CHAIRMAN,	GEO. L. GILL, SEC'Y,	
ASA WELLINGTON,	HENRY F. BARKER,	Terms expire March, 1875.
BENJ. F. CURTIS,	GEO. L. BAXTER,	" " " 1876.

Representative to the General Court.

WILLIAM A. HODGES.

*Resigned.

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AUDITORS' REPORT.

The undersigned, Auditors of Accounts of the town of Quincy for the year ending February 1, 1875, hereby report that they have examined the books of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, and Treasurer of the Woodward Fund, and find them correctly kept, with proper vouchers for all payments made. They have also visited the Almshouse, and find everything neat and in good order, the superintendent and matron very kind and faithful, and doing everything in their power to promote the comfort of the inmates.

CHAS. MARSH,
BENJ. F. CURTIS,
SETH DEWING, JR.,
WM. B. WORSTER.

SELECTMEN'S CASH ACCOUNT.

Orders drawn on Treasurer during the year ending

Feb. 1, 1875, as follows:—

\$85,729 2

Schools,	\$31,639 18
Highways, repairs of,	6,356 61
Penn's Hill,	1,353 55
New street at Point Holes,	79 50
Culvert on Hancock St.,	396 00
Highways, removal of snow,	700 67
“ miscellaneous expenses,	991 41
Almshouse,	3,593 18
“ poor out of,	4,720 05
Cemeteries,	2,284 17
Fire Department,	5,826 45
Alteration of Hose House,	1,291 27
Steam Pump,	350 00
Watering-place at West Quincy,	122 50
Reservoirs,	1,172 75
Grand Army of the Republic,	200 00
Town officers,	4,952 14
Town-house,	944 70
Miscellaneous expenses,	2,623 73
Public Library,	4,000 00
State Aid,	3,299 00
Street lamps,	2,426 31
Police station,	306 53
Hingham and Quincy bridges,	192 30
Discount and abatement of taxes,	5,089 47
Neponset Bridge,	817 78

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Whole number of scholars, — 1st term, 53; 2d term, 54;
average for the year, $53\frac{1}{2}$.

TEACHERS.

Paid H. A. Keith,	\$1,400 00	
Miss S. L. Barnes,	650 00	
J. B. Stetson, singing,	300 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,350 00

FUEL.

Paid O. Adams, coal,	\$103 75	
D. H. Bills, coal,	40 70	
G. Brooks, fuel,	5 00	
	<hr/>	149 45

CARE OF ROOMS AND FIRES.

Paid C. H. Pray, care of rooms and fires,	\$233 25	
E. Pray, cleaning rooms,	18 00	
	<hr/>	251 25
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<hr/>
		\$2,750 70

Amount brought forward, \$2,750 70

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

Paid E. B. Souther, books and stationery,	\$0 85	
W. S. Pattee, books and stationery,	3 00	
Miss S. L. Barnes, books,	1 75	
C. H. Pray, ink, etc.,	3 50	
		9 10

INCIDENTALS.

Paid C. H. Pray, stock, labor, crayons, etc.,	\$54 67	
John Kilshaw, gravel,	5 00	
F. C. Ellis, ladder,	3 30	
J. S. Carey, cleaning vaults,	10 00	
J. O. Holden, repairs on clock,	4 30	
A. M. Litchfield, labor and stock,	22 17	
Keating & Spear, moving piano, and repairs,	14 25	
E. E. Fellows, repairs on furnace,	84 05	
C. Gas Light Co.,	3 00	
		200 74
		\$2,960 54

ADAMS SCHOOL.

Whole number of scholars, — 1st term, 362; 2d term, 314; average for the year, 338.

TEACHERS.

Paid Seth Dewing, Jr.,	\$1,200 00	
Miss H. F. Thayer,	475 00	
Miss E. A. Dinegan,	176 72	
Miss Palmer,	298 28	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<i>\$2,150 00</i>	

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$2,150 00	
Paid Miss L. A. Williams,	450 00	
Miss E. C. Sheahan,	450 00	
Miss Mary L. Flint,	450 00	
	<hr/>	
Total for teaching,		\$3,500 00

FUEL.

Paid Grenville Brooks, fuel,	\$11 00	
Owen Adams, coal,	152 00	
	<hr/>	163 00

CARE OF ROOMS AND FIRES.

Paid C. H. Pray,	\$233 25	
Mrs. A. Walsh, cleaning rooms,	18 60	
	<hr/>	251 85

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

Paid E. B. Souther, books,	\$29 41	
W. S. Pattee, books for poor children,	3 31	
Daniel Baxter, ink, chalk, etc.,	12 00	
J. L. Hammatt, erasers, etc.,	9 62	
	<hr/>	54 34

INCIDENTALS.

Paid Liba Litchfield, glass, stone school-house,	\$8 40	
C. H. Pray, labor, glass, etc.,	69 98	
J. S. Kilshaw, gravel,	4 50	
E. A. C. Hardwick, rent of land, stone school-house,	10 00	
F. C. Ellis, ladder,	3 30	
J. S. Carey, cleaning vaults,	10 00	
A. M. Litchfield, stock and labor,	13 66	
	<hr/>	
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$119 84	\$3,969 19

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$119 84	\$3,969 19
Paid Keating & Spear, curtains and repairs,	4 60	
William H. French, stock and labor,	15 25	
E. E. Fellows, sundries,	5 85	
J. O. Holden, repairs on clock,	4 30	
C. F. and J. W. Pierce, flue irons,	1 00	
Daniel Baxter, pails and nails,	2 17	
	—	153 01
		<u>\$4,122 20</u>

CODDINGTON SCHOOL.

Whole number of scholars, — 1st term, 269 ; 2d term, 267 ; average for the year, 268.

TEACHERS.

Paid Henry B. Brown,	\$279 06	
J. H. Wardwell,	892 86	
Miss C. P. Barnes,	475 03	
Miss M. E. Dinegan,	475 03	
Miss L. E. Morse,	450 00	
Miss J. E. Underwood,	450 01	
Miss F. B. Howland,	104 65	
Miss L. B. French,	198 83	
Miss S. M. Stinchfield,	146 50	
Miss C. P. Barnes, extra services,	11 00	
	—	\$3,482 97

FUEL.

Paid Owen Adams, coal,	160 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$3,642 97</u>

Amount brought forward, \$3,642 97

CARE OF ROOMS AND FIRES.

Paid J. Jones,	\$80 00	
Mrs. Kelly,	31 00	
Wm. Pray,	77 33	
	188 33	188 33

INCIDENTALS.

Paid E. B. Souther,	\$64 47	
C. H. Pray, glass, screen and labor,	27 92	
H. Brown, piano string,	75	
J. O. Holden,	6 67	
Wm. Pray, brooms, dusters, etc.,	10 67	
Keating & Spear, dusters and broom, etc.,	11 90	
A. M. Litchfield, labor and stock,	5 37	
C. W. Stratton, tuning piano,	2 75	
Lapham Bros., carrying scholars,	172 50	
C. F. & J. W. Pierce, iron ware, etc.,	18 60	
P. B. Turner, stock and labor,	25 16	
J. W. Hersey, glass,	2 00	
	\$348 76	
		\$4,180 06

WASHINGTON SCHOOL.

Whole number of scholars, — 1st term, 231; 2d term, 234; average for the year, 232½.

TEACHERS.

Paid Isaac F. Hall,	\$1,200 00	
Miss E. A. Bosworth,	475 00	
Miss A. P. Robbins,	88 34	
	\$1,763 34	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$1,763 34

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,763 34	
Paid Miss Angie S. Amsbury,	450 00	
Miss S. A. Souther,	449 95	
Miss Morrison,	44 18	
Miss Marden,	309 29	
Miss A. S. Reed,	208 25	
Miss E. Hall,	33 13	
	<hr/>	\$3,258 14

FUEL.

Paid D. H. Bills, coal,	\$41 78	
Owen Adams, "	282 00	
	<hr/>	323 78

CARE OF ROOMS AND FIRES.

Paid A. S. Amsbury,	\$9 00	
John Harmon,	191 00	
Mrs. Porter,	31 75	
Mrs. Connors,	16 60	
	<hr/>	248 35

INCIDENTALS.

Paid E. B. Souther, books, stationery, etc.,	\$9 36	
G. Clements, labor, maps and repairs,	15 00	
C. H. S. Newcomb, pump,	27 24	
I. F. Hall, erasers, books, station- ery and travelling expenses,	34 35	
John Harmon, labor, glass, etc.,	17 50	
W. B. Ryan, repairs, pump and stock,	11 10	
Jenkins & Jordan, lightning rods,	12 00	
A. P. Messer & Co., paper and crayons,	2 25	
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$128 80	\$3,830 27

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$128 80	\$3,830 27
Paid Keating & Spear, dusters, sink, chairs and glass,	28 87	
S. Smith & Co., table,	10 00	
J. L. Hammatt, baskets and bell,	5 09	
J. O. Holden, 2 clocks,	18 00	
G. H. & T. B. Thomas, erasers,	3 00	
Chas. Hall, sundries,	1 88	
A. P. Hill, tuning piano,	2 00	
J. F. Burrell, tin ware,	1 36	
	<hr/>	199 00
		<hr/>
		\$4,029 27

ALTERATION OF SCHOOL-HOUSE.

Paid J. D. Rollins,	\$3,374 38	
Fawcett, Hawkes & Co., furnace,	350 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,724 38

WILLARD SCHOOL.

Whole number of scholars,—1st term, 355 ; 2d term, 349 ; average for the year, 352.

TEACHERS.

Paid S. C. Higgins,	\$1,200 00	
Miss Minna Marden,	474 93	
Miss M. A. Veazie,	88 37	
Mrs. M. Dewing,	386 66	
Miss Emily A. Newcomb,	408 12	
Miss Ada E. Locke,	450 00	
Miss M. A. Spear,	450 00	
Miss M. L. Pierce,	449 94	
Miss Abby O. Spear,	64 27	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$3,972 29

Amount brought forward, \$3,972 29

FUEL.

Paid Owen Adams, coal,	\$208 00	
D. H. Bills, “	116 22	
G. Brooks, fuel,	15 00	
	339 22	339 22

CARE OF ROOMS AND FIRES.

Paid Mary Forbes,	\$73 20	
H. Glines,	161 00	
John Sprague,	92 00	
	326 20	326 20

INCIDENTALS.

Paid G. W. Ripley, conveyance of scholars,	\$143 60	
C. L. Badger, stock and labor,	2 94	
A. O. Spear,	50	
Jenkins & Jordan, lightning-rods,	113 34	
F. C. Ellis, step-ladder,	3 30	
E. E. Hall, brushes, brooms, glass, etc.,	15 85	
E. B. Souther, books, station- ery, etc.,	12 21	
J. L. Hammatt, ink-stands,	6 75	
C. S. Mitchell, glass and setting,	7 50	
S. C. Higgins, books,	2 61	
Herbert & Dolan, stove-pipe, etc.,	51 06	
Daniel Monk, door-springs,	11 00	
Keating & Spear, curtains,	23 58	
Jonas Shackley, stock and labor,	24 80	
E. H. Doble, books, etc.,	10 29	
	429 33	429 33

Amount carried forward, \$5,067 04

Amount brought forward, \$5,067 04

CR.

By cash, for old lumber sold,	\$11 00	
By cash, from Hammatt & Co., error in bill,	7 10	
	<u> </u>	18 10
		<u> </u>
		\$5,048 94

QUINCY SCHOOL.

Whole number of scholars, — 1st term, 165 ; 2d term, 168 ; average for the year, 166½.

TEACHERS.

Paid L. F. Hobbs,	\$1,200 00	
Miss E. M. Plummer,	450 00	
Miss E. A. Flint,	450 00	
	<u> </u>	\$2,100 00

FUEL.

Paid S. H. Frost, coal,	\$18 00	
O. Adams, “	160 00	
	<u> </u>	178 00

CARE OF ROOMS AND FIRES.

Paid Peter Rowell,		220 00
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INCIDENTALS.

Paid J. Shields, conveyance of scholars,	\$37 00	
J. M. Glover, setting glass and painting pump, etc.,	10 62	
P. A. Wales and son, pump and repairs,	57 50	
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$105 12	\$2,498 00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$105 12	\$2,498 00
Paid Peter Rowell, extra work, 19 weeks, carrying water, grading and cleaning, moving coal from bin to furnace, etc.,	108 68	
Thomas Gurney, paper and books, etc.,	60 25	
Thomas Gurney, paper, books, and sundries,	41 81	
Jenkins & Jordan, lightning rods,	113 33	
E. Ramsdell, stock and labor, and repairing floors,	192 86	
Keating & Spear, curtains,	36 25	
S. D. Ramsdell, stock and labor on well,	80 76	
	<hr/>	739 06
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		\$3,237 06

WOLLASTON SCHOOL.

Whole number of scholars, — 1st term, 119; 2d term, 108; average for year, $113\frac{1}{2}$.

TEACHERS.

Paid Miss H. H. Morse,	\$679 06	
Mrs. L. L. Follett,	461 96	
Miss K. Averill,	282 46	
	<hr/>	\$1,423 48

FUEL.

Paid Owen Adams, coal,	\$119 50	
G. Brooks, fuel,	5 00	
	<hr/>	124 50
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$1,547 98

Amount brought forward, \$1,547 98

CARE OF ROOMS AND FIRES.

Paid G. W. Griffin,	\$202 00	
Mrs. Mahoney,	21 00	
Mrs. Ring,	1 50	
	<hr style="width: 50px; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>	224 50

INCIDENTALS.

Paid E. B. Souther, books, stationery, etc.,	\$20 77	
W. B. Duggan, books, stationery, etc.,	11 03	
J. C. Russell, 1 feather duster,	4 50	
“ “ brooms,	4 70	
P. A. Wales, pump,	39 00	
J. C. Rollins, stock and labor,	39 09	
C. Moody, “ “	12 90	
C. F. & J. W. Pierce,	1 50	
	<hr style="width: 50px; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>	133 49
		<hr style="width: 100%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>
		\$1,905 97

EXTRA EXPENSES.

Paid C. Moody, new privy,	\$575 00	
L. Ballou, grading yard and lay- ing drain,	187 50	
Peabody & Stearns, commission on building,	402 36	
Jenkins & Jordan, lightning-rods,	113 33	
Keating & Spear, seats, desks, etc.,	301 12	
G. F. Pinkham, rent (1873),	291 67	
	<hr style="width: 50px; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>	\$1,870 98

CRANE SCHOOL.

Whole number of scholars, 17.

TEACHER.

Paid S. M. Stinchfield,	\$320 25
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FUEL.

Paid Owen Adams, coal,	32 00
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CARE OF ROOM AND FIRE.

Paid J. Freeman,	31 55
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INCIDENTALS.

Paid D. S. Baxter, stock and labor,	\$60 00	
E. D. Souther, books, etc.,	2 85	
	-----	62 85
		<u>62 85</u>
		\$446 65

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES, SCHOOLS.

Paid Bowditch Ex. Co.	\$2 50	
Quincy Mutual Fire Ins. Co., rent 6 mos., 1873, Willard School,	60 00	
C. H. Pray, services overseeing delivery of coal,	15 00	
Asa Wellington, printing, postage and services,	9 23	
E. B. Souther, paper, etc.,	1 30	
D. K. Flint, hack-hire,	2 00	
W. B. Duggan, travelling expenses,	5 00	
	-----	\$95 03

CR.

By cash for school books furnished scholars,	48 50
	<u>48 50</u>
	\$46 53

RECAPITULATION OF SCHOOL EXPENSES.

High School,	\$2,960 54
Adams Schools,	4,122 20
Coddington Schools,	4,180 06
Washington “	4,029 27
“ “ alteration,	3,724 38
Willard Schools,	5,067 04
Quincy “	3,237 06
Wollaston “	1,905 97
“ “ extra expenses,	1,870 98
Crane School,	446 65
Miscellaneous,	95 03
	<hr/> \$31,639 18

CR.

Cash as per preceding statement,	66 60
Total cost of schools, repairs, etc.,	<hr/> \$31,572 58

APPROPRIATIONS.

At annual Town Meeting,	\$29,600 00
“ Town Meeting, Oct. 27, 1874,	2,500 00
“ Repairs on Town Buildings,	1,000 00
	<hr/> \$33,100 00
Total cost of schools, repairs, etc.,	31,572 58
Balance unexpended,	<hr/> \$1,527 42

HIGHWAYS.

The Auditors have not deemed it advisable to specify the names of the persons whose names are on the pay-rolls of the Surveyors of the road.

They have examined the books of the several Surveyors, and find them correctly kept, with proper vouchers for all sums paid; they have merely given in gross the sums thus paid, and by the annexed report these amounts will appear as paid to the Surveyors.

REPAIRS UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE SELECTMEN.

WEST DISTRICT.

J. Q. A. FIELD, *Surveyor*.

Cash paid John Q. A. Field, for labor,	\$705 24
M. McGovern, gravel,	7 00
S. Maloney, setting edgestone,	10 85
J. P. Bigelow, gravel,	2 00
Ames & Severance, covering stone,	10 00
Thomas Shea, gravel,	1 00
Thomas O'Brien, gravel,	4 16
R. G. Elliot, “	33 20
John McGovern, “	14 32
Elcock & Sons, labor,	3 50
Michael Blake, labor and gravel,	3 60
H. K. Carleton, gravel,	3 20
F. & C. Wilson, stone,	20 20
Thomas Owens, gravel,	1 25
William H. Jones, “	11 52
O. T. Rodgers & Co., stone and chips,	53 26
Elcock & Son, labor,	17 00
	<hr/>
	\$901 30
Labor from Almshouse,	305 50
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$1,206 80

Amount brought forward,

\$1,206 80

SOUTH DISTRICT.

J. Q. A. FIELD, *Surveyor.*

Cash paid John Q. A. Field, for labor,	\$373 54	
L. Rideout, setting 97 ft. edgestone,	19 40	
J. Connor, labor,	7 50	
C. H. Pray, labor,	3 00	
J. Maly, labor,	31 00	
S. Maloney, setting edgestones,	9 40	
A. M. Litchfield, stock and labor on fence,	88 65	
S. Maloney, labor,	23 00	
John Maley, laying stone,	8 12	
S. Maloney, setting edgestone,	13 05	
Baily & Baxter, labor and stock,	1 50	
William S. Williams, stone chips,	16 75	
	<hr/>	
	\$594 91	
Labor from Almshouse,	228 00	
	<hr/>	
		822 91

CENTRE DISTRICT.

E. S. FELLOWS, *Surveyor.*

Cash paid E. S. Fellows, for labor,	\$446 00	
L. M. Coburn, labor,	5 50	
Chas. Gill, “	92 00	
J. Connor, “	12 00	
S. Maloney, setting edge- stones,	60 55	
J. Arnold, labor,	50	
L. Holbrook, “	5 00	
John Maly, “	40 00	

Amounts carried forward,

\$661 55

\$2,029 71

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$661 55	\$2,029 71
Cash paid John Q. A. Field, paid for labor,	10 00	
Albert French, labor,	2 00	
E. S. French, gravel,	9 18	
Baily & Baxter, stock and labor,	4 00	
Thompson & Sons, stone chips,	5 37	
Thomas Owens, “	1 75	
P. McDonald, gravel,	27 12	
John Q. Wild, stone,	6 00	
McKenzie & Co., stone chips,	75	
Cornelius Moriarty, labor,	5 00	
Estate of W. Abercrombie, gravel,	2 40	
C. H. Hardwick, gravel and stone chips,	10 85	
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	\$745 97	
Labor from Almshouse,	129 12	
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		875 09

BLUE HILL ROAD.

Cash paid H. S. Hunt, labor,	\$28 25	
John Q. A. Field, paid for labor,	113 79	
J. J. Glover, labor,	24 75	
E. A. Spear, “	5 40	
John Kilshaw, “	7 00	
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		179 19

WOLLASTON AND NORTH DISTRICT.

E. B. TAYLOR, *Surveyor.*

Cash paid E. B. Taylor, for labor,	\$369 62	
S. D. Ramsdell, labor,	87 33	
W. D. Emery, “	3 00	
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$459 95	\$3,083 99

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$459 95	\$3,083 99
Cash paid S. Maloney, setting edge- stone,	14 30	
Bernard Gerry, labor,	13 75	
P. Farrell, labor and gravel,	46 84	
P. Hoar, “	5 00	
Smith & Smith, labor,	1,615 82	
H. Feltis, blacksmithing,	4 50	
Geo. E. Faxon, building cul- vert, etc.,	262 00	
Jas. O'Brien, labor,	3 00	
George Clark, gravel,	25 50	
William Mahoney, labor,	10 50	
William Shea, stone trough,	40 00	
I. Waterhouse, moving earth,	8 00	
L. Ballou, labor on drain and stone,	21 25	
E. S. Fellows, paid for labor,	12 00	
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	\$2,542 41	
Labor from Almshouse,	265 00	
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		2,807 41

POINT DISTRICT.

E. S. FELLOWS, *Surveyor.*

Cash paid E. S. Fellows, paid for labor,	\$764 17	
John Q. A. Field, “ “	32 25	
J. R. Graham, land damages,	225 00	
Henry Souther, land damages,	225 00	
John L. Souther, gravel,	3 44	
J. Williams, carting,	6 00	
Q. P. Land Associates, gravel,	32 00	
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$1,287 86	\$5,891 40

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$1,287 86	\$5,891 40
Labor from Almshouse,	280 12	
	<hr/>	1,567 98
CR.		
By loam sold,	\$139 87	

EAST DISTRICT.

E. S. FELLOWS, *Surveyor.*

Cash paid L. M. Coburn, labor,	\$3 00	
E. S. Fellows, paid for labor,	54 12	
John Q. Adams, gravel,	47 85	
	<hr/>	104 97
Total cost of repairs of highways,		<hr/>
		\$7,564 35
Appropriation,	\$8,000 00	
Expense less than appropriation,	435 65	
	<hr/>	\$7,564 35

SNOW.

Paid sundry persons for removing snow (the whole amount having been expended previous to the March meeting, 1874),		\$700 67
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PENN'S HILL.

Paid J. Q. A. Field, for cash paid for labor,	\$874 55
A. McFee, laying wall,	155 50
G. E. Faxon, laying wall,	237 50
F. C. Wilson, stone,	75 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$1,342 55

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,342 55	
Paid J. Q. Wild, stone,	5 00	
C. H. Hardwick, stone chips,	6 00	
	<u> </u>	
	\$1,353 55	
Labor from Almshouse,	195 00	
	<u> </u>	1,548 55
Cr. by loam sold,		128 00
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		\$1,420 55
Appropriation,	\$1,300 00	
Excess of expenditures,	120 55	
	<u> </u>	\$1,420 55

NEW STREET, POINT HOLES.

Paid E. S. Fellows, cash paid for labor,	\$79 50	
Labor from Almshouse,	40 00	
	<u> </u>	\$119 50
Appropriation,	\$300 00	
Expended less than appropriation,	180 50	
	<u> </u>	\$119 50

CULVERT ON HANCOCK STREET.

Paid Smith & Smith,		\$396 00
Appropriation,	500 00	
Expended less than appropriation,	104 00	
	<u> </u>	\$396 00

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS INCURRED PREVIOUS TO THE PRESENT
YEAR.

Paid Jos. W. Robertson, concrete walk, old bill, 1873,	\$14 41
Estate of N. Ames, gravel, old bill, 1873,	26 40
A. Holt, labor, old bill, 1873,	2 00
E. C. Sargent, gravel, 1873,	35 88
L. Rideout, altering fence, corner of Water and Franklin street,	51 25
William Garrity, express charges,	5 55
Frederick & Field, stone dust, 1871,	17 00
Frederick & Field, labor and dust, 1872 and 1873,	140 80
A. Churchill, stone, old bill,	21 00
A. M. Litchfield, building fence, on Water street,	75 00
F. & C. Wilson, labor on new street, Han- cock to Adams street,	50 00
G. W. Brooks, gravel,	2 04
H. W. Gray, refreshments,	7 13
National Granite Bank, land taken in 1873,	321 80
National Granite Bank, concrete walk, 1873,	11 08
G. F. Pinkham, concrete walk, in 1873,	44 35
Macomber, Bigelow & Dowse, tools,	13 56
Dodge, Gilbert & Co., 1 doz. picks,	16 20
Sarah Palmer, land damage on Foster street,	60 00
D. K. Flint, transportation of surveyors,	3 00
S. K. Tarbox, repairing tools,	25 75
S. Babcock, gravel, 1873,	12 18
Richard Newcomb, stock and labor, Foster street,	10 25
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$966 63</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$966 63
Paid Timothy White, gravel,	3 36
Frank Marden, gravel, 1872,	2 50
Whitney & Nash, nails, bolts, powder, etc.,	2 92
Henry G. Pratt, 4 wood culverts, 1872,	16 00
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	\$991 41

ALMSHOUSE, DR.

Paid Ewell & Joseph, iron bedstead, chair,	\$6 75
W. G. Prescott, ice,	4 00
Nora Dailey, labor,	154 29
John Q. Adams, seaweed,	1 50
John J. Shea, expressing,	7 50
N. B. Furnald, chairs, etc.,	11 27
George J. Jones, repairs on harness,	29 88
Wm. A. Hodges, flour, crackers, etc.,	194 25
H. W. Gray, supplies,	21 18
A. B. Morse, services and cash for supplies,	69 46
John McGann, labor,	77 00
Lapham Bros., use of horse and carriage,	2 00
J. Q. Wild, shoeing horses and blacksmithing,	159 77
Dr. J. A. Gordon, services,	31 00
I. W. Munroe & Co., molasses and groceries,	54 71
Hinckley & Ayers, butter,	16 15
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$840 71

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$840 71
Paid George F. Wilson, meat and groceries,	159 72
Joseph Loud & Co., hay and grain,	585 65
Josiah P. Quincy, hay,	33 90
D. H. Bills, coal,	122 75
J. Q. A. Field, cash paid for labor,	92 87
“ “ “ pig,	12 00
John H. Wheble, fish,	19 11
P. O'Brien, labor,	9 75
Horace Feltis, blacksmithing,	15 40
Tirrell & Sons, new cart and repairs,	172 57
Ira Litchfield, stock and labor,	20 26
Dr. Small, services,	25 00
E. Burns, labor,	145 00
Roger Lewis, painting and setting glass,	18 77
C. H. Spear & Co., butter,	22 32
E. B. Taylor, cash paid for labor,	2 00
Thomas Noble, mowing,	10 00
N. Durgin, services as superintendent,	375 00
“ “ cash, sundry bills,	11 48
N. A. Dyer, butter,	38 48
Macomber, Bigelow & Dowse, tools,	21 06
W. B. Thayer, sewing machine,	55 00
E. Clapp, groceries and dry goods,	28 06
Ebenezer Bent, groceries,	79 80
J. H. Veazie, medicine,	61 16
J. T. Ripley, dressing hogs,	5 00
Keating & Spear, table, etc.,	2 27
Lawrence Ballou, cleaning well,	6 00
Richard Newcomb, stock and labor,	20 97
G. Totman & Sons, supplies,	222 31
“ “ “ wood,	60 00
D. B. Stetson, boots and shoes,	21 15
Wm. H. French, mason work,	3 50
John O. Holden, repairs on clock, etc.,	1 95
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$3,320 97

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$3,320 97
Paid George Saville, caps and shoes,	5 65
Nath'l Nightingale, repairs on shoes,	2 65
Thomas Bates, dressing hogs,	4 00
G. L. Baxter & Co., supplies,	41 78
C. F. & J. W. Pierce, tin ware, grates, etc.,	6 45
John Hall, horse hire,	8 00
Whitney & Nash, supplies,	32 63
G. W. Brooks, provision,	7 97
C. A. Spear, clothing,	2 50
Daniel Baxter, groceries,	48 23
E. E. Fellows, stoves and repairs,	22 70
J. N. Blake, supplies,	29 65
Henry Glidden, swine,	60 00
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Total amount paid for Almshouse,	\$3,593 18

ALMSHOUSE, CR.

Appraisal of Stock, Tools, Provisions, etc., Feb. 1, 1875.

3 horses,	\$400 00	<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$934 00
2 cows and calf,	125 00	1 street roller,	150 00
8 harnesses,	106 00	1 pr. wheels, pole, and	
1 hay-cutter,	5 00	scraper,	20 00
2 blankets, surcingle,	3 00	1 horse sled,	5 00
1 feed-box and chest,	6 00	6 snow-scrapers,	40 00
Grain,	15 00	1 covered wagon,	15 00
8 tons English hay,	200 00	1 drag and jack,	4 00
4½ tons salt hay,	54 00	1 sleigh and pung,	15 00
1 mowing machine,	15 00	Manure,	50 00
Ladders,	5 00	1 wheelbarrow,	3 00
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<i>Carried forward,</i>	\$934 00	<i>Carried forward,</i>	\$1,236 00

<i>Brought forward</i> , \$1,236 00	<i>Brought forward</i> , \$2,041 00
Farm tools and yokes, 50 00	1 gravel screen, 2 00
Locks and tackle, 5 00	200 lbs. ham, 30 00
1 large grain chest, 10 00	600 " pork, 75 00
25 empty barrels, 4 00	1 bbl. soap, 5 00
Wood for fuel, 100 00	Tubs, pails, etc., 10 00
Posts and rails, 10 00	20 gals. molasses, 11 00
4 horse-carts, 225 00	135 lbs. lard, 20 00
1 light wagon, 15 00	50 " salt fish, 3 50
1 hay wagon, 30 00	1½ bbls. flour, 12 00
Road tools, 93 00	75 lbs. sugar, 8 25
7 tons coal, 56 00	Butter, 17 50
1 grind-stone, axes, vise, and carpenter's tools, 20 00	¼ chest tea, 5 00
70 bushels potatoes, 70 00	Crackers, 2 00
Vegetables, 5 00	Coffee, 1 00
16 bbls. apples, 32 00	Dried apples, 4 50
30 fowls, 30 00	Medicines, etc. 5 00
3 pigs, 50 00	Sewing machine, 65 00
	Stoves, 75 00
<i>Carried forward</i> , \$2,041 00	<u>\$2,392 75</u>

SALES AT THE ALMSHOUSE.

Produce sold, \$120 18

STATEMENT OF THE ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT.

DR.

To stock on hand Feb. 1, 1874,	\$2,354 50
Cash paid as per this report,	3,593 18
<i>Amount carried forward</i> ,	<u>\$5,947 68</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$5,947 68
CR.		
By stock on hand Feb. 1, 1875,	\$2,392 75	
Cash received for produce,	120 18	
Labor at cemetery,	10 25	
Labor on highways,	1,442 74	
Rent of Rock Island,	10 00	
	<u> </u>	3,975 92
Total cost of Almshouse for the year ending Feb. 1, 1875,		\$1,971 76

SUPPORT OF POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

DR.

Paid George Sargent, rent, Mrs. Jones,		\$13 00
B. F. Curtis " "		102 25
State Reform School, board for M. Cronin,	26 17	
State Reform School, board for A. E. Gore,	24 73	
State Reform School, board for J. H. Falvy,	24 55	
State Reform School, board for W. F. Rowell,	8 00	
State Reform School, board for J. Williams,	19 50	
State Reform School, board for C. E. Cook,	6 47	
	<u> </u>	109 42
* Worcester Lunatic Asylum, board for T. Kennedy,		21 60
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<u>\$246 27</u>

* To be refunded.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$246 27
Paid Board of State Charities, board for L. Manning,	\$18 00	
Board of State Charities, board for D. Sullivan,	36 00	
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Northampton Asylum, board for R. G. Cass,		202 99
City of Cambridge, aid, B. Gallagher,		26 78
“ Haverhill, “ Talbot children,		163 00
“ Fall River, “ C. Howard,		373 00
City of Boston, aid, Timothy Curtin,	\$14 69	
City of Boston, aid, John Clure,	32 93	
City of Boston, aid, Mary Sim- mons,	47 01	
City of Boston, aid, burial Arletta Spear,	10 00	
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City of Charlestown, aid, Mrs. Saville,	\$32 25	
City of Charlestown, aid, Mrs. Dexter,	24 25	
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Town of Saugus, aid, T. H. M. Rowell,		70 67
“ Milbury, “ Keefe family,		14 90
“ Milton, “ Mrs. Buchan,		8 50
“ Lakeville, “ Thomas Vandover,		6 40
Thomas Healey, rent, Mrs. Packard,		60 00
* George W. Griffin, board for Mrs. Moses,		63 00
D. H. Bills, coal, Wm. McGowan,	\$9 25	
“ “ Ellen O'Brien,	7 12	
“ “ Ellen Callahan,	6 13	
“ “ Mrs. J. Dailey,	7 38	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$1,480 52

* To be refunded.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$1,480 52
Paid D. H. Bills, coal, J. Cronin,	11 50	
“ “ Mrs. George Packard,	11 63	
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Grenville Brooks, fuel to Mrs. Cronin,	\$8 25	
“ “ J. Shehan,	3 00	
“ “ Mrs. Linnehan,	5 50	
“ “ J. Cummings,	5 50	
“ “ Mrs. Manning,	5 50	
“ “ Hammond,	5 47	
“ “ Mrs. W. Burke,	5 50	
“ “ Mrs. Galvin,	5 50	
“ “ Mrs. Callahan,	5 50	
“ “ *L. P. Holbrook,	2 75	
“ “ Mrs. J. Callahan,	2 75	
“ “ Mrs. Woods,	5 25	
“ “ A. P. French,	5 25	
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E. A. Bartlett, care of J. Shehan,		16 00
Grenville Brooks, coal to J. Cronin,	\$3 00	
“ “ Mrs. Jones,	7 75	
“ “ Mrs. Galvin,	8 00	
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S. F. Newcomb, goods to Hayden children,		114 00
Terence Keenan, rent Mrs. Packard,		12 00
Elbridge Clapp, goods to J. Cronin,		208 00
Ebenezer Bent, goods to Mrs. Callahan,	\$3 00	
“ “ Mrs. Jones,	72 00	
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Mrs. Harrington, board of Mrs. Newcomb,		58 00
Frederick Hardwick, fare and care of Hanson children,		3 00
T. E. Furnald, goods to J. Cummings,		25 53
George Cahill, “ J. Cronin,		4 00
Daniel Baxter, rent, Mrs. Denward,		10 00
E. H. Doble, goods to S. Miller,		1 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$2,114 65

* To be refunded.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$2,114 65
Paid Totman & Son, goods to J. Gallagher,		3 00
Horne & Bird " J. Shehan,		36 46
H. W. Gray, " J. Cummings,		84 51
M. W. Gerry, " Mrs. Murphy,		1 25
E. S. Fellows, cash, sundry poor persons,		31 50
J. H. Veazie, medicines, " "		15 40
H. H. Faxon, rent, Mrs. Jones,		47 58
N. B. Furnald, conveyance of Cath. Mulligan,		6 10
Geo. H. Frost, fuel to P. Gorman,		4 75
John A. Wood, rent, J. Cronin,		51 00
E. H. Treadway, medicines to poor persons,		3 15
Charles H. Spear, milk to J. Cronin,		10 76
Thomas Gurney, goods to J. Shea,	\$3 00	
" " P. Gorman,	3 00	
	—	6 00
James S. Carey, milk to Mrs. Callahan,		19 40
Wm. A. Hodges, cash and supplies to poor persons,	\$8 35	
Wm. A. Hodges, cash and supplies to Mrs. Vinal,	8 03	
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E. B. Taylor, fares Geo. Russell,		3 00
Dr. J. H. Gilbert, prof. services to sundry poor persons,		67 00
Taunton Lunatic Asylum, board, William F. Hinckley,	\$258 20	
Taunton Lunatic Asylum, board, Mary T. Rodman,	244 72	
Taunton Lunatic Asylum, board, Susan Hunt,	238 79	
Taunton Lunatic Asylum, board, John Cullen,	255 52	
Taunton Lunatic Asylum, board, Catharine Welch,	40 85	
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$1,038 08	\$2,521 89

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$4,525 34
Paid Town of Braintree, 1873, aid, Mrs. Packard,	31 00
George L. Baxter, goods, poor persons,	3 63
* D. H. Bills, coal, L. P. Holbrook,	4 63
E. B. Taylor, cash poor persons,	10 00
J. Q. A. Field, " " "	12 00
W. M. French, moving Mrs. Newcomb,	3 00
James N. Blake, goods, poor persons,	8 10
Dr. James A. Gordon, professional ser- vices,	8 00
G. F. Wilson, goods, J. Gallagher,	2 00
E. E. Fellows, tin ware, to J. Cronin,	2 60
Old Col. & N. R. R., tickets to poor,	21 75
Dr. J. A. Gordon, services, poor persons,	75 00
Town of Randolph, burial Nancy Swain,	13 00
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	\$4,720 05

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Rec'd of Town of Milford, support of A. Daly and child,	\$23 90
J. Q. A. Field, support of Mary O'Hearn,	191 15
Edward Capen, support of C. F. Saville,	364 65
City of Fall River, coffins for Dorrity boys,	23 00
State of Mass., state paupers,	78 72
For support of Ellen Scannell,	96 05
" " Foster Brown,	35 50
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	\$812 97
Total cost of poor out of Almshouse, for year ending Feb. 1, 1875,	<hr/> \$3,907 08

* Refunded.

Total cost of Almshouse,	\$1,971 76	
“ of poor out of Almshouse,	3,907 08	
	<u> </u>	\$5,957 56
Expenditures,	\$5,957 56	
Appropriation,	5,000 00	
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Excess of expenditures,	\$957 56	

MOUNT WOLLASTON CEMETERY.

DR.

Paid Cochrane & Sampson, printing,	\$48 25
Albert Holt, labor,	1,581 66
Mrs. E. E. Mitchell, manure,	7 00
James Sullivan, labor,	11 25
E. Stone, trees,	25 00
J. Rideout, labor,	10 00
M. Pfaffman, shrubbery and trees,	50 73
D. K. Flint, carting,	5 00
J. Sullivan, labor,	9 37
J. H. Spear, plants,	10 30
E. Burns, labor,	3 00
Richard Newcomb, stakes,	3 50
W. A. Hodges, manure,	4 00
Josiah Baxter, manure,	9 00
Geo. L. Baxter, plants, labor, and expressing,	8 75
H. French, lettering stakes,	13 20
Mrs. M. E. Green, printing,	62 50
George L. Gill, postal cards and record books,	6 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$1,868 51

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,868 51	
Paid George L. Gill, recording burials, 1873, '74,	26 40	
George L. Gill, services as Sec'y,	75 00	
Geo. L. Baxter & Co., sundries,	29 49	
Bowditch & Co., expressing,	4 50	
Whitman & Breck, survey and plans,	50 00	
Horace Feltis, iron gates,	75 00	
E. S. Fellows, steps,	2 75	
J. Q. Wild, repairs on tools,	1 25	
A. Holt, manure,	9 00	
Asa Wellington, services and court fees,	56 40	
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Labor from Almshouse,		10 25
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		\$2,208 55
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By cash from sale of lots,	\$450 00	
for labor on lots,	962 35	
sale of well-curb,	9 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,421 35
Total,		<hr/>
		\$787 20
Appropriation,	\$1,000 00	
Expenditures,	787 20	
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Balance unexpended,	\$212 80	

OLD CEMETERY.

Paid G. L. Baxter, paid for labor,	\$34 12
John McDonald, gravel,	6 00
John Kilshaw, loam,	2 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$42 12

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$42 12	
Paid J. Sullivan, labor,	3 75	
W. B. Rice, trees,	17 00	
J. McDonnell, labor,	11 00	
J. Kelly, labor,	7 00	
John Kilshaw, labor,	1 00	
Geo. L. Baxter, expressing,	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$85 87
Appropriation,	\$200 00	
Expenditures,	85 87	
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Balance unexpended,	\$114 13	

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

W. M. French, Chief Engineer.

NIAGARA, NO. 1.

MICHAEL WELCH, *Engineer.*

Paid forty-seven members,	\$470 00	
steward,	50 00	
Keating & Spear, chimneys,	45	
Ebenezer Bent, oil, pail, brush, etc.,	22 09	
John H. Veazie, alcohol and oil,	6 00	
D. H. Bills, coal,	4 88	
Richard Newcomb, stock and labor,	6 57	
Grenville Brooks, fuel,	1 00	
Tirrell & Sons, repairs,	2 00	
C. F. & J. W. Pierce, sundries,	1 75	
Whitney & Nash, wrench and sundries,	5 39	
G. Brooks, fuel,	1 00	
Hunneman & Co., repairs,	116 50	
Ralph Lowe, stock and repairs,	6 31	
Ebenezer Bent, sundries,	7 80	
	<hr/>	\$701 74
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		

Amount brought forward,

\$701 74

TIGER, NO. 2.

AMOS M. LITCHFIELD, *Engineer.*

Paid fifty members,	\$500 00	
steward,	50 00	
G. Brooks, fuel,	1 00	
M. Goodhue, oil, brushes, etc.,	13 48	
S. K. Tarbox, repairs,	7 50	
M. Goodhue, oil, etc.,	45 75	
“ “ “ sponges and sundries,	14 75	
G. Brooks, fuel,	11 75	
A. M. Litchfield, stock and labor,	5 50	
George L. Baxter, lanterns, etc.,	3 59	
John A. Wood, rent,	25 00	
Daniel Baxter, sundries,	30 00	
Hunneman & Co., hose and repairs,	114 25	
E. E. Fellows, boiler and pipe,	6 10	
Ralph Lowe, repairs,	10 00	
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GRANITE, NO. 3.

JAMES H. ELCOCK, *Engineer.*

Paid forty-five members,	\$450 00	
steward,	50 00	
F. C. Ellis, repairs on house,	6 50	
Geo. W. Ripley, oil, soap, etc.,	5 65	
E. E. Hall, wrench, carting, etc.,	14 55	
D. H. Bills, fuel,	9 50	
G. Brooks, “	1 50	
Badger Bros., repairs,	167 70	
Ripley & Bro., sundries,	3 28	
Jonas Shackley, labor,	1 81	
C. A. Mitchell, glazing,	1 50	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<hr/> <hr/> \$2,252 40

Amount brought forward, \$2,252 40

VULTURE, NO. 4.

GEO. B. PRAY, *Engineer.*

Paid forty-six members,	\$460 00	
steward,	50 00	
D. H. Bills, coal,	5 13	
A. P. Messer, shovel, hod, etc.,	3 35	
Whiton & Lincoln, pump-lever,	13 50	
D. H. Bills, fuel,	1 25	
E. E. Fellows, stove-pipe, etc.,	15 75	
Ralph Lowe, straps,	1 75	
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HOOK AND LADDER, NO. 1.

E. A. SPEAR, *Engineer.*

Paid twenty-five members,	\$250 00	
steward,	50 00	
Tirrell & Sons, repairs on ladders,	1 50	
J. T. Veazie, lock, etc.,	1 75	
C. F. & J. W. Pierce, pump and hose,	34 00	
Furnald & Pierce, sundries,	8 71	
J. N. Blake, “	14 64	
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W. M. FRENCH HOSE, NO. 1.

W. M. FRENCH, *Engineer.*

Paid twenty members,	\$200 00	
steward,	50 00	
Harvey French, Jr., stock and labor,	33 32	
G. S. Coffin, keys,	3 60	
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$286 92	\$3,163 73

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$286 92	\$3,163 73
Paid D. H. Bills, coal,	5 13	
A. W. Mitchell, badges,	37 50	
Keating & Spear, oil,	32	
Ebenezer Bent, refreshments,	8 09	
D. H. Bills, coal,	9 50	
Keating & Spear, dusters, etc.,	5 39	
C. F. & J. W. Pierce, couplings, etc.,	13 50	
Ewell & Joseph, lamps,	3 23	
Richard Newcomb, stock and labor,	2 70	
G. Brooks, fuel,	1 00	
A. M. Litchfield, gate,	5 00	
C. F. & J. W. Pierce, lamps, pipe, etc.,	7 85	
Whitney & Nash, sundries,	1 40	
G. Brooks, fuel,	1 00	
G. Totman & Son, sundries,	15 50	
Ralph Lowe, repairs and stock,	2 20	
E. Bent, sundries,	77	
	<hr/>	407 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Bowditch Express Co.,	\$18 27	
W. M. French,	25 00	
J. J. Shea, expressing,	2 65	
A. M. Litchfield, stock and labor,	97 57	
Lapham Bros., drawing engine,	8 00	
Hinckley Bros., manilla,	2 97	
F. W. Perry, carting hose,	3 00	
J. Boyd & Son, repairing hose,	35 06	
“ “ 600 ft. new hose,	990 00	
J. Clark, 600 ft. new hose and couplings,	549 60	
D. H. Bills, coal for steam pump,	23 60	
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$1,755 72	\$3,570 73

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$1,755 72	\$3,570 73
Paid Dunbar, Curran & Hayden, filling reservoir,	8 50	
R. S. Brown, repairing flag,	12 15	
Cuniffe & Sproule, labor on reservoir,	6 00	
Asa Pope, filling reservoir,	6 00	
Day & Collins, pipe,	6 75	
Jenkins & Jordan, lightning rods,	21 80	
C. S. Coolidge, expressing,	9 90	
H. M. Carlton, expressing,	5 75	
M. M. C. Chubbuck, filling reservoir,	10 00	
G. Thomas, timber, steam-pump,	6 30	
M. Garrity, building reservoir,	215 00	
J. Shackley, labor on fence,	16 08	
O. S. Beals, painting roof of hose house,	16 77	
H. French, jr., painting,	54 00	
Wm. Parker, sheathing hose house,	85 00	
J. F. Burrell, damage to carriage,	7 50	
J. Clark, crotch,	12 50	
	<u> </u>	2,255 72
Total,		<u> </u> \$5,826 45

Appropriation,	\$6,600 00	
Expense less than appropriation,	773 55	
	<u> </u>	\$5,826 45

ALTERATION OF HOSE HOUSE.

Paid C. Gill, stone work,	\$160 00	
Wm. Parker, per contract,	1,000 00	
“ “ stock and labor,	131 27	\$1,291 27
	<u> </u>	
Appropriation,	\$1,100 00	
Excess of appropriation,	191 27	
	<u> </u>	\$1,291 27

STEAM PUMP.

Paid for steam pump,		\$350 00
Appropriation,	\$350 00	

WATERING-PLACE AT WEST QUINCY.

Paid Elcock & Sons, stone trough,	\$37 00	
" " labor laying bridge		
and grading,	63 00	
P. A. Wales, pump,	22 50	
	<u> </u>	\$122 50
Appropriation,	\$150 00	
Expense less than appropriation,	27 50	
	<u> </u>	\$122 50

RESERVOIRS.

Paid Wm. H. French, reservoir, Hancock street,	\$550 00	
Wm. H. French, reservoir, Washington street,	500 00	
C. H. Conlin, labor,	8 25	
John Sweeney, labor,	9 00	
E. S. Fellows, cash to sundry persons, for labor,	99 00	
Luke Rideout, blasting,	5 50	
Richard Newcomb, stock and labor,	1 00	
	<u> </u>	\$1,172 75
Appropriation,	\$1,200 00	
Expense less than appropriation,	27 25	
	<u> </u>	\$1,172 75

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Paid Christopher A. Spear,	\$200 00	
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Appropriation,	\$200 00	

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Bowditch Express Co., expressing,	\$	50
E. B. Souther, stationery,		4 52
J. W. Robertson, horse hire to March 3, 1873,		15 00
Whitman & Breck, surveys,		467 00
J. T. & W. V. Hayward, setting glass, etc.,		7 49
J. C. Hemsworth, labor at pest-house,		30 86
J. T. & W. V. Hayward, stock and labor,		12 32
E. S. Fellows, use of horse,		7 00
W. A. Hodges, " " "		5 00
Cochrane & Sampson, printing reports,		415 00
Boston Herald, advertising,		3 00
George H. Locke, distributing reports,		20 00
H. A. Keith, compiling auditors' report,		100 00
J. B. Bass, postage,		60
G. W. B. Taylor, tax schedules,		9 00
S. Bass, copying plan,		2 00
Jos. Lombard, selling school-house,		30 00
Geo. W. B. Taylor, paper,		3 00
E. B. Souther, stationery, etc.,		21 47
Mrs. M. E. Green, printing,		230 50
William B. Thayer, damages on Blue Hill,		2 00
Keating & Spear, chairs for selectmen's room,		8 25
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<hr/> \$1,394 51

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,394 51
Ewell & Joseph, weighing coal,	1 65
State of Mass., cost of indictment, Blue Hill road,	40 02
C. S. Coolidge, expressing,	5 15
Tirrell & Sons, labor and stock,	33 00
John O. Holden, care of clock,	75 00
Geo. L. Gill, cash paid, recording and copying,	217 65
George L. Baxter, use of horse and carriage,	13 00
W. M. French, livery,	6 50
Mrs. A. Hadstatt, for injuries to person,	150 00
E. S. Fellows, use of horse and carriage,	75 00
E. S. Fellows, travelling expenses,	35 00
E. B. Taylor, use of horse and carriage,	75 00
E. B. Taylor, postage,	1 40
E. B. Taylor, travelling expenses,	30 00
John Q. A. Field, use of horse and carriage,	75 00
John Q. A. Field, postage,	4 00
John Q. A. Field, travelling expenses,	28 00
Thomas Kelly, labor in town house,	2 00
Harvey French, jr., painting guide boards,	77 85
Joseph W. Robertson, use of horse and carriage,	20 00
John Hall, returning 168 deaths to clerk,	42 00
John Hall, ringing bell to Feb. 1, 1875,	52 00
John Hall, livery,	2 00
E. S. Fellows, superintendent of cemetery, 1873,	168 00
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	\$2,623 73
Appropriation,	\$2,000 00
Expenditures more than appropriation,	623 73
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	\$2,623 73

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, AND
SURVEYORS OF HIGHWAYS.

Paid J. W. Robertson, to March 1, 1873,	\$70 00	
E. S. Fellows, to Feb. 1, 1874,	75 00	
W. A. Hodges, to March 30, 1874,	125 00	
E. S. Fellows, to Feb. 1, 1875.	875 00	
John Q. A. Field, to Feb. 1, 1875,	815 00	
E. B. Taylor, to Feb. 1, 1875,	750 00	
	<u> </u>	\$2,710 00

TOWN CLERK.

Paid George L. Gill, to Feb. 1, 1875,	\$50 00	
	<u> </u>	50 00

TOWN TREASURER.

Paid Horace B. Spear,	\$125 00	
	<u> </u>	125 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Henry Lunt, year 1873,	\$100 00	
C. L. Badger, year 1874,	100 00	
H. F. Smith, " 1873,	100 00	
C. F. Adams, jr., year 1873, 1874,	134 00	
Asa Wellington, year 1874,	120 00	
John Q. Adams, " "	100 00	
William B. Duggan, " "	80 00	
J. H. Slade, " "	100 00	
	<u> </u>	834 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<u> </u> \$3,719 00

Amount brought forward, \$3,719 00

ASSESSORS.

Paid George L. Baxter, year 1874,	\$162 00	
Joseph W. Robertson, “	120 00	
	_____	282 00

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Paid Josiah Adams,	\$30 00	
	_____	30 00

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Paid Chas. N. Baxter,	\$568 14	
	_____	568 14

ENGINEERS.

Paid W. M. French,	\$35 00	
George B. Pray,	35 00	
Edward A. Spear,	25 00	
Richard W. Dexter,	30 00	
A. M. Litchfield,	25 00	
	_____	150 00

CONSTABLES.

Paid W. M. French,	\$50 00	
J. Morrill,	17 00	
W. C. Seelye,	3 00	
A. M. Litchfield,	12 00	
F. H. French,	18 00	
E. A. Spear,	12 00	
G. B. Pray,	14 00	
C. N. Ditson,	12 00	
A. Glines,	3 00	
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Amounts carried forward, \$141 00 \$4,749 14

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$141 00	\$4,749 14
Paid J. H. Elcock,	3 00	
Wm. Parker,	3 00	
J. T. French,	16 00	
M. W. Gerry,	22 00	
E. Ramsdell, special police,	6 00	
H. Sidelinger, “	6 00	
J. E. Maxim, “	3 00	
J. W. Hayden, “	3 00	
	<hr/>	203 00
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		\$4,952 14
Appropriation,	\$4,000 00	
Excess of expenditures,	952 14	
	<hr/>	\$4,952 14

TOWN HALL.

DR.

Paid Citizens Gas Co., gas,	\$516 50
W. B. Ryan, repairing pump,	10 38
D. H. Bills, coal,	51 50
E. Packard & Co., sawdust,	3 00
Jacob Flint, superintendent,	173 55
“ “ labor,	2 00
C. H. Andrews, floor-brushes,	2 87
Murphy & Leavens, dusters,	6 25
Grenville Brooks, kindling,	17 00
James S. Carey, cleaning vaults,	3 00
F. C. Ellis, step-ladder,	4 40
N. Gay, charcoal,	5 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$795 45

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$795 45	
Paid P. Gormley, charcoal,	2 00	
J. H. Veazie, alcohol,	2 55	
Owen Adams, coal,	87 22	
Ewell & Joseph, stock and labor,	3 22	
Daniel Monk, door-spring,	2 50	
Frank Flint, cleaning windows,	1 50	
C. F. & J. W. Pierce, stock and labor,	6 00	
Whitney & Nash, screws and driver,	71	
Peter B. Turner, stock and labor,	31 90	
E. E. Fellows, stoves, repairs,	11 65	
	<hr/>	\$944 70
CR.		
Received for use of rooms,	\$187 50	
“ “ “ hall,	642 00	
Expended more than received,	115 20	
	<hr/>	\$944 70

POLICE STATION.

DR.

Paid W. M. French, superintendent,	\$150 00	
Hannah Foley, cleaning,	4 50	
Harvey French, jr., stock and labor,	15 55	
A. M. Litchfield, “ “	13 97	
C. F. & J. W. Pierce, stock and labor,	8 15	
Elisha Hobart, mason work,	15 50	
Whitney & Nash, brooms, etc.,	1 12	
W. M. French, refreshments for 1,133 tramps,	97 74	
	<hr/>	\$306 53
CR.		
By cash received from officers,		\$45 50
Total expense of police station,		<hr/> \$261 03

The commitments to the police station from February 1st, 1874, to February 1st, 1875, are as follows : —

For drunkenness,	64
larceny,	12
assaults,	17
illegal selling of liquors,	6
evading fare,	2
fishing on Sunday,	2
bastardy,	1
vagrancy,	3
illegal peddling,	2
disturbing peace,	4
attempted rape,	1
selling obscene pictures,	2
lodgers provided for,	1,133

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Paid Henry Barker, Treasurer,	\$3,500 00	
E. A. Perkins, on contract,	500 00	
	—————	\$4,000 00
Appropriation,	\$3,500 00	
Excess of appropriation,	500 00	
	—————	\$4,000 00

The apparent excess of appropriation in the above account was caused by the payment of \$500 to Mr. E. A. Perkins by the Selectmen. The fact of the payment did not come to the knowledge of the Treasurer of the Library until after Feb. 1, 1875. The amount has since been paid by him to the Town Treasurer.

STATE AID.

Due from State, Feb. 1, 1874,		\$6,065 25
Paid Feb. 1874,	256 50	
Mar. “	279 50	
Apr. “	247 00	
May “	269 00	
June “	246 00	
July “	242 00	
Aug. “	326 00	
Sept. “	260 50	
Oct. “	263 50	
Nov. “	296 00	
Dec. “	387 00	
Jan. 1875,	226 00	
	<u> </u>	3,299 00
		<u> </u>
		\$9,364 25

CR.

By Cash received from State Treasurer,	\$3,000 00	
Balance due from State, Feb. 1, 1875,	6,364 25	
	<u> </u>	\$9,364 25

STREET LAMPS.

Paid Citizens' Gas Light Co.,	\$868 35
New England “	1,364 99
S. Williams,	16 00
Horn & Bird,	18 64
Michael Devlin,	12 00
J. H. Canney,	12 00
Daniel Lane,	12 00
T. O'Hearn,	73 33
	<u> </u>
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$2,377 31

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$2,377 31	
Paid John L. Souther,	16 00	
M. W. Gerry,	1 00	
J. McGovern,	16 00	
J. B. Bass,	16 00	
	————	\$2,426 31
Appropriation,	\$2,500 00	
Expenditure less than appropriation,	73 69	
	————	\$2,426 31

HINGHAM AND QUINCY BRIDGES.

Paid James Humphrey, $\frac{5}{24}$ of maintenance of bridge,	\$83 33	
*Ebenezer Bent, oil,	4 80	
James Humphrey, assessment 1873,	104 17	
	————	192 30

Cr.

By cash from James Humphrey,	18 02
	————
	\$174 28

NEPONSET BRIDGE.

The amount of plank on hand, Feb. 1, 1874, was 5,227 feet, and was called worth \$350; its real value was about \$100. The Auditors would submit the following as, in their opinion, an equitable account:—

* To be refunded.

NEPONSET BRIDGE.

DR.

Plank on hand, Feb. 1st, 1874,	\$100 00	
Paid S. D. Ramsdell, stock and labor,	529 82	
John Donovan, labor,	23 60	
A. T. Stearns, lumber,	285 76	
	<u> </u>	\$939 18

CR.

Plank on hand, Feb. 1st, 1875,	\$100 00	
" sold,	21 40	
	<u> </u>	\$121 40
Balance,		<u> </u> \$817 78

Total expense of Hingham and Quincy bridges,	\$174 28	
Total expense of Neponset bridge,	817 78	
	<u> </u>	\$992 06
Appropriation,	800 00	
	<u> </u>	
Excess of expenditure,		\$192 06

TAXES.

CHARLES N. BAXTER, *Collector.*

DR.

To Town tax,	\$80,460 00
State tax,	7,060 00
County tax,	6,419 50
Non-residents' bank tax,	1,953 75
Two-mill tax, reduction town debt,	14,246 40
Overlayings,	3,490 10
	<u> </u>
	\$113,629 75

CR.

By cash paid town treasurer,	\$108,540 28	
“ Discount,	3,432 22	
“ Abatements,	1,657 25	
	<u> </u>	\$113,629 75

Discount and abatements,	\$5,089 47	
Appropriation,	4,000 00	
	<u> </u>	
Excess above appropriation,	\$1,089 47	

SCHEDULE OF OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS
DUE THE TOWN.

State of Mass., support of paupers,	\$84 17	
Town of Randolph, support of L. P. Holbrook,	12 88	
City of Salem, support of Mrs. Moses,	108 00	
William Davenport, support of wife at Taunton Asylum,	103 92	
John Kennedy, support of son at Worcester Asylum,	21 60	
State aid, due Feb. 1st, 1872,	2,000 00	
“ “ balance, 1872,	700 25	
“ “ “ 1873,	365 00	
“ paid during past year,	3,299 00	
Labor in cemetery and sale of lots,	108 00	
	<u> </u>	\$6,802 82

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HORACE B. SPEAR, *Treasurer.*

DR.

To cash in Treasury on settlement, Feb. 1, 1874,	\$9,197 65
of Trustees of H. & Quincy bridges, bill refunded,	18 02
of Town of Milford, board of Mrs. A. Daly and child,	23 90
of J. Q. A. Field, guardian, board of Mary O'Hearn,	191 15
of Edward Capen, board of C. F. Saville,	364 65
old lumber sold from Willard School- house,	11 00
for board of Ellen Scannell,	96 05
“ Foster Brown at Hospital,	35 50
for sale of school-house and land in North District,	2,900 00
for interest, from Thompson Baxter,	65 02
for school-books furnished scholars,	48 50
of Hammatt & Co., error in bill,	7 10
of City of Fall River, coffins for Dorrity boys,	23 00
of William Hobart, rent of land,	1 00
for rent of rooms in Town House,	187 50
“ Town Hall,	642 00
“ Rock Island,	10 00
for use of receiving tomb,	6 00
“ lock-up,	45 50
for hose sold,	87 78
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$13,961 32

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$13,961 32
To cash for stoves and pipe sold from North District School-house,	17 50
from E. C. Sargent, for gravel,	57 50
from Maurice Sheahan, “	5 40
from George E. Faxon, for loan,	60 20
from John Curtis, “	2 80
from George Willett, “	9 10
from John Glover, “	31 64
from George W. Parks, “	19 32
of H. Glidden, “	78 00
of Robie & Keating, “	61 87
of State Treasurer, Corporation Tax, 1873,	303 46
of State Treasurer, Corporation Tax, 1874,	3,585 45
of State Treasurer National Bank Tax,	2,640 28
of “ “ State Aid,	3,000 00
of “ “ Contagious Diseases,	225 11
of “ “ State Paupers,	78 72
of “ “ Income Mass., School Fund,	384 41
of State Treasurer, interest on State Tax,	70 60
for produce sold from Almshouse,	120 18
from sale of lots in Mount Wollaston Cemetery,	450 00
for labor on lots in Mount Wollaston Cemetery,	962 35
for well-curb sold from cemetery,	9 00
of County Treasurer, dog licenses, 1874,	785 28
on notes payable,	74,100 00
of Chas. N. Baxter, collector, for taxes of 1874,	113,629 75
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	\$214,649 24

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By State Treasurer, State Tax,	\$7,060 00
State Treasurer, National Bank Tax,	2,741 78
County Treasurer, County Tax,	6,419 50
H. Barker, Treasurer Public Library, Dog Licenses, 1874,	785 28
Notes payable, sundry persons,	90,077 02
Interest " "	8,372 38
Town orders paid,	85,729 25
Balance in Treasury,	13,464 03
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	\$214,649 24

STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT.

NOTES PAYABLE.

State of Mass., due Dec. 9, 1878,	\$5,000 00
" " due Nov. 1, 1881,	20,000 00
" " due Dec. 9, 1883,	5,000 00
" " due Mar. 23, 1884,	20,000 00
" " due Dec. 9, 1888,	5,000 00
" " due June 1, 1889,	10,000 00
Woodward fund, on demand,	28,000 00
Sundry persons, " "	18,500 00
Accrued interests,	\$1,089 18
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	\$112,589 18

CR.

By cash in the treasury,	\$13,464 03
Due, as per schedule of outstanding accounts, page 55,	3,298 50
Plank on hand at Neponset bridge,	100 00
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	\$16,862 53
Amount of town debt, Feb. 1, 1875,	<hr/>
	\$95,726 65

Amount of town debt Feb. 1, 1874,	\$111,850 37
" " " 1875,	95,726 65
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Decrease for the year,	\$16,123 72
Amount of two-mill tax,	\$14,246 40
Town notes paid,	15,977 02

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1874.

Schools (teaching and fuel),	\$23,600 00
" (incidentals),	6,000 00
Support of poor,	5,000 00
Repairs, town buildings,	1,000 00
Pay of town officers,	4,000 00
Discount and abatement on taxes,	4,000 00
Interest on town debt,	9,000 00
Miscellaneous expenses,	2,000 00
Bridges,	800 00
Mount Wollaston cemetery,	1,000 00
Old cemetery,	200 00
Repairs of highways,	8,000 00
Street lights,	2,500 00
Fire department,	5,000 00
Improvement of Penn's Hill,	1,000 00
Laying out town ways,	760 00
Additional hose,	1,600 00
Land, school purposes,	1,500 00
Public library,	3,500 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$80,460 00

Amount brought forward, \$80,460 00

At special town meetings held after the annual meeting, the following appropriations were made, for which no provision was made except by borrowing money : —

Decoration soldiers' graves,	\$200 00	
Construction of reservoir,	1,200 00	
" hose tower,	1,100 00	
Pump and trough, and laying bridge,	150 00	
Bridge, Hancock street, at Wollaston,	500 00	
Schools,	2,500 00	
Penn's hill,	300 00	
Steam pump,	350 00	
	6,300 00	
Total appropriations,		\$86,760 00

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

PREPARED BY THE SELECTMEN.

Support of poor,	\$6,000 00
Repairs of town buildings,	1,500 00
Town officers,	5,000 00
Discount and abatement of taxes,	5,000 00
Interest on town debt,	8,500 00
Miscellaneous expenses,	3,500 00
Bridges,	2,000 00
Cemeteries,	1,500 00
Highways, repairs of,	10,000 00
Street lights,	2, 500 00
Fire department,	5,000 00
	50,000 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<i>\$50,500 00</i>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$50,500 00
Public Library,	3,200 00
Re-appropriation of unexpended balance on Silver, Charles and River Sts.,	180 50
Re-appropriation of unexpended balance on Foster St., land damage,	100 00
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	\$53,980 50

WOODWARD FUND.

CASH ACCOUNT.

HORACE B. SPEAR, Treasurer, in account with the Woodward
Fund.

DR.

To cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1874,	\$556 71
interest on Vt. & Can. R. R. bonds,	240 00
“ “ Portland Water Co. bonds,	480 00
“ “ “ “ “ scrip,	38 64
“ “ United States bonds, gold \$360 00, premium, \$39.40,	399 40
interest of sundry persons,	874 42
“ “ Town of Quincy on notes,	1,468 89
Town of Quincy, two notes,	24,779 27
rent, of Peter Butler,	1,000 00
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	\$29,837 33

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By loan to Town of Quincy,	\$29,000 00
building fence,	11 82
expenses,	100 12
balance on hand,	725 39
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	\$29,837 33

STATEMENT OF THE FUND, FEB. 1, 1875.

Personal property received from estate of Dr. Woodward, per appraisement,	\$30,089 83
Sale of land,	18,743 02
“ pews,	120 00
Income account,	16,794 54
	<hr/> \$65,747 39

Invested as follows :—

6 bonds U. S. sixes, \$1,000 each, at appraisement,	\$7,020 00
8 bonds Portland Water Co., \$1,000 each at appraisement,	8,000 00
3 bonds Vt. & Can. R. R., \$1,000 each, at appraisement,	3,030 00
5 bonds Vt. Cent. R. R. \$1,000 each, at appraisement,	4,000 00
6 bonds Hartford & Erie R. R. \$1,000 each, at appraisement,	2,520 00
Notes secured by mortgage,	11,900 00
Portland Water Co., interest scrip,	552 00
Loan to Town of Quincy,	28,000 00
Cash (deposited in bank),	725 39
	<hr/> 65,747 39

The Greenleaf Farm, and one pew in the Universalist church.

Income account, Feb. 1, 1875,	16,794 54
“ “ “ “ 1874,	12,405 13
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Increase,	\$4,389 41

HORACE B. SPEAR,

Treasurer.

ENGINEER'S REPORT.

To the Selectmen of Quincy: —

GENTLEMEN, — I most respectfully submit the following report: —

The department is under the control of a Chief and five Assistant Engineers.

There are four hand engines with hose carriages, one four-wheeled hose carriage and one hook and ladder carriage, all in the best order and condition, and manned by volunteers. The companies are full, with the exception of Vulture No. 4, which has no company attached. There has been attached to the fire department the past year a steam force-pump, which is of great service to the town in filling reservoirs, and in case of fire in the central part of the town it would be of very great service.

The engine houses of the several companies are all in the best of repair and condition, and I know of no repairs needed on any of them the ensuing year.

There are belonging to the department about 2,800 feet of good hose, that can be relied upon, and about 600 feet that cannot be relied upon, but may do to pass water through in filling reservoirs.

The reservoirs are all in good condition, and there have been three new ones built the past year, — one at the junction of Adams and Hancock streets, one on Washington street, and one on Willard street, West District. It is the opinion of our board that a reservoir is very much needed on Edwards' Hill, near J. D. Whicher & Co's. shop, as there is no chance to get water anywhere in that part of the town.

All of which I most respectfully submit to your honorable board, together with a schedule of town property in charge of each company.

WASHINGTON M. FRENCH,
Chief Engineer.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE TOWN, ATTACHED
TO THE DEPARTMENT.

Niagara No. 1. One engine and hose carriage, 300 feet of hose, 2 stoves, 3 tables, 4 pipes, 16 spanners, 52 chairs, 2 jacks, 1 wrench, 6 lamps, 1 desk, 2 lanterns and 1 duster.

Tiger No. 2. One engine and hose carriage, 300 feet of hose, 2 stoves, 5 tables, 7 chairs, 8 settees, 6 lamps, 3 lanterns, 1 wrench, 15 spanners, 4 pipes, 1 duster and 2 jacks.

Granite No. 3. One engine and hose carriage, 600 feet of hose, 2 stoves, 12 spanners, 1 wrench, 1 jack, 4 pipes, 5 lanterns, 3 chairs and 1 table.

Vulture No. 4. In charge of a steward, one engine and hose carriage, 600 feet of hose, 4 pipes, 12 spanners, 2 lanterns, 3 stoves, 8 settees, 5 chairs, 5 tables, 8 lamps, 1 jack and 1 wrench.

Hook & Ladder No. 1. One hook & ladder carriage, 9 ladders, 6 fire-hooks, 3 pitch-forks, 2 axes, 3 Johnson pumps, 4 lanterns, 2 stoves, 12 settees, 2 tables, 7 lamps, 1 duster and 1 jack.

Washington M. French Hose No. 1. One four-wheeled hose carriage, 1,400 feet of hose, 25 chairs, 2 tables, 3 lanterns, 4 Johnson pumps, 12 spanners, 2 axes, 1 jack and 1 duster.

W. M. FRENCH,
Chief Engineer.

MOUNT WOLLASTON CEMETERY.

The Board of Managers of the Mount Wollaston Cemetery, in accordance with the By-Laws, respectfully submit their First Annual Report.

RECORD OF LOTS.

By the record of lots, it appears that the entire number, as laid out in the plan, is *nine hundred and fifteen* (915), of which *eight hundred and twenty-three* (823) have been sold. Of the number remaining unsold, some twenty to twenty-five are only suitable for tombs, leaving only about *seventy* (70) lots that are satisfactory to purchasers, or suitable for burials. This statement shows the actual necessity for some immediate action by the town, for an enlargement of the Cemetery.

SALE OF LOTS.

There have been sold during the past year (only to residents of this town) forty-five (45) lots, at the price established by vote of the town, viz., ten (10) dollars per lot, yielding the sum of four hundred and fifty (450) dollars.

GRADING AND CARE OF LOTS.

The number of lots "graded" during the past year is *fifty-seven* (57), for which has been charged the sum of seven hundred thirty four and $\frac{50}{100}$ (734.50) dollars, and the number of lots that have been under the care of the Superintendent, in addition to the above, is eighty (80), for which has been charged the sum of three hundred one and $\frac{85}{100}$ (301.85) dollars, making the total amount for labor in grading and care of lots, ten hundred thirty-six and $\frac{35}{100}$ (1,036.35) dollars, of which sum one hundred and eight (108) dollars remains unpaid by the owners of the lots.

REPORT ON THE SUBJECT OF SOME METHOD FOR CARE OF THE
CEMETERY OTHER THAN BY TOWN APPROPRIATION.

At the last annual March meeting a vote was passed directing the Board of Managers to report some plan "*by which the cemetery shall be self-sustaining.*" This subject has been duly considered, and your Board are unable to determine on any practicable method for accomplishing that purpose. They, however, suggest that it is not quite fair that the whole expense for the care and improvement of the avenues, paths, and public lots should be borne wholly by the annual appropriation of the town, to the exclusion of non-resident owners, who, no doubt, would be glad to share the expense, and your Board therefore propose to ask authority from the town to levy an assessment on said non-resident owners, which it is thought they will cheerfully pay; at the same time proposing the usual annual appropriation of one thousand (1,000) dollars by the town.

THE OLD CEMETERY.

By a vote of the town, the appropriation of two hundred (200) dollars for the "old cemetery" was to be expended by the board of managers of the Mt. Wollaston Cemetery. A part of the appropriation has been expended on the avenues and paths and trees, and in the general care of the grounds. A row of Norway pines has been set out on the northerly side, and a few maples in other parts of the cemetery. More trees will be needed to take the place of those that decay. Some other improvements can be made to advantage, and an appropriation of one hundred (100) dollars is asked for, for the ensuing year.

FINANCIAL.

Mount Wollaston Cemetery.

Town appropriation,	\$1,000 00
Collected for lots sold,	450 00
“ for labor on lots,	944 35
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	\$2,394 35
Expended, as appears by the selectmen's account,	2,208 55
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Balance,	\$185 80
Amount due for labor,	108 00
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Balance (from sale of lots and labor),	\$293 80

Old Cemetery.

Town appropriation,	\$200 00
Collected for labor on lots,	18 00
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	218 00
Expended as per selectmen's account,	85 87
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Balance,	\$132 13

Respectfully submitted,

ENSIGN S. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

GEORGE L. GILL, *Secretary.*



APPENDIX.

REGISTRY
OF
BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS
IN 1874.

This copy of the registration of the above, as made for the year 1874, contains all the facts essentially necessary for public information, without giving all the full and minute details of the record required by the statute to be made. It will tend to make the record more complete, and may be of great value to parties interested, if all persons who may notice any inaccuracy, omission, or error of any kind, will communicate the same to

GEORGE L. GILL, *Town Clerk.*

BIRTHS IN 1874.

Jan. 4. Frank A. Jackson.	Jan. 25. Ann Ryan.
“ 7. John McLaughlin.	“ 27. A. M. Hayden.
“ 7. Geo. W. Caldwell.	“ 30. Joshua Brown.
“ 7. Harry W. Caldwell.	“ 31. Edw. F. McDevitt.
“ 15. Frances C. Sullivan.	Feb. 2. John Greaney.
“ 15. Lizzie Farrell.	“ 3. Ernest Price.
“ 17. Stuart Marble.	“ 4. Mary A. Little.
“ 20. George G. Tucker.	“ 6. Francis P. Rooney.
“ 21. Bertha G. Gates.	“ 6. Joseph B. Rooney.
“ 23. Rosabel I. Packard.	“ 6. Geo. B. Wendell.
“ 24. Mary A. Dervan.	“ 7. Kate Horan.

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| Feb. 8. John F. Butler. | April 7. Oswald Vogel. |
| “ 8. Timothy Connor. | “ 8. Charles W. Bates. |
| “ 9. Katie Martin. | “ 8. George O. Peverly. |
| “ 10. C. K. D. Kobel. | “ 9. Charles F. Massey. |
| “ 15. Mary A. Foley. | “ 10. William J. Willey. |
| “ 17. Emma F. Hobart. | “ 11. Susan A. Feltis. |
| “ 18. Mary W. Dewson. | “ 13. Albert L. Hayden. |
| “ 18. Gertrude Joyce. | “ 16. Sarah Donovan. |
| “ 19. Eliza Hussey. | “ 16. Lucy Donovan. |
| “ 19. Marietta Wadmore. | “ 21. Lucy L. Hayes. |
| “ 20. ——— Fernald. | “ 22. Frank A. Souther. |
| “ 20. Alice M. Fernald. | “ 25. Katy A. Fish. |
| “ 21. H. J. Hollingshead. | “ 29. George F. Phillips. |
| “ 23. W. E. Simmons. | “ 30. Jane McGovern. |
| “ 25. A. B. F. Alden. | May 1. Mark Gorham. |
| Mar. 4. Joseph R. Souther. | “ 2. Ernest Hanson. |
| “ 4. Grace Chamberlin. | “ 5. Jane Walker. |
| “ 5. Lillian J. Craig. | “ 6. Alice W. Pope. |
| “ 5. Margaret Fibely. | “ 7. Robert Dinnie. |
| “ 6. Mary A. Kerrigan. | “ 7. Charles H. Kidder. |
| “ 9. Frank H. Stickney. | “ 7. Ann Scallin. |
| “ 11. G. G. Parrott. | “ 12. Elizab'th J. Cannon. |
| “ 13. C. M. Dabney. | “ 13. Wm. H. Corcoran. |
| “ 15. Wm. H. Mitchell. | “ 17. Nettie F. Glover. |
| “ 15. Mary L. Garvin. | “ 18. Joseph D. Larkin. |
| “ 16. Eddie Cunningham. | “ 19. Herbert F. Tucker. |
| “ 17. Harold B. Faxon. | “ 20. Arthur H. Rodgers. |
| “ 19. Michael J. Elward. | “ 21. Lincoln Perkins. |
| “ 21. Michael J. Callahan. | “ 21. Margaret McRae. |
| “ 25. Albert J. Farnham. | “ 22. S. K. Cudworth. |
| “ 25. Alfred C. Farnham. | “ 23. Edward A. Bower. |
| “ 27. Ethel M. Hayden. | “ 25. James W. Reid. |
| “ 29. Annie Gould. | “ 26. Frank E. Hall. |
| “ 30. Francis W. Swift. | “ 26. G. C. Bennett. |
| April 1. Frank H. Rice. | “ 28. Winifred Hall. |
| “ 4. Helen M. McIntire. | “ 30. Lucy M. Keegan. |

- June 1. James Maloney.
 " 1. George W. Wells.
 " 8. Mary A. Frye.
 " 8. Adjutor Ready.
 " 11. Mary S. Fellows.
 " 12. Amy A. Hosie.
 " 16. William J. Taylor.
 " 18. Francis H. Gunville.
 " 18. Lucy H. Jenkins.
 " 19. Bertha V. Jameson.
 " 21. Louis N. Matthews.
 " 22. M. A. Marks.
 " 23. ——— Baxter.
 " 26. W. C. Sampson.
 " 26. Essie Scott.
 " 27. J. A. McDonnell.
 " 28. Patrick Fay.
 " 29. John P. Bigelow.
 " 29. Fred'k F. Lapham.
- July 1. Honora Sullivan.
 " 2. Richard H. Blood.
 " 3. Frank A. Spear.
 " 4. G. J. Robinson.
 " 5. Nellie M. Rodman.
 " 7. Maud A. Curtis.
 " 7. M. E. Williams.
 " 7. Annie G. Burke.
 " 8. Mary E. Ripley.
 " 8. Edith P. Gray.
 " 8. Carrie B. Gannett.
 " 12. Harry A. Litchfield.
 " 12. Louis White.
 " 12. Alva M. Bass.
 " 13. Grace G. Damon.
 " 14. Rosanna M. Bill.
 " 15. Wm. Greenough.
- July 18. Delia De Celle.
 " 20. Mary M. Leonard.
 " 27. Arthur Z. Strong.
 " 28. Honora Keefe.
- Aug. 2. Timothy Shea.
 " 6. Chester C. Mitchell.
 " 6. Margaret Sullivan.
 " 8. Michael Cary.
 " 11. Annie J. Eaton.
 " 11. Honora Eagan.
 " 11. Mary J. McFee.
 " 15. Martin Ford.
 " 15. Katy Walsh.
 " 16. Sadie M. Jones.
 " 16. R. H. McDonald.
 " 17. Harry T. Curtis.
 " 19. Maria L. Wilson.
 " 23. Daniel Sullivan.
 " 23. Walter E. Loud.
 " 23. Sarah M. Hughes.
 " 25. Michael Fleming.
 " 26. Mabel L. Hill.
 " 27. Katy Bowman.
 ——— Connor.
- Sept. 1. Ella G. Noble.
 " 1. Elizabeth Farrel.
 " 3. Frederick Crathorn.
 " 3. Sarah A. Cooper.
 " 3. Margaret Phelan.
 " 4. Jessie Barnes.
 " 5. Wm. D. Jones.
 " 9. Annie Keenan.
 " 9. Robert H. Gibb.
 " 10. Alice J. Crocker.
 " 10. Louisa A. Carter.
 " 12. A. M. Hardwick.

Sept. 13.	Timothy Lyons.	Nov. 9.	M. J. Frederick.
“ 14.	Edwin B. Pratt.	“ 12.	Albert F. Prouty.
“ 15.	Mary E. Alden.	“ 15.	Cora A. Kennison.
“ 16.	Ellen O'Hara.	“ 15.	Gracie M. Thomas.
“ 17.	E. E. Sparrow.	“ 16.	Edith G. Horne.
“ 18.	Joseph H. Roberts.	“ 18.	—— Hill.
“ 18.	Emma L. Thayer.	“ 19.	Jos. B. Reinhalter.
“ 23.	John J. Corcoran.	“ 20.	—— Trainer.
“ 24.	—— Pomeroy.	“ 20.	Stetson K. Tarbox.
“ 25.	—— Maybury.	“ 21.	Fred. R. Sheen.
“ 25.	Michael Hoar.	“ 23.	Henry A. Faircloth.
“ 26.	—— Roberts.	“ 28.	—— Ekman.
“ 26.	Cora L. Smith.	“ 29.	Elizabeth Garrity.
“ 28.	Mary A. Cunniff.	“ 29.	Esther Pendis.
“ 28.	Georgiana Chase.	Dec. 1.	Robert Ellis.
Oct. 2.	Bridget Small.	“ 3.	Edith Young.
“ 3.	Henry B. Beard.	“ 4.	Katy Hayes.
“ 4.	Charles H. Damon.	“ 6.	Fanny O. Farmer.
“ 4.	Leah M. Towner.	“ 12.	John Collins.
“ 11.	Thomas Hayes.	“ 17.	Reginald H. Martin.
“ 11.	Emily Grady.	“ 18.	Mary S. Mitchell.
“ 15.	Cassandana Thayer.	“ 20.	Jerome Sullivan.
“ 15.	Marcia F. Marple.	“ 23.	W. G. Spelman.
“ 21.	Roderick McLane.	“ 25.	John Sullivan.
“ 23.	Gertrude F. Hall.	“ 26.	Stephen Talbot.
“ 26.	Carrie B. Baker.	“ 26.	Wm. I. Arnold.
“ 29.	Harry Jarvis.	“ 26.	—— McKenzie.
“ 29.	J. G. Mitchell.	“ 26.	Josephine Powers.
“ 29.	—— Lapham.	“ 27.	—— Lincoln.
Nov. 4.	Mary Welch.	“ 28.	Delcevere King.
“ 6.	Frank A. Stanley.	“ 30.	Hannah Colligan.
“ 7.	—— Coburn.		Michael Coffee.

Whole number of births registered 230

Males 111

Females 119

230

	Males.	Females.	Total.
January	8	7	15
February	9	12	21
March	10	9	19
April	9	7	16
May	13	9	22
June	12	7	19
July	7	14	21
August	9	11	20
September	12	15	27
October	5	9	14
November	6	11	17
December	11	8	19
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	111	119	230

REGISTRY OF MARRIAGES IN 1874.

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.
January 1.	George W. Jones, Ada M. Pray,	Quincy. “
“ 1.	Charles H. Damon, Helen M. Farrington,	“ Scituate.
“ 8.	Edward V. Trask, Anna A. Morgan,	Quincy. “
“ 8.	Gordon McKenzie, Katie McMillan,	“ Cambridge.
“ 10.	James Colligan, Ann McCormick,	Quincy. “
“ 11.	Charles F. Johnson, Sarah E. Heard,	“ “
“ 13.	Joseph B. Barker, Mary A. Thomas,	Cohasset. Weymouth.
“ 15.	John Joyce, Mary McDonald,	Quincy. “
“ 20.	Peter Reinhalter, Mary White,	“ “
“ 22.	Albert A. Brackett, Lavina H. Bunton,	“ Milton.
“ 20.	Ellsworth M. Harding, Hattie L. Clark,	Quincy. “
“ 24.	John T. Abbott, Alice E. Merriman,	“ Sturbridge.

Registry of Marriages in 1874. — *Continued.*

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.
February 2.	William B. Ryan, Mary Jane Nary,	Quincy. Randolph.
“ 3.	C. Harrison Hobart, Abbie F. Hardwick,	Braintree. Quincy.
“ 5.	John T. McLauthlin, Lucy F. Lincoln,	Boston. Quincy.
“ 8.	John Leary, Kate Mahoney,	“ “
“ 8.	Michael Sullivan, Mary Leary,	“ “
“ 16.	Edwin F. Massey, Anna Cora Choate,	“ “
“ 19.	Leonard M. Hersey, Caroline F. Sias,	“ Boston.
March 5.	George Anderson, Hannah Perkins,	Quincy. “
“ 7.	Archibald McLean, Sarah Darrach,	“ “
“ 20.	John Smith, Margaret Westland,	“ “
April 2.	Frank LaForrest Merrill, H. Elizabeth Bent,	“ “
“ 8.	Frederick Hardwick, Martha A. Veazie,	“ “
“ 12.	John Cashman, Hannah Falvey,	“ “

Registry of Marriages in 1874.—*Continued.*

DATE.		NAME.	RESIDENCE.
April	21.	Redmond Hickey, Ellen Cregan,	Quincy. “
“	23.	Isaac Clapp, Sarah L. Pierce,	Chelsea. Quincy.
“	26.	Edward H. Starbuck, Sarah E. Sutton,	“ “
“	29.	John Power, Mary Gilligan,	“ “
“	30.	Naaman B. Holmes, Jr., Martha D. Whiton,	“ “
May	3.	Thomas P. Healy, Catherine McAskill,	“ “
“	10.	Thomas Northcote, Sarah Roach Warren,	“ “
“	13.	William A. Rogers, Harriet G. Hall,	“ E. Boston.
“	17.	Philip F. Tucker, Harriet C. Hayden,	Quincy. “
“	26.	Charles H. Ottignon, Addie A. Small,	Boston. “
“	26.	James Ryan, jr., Bridget Maney,	Quincy. “
“	29.	Harrison Baxter, Caroline C. Bradford,	“ “
“	31.	Herbert Burt, Ellen L. Wiswell,	So. Easton. Brockton.

Registry of Marriages in 1874. — *Continued.*

DATE.		NAME.	RESIDENCE.
May	31.	Charles Alfred Lund, Clara Frances Hickey,	E. Braintree. Braintree.
June	10.	Melbourne Chute, Annie Driscoll,	Quincy. “
“	11.	Edward P. Howland, Elizabeth M. Holden,	“ “
“	14.	George W. Newcomb, Catharine A. Gardner,	“ “
“	21.	Patrick White, Catharine Donovan,	“ “
“	23.	John Q. A. McDonnell, Emily A. Dinegan,	“ “
“	28.	George P. Richardson, Isabel L. Adams,	Chicago, Ill. Quincy.
“	30.	Peter McConarty, Mary J. Colman,	“ Boston.
July	1.	Squire A. Luther, Charlotte M. Hall,	Quincy. “
“	2.	David B. Stetson, Hannah B. D. Fitz,	“ “
“	12.	John H. Ryan, Mary O'Brien,	“ “
“	29.	David C. Roberts, Jane Jones,	“ “
August	2.	Michael Finegan, Ellen Baker,	Milton. Quincy.

Registry of Marriages in 1874.—*Continued.*

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.
August 14.	Patrick Morrissey, Isabella Boyle,	Quincy. “
“ 16.	John Keating, Elizabeth Garrity,	“ “
“ 23.	Isaac W. Hayden, Delia Wells,	Braintree. Quincy.
“ 29.	Adam Strathdee, Jane Stuart,	Scotland. Quincy.
September 8.	George R. Gale, Helen M. Richardson,	Cleveland, O Quincy.
“ 12.	David W. Moore, Ann Williams,	“ “
“ 24.	George Curtis, Martha Murdock,	“ “
October 4.	Thomas Burke, Catharine Mc'Laughlin,	“ “
“ 8.	Clarence Sampson, Fanny H. Hersey,	“ “
“ 9.	Joseph Rood, Susan Mayo,	“ “
“ 10.	William Ross, Lavina M. Lang,	“ “
“ 10.	Herman Alex. Damon, Annie P. Foss,	Braintree. Weymouth.
“ 11.	Frederick W. Parks, Mary C. Hathaway,	Braintree. Boston.

Registry of Marriages in 1874.—Continued.

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.
October 11.	Patrick Murphy, Ellen Whalan,	Quincy. “
“ 13.	Herbert T. Whitman, Albertina M. Marks,	“ “
“ 14.	Chas. S. Coolidge, Angeline M. Nickerson,	“ No. Providence,
“ 15.	Hugh Jones, Ellen Williams,	R. I. Quincy. “
“ 20.	Patrick Cavanagh, Annie J. Garrity,	“ “
“ 21.	Sidney Garvin, Julia McCormick,	“ “
“ 24.	John Patterson, Annie Annas,	“ “
November 1.	John C. Ballou, Ellen Hurley,	“ “
“ 1.	Daniel Bandar, Mary Curley,	Boston. “
“ 9.	Charles Rice, Ella G. Spear,	Quincy. “
“ 12.	L. Carlos Thayer, Ellen A. Hersey,	Boston. Quincy.
“ 16.	Gilbert S. Bennett, Annie E. Keegan,	“ “
“ 17.	Lewis W. Richardson, Lydia W. Washburn,	“ Taunton.

Registry of Marriages in 1874.—Continued.

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.
November 19.	Charles S. Jenkins, Angeline Coffin,	Nantucket. “
“ 23.	Peter Provost, Theresa Savard,	Quincy. “
“ 26.	John Glover, 2d, Elizabeth J. Mitchell,	“ “
December 17.	John R. Walters, Elizabeth J. Thomas,	“ “
“ 24.	Arthur W. Phillips, Mattie S. Tinkham,	“ Fairhaven.
“ 24.	Henry E. Hardwick, Minnie M. Rideout,	Quincy. “
“ 24.	William Williams, Maria F. Dunkerton,	“ “
“ 25.	Walter Hobert, Lydia M. Tuttle,	“ “
“ 30.	John D. Mahoney, Mary D. McGrath,	“ “
Total,	. . . . .	86

January	12	August	5
February	7	September	3
March	3	October	13
April	8	November	9
May	9	December	6
June	7		—
July	4		86

REGISTRY OF DEATHS IN 1874.

DATE.		NAME.	AGE.		
			Years.	Mths.	Days.
January	3.	Frederick W. Miller,		5	
"	10.	William H. Goodhue,		1	10
"	13.	Ann McGowan,	74		
"	14.	Nancy Packard,	88	9	8
"	14.	Louisa Newcomb,	77	2	14
"	17.	James Pratt,	64	6	
"	21.	Herman De Lue,		1	
"	22.	Edward Donlin,	50		
"	24.	Mary Mahoney,	75		
"	25.	John Brophy,	44	6	
"	27.	John G. Ryan,	22	7	
"	27.	Annie A. Murphy,	25	1	
"	28.	Elisha Beale Packard,		5	7
"	31.	Henrietta Elliott,	4	5	10
February	3.	Jeremiah Sullivan,		3	20
"	6.	Almira F. White,	34	9	
"	7.	Miriam Marsh,	82	8	
"	7.	Harry S. Glover,	3	10	
"	8.	David R. Pierce,		2	4
"	11.	Harry Gould Josselyn,		8	15
"	16.	Daniel R. Cain,	70	10	
"	19.	Mary A. Hamilton,	15	10	13
"	20.	Bridget Rooney,	31		
"	21.	Eugene F. Guild,	24	2	16
"	24.	Annie J. Newcomb,	23	10	
"	26.	—— Carter,		4	
"	27.	William W. Smith,	72		
March	1.	—— Hayden,			0
"	7.	Thomas Patten,	80		
"	11.	Timothy Donovan,	1	3	14
"	13.	Jane Buckley,	66	5	
"	14.	John Gallagher,	33		
"	19.	John C. Edwards,	75		
"	19.	Catherine Dion,	65		
"	21.	Susan B. Tirrell,	49		

Registry of Deaths in 1874.—Continued.

DATE.		NAME.	AGE.		
			Years.	Mths.	Days.
March	25.	Mary O'Connell,	45		
"	28.	Robert B. Moores,	50	9	10
"	31.	Catherine O'Brien,	30		
"	31.	Josephine Hess,	49		
April	4.	William L. Flint,	11	7	
"	4.	Peter Walsh,	10	1	4
"	5.	Charles H. Curtis,	30	9	15
"	9.	Joseph H. Cahill,		3	
"	10.	Frank Dodge,		8	
"	12.	A. Fannie Chubbuck,	22	11	15
"	16.	Mary McMahon,			21
"	17.	Isabella C. Monk,	25	8	
"	17.	Mary Ellen Burns,	19	8	
"	17.	James D. Phalan,	3	1	
"	18.	Mathias Enderle,	65	2	
"	18.	Lelia Owens,	5	9	11
"	22.	Azubah Nightingale,	68	3	
"	25.	Caroline Miller,	75	9	
"	25.	Simon Brown,	75		
May	1.	Alfred C. Farnham,		1	9
"	2.	Albert A. Emerson,	39		18
"	3.	Julia Devine,	95		
"	4.	Hannah M. Collins,	60		
"	6.	Willie Burns,	1		22
"	11.	Ellen McGowan,	5	11	
"	13.	Margaret E. Williams,	2	8	13
"	18.	Lewis E. Bradford,	30	7	22
"	18.	Mary McGowan,	4	8	11
"	20.	John P. Smith,		7	
"	21.	Ann Burdick,	74		
"	21.	John H. F. Shea,	1		21
"	22.	Andrew A. Doyle,	1	8	
"	27.	Sarah E. Williams,	1	2	13
"	27.	Joseph D. Larkin,			4
"	31.	Lucinda Pope,	90	4	15
June	4.	Ellen Ballou,		2	
"	6.	Edward Hall,	78	3	
"	12.	Charles F. Baxter,	12	3	5

Registry of Deaths in 1874.—Continued.

DATE.		NAME.	AGE.		
			Years.	Mths.	Days.
June	13.	Sarah C. W. Reid,	18	9	
"	15.	Martha A. Clark,	4		17
"	18.	Annie Higgins,	75		
"	23.	———— Baxter,			0
"	28.	Josephine L. Rice,	31	8	
"	28.	Edward Boyle,	13	7	1
"	30.	———— Lawton,			0
July	3.	Albert R. Holt,	1	4	
"	4.	Thomas Powell,	59	8	
"	5.	Charles F. Wilson,	11	5	12
"	9.	Thomas G. Kennedy,	21	11	
"	10.	Harry F. Gould,	7	1	
"	21.	Ellen O'Keefe,	48		
"	21.	Frankie C. Baxter,	7	5	
"	22.	Lilian M. Oxford,		3	25
"	25.	George Baxter,	43	7	12
"	27.	James Jones,	2	11	
"	29.	Mary A. Frye,	36	7	
"	31.	James W. Reid,		2	4
August	4.	George L. Baxter, jr.,	1	2	19
"	5.	George T. Merritt,	47	5	
"	7.	Harriet Blake,	72	3	
"	7.	H. T. Wheeler,	55	2	19
"	11.	Lucy M. Keegan,		2	13
"	12.	Peter F. Rooney,		6	6
"	13.	Grace Chamberlin,		5	9
"	14.	Ann L. McGowan,		10	10
"	14.	Chester C. Mitchell,			9
"	18.	Joseph B. Rooney,		6	12
"	21.	Charlotte S. Willis,	86	4	
"	21.	Catherine Moynihan,	37	4	
"	22.	Jennie N. Josselyn,	29	6	
"	23.	Mary A. Brophy,	18	11	
"	23.	———— Hill,			0
"	26.	Marietta D. Woods,	26	3	25
"	30.	Abigail Hobart,	65	5	
"	31.	Eddie B. White,		3	12
September	2.	Ida M. Peterson,	1		6

Registry of Deaths in 1874. — *Continued.*

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.		
		Years.	Mths.	Days.
September 3.	Mary E. Peterson,	26		
“ 4.	Josiah Nightingale,	88	5	
“ 5.	Johanna Falvey,		11	13
“ 11.	Arthur Coughlin,	51	7	
“ 11.	Annie Lucy Flanagan,		8	
“ 11.	Almira Watson,	79		
“ 13.	Ann Boyle,	76		
“ 13.	Ella G. Noble,			12
“ 14.	Alice R. Colson,	21		18
“ 14.	Ann M. Hardwick,			3
“ 15.	Helen Maria McIntire,		5	11
“ 17.	Charles H. Kidder,		4	10
“ 17.	Henry W. Thayer,	19	10	
“ 17.	Eugene E. Sparrow,			0
“ 18.	Eunice Billings Duggan,	68		
“ 20.	Hannah C. Smith,	74		
“ 22.	John M. Kappelles,	18	6	
“ 23.	H. Farnam Smith,	48		
“ 25.	John Greaney,		7	28
“ 25.	Susan Ames,	77	10	22
“ 29.	Alice M. Fernald,		7	9
“ 30.	Mary Ann Little,		7	26
October 4.	Clara E. Badger,	17	6	
“ 7.	Ernest Price,		8	5
“ 8.	Peter Morrison,	75		
“ 8.	Bertha W. Shaw,		4	
“ 10.	Herbert H. Bower,		2	9
“ 11.	James A. Carey,	17	2	
“ 14.	Georgiana Brucenahan,	4	6	
“ 15.	Melissa J. Kimball,		11	15
“ 18.	Frances Galvin,	11	4	
“ 22.	Oliver S. Harrington,	44	11	
“ 24.	Mary O'Connor,	57		
“ 25.	Lillie L. Chapman,		1	23
“ 31.	John Lyons,	43		
November 3.	Edward P. Cunningham,		8	
“ 11.	Hannah Litchfield,	43	7	8
“ 11.	Catherine Hayes,	1	3	

Registry of Deaths in 1874. — *Continued.*

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.		
		Years.	Mths.	Days.
November 15 th	Jane Graham,	76	8	
“ 15.	Minerva C. Shaw,		5	7
“ 30.	Patrick Kilroy,	70		
December 1.	Patrick Galvin,	41	6	
“ 2.	Luella M. Eddy,		2	
“ 3.	Adam Curtis,	79		6
“ 3.	Patrick Farrell,	53		
“ 4.	Rachel Cushing,	85	5	
“ 12.	John Madigan,	65		
“ 12.	Lawrence Rossiter, jr.,	30	6	
“ 17.	Nathaniel W. Sprague,		3	15
“ 20.	Peter Damis,	84	7	20
“ 20.	Edward D. Ford,	17	8	
“ 21.	——— Stuart,		11	4
“ 24.	Betsey Loud,	83	3	15
“ 25.	Hannah K. French,	78	4	11
“ 29.	Annie T. A. Mullen,	14	10	15
“ 31.	Margaret Berry,	39		

Registration of Deaths which occurred in other Places, the burials being in Quincy.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			PLACE OF DEATH.
		Y.			
January	Daniel Manning,				Taunton.
"	Mary Baxter,	60	4		Boston Highlands.
"	Lawrence Richards,	77			Boston.
February	Mary L. B. Brown,	60			East Boston.
"	Robert Williams,	50			Albany, N. Y.
April	Gertrude Tobey,	3		18	Chicago, Ill.
"	Fannie A. Pierce,	65	8		E. Milton.
May	Hannah Swift,	78	3	5	Hyde Park.
"	Hazen Lougee,	61	11		Chelsea.
June	Maria C. Lingham,	1	6		Brockton.
"	Sarah S. Getchell,	69	8		East Boston.
July	Asa S. Johnson,	57	10	20	Concord, N. H.
August	Melville A. Packard,	20	10	22	North Weymouth.
"	Mary J. Quincy,	68	7	11	Boston.
"	Edwin H. Cass,		7	11	"
September	Augusta B. F. Alden,		6	18	North Weymouth.
October	Luther Spear,	87	3	23	Boston, 16th Ward.
"	Leonard Foss,	34	2	20	Belmont.
November	Nancy Parker,	61	5	25	Boston.
"	Joshua Hanson,	57			Augusta, Maine.
December	Cora E. Tilden,	5	8	4	Boston.
"	George E. Atkinson,	4	11	29	"

PUBLIC LIBRARY OF QUINCY.

The Trustees of the Public Library ask leave to offer their Fourth Annual Report, relative to the progress and to the present condition of that institution.

The library has been open 250 days during the year ending February 1st, 1875. For the same period ending in February, 1874, 306 days. This difference is due to the length of time required to remove the books from the Academy building, and to rearrange and establish them in their new quarters.

Notwithstanding the decrease in the number of days during which the library was accessible to the public, and although the circulation of books for the year has only been 36,049, against 40,175 volumes for the year previous, it will be seen that the average circulation per day has increased from 131 to 144 issues. It is remarkable that the statistics of this distribution are precisely the same as given in the last report: viz. 50 per cent. in fiction, 29 per cent. in juveniles, and 21 per cent. in works of a higher class. It is not unreasonable to expect that the experience of another year, with the new catalogue in the hands of readers, will materially change these proportions of use.

The largest number of volumes issued on any one day, and the largest since the opening of the library, was on the 23d January, of the present year, amounting to 488, exceeding by 26 the largest previous issue. The smallest number loaned was 36, on the 2d June last.

During the year the reading-room has been visited and used by 4,666 persons, of whom 28 per cent. were adults of both sexes, 21 per cent. were girls, and 51 per cent. were

boys. These figures indicate a slightly diminished use on the part of adults.

The number of applicants for registration during the year has been 476, which, added to those previously asking for the library privileges, gives a total of 3,173 persons entitled to borrow books.

There have been added to the library during the year 1,173 volumes, and 159 pamphlets, of which 223 volumes and all the pamphlets were donations. Adding these to figures in the last annual report, it will be found that the library now contains 9,350 volumes, and 502 pamphlets. The accessions to the collection now stated, have been in such directions as add largely to its working value.

Since the opening of the library it has circulated 128,029 volumes, — of those issued during the last year, none are known to be lost. The four volumes missing on the previous year have not been returned to the library, and are probably lost. A loss of one volume to every 32,007 circulated is a most gratifying indication of the manner in which the inhabitants of the town have availed themselves of the privileges of the library.

The number of books which have been worn out and replaced were 33.

The library was removed from the Adams Academy building on the 8th July, and was reopened to the public in its present quarters on the 16th September last, — a delay longer than was anticipated, but due to the necessary rearrangement and classification of the collection.

The growth of the library has made the preparation of a good catalogue of its contents, in place of the mere list of books published four years ago, absolutely necessary to its use. Without it the people of the town were practically cut off from a knowledge of four-fifths of their books. The trustees concluded that it was best to make thorough work of it, as was stated in their last annual report, so that for the next twenty years, at least, only catalogues of additions would be

necessary. A lady of large experience in cataloguing, and of great familiarity with books and their contents, Miss M. B. Merriam, was employed and placed in charge of the work. Considerable delay in prosecuting it was occasioned by the removal of the library and consequent rearrangement of the books, and the task was also found to be a much greater one than had been anticipated. It is, however, now finished, and the catalogue is passing through the press. The first sheets have already been placed upon the tables in the library, and the succeeding ones will be added as fast as they are printed. The work has been most thoroughly done, with a view to laying open the whole contents of the library. This includes a far greater amount of labor than is generally supposed. Not only is each book entered under at least two, and often several heads, but the work is carried into both the subject-matters of books and the contents of periodicals. The object, in short, has been to secure much more than a mere list of books, which is of little real value, but, in so far as it is possible, a practical index to the library, giving not only the titles of the books, but a clue to their contents; and this result we believe will be secured in your forthcoming catalogue, which we are satisfied will compare favorably with anything of the sort which has yet been published. The cost, however, will be considerable, necessitating the appropriation by the town of the exceptional sum (\$3,200) hereinafter asked for, for the ensuing year. Even this will suffice for the expenses of the library, including the catalogue, only through the exercise of the strictest economy on the part of the trustees, and by greatly reducing the purchases of new books; but there can be no doubt that it is much better to cease buying new books than not to have a thorough catalogue of such books as the town already owns. The treasurer's statement of account is hereto annexed. The balance of money in his hands will be insufficient to liquidate unsettled accounts, to the payment of which, by votes of the board, it has already been specifically

appropriated. The trustees would in conclusion recommend, for the care and maintenance of the library during the coming year, an appropriation by the town of thirty-two hundred dollars.

W. W. GREENOUGH,*
 CHARLES F. ADAMS, JR.,
 HENRY BARKER,
 H. A. KEITH,
 L. W. ANDERSON,
 CHARLES A. FOSTER,

Trustees.

PUBLIC LIBRARY, 5th February, 1875.

ACCOUNT OF THE TREASURER OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Receipts.

Cash in treasury, Feb., 1874,	\$1,586 09	
town appropriation,	3,500 00	
“ treasurer for dog licenses,	785 28	
from fines,	87 17	
from C. F. Adams,	82 66	
from contributors for magazines,	36 75	
		————— \$6,077 95

Disbursements.

For books,	\$1,086 94	
stationery and printing,	144 65	
binding,	120 13	
expressage,	26 65	
fuel,	334 48	
gas,	237 00	
salaries,	1,284 92	
postage,	10 69	
catalogue,	453 34	
C. F. Adams,	82 66	
expense of moving, etc.,	1,536 84	
sundries,	55 86	
balance, Feb. 5, 1875,	703 79	
		————— \$6,077 95

HENRY BARKER, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF MANAGERS OF ADAMS ACADEMY.

The managers appointed by the town to visit the Academy have attended to that duty, and ask leave to submit their report.

This institution, under the supervision of Dr. Dimmock, continues to flourish, and now bids fair to meet the highest expectations formed of it.

From the report made by Dr. Dimmock, the Principal, it appears that the number of scholars taught during the present year was ninety, of whom twenty-three are from Quincy. Of the work done he speaks in the following manner:—

“I believe the standard of work in the Academy has been fully maintained this year. We have just finished the semi-annual examination of the school in all the studies. This examination was very thorough, and extended over the work of the half year. The examinations, except in French, were conducted in writing, and occupied a week.

“It seemed to me so important that the boys should have their eyes and hands trained in the element of drawing; and, while so much interest has of late been aroused in this as a branch of education, that we might be judged as furnishing less than the public deems right if we made no provision for it, that after careful consideration and inquiry I engaged a gentleman to come twice a week and give an hour’s instruction to the third and fourth classes of the Academy.

“Mr. Amand Guys is still employed as instructor in French. He is a very accomplished man, and faithful to his

duties. I feel that we are uncommonly fortunate in having his services, and that every year makes him more valuable to us. He spends two hours every day in the school.

"Mr. Jesse J. Worden is also an instructor in geography and botany. I rely upon him in his own department, and feel that his boys are making excellent progress.

"Mr. W. R. Tyler, a graduate of Harvard, of the last class, was engaged by me some months before he graduated. He is meeting with decided success.

'Mr. Louis E. Robson has been continued as a teacher. He is accurate in his scholarship and faithful in the performance of his duties.

"We have in the Academy about thirty more boys than we had last year. If we should another year have the same increase it would be necessary to have another assistant.

"I think we need to employ a good teacher of vocal culture in the Academy. Saturday morning could very well be devoted to this, and, unless I am directed otherwise, I shall employ a special teacher for this, so soon as I can find one really competent.

"It is obvious that this liberal system of instruction contemplates not merely the exclusive devotion of the Principal to the work, but the employment of an extensive staff of assistants qualified to maintain the system at a high standard, each of whom must have sufficient compensation to induce him to remain steadily engaged."

Yet the number of scholars attending from Quincy itself has increased to twenty-three, and the funds of the trust since the withdrawal of the assistance indirectly given by the use of one of the rooms for the town library last year, can scarcely be depended on to supply even one thousand dollars for their education on this elevated scale.

The Principal proceeds, in his report, already quoted, as follows:—

“It will be evident that with the receipts from not over seventy pupils I cannot pay, in addition to my special teachers of French and drawing, such salaries to two assistants in the Academy, — and it is impossible to properly teach the classics to ninety boys, divided into four classes, with any less assistance, — as will secure not only high ability and good scholarship, but also experience and skill. Accordingly I have done what seemed to me best. I have endeavored to secure young men with accurate scholarship for their age, and high ability, and to secure successful teaching by constantly overseeing their work and suggesting methods and changes, and to maintain the discipline by frequently being in the different rooms, and by having every case of importance sent to me. This is a somewhat hazardous policy to pursue. So far as the details of work are concerned I ought to be able to depend upon those who assist me. It is also important that I should have some one competent to manage the school temporarily. I do not know what would happen if I should be seriously ill.”

Lastly, the Principal remarks : —

“I have been greatly gratified that we have been so successful in attracting so many pupils and in gaining so much of reputation for the Academy, and I should feel that, if we received tuition fees from all our pupils, we had sufficient means to build up a thoroughly equipped school, that would be a credit to us all. But I do not see but my own efforts, since I have been here, are resulting in an increase of my own burden of responsibility, without any commensurate compensation, — that it would actually have been better for myself if the school had remained at the size it was at the beginning.”

The managers remain of the opinion, expressed in their report of last year, that the burden imposed upon the Academy, of teaching all boys belonging to the town for nothing, is a heavier one than it can bear in the present condition of

the funds created by the trust. There may come a time hereafter when they will yield more abundantly. Meanwhile, the difficulties occasioned by that decision are likely to be seriously embarrassing to the success of the school. The managers feel it to be their duty to submit thus much, without further attempting to reopen any of the questions decided last year.

The managers were deprived in the early part of the year of the counsel and valuable assistance of one of their number, Mr. Dewson, by his resignation.

C. F. ADAMS,
L. W. ANDERSON,
HENRY BARKER,
J. P. QUINCY,
C. H. PORTER.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENLARGEMENT OF MT. WOLLASTON CEMETERY.

TO THE CITIZENS OF QUINCY:—

The committee appointed by the town at the last annual Town Meeting to devise and report upon some plan for the enlargement of Mt. Wollaston Cemetery, having given the subject their careful consideration, beg leave to report upon the following plan, as shown by surveys and drawings by Whitman and Breck, which plan can be seen by all interested, at the Town Clerk's office.

The committee, in considering the necessity of an enlargement of the cemetery, found that in the present grounds nearly all the lots available for burial purposes (excepting tomb lots) have been sold, and that at the end of the present year it is quite probable that nearly all of those now remaining unsold will have been taken. Therefore we were all unanimous in the opinion that some measures must be immediately taken by the town looking to the future needs of a suitable place for the burial of the dead, and upon examination the committee found that on the northerly side of the cemetery there was a tract of land, containing about eight (8) acres, extending from the north line of the cemetery to Greenleaf street, which would have been satisfactory to us could it have been obtained without involving the town in too great an expense. This land, belonging to the Woodward Fund, has been laid out in house-lots, and was and has been intended

from the first for building purposes ; and we find that this tract of land, from its situation and surroundings, is so valuable for building that it would not be expedient to recommend the town to go to so great an expense as would be necessary to obtain it ; particularly so, as upon the easterly side of the cemetery the town now has under its control a tract of land (from a part of which the present cemetery has been laid out) of upwards of fifteen (15) acres, but which, however, is separated from the rest by Sea street, the main and only road to Hough's Neck and Germantown.

In considering the best method of making this land available, we found that a very serious objection was the fact that a public highway would pass directly through the middle of the grounds, making it extremely unpleasant and noisy to all those visiting the grounds in performing the last offices for the dead, and also taking from the cemetery the quietness and repose incidental to the sacred nature of grounds devoted for such purposes.

In seeking to avoid the inconveniences arising from the above causes, the committee, after examining the ground carefully, found that no serious obstacle existed to prevent the relocation of Sea street from a point on Coddington street, near the town pound, around the easterly side of this tract of land skirting the edge of the upland and salt marsh, and arriving by a very easy grade to a point midway between the entrance to J. Q. Adams' residence at Mt. Wollaston and the old farm-house belonging to Mr. Adams.

This roadway, fifty (50) feet in width and running at a grade of some ten (10) feet below the level of the land proposed to be enclosed, will give a more direct and better means of communication (owing to the absence of steep grades, width, and better road bed) between Hough's Neck and the town, and will give towards enlarging the present cemetery at least twelve (12) acres of land in every way well suited for burial purposes, at an expense, by reliable estimates,

which accompany the plan, of \$5,500, which will include the building of the road, land damages, fencing the easterly side of the road, and the total expense of removing the present wall now enclosing the cemetery to the new line of proposed road. The ornamental gate-way, which now stands at the present entrance, it is proposed to remove to a point, say midway between the Pound and the crest of the hill near the Almshouse, and across the road, which will then be the main avenue leading into the country.

This plan has many and great advantages, and, as far as we have considered, no objections, unless it may be considered that the removal of the present Almshouse, which under our general plan may not have to be done for some three (3) or five (5) years to come, may be considered as such. In regard to this our committee are of the opinion, whether this plan is adopted or not, that the town will either have to remove the location of the buildings to some other point, or else expend a very large sum in extending and repairing the present buildings; but as it is a matter which all who have investigated have probably positive opinion on, we will not consider further as regards the effect on the proposed enlargement.

This plan, as proposed by the committee, will not entail a large expense on the town, and will provide for the future needs for some forty (40) years or more to come, if the present rules and regulations are not changed so that non-residents shall be able to obtain the right, as in the past, to hold lots for which they cannot be taxed, and for which they contribute nothing; thus leaving the citizens of the town to bear not only the expense of keeping the cemetery grounds in order, but now to be at the additional expense of an enlargement of the grounds, which, but for the past errors and mismanagement, would have been ample for a long time to come.

Having thus explained and given some of the reasons which have led us to make this report, we hope that all

citizens will examine into the matter, and thus be able, when the report comes before them at the annual town meeting, to act intelligently and for the best interests of the town.

Signed,

E. S. FELLOWS,
J. Q. A. FIELD,
E. B. TAYLOR,
G. L. GILL,
ASA WELLINGTON,
B. F. CURTIS,
G. L. BAXTER,
H. F. BARKER,

} *Committee.*

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF QUINCY,

FOR THE

SCHOOL YEAR 1874-75.

School Committee.

JOHN Q. ADAMS, CHAIRMAN.

ASA WELLINGTON, SECRETARY.

JAMES H. SLADE.

CHARLES F. ADAMS, JR.

CHARLES L. BADGER.

WILLIAM B. DUGGAN.

BOSTON:

PRESS OF ROCKWELL AND CHURCHILL,

No. 39 ARCH STREET.

1875.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The School Committee, in submitting their annual report to the inhabitants of Quincy, are not aware that any minute description of single schools, nor any long disquisitions upon general educational problems, are either useful or desired. Indeed, the system of examination heretofore pursued hardly admits of that exact and specific comparison and adjustment of the various degrees of excellence in each different study and department in each school, which seem to be requisite to form a really accurate and reliable judgment upon their relative merit and proficiency. An oral examination, twice in the year, not tested by any invariable scale, nor regulated by any fixed standard, affords but an unreliable basis for nice discriminations. One of the first improvements instituted by a superintendent should be to reduce the general outline and chief features of the semi-annual examinations to a written form, or, where that may be impracticable, to provide some invariable system of marks to guide the judgment of the examiner in any branch of study. But the time and means at the disposal of the committee will hardly suffice for so searching and minute a scrutiny.

Confining themselves, therefore, to a general survey, they feel justified in reporting, with a good deal of confidence, that at no time within their observation has the average condition of the public schools of this town been so satisfactory. As regards order and discipline very little fault can be found. That very much is still to be desired in our system of teaching is too evident for dispute. That after eight or nine years of constant study in our common schools select pupils should

show an amount of acquirement no greater than the examinations for admittance to the High School annually disclose, indicates that there is something lacking to the complete efficiency of the system. And we have heretofore ventured to suggest that, in our judgment, a remedy for this inefficiency is to be sought primarily in a greatly augmented teaching force. Certainly we should be glad to see one teacher at least assigned to every twenty-five pupils, instead of one to every forty, upon an average, as we now have. But as such a reform would compel a substantial remodelling of nearly all our school-houses, and a very large increase in the appropriation for salaries, we do not think it expedient to urge so radical a change at such a period of transition as the present. For in this town it is clear that the old system of school management, adapted to a sparse and rural population, which has secured very fair results in its time, will not much longer prove adequate to the increasing demands of a dense and essentially urban community. Year by year, Quincy, following the steps of all towns very near to great centres of commercial or manufacturing activity, is becoming more and more a suburb. Boston absorbs it it does not annex us. More and more the active life of Quincy centres in the city; its domestic life alone remains in the country. In the terse and striking term of common speech it is fast becoming a bedroom town. Consequently its requirements tend naturally more and more to shape themselves by comparison with the city. Our school-houses and apparatus, our teachers, our methods, and our results are carefully compared or sharply contrasted with those of the city. Now, while it is well to keep in view the best models accessible to us, it is but common prudence, at the same time, to calculate the cost of what we desire, and only common fairness not to demand that for which we do not care to pay. As fast as it can be done without a distressing increase of taxation, it will be desirable to increase our

school accommodation and teaching force. But it is manifest that the plan upon which a thorough and extended reorganization should be steadily pursued, ought to be one carefully prepared, after a complete survey and study of the present and future requirements of the town by a person very competent for that work.

The committee do not feel ready at present to offer any such well-considered and complete scheme; nor if prepared would they think it advisable to do so now. For if, as they deem probable, the town either this year or next decides to employ a superintendent of schools, it will be his peculiar province and immediate duty to prepare such a comprehensive plan of future action. And in that event the presentation of a plan by the committee at this time would be useless, if not embarrassing in the future.

And in this connection it may be proper for us to state briefly the law upon the matter of superintendents of schools, and to suggest, without any further importunity or elaborate arguments, our views upon that subject.

The statutes of the Commonwealth provide that any town may, by legal vote, require the school committee annually to appoint a superintendent of public schools, who, under the direction and control of said committee, shall have the care and supervision of the schools.

The superintendent shall receive for his services such compensation (not less than one dollar and a half for each day actually employed in the work) as a majority of the school committee may fix, and in every town where a superintendent is appointed the school committee shall receive no compensation for their services unless the town otherwise provide.

The power of the town is confined to requiring the committee to appoint. It is therefore the duty of the committee to select and fix the salary of the superintendent.

The appointment of a superintendent of schools in Quincy is obviously only a question of time. As the committee

pointed out in their last report, the natural growth of the town will very soon render some uniform, steady, minute, and scientific supervision a necessity; the only question is whether that time has come. And after a careful survey of the ground the committee unanimously concur in advising the people of Quincy to provide forthwith for a superintendent of their public schools. The first expense will somewhat exceed the usual outlay for the pay of the school committee. It is probable that it might be necessary to pay a salary of two thousand dollars a year, or thereabouts, to obtain such services as this town would require. But it cannot be doubted that if a really fit and competent man for that office can be secured at that price it will prove a very economical outlay for the town in more than one way.

We therefore recommend the adoption of the following vote:—

“The school committee are hereby required to appoint a superintendent of schools, and a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be needed, is hereby appropriated for that purpose.”

It is proper to add that the sum of money above mentioned is not included in our estimate of incidental expenses for the ensuing year, which we deem requisite whether the vote proposed is adopted or not.

CRANE SCHOOL.

A reference to former reports of the school committee of the town will show that for many years the condition of the little school at Germantown has been steadily unsatisfactory. Isolated and small, classification was impossible, emulation unfelt, and enthusiasm absurd. Ten pupils ranged from the primer to the proper studies of a High School. The most conscientious teacher soon lost hope and energy in such

surroundings. For years committee after committee have striven in vain to afford a remedy. During the past summer the teacher, who has been laboring there for a considerable period, declared her intention of resigning in despair. The committee, profoundly dissatisfied with the backwardness and lethargy of the school, were unable to assign the fault either to the teacher or to the pupils. At the same time it became evident that the school building was unfit for occupation during another winter without extensive repairs. It was indeed shamefully dilapidated, decayed and dirty. Competent mechanics, after careful survey, estimated the expense of necessary repairs to be at least five hundred dollars. Besides this extraordinary outlay, the regular expense in salary, care of house and fuel, incurred to maintain this school of ten scholars, was five hundred and sixty dollars a year. And yet this large expense availed those ten scholars but little or nothing. The committee therefore determined to try by experiment whether or not at one and the same time in this department the outlay might be reduced and the returns increased. They ascertained that they could contract for the transportation of all the school children in that school district to the Coddington School for about four hundred and twenty dollars yearly, and they thought it probable that when there they would be aroused and stimulated by the transfer to a large graded school. The result has fully justified their anticipations. The whole number upon the register of the old Crane School was twelve, and of these the average number in attendance was never more than ten. Now seventeen are daily transported to the Coddington School from the same territory; and so great has been their interest that the attendance among them has been almost absolutely perfect. Meanwhile, both from the reports of teachers and from personal observation, the committee are thoroughly satisfied that they are making a progress in

their studies which they never had approached at Germantown. For these reasons the committee think it decidedly for the interest of the town, and clearly beneficial for the pupils concerned, that the present experiment should be prolonged for at least a year more. They are persuaded that this policy will approve its wisdom to those who are now most doubtful if it can be fairly tried. The day of small, ungraded, remote, and isolated schools in a town like Quincy has passed away. Only absolute necessity can now justify it. Even if the plan we recommend was as much more costly as it is really less costly than the old one, we should not hesitate to urge its acceptance as decidedly the cheaper and better.

ATTENDANCE.

The committee would call attention particularly to the statistics of attendance, which present an approximately accurate view of the difficulties under which teachers labor on account of the irregularity of a considerable number of pupils. This is a subject which has often compelled the anxious solicitude of the committee, and upon which they have frequently expressed their earnest wishes. The active co-operation of parents is once more invoked to see to it that no ordinary obstacle be allowed to prevent the daily punctual attendance of pupils in their places at school.

By an act of the Legislature of 1874, the duty of ascertaining and recording the number of children between the ages of five and fifteen years, belonging in the town on the first day of May, has been assigned to the school committee. It has been found exceedingly difficult to obtain precisely exact returns upon that head. Partly from carelessness, and partly from ignorance or suspicion, these statistics have been un-

reliable. Every citizen is, however, directly interested in obtaining a full and accurate record, inasmuch as our distributive share of the school fund in part depends upon it. It is therefore earnestly hoped that all parents and guardians will assist the investigations of the committee so far as they are able.

USE OF HOUSES FOR RELIGIOUS PURPOSES.

Since the completion of the new school-houses at Wollaston Heights and Atlantic, several applications have been made to the committee for permission to use rooms in those buildings for religious purposes upon Sundays. If the question had been one entirely new, the committee would have felt unable to comply with such requests without a specific authority so to do from the town. In their view the public school-houses can only be regarded as property entrusted to their care by the town, for a limited and specific use. That use is for school purposes only. However, a custom sprung from the needs of certain peculiar districts, and the meritorious nature of the intended use, had become familiar in this and other towns, of permitting a considerable extension of the rigid limits of law in some cases. Under these circumstances the committee did not feel willing to decide definitely that they would in no case allow the use of the school buildings by persons other than the teachers and pupils of the town. They thought it best to follow, for the present, the precedents of the past, and to continue a customary indulgence until they could obtain the decision of the town in regard to the matter. Meanwhile they considered themselves bound in common prudence to require all applicants for such accommodation to insure the town against all danger from fire during their occupation, and also to give ample security against any other damage which might befall the public property while in their hands. If the town desires to put a stop to the usage it will

pass an order to that effect, which will be promptly enforced by the committee. If, on the contrary, a continuance of the privilege is thought best, some definite regulation should be prescribed for the security of the public property.

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

In consequence of a considerable amount of unpaid liability incurred in the new school-houses and grounds at Wollaston Heights and Atlantic, which by inadvertence had not been presented and paid in the year in which provision had been made for it, an unforeseen burden fell upon the incidental fund of this year.

A further heavy expenditure upon this account became necessary in consequence of the overcrowding of the only room at the Washington School which was available for a Primary School. The numbers of Miss Souther's school having reached nearly ninety, some immediate action became imperative. After a careful survey and consideration it seemed to be clearly the most economical and effectual relief to raise the entire building one story, and by that means to attain, at a reasonable expense, accommodation likely to suffice for some years to come. This course was accordingly adopted, and the result has satisfied the committee of the wisdom of their action.

This large outlay, however, combined with the unexpected arrears of a former year which had been supposed to have been paid, rendered it necessary to ask a further appropriation of money from the town. The sum of twenty-five hundred dollars was accordingly voted at a special town meeting, held in September last, to meet these extraordinary expenses.

The appropriation asked for now is required by the fact that some extensive repairs have become necessary to preserve the school buildings in the south and west parts of the town, as well as to complete the grading and fencing of the school lots in the northern district.

For some years past the Adams, the High, and the old portion of the Willard school-houses have leaked excessively. Efforts have been made from time to time, by patching, to protect the property; but a careful survey disclosed the fact that the slating of those roofs had been done so parsimoniously that no amount of patching can make them tight. The slates are put on so far apart, and the rows lap so little over each other, that nothing but a thorough stripping and relaying with more slate to the yard will ever make a good job of them. The committee therefore include the estimate made by skilful roofers as necessary to re-cover these roofs. This work is absolutely requisite for the preservation of the buildings. For this and other purposes usually included under the head of incidental expenses, the sum of six thousand dollars will be required for the ensuing year.

It has been usual in this town to ask for a specific appropriation for salaries of teachers separately. But the statute of last year requires the school committee to return upon oath the sum raised by the town for the following purposes jointly, viz. : "for wages and board of teachers, fuel for the schools, and care of the fires and school-rooms." They therefore deem it desirable in future that all these items should be included in the appropriation usually made for teachers' salaries. In respect to the last-named item of salaries it should be said that an increase of expenditure over the last year's estimate will be necessary for the coming year.

The changes since our last report include a new Primary School at the Point, which was absolutely necessary; a new school at Atlantic, which has been greatly needed for some time and can now be no longer postponed, and probably still another Primary School at West Quincy. The discontinuance of the Germantown school, if approved, will, however, reduce the unavoidable increase in our staff of teachers to two only.

The committee therefore recommend that "for wages and board of teachers, fuel for the schools, and care of the fires and school-rooms," the sum of twenty-six thousand and five hundred dollars be appropriated.

J. Q. ADAMS,
ASA WELLINGTON,
C. L. BADGER,
C. F. ADAMS, JR.
WILLIAM B. DUGGAN,
JAMES H. SLADE.

TEACHERS.

The following is a list of teachers employed during the school year: —

HIGH SCHOOL.

Mr. H. A. Keith, Principal; Miss Sarah L. Barnes, Assistant.

CODDINGTON SCHOOLS.

Grammar. — Mr. H. B. Brown, succeeded by Mr. J. H. Wardwell, Principal; Miss Carrie P. Barnes, Assistant.

Intermediate. — Miss Mary E. Dinegan.

Primary No. 1. — Miss Lizzie E. Morse.

Primary No. 2. — Miss Julia E. Underwood.

Primary No. 3. — Miss Florence B. Howland, succeeded by Miss Lizzie B. French, succeeded by Miss Stella M. Stinchfield, transferred.

ADAMS SCHOOLS.

Grammar. — Mr. Seth Dewing, Jr., Principal; Miss Hattie F. Thayer, Assistant.

Intermediate. — Miss Emily A. Dinegan, succeeded by Miss Minnie Palmer.

Primary No. 1. — Miss M. L. Flint.

Primary No. 2. — Miss Eliza C. Sheahan.

Primary No. 3. — Miss L. Annie Williams.

WILLARD SCHOOLS.

Grammar. — Mr. S. C. Higgins, Principal; Miss Minna Marden, Assistant.

Intermediate. — Miss Martha A. Veazie, succeeded by Mrs. M. T. Dewing.

Primary No. 1. — Miss Emeline A. Newcomb.

Primary No. 2. — Miss Ada E. Locke.

Primary No. 3. — Miss M. L. Pierce.

Primary No. 4. — Miss M. A. Spear.

WASHINGTON SCHOOLS.

Grammar. — Mr. Isaac F. Hall, Principal; Miss E. A. Bosworth, Assistant.

Intermediate. — Miss Mary Marden.

Primary No. 1. — Miss Angie S. Amsbury.

Primary No. 2. — Miss S. Addie Souther.

Primary No. 3. — Miss Alice S. Reed.

QUINCY SCHOOLS.

Grammar. — Mr. Lewis F. Hobbs.

Primary No. 1. — Miss Elgina M. Plummer.

Primary No. 2. — Miss Lizzie A. Flint.

CRANE SCHOOL.

Mixed. — Miss Stella M. Stinchfield, transferred to Coddington Primary No. 3.

WOLLASTON SCHOOLS.

Grammar. — Miss Harriet H. Morse.

Intermediate. — Mrs. Lydia L. Follett.

Primary. — Miss Mary C. Averill.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Whole number of pupils admitted to the High School during the year is 23.

FINANCIAL.

Sum raised by the town for the support of schools during the school year of 1874, including only salaries of teachers, fuel for the schools, and the care of the fires and school-rooms,

\$24,000 00

State Fund,

384 41

Coddington Fund,

75 00

Amount of appropriation for above purposes,

\$24,459 41

Carried forward,

\$24,459 41

<i>Brought forward,</i>		\$24,459 41
Expenses of teaching,	\$20,303 79	
Expenses of fuel,	1,464 95	
Expenses of care of fires and school-rooms,	1,735 23	
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Amount expended,		\$23,503 97
Less than appropriation,		<hr/> \$955 44

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Amount of appropriation for current year,		\$6,000 00
Expended,		<hr/> 3,885 68
Less than appropriation,		\$2,114 32

ESTIMATED EXPENSES OF SCHOOLS FOR THE SCHOOL
YEAR OF 1875.

For salaries of teachers, fuel and care of fires and school-rooms,	\$25,000 00	
For incidental expenses,	6,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$31,000 00

Amount,

And your committee herewith respectfully recommend the above appropriations.

SCHOOL STATISTICS FOR 1873-4.

Number of children in Quincy between the ages of five and fifteen years, May 1, 1873, as per Assessors' enumeration,		1,620
Number of children in Quincy between the ages of five and fifteen years, May 1, 1873, as per Assessors' enumeration,		1,487
Decrease,		133
Number of schools,		29
Number of pupils in all the schools,		1,687
Increase from last year,		117
Average attendance in all the schools,		1,217
Percentage of attendance,		72+
Number of teachers,		34

Classification of Schools.		No. of Teachers.
High School,	1	2
Grammar Schools,	6	10
Intermediate Schools,	5	5
Primary Schools,	16	16
Mixed,	1	1
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	29	34

HIGH SCHOOL.

Number of teachers,	2
Number of pupils,	77
Decrease from last year,	8
Average attendance,	45+

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

Number of schools,	6
Number of teachers,	10
Number of pupils,	524
Increase from last year,	139
Average number of pupils in each school,	67+
Total average attendance,	322
Average attendance in each school,	54

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS.

Number of schools,	5
Number of teachers,	5
Number of pupils,	416
Increase from last year,	199
Average number of pupils in each school,	47
Total average attendance,	235
Average attendance in each school,	39

PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

Number of schools,	16
Number of teachers,	16
Number of pupils,	1,333
Increase from last year,	470
Average number of pupils in each school,	54
Total average attendance,	862
Average attendance in each school,	41

MIXED SCHOOL.

Number of schools,	1
Number of teachers,	1
Number of pupils,	17
Decrease from last year,	3
Average attendance,	31

GENERAL TABLE.

NAME OF SCHOOLS.	NAMES OF TEACHERS.	Whole Number. 1st Term.	Average Attendance 1st Term.	Whole Number 2d Term.	Average Attendance 2d Term.	Per Cent. 1st Term.	Per Cent. 2d Term.	Whole No. Days School during the year.
HUGH SCHOOL.	{ Mr. H. A. Keith, <i>Principal</i> } { Miss Sarah L. Barnes, <i>Assistant</i> }	53	44	54	47	89	93	201
ADAMS SCHOOLS.								
Grammar	{ Mr. Seth Dewing, Jr., <i>Principal</i> } { Miss Hattie F. Thayer, <i>Assistant</i> } { Miss Emily A. Dinegan, succeeded } { by Miss Minnie Palmer..... }	92	68	90	74	72	82	197
Intermediate	{ Miss M. L. Flint..... } { Miss Eliza C. Sheahan..... } { Miss L. Annie Williams..... }	52	38	49	37	73	75	197
Primary, No. 1.....	{ Mr. H. B. Brown, succeeded by } { Mr. J. H. Wardwell, <i>Principal</i> }	63	50	62	54	79	87	199
Primary, No. 2.....	{ Miss Carrie P. Barnes, <i>Assistant</i> } { Miss Mary E. Dinegan..... } { Miss Lizzie E. Morse..... } { Miss Julia E. Underwood..... }	66	56	61	48	76	78	197
Primary, No. 3.....	{ Miss Florence B. Howland, succeeded by Miss Lizzie B. French, succeeded by Miss Stella M. Stinchfield..... }	89	48	52	36	54	70	195
CODDINGTON SCHOOLS.								
Grammar	{ Mr. H. B. Brown, succeeded by } { Mr. J. H. Wardwell, <i>Principal</i> }	77	59	80	68	77	85	201
Intermediate	{ Miss Carrie P. Barnes, <i>Assistant</i> } { Miss Mary E. Dinegan..... } { Miss Lizzie E. Morse..... } { Miss Julia E. Underwood..... }	41	34	50	41	83	82	201
Primary, No. 1.....	{ Miss Florence B. Howland, succeeded by Miss Lizzie B. French, succeeded by Miss Stella M. Stinchfield..... }	42	33	37	29	79	79	201
Primary, No. 2.....	{ Miss Florence B. Howland, succeeded by Miss Lizzie B. French, succeeded by Miss Stella M. Stinchfield..... }	67	42	56	41	63	73	201
Primary, No. 3.....	{ Miss Florence B. Howland, succeeded by Miss Lizzie B. French, succeeded by Miss Stella M. Stinchfield..... }	42	32	44	33	76	75	93
WILLARD SCHOOLS.								
Grammar	{ Mr. S. C. Higgins, <i>Principal</i> } { Miss Minna Marden, <i>Assistant</i> .. }	78	55	84	75	73	88	196

Intermediate	65	47	56	49	73	88	194
Primary, No. 1	51	39	53	43	76	78	194
Primary, No. 2	52	38	58	45	81	78	194
Primary, No. 3	45	34	43	24	75	56	194
Primary, No. 4	63	55	55	45	87	82	194
WASHINGTON SCHOOLS.							
Grammar	77	62	58	48	72	83	190
Intermediate	42	37	47	43	88	91	190
Primary, No. 1	38	28	31	27	74	87	199
Primary, No. 2	74	45	51	41	61	80	197
Primary, No. 3 .....	..	..	47	35	..	75	83
QUINCY SCHOOLS.							
Grammar	43	30	58	39	70	67	197
Primary, No. 1	44	25	50	38	57	76	198
Primary, No. 2	78	36	60	45	48	75	198
WOLLASTON SCHOOLS.							
Grammar	38	31	37	31	82	84	203
Intermediate	29	28	39	35	87	87	125
Primary	52	38	32	25	73	78	203
CRANE SCHOOL—Mixed	17	13	..	..	77	..	102

