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OF THE
SELECTMEN, TREASURER
ROAD AGENT AND SCHOOL BOARD
OF THE
Town of Bridgewater
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1900

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The selectmen have received cash as follows:—

County support of paupers	\$288 82
Railroad tax	31 90
Savings bank tax	281 60
Literary fund	32 49
State bounty on grasshoppers	16 63
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Total amount paid treasurer	\$651 44

The selectmen have given orders on the treasurer,
as follows, amounting to \$2,270 77

Paid:

State tax	\$242 25
County tax	282 00

SCHOOLS

S. S. Fletcher, school treasurer	\$541 60
Ginn & Co., books	27 05
American Book Co., books	6 20
M. M. Dolloff, school supplies	2 85
F. H. Perkins, “	2 65
D. T. Atwood, “	3 20
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Total	\$583 55

HIGHWAYS

B. T. Nichols, road agent	\$531 75
H. H. Morrill, lumber and labor	11 43
J. L. Morrison, labor	69

D. C. Whittemore, lumber and labor	\$6 66
B. T. Nichols, labor and cash paid out	16 99
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Total	\$567 52

COUNTY PAUPER BILLS

Ashland Mercantile association, goods for Alvin Robinson	\$20 24
A. E. Porter, medicine for Alvin Robinson	1 35
Dr. M. E. Spaulding, medical attendance Alvin Robinson	13 50
Brown & Huckins, medicine for Alvin Robinson	25
Hodgdon & Pollard, groceries for Alvin Robinson	27
W. J. Ames, support of Geo. Gray from Nov. 7 to Dec. 20, 1898—6 weeks	12 00
Ira F. Blaisdell, support of Geo. Gray, from Feb. 1 to Apr. 24, 1899—11 weeks, 5 dys.	17 57
Norman Wiser, support of Sally Heath, from Feb. 24, 1899, to Jan. 23, 1900—52 weeks	78 00
W. J. Ames, support of Geo. Gray from May 10 to Dec. 25, 1899, 32 weeks and 4 days	48 85
Ira Blaisdell, support of Geo. Gray from Dec. 31, 1899 to Feb. 5, 1900, 5 weeks	7 50
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Total	\$199 53

BREAKING ROAD BILLS

D. P. Pollard	\$3 00
John Smith	2 28
C. H. Palmer	1 18
E. D. Morrill	1 80
E. P. Wiser	10 44

Oscar Sleeper	\$5 10
Frank M. Fogg	11 49
Simeon C. Brown	3 06
J. H. Morrison	1 12
G. B. Dolloff	13 59
R. B. Gilpatric	11 52
D. C. Whittemore	3 96
E. P. Wiser	2 52
P. P. Sanborn	10 20
O. S. Gray	4 12
B. T. Nichols	5 04
H. W. Hammond	9 78
H. S. Tilton	10 80

Total	\$111 00
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MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

R. W. Musgrove, printing reports	\$16 00
Joseph Moses, keeping tramp	75
E. C. Eastman, blank books	5 10
J. E. S. Fifield, moving and repairing safe	2 90
G. W. Atwood, keeping four tramps	2 00
C. H. Marston, cash paid for express, post- age, etc.	2 75
John Hadlock, road machine edge and bolts	8 75
John L. Morrison, bounty on grasshoppers	16 63
J. E. S. Fifield, recording births and deaths	3 20
Dr. Geo. H. Calley, birth and death certificates	75
Dr. A. V. Doud, death certificates	50
R. J. Pillsbury, library tax	17 10
C. H. Marston, board of town officers	4 00
Geo. W. Martin, labor with team	2 00

Total	\$82 43
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SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS

S. S. Fletcher, agent in district No. 3	\$15 00
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TOWN OFFICERS BILLS

J. E. S. Fifield, town clerk	\$12 00
" school auditor	50
S. S. Fletcher, supervisor	2 25
W. W. Gilpatric " "	2 25
G. H. Wheeler, " "	2 25
S. S. Fletcher, school treasurer	3 00
W. W. Gilpatrick, board of health	2 00
F. R. Pillsbury, auditor	1 50
G. W. Atwood, " "	1 50
D. T. Atwood, school board	10 00
M. M. Dolloff, " "	7 75
F. H. Perkins, " "	12 49
R. B. Gilpatric, collector	30 00
D. T. Atwood, police	3 00
D. T. Atwood, school clerk 2 years	1 50
D. B. Clement, treasurer	20 00
C. H. Marston, selectman	34 50
D. T. Atwood, " "	21 00
D. C. Whittemore, " "	20 00
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Total	\$187 49

RECAPITULATION

Whole amount of cash received by treasurer	\$2,820 92
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Paid:

State tax	\$242 25
County tax	282 00
Schools	583 55
Highway tax	567 52

County Paupers	\$199 53	
Winter roads	111 00	
Miscellaneous bills	82 43	
School house repairs	15 00	
Town officers	187 49	
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	\$2,270 77	
Cash in treasury	550 15	
	<hr/>	\$2,820 92

LIST OF ABATEMENTS

Taxes of 1897:

Norman B. Tobine	\$2 10
William H. Johnson	2 10
Charles P. Higgins	1 43
John C. Gault	2 10
William Stohl	2 39
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Total	\$10 12

Taxes of 1898:

Norman B. Tobine	\$2 64
Nathan D. Cole, over 70 years	2 40
Charles H. Crockett, over 70 years	2 40
John C. Gault	2 40
Truman D. Pollard	2 40
Charles H. Palmer	2 40
John Smith	2 08
Frank M. Johnson	2 40
Frank W. Thompson	2 40
James Gilpatric	2 40
William J. Ames	2 40
Henry W. Mitchell	3 50
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Total	\$29 82

Taxes of 1899:

Charles H. Spiller	\$1 74
U. Grant Spiller	1 74
Addie F. Spiller	28
John L. Morrison, loss of stock	90
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Total	\$4 66

SETTLEMENT WITH THE COLLECTOR

R. B. Gilpatric, collector 1897	Dr.	Cr.
To amount due on tax book	\$18 15	
By cash paid treasurer		\$8 03
By abatements		10 12
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Balanced	\$18 15	\$18 15

R. B. Gilpatric, collector 1898	Dr.	Cr.
To amount due on tax book	\$578 24	
By cash paid treasurer		\$548 42
By abatements		29 82
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Balanced	\$578 24	\$578 24

R. B. Gilpatric, collector 1899	Dr.	Cr.
To amount of tax list	\$1,850 52	
By cash paid treasurer		\$1,379 00
By abatements		4 66
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		\$1,383 66
Balance due		466 86
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	\$1,850 52	\$1,850 52

ASSETS FEB. 15, 1900

Due from R. B. Gilpatric, collector 1899	\$466 86
Due from County, support of paupers	35 35
Cash in treasury	550 15
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Balance in favor of town	\$1,052 36

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. MARSTON,	}	Selectmen
D. T. ATWOOD,		of
D. C. WHITEMORE,		Bridgewater.

AGENT FOR REPAIRS ON SCHOOL HOUSE IN
DISTRICT NO. 1

Cash on hand	\$12 30
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GEO. W. ATWOOD, Agent.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash received of former treasurer	\$188 23
" R. B. Gilpatric, taxes 1897	8 03
" " " 1898	548 42
" " " 1899	1,379 00
" Selectmen	651 44
" Town clerk, dog license	45 80
	\$2,820 92
Paid on selectmen's orders	2,270 77
	\$550 15

D. B. CLEMENT, Treasurer.

TRUST FUND

The Sylvester Cross fund, interest for the care of the Webster and Cross burying grounds:

In Plymouth guaranty savings bank \$50 00

The Webster fund, interest for the care of the Webster burying ground:

In Plymouth guaranty savings bank \$50 00

D. B. CLEMENT, Treasurer.

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

Received of town treasurer on order of selectmen	\$531 75
Received bridge plank sold	1 00
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Total amount received	\$532 75
Paid as follows :	
G. B. Dolloff, labor	\$3 00
F. E. Bailey, "	3 50
Eldorus Smith, "	8 00
John Smith, "	3 36
P. P. Sanborn, "	6 00
E. D. Morrill, "	7 50
Fred R. Pillsbury, "	3 75
A. B. Dalton, "	1 50
J. M. Fogg, "	1 50
L. G. Tobine, "	1 50
F. M. Fogg, "	1 50
Oscar Sleeper, "	1 50
Norman Wiser, "	1 50
W. H. Lovejoy, "	3 00
J. H. Morrison, "	2 25
N. C. Harris, "	1 50
Ira F. Blaisdell, "	30 75
D. B. Clement, "	15 00
G. W. Martin, "	23 00
Ora A. Nichols, "	34 50
A. W. Nichols, "	80 00
H. W. Mitchell, "	3 00

S. O. Morrill, labor	\$4 50
C. H. Marston, "	4 50
D. P. Pollard, "	2 55
H. H. Haney, "	1 50
Ora H. Nichols, "	4 00
E. D. Morrill, "	75
L. D. Flanders, "	8 00
E. P. Wiser, "	4 00
Ora A. Nichols, "	4 50
J. H. Morrison, "	75
G. F. Follansbee, "	2 40
Norman Wiser, "	1 50
A. W. Nichols, "	21 00
D. T. Atwood, "	4 75
R. B. Gilpatric, "	2 00
D. B. Clement, "	97
Ira F. Blaisdell, "	75
D. C. Whittemore, "	1 00
A. W. Nichols, lumber	5 00
H. H. Shepard, agent lumber	13 20
L. D. Flanders, lumber	4 50
H. H. Shepard, agent lumber	21 64
Geo. H. Corliss, tile pipe	5 75
B. T. Nichols, cash paid blacksmithing, etc.	4 39
Charles H. Palmer, breaking roads	75
D. P. Pollard, "	10 44
R. B. Gilpatric, "	10 56
A. B. Dalton, "	2 04
F. R. Pillsbury, "	2 04
D. S. Batchelder, "	10 23
D. T. Atwood, "	2 10
Geo. H. Wheeler, "	5 76
F. R. Pillsbury, "	1 62
R. J. Pillsbury, "	90

S. S. Fletcher,	labor	\$4 11
F. D. Pillsbury,	"	2 40
Oscar Sleeper,	"	5 04
D. B. Clement,	"	12 72
A. W. Nichols,	"	1 92
B. T. Nichols,	labor on highway	99 11

Total paid out \$532 75

BRADLEY T. NICHOLS, Road Agent.

I do hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts of selectmen, treasurer and road agent and find them correctly cast and the vouchers therefor.

I. H. CLAY, Auditor.

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Total amount of money deposited in the Ply- mouth guaranty savings bank	\$52 01
Cash on hand	17 10
Total	<hr/> \$69 11
R. J. PILLSBURY, } J. L. MORRISON, }	Library Trustees.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

The result of our schools is as good as could be expected under the present circumstances. People are apt to give their attention to business and making their homes attractive and comfortable while the interests of the children are forgotten and neglected. Some of our school-houses have been fitted out in good shape but others are sadly in need of repairs. Stoves are worn out and some of them are not safe. The house in No. 8 on the turnpike needs to be newly plastered and should have new seats and blackboards.

We had thought to discontinue the school in the Nichols District but we find with the present number of scholars that would not be wise. There should be something done in regard to building or repairing the house in that district. It is in very bad condition and not fit to be called a schoolhouse. We wish some steps might be taken in this matter.

We have had some difficulty in procuring good teachers for the pay we can offer. While some towns are paying four, five and six dollars per week we are only paying three.

It is much better to have good teachers and short terms than poor teachers and more weeks of school, but the law requires twenty weeks of school and the town has raised just about money enough to clear the law at the present rate of wages.

During the past year we have made some changes in text-books and just as soon as Geographys are issued with the new maps, we propose a change in those.

In regard to attendance of scholars during the year we are sorry to give a bad report. The new law recently passed by the Legislature gives to each town of such an average attendance a certain amount of money to be expended for the benefit of the schools. While we have the required number of children the attendance has been so poor that we have been denied the help we so much need. Parents should remember the law requires the regular attendance of children at school and by keeping them at home they are not only laying themselves liable to a fine, but are depriving others of their rights.

ROLL OF HONOR

SPRING TERM—Mabel L. Fogg, Ina M. Wisner, Fannie E. Morrison, Helen Morrison, Webster R. Morrison, Edith L. Pollard, Ralph G. Gilpatric, Robert W. Gilpatric, Dorothy M. Dalton, Francis W. Clement, Charlie Morrill, Leslie Morrill, Carl Morrill, Clifford Morrill, Mattie Morrill, Bessie Morrill, Lura Clement, Mary Clement, Zora Snow, Iola Snow, Chester Morrill, Ethel Morrill, Emily Morrill, Eva Morrill, Susie Perkins, Leroy Perkins, Wilson Adams, Leon L. Mitchell, Carl W. Mitchell.

FALL TERM—Edith L. Ives, Edith L. Pollard, Helen Morrison, Fannie Morrison, Webster R. Morrison, Charlie H. Morrill, Clifford Morrill, Carl Morrill, Leslie Morrill, Mattie E. Morrill, Bessie Morrill, Zora Snow, Iola R. Snow, Carl W. Mitchell, Leon L. Mitchell, Guy C. Nichols, Ned A. Nichols, Annie G. Blaisdell, Nina G. Blaisdell, Inez C. Nichols, Irma M. Nichols.

D. T. ATWOOD,	} School Board.
M. M. DOLLOFF,	
F. H. PERKINS,	

STATISTICAL TABLE

Name of School	District Number	Name of Teacher	Wages per month	Weeks of school	Scholars registered	Average attendance	Committee visits	Citizens' visits
Woodman	1	Hattie Calley	\$19	11	7	5	2	8
		"	19	8	5	4	2	4
Morrison	2	M. Belle Mason	18	8	6	3	2	9
		John A. David	18	11	5	4	2	10
Dalton	3	Cora A. Dalton	18	9	8	8	2	22
		Myra E. Clement	18	11	12	8	2	24
Clement	7	Anna A. Dalton	18	8	11	11	2	8
		Helen M. Gordon	19	10	10	9	3	9
Turnpike	8	Eula Hussey	18	9	12	11	2	
		Ardie Kimball	18					
Nichols	10	Mabelle Curtice	16	9	10	6	2	4
		Edith Mitchell	16	13	8	8	3	18

AGENT'S REPORT ON
REPAIRING SCHOOL HOUSE

IN DISTRICT No. 3

Received :

Of town treasurer, school house tax	\$15 00
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Paid out :

Howe & Harrington, labor	\$5 50	
Hughes & Brown, material used	4 61	
S. S. Fletcher, labor	4 58	
Balance on hand	31	
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S. S. FLETCHER, Agent.

SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

CASH RECEIVED

From town treasurer	\$541 60
From former school treasurer	24 43
Tuition from Hebron	3 20
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	\$569 23

CASH PAID

Maud Dolloff, repairs No. 8	\$ 85
D. T. Atwood, wood and curtains, No. 1	4 25
Belle Mason, teaching	24 00
Addie Pollard, board	12 00
Emma Atwood, board	14 00
Hattie Calley, teaching	24 00
Thomas Hammond, board	12 00
Anna Dalton, teaching	24 00
Arthur Nichols, board	9 00
Ira Blaisdell, cleaning school house	1 00
Cora Dalton, teaching and board	40 50
Eula Husey, teaching	27 00
Geo. Smith, board	13 50
Mabelle Curtice, teaching	27 00
H. H. Morrill, wood	2 00
Ardie Kimball, teaching	33 00
Helen Gordon, " "	30 00
F. H. Perkins, repairs No. 7	1 75
F. H. Perkins, " Nichols house	1 50
Robert Gilpatric, wood	4 00

G. W. Atwood, board	19 25
D. T. " wood	2 00
Addie Pollard, board	18 00
D. T. Atwood, wood	3 00
Hattie Calley, teaching	33 00
John David, teaching	36 00
Thomas Hammond, board	17 50
Myra Clement, teaching and board	49 50
J. Chase	50
Clara Dolloff, board	16 50
Arthur Nichols, wood	2 00
Edith Mitchell, teaching and board	52 00
Balance on hand	14 63
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	\$569 23

S. S. FLETCHER, Treasurer.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is correctly cast and properly vouched.

J. E. S. FIFIELD, Auditor.

Births Registered in the Town of Bridgewater, for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1899.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any).	Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of Child 1st, 2d, etc.	Color.	Father's Name.	Mother's Maiden Name.	Color.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
Mar. 5	Mildred	F	Living	1	All White	Fred R. Pillsbury.	Edith M. Fifield.	All White	Bridgewater.	Farmer	Manchester.	Bridgewater.	24	22
May 20	Earle Hollis	M	"	1	"	Charles D. Fahnner.	Myrtle C. Ferrin.	"	Holderness.	"	Campton.	"	26	25
June 3	Elsie May	F	"	1	"	George A. Hunt.	Emma G. Pillsbury	"	Bridgewater.	"	Thornton	"	28	18
June 12	Carly	M	"	2	"	George T. Carly.	Ellen F. Adams.	"	Bridgewater.	Laborer.	"	Haverhill	29	23

Deaths Registered in the Town of Bridgewater, for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1899

Date of Death.	Name.	Years.	Age.		Place of Birth.	Sex.	Color.	Single, Married, or Widowed.	Occupation.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Cause of Death.
			Months.	Days.										
Jan. 23	Orrin W. Wisser.	32	1.		Bridgewater.	M	All White	S	Laborer.		Bridgewater.	Norman Wisser.	Mary J. Heath.	Heart Failure.
Feb. 9	Caleb A. Morse.	70	6	5	Wester.	M	White	W	Carpenter.		Concord.	Joseph Morse.	Nancy Abbott.	Pulmonary Cons'p'n
Feb. 24	Sarah Mauston.	90	4	30	Andover.	F	White	W	Honsek's p't.			Adabne W. Gilman		Pneumonia.
June 21	Charles H. Spiller.	44	1	12	Bridgewater.	M	White	M	Farmer	Bridgewater.	New Hampton	Benjamin Spiller.	Lucinda Towle.	Rheumatism.
Aug. 18	John Smith.	73	6	21	Bridgewater.	M	White	M	Farmer	Fremont	Fremont	Abram Smith.	Lucinda Towle.	Heart Disease.
Nov. 11	Charles Woodman.	78			Woodstock.	M	White	W	"	Dover.	Barrington.	Isaac Woodman.	Mary Locke.	Complications.

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. E. S. FIFIELD, TOWN CLERK.

