

Voted That the Selectmen prepare a petition to send to the General Court praying to have the Law repealed respecting Schools for teaching the Latin & Greek languages.

Voted That the Eleventh article be dispensed with.

Voted That this meeting be adjourned to the second Monday in May next, at one O'clock afternoon then to meet at this place.

Recorded by Fredrick Brownell Town Clerk

Bristol ss. To Nicholas Little Constable of the Town of Westport, Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport qualified by the Constitution to vote for Governor Lieutenant Governor, Senators & Counsellors - to meet at the Town House in said Town on Monday the first day of April next at Eleven O'clock in the forenoon, to give in their votes for Governor ^{Lieutenant Governor} and Counsellors agreeably to the Constitution of said Commonwealth.

Given under our Hands and seals at Westport aforesaid this ninth day of March A.D. 1822 -

N. L. Brownell }
Daniel Wing } Selectmen
Adam Gifford } of
Westport

Bristol ss. Westport April 1. 1822

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport by posting up a Notice at T. R. Macomber's Store on the 16th ultimo, and one at the Town House & one at the store of Frederick Brownell on the 18th ult., to assemble at the time & place and for the purpose within mentioned

Nicholas Little } Constable of Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport aforesaid qualified agreeable to the Constitution, assembled at the Town House in said Town on Monday the first day of April, for the purposes expressed in the foregoing warrants.

Votes for the following persons were given in, sorted, counted, recorded, & declaration thereof made as by the Constitution is directed, viz.

For Governor His Ex^{ty} John Brooks who had one Hundred & two. 102

William Eustis who had Twenty nine 29

For Lt. Governor His Hon: William Phillips who had one Hundred & one 101

His Hon: Levi Lincoln who had Thirty one 31

For Senators Hon: Oliver Starkweather who had Ninety 90

Thomas Rotch who had eighty nine 89

Jeffro Daggett who had ninety one 91

James L. Hodges who had twenty nine 29

Nathaniel Wheeler who had twenty nine 29

Stephen Merrick who had twenty nine 29

Recorded by Fredrick Brownell Town Clerk

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At a legal meeting held at the House of Frederick
Brownell April 10. 1822 for the purpose of drawing
Jurors Adam Gifford was drawn Grand Juror
Nicholas Little & Allen Devoe were drawn Traverse
Jurors to serve at the Supreme Judicial Court to
be holden at Taunton on the last Tuesday in April
next.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

At a legal meeting held at the House of Frederick
Brownell May 30. 1822 for the purpose of drawing
Jurors Jacob Allen and John Gifford son of William
were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the Court of
Common Pleas to be holden at Taunton on the second
Monday of June next.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

At a legal meeting held at the House of Frederick
Brownell August 25th 1822 for the purpose of
drawing Jurors - Phillip Potter and Easton Howland
were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the Court of
Common Pleas to be holden at Taunton on the
second Monday of September next.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

At a legal meeting held at the House of Frederick
Brownell Sept. 27. 1822 for the purpose of drawing
Jurors - Ephraim Gifford was drawn Grand Juror
Thomas Winslow & Henry Palmer Traverse Jurors
to serve at the Supreme Judicial Court to be
holden at Taunton on the third Tuesday of October
next.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

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May 13. 1822 Agreeable to adjournment from the
the first Monday in April the Inhabitants of
Westport met accordingly

Abner Brownell Esq. was chosen Moderator pro. tem.

Abner B. Gifford
Frederick Brownell
Stephen Howland
Perry R. Maunster
John Anthony
David M. Brownell
Miriah Dean
Jethro Howland
Perry Wilcox

were chosen

Surveyors of Lands

Tillinghast Almy
Thomas W. Mayhew
Cornelius White
Wing Howland
Benjamin Soule
Stephen Howland
Ephraim Tompson
William Brownell
Zachus Gifford
Pelez Gifford
George Gifford
David Sanford
Francis Tripp

were chosen

Tythingmen

Adam Gifford
John Anthony
Jonathan Peckham

Surveyors of Landings
at Head of River -

Town
Viewers

Abraham Cornell
 Sylvester Brownell — sworn
 Nathan C. Brownell
 Wilbour Gifford — sworn
 Adam Gifford — sworn
 George Gifford
 Jonathan Davis
 Christopher Cornell
 Edmund Tripp
 John Dyer Jr

Gutters of
Hoops of staves

Jethro Howland
 Miah Dean
 John Howland 2nd
 Jonathan Tripp

Field
Drivers

Stephen Cornell
 Wilbour Gifford
 George Kirby
 Benjamin Cory
 Russell Gifford
 John Smith
 Abner Lawton
 Pardon Gifford
 Charles Little
 Elijah Blossom

Gutters of Fish

Jethro Howland
 Gideon Davis

Overseers of
Fishing

Gideon Davis — sworn
 Pardon Allen — sworn
 Perry Brightman — sworn
 Daniel Wing — sworn
 Perry Hazard

Hog Reeves

Ephraim Maconber
 Wilbour Gifford
 Jonathan Talbot
 Phillip Davis
 Elijah Blossom
 Samuel Willcox
 David M. Brownell
 Pardon Gifford
 Charles Baker
 Jonathan Gifford
 Warton Maconber
 Barry Hicks
 Gideon Davis
 Abner Willcox
 Duffee Tripp

Nicholas Little was chosen constable & collector of Taxes for the year ensuing on condition of procuring sufficient Bonds before he receives the Tax Bills & doing all the Towns Business as constable gratis & to have Two per cent on all the money he shall collect for the Taxes of 1822 & produce receipts from the several Treasurers of paying in the same & to have no allowance for taking bad or uncurrent money (Sworn before Anselm Dapitt Just. Peace.)

\$200 Voted - That two Hundred Dollars be raised by way of Tax for the support of schools -

Further voted that if the Town should be complained of within the year for not having schools agreeable to Law that the expence if there should be any made against the Town be paid out of the Two Hundred Dollars -

\$1300,- Voted to Raise Thirteen Hundred Dollars by way of Tax on the polls & Estates of the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport for the support of the Poor & other Incidental charges To be assessed collected & paid in to the Town Treasurer by the First day of April next and the Assessors are hereby directed to Assess said sum in the way and manner provided by law & deliver a list or lists thereof to the collector as soon as may be -

Voted That the Selectmen allow Nathaniel Sherman for keeping Joseph Manchester what they think reasonable & charge the same to the Town.

The Committee on accounts made a report in writing that they had attended to the business assigned them & that they had allowed to the several persons named in the list presented by them the several sums set against their respective names amounting in the whole to the sum of Thirteen Hundred Ninety three Dollars seventy five cents — \$1393.75

It was thereupon voted to accept the Report of the Committee and the Treasurer is directed to pay the several sums thus allowed by the Committee to the several persons therein named & charge the same to the Town

The Committee also report that agreeable to their appointment they made a settlement with the Treasurer & found that he had received for the Town the year past \$1549.65 & had paid out by his account 1494.85 making a balance in favour of the Town the sum of \$54.75

And made a settlement with him accordingly

The Committee further report that there was by the report of the Committee the last year a balance in favour of the Town between the Sums assessed & the accounts allowed the Amount of \$1009.49

And that there had been assessed on the Inhabitants the year past as by report this day presented \$1051.02 -

All which is respectfully submitted

May 13. 1822

Abner Brownell
Barney Hicks
Isaac Howland } Committee

Voted to Adjourn this meeting to next Friday the 17th Inst: at One O'clock P.M. then to meet at this place

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk
May 17. 1822 Agreeable to Adjournment from the 13th of this Inst: the Inhabitants of Westport met accordingly

Frederick Brownell
Daniel Wing
Isaac Howland } were chosen Assessors & sworn before F. Brownell

The Selectmen presented a petition respecting Latin & Greek Schools which was read & accepted by the Town & voted, that it should be preferred to the next General Court.

Voted that this meeting be adjourned to the last Saturday in August at One O'clock P.M. then to meet at this place

Recorded by Frederick Brownell T. Clerk

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Bristol ss. To Nicholas Little Constable of the Town
of Westport, Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport qualified by the Constitution to vote for representatives to meet and assemble at the Town House in said Town on Monday the thirteenth day of May next at two o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of choosing one or more Representatives to represent them at the General Court appointed to be convened and held at Boston on the last Wednesday of May next, And of this warrant with your doings thereon you are to make return to the Selectmen of said Town on or before said time of meeting

Given under our hands and seals this nineteenth day of April A. D. 1822.

Federick Brownell }
Daniel Wing } Selectmen
Isaac Howland } of
Westport

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified & warned the male Inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote for representatives to meet at the time & place & for the purpose within mentioned

Nicholas Little Constable
Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport qualified agreeable to Law assembled at the Town House in said Town on Monday the 13th of May A. D. 1822 for the purpose expressed in the foregoing warrant - And it was then & there voted that this Town send no Representatives.

Recorded by Federick Brownell Town Clerk

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August 31st 1822 Agreeable to adjournment
from the 17th day of May last. The Inhabitants of
Westport met accordingly
Josias Brownell Esq. Chosen Moderator pro: tem:
Daniel Wing was chosen clerk pro: tem:

Emmanuel Darrow was chosen surveyor of Highways
Voted that the tax to be worked out by the
fifteenth day of September next.

Recorded by Daniel Wing Town Clerk. pro: tem.

Ripton ss. To Nicholas Little Constable of the Town of
Westport — — — — — Greeting —

You are hereby required in the name of the Comm-
-monwealth of Massachusetts to summon and notify
the freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town,
qualified by law to vote for Town Officers and
other Town affairs, to assemble at the Town House
in said Town on Monday the twenty eight Instant
at one o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following
articles (Viz) —

- 1st To Choose a Moderator of sd. meeting —
 - 2nd To receive information from their agent of the
Settlement of the Estate of Philip Sisson (deceased),
by Pileg Sisson's administration accounts thereon
and also of said Pileg Sisson's Guardianships accounts
against Robert and Elizabeth Sisson exhibited to
the Judge of Probate for allowance and what was
allowed thereon —
 - 3- To give such instructions and directions to their
agent as may appear necessary and proper about
further contesting said Guardians accounts —
 - 4 - To know the Opinion of the Town in regard to
petitioning the Judge of Probate to remove the said
Pileg Sisson from being Guardian any longer —
- Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant
and of your doings thereon unto the Selectmen on or
before said day —

Turn over

Given under our hands and seals this fourteenth day
of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred & twenty two -

Frederick Brownell } Selectmen
Isaac Hawland } of
Daniel Wing } Westport

Pursuant to the within warrant I have summoned
and notified the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport
qualified as herein expressed, to assemble at the time
and place and for the purposes within mentioned

Westport Oct. 24th. 1822 - Nicholas Little } Constable
Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town
of Westport holden at the Town House in sd. Town
on Monday the 28th day of October. D. 1822 -

1st Abner Brownell Esq. was chosen Moderator of
said meeting -

2nd Abner Brownell was chosen Clerk pro. tem.

Voted that this meeting be adjourned to Monday
November 4th. D. 1822 - at one of the Clock in
the afternoon -

November 4th. D. 1822 - Agreeable to adjournment
from the 28th day of October last - the Inhabitants
of Westport met accordingly -

Daniel Wing was Chosen Clerk - Pro tem

Voted that the report of Abner Brownell as Agent
for the Town of Westport in contesting the accounts
of Peleg Sisson as Administrator on Philip Sissons
estate, and as Administrator Guardian to
Robert Sisson & Elisabeth Sisson be accepted and
that the Town Clerk be required to file the same
together with a copy of James Gifford and his wife
Rhoda's bond to Peleg Sisson, and a copy Peleg
Sissons Obligations to James Gifford & his wife Rhoda

and The copies of Peleg Sissons Administration and
Guardianship accounts, and that the same be kept with
the Records of the Town.

Voted - That we approve of the Proceedings of Abner
Brownell as Agent for the Town in contesting the
accounts of Peleg Sissons Administration on Philip
Sissons Estate and his Guardianship accounts against
Robert Sisson and Elisabeth Sisson, - and
request said Brownell to oppose any petition that
said Peleg Sisson may present to any Court for
Licence to sell any land belonging to said Robert
and Elisabeth. persons now *compos mentis*, until there
is a legal division of the Estate in which said Robert
and Elisabeth is Interested.

Voted - That Abner Brownell and the Selectmen
of this Town be a Committee in behalf of the Town
to petition the Judge of Probate to remove Peleg Sisson
from being Guardian to Robert Sisson & Elisabeth
Sisson any longer for we consider his conduct has
rendered him very unsuitable for that place, and
we request them to use all legal and proper means
to obtain his removal as soon as may be -

Voted that the Selectmen be appointed as a Committee
to negotiate a settlement with Peleg Sisson if they
can make such a one as they think proper. -

Recorded by - Daniel Wing. Clerk pro. tem.

To Nicholas Little Constable of the Town of Westport

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Greeting -
You are hereby required in the name of the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and
warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport
qualified to vote for Representatives in the
General Court of said Commonwealth, to assemble
at the Town House in said Town on Monday the
fourth day of November next, being the first
Monday in said month, at one o'clock in the
afternoon - to give in their votes for a Represent-
-ative of the people of said Commonwealth in
the Congress of the United States for Bristol District.
Given under our hands and Seals this fifteenth
day of October D. 1822 -

Fredrick Brownell
Isaac Hawland } Selectmen
of
Westport

Daniel Wing was chosen Clerk pro. tem.
Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified
and warned the male Inhabitants of sd Town of
Westport qualified as therein expressed to meet at the
time and place for the purposes within mentioned
Oct. 24th. 1822 -

Nicholas Little Constable
of
Westport

Daniel Wing was chosen Clerk pro. tem.
At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town
of Westport, assembled at the Town House in sd
Town, on Monday the fourth day of November
D. 1822. at one o'clock in the afternoon - for
the purposes contained in the foregoing warrant
The following Persons were voted for - viz, -

Francis Baylis Esqr had Sixty three votes
Hercules Cushman Esqr had Four votes -
which were sorted counted, read and declaration
thereof made agreeable to Law -

Recorded by me Daniel Wing Clerk pro. tem.

At a legal meeting held at the House of Frederick
Brownell November 23. 1822 for the purpose of drawing
Jurors George W. Brownell and Benjamin Tripp
were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the Court of
Common Pleas to be holden at Taunton on the second
Monday of December next.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

At a legal meeting held at the House of
Frederick Brownell March 1. 1823 for the purpose
of drawing Jurors. Elijah Blossom was drawn
Grand Juror - Barker Gifford & Rufus Tripp
were drawn Traverse Jurors. to serve at the
Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Taunton
on the second Monday of this Instant.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

At a legal meeting held at the Store of Frederick
Brownell April 8th. 1823 for the purpose of drawing
Jurors. Nathan C. Brownell was drawn Grand Juror
John Potter & Shepherd Gifford were drawn Traverse
Jurors - to serve at the Supreme Judicial Court
to be holden at Taunton on Tuesday the 22^d of
this Instant;

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport held
at the Store of Frederick Brownell May 22. 1823
for the purpose of drawing Jurors. John A. Gifford and
Harcus Gifford were drawn traverse Jurors to serve
at the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at
Taunton on the second Monday of June next.

Recorded by F. Brownell J. Clerk

At a legal meeting ^{4th} held at the Store of Frederick Brownell August 22nd 1823 for the purpose of drawing Jurors - Abner B. Lifford and Green Lison were drawn traverse Jurors to serve at the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Taunton on the second Monday of September next

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

At a legal meeting held at the Store of Frederick Brownell November 28th 1823 for the purpose of drawing Jurors - Weston Allen and Joseph Davis were drawn traverse Jurors to serve at the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Taunton on the second Monday December next

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

At a legal meeting held at the Store of Frederick Brownell March 2nd A.D. 1824 for the purpose of drawing Jurors - Isaac Corey Jr. was drawn Grand Juror - George W. Davis and Daniel Brownell were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Taunton on the second Monday of March Instant.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

At a legal meeting held at the Store of Frederick Brownell April 3rd 1824 for the purpose of drawing Jurors - Emmanuel Devol was drawn Grand Juror - Henry Willcox & Nathaniel Tupper were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the Supreme Judicial Court to be holden at Taunton on the third Tuesday of April Instant.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Bristol Co. To Nicholas Little Constable of the
of Westport Greeting

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You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the Inhabitants of Town of Westport qualified by the Constitution for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Senators and Counsellors. To meet at the Town House on Monday the seventh day of April next at Eleven o'clock the forenoon, to give in their votes for Governor and Governor, Senator and Counsellors agreeable to the Constitution of said Commonwealth.

Given under our Hands and Seals at Westport aforesaid the Tenth day of March A.D. 1823

Frederick Brownell }
Daniel Wing } Sele
Isaac Howland } Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport aforesaid qualified agreeable to the Constitution - Assembled at the Town House in said Town on Monday the seventh day of April - For the purposes expressed in the foregoing Warrant - Votes for the following persons were given in: Sorted, counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution is directed viz.

For Gov^t. Hon: Harrison Gray Otis who had
One Hundred Seventy five votes — 175

Hon: William Custer who had
Forty four votes — 44

Hon: Daniel Noble who had
One Hundred seventy four votes — 174

Hon: Levi Lincoln who had
Forty five votes — 45

Oliver Starkweather One Hundred seventy four 174

Thomas Rotch One Hundred sixty eight — 168

Joseph E. Reed One Hundred seventy two — 172

James L. Hodges Forty three — 43

Stephen Merrihue forty three — 43

John Mason forty three — 43

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

At a legal meeting held at the house of Frederick Brownell May 29. 1824 for the purpose of drawing Jurors, Jonathan Apple and Jeremiah Devoe 2^d were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Taunton on the second Monday of June next.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

Bristol p. To Nicholas Little Constable of the Town of Westport ⁴⁷⁹ Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to Notify and warn the male Inhabitants of said Town qualified by Law to vote for Town Officers and in other Town affairs to meet and assemble at the Town House in said Town on the seventh day of April next at nine o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles viz

- 1 To choose a moderator to regulate said meeting
 - 2 To choose all such Town Officers as Towns by Law are authorized to choose annually
 - 3^d To choose a Committee to receive and examine all accounts brought against said Town and also to settle with Treasurer
 - 4 To determine what sum to raise by way of tax for the support of Schools. Poor, and other incidental charges.
 - 5th To determine what sum to raise by way of tax shall be expended in the repairs of Highways, and in what manner it shall be appropriated
 - 6th To devise the best method for the support of paupers
 - 7 To choose such other Committees or Agents as circumstances may render expedient.
 - 8th To give in their votes for a County Treasurer
 - 9th To know the Towns mind in regard to repairing the public landing at the Head of the East river and removing all incumbrances that shall be considered nuisances. — Given under our hands & seals at Westport aforesaid the tenth day of March A. D. 1823.
- Of this warrant and your doings you are to make returns on or before said day.

Frederick Brownell (Clerk)
Isaac Howland
Daniel Wing Westport
— turn over

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warn'd the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned by posting at Notifications at the Town House at F. Brownell's Store, at Isaac Cory's Store, & at Peckham & Howlands on this day

Westport March 20. 1823 Nicholas Little Constable of Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport aforesaid. qualified according to Law. Assembled at the Town House in said Town on Monday the seventh day of April at nine o'clock in the forenoon for the purposes contained in the foregoing Warrant -

Nathan C. Brownell Esq. Chosen Moderator

Frederick Brownell Town Clerk
& Town Treasurer - sworn before the Moderator -

Isaac Howland } Chosen Selectmen
Daniel Wing }
Frederick Brownell } & Sworn -

Barney Hicks } Committee on accounts
William White Esq }
Thomas Richmond }

Surveyors of Highways

Edmund Mosher chosen & sworn -
Stephen Borden - " - sworn
Gardner White -
Stephen Cornell Esq - " - sworn
Exam'd John A Gifford & Chas Ebenezer Baker - sworn -
Pelez Chase - " - sworn
Exam'd Peleg Dennis - & Chas Levi Gifford
Jeremiah Davol Esq

Pardon Gifford —————
 Joseph Davis ————— sworn
 Exmnd Thomas Records & John Jonathan Records — sworn
 Sylvester Brownell ————— sworn
 George C. Brownell ————— sworn
 David Sanford ————— sworn
 Abraham Manchester ————— sworn
 George Gifford ————— sworn
 Warton lease Jr ————— "
 Adam Gifford ————— sworn
 Ezekiel Brownell ————— sworn
 Nathan Wood ————— sworn
 Nicholas Gifford ————— sworn
 John Potter ————— sworn
 Major Allen —————
 Samuel Allen ————— sworn
 Obadiah Lawton —————
 John Brightman ————— sworn
 Weston Potter ————— sworn

\$1000. Voted that the sum of One thousand Dollars
 be raised for repairing Highways & Town ways
 in the Town of Westport the year ensuing to be
 assessed on the polls and Estate of the Inhabitants as
 other taxes are assessed And that the Assessors assess
 the same as soon as may be and deliver a list of
 the persons names and the sums they are assessed
 to each Surveyor of his limits according to Law
 That seventy five cents be allowed by the surveyors for
 a days work of a man or one horse oxen and in
 that proportion for parts of days. That twenty five cents
 be allowed for a cart or plow oneday — And that the
 aforesaid sum be expended one half by the first day
 of July & the other by the first day of September
 next. That snow be trodden down or removed
 in the same manner as was voted last year

1823

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Samuel Crocker Esq. had one Hundred
and seven votes for County Treasurer } 107

Voted That a Committee be chosen to ascertain the
situation and boundaries of the landing at the
Head of the East River - and report to the adj-
ournment of this meeting what measures in their
opinion is necessary for the Town to adopt -
relative thereto - William White D^r. Nathan
C. Brownell and Ebenezer Baker were chosen
the Committee for that purpose -

Voted That the Selectmen be a Committee to take
particular care of the landing. & see that there is no
more buildings put on - that there is none of the
Soil dug up and carried away and that it is not
obstructed unnecessarily.

Voted To adjourn this Meeting to Monday the twelfth
day of May next one o'clock afternoon - then
to meet again at this place - & it was
adjourned accordingly.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

At a legal Meeting held at the House of Frederick
Brownell on the third day of September A.D. 1824
for the purpose of drawing Jurors Levi Gifford
and Preston Potter were drawn Jurors to
serve at the C. of C. Pleas to be holden at Taunton
on the second Monday in September Instant

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

May 12. 1823 Agreed to adjournment from
the first Monday in April the Inhabitants of
Westport met accordingly - the following votes
were taken.

Isaac Howland
Daniel Wing } were chosen Assessors
Frederick Brownell } & sworn before A. Brownell

Nathan C. Brownell chosen Pound keeper -

Abner B. Gifford, Frederick Brownell,
Stephen Howland, Perry A. Macomber,
John Anthony, David M. Brownell,
Micah Dean, Jethro Howland,
& Perry Willot - chosen Surveyors of
Lumber & measurers of wood

Tillinghast Along. Micah Dean.
Cornelius White, Wing Howland, Benjamin Soule,
John Gifford, Thomas Winslow, Ephraim Thompson,
William Brownell, Zachus Gifford, Peleg Gifford,
George Gifford & David Sanford, Francis Tripp, &
Gilbert Macomber - chosen Tillingmen

Abraham Corneel, Sylvester Brownell, Nathan
C. Brownell, Willough Gifford, Adam Gifford,
George Gifford, Jonathan Davis, John Potter,
Edmund Tripp, Jonathan Records, chosen
Tene Viewers

Jethro Howland, Micah Dean, John Howland D^r
& Jonathan Tripp chosen Cutters of Hoops & Staves -

Jethro Howland & Gideon Davis
Cutters of Fish -

Stephen Cornell 2nd Willbourn Gifford.
 George Kirby, Russell Gifford, John Milk
 Abner Lawton, Pardon Gifford, Charles Little,
 Elijah Blossom, Nathaniel Tripp 2nd Silas Petty,
 Charles Manchester, Jish Brownell, Simon Crow,
 William G. Soules, Chosen Field Drivers —

Ephraim Macomber, Willbourn Gifford,
 Jonathan Taber, Phillip Davis, Elijah Blossom,
 Samuel Williot, David M. Brownell, Pardon Gifford,
 Charles Baker, Jonathan Gifford, Warton Macomber,
 Barney Hicks Gideon Davis, Abner Williot,
 Durfee Tripp, & Arnold Wood —

Chosen Hoag-reeves.

Gideon Davis, Pardon Allen, Perry Brightman,
 Daniel Wing, Perry Hazard.

Chosen Overseers of Fishery —

23 Voted to accept the report of the Committee which
 was chosen at the annual meeting, to ascertain the
 situation and boundaries of the landing at the
 head of the river, & that the same be recorded
 on the Towns book.

\$200. Voted that the sum of Two Hundred Dollars be
 raised by way of tax for the support of schools

Also voted that if the Town should be complained
 of within the year for not having schools agreeable
 to Law, that the expense if there should be any
 made against the Town be paid out of the two
 Hundred Dollars. —

\$1500. Voted that the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars
 be raised by way of tax on the polls & Estates of
 the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport for
 the support of the poor & other incidental
 charges to be assessed collected & paid in to
 the Town Treasurer on or before the first day
 of April next and the Assessors are hereby
 directed to assess said sum in the way and
 manner provided by law, and deliver a list
 or lists thereof to the collector as soon as may
 be. —

The Committee on accounts made a report in writing
 that they had attended the business assigned them &
 they had allowed to the several persons named in the
 list presented by them the several sums set against
 their respective names amounting in the whole
 to the sum of Eighteen Hundred Sixty four
 Dollars & Ninety four cents. — \$1864.94

It was thereupon voted to accept the report of the
 Committee and the Treasurer is directed to pay the
 several sums thus allowed by the Committee
 to the several persons therein named and charge
 the same to the Town.

The Committee also reports that agreeable to their
 appointment they made a settlement with the
 Treasurer and found that he had received for the
 Town the year past the sum of — \$1741.52
 And had paid out by his account — 1708.99

Making a balance in favour of the Town \$32.53

And made a settlement with him accordingly

The Committee further report that there was by the report of the Committee the last year a balance in favour of the Town between the sums assessed on the Town and the amounts that had been allowed the amount of \$146.76

And that there had been assessed on the Inhabitants the year past as by report this day presented \$1553.91 leaving a balance against the Town the sum of \$154.27

All which is respectfully submitted

William White 2^d
Barney Hicks
Thomas Richmond } Committee

May 12, 1823

Voted, that this meeting be adjourned to next Saturday May 17th at 1 O'clock P. M., then to meet again at this place.

Bristol ss. - To Nicholas Little Constable of the Town of Westport Greeting -

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport qualified by the constitution to vote for Representatives; To meet at the Town House in said Town ~~in said Town~~ on Monday the twentieth day of May next at 2 O'clock P. M. for the purpose of choosing one or more Representatives to represent them at the General Court appointed to be held & convened at Boston on the last Wednesday of May next. - And of this warrant with your doings thereon you are to make returns to the Selectmen on or before said time of Meeting - Given under our hands and seals this twenty third day of April A.D. 1823 -

Fredrick Brownell
Daniel Wing
Isaac Howland } Selectmen
of
Westport

Bristol ss. Westport May 12, 1823

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport, by posting up one notice at the Town House on the 28th of April last & one at J. Brownell's Store and one at Peckham & Howland's Store on the same day to assemble at the time and place & for the purpose within mentioned

Nicholas Little - Constable

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport held at the Town House on Monday the twentieth day of May A.D. 1823 agreeable to the foregoing warrant,

The Inhabitants were called upon to know whether they would send any representative, and there was no person that voted -

Recorded by Fredrick Brownell T. Clerk

Bristol So. To Nicholas Little Constable of the
Town of Westport Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport Qualified by Law to vote in Town affairs. To meet at the Town House in said Town on Monday the twelfth day of May next at three o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles viz.

- 1st To choose a Moderator to regulate said meeting.
- 2nd To know the Towns mind in regard to taking sand from the Horse neck point (so called) and to take such measures as may be thought proper and expedient.
- 3rd To know the Towns mind in regard to setting off Pardon Petty, Benjamin Petty, and Stephen Petty, from the School Districts they now belong to, and annexing them to some other Districts. —

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant and of your doings to the Town Clerk on or before said time of meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this twenty fifth day of April A.D. 1823

Fredrick Brownell, Selectman
Isaac Howland } Westport

Bristol So. Westport May 12. 1823

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport, by posting up one notice at the Town House on the 20th of April last and one at Fredrick Brownell's Store & one at Oakham & Howland's on the same day, — to assemble at the time and place & for the purpose within mentioned. —

Nicholas Little Constable

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified agreeable to Law, held at the Town House in said town on Monday the twelfth day of May A.D. 1823. For the purposes expressed in the foregoing warrant.

Nathan C. Brownell Esq. Chosen Moderator

Voted That the Selectmen prepare a petition and send it to the General Court requesting a Law to be made to prohibit the taking sand from the Horse neck point, in large quantities.

Voted That this meeting be adjourned to Saturday next the 17th day of this Inst: at 2 o'clock P.M. then to meet again at this place —

Recorded by Frederick Brownell T. Clerk
May 17, 1823 Agreeable to adjournment from the twelfth day of this Inst: the Inhabitants of Westport met accordingly —

Wm. Brownell Esq. Chosen Moderator Geo. Tins.

Nicholas Little Chosen Constable, & Collector of taxes for the year ensuing, on conditions of procuring sufficient Bonds before he receives the tax bills and doing, all the Towns Business as Constable gratis. To have 1⁰⁰ pr cent on all the money he shall collect for the Taxes of 1823 and produce receipts from the several Treasurers of paying in the same and to have no allowance for taking bad or uncurrent money — sworn before the Moderator

Voted. that this meeting be adjourned to the next Saturday in August next one o'clock P.M. then to meet again at this place.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell T. Clerk

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May. 17. Two O'clock P.M. agreeable to adjournment
from the twelfth day of this Instant. The Inhabitants
of Westport met accordingly —

Abner Brownell Esq. Chosen Moderator pro. tem.

Voted That: Pardon Petley, Benjamin Petley, and
Stephen Petley, with their property be set
off from School District N-13 and
annexed to School district N-12, Twelve

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Pistol ss. To Nicholas Little Constable of the Town
of Westport — Greeting: —

{L.S.}

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{L.S.}

You are hereby required in the name of the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Notify and warn
the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport qualified
by Law to vote in Town affairs — To meet at
The Town House in said Town on Saturday
the twenty ninth day of November Inst. at one
O'clock in the afternoon to act on the following
articles viz.

- 1st To choose a moderator to regulate said meeting
- 2nd To know the towns mind in regard to an indictment
found by the Grand Jury against this Town for not
keeping the Public Highway in repair that leads
from the Widow Ruth Rodell's House Eastward
to Dartmouth line. — and also to choose an agent
to attend to said Indictment, if thought necessary
and expedient. — Hereof fail not and make
return of this warrant and of your doings —

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At The Town clerk on or before said time of meeting
Given under our Hands and Seals this Eleventh day
of November in the Year of our Lord one thousand
eight Hundred and twenty three.

Frederick Brownell }
Daniel Wing } Selectmen
Isaac Howland } of
Westport

Pursuant to the within I have notified and warned
the Inhabitants of Westport within mentioned to meet at
the Town House in said Town as within mentioned
and for the purpose within mentioned by posting up
notifications at the following places in said Town of
Westport viz: at the Store of Peckham & Howland at
the Store of Frederick Brownell, at the Town House
& at Peckabush Point

Nicholas Little } Constable
Westport

Westport Nov^r 11th 1823.

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport aforesaid
qualified according to Law. Assembled at the Town
House in said Town on Saturday the twenty ninth
day of November A.D. 1823 at one o'clock in the
afternoon for the purposes expressed in the foregoing
warrant.

Daniel Wing Chosen Moderator.

Nathan C. Brownell Chosen Agent in behalf of the
Town to appear at the next Court of Common Pleas to
be holden at Taunton on the Second Monday of December
next to answer to an Indictment found by the Grand
Jury against the Inhabitants of this Town for not
keeping the Highway in repair that leads from Ruth
Wodells House Eastward to Dartmouth line,

The following is a list of the names of those persons who were proposed by the selectmen as jurors and accepted by the Town and ordered to be placed in the Jury box. viz

Weston Allen, Major Allen, George Allen, Green Allen, Job Allen, Jacob Allen, Joseph Brightman, Isaac M. Brownell, Nathan b. Brownell, Jereh Brownell, Daniel Brownell, George M. Brownell, David M. Brownell, George b. Brownell, Ezekiel Brownell, Elijah Blosson, Restorne Borden, Jabez Barker, Pardon Case, John Case, Isaac Cory Jr., Restorne Case, Warton Case Jr., John Cornell Jr., John Dyer Jr., Anthony Davis, George W. Davis, Joseph Davis, William S. Davis, Emmanuel Devol, Peter Devol, Jonathan Davis, Allen Devol, Jeremiah Devol 2nd, Russell Gifford, Jonathan Gifford, John Gifford of E. Zachus Gifford, Levi Gifford, John A. Gifford, Adam Gifford, Abner B. Gifford, Peleg Gifford, John W. Gifford, John B. Gifford, Easton Howland, Wing Howland, John W. Howland, Silas Kirby, Noah Kirby, Pardon Kirby, George Kirby, Isaiah Kirby, Obadiah Luster, Nicholas Little, John Lawrence, John Macomber, John Milk, Simon Macomber, Charles Macomber, Thomas W. Mayhew, Henry Palmer, Christopher Palmer, Restorne Potter, Weston Potter, John Potter, Jonathan Potter, Peleg W. Peckham, Joshua Potter, Phillips Potter, Jonathan Russell, Jonathan Records, Pardon Sherman, Elaid Sherman, Humphrey Sloan, Samuel Elaid, David Sisson, Jonathan Soule, Capt. Peleg Sisson Capt.

Edmund Tripp Jr., Ezekiel Tripp, Nathaniel Tripp Capt., Benjamin Tripp Jr., Rufus Tripp, Abner Williot of Silvanus, Luthon Wing, Daniel Wing, Henry Williot, Reuben Wait, George Wood, Luthon White, Wilson Wing, Nathan Wood, Thomas Winslow, Nicholas White.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell T. Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
Bristol Co. To Nicholas Little Constable of the Town of Westport - Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet at the Town House in said Town on Saturday the tenth day of January next at One O'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles viz.

- 1 - To choose a Moderator to regulate said meeting
- 2 - To know the Towns mind in regard to dividing School district N^o 6 and making of the same two districts for the better accommodations of its Inhabitants.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant and of your doings to the Town Clerk on or before said time of meeting. - Given under our hands and seals this twenty second day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight Hundred and twenty three.

(Daniel Wing, 2, Selectmen
Frederick Brownell) Westport

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January 1. 1824 Pursuant to the within warrant
I have summoned and notified the Inhabitants
of said Town of Westport, qualified as therein
expressed, to assemble at the time and place
and for the purposes within mentioned, by
posting up one notice at the Town House, one
at F. Brownell Store one at Isaac Corys Store
one at Peckham & Howlands Store, on the twenty
third day of December last.

Nicholas Little Constable of Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of
Westport aforesaid qualified according to Law
assembled at the Town House in said Town on
Saturday the tenth day of January A.D. 1824
for the purposes expressed in the foregoing warrant

Frederick Brownell Chosen Moderator

A motion was made for the meeting to be adjourned
to the first Monday in April next.
on taking a vote, the Majority voted against it

Voted that District N-6 be divided into two
School districts and that the wall that stands
in the line between Joseph Tripp's land and
land that formerly belonged to Christopher Gifford
be the line between the two Districts & that
it be a straight line with that wall westward
to the Shore, or West River and Eastward to the
Shore or East river.

The South District is N-6 and the North N-19 -

Recorded by Frederick Brownell T. Clerk

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Bristol Co. To Nicholas Little Constable of the Town
of Westport Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and
warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport
Qualified by the Constitution to vote for
Governor Lieutenant Governor Senators and
Counsellors - To meet at the Town House
on Monday the fifth day of April next at
Eleven O'clock in the forenoon, to give in
their votes for Governor Lieutenant Governor
Senators and Counsellors agreeably to the
Constitution of said Commonwealth.
Given under our hands and seals this
twelfth day of March A.D. 1824

Frederick Brownell
Daniel Wing
Isaac Howland } Selectmen
of Westport

Westport March 22, 1824 Pursuant to the within
warrant I have notified the Inhabitants
of said Town of Westport, by posting up one
notice at the Town House one at the Store of
Peckham & Howland & one at the Store of
Frederick Brownell on this day.

Nicholas Little Constable of Westport

At a legal meeting ⁴⁹⁶ of the Inhabitants of Westport aforesaid qualified agreeable to the Constitution. Assembled at the Town House in said Town on Monday the fifth day of April for the purposes expressed in the foregoing warrant Votes for the following persons were given in, sorted, counted, record and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution is directed viz —

For Gov^r: Hon^r: Samuel Lathrop who had Two Hundred & sixty three votes — 263

His Ex^{cy}: William Eustis who had Fifty nine votes — 59

For Lieut. Gov^r: Hon^r: Richard Sullivan who had Two Hundred & sixty four votes — 264
Hon^r: Marcus Morton who had Fifty eight — 58

Senators { Hon^r: Sylvester Brownell who had Two Hundred & sixty two votes — 262
Hon^r: Thomas Aitch who had Two Hundred & sixty three — 263
Hon^r: Oliver Starweather who had Two Hundred & sixty three — 263
Hon^r: James L. Hodges fifty nine — 59
Hon^r: James Mason fifty nine — 59
Hon^r: Solomon Pratt fifty nine — 59

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

¹⁸²⁴ Bristol p. To Nicholas Little constable of the Town of Westport ⁴⁹⁷ Greeting
You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town qualified by Law to vote for Town Officers and in other Town affairs to meet and assemble at the Town House in said Town on Monday the fifth day of April next at nine O'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles viz —
1. To choose a Moderator to regulate said Meeting
2. To choose all such Town Officers as Towns by Law are authorised to choose annually, and upon such conditions as the Majority shall there & then agree upon.
3. To choose a Committee to receive and examine all accounts brought against said Town, and also to settle with the Treasurer.
4. To determine what sum to raise by way of tax for the support of schools, Poor, and other incidental charges.
5. To determine what sum shall be expended in the repairs of Highways, and in what manner it shall be appropriated.
6. To devise the best method for the support of paupers, and also to take the sense of the Town in regard to providing a House wherein they may be supported together.
7. To choose such other Committees or agents in circumstances may render expedient.

To give in their votes for a County Treasurer
 given under our hands and seals this Twelfth
 day of March D. 1824.

Federick Brownell }
 Daniel Wing } Selectmen
 Isaac Howland } of
 Westport

Westport March 22, 1824 Pursuant to this warrant I
 have notified the Inhabitants of said Town of
 Westport by posting up one notice at the Town
 House one at the Store of Federick Brownell
 and one at the Store of Pelham & Howland
 Nicholas Little } Constable of Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport
 qualified according to Law, assembled at the Town House
 in said Town on Monday the fifth day of April
 at Nine O'clock in the forenoon for the purposes
 contained in the foregoing warrant.

Nathan C. Brownell Esq. Chosen Moderator

Federick Brownell Town Clerk & Treasurer
 & sworn before the Moderator

Daniel Wing }
 Federick Brownell } Chosen Selectmen & sworn
 Jonathan Davis } Also Assessors & sworn

Barney Hicks }
 William White 2nd } Chosen Committee on affs
 Abraham Thibault }

Finch Brownell — sworn
 Joshua Potter — sworn
 Gershom Woodell — sworn
 George Wood — sworn
 Stephen Cornell 2nd — sworn
 Ebenezer Baker — sworn
 Richard Lauston
 Samuel Woodell — sworn
 Jeremiah Devol 1st — sworn
 Isaac Manometer — sworn

Green Allen —
 Lanaan G. Dyer — sworn
 Sylvester Brownell — sworn
 George L. Brownell — sworn
 David Sanford — sworn
 Edward Manchester sworn
 Noah Thibault — sworn
 George White — sworn
 Adam Gifford — sworn
 Ezeiel Brownell — sworn
 Nathan C. Brownell —
 John Anthony — sworn
 John Potter — sworn
 Philip Tripp —
 Major Allen — sworn
 Samuel Allen — sworn
 John Macomber —
 William Gifford sworn
 Richard Gifford sworn

Pound Keeper }
 Isaiah Thibault }

Surveyors of Land }
 Abner B. Gifford }
 Federick Brownell }
 Stephen Howland }
 John Anthony }
 David M. Brownell }
 Micah Dean }
 Jethro Howland }
 Perry Willcox }

Highways }
 Tillingham }
 Tillingham }
 Micah Dean }
 Cornelius White }
 Wing Howland }
 Benjamin Soule }
 John Gifford }
 Thomas Winslow }
 Ephraim Thompson }
 William Brownell }
 Charles Gifford }
 Peleg Gifford }
 George Gifford }
 David Sanford }
 Francis Tripp }
 Gilbert Macomber }

\$1000. Voted That the sum of One Thousand Dollars be
 be raised for repairing Highways and Town ways in the
 Town of Westport the Year ensuing to be assessed on the polls
 and Estates of the Inhabitants as other taxes are assessed
 and that the Assessors assess the same as soon as may be
 and deliver a list of the persons names and of the sums
 they are assessed. To each surveyor of his limits according
 to Law. That seventy five cents be allowed by the
 Surveyors for a days work for a man or one yoke Oxen
 and in that proportion for parts of days. That twenty
 five cents be allowed for a cart or plow one day - And
 that the aforesaid sums be ~~expended~~ expended one half by the
 first day of July & the other half by the first day of
 September next. Voted That Snow be trodden down
 or removed in the same manner as was voted last
 Year

Adam Gifford	{	Shore Overseers of Landing at the Head of East river
John Anthony		
Jonathan Peckham		

Seine Viewers. Abraham Cornell, Peleg Manchester,
 Nathan C. Brownell, Willbur Gifford, Adam Gifford,
 George Gifford, Jonathan Davis, John Potter,
 Edmund Tripp, Jonathan Records.

Scalers of Hooks & Staves, Jethro Howland,
 Micah Dean, John Howland Jr, Stephen Howland,
 Scalers of Fish. — Jethro Howland, Gideon Davis,

Charles Foster had One Hundred & thirty
three votes, for County Treasurer — 133
Allen Presby had Fifty — — — 50
Amos Tacey had Forty. — — — 40

Isaac Howland, Abner Brownell, & Abraham
Heirby, were chosen a Committee, to look for
a Farm suitable, to support the paupers or
voted, That said Committee purchase a Farm for
the Town if they can find one: which they together
with the Selectmen shall think will be to the
Interest of the Town to purchase, for that purpose
voted, to adjourn this Meeting to the second
Monday in May next then to meet again at
this place at one O'clock P. M.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

May 10. 1824 - Agreeable to adjournment from the
first Monday in April the Inhabitants of
Westport met accordingly

The following Town Officers were chosen

Stephen Cornell 2nd, Wilbur Gifford, George Heirby,
Russell Gifford, John Miller, Abner Lawton, Pardon
Gifford, Charles Little, Elijah Blossom, Nathaniel
Tripp 2nd, Silas Pelley, Abraham Davis, Simeon Brew
William G. Sowler, were chosen Field drivers.

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 Ephraim Macomber, John Anthony,
 Wilbour Gifford, Pardon Gifford,
 Wing Howland, Charles Baker,
 Phillip Davis, Jonathan Gifford,
 Elijah Blossom, Warton Macomber,
 Samuel Wilcox, Barney Hicks, Gideon Davis,
 Abner Wilcox, William Tripp, Arnold Wood,
 — were chosen Hog-Reeves —

Gideon Davis, Pardon Allen, Perry Brightman,
 David Wing, Perry Hazard, were chosen Overseers
 of the Fishery.

Charles Shepard, Gifford chosen Constable
 and Collector of Taxes for the Year ensuing on
 condition of procuring sufficient Bonds before
 he receives the Tax Bills and doing all the Towns
 Business as Constable gratis, and to have 99 cents
 on a Hundred Dollars for all the money he
 shall collect for the Taxes of 1824 and produce
 receipts from the several Treasurers of paying
 in the same, & to have no allowance for bad
 or uncurrent money. Sworn before the Moderator

The Committee on accounts made a report in writing
 that they had attended the business assigned them and
 they had allowed to the several persons named in
 the list presented by them the several sums set
 against their names. Amounting in the whole to
 the sum of Eighteen Hundred eighty two Dollars.

and fourteen cents

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It was thereupon voted to accept the report of the
 Committee excluding the allowance to Pardon
 Cornell and Tillinghast Almy, and the Treasurer
 is directed to ^{pay} the other sums allowed by the Committee
 to the several persons therein named and charge
 the same to the Town.

The Committee also report that agreeable to their
 appointment they made a settlement with the
 Treasurer and found that he had received for
 the Town the year past the sum of \$1525.58
 & had paid out by his account — 1517.77

Making a balance in favour of the Town 7.81

And made a settlement with him accord-
 -ingly.

The Committee further report that there was by
 the report of the Committee the last year a
 balance against the Town between the sums ass-
 -essed on the Town the year past, and the amounts
 that had been allowed against the Town the sum
 of \$164.27

And that there had been assessed on the Inhabitants
 the year past as by report this day presented \$1761.68

Leaving a balance against the Town the
 sum of — \$284.73

All which is respectfully submitted

May 1. 1824

William White 2^d
 Abraham Kirby } Committee

Voted, That Peleg Sisson Esq. be paid Seventy
\$72.19 two Dollars Nineteen Cents. out of the
Town Treasury; & the Treasurer is hereby
ordered to pay it & charge it to the Town.

\$200. Voted, that the sum of Two Hundred Dollars
be raised by way of Tax for the support of schools.

Also voted, that if the Town should be complained
of within the year for not having schools agreeable
to Law. that the expense if there should be
any made against the Town. be paid out of
the aforesaid Two Hundred Dollars.

\$2900. Voted, that the sum of Twenty Nine Hundred
Dollars. be raised by way of tax on the polls &
Estates of the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport
for the support of the poor, for extinguishing the
debts against the Town. and other incidental
charges to be assessed & collected & paid in to
the Town Treasurer One half by the first
day of December next & the other half by the
First day of April next; and the assessors are
hereby directed to assess said in the way and
manner provided by Law. and deliver a list
or lists thereof to the Collector as soon as may
be.

Voted to adjourn this meeting to the last
Saturday in August next at One O'clock P.M.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk.

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To Frederick Brownell Town Clerk of Westport this
will inform you that the subscribers Assessors of said Town
have determined that the property of Jeremiah Brownell
& Elihu Gidley both of Westmouth shall be taxed in
School district No 5 and you will record the same
agreeable to Law. Daniel Wing,
Frederick Brownell } Assessors

Bristol ss. To Nicholas Little constable of the
Town of Westport
You are hereby required in the name of the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and
warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport
Qualified by the Constitution to vote for Representatives
to meet at the Town House in said Town on
Monday the tenth day of May next at two
O'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of choosing
one or more representatives to represent them
at the General Court appointed to be convened
and held at Boston on the last Wednesday
of May next. And of this warrant and of your
doings thereon you are to make return to the
subscribers on or before said time of meeting.
Given under our hands and seals this twenty third
day of April A.D. 1824.

Daniel Wing,
Frederick Brownell } Selectmen
Jonathan Davis } of Westport

Westport May 3. 1824 By virtue of the within
warrant I have notified the Inhabitants of Westport
to meet at the time and place and for the purpose
within mentioned by posting up one Notice at the Town
House one at the Store of Perkins & Howland

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and one at the Store of Frederick Brownell fourteen
days before the time of Meeting

Nicholas Little Constable
of
Westport.

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport
qualified agreeable to Law Assembled at the Town
House in said Town on Monday the Sixth day
of May A.D. 1824 for the purpose expressed in the
foregoing warrant — And it was there & then
voted that this Town send no Representative

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

Bristol ss. To Charles S. Gifford Constable of the Town
of Westport. Greeting

L.S. You are hereby required in the name of the common-
wealth of Massachusetts, to Notify and warn the Inhab-
itants of said Town of Westport qualified by Law
to vote in Town affairs — To meet at the Town House
in said Town on Monday the twenty third day of
August Inst: at two O'clock in the afternoon to act
on the following articles viz.

1st To choose a Moderator to regulate said Meeting
2nd To know the Towns mind in regard to an action
commenced against the Town by Peleg Chase for
work done on the Highway and also to choose
an agent for that, and for other purposes if thought
necessary and expedient — Hereof fail not and
make return of this warrant and your doings
thereon on or before said time of Meeting

Given under our hands and seals this third

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day of August in the Year of our Lord one
Thousand eight Hundred and twenty four

Daniel Wing
Frederick Brownell
Selectmen
of
Westport

Westport August 9, 1824 Pursuant to the within I have
notified and warned the Inhabitants within mentioned
to meet as within mentioned & for the purpose or purposes
within mentioned by posting up notifications thereof
at the Town House, at the Store of Peckham & Thoburn
at the Store of Frederick Brownell and at Peckham's Point
all in said Westport. Charles S. Gifford Constable of
Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport qualified
according to Law. Assembled at the Town House in
said Town on Monday the 23^d day of August A.D. 1824
at two O'clock in the afternoon for the purpose expressed
in the foregoing Warrant.

Abner Brownell Esq. Chosen Moderator

Voted, that the Towns Treasurer pay Peleg Chase
his account \$6.50 and costs of prosecution —

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

At a legal meeting held at the House of Frederick Brownell
on the Eighth day of October A.D. 1824 for the pur-
pose of drawing Jurors — George Allen was drawn Grand
Juror and Reuben Wait & Nicholas Little were
drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the Supreme
Judicial Court to be holden at Taunton on the third
Tuesday of this Inst: Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

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To Charles S. Gifford Constable of the Town
of Westport Greeting

Q. D. You are hereby required in the name of the common-
wealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the
Q. S. Inhabitants of said Town of Westport qualified
by Law to vote for Representatives in the Gen-
eral Court of said Commonwealth, to assemble at
the Town House in said Town on Monday
the first day of November next at One O'clock
in the afternoon to give in their votes for a
Representative of the People of said Commonwealth
in the Congress of the United States for Bristol
District. - Given under our hands and Seals
this twelfth day of October A.D. 1824

Daniel Wing
Frederick Brownell } Selectmen
Jonathan Davis } of
Westport

Westport October 16. 1824 Pursuant to the within
I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of
Westport within mentioned to assemble as within
mentioned by posting up notifications thereof at
Cory's Store at S. Brownell's Store and Peckham
& Howland's Store Charles S. Gifford } Constable
Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of
Westport Assembled at the Town House in said Town
on Monday the first day of November A.D. 1824
at One O'clock in the afternoon for the purpose
contained in the foregoing Warrant the following
persons were voted for viz.
Hon: Francis Baylis had thirty nine votes 39
Hon: James L. Hodges had seven votes 7
Which were sorted, counted, record and declaration thereof made
agreeable to Law Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
Bristol ss. To Charles S. Gifford Constable of the Town
of Westport Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the common-
wealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn
The Male Inhabitants of said Town of Westport, qual-
ified by Law to vote for Representatives in the
General Court of said Commonwealth, to assemble
at the Town House in said Town on Monday the
first day of November next at two O'clock in the
afternoon to give in their votes for fifteen Electors
of President and Vice President of the United
States. Qualified according to the Constitution thereof
Given under our hands & Seals this twelfth day of
October A.D. 1824.

Daniel Wing
Frederick Brownell } Selectmen
Jonathan Davis } of
Westport

Pursuant to the within I have notified and warned the
Inhabitants of Westport within mentioned to assemble
as within mentioned by posting up notifications thereof
at Cory's Store at F. Brownell's Store and at Peckham
& Howland's Store, Charles S. Gifford } Constable
Westport Oct. 16. 1824

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport
Assembled at the Town House in said Town on Monday
the first day of November A.D. 1824 at Two O'clock
in the afternoon for the purposes contained in the
foregoing warrant the following persons were
voted for - viz.

Electors at large
Hon: William Baylis had Twenty five votes 25
Hon: William Reed - " - Twenty five votes 25
Hon: William Lyray - " - Eleven votes 11
Hon: Levi Lincoln - " - Eleven - " 11

Electors for Suffolk District

Hon: Samuel Hubbard Twenty five votes — 25
 Hon: Thomas L. Winthrop Eleven — 11

Essex South District

William Sutton Esq. — Twenty five — 25
 Hon: Nathaniel Silsbee — Eleven — 11

Essex North

David How Esq. — Twenty five — 25
 Dr. Joseph Pittredge — Eleven — 11

Middlesex

Hon: Edmund Foster — Twenty five — 25
 Augustus Tower Esq. — Eleven — 11

Worcester South

Dr. Daniel Sherber — Twenty five — 25
 Gen: Jonathan Davis — Eleven — 11

Worcester North

Hon: Solomon Strong — Twenty five — 25
 Col: Edmund Cushing — Eleven — 11

Franklin

Gen: Samuel Porter — Twenty five — 25
 Oliver Smith Esq. — Eleven — 11

Hampden

Dr. Timothy Horton — Twenty five — 25
 Enos Foot Esq. — Eleven — 11

Berkshire

Hon: William Walker — thirty six — 36

Norfolk

Hon: Benjamin Reynolds — Twenty five — 25
 Hon: John Endicott — Eleven — 11

Plymouth

Benjamin Hobart Esq. — Twenty five — 25
 Hon: Thomas Weston — Eleven — 11

Bristol

Hon: John M. Williams — Twenty five — 25
 Cornelius Grinnell Esq. — Eleven — 11

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Barnstable District

Nymphas Marston Esq.	Twenty five	25
Hosekiah Barnard Esq.	Eleven	11

which were sorted, counted, recd and declaration
thereof made agreeable to Law.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Bristol ss. To Charles S. Gifford Constable of the
Town of Westport — Greeting

(L.S.) You are hereby required in the name of said
Commonwealth to notify and warn the Inhabi-
tants of said Town of Westport qualified by
(L.S.) Law to vote for Representatives in the General
of said Commonwealth — To assemble at the
Town House in said Town on Monday the third
day of January next at One O'clock in the
afternoon, to give in their votes for one Repre-
sentative, that is an Inhabitant of Bristol
District, to represent them in the Congress
of the United State of America
Given under our hands and seals this twentieth
day of December A.D. 1824 —

Frederick Brownell }
Daniel Wing } Selectmen
Jonathan Davis } of
Westport

Bristol ss. Pursuant to the within Warrant I have
notified the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport to
assemble as is within directed by Posting up notification
at the Store of Peckham & Howland A. Anthony's
F. Brownell's Isaac Cory's &c
(Dec 20. 1824) C. S. Gifford } Constable
Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport. Assembled at the Town House in said Town on Monday the third day of January A.D. 1825 at One O'clock in the afternoon for the purposes expressed in the foregoing Warrant - The following persons were voted for viz

Francis Baylies Esq. had Two Hundred } - 215
and Fifteen votes

James L. Hodges had Twenty four votes - 24

Which were sorted, counted, record and declaration thereof made agreeable to Law.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Bristol ss. To Charles S. Gifford Constable of the Town of Westport Greeting
You are hereby required in the name of said Commonwealth, To Notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport qualified by Law to vote in Town affairs to meet at the Town House in said Town on Monday the third day of January next at Two O'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles viz -

- 1st To choose a moderator to regulate said meeting
- 2 - To know the Town's mind in regard to an Indictment found against said Town by the Grand Jurors for said County - for not having Schools agreeable to Law. and also to choose an agent to attend to that and for other purposes if thought necessary and expedient.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant and your doings thereon on or before said time of Meeting & Given under our hands and seals this twentieth day of December A.D. 1824

Frederick Brownell Selectmen of
Jonathan Davis } Westport

Bristol ss. Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport to assemble as is within directed by posting up notifications at the Store of Peckham & Howland A. Anthony's F. Brownell, J. Corji &

Dec. 20, 1824 C. S. Gifford } Constable of
Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport aforesaid qualified according to Law - Assembled at the Town House in said Town on Monday the ~~at~~ third day of January A.D. 1825 at two O'clock in the afternoon for the purposes expressed in the foregoing warrant

Nathan C. Brownell Esq. chosen Moderator

Jonathan Davis chosen an Agent in behalf of the Town to defend the action commenced against said Town for not having Schools agreeable to Law, & to settle it on the best conditions he can.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell
Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport held at the House of Frederick Brownell on the Twenty second day of February A.D. 1825 for the purpose of drawing Jurors - John Mawmber was drawn Grand Juror - Ezechiel Tapp & Peleg Gifford were drawn traverse Jurors to serve at the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Taunton on the second Monday of March next, Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport held at the House of Frederick Brownell on the fifth day of April A.D. 1825 for the purpose of drawing Jurors P. W. Peckham was drawn Grand Juror Job Allen and David Sisson were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the Supreme Judicial Court to be holden at Taunton on the third Tuesday of this Instant.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport held at the Store of Frederick Brownell on the sixth day of June A.D. 1825 for the purpose of drawing Jurors John Gifford (son of Ephraim) and Abner Willcox 2nd were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Taunton on the second Monday of June Instant. Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport held at the Store of Frederick Brownell on the 27th day of August 1825 for the purpose of drawing Jurors Peter Dovel 2nd & Edmund Tripp Jr were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Taunton on the second Monday in September next

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
Bristol Co. To Charles Gifford Constable of
The Town of Westport - Greeting
You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport qualified by the Constitution to vote for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Senators and Counsellors. To meet at the Town House in said Town on Monday the fourth day of April next at Eleven O'clock in the forenoon to give in their votes for Governor Lieutenant Governor Senators and Counsellors agreeable to the Constitution of said Commonwealth.

Given under our hands and seals at Westport this fourteenth day of March A.D. 1825

Frederick Brownell & Selectmen
(Daniel Wing)

Bristol Co. Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport to meet at the Town House as within directed by posting up notifications at Frederick Brownell's Store at Peckham & Howlands Store and at the Town House &c.
Charles S. Gifford Constable of Westport
Westport March 21. 1825

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport aforesaid qualified agreeable to the Constitution assembled at the Town House in said Town on Monday the fourth day of April for the purposes expressed in the foregoing warrant

Votes for the following persons were given in
voted, Counted, record and declaration thereof
made as by the Constitution is directed viz

For Governor Hon; Levi Lincoln who
had Fifty four votes 54

For Lieutenant Governor
Hon; Marcus Morton who had
Fifty four votes 54

Senators { Hon; Thomas Petch who had thirty eight
votes 38
Hon; John Mason who had Fifty
votes 50
Joseph Tripp Esq. Fifty four votes - 54
Hon; Solomon Pratt Sixteen votes - 16
Hon; Matthew Mayhew five votes - 5

Recorded by Frederick Brownell
Town Clerk

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Justice S. L. Charles S. Gifford Constable of the
Town of Westport — Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Com-
monwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the
Inhabitants of said Town Qualified by Law to vote for
Town Officers and in other Town affairs to assemble
at the Town House in said Town on Monday the fourth
day of April next at nine of the Clock in the forenoon
to act on the following articles viz;

- 1 To Choose a Moderator to regulate said Meeting
 - 2 To Choose all such Town Officers as Towns by Law
are authorized to Choose annually, and upon such
conditions as the majority shall there of then agree
 - 3 To Choose a Committee to receive and examine all
accounts brought against said Town and also to settle
with the Treasurer.
 - 4 To determine what sum to raise by way of tax for
the support of schools, and in what manner it
shall be apportioned, and also to know the Towns
mind in regard to providing a Schoolmaster or
Schoolmasters well Instructed in the Latin and Greek
languages.
 - 5 To determine what sum to raise by way of tax for the support
of paupers and other incidental charges.
 - 6 To determine what sum shall be expended in the repairs
of Highways, and in what manner it shall be appro-
priated
 - 7 To choose such other Committees or agents as Circum-
stances may render expedient
 - 8 To know the Towns mind in regard to regulating
the Oyster Fishery
 - 9 To give in their votes for a County Treasurer
- Given under our hands & Seals this Fourteenth day of March
At Westport N. D. 1825
Frederick Brownell Selectman
Daniel King

Bristol N. H. Pursuant to this warrant I have notified the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport to meet at the Town House as within directed by posting up Notifications at Frederick Brownell's Store at Peckham and Howlands Store and at the Town House &c.

Westport March 21. 1825 Charles S. Gifford Constable of Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport qualified according to Law, Assembled at the Town House in said Town on Monday the fourth day of April at nine O'clock in the forenoon for the purposes contained in the foregoing warrant.

Nathan C. Brownell Esq. Chosen Moderator

Frederick Brownell Chosen Town Clerk & sworn

Frederick Brownell Chosen Town Treasurer

Daniel Wing
Frederick Brownell } Chosen Selectmen & sworn
Jonathan Davis

Frederick Brownell }
Daniel Wing } Chosen Assessors & sworn
Jonathan Davis

Noted That all other Town Officers be chosen by hand vote

Barney Hooks
Abner B. Gifford } Chosen Committee on accounts
John Macomber

Chosen Surveyors of Highways — viz. —

Gilbert Macomber — sworn

William Trapp Capt. — sworn May 21st

Gershom Woodell — sworn —

Emmanuel Devol — sworn —

Stephen Cornell 2^d — sworn —

Ebenezer Baker — sworn

Abner Willcox — sworn May 21st

Isaac Gifford — sworn

Pelez Reed — sworn —

Samuel Slade — sworn —

Abner Davis — sworn

Lanaan G. Dyer — sworn

Sylvester Brownell — sworn

George C. Brownell — sworn

David Sanford — sworn —

Pelez Brownell — sworn

Tillinghast Almy — sworn

Luthon White — sworn — sworn —

Nicholas Little — sworn

Ezekiel Brownell — sworn

Nathan C. Brownell — sworn before A. Bapett.

Pelez W. Peckham — sworn

John Potter — sworn

John Gifford — sworn

David Wing — sworn —

Samuel Allen — sworn

Shabod Hurling — sworn —

William T. Davis — sworn

Pardon Shearman — sworn

David Brownell Chosen Pound keeper — sworn

Abner, B. Gifford, Frederick Brownell, Stephen Howland, John Anthony, David M. Brownell, Eliak Dean, Jethro Howland, & Perry Willcox

Chosen Surveyors of Lumber —

Micah Dean^{sworn}, Cornelius White, Wing Howland,
Benjamin Soule, John Gifford, Thomas Winslow,
Ephraim Thompson, William Brownell, Parkes Gifford,
Pelez Gifford, George Gifford, David Sanford, Francis
Tripp and Gilbert Macomber, were chosen
Lytthingmen.

Adam Gifford, John Anthony Jonathan Puckham,
and Pardon Gifford were chosen Overseers of Landing
at the Head of the East river.

Pelez Manchester, Nathan L. Brownell, Willbur Gifford
Adam Gifford^{sworn} George Gifford John Potter^{sworn} Edmund
Tripp, Jonathan Records^{sworn}, Major Allen, and
Humphrey Sloums, were chosen Fence viewers —
Willbur Gifford & Humphrey Sloums were sworn —

Jethro Howland, Micah Dean, John Howland &
& Stephen Howland were chosen cutters of hoops
and staves.

Jethro Howland, & Gideon Davis were chosen
cutters of Fish

Stephen Cornell^{2nd}, Willbur Gifford, George Kirby,
Russell Gifford, John Milk, Abner Lawton,
Pardon Gifford, Charles Little, Elijah Blossom,
Nathaniel Tripp^{2nd} Silas Petey Abraham Davis
Simon Law, and William G. Soule were chosen
Field drivers.

Charles Porter had Fifty eight votes

James L. Hodge — Seventeen —

Abner Tobey — One

— — — — — for County Treasurer — — —

\$1000. Voted, That the sum of One Thousand Dollars be raised for repairing Highways and Town ways in the Town of Westport the Year ensuing to be assessed on the polls and Estates of the Inhabitants as other taxes are assessed and that the Assessors assess the same as soon as may be and deliver a list of the persons names and of the sums they are assessed to each Surveyor of his limits according to Law. That seventy five cents be allowed by the surveyor for a days work of a man or one Yoke Oxen and in that proportion for parts of days that twenty five cents be allowed for a Cart or plow one day - and that the aforesaid sum be expended one half by the first day of July next and the other by the first day of ~~September~~ next. And that snow be trodden down or removed in the same manner as was voted last year.

Voted, That this meeting be adjourned to the second Monday in May next. then to meet again at this place one O'clock P. M.

Recorded by Frederick Brownup Town Clerk

May 9. 1825 - Agreeable to adjournment from the first Monday in April the Inhabitants of Westport met accordingly — The following Town Officers were chosen

Ephraim Macomber, Willbur Gifford, Wing Howland, Phillip Davis, Elijah Blossom, Samuel Willcox, John Anthony, Warton Macomber, Barry Hicks, Gideon Davis, Abner Willcox William Tripp. & Arnold Wood, were chosen Hoag Reeves.

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Gideon Davis, Gordon Allen, Perry Brightman,
David King, Perry Harward, were chosen
Overseers of the Fishery

The Committee on accounts made a Report in
writing that they had attended to the business assigned
them and that that they had found due to the several
persons named in the list presented by them the several
sums set against their names amounting in the
whole to the sum of Sixteen Hundred fifty one
Dollars and seventy four Cents — \$1651.74

It was thereupon voted to accept the report of the Com-
mittee and direct the Treasurer to pay the sums
found due by the Committee to the several persons
therein named & charge the same to the Town

The Committee also made a report that agreeable
to appointment they had examined the accounts of the
Treasurer and found that he had received for the Town
the year past the sum of — \$3404.52
& had paid out by his account the sum of 2670.16

Making a balance in favour of the Town 734.36

And made a settlement with him accordingly
The Committee further report that there was by the
report of the Committee last year a balance against
the Town between the sum assessed on the Town
the year before and the amounts that had been allowed
against the Town the sum of — \$356.92

That the amount of accounts they } 1651.74
had allowed being — }
making 2008.66

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And that there had been assessed on the
Inhabitants the year past as by report this day
presented the sum of — \$3136.08

leaving a balance in favour of the } \$1127.42
Town the sum of

All which is Respectfully Submitted

May 9, 1825
Abner B. Gifford }
Barney Hicks } Committee
John Macomber }

(Voted) — That the Law which requires this Town to
employ Schoolmasters Instructed in the Greek
and Latin Languages be dispensed with —

(Voted) — That the Selectmen provide Schools for
the Inhabitants of this Town agreeable to
Law, and that they draw orders on the Treasurer
for the Expenses

Voted To remitt Pleg Sissons Tax assessed on him
in 1824 in consequence of his keeping his Brother
& Sister the year past.

\$3000. Voted. That the sum of Three thousand Dollars
be raised by way of tax on the Polls and Estates of the
Inhabitants of the Town of Westport for the support
of the Poor, for Public Schools towards extinguishing
the debts against the Town and other incidental charges
to be assessed collected & paid in to the Town Treasurer
one half by the first day of December next and the other by
the first day of April next. and the Assessors are hereby
directed to assess said sum in the way & manner pro-
-vided by Law. and deliver a list or lists thereof —

To the Collector as soon as may be

Tillinghast Almy Abner B. Gifford & James H. Handy Esqrs. Chosen a Committee for the purpose of preparing a petition to send to the General Court for the purpose of having the County of Bristol divided — A petition was prepared, read in Town meeting and accepted by vote and ordered to be presented to the next General Court —

Voted that this meeting be adjourned to Saturday the twenty first day of May Inst. at 2 O'clock P.M.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

To Charles S. Gifford Constable of the Town of Westport Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport qualified by the Constitution to vote for Representatives — To meet at the Town House in said Town on Monday the Ninth day of May next at two O'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of choosing one or more representatives to represent them at the General Court appointed to be convened and held at Boston on the last Wednesday of May next And of this warrant with your doings thereon you are to make return to the Selectmen on or before said time of meeting —
Given under our hands and Seals this Nineteenth day of April A.D. 1825

Daniel Wing }
Frederick Brownell } Selectmen

Bristol ss. Westport April 20. 1825

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the Inhabitants of Westport to appear at the Town House as within directed by posting Notifications at the Office of F. Brownell, &c

C. S. Gifford } Constable of Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport qualified agreeable to Law. Assembled at the Town House in said on Monday the ninth day of May A.D. 1825 for the purpose expressed in the foregoing warrant And it was there & then voted that this Town send three Representatives — Votes for the following persons were given in sorted, counted, record & declaration thereof made as by the Constitution is directed viz.

Abner B. Gifford Esq. who had Twenty votes	— 20
Tillinghast Almy Esq. Twenty —	20
Nathan C. Brownell Esq. — Fifteen —	15
Dea James H. Handy — Five —	5

Recorded by me Frederick Brownell T. Clerk

Bristol ss. To Charles S. Gifford Constable of the Town of Westport Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport qualified by Law to vote in Town affairs to meet at the Town House in said Town on Monday the Ninth day of May next at three O'clock P.M. to act on the following articles viz. —

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- 1st To choose a moderator to regulate said meeting -
 - 2^d To choose a collector of taxes to finish the collection of the taxes assessed in the Year A.D. 1824 -
- Given under our hands & Seals this Nineteenth day of April A.D. 1825
- Frederick Brownell }
Daniel Wing } Selectmen

Bristol for Westport April 20. 1825

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of Westport to appear at the Town House in said Town as within directed by posting up Notifications at the Office of Frederick Brownell and at the Store of D. M. Brownell.

G. V. Gifford Constable of Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport aforesaid qualified agreeable to Law Assembled at the Town House in said Town on Monday the Ninth day of May A.D. 1825 for the purpose expressed in the foregoing warrant -

Nathan C. Brownell Esq. was Chosen Moderator

Voted to adjourn this Meeting to Saturday the twenty first day of May Inst. at 3 O'clock P.M.

Agreeable to adjournment from the 9th day of this Inst. the Inhabitants of Westport met accordingly

Abner B. Gifford Esq. was Chosen Moderator pro. tem.

George C. Brownell Chosen collector of taxes to finish the collection of taxes assessed in the Year A.D. 1824 to have one & a half per cent on what he collects and pays into the Treasury & to have no allowance for uncurrent money

Recorded by Frederick Brownell T. Clerk

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Agreeable to adjournment from Monday the ninth of May Instant, the Inhabitants of Westport met accordingly - the following votes were taken viz.

Voted. That the vote which was taken Nov-4. 1822 respecting the report of Abner Brownell as agent for this Town in contesting Peleg Sissons administration accounts be reconsidered.

Abner B. Gifford Esq. Chosen Moderator pro. tem.
Voted That the Town Clerk deliver to Peleg Sisson the Report of Abner Brownell Agent as aforesaid together with a copy of James Gifford & his wife Rhoda's bond to Peleg Sisson & a copy of Peleg Sissons obligation to James Gifford and his wife Rhoda -

John Potter. & Pardon Allen were chosen Overseers of the landing at the Point.

Voted. That Twenty six Dollars be paid by the Town Treasurer to Barbary Dovel for expenses incurred in supporting herself from May 20. 1824 to May 20. 1825 - & that he charge the same to the Town

Voted. That the Representatives be instructed to use their influence in having an Act passed by the Legislature regulating the Oyster Fishery so that the Town may sell the privilege of taking Oysters in s. Town for such time & under such regulations as the Town shall direct & that the emolument arising from said privilege be appropriated to such purposes as the Inhabitants in Town meeting may determine

George Cook Brownell Chosen Constable & collector of taxes for the year ensuing on the same conditions the Constable was Chosen last year to have one & a half per cent on all the money he shall collect of the taxes of 1825 and produce receipts from the several Transurers of

paying in the same. Sworn before the
Moderator.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Clerk

Bristol, N. H. To George C. Brownell Constable of the Town of Westport
Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you
are required to summon and notify the Inhabitants
of said Town qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to meet
at the Town House in said Town on Friday the Eleventh day of
November next at two O'clock in the afternoon to act on the
following articles viz:

1st To choose a Moderator

2nd To know the Towns mind in regard to the doings of the
Selectmen in laying out a Private way over Arnold Woods
land for the use of Nathan Wood.

Given under our hands and Seals this twenty eighth day
of October A.D. 1825. Frederick Brownell Selectmen
Daniel Wing — Westport

Bristol, N. H. Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified
and warned the Inhabitants of Westport within mentioned
to meet at the time and place within mentioned & for the
purpose within mentioned by posting up notices at the Town
House & at the Store of Frederick Brownell.

Westport Oct. 29, 1825

George C. Brownell Constable

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport held
at the House of Frederick Brownell on the first day of
December 1825 for the purpose of drawing Jurors —
Wing Howland & Silas Keith were drawn Traverser
Jurors to serve at the Court of Common Pleas to be
holden at Taunton on the second Monday in this month
Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of
Westport held at the Town House in said Town on Friday
the Eleventh day of November A.D. 1825 at Two O'clock
in the afternoon for the purposes contained in the foregoing
Warrant

Voted to accept of the Return of a Private way laid out by
the Selectmen over Arnold Woods land, for the use of Nathan
Wood — and that the same be Recorded.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport held
at the Town House on the seventh day of March 1826
for the purpose of drawing Jurors — Willson Wing was
drawn Grand Juror. Luthon Wing & Sherrman Slawp
were drawn Traverser Jurors to serve at the Court of Common
Pleas to be holden at Taunton on the second Monday
in March Inst;

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

Bristol ss. To George C. Brownell Constable of the
Town of Westport — Greeting —

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to summon and notify the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town qualified by Law to vote in Town affairs — To meet and assemble at the Town House in said Town on Saturday the eighteenth day of February Inst: at two O'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles viz—

- 1st To Choose a Moderator to regulate said meeting —
- 2nd To know the Towns mind in regard to making a new School District by setting off a part of District No 10, 11 and 12 for the better accommodation of some of the Inhabitants of each District.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant to us the subscribers on or before said time of meeting given under our hands and seals this first day of February A. D. 1826.

Fredrick Brownell }
Daniel Wing — } Subscribers
Westport

Bristol ss. February 18. 1826 By virtue of the within Warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned by posting up one notice at the Store of Pukham & Howland and one at the Store of Fredrick Brownell fourteen days prior to the date hereof

George C. Brownell } Constable

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified according to Law. Assembled at the Town House in said Town on Saturday the eighteenth day of February A.D. 1826 for the purpose expressed in the foregoing Warrant:

Moses B. Gifford Esq. was chosen Moderator

Voted That there be a new School District formed to be numbered Twenty to include Ephraim Kirby, Job Lawton, Edmund Tripp, Benjamin Tripp^d, John Wait and John Macomber on the West. David Kirby on the South, Saz Brownell & Obadiah Lawton on the East & Benjamin Tripp^d on the North.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk.

Bristee Esq. To George B. Brownell Constable of the Town of Westport

L. S.
L. S.

Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts To summon and notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town qualified by Law to vote in Town affairs - To meet and assemble at the Town house in said Town on Tuesday the seventh day of March next at two O'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles

- 1st To choose a Moderator to regulate said Meeting
- 2nd To know the Towns mind in regard to reconsidering a vote passed at the last meeting forming a new School District in said Town. -
- 3rd To act on all matters and things that may regularly come before said Meeting respecting School Districts.

Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant with your doings thereon at or before said time - Given under our hands and Seals this twenty first day of February A.D. 1826.

Frederick Brownell }
Daniel King } Selectmen

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Bristol N. March 7. 1826 Pursuant to the within warrant
I have summoned and notified the Inhabitants of the Town of
Westport Qualified by Law to vote in Town Affairs to meet
and Assemble at the time and place and for the purpose within
mentioned by posting up one Notice at Frederick Brownell's Store
& one at the Store of Deekham and Howland fourteen days
prior to the date hereof George L. Brownell Constable
Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport held at the
Town house in said Town on Tuesday the seventh day of March
A.D. 1826, at two O'clock in the afternoon for the purpose
expressed in the foregoing warrants

Nathan L. Brownell Esq. Chosen Moderator

Voted To Reconsider the Vote passed at the last meeting
forming a new School District in said Town

Voted That there be a Committee of three Chosen, whose duty
shall be, to view the School Districts Numbered Ten, Eleven
& Twelve and Report to the Annual Town Meeting to be
holden on the first Monday in April next whether, in their
Opinion there ought to be any alterations made in said
Districts and if any, what & how much alterations
ought to be made.

Tillinghast Almy, Barney Hicks, & Sylvester Brownell
was Chosen a Committee for that purpose.

Voted That this meeting be adjourned to the first Monday
in April next at two O'clock in the afternoon

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

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Bristol N. To George L. Brownell Constable of the Town
of Westport Greeting

Le. S. { You are hereby required in the name of the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts To notify &
warn the male Inhabitants of the Town of Westport
qualified by Law to vote in Town affairs —
To meet and assemble at the Town House in
said Town on Tuesday the seventh day of
March next at Three O'clock in the afternoon
To act on the following articles viz;

- 1st To choose a Moderator to regulate said meeting
- 2^d To know the minds of the Town in regard to
repairing the Highway which is the dividing
line between this Town and the Town of Dart-
mouth — and also in regard to laying out
an highway in this Town in lieu of a part
of the aforesaid Highway.

Whereof fail not and make return of this warrant &
your doings thereon to us the Subscribers on or before
said time of meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this twenty
seventh day of February A.D. 1826.

Fredrick Brownell
Daniel Wing } Selectmen

Bristol N. March 7. 1826 Pursuant to the within warrant
I have summoned & notified the Inhabitants of the Town of
Westport Qualified by Law to vote in Town affairs to meet and
assemble at the time and place and for the purpose within
mentioned by posting up one notice at Frederick Brownell's Store
& one at the Store of Deekham & Howland seven days prior
to the date hereof George L. Brownell Constable

At a legal meeting of The Inhabitants of Westport held at The Town house in said Town on Tuesday the seventh day of March A.D. 1826. at three O'clock P.M., for the purposes mentioned in the foregoing warrant,

Nathan C. Brownell Esq. Chosen Moderator

Noted - That the Selectmen of this Town divide the division road between this Town and Dartmouth - with the Selectmen of Dartmouth - from Pettys old House (so called) Northwaly to the road that leads over bread & Cheese brook - and cause this Towns part thereof to be repaired.

Recorded by me Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of The Inhabitants of Westport held at the Store of Frederick Brownell on the Nineteenth day of April 1826 for the purpose of drawing jurors Jurick Brownell was drawn Grand Juror. Weston Potter & Pardon Shearman were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the Supreme Judicial Court to be holden at Taunton on the fourth Tuesday in April Inst.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

At a legal Meeting of The Inhabitants of Westport held at The Store of Frederick Brownell May 1826 - for the purpose of drawing jurors - Pardon Case & Nathan Wood were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Taunton on the second Monday in June next

Recorded by F. Brownell Town Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bristol ss. To George C. Brownell Constable of the Town of Westport

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G. B. & F. S. & G.
You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport Qualified by the Constitution to vote for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Senators and Counsellors - To meet at the Town house in said Town on Monday the third day of April next at Eleven O'clock in the forenoon to give in their votes for Governor Lieutenant Governor Senators and Counsellors agreeable to the Constitution of said Commonwealth

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon to us the Subscribers on or before said time of meeting - Given under our hands and seals at Westport this Sixteenth day of March A.D. 1826

Daniel King Selectman
Frederick Brownell of Westport

Bristol ss. April 2. 1826 By virtue of this warrant I have notified The Inhabitants of the Town of Westport to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned by posting up one notice at Peckham & Howlands Store one at Frederick Brownell and one at Isaac Cogg & Sons fourteen days prior to the date hereof.

George C. Brownell Constable of Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport aforesaid qualified agreeable to the Constitution - Assembled at the Town House in said Town on Monday the fourth day of April for the purposes expressed in the foregoing warrant Votes for the following persons were given in, sorted, counted, read and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution is directed viz:

For Governor His Ex. Levi Lincoln
had Sixty eight votes — 68

Hon: Samuel Hubbard Three votes — 3

For Lieutenant Governor Hon: Thomas P. Winthrop
had Sixty nine votes — 69

Hon: Everett Saltonstall Two votes — 2

Hon: John Mason Sixty six votes — 66

" Joseph Tripp Sixty eight — 68

" Solomon Pratt Nin — 9

John A. Parker Esq. Sixty votes — 60

Charles Russell Two — 2

Lathan Kirby Two — 2

Daniel Wing Two — 2

Senators

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

Bristol ss. To George L. Brownell Constable of the Town
of Westport Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the common-
wealth of Massachusetts - To notify and warn the
Inhabitants of said Town qualified by Law to vote
in Town affairs and for Town Officers to assemble
at the Town House in said Town on Monday the
third day of April next, at Nine O'clock in the fore-
noon to act on the following articles viz:

1st To Choose a Moderator to regulate said meeting

2nd To Choose all such Town Officers as Towns by Law
are authorized to choose annually and upon such
conditions as the Majority shall then and there
agree.

3rd To Choose a Committee to receive and examine
all accounts brought against said Town and
also to settle with the Treasurers.

4th To determine what sum to raise by way of Tax for
the support of Schools and in what manner it shall
be apportioned, and also to know the minds of the
Town in regard to providing a School Master or
School Masters Instructed in the Latin and Greek
Languages.

5. To determine what sum to raise by way of tax for
the support of Paupers and other Incidental charges

6 To determine what sum shall be expended in
the repairs of Highways, and in what manner
it shall be appropriated.

7 To Choose such other Committees or Agents as
Circumstances may render expedient

8 To give in their votes for a County Treasurer

9 To give in their votes for a County Register

10 To know the Towns mind in regard to
regulating the Alewife Fishery in said Town

Hereof Fail not and make return of this warrant
with your doings thereon to us the Subscribers on
or before said time of Meeting.
Given under our hands and Seals this Fifteenth day
of March A. D. 1826.

Jonathan Davis
Daniel Wing
Frederick Brownell } Selectmen
Westport

Bristol So. April 3. 1826 By virtue of this warrant
I have notified the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport
to meet at the time and place and for the purposes
within mentioned by posting up one notice at Peckham
& Howland's Store one at Frederick Brownell's and one
at Isaac Cory & Sons fourteen days prior to the date
hereof George C. Brownell Constable of Westport.

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport aforesaid
Lawful by Law - Assembled at the Town House in
said Town on Monday the third day of April at
nine o'clock in the forenoon for the purposes expressed
in the foregoing warrant.

Nathan C. Brownell Esq. Chosen Moderator

Frederick Brownell Chosen Town Clerk & Sworn

Frederick Brownell Chosen Town Treasurer

Daniel King
Frederick Brownell } Chosen Selectmen & Sworn
Jonathan Davis }

Daniel King
Frederick Brownell } Chosen Assessors
Jonathan Davis }

William White 2^d
John Macomber } Committee on accounts
Stephen Howland }

Surveyors of Highways

Gilbert Macomber, William Tripp left, Ebenezer
Baker, Isaac Gifford, Weston Allen, Hannahly Dyer,
Sylvester Brownell, George C. Brownell, David Sanford,
Pelig Brownell, Major Allen, Ezekiel Brownell,
R. W. Peckham, John Potter, John Gifford, Thomas
Shawman, Benjamin Tripp & Mrs. J. Davis.

Jonathan Woodell, Daniel Devol, (Stephen ^{sworn} Cornell 2^d),
David Sisson, Henry Wilcox, Thomas Richmond,
George Kirby, Ephraim Macomber, (Semiuel ^{sworn} Brownell)

\$1000. Voted - That the sum of one thousand Dollars be
raised for the repairs of Highways & Town ways in said
Town the Year ensuing to be assessed on the polls and
estates of the Inhabitants as other taxes are assessed and
that the Assessors assess the same as soon as may be and
deliver a list of the persons names and of the sums they are
assessed to each Surveyor of his limits according to Law.
That seventy five cents be allowed by the surveyor for
one days work of a man or one Yoke Oxen and in
that proportion for parts of days that Twenty five cents
be allowed for one cart or plow one day, and that the
aforesaid sum be expended one half by the first day
of July next and the other by the first day of September
next.

Voted - That whenever the Surveyor of any District shall
make known to the Selectmen that he has faithfully
expended all the Tax assessed on his District - and
the Highway is not sufficiently repaired - the Selectmen
shall say how much more he may expend on said
Highway and ^{he may} draw orders on the Treasurers for the
Amount determined by the Selectmen.

Voted - That there be a Committee of three persons to
prepare rules and regulations for the Oyster
Fishery in said Town - and report the same
to the adjournment of this meeting.

William White 2^d Abner B. Gifford & Daniel King
were chosen a Committee for the above purpose.

William White 2nd John Maunier, Nathan
 L. Brownell, Thomas Richmond, Sylvester Brownell
 Thomas W. Mayhew, Barney Hicks, Jonathan Davis
 Daniel Wing. Abner B. Gifford. were chosen
 A. School Committee

Alfred Williams Esq. had Forty five votes
 for Register of Deeds

James L. Hodges Esq. had Twenty nine votes
 for County Treasurer.

Voted that this meeting be adjourned to the
 Second Monday in May next One O'clock P.M.

Agreeable to adjournment from the Seventh day of
 March last - the Inhabitants of Westport met
 accordingly - The Committee that was then
 chosen to view School Districts 8 10-11 & 12 -
 made a report in writing -
 It was voted - not to accept the Report of said
 Committee

Recorded by me

Fredrick Brownell Town Clerk

At a legal meeting held at the Store of Fredrick
 Brownell June 1826 - for the purpose of drawing Jurors
 John Lawrence was drawn Grand Juror, Humphrey Blouin
 & Jonathan Records were drawn Travers Jurors to
 serve at the S. J. Court to be holden at Taunton
 on the third Tuesday in June Inst.

Recorded by F. Brownell T. Clerk

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Monday May 9, 1826 Agreeable to adjournment from
the first Monday in April. The Inhabitants of
Westport met accordingly.

Nathan C. Brownell Esq. was chosen Town Keeper
Abner B. Gifford, Frederick Brownell, Stephen Howland,
(Abraham Anthony, sworn) David M. Brownell, Thomas
W. Mayhew, Sethro Howland, & Perry Willcox were chosen
Surveyors of Lumber.

Justices of the Peace, Micah Dean, Peleg Sisson Esq.
& Elijah Blossom.

Overseers of landing, Adam Gifford, Abraham Anthony,
at Head of the River } Jonathan Peckham, & David M. Brownell.

Term Viewers, { Peleg Manchester Nathan C. Brownell,
Willbourn ^{sworn} Gifford, Adam Gifford, Gershon
Woodell, John Potter, John Macomber,
Jonathan Records, Major Allen, & Humphrey Stearns.

Keepers of Hops, { Sethro Howland, Micah Dean,
& Maues - } John Howland 2^d & Stephen Howland

Keepers of Fish, { Sethro Howland, Gideon Davis

Field Drivers { Stephen Cornell 2^d Willbourn Gifford,
George Shirley, Russell Gifford, John Milk, Charles Little,
Elijah Blossom, Nathaniel Tripp 2^d Silas Petter,
Abraham D. Davis, William G. Soble.

Hog Reeves { Ephraim Macomber, Willbourn ^{sworn} Gifford, Wing Howland,
Phillip Davis, Elijah Blossom, Samuel Willcox, Abraham Anthony,
Warton Macomber, Barney Hicks, Gideon Davis, Abner Willcox,
William Tripp & Arnold Wood,

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Overseers & Warren Gifford, Pardon Allen, Perry Brightman
Fishes & David Wing, Perry Hazard.

Constable & Collector & George L. Brownell (Sworn before the Moderator)
for the year ensuing to have Two & one half % cent on
all the Money collected and paid in to the Treasury's and
to have no allowance for uncurrent money.

Voted that one Poll tax, assessed in 1825 be not collected of
Joshua Potter.

\$3000. Voted that the sum of Three Thousand Dollars be
raised by way of tax on the Polls and Estates of the Inhabitants
of the Town of Westport for the Support of the Poor, for Public
Schools, for paying Debts against the Town, and other Incidental
charges. To be assessed, collected, and paid in to the Town
Treasurer one half by the first day of December next &
the other half by the first day of April next. And the
Assessors are hereby directed to assess said sum in the way
and manner provided by Law and deliver a list or lists
thereof to the Collector as soon as may be.

Voted. That Greek and Latin Schools be dispensed with.

Voted. That Schools be provided by the Selectmen agreeable
to law, & that they draw orders on the Treasurer
for the expenses.

Voted that the Tax assessed on Poley Sisson in 1825 be not collected.

Voted that Simon Potters 1825 tax be not collected.

The Moderator being called away - Abner B. Gifford
was chosen Moderator pro tem.

Voted that Rufus Triff be paid Twenty Dollars out of
the Treasury for keeping his Mother Elizabeth Triff.

Voted that Samuel Slade have Three Dollars out of the
Treasury for Coffin for Elizabeth Triff.

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The Committee on accounts made a report in
writing that they had attended to the business assigned
them & that they had found due to the several persons
named in the list presented by them the sums set against
their names amounting in the whole to the sum of Thirteen
Hundred Ninety four Dollars and twenty five cents \$1394.25

It was thereupon voted to accept the report of the Committee
and direct the Treasurer to pay the sums found due by the
Committee to the several persons therein named & charge the
same against the Town.

The Committee also made a report that agreeable to their
appointment they had examined the accounts of the Treasurer
and found that he had received for the Town the year past
The sum of \$4152.39
& had paid out by his account the sum of 4290.33

Making a balance against the Town of \$145.94

And made a settlement with him accordingly.
The Committee further report that there was by the report
of the Committee last year a balance in favour of the
Town between the sums assessed on the Town the year before
and the accounts that had been allowed against the Town
The sum of \$1127.12

That there had been assessed on the Inhabitants the
year past as by report this day presented the sum of 3036.19
making \$4163.61

That the amount of accounts they had allowed &
& payments made by the Treasurer being 2849.37

leaving a balance in favour of the Town \$1314.24

All which is respectfully submitted

Westport May 8, 1826

William White 2nd
John Macomber
Stephen Howland } Committee

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Voted, that four Dollars fifty cents be paid to Richard Spawton for coffin & grave clothes for George Allen.

William White 2^d & Frederick Brownell were chosen a committee to examine the Oyster beds & report when they think them fit to be taken.

Voted, that there be a committee chosen whose duty it shall be to view School Districts and report to the next legal Town Meeting (if called upon for that purpose) William White 2^d and Stephen Howland were accordingly chosen for that purpose.

The committee chosen on the first Monday in April last for the purpose of regulating the Oyster Fishery made a report in writing - that their Opinion was there ought not to be any Oysters taken from the beds within the Town of Westport, the year ensuing - And it was accordingly voted, that there should be no Oysters taken from the beds the year ensuing unless by a permit from a majority of the Selectmen, upon special occasions of sickness, and the quantity in such permit to be specified.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

August A.D. 1826 Levi Gifford & Easton Howland were drawn traverse Jurors to serve at the C. C. C. place to be holden at Taunton on the second Monday in September next. Recorded by F. Brownell T. Clerk

October A.D. 1826 Nathan C. Brownell was drawn by Juror - John Cornwell Jr & Phillip Potter Traverse Jurors - to serve at the S. J. Court to be holden at Taunton on the third Tuesday in this month Recorded by F. Brownell T. Clerk.

George C. Brownell Constable of the Town of Westport Creating

¹ You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport qualified by the Constitution to vote for Representatives in to meet at the Town House in said Town on Monday the eighth day of May next at two o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of choosing one or more Representatives to Represent them at the General Court appointed to be convened and held at Boston on the last Wednesday in May next.

² And of this warrant with your doings thereon you are to make return to the Subscribers on or before said time of meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this thirtieth day of April A.D. 1826

Frederick Brownell
Daniel Wing
Jonathan Davis } Selectmen
Westport

Christop Ss. May 8, 1826 By virtue of this warrant I have notified the Inhabitants of Westport to meet and assemble at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned by posting up one Notice at Frederick Brownell's Store & one at the Store of Peckham & Howland Seven days prior to the date hereof.

George C. Brownell Constable of Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport held agreeable to the foregoing Warrant. It was voted That this Town send no Representatives

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

November A.D. 1826 Jonathan Davis & Benjamin Triff were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the C. C. C. place to be holden at Taunton on the second Monday in December next. Recorded by Frederick Brownell T. Clerk

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To George C. Brownell Constable of the Town
of Westport Greeting
You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the
said Town of Westport qualified by Law to vote for
Representatives in the General Court of said Commonwealth
to meet and assemble at the Town house in said Town
on Monday the sixth day of November next at one O'clock
in the afternoon to give in their votes for a Representative
of the people of said Commonwealth in the Congress
of the United States for Bristol District
Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant
with your doings thereon at or before said time of
meeting - Given under our hands and seals this
twentieth day of October A.D. 1826

Daniel Wing } Selectmen
Frederick Brownell } of Westport

Pursuant to the within warrant I have summoned the
Inhabitants of the Town of Westport to appear at the time
and place and for the purpose within mentioned
Oct: 31. 1826 by me George C. Brownell Constable

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport - Assembled at
the Town House in said Town on Monday the sixth day of
November ^{A.D. 1826} at one O'clock in the afternoon for the purpose
expressed in the foregoing warrant - the following persons were
voted for viz. Hon: Francis Baylis had one vote
Hon: James L. Hedges had five votes
James Arnold Esq. had seven votes
Hon: Herculesushman had one vote
Rufus Bacon Esq. had one vote
Cornelius Grinnell Esq. had one vote
which were sorted, counted, record. and declaration thereof made
according to Law. Recorded by Frederick Brownell T. Clerk.

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To George C. Brownell Constable of the Town of Westport
Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of
Massachusetts to notify and warn the Inhabitants of
the Town of Westport qualified by Law to vote in Town
affairs to meet and assemble at the Town house in said
Town on Monday the sixth day of November next at
two O'clock in the afternoon to act on the following

- 1st articles viz:
1st To choose a Moderator
2nd To know the minds of the Town in regard to an
Indictment found by the Grand jury against this
Town for not keeping the road and Bridges in repair
from the dwelling house where Robert Willson formerly
lived to the dwelling of James Reed - Also to choose
an Agent or Agents to answer to said Indictment
if thought necessary and expedient - Hereof fail not
and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon
at or before said time of meeting - Given under our
hands and seals this twentieth day of October A.D. 1826

Daniel Wing } Selectmen
Frederick Brownell } of Westport

Pursuant to the within warrant I have summoned the Inhab-
itants of Westport to appear at the time and place and for the
purpose within mentioned by me George C. Brownell Constable
Oct: 31. 1826

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport Assembled
at the Town house agreeable to the foregoing warrants
Nathan Wood chosen Moderator
Capt: Jonathan Davis was chosen Agent to answer
to the Indictment mentioned in the foregoing warrant
in behalf of the Town

Recorded by Frederick Brownell T. Clerk

Bristol Co. To George C. Brownell Constable of the Town of Westport
Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of said Commonwealth
to notify and warn the freeholders and other Inhabitants of
said Town of Westport duly qualified to vote for representatives
to the General Court of said Commonwealth to assemble at
the Town House in said Town on Monday the fifth day of
March next at One O'clock in the afternoon, to give in
their votes for one Representative that is an Inhabitant of
Bristol District, to represent them in the Congress of the
United States of America - Hereof fail not and make
return of this warrant with your doings thereon at or
before said time of meeting

Given under our hands and Seals this fourteenth day of
February at Westport A.D. 1827

Daniel Wing
Frederick Brownell } Selectmen
Jonathan Davis }

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and
warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of
Westport to meet at the time and place and for the purpose
within mentioned by posting up one notice at the Town
House one at the Store of Frederick Brownell & one
at the Store of Abner B. Gifford

Westport Feb 20. 1827 George C. Brownell } Constable

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport assembled at the
Town House in said Town on Monday the fifth day of March
A.D. 1827 at one O'clock in the afternoon for the purpose
expressed in the foregoing Warrant -

The following persons were voted for viz.

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Hon; Francis Baylies had Twenty votes 20
James L. Hodges .. Seventeen votes 17
James Arnold .. Fourteen .. 14
Hercules Cushman .. Nine .. 9
Rufus Bacon .. Five .. 5
Anselm Bassell .. one .. 1
Thomas W. Mayhew .. one .. 1
Sylvester Brownell .. one .. 1
Henry Willcox .. one .. 1
Nathan Wood .. one .. 1

which were sorted, counted, Read and declaration thereof made
according to Law. Recorded by J. Brownell J. Clerk

Bristol Co. To George C. Brownell Constable of the Town
of Westport Greeting

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts to notify and warn the freeholders and
other Inhabitants of the Town of Westport duly qualified to
vote in Town affairs - To meet and assemble at the Town
House in said Town on Monday the fifth day of March
next at Two O'clock in the afternoon - To act on the following

Articles viz;

- 1st To Choose a Moderator to regulate said Meeting
- 2nd To know the Towns mind in regard to reconsidering a
Vote passed in Town Meeting held on the seventh day of
March 1826. Respecting the division Road between this
Town and Dartmouth, from Petty's old House (so called)
Northerly to Budd & Chase brook. road
- 3rd To act on all matters respecting said road which may
regularly come before said Meeting.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your
doings thereon at or before said time of meeting -
Given under our hands and seals this fourteenth day of February
A.D. 1827

Daniel King
 Frederick Brownell } Selectmen
 Jonathan Davis }

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned
 the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Westport
 to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within
 mentioned by posting up one notice on the Town House
 one at J. Brownells Store one at the Store of Hones
 B. Gifford - George C. Brownell Constable
Westport Feb 4 20. 1827

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport
 assembled at the Town house in said Town on Monday
 the fifth day of March 1827 at two O'clock in the
 afternoon for the purpose expressed in the foregoing
 warrant

Anselm Bassett Esq. Chosen Moderator
 Voted that the Selectmen of Westport be authorized to confer
 with the Selectmen of Dartmouth and if Dartmouth will be
 at one half the expense of the location of a new road from
 Pelley's old house to Bread & Cheese road & one half the
 expense of the purchase of the land over which such new road
 may be located & also one half the expense or more (as by
 the act incorporating Westport is provided) of working or making
 said road & their part of the expense of the future repairs
 of said proposed new road or that which is equivalent thereto
 & obtain proper security therefor - that then the Selectmen
 be directed to report the same at such proposed road & report the same
 at the next meeting to be held in Westport for their
 acceptance - and also that when the Selectmen of Westport
 confer with the Selectmen of Dartmouth that they also examine
 into the expediency of making application to the Commissioners
 of Highways for the County of Bristol & report the result - or
 their opinion of such conference -

Voted to adjourn this meeting to the first Monday in
 April next Resolved by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

March 5. 1827 ⁵⁵¹ Thomas Winslow was drawn Grand Juror — Simon Macomber and Nestor Borden were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the C. C. C. Pleas to be holden at Taunton on the second Monday in this month Recorded by Frederick Brownell T. Clerk

April 2. 1827 Agreeable to adjournment from the fifth day of March last The Inhabitants of Westport met accordingly — Voted that this meeting be adjourned to Friday the twentieth day of April Inst. at Two o'clock in the afternoon then to meet again at this place Recorded by Frederick Brownell T. Clerk

April 9. 1827 Allen Devoe was drawn Grand Juror — Zachary Gifford & John W. Howland Traverse Jurors to serve at the Supreme Judicial Court to be holden at Taunton on the last Tuesday in this month

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

May 25. 1827 — Isaiah Kirby and Ezekiel Brownell were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the C. C. C. Pleas to be holden at Taunton on the second Monday in June next. Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

August 1827 George M. Brownell and John Mith were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the S. J. Court to be holden at Taunton on the third Tuesday in August Inst.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

September 1827 Joshua Potter and Warton Case Jr were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the C. C. C. P. to be holden at Taunton on the second Monday in September Inst.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell T. Clerk

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Bristol ss. Commonwealth of Massachusetts
To George C. Brownell Constable of the Town of
Westport
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You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts to notify and warn the Inhabitants
of said Town of Westport qualified by the Constitution
to vote for Governor, Lieutenant Governor Senators and
Counsellors To meet at the Town House in said Town
on Monday the second day of April next at Eleven
O'clock in the forenoon to give in their votes for
Governor, Lieutenant Governor Senators and Counsellors
agreeable to the Constitution of said Commonwealth
Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with
your doings thereon to us the Subscribers on or before
said time of meeting

Given under our hands and seals at Westport this
fourteenth day of March A.D. 1827

Daniel Wing
Frederick Brownell *Settlement*

I Bristol ss. Pursuant to the within warrant I have
notified the Inhabitants of Westport to meet at the time
and place and for the purpose within mentioned by posting
up one notice at the store of Peckham and Howland one at the
Store of Frederick Brownell & one at Isaac Cory's Store
fourteen days prior to the date hereof
Westport April 2, 1827 George C. Brownell Constable

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Westport qualified
agreeable to the Constitution is assembled at the Town House
in said Town on Monday the second day of April for the
purposes expressed in the foregoing warrant & votes for the
following persons were given in sorted. counted. Record &
Declaration thereof made as by the Constitution is
directed

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viz. For Governor, his Excellency Levi Lincoln
had One Hundred and Eleven votes 111
Abraham Shirley one vote 1
Nathaniel Hayward one vote 1
For Lieut. Governor Hon: Thomas L. Winthrop
had One Hundred and twelve votes 112
Stephen Soule one vote 1
For Senators Rufus Bacon Esq. had
One Hundred and ten votes 110
Lemuel Williams Jr. had One Hundred & nine votes 109
Wm. B. Gifford Esq. had One Hundred & eight votes 108
John Mason Two votes 2
Joseph Tripp one vote 1
William Wood one " 1
Noah Claflin one " 1
James Snell one " 1
Warren Gifford one " 1
Whitthar Richardson one " 1
Edward Slade one " 1

Ordered by Frederick Brownell Town Clerk

October 10th 1827 Adam Gifford & Thomas W. Mayhew
were drawn Grand Jurors Daniel Wing & George C.
Brownell were drawn traverse Jurors to serve at
the Circuit Federal Court to be holden at Boston
on the 15th of October Inst.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell T. Clerk

December 5th 1827 Christopher Palmer & Samuel
Slade were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the
C. C. C. Pleas to be holden at Taunton on the second
Monday in said month
Recorded by Frederick Brownell T. Clerk

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March 3. 1828 - Pardon Kirby was drawn
Grand Juror - Chadian Lawton and John
W. Gifford were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve
at the D. C. C. Pleas to be holden at Taunton
on the second Monday of March Inst.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

April 7. 1828 William T. Davis was drawn
Grand Juror - George Wood & Elijah Blossom
were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the Supreme
Judicial Court to be holden at Taunton on the
fourth Tuesday of this Inst.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

Aug^t 30. 1828 Joseph Brightman and Astor
Case were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at
the D. C. C. Pleas to be holden at Taunton on
the second Monday of September next.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

October 15. 1828 George Kirby and Jacob Allen
were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the Supreme
Judicial Court to be holden at Taunton on the
third Tuesday in October Inst.

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

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April 10. 1829 - Ephraim Gifford drawn Grand Juror
Nathaniel Tripp & William H. Potter Traverse Jurors
to serve at the S. J. C. to be holden at Taunton on
the third Tuesday in this month

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

May 27. 1829 Weston Allen & Astor Case
were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the
C. C. P. to be held at N. B. on the second Monday
in June next. Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

August 29. 1829 Fitch Brownell & John Maunier
were drawn Traverse Jurors to serve at the C. C.
P. to be held at Taunton on the second Monday
in September next. Recorded by F. Brownell J. Clerk

Nov^r 2. 1829 - Freeman Lawrence drawn Grand Juror
Isaac Coory Jr and William Brownell were drawn
Traverse Jurors to serve at the S. J. Court to be
holden at N. Bedford on the third Tuesday of Nov^r
Inst. Recorded by F. Brownell J. Clerk

Abner Davis & Nathan Wood were drawn
Traverse Jurors to serve at the C. C. Pleas to be
holden at New Bedford on the second Monday in
December 1829

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

Feb^y 25. 1830 John Lawrence drawn Grand Juror
Isaac W. Brownell & Jonathan Smith drawn Traverse
Jurors to serve at the C. C. Pleas to be holden at Taunton
on the second Monday in March next

Recorded by Frederick Brownell J. Clerk

April 3. 1830 John Gifford of Ephraim
drawn Grand Juror. Thomas Gifford &
Wilson King Travers Jurors to serve at
the Supreme Judicial Court to be held at Taunton
on the second Tuesday in this month
Recorded by Frederick Brownell S. C. C.

May 20. 1830 Peleg W. Peckham & Thomas Winslow
drawn Travers Jurors to serve at the C. C. Pleas
to be holden at N. Bedford on the second Monday
in June next - Frederick Brownell S. C. C.

September 6. 1830 Nathaniel Brownell Esq. and Peleg Manchester
drawn Travers Jurors to serve at the C. C. Pleas to
be holden at Taunton on the second Monday of this
present month. Recorded by Frederick Brownell S. C. C.

November 1830 Levi Gifford drawn Grand Juror - Sillinghurst
Tipp & John Howland drawn Travers Jurors to serve
at the Supreme Judicial Court to be holden at New Bedford
on the fourth Tuesday of this month
Recorded by Frederick Brownell S. C. C.

December 4, 1830 Isaac Gifford & Andrew Hicks were drawn
Travers Jurors to serve at the C. C. Pleas to be
holden at New Bedford on the second Monday in this
month. Recorded by Frederick Brownell S. C. C.

January 1831 Jonathan Davis John Davis Joshua Potter & Edmund Tipp
were drawn Travers Jurors to serve at the S. J. Court
to be holden at New Bedford on the third Tuesday of this month
Recorded by Frederick Brownell S. C. C.

Feb 1831 John Potter drawn G. Juror Christopher Palmer &
Peleg Dennis Travers Jurors to serve at the C. C. Pleas
to be holden at Taunton on the second Monday in
March next. Recorded by Frederick Brownell S. C. C.