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day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty one

Frederic Brownell } Selectmen
Geo. H. Gifford }
Perry Davis } Westport

Bristol S.S. Westport April 7th 1851
Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the inhabitants of said Town to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned by causing copies of this warrant to be posted up at the ^{one} Store of C. A. Church & Co. head of Westport River one at the Store of C. P. Brownell & Co. near the Town House and one at the Store of R. Macomber & Co. Westport Point ten days prior to the date hereof

Jonathan Peirce } Constable
of
Westport

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westport held at the Town House in said Town on Monday the seventh day of April A.D. 1851 agreeable to the foregoing warrant and for the purposes therein expressed the following Officers were chosen and votes passed viz:

For Moderator B. B. Sisson Esq.

For Town Clerk George H. Gifford and was sworn

For Selectmen Frederic Brownell

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George H. Gifford & Perry Davis and were all sworn

Voted not to choose Assessors and the Selectmen were sworn as assessors

Voted not to choose Overseers of the Poor

Voted. That the several School Districts choose their own Prudential Committees

Voted. That the Treasurer be collector of Taxes and he is to have two per cent on all money collected and paid out by him

George H. Gifford was chosen Treasurer and he was sworn to that office

Constables

Isaac Francis sworn on the 24th of April Edwin B. Gifford and he was sworn Willard Reed & he declined serving Eber D. Baker & he declined serving

Isaac Francis was chosen scaler of weights and measures

Alanson Brownell was chosen Pound keeper & was sworn to the faithful discharge of the office

Field Drivers chosen was Edwin B. Gifford, Stephen Howland, Jonathan Peirce, John Sampson, Eber D. Baker, Perry Briggs, Stephen K. Howland

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Gershom Wordell, Bradford Wilcox
and Canaan Dyer. — Perry Briggs
and Canaan Dyer were sworn

Fence Viewers Adam Gifford
Nathan C. Brownell, Perry Davis
and Lemuel Brownell, ~~and~~ Perry
Davis and Lemuel Brownell
Took the oath of Office.

Surveyors of Highways

Thomas W. Wood	Samuel C. Allen	
\$ David Lawton	\$ Abram Manchester	
Geo. R. Brownell	\$ John R. Adams	
\$ James Reed	Leonard Brightman	\$2250
\$ David Tripp	\$ Edmund Tripp	
\$ Nicolas U. Kirby	\$ Stephen P. Kirby	
Excessed Isaac Francis	\$ Russell Gifford 2 ^d	
\$ Daniel Wing	\$ Thomas W. Davis	
\$ Justus Sherman	Nathaniel Kirby	
\$ David Sanford	\$ Stephen K. Howland	School
\$ Nathan Wood	\$ Thomas Sanford	Money
\$ John Seabury	\$ Peleg Brownell	\$2000
\$ Joseph Briggs	\$ Lemuel Gifford	&c
\$ Perry Davis	Stephen Allen	
\$ Willard Reed	\$ George Lawton	
\$ Joshua Wordell	\$ Isaac Petty	
\$ John R. Baker	\$ Thomas B. Gifford	
	\$ Stephen Howland	

All the above named persons marked
thus \$ have Taken the oath of Office

Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark

David Sanford \$ Jeremiah J. Thomson

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Sworn Perry Davis
John Allen
Sworn David Lawton
Sworn Geo. H. Gifford

A. Brownell
Sworn Russell Gifford 2^d
Varnum Macomber
Sworn Edwin B. Gifford

For Highways
\$1000

Voted. To raise the sum of one thousand
for the repairs of Highways to be assessed
and worked the same as last year.

For County Treasurer
James P. Ellis of Taunton had thirty
votes - - - 30

Voted to accept the reports of the
Selectmen and Landing Commissioners

Voted. To raise the sum of two thousand
two hundred and fifty Dollars for inciden-
tal expenses in the same manner as last
year

Voted. To raise the sum of two thousand
dollars by the way of tax for the support
of schools And Also to add the Interest
on the Surplus revenue loan to the County
of Bristol to the two thousand Dollars that
is to be raised by tax for the support of
schools, and to be distributed among the
Districts in the same manner as last
year

Voted. To leave it to the discretion of the
Selectmen to appropriate such sums of
money as they shall think proper or
expedient in repairing the Briggs road
so called

Voted. To refund Cyrus Wheeler the money
named in the 8th Article in the warrant

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Voted. That the selectmen resurvey the Highway & watering place named in the 7th Article in the warrant

Voted. To refer the subject matter in the 11th Article to the Selectmen

Landing
Commissioners

Abraham Macomber, F. Brownell
Varnum Macomber & Stephen How-
land Chosen & sworn as Landing
Commissioners for the ensuing year

For Register of Deeds
Benjamin H. Sayer had one hundred
and sixteen votes 116

Voted. To adjourn to Saturday the
nineteenth inst. at two O'Clock in
the afternoon

Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Westport Landing

Whereas by an act of the Legislature
passed on the twenty first day of
April in the year of our Lord Eight-
teen hundred and forty eight, it was
provided amongst other things that
the inhabitants of the Town of Westport
should have jurisdiction over the Public
and Town Landings therein, with power
to govern regulate and control them,
in the manner mentioned in said Act,
and to choose all necessary Officers and

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agents, as they should deem proper to carry
into effect the provisions of said act.

And whereas it was further provided
in and by said act that the said Town
should so far as the same was practicable,
ascertain the true boundaries of said landings
and adjust and settle all differences in
relation thereto

And whereas the said Town of West-
port at their annual meeting held at said
Westport on the first day of April in the year
Eighteen hundred and Fifty chose the sub-
scribers as a committee of said Town, and
they were duly chosen and qualified as
Officers and agents, for the purpose herein
after mentioned

And whereas the said subscribers
in pursuance of said authority on the
fifth day of August last past went
upon the landing near the Head of
Westport River to ascertain the extent
and boundaries of said Landing,

Now be it known, that we the sub-
scribers, being appointed for said purp-
ose did on the said last mentioned day,
ascertain and establish the following as
the extent and boundaries of the public
landing at the Head of Westport River
viz:

Begin at a Rock marked A,
near the Bridge which crosses the Head
of Westport River, the same being a perm-
anent and well known monument, thence
south twenty one and one fourth degrees
west nine rods fourteen and one half
feet to the southwest corner of Winslow's
Barn, thence south ten degrees west twenty
five rods, thence north eighty six degrees

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west as the wall now stands to the River
All of which is respectfully sub-
mitted, together with the consent of Thomas
Winslow, in writing agreeing to the said
location and running

Dated this fourth day of
March in the year eighteen hundred
and fifty one

Abraham Macomber
Varnum Macomber
Frederick Brownell
Geo. H. Gifford

Know all men by these presents
that I Thomas Winslow of Westport
in the County of Bristol have read the
foregoing location of the Landing there
in described, and do hereby give my
full consent thereto and do hereby release
any and all my right and title thereto
and to every part thereof included within
said bounds as above set fourth

In witness where of I have herunto
set my hand and seal this fourth day
of April in the year eighteen hundred &
fifty one

Thomas Winslow (L.S.)

Witness Stephen Howland

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants
of the Town of Westport held at the
Town House in said Westport on the
seventh day of April in the year
eighteen hundred and fifty one the
foregoing report was read and accepted
and it was thereupon voted that the
same be recorded in the Town Records
and also in the Registry of Deeds for

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for the Southern District of Sair County
of Bristol

Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk
of Westport

The foregoing was recorded by me this
Eighth day of April in the year one thousa-
nd eight hundred and fifty one

By me Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS April 10, 1851. Then personally
appeared Jonathan Pierce and was qualified
as Field Driver for the year ensuing before
me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS April 12, 1851 Personally
appeared Edwin B. Gifford & took the
oath of Office a Field Driver Before
me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

April 19, 1851 The inhabitants of
the Town of Westport agreeable to adjour-
nment from the seventh inst. met and
the Moderator being absent W. W. Slocum
was chosen Moderator pro tempore the
Report of the General School was read
and it was voted to accept said
Report

Voted. To excuse Isaac Francis from
serving as Surveyor of Highways and
Thomas Gifford was chosen and sworn
in his stead or place

Voted. To allow the same Discount
for prompt payment of Taxes as was allowed
last year

Agreement with Thomas Winslow

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Voted. That the selectmen be auditing Committee and settle with the Treasurer

Voted. That the Auditing Committee have their Report printed and circulated same as last year.

General School Committee

Chosen was

J. B. Parris, C. E. Brownell
and E. P. Brownell

Voted. To adjourn sine die

Attest a True Record

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. To either of the Constables of the Town of Westport
Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in elections to meet at the Town House in said Westport on the first day of May next at two O'Clock in the afternoon then and there to act on the following articles:—

1st To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting

2^d To bring in their votes for a Register of Deeds for the southern District of said County of Bristol, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Benjamin T. Congdon Esq.

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And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at three or more public places in said Town ten days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said Meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this seventeenth day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty one

Geo. H. Gifford (Selectmen
Perry Davis Westport

Bristol SS. April 21. 1857

I have served the within warrant by posting up attested copies thereof the same one at the Store of A. H. Cory one at the Store of E. P. Brownell & Co. one at the Store of A. Church & Co. and one at Wordell's corner so called all in said Town ten days before the time of holding said meeting.

Edwin B. Gifford Constable
(Westport)

The inhabitants of the Town of Westport met on the first day of May agreeable to the foregoing warrant and Lemuel Brownell was chosen Moderator to preside in said Meeting. And the whole number of votes given in for the Register of Deeds to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Benjamin T. Congdon Esq. was nine. Charles V. Congdon had nine votes.

Voted. To adjourn sine die
Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Town
Meeting
for
Register
of
Deeds
to fill
vacancy

warrant

Bristol May 3, 1851 Then personally
appeared John Seabury and made
oath to the faithful discharge of
his duty as surveyor of Highways
for the year ensuing

Before me
Geo. H. Lifford Town Clerk

The following is the names of all
the persons enrolled in the Militia
in the Town of Westport for the
year A. D. 1851

Militia

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|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Aikins Daniel B. | Brightman Leander |
| Allen Frederic | Brightman Elihu |
| Allen William C. | Brownell Andrew W. |
| Allen Thomas J. | Brownell Ezra P. |
| Allen Samuel C. | Brownell Isaac S. |
| Allen Timothy C. | Brightman John 2 ^d |
| Allen James | Brownell James H. |
| Allen John | Brower Oliver |
| Anthony John L. | Brownell George H. B. |
| Allen Cornelius T. | Brownell James |
| Allen Abner | Bailey Oliver |
| Allen Thomas J. | Brownell Uriah |
| Allen Daniel H. | Briggs George |
| Anthony Isaac A. | Bessee Peter S. |
| Adams John R. | Bassett Joseph S. |
| Allen Israel | Brightman Leonard |
| Aikins Benjamin | Borden Holder S. |
| Anthony Nicolas | Brownell Giles E. |
| | Briggs Peter J. |
| Briggs John | Brownell George H. |
| Brownell Philip H. | Bradley William |
| Brightman John | Borden Thomas 2 ^d |
| Brightman Sanford 2 ^d | Borden John |
| Bates George W. | Bliss Joseph M. |
| | Baker Charles W. |

- Baker Edward M.
Brightman Rufus W.
Brownell George R.
Brown Daniel H.
Briggs Christopher
Briggs Jeremiah
Borden Peter J.
Ball Charles
Chace William W.
Cornell William A.
Cornell James 2^d
Cornell Stephen H.
Cornell Job
Cornell George L.
Craps George D.
Cornell Weston M.
Carroll Charles
Chedell Timothy B.
Cornell Joshua H.
Cornell Jacob
Crossman Frederic
Craw Charles N.
Craps Daniel
Chace Gideon R.
Coggeshall Stephen
Chace Jonathan
Chace Jonathan 2^d
Chace Charles
Carr Thomas D.
Coggeshall Bradford
Chace William
Carter Richard W.
Chace Elbridge C.
Chace George H.

- Dyer Abraham
Davis Thomas W.
Davis Walter S.
Dyer Warren
Davis Allen
Davis Edmund
Devoll John H.
Devoll David 2^d
Devoll Philip H.
Dean John
Davis Peter
Devoll George
Davis Abiel
Devoll James P.
Davis Abner T.
Davis Alfred C.
Davis Benjamin
Davis Charles R.
Dyer Canaan
Devoll Edward S.
Dring Thomas
Devoll Alexander
Dana Charles
Davis Andrew
Devoll Samuel
Dean Samuel
Devoll William C.
Devoll William B.
Devoll Charles
Fish Barton
Freelove Leander
Fisher Charles
Freelove Clark J.
Fuller Benjamin
Francis Meram
Farnham George
Freelove Barney
Freelove Joseph

Gifford Jason
 Gifford Charles
 Gifford Benjamin 2^d
 Gifford George B.
 Gifford Giles R.
 Grinnell Eben J.
 Gifford Christopher R.
 Gifford Richard S.
 Grinnell William
 Gifford Alexander B.
 Gifford Peleg H.
 Gifford Edwin B.
 Gifford Elihu B.
 Gifford Jonathon P.
 Gifford Weston
 Gifford Philip
 Gifford Thomas B.
 Gifford Charles J.
 Gifford Alfred
 Gifford Albert A.
 Gifford Benjamin R.
 Gifford Frederic
 Gifford Philander
 Gifford Elijah J.
 Gifford Samuel J.
 Gifford Abraham R.
 Gifford Stephen B.
 Gifford Samuel
 Gifford Lysander
 Gifford Christopher C.
 Gifford Thomas W.
 Gifford William H.
 Gifford William H. 2^d
 Gifford John Tasher
 Gifford Henry H.
 Gammons Matthias C. J.
 Gifford Andrew
 Gifford Nathaniel

Sidley Frederic
 Gifford George
 Grinnell John
 Grinnell Asa
 Gifford Edward J.
 Gifford John A. 2^d
 Gifford Lemuel
 Gifford Peleg C.
 Gilman Edward G.
 Gifford John Andrew
 Gifford James H. J.
 Gifford Abel

Hicks Reuben C.
 Hip George A.
 Hicks Alexander
 Howland Loeth
 Hicks Barney
 Howland Wm P.
 Howland Stephen R.
 Howland Alex. R.
 Howland Benjamin
 Handy William W.
 Hathaway Charles H.
 Howland Isaac
 Howland Stephen R.
 Howland Peleg C.
 Hedge Mortimer
 Hanna Robert
 Hathaway Albert
 Howland William
 Howland David S.
 Hazard Edward B.
 Hammond Wm S.
 Hitt Humphrey
 Howland Solomon
 Hopkins William
 Hicks John

Kirby Perry
 Kirby Nathaniel
 Kirby Tillinghast
 Kirby Edmund
 Kirby Stephen P.
 Kirby Harvey W.
 Kirby Abner
 King Alfred
 Kirby George W.
 Kirby Uriah
 King Godfrey
 King Asa S.
 King Jeremiah

Lavere Arnold B.
 Lawton Abraham C.
 Lawton David
 Lawton Edwin
 Lawton Robert
 Lawton Gideon
 Lawton Eli S.
 Lawton Uriah
 Little Preservee
 Lawrence Andrew
 Little Charles
 Lawton George B.
 Lawton John
 Lawton James
 Lawton Russell

Macomber Leonard
 Macomber Pardon
 Mosher Charles
 Mosher George M.
 Mosher Israel
 Mosher Lorenzo D.
 Manchester Abram E.

Manchester Barton B.
 Manchester Wm P.
 Manchester Borden
 Macomber Simon J.
 Macomber Israel
 Macomber John
 Macomber John C.
 Macomber Alexander
 Macomber Bestome
 Manchester Warton
 Manchester George L.
 Manchester James W.
 Macomber Otis
 Mosher Daniel
 Mosher John
 Mosher Robert
 Macomber Ezra 2^d
 Macomber Andrew
 Macomber Lebedee B.
 Macomber Richard
 Macomber Moses
 Mosher Joseph J.
 Manchester Charles 2^d
 Manchester Charles J.
 Macomber Richmond
 Mosher Benjamin
 Mosher William A.
 Macomber Alex. H.
 Mayhew Benjamin J.
 Macomber Andrew H.
 Macomber Thuston
 Macomber George B.
 Manchester George
 Manchester Beniah
 Manchester Forbes
 Macomber Isaac W.
 Miller David

vooning Jonathan
ryc Isaiah J.

Potter Joshua Jr.
Palmer Henry
Pike Perry
Potter Charles
Potter Frederic P.
Potter Abner
Potter Pardon C.
Potter Abner J.
Petty Potter
Petty John J.
Petty Abner J.
Petty Holder J.
Petty Pardon 2^d
Pierce Jonathan
Potter Isaac P.
Pierce George H.
Peckham Edward
Petty Edward
Potter Elias
Petty George S.
Petty David

Reed Willard
Reed Caleb
Reynolds Malichi
Reed Alden M.
Rolls John

Shaw Franklin
Stocum Willard W.
Stade Edwin
Sherman Daniel
Sampson John

Snell Henry
Smith Henry
Sowle Oliver
Sowle Charles P.
Sowle Benjamin
Sherman Justus
Sherman Peleg
Stocum Andrew
Stocum David E.
Sowle Russell
Sanford Silas B.
Sanford Caleb J.
Sisson Charles
Sisson Gideon
Sowle John H.
Snell Humphrey W.
Sherman Wilson
Sherman Thomas B.
Sanford David Jr.
Sanford Peleg S.
Sanford Thomas
Sabins William H.
Sabins Gideon B.
Sabins Philander C.
Stocum Benjamin
Shepherd John
Sherman Kempton
Simmons Reuben
Sabins Weston C.
Sisson Alden J.
Sowle John
Sowle Henry Jr.
Shaw Benjamin J.
Seabury Albert
Snell Daniel D.
Sowle William
Sisson George F.
Sanford Philip

Simmons Eber
Seabury John
Sowle Abel Jr.
Sherman Abner
Simmons George W.
Snell Lyman
Simmons Benjamin
Sisson Daniel H.
Sayles John A.
Sowle James
Sowle Robert
Sherman William D.
Sherman Philip
Snell Moses
Sisson Stephen J.
Sowle Isaac
Sowle Pardon
Sowle Edward C.
Smith John

Tripp Luthon D.
Tripp Andrew
Tompkins Isaac
Tripp Clark
Tripp James H.
Tripp Nathaniel
Tripp William R.
Tripp Lyoni
Tripp Emerson
Tripp Oliver
Tripp Charles H.
Tripp Pardon
Tripp Holder
Tripp David R.
Tripp Ivory
Tripp Stephen Jr.
Tripp John M.

Tripp Francis
Tripp John C.
Tripp Jeremiah D.
Tripp Uriah B.
Tompson Joseph
Tompson Jeremiah T.
Tripp Alden
Tripp Edmund Jr.
Tripp Ellis
Tripp Daniel
Tripp Willigm
Tripp Abner A.
Tripp William H.
Tilton Francis W.
Tripp Charles
Tripp Weston S.
Tripp Alexander A.
Tripp Richmond W.
Tripp Isaac 3^d
Tripp Solomon
Tripp John of S.

Wing Perry
Wilcox Bradford
Wordell John
Wordell Humphrey
Whalon Henry
Wing Charles
Wilcox Preserved
Wordell Christopher
Wood Lorenzo D.
White Peleg J.
Wing George W.
White George B.
Wood George F.
Wood Alexander
Wood Nathan W.

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Wood Lawton
 Wordell Gershom
 Wordell Elkanah
 Whalon John R.
 Whalon James M.
 Waite Reuben
 Waite Daniel H.
 White Holder Jr

Wing Ezra
 Winchester Nathaniel W.
 Wordell Edmund
 Wordell Richard
 Wing Frederic A.
 Wordell Gideon M.
 Wordell Holder
 Wilcox Huldiah B.

Whole No. 426

Enrolled by us the subscribers

Geo. H. Gifford Assessors
 Perry Davis of
 Westport

Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS May 24. 1851. This day
 personally appeared Thomas W. Wood
 and made oath to the faithful
 discharge of his duty as a sur-
 veyor of Highways (he having been chosen
 to that office)
 before me
 Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS June 23. 1851. This day personally
 appeared David Sanford and made oath
 to the faithful discharge of his duty as a
 Surveyor Lumber & Measures of wood & Bark
 he having been chosen to the said offices

Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS July 1. 1851. This day personally appeared
 Nathaniel Kirby and made oath to the faithfully
 discharge of his duty as a Surveyor of Highways
 for the year ensuing he having been chosen to that office
 Before me Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

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Appointment

We the undersigned Selectmen of
 the Town of Westport at a meeting held
 for that purpose have appointed and
 do hereby appoint Edwin B. Gifford
 of said Town scaler of weights and
 Measures for the present year

Dated at Westport this twenty first
 day of July in the year Eighteen hun-
 dred and fifty one

Perry Davis
 Geo. H. Gifford
 F. Brownell

Bristol SS July 22. 1851. Then personally
 appeared Edwin B. Gifford and made
 oath to the faithful discharge of his
 duty as scaler of weights & Measures
 Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Justice of the Peace

Attest a true Record

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS Aug. 13. 1851. Then personally
 appeared Stephen Allen and solemnly
 affirmed to faithfully discharge his duty
 as Surveyor of Highways the present year

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. Westport Sept. 8. 1851 Then
 personally appeared Peter Davis and made
 oath to the faithful performance of his
 duty as Constable for the space of ten days

Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

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Bristol SS. Westport Sept. 9. 1851 Then personally appeared Joseph N. Bliss and made oath to the faithful discharge of his duty as Constable

Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. Westport Sept. 13. 1851. Then personally appeared Eli P. Lawton and made oath to the faithful discharge of his duty as Constable

Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

To either of the Constables of the town of Westport in the County of Bristol

G R C C T S N G.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in elections to meet at the town House in Westport on Monday the tenth day of November next it being the second Monday of said month at ten of the Clock in the forenoon to bring in their votes to the selectmen for a Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth and for three Senators on one ballot for the District of Bristol for the ensuing year. And also to choose one Representative to represent them in the General Court to be held at Boston on the first Wednesday of January next the votes for Representative to be brought in with

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the votes for Governor &c in the same Envelope

Also to give in their votes upon the following question viz: - Is it expedient that delegates should be chosen to meet in convention for the purpose of revising or altering the constitution of Government of this Commonwealth

And also at the same place to meet at two O'Clock in the afternoon of the same day to act on the following articles viz:

1st To choose a Moderator to preside in said Meeting

2^d To hear the reports of the Selectmen concerning Highways and watering places and Landing and act thereon

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at three or more public places in said town ten days at least before the times for holding said meetings

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of Meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this twenty second day of October in the year one thousand Eight Hundred and fifty one

Frederick Brownell Selectmen
Perry Davis
Geo. H. Gifford J. Westport

Bristol SS. Nov. 1st 1851. I have served the within warrant by posting up attested copies of the same at the following places

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viz: one at the Store of C. A. Church & ea
one at E. P. Brownell's and one at Alexan
der H. Cory's ten days before the time
for holding said meeting

E. B. Gifford Constable
of Westport

At a legal meeting of the qualified voters
of the Town of Westport held at the Town House
in said Town on Monday the tenth day
of November A.D. 1851 for the purposes
expressed in the foregoing warrant votes
for the following named Persons were
given in sorted, counted, Record and
declaration thereof made as by The
Constitution directed

Whole number of votes for Governor
was two Hundred and seventy seven 277

George S. Boutwell of Groton had
one Hundred and twenty five -- 125
Robert C. Winthrop of Boston had
ninety votes -- 90
John C. Patfey of Cambridge had
sixty two -- 62

The Whole number of votes for Lieut.
Governor was two Hundred and seventy
six -- 276
Henry W. Cushman of Bernardston had
one hundred and twenty three 123
George Grennell of Greenfield had
ninety votes -- 90
Annasa Walker of North Brookfield
had sixty three votes -- 63

The whole number of votes for Senators
was two Hundred and seventy eight 278

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John Crane of Norton had one hund-
red and ~~twenty three~~ ^{Eighty four} votes -- 124
Christopher A. Church of Westport had
one hundred & seventy one votes -- 171
Nicolas Hathaway of Freetown had one
Hundred and seventy one votes 171
John Earle of Swansea had ninety
votes -- 90
Oliver Ames Jr of Easton had ninety
votes -- 90
Thomas Wyck of New Bedford had
Eighty Eight votes -- 88
Caleb Swan of Easton had one vote -- 1
P. W. Peckham of Westport had one vote -- 1
N. B. Borden of Fall River had one vote 1

Whole number of votes for Repres-
entative to General Court was Two
Hundred and sixty five 265

Frederick Brownell had one Hunder-
ed and twenty five 125
John Gifford 2^d had Eighty Eight votes 88
George H. Gifford had Fifty two votes 52
voted at the afternoon ^{meeting} that Nathan Wood be Moderator of the Meeting
Also voted at the afternoon meet-
ing to accept of all the reports of
the selectmen ~~with~~ the following am-
endment to the one concerning the lay-
ing out of a highway from the Highway that
goes from George H. Gifford's to the Town House
to the Highway leading from the Head of
The River to Dix's Bridge

voted to amend said report by allowing
Harvey W. Kirby fifteen dollars damages

Attest

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

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Bristol SS. To either of the constables
of the Town of Westport in said County
C. R. C. C. T. S. C.

In the name of the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts you are required to
notify and warn the inhabitants of
said Town of Westport qualified to
vote in elections to meet at the Town
House in said town on Monday the
twenty fourth day of November Inst.
it being the fourth Monday of said
Month at ten O'Clock in the fore-
noon. To choose a Representative to
represent them in the General Court
to be held at Boston on the first day
Wednesday in January next

warrant

And you are directed to serve this
warrant by posting up attested copies
thereof at three or more public places
in said Town seven days at least
before the time of holding said meet-
ing

Hereof fail not and make due
return of this warrant with your
doings thereon to ourselves at the
time and place of meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this
twelfth day of November in the
year one thousand eight hundred
and Fifty one

Frederick Brownell, Selectman
Geo. H. Gifford, Westport

Bristol SS. I have served the within warrant
by posting up attested copies of the same one
at Alexander H. Cory's Store one at Ezra P. Brown-
nell's Store and one at C. A. Church & Co Store
seven days before the time of holding said meeting
Nov. 17, 1851
C. B. Gifford Constable

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The legal voters of the Town Westport
met agreeable to the foregoing warrant
and gave in their votes to the selectmen
for a Representative to represent them
in the next General Court

The whole number of votes given was
one hundred and seventy six 176
Frederick Brownell had one hundred &
nineteen votes & was chosen 119
John Gifford 2^d had fifty seven votes 57

Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS Westport Jan^y 14, 1852 Then
personally appeared Varnum Macomber
and made oath to the faithful discharge
of his duty as measurer of wood and Bark

Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. To either of the Constables
of the Town of Westport in the County
of Bristol C. R. C. C. T. S. C.

In the name of the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts you are directed to
notify the inhabitants of the ~~town~~ Town
of Westport qualified to vote in elections
and in town affairs to meet at the
Town House in said Westport on Monday
the fifth day of April next at ten O'Clock
in the forenoon then and there to act
on the following Articles:-

1st To choose a Moderator to preside
in said Meeting

2^d To choose all necessary town officers
for the year ensuing

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3^d To hear the annual reports of the Selectmen, General School Committee and Landing Commissioners and act thereon

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4th To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the year ensuing and make appropriations of the same

5th To determin the manner of repairing the ^{Highways} town ways and bridges the year ensuing

6th To bring in their votes for County Treasurer

7th To see what measures the Town will take to cause suitable sluiceways or openings in the Mill Dams in said town to admit of easy ingress and egress of Alewives into the ponds above

8th To see if the town will alter the line between school Districts no. 18 and no. 19 so as to set the Houses ~~where~~ Charles N. Craw, Anthony Gifford and William C. Allen now lives in Dist no. 19

9th To see what instructions the Town will give the Landing Commissioners if any

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at three or more public places in said Town of Westport fourteen days at least before the time for holding said meeting

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Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this fifteenth day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty two

Frederick Brownell, Selectmen
Geo. H. Gifford
Perry Davis } Westport

Bristol S.S. March 17th 1852
I have served the within warrant by posting up three attested copies of the same one at E. P. Brownell's Store one at C. A. Church's Store and one at Davises Corner fourteen days before the time of holding said meeting

E. B. Gifford Constable
of Westport

On the 5th day of April 1852 the inhabitants of the Town of Westport met agreeable to the foregoing warrant and chose the following named Town Officers &c

For Moderator
B. B. Sison Esq.

For Town Clerk
Geo. H. Gifford was chosen & sworn

For Selectmen
F. Brownell, Geo. H. Gifford & Perry Davis and they were sworn

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Assessors F. Brownell, Geo. H. Gifford, & Perry Davis were chosen & sworn for Assessors

Voted, not to choose Overseers of the Poor

Voted, That the School Districts choose their own Prudential Committees

Voted, That the Treasurer be Collector of Taxes

Treasurer Voted, That Geo. H. Gifford be Treasurer he agreeing to take & accept the office for 2 per cent on all moneys collected and paid out by him the same as last year

Constables Isaac Francis & Jerich Brownell were chosen Constables & sworn

Sealer Isaac Francis was chosen sealer of weights & Measures

Poundkeeper Manson P. Brownell

For Field Drivers

Thomas Brownell

Perry Briggs Sworn

Frederic Gifford

David Petley

Jonathan Pierce

Hanan W. Brightman

Canaan Dyer Sworn

Otis Tripp Sworn

Ephriam Briggs

Fence Viewers Perry Davis, Lemuel Brownell & Holder Wordell

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Surveyors of Lumber and
Measurers of Wood and Bark

Pelig H. Gifford, Jeremiah J. Thompson, Perry Davis, John Allen, David Lawton, Geo. H. Gifford, F. Brownell, Russell Gifford 2^d, Varnum Macomber & Edwin B. Gifford

Voted, To raise the sum of one thousand Dollars for the repairs of Highway and Bridges & to be appropriated in the same manner as last year

The following named persons were chosen Surveyors of Highways and all marked thus were sworn in open town Meeting by the Moderator

Thomas W. Wood	§ Joshua Wordell
Gideon Lawton	§ Samuel C. Allen
John W. Howland	§ Pelig Manchester
§ James Reed	§ Edmund Tripp
§ David Tripp	§ Stephen P. Kirby
§ Leonard Brightman	§ Russell Gifford 2 ^d
Frederic Gifford	Thomas W. Davis
§ Daniel Wing	Nathanial Kirby
§ Justus Sherman	Stephen H. Howland
David Sanford Jr.	§ Thomas Brownell
Era P. Brownell	Henry Palmer
John Seabury	§ Lemuel M. Gifford
§ Joseph Briggs	§ Stephen Allen
§ Perry Davis	§ George Lawton
§ Willard Reed	§ Isaac Petley
§ Thomas B. Gifford	Weston M. Cornell
§ John R. Baker	

Voted, To accept the Reports of the Selectmen and Landing Commissioners

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\$2600

Voted, To raise the sum of two thousand six hundred Dollars for incidental expenses

\$2000

Voted, To raise the sum of two thousand Dollars for the support of schools & also to appropriate the interest on the surplus Revenue fund for the schools. All of said Money to be divided equally among the Districts

Voted, That the Selectmen be a committee to petition the Legislature concerning Alewives as named in the 7th Article of the warrant

County
Treasurer

The whole number of votes collected sorted & counted for County Treasurer was one hundred & fifty three - 153

For Samuel R. Townsend of Taunton one hundred & two votes - 102

For James P. Ellis of Taunton fifty one votes - 51

School
Committee

For General School Committee J. B. Parris, G. E. Brownell and Ezra P. Brownell were chosen

Voted, To postpone the Eighth Article in the warrant until the adjourned Meeting

Voted, To indefinitely postpone the 9th Article in the warrant

Commissioners
on
Landings

Voted, That Abraham Macomber, J. Brownell, Varnum Macomber and Stephen Howland be the Landing Commissioners

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Voted, That the Town pay Moses Petty \$10.42 for expenses of Burying Joseph Cook

Voted, That when this Meeting adjourn it adjourn to Saturday the 17th inst. at 2 O'Clock P.M.

Voted to adjourn

A True Record

Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol S.S. April 6. 1852. Then personally appeared George H. Gifford and made oath to the faithful discharge of his duty as Treasurer of the Town of Westport for the year ensuing

Before me B. B. Sisson Justice of the Peace

A True Record of the Certificate

Attest

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol S.S. April 6. 1852. Then personally Edwin B. Gifford and took the oath of office as Surveyor of Lumber and Measure of wood and Bark for the year ensuing Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol S.S. April 8th 1852. Then personally appeared Isaac Francis and made oath to the faithful discharge of his duty as Sealer of weights & Measures for the town of Westport for the year ensuing

Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

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Bristol SS. April 10. 1852 Then personally appeared Ephraim Briggs and made oath to the faithful discharge of his duty as Field Driver in the Town of Westport for the year ensuing Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. April 15. 1852. Then personally appeared Jonathan Pierce & made oath to the faithful discharge of his duty as Field Driver in the Town of Westport for the ensuing, Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. April 15. 1852. Then personally appeared Pleg H. Gifford and took the oath of Office as Surveyor of Lumber & Measurer of Wood & Bark for the Town of Westport the ensuing year Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. April 17. 1852. Then personally appeared Gideon Lawton and took the oath of Office as a Surveyor of Highways for the Town of Westport for the ensuing year Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. April 17. 1852. Then personally appeared Henry Palmer and made oath to the faithful discharge of his duty as a Surveyor of Highways for the Town of Westport for the year ensuing Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

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April 17. 1852 The inhabitants of the Town of Westport met agreeable to adjournment from the 5th inst. the Moderator being absent Nathan Wood was chosen Moderator pro tem pore & the following votes were passed viz:

Adjourned Meeting

Voted, To indefinitely postpone the 8th Article in the warrant

Voted, That the several sums of Money raised on the 5th inst. be raised by a tax and that the collector allow the same discount as was allowed ~~for~~ last year for prompt payment

Voted, To excuse Frederic Gifford from being surveyor of Highways & chose John T. Wing in his stead & to excuse Weston M. Cornell & chose Moses Macomber in his stead & to excuse Alanson P. Brownell from being Pound Keeper & chose Benjamin T. Shaw in his stead & voted to excuse Ezra P. Brownell from being Surveyor of Highways & Nathan Wood was chosen and sworn in his stead

Voted, To accept the Report of the General School Committee

Voted To adjourn sine die

A true Record

Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. April 17. 1852 Then personally appeared Moses Macomber and took the oath of Office as Surveyor of Highways for the Town of Westport for the year ensuing

Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

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Bristol SS. To either of the Constables of
the Town of Westport in said County
C. R. C. T. S. N. G.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massa-
chusetts you are hereby required to notify the
inhabitants of said Town of Westport qualified
to vote in Town affairs to meet at the Town house
in said Town on Saturday the seventeenth day of
April instant at two O'clock in the afternoon then
and there to act on the following articles

1st To choose a Moderator to preside in said
meeting

2nd To see if the town will authorize their
Treasurer to renew the notes now standing
against the Town and give notes for orders
now due

3rd To see if the Town will accept of
a list of jurors as made out by the selectmen

4th To see if the Town will cancel a bond
given by Giles R. Gifford for the support of
Judith Wood take the money and agree to pay the
interest towards her support

And you are directed to serve this warrant
by posting up attested copies thereof at three or
more public places in said town seven days at
least before the time of holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return
of this warrant with your doings thereon to the
Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as
aforesaid

Given under our Hands this fifth day
of April in the year one thousand eight hundred
& fifty two

Frederick Brownell Selectman
Perry Davis
Geo. H. Gifford } Westport

Westport April 14th 1852

I have served the within warrant by posting up

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attested copies of the within at the following places
viz one at Christopher A. Churches & Co. Store at
the Head of the River one at A. H. Corys Store
at the point & one at the Town house in said
Town seven days previous to said meeting

Isaac Francis Constable of Westport

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town
of Westport held on the 17th day of April in the year
1852 agreeable to the foregoing warrant the following
votes were passed and Nathan Wood was chosen
Moderator to preside in said Meeting

Voted, To authorize their Treasurer to renew
the notes now standing against the town & give notes
for orders now due

Voted, That the town receive the money of
Giles R. Gifford and pay him the interest annu-
ally & cancel the Bond & Mortgage concerning
the support of Judith Wood & Give said Gifford
security for the money in case he should support
said Judith during her natural life

Voted, To accept the following list of persons as Jurors

Job Davis Bapt.	Edmund Wordell
Isaac L. Brightman	Weston M. Cornell
Adrian Davis	Justus Sherman
Thomas Records	Thomas Sanford
James Allen	Wm D. Sherman
Leonard Macomber	Alex B. Gifford
Stephen P. Kirby	Israel Allen
Abraham Manchester	Jonathan P. Gifford
Andrew H. Macomber	Eli Tripp
Godfrey Cornell	Jeremiah Devoll
Simon Macomber	Isaac A. Anthony
Paul Fisher	Henry B. Gifford
Cornelius T. Allen	David Lawton
Abraham Macomber	Edwin Lawton

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Frederic Allen
Benjamin Davis
Abiel Davis
Pelag H. Gifford
Edwin B. Gifford
John C. Macomber
George F. Wood
Wm C. Allen

Stephen R. Howland
Elkanah Wordell
Nestor Macomber
Erna Macomber
Frederic W. Brownell
Rufus W. Brightman
Frederic Gifford
Joshua Wordell

Voted, To adjourn *sin die*
A true Record

Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol S.S. April 30. 1852. Then personally appeared Stephen R. Howland & Samuel C. Allen and took the Oath of Office as Highway Surveyors in the Town Westport the ensuing year
Before me
Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol S.S. May 3. 1852 Then personally appeared Joshua Wordell and David Sanford Jr and made ^{oath} to the faithful discharge of their duties as Surveyors of Highways for the Town of Westport the ensuing year
Before me
Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol S.S. May 19. 1852 Then personally appeared Thomas W. Wood and made oath to the faithful discharge of his duty as a Surveyor of Highways in the Town of Westport for the ensuing year
Before me
Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

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Bristol S.S. May 22. 1852 Then personally appeared John Seabury and took the Oath of Office for Surveyor of Highways in the Town of Westport for the year ensuing.
Before me
Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol S.S. May 26. 1852. Then personally appeared Abraham Macomber and solemnly affirmed that he would faithfully discharge his duty as Landing Commissioner the ensuing year
Before me
Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol S.S. May 26. 1852. Then personally appeared Frederic Brownell and made Oath to the faithful discharge of his duty as Landing Commissioner for the year ensuing
Before me
Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

The following is the names of all the persons enrolled in the Militia in the Town of Westport for the year A.D. 1852.

Aikins Daniel B.	Adams John R.
Allen Frederic	Allen Israel
Allen William C.	Aikins Benjamin R.
Allen Thomas Jr	Anthony Nicolas B.
Allen Samuel C.	Allen George J. A.
Allen Thomas J.	
Allen Timothy C.	
Allen James	Binford Joseph M.
Allen John	Bessee Aaron
Anthony John L.	Briggs John
Allen Cornelius T.	Brownell Philip H.
Allen Abner	Brightman John
Allen Daniel H.	Brightman Sanford 2 ^d
Anthony Isaac A.	Butts George W.

Brightman Leander
 Brightman Elisha
 Brownell Andrew W.
 Brownell Ezra P.
 Brownell Isaac J.
 Brightman John H.
 Brownell James H.
 Brower Oliver
 Brownell George H. B.
 Brownell James
 Bailey Oliver
 Brownell Uriah
 Briggs George
 Bepsee Peter S.
 Brightman Leonard
 Borden Holder S. Jr.
 Brownell Giles C.
 Briggs Peleg J.
 Brownell George F.
 Borden Thomas 2^d
 Borden John
 Bliss Joseph N.
 Baker Charles W.
 Baker Edward M.
 Brightman Rufus W.
 Brownell George R.
 Brown Daniel H.
 Briggs Christopher
 Briggs Jeremiah
 Borden Peleg S.
 Brightman Hannan W.
 Ball Charles
 Briggs Elias
 Brightman Elias P.
 Bradley David S.
 Brownell Alanson P.
 Bepsee Lemuel

Chace William W.
 Cornell William A.
 Cornell James W.
 Cornell Stephen K.
 Cornell Job
 Cornell George L.
 Crapo George D.
 Cornell Weston M.
 Carroll Charles
 Chedell Timothy B.
 Cornell Joshua H.
 Cornell Jacob
 Cornell Daniel H.
 Crossman Frederic
 Crow Charles N.
 Crapo Daniel
 Chace Gideon R.
 Coggeshall Stephen
 Chace Jonathan
 Chace Jonathan 2^d
 Chace Charles
 Carr Thomas D.
 Chace William W.
 Carter Richard
 Chace Elbridge C.
 Chace George H.
 Cory Andrew
 Church Christopher A.
 Cummings William H.
 Cornell John A.
 Cornell John Allen
 Cornell

Dyer Abraham
 Davis Thomas W.
 Davis Walter S.
 Dyer Warren
 Davis Allen

Davis Edmund
 Devoll David 2^d
 Devoll Philip H.
 Dean John
 Davis Peter
 Davis Abiel
 Devol James P.
 Davis Abner J.
 Davis Alfred C.
 Davis Benjamin
 Davis Charles R.
 Dyer Canaan
 Devoll Edward S.
 Dring Thomas
 Devoll Alexander
 Dana Charles
 Davis Andrew
 Devoll Samuel
 Dean Samuel
 Devoll William C.
 Devoll Charles F.
 Davis Job Jr.
 Davis Darius
 Devoll Charles F.

Fisher Charles
 Freelove Clark Jr.
 Fuller Benjamin
 Francis Hiram
 Freelove Barney
 Freelove Joseph

Gifford Jason
 Gifford Charles
 Gifford Benjamin 2^d
 Gifford George B.
 Gifford Giles R.
 Grinnell Eben S.

Gifford Christopher R.
 Gifford Richard S.
 Grinnell William
 Gifford Alexander B.
 Gifford Peleg H.
 Gifford Edwin B.
 Gifford Elisha B.
 Gifford Weston
 Gifford Philip
 Gifford Thomas B.
 Gifford Charles F.
 Gifford Alfred
 Gifford Abert A.
 Gifford Benjamin H.
 Gifford Frederic
 Gifford Philander
 Gifford Elijah Jr.
 Gifford Samuel F.
 Gifford Abraham R.
 Gifford Stephen B.
 Gifford Samuel
 Gifford Lysander
 Gifford Christopher C.
 Gifford Thomas W.
 Gifford William H.
 Gifford William H. 2^d
 Gifford Henry H.
 Gammons Matthias C. Jr.
 Gifford Andrew
 Gifford Nathaniel
 Gidley Frederic
 Gifford George
 Grinnell John
 Grinnell Asa
 Gifford John A. 2^d
 Gifford Lemuel M.
 Gifford Peleg C.
 Gilman Edward C.

Cifford John Andros
Cifford Abel
Cifford Philip

Hicks Reuben C.
Hicks Alexander
Howland Isaac
Howland Loeth
Hicks Barney
Howland William P.
Howland Stephen H.
Howland Alexander H.
Howland Benjamin
Handy William W.
Hathaway Albert
Hicks Isaac
Howland Stephen R.
Hedge Mortimer
Howland William
Howland David S.
Hazard Edward B.
Hammond William S.
Hitt Humphrey
Howland Solomon
Hopkins William
Hicks John

Kirby Perry
Kirby Nathaniel
Kirby Tillinghast
Kirby Edmund
Kirby Stephen P.
Kirby Harvey W.
Kirby Abner
King Alfred
Kirby George W.
Kirby Uriah
King Godfrey

King Asa S.
King Charles C.

Lavere Arnold B.
Lawton Abraham C.
Lawton David
Lawton Edwin
Lawton Robert
Lawton Gideon
Lawton Eli P.
Lawton Uriah
Lawton George B.
Little Preserved
Lawrence Andrew
Little Charles
Lawton John
Lawton James
Lawton Russell
Lawton Perry C.

Macomber Leonard
Masher Charles
Macomber Pardon
Masher Israel
Masher Lorenzo D.
Manchester Abr^m C.
Manchester Barton B.
Manchester W^m P.
Macomber Simon J.
Macomber Israel
Macomber John C.
Macomber Alexander
Macomber Westcome
Manchester George L.
Manchester James W.
Macomber Otis
Manchester Sylvester
Moston Daniel

Masher John
Macomber Andrew
Macomber Richard
Macomber Moses
Masher Joseph J.
Manchester Charles L.
Manchester Charles J.
Macomber Richmond
Masher Benjamin
Masher William A.
Macomber Alexander H.
Macomber Andrew H.
Macomber Thurston
Macomber George B.
Manchester George
Manchester Beriah
Manchester Tobes
Macomber Isaac W.
Millard David

Mooring Jonathan
Nye Joseph

Potter Joshua J.
Palmer Henry
Potter Charles
Potter Frederic P.
Potter Abner S.
Potter Pardon C.
Petty Potter
Petty Abner J.
Petty Holder J.
Petty Pardon 2^d
Pierce Jonathan
Potter Isaac P.
Pierce George F.
Peckham Edward
Petty Edward

Potter Elias
Petty George S.
Petty David
Petty David 2^d
Petty James H.
Palmer Isaac
Palmer James H.
Peckham Benjamin

Reed Willard
Reed Caleb
Reynolds Malichi
Reed Alden M.

Shaw Franklin
Stocum Willard H.
Sherman Daniel
Sampson John
Snell Henry
Smith Henry
Sowle Oliver
Sowle Charles P.
Sowle Benjamin
Sherman Justus
Sherman Peleg
Stocum Andrew
Sowle Russell
Sanford Elias B.
Sanford Caleb J.
Sipson Charles
Sipson Gideon
Sowle John H.
Snell Humphrey W.
Sherman Wilson
Sherman Thomas B.
Sanford David J.
Sanford Peleg S.
Smith John A.

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Sanford Thomas
 Sabins William H.
 Sabins Gideon B.
 Sabins Philander G.
 Sherman Kempton
 Simmons Reuben
 Sabins Weston G.
 Sison Alden T.
 Soule John
 Soule Henry Jr.
 Shaw Benjamin T.
 Seabury Albert
 Snell Daniel D.
 Sison George F.
 Sanford Philip
 Simmons Eber
 Seabury John
 Soule Abel Jr.
 Sherman Abner
 Simmons Benjamin
 Sison Daniel H.
 Soule James
 Soule Robert
 Sherman William D.
 Snell Moses
 Sison Stephen T.
 Soule Pardon
 Soule Edward G.

Tripp Luthon D.
 Tripp Andrew
 Tompkins Isaac B.
 Tripp Clark
 Tripp James F.
 Tripp Nathaniel
 Tripp William R.
 Tripp Lyoni
 Tripp Oliver

Tripp Charles H.
 Tripp Pardon
 Tripp Holder
 Tripp David R.
 Tripp Ivory
 Tripp Stephen Jr.
 Tripp John H.
 Tripp Francis
 Tripp Abner D.
 Tripp John G.
 Tripp Jeremiah D.
 Tripp Uriah B.
 Tompson Joseph
 Tripp Alden
 Tripp Uriah B.
 Tripp Jonathan
 Tabor Joseph
 Tripp Daniel
 Tripp William
 Tripp William H.
 Tripp Weston S.
 Tilton Francis W.
 Tripp James H.
 Tripp Alexander A.
 Tripp Daniel H.

Wordell Christopher
 White Pelig S.
 Wing George W.
 White George B.
 Wood George F.
 Wood Alexander
 Wood Nathan W.
 Wood Lawton
 Wordell Gershora
 Wordell Elkanah
 Whalon John R.
 Waite Reuben

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Waite Daniel H.
 White Holder Jr.
 Wing Ezra
 Winchester Nathaniel W.
 Wordell Edmund
 Wordell Richard
 Wing Charles
 Wing Frederic A.
 Wing Perry
 Wilcox Bradford
 Wordell John
 Wordell Humphrey
 Whalon Henry
 Wing Lewis

Whole number 406

Received and Recorded May 26, 1852

By me Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. May 26, 1852. Then personally
 appeared Thomas W. Davis and made oath
 to the faithful discharge of his duty as a
 Surveyor of Highways in the Town of Westport
 the ensuing year

Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. May 31, 1852. Then personally
 appeared Stephen Howland and took the
 office as Landing Commissioner for the
 year ensuing

Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. May 31, 1852. Then personally
 appeared Nathaniel Kirby and took the oath
 of Office as a Surveyor of Highways the ensuing year
 in the Town of Westport

Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. April 17, 1852. Then Holder Wordell made oath
 that he will faithfully perform the duties of the Office
 of Jense vicar for the year ensuing within the Town of
 Westport. Before me Benja. F. Winslow Justice of the Peace
 A true Record Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

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Bristol SS. July 3. 1852 Then personally appeared David Lawton and took the oath of office as a Surveyor of Lumber and Measure of wood and Bark in the Town of Westport

Before me

Esq. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. To either of the constables of the Town of Westport in the County of Bristol

C. R. E. T. S. N. G.

Warrant
for
Presidential
Election

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in Elections to meet at the Town House in Westport on Tuesday the second day of November next it being the first Tuesday of said month at two of the clock in the afternoon to bring in their votes to the Selectmen for thirteen Electors for President and Vice President of the United States

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at three or more public places in said town seven days at least before the time for holding said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this twenty second day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty two

Friederick Brownell Selectmen
Esq. H. Gifford
Perry Davis } Westport

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Bristol SS. Westport. Oct 24th 1852

I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the town of Westport by posting up attested copies of this warrant at the following places viz one at Alex Corys store one at the town House & one at C. A. Churkes store In said town seven days before holding said meeting

Isaac Francis } Constable
Westport

At a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westport held agreeable to the foregoing warrant on the second day of November 1852 Nathan Wood, Peleg W. Peckham and Abiel Davis were appointed and sworn Envelope distributors for said Meeting, and the whole number of Ballots given in was two Hundred and Eleven and the whole number of votes given in were received, sorted, counted and declared ~~xxx~~ in open town meeting as by law directed and said votes were as follows:

For Electors at large

Charles C. Green of Boston	sixty seven	67
James S. Whitney of Conway	sixty seven	67
Robert C. Winthrop of Boston	sixty six	66
George Bliss of Springfield	sixty six	66
Stephen C. Phillips of Salem	seventy eight	78
James Fowler of Westfield	seventy eight	78

For Electors for District number one

A. B. Phinney of Barnstable	sixty seven	67
J. H. W. Page of New Bedford	sixty six	66
John A. Shaw of Nantucket	seventy eight	78

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For Electors for District number Two
 Edward Carneau of Hingham sixty seven 67
 George A. Crocker of Taunton sixty six 66
 William H. Wood of Middleboro seventy eight 78

For Electors for District number Three
 Caleb Stetson of Braintree sixty seven 67
 John Gardner of Dedham sixty six 66
 Edward L. Hayes of Dedham seventy eight 78

For Electors for District number Four
 Isaac Adams of Boston sixty seven 67
 Amos Lawrence of Boston sixty six 66
 Timothy Gilbert of Boston seventy eight 78

For Elector for District number Five
 Benjamin F. Hallett of Boston sixty seven 67
 Robert L. Shaw of Boston sixty six 66
 John C. Palfrey of Cambridge seventy eight 78

For Elector for District number Six
 Jonathan Rayson of Amesbury sixty seven 67
 Daniel C. Baker of Lynn sixty six 66
 John C. Whittier of Amesbury seventy eight 78

For Elector for District number Seven
 Eben H. Safford of Haverhill sixty seven 67
 Geo. Cogswell of Bradford sixty six 66
 Samuel C. Sewall of Shoreham seventy eight 78

For Elector for District number Eight
 Walter Fessenden of Townsend sixty seven 67
 Jacob Coggin of Tewksbury sixty six 66
 John W. Graves of Lowell seventy eight 78

For Elector for District number Nine
 J. S. C. Knowlton of Worcester sixty seven 67
 Ebenezer Torrey of Fitchburg sixty six 66
 Charles Mason of Fitchburg seventy eight 78

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For Elector for District number Ten
 O. P. Ingraham of South Hadley sixty seven 67
 Rufus Bullock of Roylston sixty six 66
 Rodolphus B. Hubbard of Sunderland seventy eight 78

For Elector for District number Eleven
 Jonathan C. Field of Stockbridge sixty seven 67
 Ezekiel R. Cott of Pittsfield sixty six 66
 Joel Hayden of Williamsburg seventy eight 78

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Attest Geo. H. Lifford Town Clerk

To either of the Constables of the Town of
 Westport in the County of Bristol
 C. R. E. C. T. S. N. G.

Warrant
for
Meeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massa-
 chusetts you are required to notify and warn
 the inhabitants of the Town of Westport qual-
 ified to vote in Elections to meet at the
 Town House in Westport on Monday the
 Eighth day of November next it being the
 Second Monday of said Month at ten of the
 Clock in the forenoon to bring in their votes
 to the selectmen for a Governor and Lieu-
 tenant Governor of the Commonwealth
 and for three Senators for the District of
 Bristol and one Representative to ~~represent~~
~~to represent~~ them in the General
 Court for the year ensuing and give in
 their votes for a representative in the
 Congress of the United States to fill the place
 vacated by the Death of Orrin Fowler in the
 old District No. 9. And also to give in their
 votes for a representative in the Congress of
 the United States for the Second District
 for the term of two years from the fourth

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day of March next. And on the following question: Is it expedient that delegates should be chosen to meet in convention for the purpose of revising or altering the constitution of Government of this Commonwealth all in one Envelope

Also at two O'Clock in the afternoon of the same day to meet at the same place to act on the following articles:-

- 1st To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting
- 2^d To see if the Town will accept of a Highway as laid out by the Selectmen over the land of Ephraim Kirby & Joshua Potter
- 3^d To see if the town will alter the line between school Districts no. 4 & 19 so as to include John Sampson's land in District no. 4

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at three or more public places in said town ten days at least before the time for holding said meetings.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of meetings as aforesaid

Given under our hands this twenty second day of October in the year one thousand Eight Hundred & fifty two

Frederick Brownell } Selectmen
Esco. H. Clifford }
Perry Davis } Westport

Bristol SS. Westport Oct. 24th 1852
I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the town of Westport by posting up attested copies of this warrant at

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the following places viz one at Alex Corys Store one at the town house & one at C. A. Churchy Ston in said Town ten days before holding said Meeting

Isaac Francis } Constable
Westport

At a legal meeting of the qualified voters of the town of Westport held at the Town House in said town on Monday the Eighth day of November 1852 for the purposes expressed in the foregoing warrant, George Crocker, Abiel Davis & John G. Wady were appointed & sworn to Distribute the Envelopes, and votes for the following named persons were given in, sorted counted and declaration thereof made according to law

The whole number of votes ^{for Governor} was two Hundred & ninety two - - - 292

Henry W. Bishop of Lenox had Seventy seven votes 77
Horace Mann of Newton had one hundred & thirty two votes 132
John F. Clifford of New Bedford had Eighty three votes 83

The whole number of votes for Lieut. Governor was two Hundred & ninety one 291

James D. Thompson of New Bedford had ninety votes 90
Amasa Walker of North Brookfield had one Hundred & Twenty six votes 126

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Elisha Huntington of Lowell had seventy five votes 75

The whole number of Ballots for senators given in was two Hundred & ninety 290

C. R. Vickery of Taunton had two Hundred votes 200

Daniel Wilbor of Somerset had two Hundred votes 200

Isaac D. Hall of New Bedford had one Hundred & ninety nine votes 199

Cromwell Leonard of Norton had thirteen votes 13

James H. Collins of New Bedford had thirteen votes 13

Horatio Leonard of Raynham had thirteen votes 13

John Earle of Swansea had seventy seven votes 77

George Howland Jr of New Bedford had seventy seven votes 77

Willard Blackington of Attleboro had seventy seven votes 77

The whole number of votes for Representative to Congress in the Old District was 9 to fill the place of Orin Fowler deceased was two Hundred & seventy two 272

C. P. Little of Marshfield had seventy five votes 75

Christopher A. Church of Westport had one Hundred & twenty two votes 122

Jacob H. Loud of Plymouth had seventy six votes 76

The whole number of votes for Representative to the 33^d Congress (Dist. no 2) was two Hundred & Eighty 280

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Abijah M. Ide Jr of Attleboro had seventy seven votes 77

Gershom B. Weston of Duxbury had one Hundred & twenty four votes 124

Samuel L. Crocker of Taunton had seventy nine votes 79

The whole number of votes for a Representative to the General Court was Two Hundred & fifty six 256

Frederick Brownell had one Hundred & twenty six 126

Isaac Francis had seventy seven 77

George H. Gifford had twelve 12

Ezra Macomber had thirty two 32

Benjamin F. Tripp four 4

Nathaniel W. Winchester one 1

Abraham Macomber Three 3

Justus Sherman one 1

The whole number of yae's & nays given in on the question "Is it expedient that Delegates should be chosen to meet in Convention for the purpose of revising or altering the Constitution of Government of this Commonwealth, was Two Hundred and ~~seventy six~~ forty four 244
Yae's 176 Nays 68

The inhabitants met at two O'Clock P.M. agreeable to the foregoing warrant and Chose Nathan Wood Moderator of the Meeting

Voted not to accept of the Highway as laid out & reported by the Selectmen

Voted To indefinitely postpone the Third Article in the warrant for the afternoon Meeting
A true Record

Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

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Bristol SS. To either of the constables
of the Town of Westport Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts you are required to notify
and warn the inhabitants of the Town of
Westport qualified to vote in elections to
meet at the Town House in Westport on
Monday the twenty second day of November
inst. it being the fourth Monday of said
month at ten O'Clock in the forenoon to
bring in their votes to the selectmen for
a representative to represent them in the
General Court to be held in Boston on
the first Wednesday of January next

And you are directed to serve this warrant
by posting up attested copies thereof at three
or more public places in said town seven
days at least before the time of holding
said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return
of this warrant with your doings thereon
to ourselves at the time and place of
Meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this ninth
day of November in the year one thousand
eight Hundred and Fifty two

Frederick Brownell Selectmen
Geo. H. Clifford of
Perry Davis Westport

Bristol SS. Westport November 13th 1852

By virtue of this warrant I have notified
the inhabitants of said town to meet at
the time and place within appointed by
posting up attested copies of this warrant
at the following places viz one at C. A.
Churches Store one at the Town House

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one at Alt Corp Store and one at George
Brownells Store in said town seven days
before holding said meeting

Isaac Francis Constable
of Westport

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town
of Westport qualified to vote in Elections held at the Town
House in said Town on Monday the twenty second
day of November 1852 for the purpose expressed
in the foregoing warrant Nathan Wood, George F.
Brownell and Benjamin T. Shaw were appointed
to distribute Envelopes & were sworn to the faithful
discharge of their duties, and the votes for a Repres-
entative to the General Court were given in for
the following named persons and were counted
sorted and declaration thereof made according
to law

At the first balloting the whole number of
ballots was one Hundred and fifty six 156

Frederick Brownell had sixty seven votes	67
Isaac Francis had forty three votes	43
Joshua Wordell had thirty seven votes	37
George H. Clifford had two votes	2
Stephen Howland had two votes	2
John B. Parris had one vote	1
Nathan. Wood had one vote	1
Benjamin T. Tripp one vote	1
Jobe Davis had one vote	1
Isaac A. Anthony had one vote	1
	156

Necessary for a choice seventy nine 79

At the second balloting the whole number
was one Hundred and sixty six 166

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Isaac A. Anthony had seventy seven votes	77
Isaac Francis had forty eight votes	48
Frederic Brownell had twenty three votes	23
Joshua Wordell had nine votes	9
Isaac Anthony had seven votes	7
Stephen Howland had one vote	1
Benjamin F. Tripp had one vote	1
	166
Necessary for a choice Eighty four votes	84

At the Third balloting the whole number of
ballots was one Hundred and sixty three 163

Isaac A. Anthony had one Hundred and nine votes and was chosen	109
Isaac Francis had forty four votes	44
Frederick Brownell had eight votes	8
Jobe Davis had one vote	1
Joshua Wordell had one vote	1
	163
Necessary for a choice Eighty two votes	82

A true Record
Attest Geo. H. Cifford Town Clerk

To either of the Constables of the Town
of Westport in the County of Bristol
Esq. & Co. T. S. & Co.

In the name of the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts you are required to
notify and warn the inhabitants of
the Town of Westport qualified to vote
in Elections to meet at the Town House
in Westport on Monday the Thirteenth
day of December next at one of the Clock
in the afternoon to bring in their votes
to the Selectmen for a representative to

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represent them in the Congress of the United
States of America for the remainder of
the term of two years from the fourth day
of March 1851. Also to give in their votes
for one representative to Represent them
in the Congress of the United States of
America for the term of two years from
the fourth day of March 1853. both in one
Envelope

Also to meet at the same place at
three of the Clock in the afternoon of the
same day then and there to act on the
following articles

1st To choose a Moderator to preside
in said meeting

2^d To see if the Town will accept of a
Highway as laid out by the selectmen
through the lands of Ephraim Pierby &
Joshua Potter

And you are directed to serve this
warrant by posting up attested copies
thereof at three or more public places
in said town seven days at least before
the times for holding said meetings

Hereof fail not and make due
return of this warrant with your doing
thereon to ourselves at the time and
place of meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this
twenty ninth day of November in the
year one thousand eight Hundred
and fifty two

Frederic Brownell Selectmen
Geo. H. Cifford T. Westport

Bristol SS. Westport Dec. 6th 1852. By vir-
tue of this warrant I have notified and
warned the inhabitants of said Town By

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posting up attested copies of the within at the following places viz one at C. A. Church's store one at A. Corys store and one at Brownells corner seven day before holding said meeting

Isaac Francis Constable

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Westport held at the Town House in said town on the thirteenth day of December in the year 1852 for the purposes expressed in the foregoing warrant, Joseph Briggs and Daniel D. Snell were appointed and sworn for Envelope distributors

The whole number of Ballots given in for a Representative for the remainder of the term of two years from the fourth day of March 1851 was one hundred and twenty five

Edward P. Little of Marshfield had	125
ninety five votes	95
Jacob H. Loud of Plymouth had	
thirty votes	30

The whole number of votes given for a representative to represent them in the Congress of the United States of America for the term of two years from the fourth day of March 1853 was one hundred and twenty eight

Cershorn B. Weston of Duxbury had	128
ninety six votes	96
Samuel L. Crocker of Taunton had	
thirty votes	30
Edward P. Little of Marshfield had	
two votes	2

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The inhabitants of the town of Westport also met at three of the clock in the afternoon agreeable to the foregoing warrant and chose Nathan Wood Moderator to preside in said Meeting

Voted not to accept of the report of the report of the selectmen concerning a Highway laid out there

A true Record

Attest Geo. H. Lifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. To either of the constables of the town of Westport in the county of Bristol
G. R. & C. T. & M. C.

Warrant

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs to meet, at the Town House in said Town on Thursday the third day of February next at two O'Clock in the afternoon then and there to act on the following articles viz:

First. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting

2^d. To choose an agent to meet with the County Commissioners on the tenth day of February next to oppose the laying out of a Highway as petitioned for by Nathaniel Kirby and others and to act on all other matters relating to said Highway that may be thought expedient

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at three or more public places in said Town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting

Given under our hands this twentieth day of January one thousand eight

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hundred and Fifty three

Frederic Brownell } Selectmen
Geo. H. Gifford } Westport

Bristol SS. Jan^y 27th 1853. By virtue of this warrant I have notified the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport by posting up attested copies of this warrant as within Directed

Isaac Francis
Constable

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westport held agreeable to the foregoing warrant on the third day of February 1853. Nathan Wood was chosen Moderator and Grek Brownell was chosen Agent for the purpose expressed in the 2^d Article of said warrant

Voted. To choose two Assistant Agents

James H. Handy & Christopher A. Church were chosen Assistant Agents

Voted That if the Assistant Agents will not serve that the Agent Choose his ^{own} assistants

Voted That the Agent make a Report of his doings to the Town on the first Monday in March next

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Attest
Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

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Bristol SS To either of the Constables of the Town of Westport in said County
G R C C T S N C.

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said town of Westport qualified to vote for Senators or Representatives in the General Court to meet at the Town house in said Town on Monday the seventh day of March next being the first Monday of said Month at ten O'clock in the forenoon to choose one delegate to meet delegates from other Towns and Cities in Convention in the State House in Boston on the first Wednesday of May next for the purpose of revising or altering the Constitution of Government of this Commonwealth

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at three or more public places in said Town fourteen days at least before the time of holding said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of Meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of February in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty three

Frederick Brownell Selectmen
Geo. H. Gifford Westport

Bristol SS February 16th 1853 By virtue of this warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport by posting up attested copies of this warrant as within directed
Isaac Francis Constable Westport

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The inhabitants of the Town of Westport met agreeable to the foregoing warrant, Peleg W. Peckham, David H. Howland and Daniel Crapo were appointed and sworn for Envelope Distributors and Frederick Brownell was chosen a Delegate for the purpose expressed in said warrant

A true Record

Attest

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS To either of the Constables of the Town of Westport in said County
L. R. E. & J. H. C.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to meet at the Town House in said Town on Monday the fourth day of April next at nine o'clock in the forenoon then and there to act on the following articles: —

- 1st To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting
- 2^d To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing
- 3^d To see if the Town will provide for 10 months free school in each school District the ensuing year
- 4th To see if the Town will abolish the school Districts in said Town agreeable to a law passed May 3, 1850
- 5th To know the mind of the Town in regard to building an addition to the Alms House

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6th To hear the annual report of the Selectmen Landing Commissioners and school committee and act thereon

7th To see if the Town will build a new Town Hall

8th To bring in their votes for three County Commissioners being inhabitants of different Towns in the county and also for two special commissioners all on one Ballot

9th To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of schools and other Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same

10th To determine the manner of repairing the Highways and Bridges the year ensuing

11th To bring in their votes for a county Treasurer

12th To see if the Town will authorize the school Districts to choose their own Prudential Committee

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at three or more public places in said Town fourteen days at least before the time for holding said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting as aforesaid
Given under our hands this 7th day of March in the year one thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty Three

Frederick Brownell Selectman
Perry Davis
Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Warrant for annual Meeting

Delegate
Chosen

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Bristol SS Westport March 21st 1853
By virtue of this warrant I have notified
the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport
by posting up attested copies of this
warrant as within Directed

Isaac Francis { Constable
Westport

On the fourth day of April 1853 The
inhabitants of the Town of Westport met
agreeable to the foregoing warrant and
chose the following named Town Officers &c

For Moderator
Abraham R. Gifford

For Town Clerk
George H. Gifford was chosen & sworn

For Selectmen
Perry Davis
Justus Sherman Sworn
David Lawton Sworn

For Assessors
Perry Davis
Justus Sherman Sworn
David Lawton Sworn

Voted That the Selectmen be the
Overseers of the Poor
Voted That the Treasurer be collector

George H. Gifford was chosen Treasurer
and collector and Sworn. He agreeing
to do the business for the same compensation as last year
Voted to choose two Constables

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Jerch Brownell & Edwin B. Gifford were
chosen & sworn as constables

Voted That the School Districts choose
their own Prudential Committees

Sealer of Weights & Measures
Isaac Francis

Poundkeeper
Erva P. Brownell & he was sworn
Voted Not to build a new Town House

Field Drivers
Voted To choose five. Perry Briggs,
Jonathan Peirce, Canaan Dyer,
Ephraim Briggs & Leonard Brightman
were chosen & Perry Briggs, Jonathan
Peirce, Ephraim Briggs & Leonard
Brightman were sworn

Surveyors of Lumber & Measures
of Wood and Bark
Pelie H. Gifford, Jeremiah J. Thomson,
Perry Davis, John Allen, David Lawton,
Geo. H. Gifford, Frederic Brownell, Russell
Gifford, Varnum Macomber, Edwin
B. Gifford & John Gifford were chosen
John Allen & David Lawton were sworn

The whole number of votes given in for
County Treasurer was One Hundred and
Sixty one 161
James P. Ellis of Taunton had twenty
nine votes 29
Samuel R. Townsend of Taunton had
One Hundred & thirty two votes 132

County
Treasurer

Collector
&
Treasurer

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The whole number of Ballots given in for county commissioners was one Hundred & sixty six 166

Elbridge G. Morton of Fairhaven had one Hundred & thirty one votes 131

Joseph W. Capron of Attleborough had one Hundred & thirty votes 130

Azariah Shove of Fall River had one Hundred and thirty votes 130

John Baylies of New Bedford had ~~one~~ Thirty five votes 35

James W. Crossman of Taunton had Thirty five votes 35

Lemuel Perry of Norton had thirty five votes 35

The whole number of Ballots for Special Commissioners given in was one Hundred and sixty five 165

George Austin of Swansea had one Hundred and thirty votes 130

Edward Kingman of Mansfield had one Hundred and thirty votes 130

Alson Gilmore of Boston had thirty five votes 35

Joseph E. Read of Fall River had thirty five votes 35

Voted To Adjourn to Monday next at Ten O'Clock A. M.

A true Record

Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk
Bristol SS April 5, 1853 Then personally appeared Edwin B. Gifford and took the oath of Office as Surveyor of Lumber & Measurer of Wood & Bark

Before me Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

1853

Westport April 11, 1853 The inhabitants of the Town of Westport met agreeable to the adjournment from the 4th instant and transacted the following business & passed the following votes:

Perry Davis was sworn to the Offices of Selectman, Assessor & Surveyor of Lumber & Measurer of Wood & Bark, Varnum Macomber & Russell Gifford were sworn as Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood & Bark, Canaan Dyer was sworn as field Driver

Voted to choose 33 Surveyors of Highways The following named persons were chosen for Surveyors of Highways & all then marked thus S were sworn into Office

Officers
Sworn

Surveyors
Highways

Sealer

Thomas W. Wood
Widson Lawton
David Tripp
S Justus Sherman
S Nathan Wood
Joseph Briggs
S Willard Reed
John B. Baker
Samuel G. Allen
S Jacob Allen
Elkanah Wordell
Thomas W. Davis
S Stephen B. Howland
Henry Palmer
Stephen Allen
George White
Weston M. Cornell

S Joseph Brightman
James Reed
S Leonard Brightman
S Daniel Wing
S Peleg S. Sanford
Uriah Brownell
S Perry Davis
S Thomas B. Gifford
S Helder Wordell
Stephen B. Howland
S Russell Gifford
S Nathaniel Kirby
John Sanford
Lemuel B. Gifford
S George A. Wood
Wm. Tabor

Voted To excuse Isaac Francis as Sealer of Weights & Measures & Chose Eli P. Lawton in his stead

School
Committee

Frederic W. Brownell, Ezra P. Brownell
and Giles E. Brownell were chosen as
General School Committee.

Landing
Commissioners

Landing Commissioners
Stephen Howland chosen & sworn
Abraham Macomber chosen & sworn
Frederick Brownell chosen
Varnum Macomber chosen & sworn

Finance
Viewers

Perry Davis, Lemuel Brownell and
Homer Wordell was chosen & sworn as
Finance Viewers

Voted To accept the Reports of the Gen-
eral School Committee, Landing
Commissioners & Selectmen & that the
report of the General School Committee
be placed on file

Voted To accept the Report of Jirish Brow-
nell as Agent concerning the Road at
or near Nathaniel Kirby's

Voted To lay the 3^d Article in the
warrant on the table

School
District

Voted To abolish the School Districts
in the Town agreeable to a law passed
May the 3^d 1850. Voted to choose a
committee of three to carry said vote into
effect & Geo. H. Gifford agrees to give the
town five Dollars for the support of schools
& school houses, ^{provided they carry said vote into effect} George H. Gifford, Giles E.
Brownell & Abraham Macomber were
chosen for said committee.

Committee

Voted To lay the fifth Article on the
table

\$1000

Voted To raise the sum of one
thousand ^{Dollars} for the Repairs of Highways &
that it be appropriated & the Highways be
repaired in the same manner as last year

\$2600

Voted to raise the sum of twenty six
hundred Dollars for incidental expenses

\$2000

Voted To raise the sum of two thousand
Dollars for the support of schools & also to add
the interest on the surplus revenue fund
to said two thousand Dollars & that the
School Money be appropriated or divided as
^{it was} last year

Voted To take the 5th Article from the
table

Alms
House

Voted That the selectmen be a committee
to examine into the propriety of building
an addition to the Alms house & voted
that John Allen be added to said committee
& that they Report at the Town meeting
next Saturday

S. Dest.
Committee

Voted To add David Lawton, Justus
Sherman, Ezra P. Brownell & John Allen
to the committee concerning abolishing
School Districts

Voted That the Selectmen settle with
the Treasurer & have their Report printed
the same as voted in the year 1848

Voted That the collector make the same
abatment for the prompt payment of taxes
as was made last year

Voted that this meeting adjourn to
next Saturday at one o'clock P. M.

A True Record

Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

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Bristol SS April 13. 1853 Then personally
appeared William Taber and took the
Oath of Office as a Surveyor of Highways
Before me
Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS April 15. 1853. Then personally
appeared Joseph Briggs and took the
Oath of Office as a Surveyor of Highways
for the year ensuing
Before me
Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Westport April 16. 1853 The inhabitants
of Westport agreeable to the adjournment
from the 11th instant and past the
following votes viz

Voted To reconsider the vote past on
11th inst whereby they voted to abolish
the school Districts

Voted To indefinitely postpone the 4th
Article in the warrant

Voted To accept the report of the
committee concerning building an addition
to the Alms House

Voted To build an addition to the
Alms House

Voted that the same committee be a
building committee

Voted To excuse the Three Selectmen
from serving on said committee

Voted That Thomas J. Allen & Stephen
Howland be added to said committee

Voted To excuse Frederick W. Brownell
from being one of the General School Committee
and to choose one in his stead. And
then chose Frederic Allen in his place

Voted. That the building committee build
the addition to the Alms House and that
the Town pay them interest on the bills
until they are paid by the Town

Voted To adjourn sine die

A true Record

Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS To either of the constables
of the Town of Westport in said County
G. R. E. & J. L. & C.

In the name of the Commonwealth of
Massachusetts you are directed to
notify the inhabitants of the Town of
Westport qualified to vote in Town af-
airs to meet at the Town House in said
Town on Saturday the sixteenth day of
April instant at two o'clock in the
afternoon to act on the following articles
viz

1st To choose a Moderator to preside
at said Meeting

2^d To see if the Town will accept a
Town way as laid out by the selectmen
through the land of Abner D. Tripp and
others

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And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at three or more publick places in said Town seven days at least before the time of holding said Meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fourth day of April in the year one thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty three.

Justus Sherman Selectman
David Lawton

Pursuant to the above warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the said Town of Westport by posting up attested copies at four public places in said Town one at the Head of the East River one at Pocahontas point one at Nixes Bridge and one at the Store of E. P. Brownell & Co for to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein mentioned.

Jerch Brownell Constable

The inhabitants of Westport met agreeable to the foregoing warrant & chose Abraham R. Gifford Moderator of the Meeting & voted not to accept of the Town way as reported by the Selectmen & voted that the Selectmen notify the County Commissioners that the Town voted not to accept of said way as reported by the Selectmen.

Voted to adjourn sine die
At true Record

Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

1853

Bristol SS. May 7. 1853. Then personally appeared David Tripp & took the oath of Office as a surveyor of Highways for the Town of Westport the ensuing year.

Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS May 1853 Then personally appeared Thomas W. Wood & James Reed & took the oaths of Office as Surveyors of Highways the ensuing year in the Town of Westport

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

The following is a list of the Militia in the Town of Westport as returned by the Assessors in the year 1853

Akins Benjamin R.	Brownell Philip H.
Akins Frederic	Brightman John
Allen William C.	Brightman Sanford 2 ^d
Allen Thomas J.	Batts George W.
Allen Samuel C.	Brownell Alexander
Allen Timothy C.	Bradley David S.
Allen James	Brightman John H.
Allen John	Brightman Elias P.
Allen Charles	Brightman Leander
Anthony John L.	Brightman Elisha
Allen Cornelius J.	Brownell Andrew W.
Allen Abner	Brownell Ezra P.
Allen Thomas J.	Brownell Isaac S.
Allen Daniel	Brightman John 2 ^d
Anthony Isaac A.	Brownell James H.
Adams John R.	Briggs John
Allen Erast	Brower Oliver
	Brownell Daniel
	Brownell George H. B.
	Brownell James

Bailey Oliver
 Briggs George
 Belsey Peter J.
 Bassett Joseph J.
 Brightman Rustome
 Brightman Leonard
 Borden Helder
 Brownell Giles E.
 Briggs Peleg J.
 Brownell George A.
 Brownell George H.
 Borden Thomas
 Borden John
 Bliss J. N.
 Baker Charles
 Baker Edward W.
 Brightman Rufus
 Briggs John
 Brownell George R.
 Briggs Christopher
 Briggs Jeremiah
 Borden Peleg
 Brownell Manson P.
 Briggs Elias
 Brownell Frederic W.
 Brownell David E.

Chace William
 Cornell William A.
 Cornell James W.
 Cornell Stephen H.
 Cornell George L.
 Crapo George D.
 Cornell Weston M.
 Carroll Charles
 Chedell Timothy B.

Cornell Joshua H.
 Cornell Jacob
 Crossman Frederick
 Craw Charles N.
 Crapo Daniel
 Chace Eideon R.
 Cogeshall Stephen
 Chace Jonathan
 Chace Jonathan 2^d
 Chace Charles
 Carr Thomas D.
 Chace William W.
 Cornell Daniel H.
 Cornell Pardon
 Chace Elbridge G.
 C. A. Church
 Cornell John Allen
 Cummings William

Dyer Abraham
 Davis Thomas W.
 Davis Walter S.
 Dyer Warren
 Davis Allen
 Davis Edmund
 Devoll John
 Devoll David 2^d
 Devoll Philip H.
 Dean John
 Davis Peter
 Devoll George F.
 Davis Abial
 Devoll James R.
 Davis Alfred C.
 Davis Benjamin
 Davis Charles R.
 Dyer Canaan

Davis Adrian
 Devoll Edward
 Dring Thomas
 Dana Charles
 Davis Job
 Davis Derias
 Devol Samuel
 Dean Samuel

Frelove Clark Jr.
 Frelove George
 Frelove Barney
 Frelove Joseph
 Francis Miram

Gifford Jason
 Gifford Charles
 Gifford Benjamin
 Gifford George B.
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 Gifford Thomas B.
 Gifford Charles F.
 Gifford Alfred
 Gifford Albert A.
 Gifford Benjamin R.

Gifford Frederic
 Gifford Philander
 Gifford Elijah J.
 Gifford Samuel J.
 Gifford Abraham R.
 Gifford Stephen B.
 Gifford Samuel
 Gifford Christopher C.
 Gifford Thomas H.
 Gifford William H.
 Gifford William H. 2^d
 Gifford John Saker
 Gifford Henry H.
 Gifford Henry J.
 Gammens Mathias E.
 Gifford Andrew
 Gifford Nathaniel
 Gidley Frederic
 Gifford George 2^d
 Gifford Benjamin
 Gifford Philip
 Gifford Asel

Nicks Alexander
 Howland Loeth
 Nicks Barney
 Howland William P.
 Howland Stephen R.
 Howland Alexander H.
 Howland Benjamin
 Nicks George
 Nicks Daniel
 Handy William H.
 Howland Isaac
 Howland Stephen R.
 Howland Peleg C.

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Hedge Mortimer
Hathaway Albert
Howland William
Howland David S.
Hitt Humphrey
Howland Solomon
Hopkins William
Hicks Reuben C.

Kirby Perry
Kirby Nathaniel
Kirby Tillinghast
Kirby Edmund
Kirby Stephen P.
Kirby Harvey W.
King Alfred
Kirby George W.
Kirby Uriah

Levere Arnold B.
Lawton Perry G.
Lawton David
Lawton Edwin
Lawton Robert
Lawton Eideon
Lawton Eli P.
Lawton Uriah
Little Preserved
Lawrence Andrew
Little Charles
Lawton George B.
Lawton John
Lawton James
Lawton Russell

Macomber Leonard
Mosher Charles
Mosher George M.
Mosher Israel
Mosher Lorenzo
Manchester Abraham C.
Manchester Barton B.
Manchester Wilbour P.
Manchester Borden
Macomber Simon Jr.
Macomber Israel
Macomber John D.
Macomber Alexander
Macomber Pestcome
Mosher Luthon
Manchester George L.
Manchester James W.
Manchester Wm W.
Macomber Otis
Mosher Daniel
Mosher John
Mosher Robert
Macomber Andrew
Macomber Lebedee B.
Macomber Richard
Macomber Ezra 2^d
Macomber Moses
Mosher Joseph Jr.
Manchester Charles
Macomber Daniel
Mosher Frederick
Macomber George H.
Macomber Richmond
Macomber John C.
Mosher Benjamin
Mosher William A.
Macomber Alexander H.
Macomber Andrew H.

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Macomber Thuston
Macomber George B.
Manchester George
Manchester William C.
Manchester Pestcome

Nooning Jonathan
Nye John P.

Potter Joshua Jr.
Palmer Henry
Potter Charles
Potter Frederick P.
Potter Abner
Potter Pardon C.
Potter Abner S.
Petty Potter
Petty John T.
Petty Isaac
Petty Abner T.
Petty Holder T.
Petty Pardon 2^d
Pierce Jonathan Jr.
Potter Isaac P.
Pierce George
Peckham Edward
Petty George S.
Parris John B.
Petty Edward
Petty David
Petty David 2^d
Petty James H.
Palmer James

Reed Willard
Reed Caleb
Reynolds Malicki
Reed Alden M.

Stocum Willard
Stade Edwin
Sherman Daniel
Sanborn John
Snell Henry
Smith Henry
Sowle Oliver
Sowle Charles P.
Sowle Benjamin
Sherman Justus
Sherman Pelcy
Stocum Andrew
Sowle Russell
Sanford Silas B.
Sanford Caleb T.
Sipson Charles
Sipson Eideon
Sowle John H.
Snell Humphrey W.
Sherman Wilson
Sherman Thomas B.
Sanford David Jr.
Sanford Pelcy S.
Sanford Thomas
Sabins William H.
Sabins Eideon B.
Sabins Philander C.
Sherman Hempton
Simmons Reuben
Sabins Weston C.
Sipson Alden T.
Sowle John

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Henry Soule jun
 Shaw Benjamin D.
 Seabury Albert
 Snell Daniel D.
 Soule William
 Sison George
 Sanford Philip
 Simmons Eber
 Seabury John
 Soule Abel jun
 Sherman Abner
 Simmons George W.
 Snell Lyman
 Simmons Benjamin
 Sison Daniel H.
 Soule James
 Soule Robert
 Snell Moses
 Sison Stephen T.
 Soule Isaac
 Soule Pardon
 Shaw Franklin
 Stevens Piley
 Soule Edward C.
 Sanford Daniel
 Snell Rodolphus

Tripp Benjamin P.
 Tripp Nathaniel 2^d
 Tripp Charles
 Tripp Pardon
 Tripp Holder
 Tripp David R.
 Tripp George
 Tripp Ivory
 Tripp Luthon D.
 Tripp Stephen jun
 Tripp Francis
 Tripp John C.
 Tripp Jeremiah D.
 Tripp Uriah B.
 Thompson Joseph
 Tripp Edmund jun
 Tripp Jonathan
 Tabor Joseph
 Tripp Ellis
 Tripp Wm H.
 Tripp Pardon
 Tilton Francis W.
 Tripp Charles H.
 Tripp Weston S.
 Tripp James H.
 Tripp Alexander A.
 Tripp David H.
 Tripp Daniel H.

White Peleg S.
 White George W.
 Wing George W.
 Wood George F.
 Wood Alexander
 Wood Nathan W.
 Wood Lawton

Tripp Andrew
 Tompkins Isaac
 Tripp Clark B.
 Tripp James T.
 Tripp Nathaniel
 Tripp William R.
 Tripp Lyoni
 Tripp Emerson
 Tripp Oliver

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Wordell Eschom
 Wordell Elkanah
 Whalon John R.
 Waite Reuben
 Waite Daniel H.
 White Holder jun
 Wing Ezra
 Winchester Nathaniel W.
 Wordell Edmund
 Wordell Richard
 Wing Frederick A.
 Wing Perry
 Wilcox Bradford
 Wordell Humphrey H.
 Wordell Joshua H.
 Wordell Abiel C.

Whalon Henry
 Wing Charles
 Wilcox Preserved
 Wing Lewis
 Wady John C.
 Anthony Nicolas B.
 Wepu Aaron
 Barnum George
 Chace George H.
 Devoll Charles F.
 Dayton Luthon H.
 King Asa S.
 King Charles
 Luther James H.
 Nye Joseph

The foregoing is a list of the Militia
in the Town of Westport

Perry Davis }
 Justis Sherman }
 David Lawton }
 Westport May 30, 1853
 Whole No. 418

A True Record

Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS Oct. 1, 1853. Then personally
appeared Stephen Allen and affirmed
to the duties of office as a Surveyor of
Highways for the ensuing year in the Town
of Westport

Before me Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

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Whereas George H. Gifford Esq. is now the Town Clerk for the Town of Westport and expects to be absent for a few weeks we the Subscribers hereby Appoint Henry G. Gifford Town Clerk Pro tem during his absence for said Town.

Perry Davis } Selectmen
David Lanting }

Westport July 19. 1853 Westport

Bristol SS. July 19. 1853 Then Personally appeared the above named Henry G. Gifford and made Oath to the faithful discharge of the duty to which he is appointed in the above appointment as town clerk Pro tem Before me

George H. Gifford Justice of the Peace

A true Record

Attest

Henry G. Gifford Town Clerk Pro tem

Bristol SS To either of the Constables of the Town of Westport in the County of Bristol

E. R. & C. T. N. C.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in Elections to meet at the Town house in Westport on Monday the fourteenth day of November inst. it being the second Monday of said Month at ten of the Clock in the forenoon to bring in their votes to the Selectmen for a Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth and for three Senators on one ballot for the district of Bristol for the

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year ensuing. Also one representative to represent them in the General Court to be held in Boston on the first Wednesday of January next. Also to bring in their votes in one sealed envelope upon the Constitutional propositions adopted by the Convention of delegates assembled at Boston in the year Eighteen Hundred & fifty three

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof, at three or more public places in said Town ten days at least before the time for holding said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to ourselves at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this first day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty three

Perry Davis } Selectmen
Justus Sherman }

Westport

Bristol SS Nov 3^d 1853

I have served the within warrant by posting up three attested copies of the same one at Alexander H. Corys Store one at E. P. Brownell's & Co Store and one at E. B. Gifford's Store ten days before the time of holding said meeting

E. B. Gifford } Constable
Westport

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Westport met

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for the purposes expressed in said warrant
Edwin Lawton & Jacob Cornell were
appointed & sworn to distribute Envelopes

The whole number of votes given in
for Governor was two Hundred and
forty one 241

Henry Wilson of Natick had Eighty two
votes 82

Henry W. Bishop of Lenox had Eighty
two votes 82

Emory Washburn of Worcester had
Seventy seven votes 77

For Lieutenant Governor the whole
number of votes was two hundred
and forty two 242

Amasa Walker of North Brookfield
had Eighty three votes 83

Levi A. Dowley of Boston had Eighty
two votes 82

William C. Plunkett of Adams
had seventy seven votes 77

The whole number of Ballots
for Senators was two Hundred
and forty three

Isaac D. Hall of New Bedford had
one Hundred & Sixty four votes 164

Daniel Wilbur of Somerset had

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one Hundred and Sixty five votes 165

Charles B. Vickery of Taunton had ~~one~~
Hundred & Sixty five votes 165

George Howland Jr of New Bedford
had seventy Eight votes 78

Willard Blackington of Attleborough
had seventy Eight votes 78

Richard Borden of Fall River had
Seventy Eight votes 78

The whole number of votes for a
Representative was was two Hundred
and three at the first trial 203

Isaac A. Anthony had Eighty three votes 83

J. Peckham Gifford fifty Eight votes 58

Frederick Brownell forty five votes 45

Abram R. Gifford twelve votes 12

Benja B. Sison two votes 2

Holden Wordell two votes 2

J. B. Parris one vote 1

At the second Balloting the whole
number of votes given in was one
Hundred and Eighty two 182

Isaac A. Anthony had ninety six
votes and was chosen

The votes on the several constitu-
tional propositions were given in
as follows viz:

For Proposition numbered one there
was one Hundred & fifty one Yes

Bristol SS. To either of the Constables of the
Town of Westport in the County of Bristol
C R & E T S & G

Town
Meeting
Warrant

In the name of the Commonwealth of Mass-
achusetts you are directed to notify the in-
habitants of the Town of Westport qualified
to vote in Elections and in Town affairs to
meet at the Town House in said Westport
on Monday the third day of April next
at ten o'clock in the forenoon then and
there to act on the following articles

- 1st To Choose a Moderator to preside in said
Meeting
- 2^d To Choose all necessary Town Officers
for the year ensuing
- 3^d To hear the annual reports of the
Selectmen, Landing Commissioners and
School Committee and act thereon
- 4th To raise such sums of Money as
may be necessary for the support of
schools and other Town Charges for the year
ensuing and make appropriations of the
same
- 5th To determine the manner of repairing
the highways and bridges the year ensuing
- 6th To bring in their votes for a County Treasurer
- 7th To see if the Town will authorize the
School Districts to Choose their own Prudential
Committee
- 8th To see if the Town will direct for school District
no. 2 to have the balance of money that was due
them in the winter of 1852 & 53

and ninety seven No
For Proposition number two there
was one Hundred & fifty three Yes
And ninety seven No
For Proposition number three there
was one Hundred & fifty four Yes
And ninety seven No
For Proposition number four there was
one Hundred & fifty four Yes
And ninety seven No
For Proposition number five there
was one Hundred & fifty one Yes
And ninety nine No
For Proposition number six there
was one Hundred & fifty four Yes
And ninety seven No
For Proposition number seven there
was one Hundred & fifty three Yes
And ninety seven No
For Proposition number eight there
was one Hundred & fifty three Yes
And ninety seven No

A true Record

Attest

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk
 of the Town
 of Westport

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9th To see what action if any the Town will take in relation to an act passed April 14, 1853, by the legislature concerning School Districts

10th To see what action the Town will take in relation to the expenses of building at the Alms House last year

11th To see if the Town will vote to build a shed for wood at the Alms house

12th To see if the Town will defend a suit commenced by Asa F. Wainer in July last against Hannah Peabody Teacher for alleged Mal-treatment and assault on the person of his son Paul F. Wainer

13th To see if the Town will choose a committee of six persons Two from the northerly part Two from the Middle and two from the southerly part of said Town to report at the next meeting if it be necessary to build a new town House and where to locate the same

14th To see if the Town will express themselves for or against the Nebraska Bill now pending in Congress

15th To consider the expediency of changing the time for holding the annual Meeting from April to March

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at three or more public places in said Town fourteen days at least before the time

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of holding said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of March in the year one thousand Eight Hundred and fifty four

Perry Davis } Selectmen
Justus Sherman } Westport

Bristol SS. March 14 1854

I have served the within warrant by posting up attested copies of the same at three public places in said town one at Alexander H. Cory's store one at E. P. Brownell & Co. Store and one at E. B. Gifford's Store fourteen days before the time for holding said Meeting

E. B. Gifford Constable of Westport

On The Third day of April 1854 the inhabitants of the Town of Westport met agreeable to the foregoing warrant and the following named officers were chosen & votes passed viz:

For Moderator
Abraham P. Gifford

For Town Clerk
George H. Gifford was chosen and sworn

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For Selectmen

Select
Men

Frederic Brownell, George H. Gifford
and Joshua Wordell were chosen & sworn

Assessors

Voted That the Selectmen be the Assessors
and they were sworn to that office

Voted To choose 17 Assistant Assessors
one in each School District except in
the Districts where the assessors live

For Dist. No. 1 Peleg Manchester chosen & sworn

" " 2 John Gifford

" " 3 Abram H. Gifford chosen & sworn

" " 4 John Lawton chosen & sworn

" " 5 Rufell Gifford chosen & sworn

" " 6 Giles E. Brownell chosen & sworn

" " 7 Barney Hicks chosen & sworn

" " 8 Eddison W. Tripp chosen & sworn

" " 9 Ezra P. Brownell

" " 11 Leonard Macomber chosen & sworn

" " 12 Peter Devoll

" " 13 Abraham Macomber chosen & sworn

" " 16 Rufus Tripp chosen & sworn

" " 18 Charles H. Crow chosen & sworn

" " 19 Isaac Francis

" " 20 Jeremiah Devoll

" " 15 Peleg S. Sanford chosen & sworn

For Overseers of the Poor

Frederic Brownell

Joshua Wordell &

Thomas J. Allen

For Treasurer & Collector

George H. Gifford was chosen & sworn and
his commissions to be one & one half per
cent on all moneys collected and paid
out of this years funds

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Voted That the collector make the following
Discount on taxes this year viz
All paid within 60 days 5 per cent Discount
All within 90 days 3 per cent Discount all
within 120 days from the time that the taxes are
committed to him to be at par and voted that
all delinquents at the expiration of said 120
days to be summoned forthwith

For Constables

Jerch Brownell and Eli P. Lawton
were chosen and sworn

For Sealer of Weights & Measures
Frederic Gifford was chosen

For Poundkeeper

Benjamin T. Shaw was chosen - was sworn April 10/54

For Field Drivers

Jonathan Pierce chosen and sworn
Leonard Brightman chosen and sworn
Canaan Dyer chosen and sworn
Humphrey Snell
& Christopher A. Church

For Surveyors of Lumber & Measures
of Wood and Bark

Frederic Brownell chosen and sworn
Perry Davis chosen and sworn
David Lawton chosen and sworn
John Allen chosen and sworn
Rufell Gifford chosen and sworn
Geo. H. Gifford chosen

Vernum Macomber chosen

Jeremiah T. Thanson chosen

Edwin B. Gifford chosen - was sworn April 4. 1854

John Gifford chosen
& Peleg H. Gifford chosen

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Voted To continue the school Districts as heretofore

Voted That the school Districts choose their own Prudential committees.

Voted That the Highways be repaired in the same manner as last year

For Surveyors of Highways

Uriah Kirby was chosen and sworn

Howland Tripp was chosen and sworn

Charles Little was chosen & sworn May 20, 1854

Justus Sherman was chosen and sworn

Nathan Wood was chosen and sworn

James F. Tripp was chosen and was sworn April 27, 1854

Willard Reed was chosen and sworn

Lemuel M. Gifford was chosen

Samuel G. Allen was chosen

Jacob Allen was chosen and sworn

Elkanah Wordell was chosen and sworn

Henry Brightman was chosen was sworn May 29, 1854

Stephen R. Howland was chosen and sworn

Oliver Peckham was chosen

Ephraim Briggs was chosen

Era Macomber was chosen

Stephen Allen was chosen and sworn

George White was chosen and sworn

Weston M. Cornell was chosen

Lemuel Reed Jr was chosen

Thomas Gifford was chosen was sworn April 4, 1854

Daniel Wing was chosen and sworn

David Sanford Jr was chosen & was sworn June 12, 1854

Robert Potter was chosen and sworn

Perry Davis was chosen and sworn

Thomas B. Gifford was chosen and sworn

Joshua Wordell was chosen and sworn

Stephen R. Howland was chosen and sworn

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Russell Gifford was chosen and sworn

Nathaniel Kirby was chosen

Thomas Sanford was chosen & was sworn June 12, 1854

George F. Wood was chosen

Esideon W. Tripp was chosen and sworn

Warton B. Sherman chosen and sworn

School
Committee

For General School Committee

Frederic W. Brownell, Era P. Brownell &

Giles E. Brownell were chosen

Voted That the Town will defend Miss Hannah Peabody in the action that Asa F. Wainu has commenced against her for alleged damages done his son in the school in District No. 8 The summer last past

Voted to accept the Landing Commissioners Report

Landing
Commissioners

For Landing Commissioners

Abraham Macomber was chosen and sworn

Frederic Brownell was chosen and sworn

Stephen Howland was chosen and sworn

Varnum Macomber was chosen

Voted To accept the report of the school committee and that 500 copies thereof be printed and circulated among the inhabitants of the Town

Fence
Viewers

For Fence Viewers

Lemuel Brownell was chosen and sworn

Holder Wordell was chosen and sworn

& Jerch Brownell was chosen and sworn

Voted To accept the report of the selectmen

Voted To indefinitely postpone the 8th Article in the Warrant

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Money for
Schools
\$2000
Interest on
Surplus
Revenue

Voted To raise the sum of two thousand dollars for the support of Schools in the Town and also to add the interest on the surplus revenue fund to the said two thousand Dollars and to divide the money among the several School Districts the same as last year

\$3500

Voted to raise the sum of three thousand and five hundred Dollars for incidental expenses and ^{Towards} paying for the Almshouse

\$1000

Voted To raise the sum of one thousand Dollars for the repairs of Highways

\$625

Voted To raise the sum of six hundred and twenty five dollars to pay for the new Road at Sodom so called

Voted To indefinitely postpone the 11th Article in the warrant

Voted To indefinitely postpone the 13th Article in the warrant

Voted To indefinitely postpone the 15th Article in the warrant

For County Treasurer

County
Treasurer

Samuel R. Townsend of Taunton had one Hundred and twenty seven votes 127
James P. Ellis of Taunton had forty Seven votes 47

The following is a list of persons prepared by the selectmen to serve as jurors and accepted by the Town

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Isaac L. Brightman
Thomas Records
Simeon Macomber Jr.
Abraham Macomber
Thomas Sanford
Isaac A. Anthony
David Lawton
Frederic Allen
John C. Macomber
Alkanah Wordell
Erza Macomber
Mufus W. Brightman
Joshua Wordell
George H. Gifford
Israel Allen
John Allen
Walter S. Davis
George D. Crape
Barney Hicks
Holder Wordell

List of
Jurors

Stephen P. Kirby
Godfrey Cornell
Edmund Wordell
Justus Sherman
Jeremiah Devoll
Henry B. Gifford
Edwin Lawton
Peleg H. Gifford
William G. Allen
Nestcome Macomber
Frederic W. Brownell
Frederic Gifford
Isaac Hicks
Benjamin F. Tripp
Eli P. Lawton
Charles Little
Peleg S. Sanford
Abraham E. Manchester
Perry Davis
David D. Petty
Abraham R. Gifford

Resolution
concerning
Nebraska

The following Resolutions were offered at the Meeting
Whereas - A bill has passed the Senate and is now pending in the House of Representatives in Congress for the organization of the territories of Kansas & Nebraska, repealing that portion of the Missouri Compromise so called, which forever prohibited Slavery in all of the territory acquired from France and lying north of 36 deg. 30m North latitude and not included within the limits of the State of Missouri

Therefore Resolved By the people of Westport in annual town meeting assembled that we regard the abrogation of that portion of the compromise, which throws open to the incursion

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of Slavery a territory which has been by solemn compact forever consecrated to freedom as a wanton violation of the plighted faith of the nation - a gross moral & political wrong particularly towards the free laborers of the Union a measure fraught ^{with} national injustice & perfidy alike repugnant to every sentiment of honor & justice and against which we do most solemnly & earnestly remonstrate

Resolved That we view with regret & detestation, this attempt on the part of Slave extensionists to break over the land marks of freedom and pollute with slavery the soil of Kansas & Nebraska in violation of their own solemn covenant of more than thirty years standing - Doubtless bare and treacherous does this act appear on their part in their first securing to themselves during this long period all the political power & advantages accruing from another portion of the same compact in the admission of three Slave States into the Union taken from this territory acquired from France. Such an act of fraud and duplicity - so subversive of national honor & justice so designed to destroy that mutual confidence which should exist between the States so violation of every principle of equity - we earnestly hope will never receive the sanction of an American Congress

Resolved That in relation to the great question of Slavery and its prohibition in the territories - Whether as presented by the bill now pending in Congress or its other bearings on the present prospective welfare of our Country we desire no action on the part of Congress but such as we believe legitimately result from the carrying out of those cardinal principles

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of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States as clearly indicated in the Jefferson Proviso of 1784 and the ordinance of 1787 the latter abolishing Slavery forever in the northwest territory and the still subsequent acts of Congress prohibiting by the several provisions the African Slave Trade and it is only we believe by a rigid adherence to those principles & acts (sanctioned & approved as they have been by the fathers of our republic) in the present and future legislation by the general government that this agitating question can be settled and made a "finality" our Country maintain a true and consistent position the inalienable rights of man secured and the integrity of the Union be preserved

The foregoing preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted and it was voted that they be entered on the Records of the Town and an attested copy be forwarded to each of the Senators in Congress from this State and to the Representative from this Congressional district

A true Record

Attest

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

The following is a list of the persons named that are enrolled in the Militia in the Town of Westport for the year 1854

Allen Frederick	Allen John
Allen William C.	Allen Charles
Allen Thomas Jr.	Anthony John L.
Allen Samuel C.	Allen Cornelius T.
Allen James	Allen Abner

Allen Thomas J.
 Allen Daniel H.
 Anthony Gaac A.
 Adams John R.
 Allen Graef
 Anthony Nicolas B.
 Atkins Daniel B.
 Allen Gideon A.
 Allen Eli C.
 Allen Reuben H.
 Allen Pardon S.

Borden Pardon S.
 Brownell Philip H.
 Brightman John
 Brightman Sanford
 Butts George W.
 Brownell Alexander
 Bradley David S.
 Brightman John H.
 Brightman Elias P.
 Brightman Leander
 Brightman Elihu
 Brownell Andrew W.
 Brownell Ezra P.
 Brownell Isaac S.
 Brownell James H.
 Briggs John A.
 Brower Oliver
 Beper Peter S.
 Bassett Joseph S.
 Brightman Leonard
 Brownell Giles E.
 Brownell George A.
 Borden Thomas 2^d
 Borden John
 Baker Charles W.

Baker Edward M.
 Brightman Rufus W.
 Brownell George R.
 Briggs Christopher
 Briggs Joseph J.
 Briggs Jeremiah
 Borden Peleg S.
 Brownell Manson P.
 Briggs Elias T.
 Brownell Frederic W.
 Brownell David E.
 Beper Aaron
 Barnum George
 Brightman Gideon
 Brownell Uriah
 Briggs Ephraim J.
 Brown Daniel H.
 Baker John H.
 Blanchard Isaac F.
 Benson William J.
 Brightman Elihu S.
 Brightman John 2^d

Chace George H.
 Chace William W.
 Cornell William A.
 Cornell James W.
 Cornell Stephen K.
 Cornell George L.
 Crapo George D.
 Cornell Weston M.
 Carroll Charles
 Chedell Timothy B.
 Cornell Joshua H.
 Cornell Jacob
 Crawl Charles N.
 Crapo Daniel

Chace Gideon H.
 Coggeshall Stephen
 Chace Jonathan
 Chace Jonathan L.
 Chace Charles
 Carr Thomas D.
 Cornell Daniel H.
 Cornell Pardon
 Chace Elbridge G.
 Church Christopher A.
 Cornell John Allen
 Cummings William H.
 Cornell James
 Clark Henry
 Cornell John
 Cornell Thomas W.
 Cory Alexander H.
 Carter Richard W.
 Crosby

Dyer Abraham
 Davis Thomas W.
 Davis Walter S.
 Dyer Warren
 Davis Allen
 Davis Edmund
 Devoll Philip H.
 Dean John
 Davis Peter
 Devoll George F.
 Davis Abial
 Davis Perry
 Devoll James P.
 Davis Alfred C.
 Davis Benjamin
 Davis Benjamin 2^d
 Davis Charles R.

Dyer Canaan
 Davis Adrian
 Devoll Edward S.
 Dring Thomas
 Dana Charles
 Davis Job J.
 Davis Darius
 Devoll Samuel
 Dayton Luther M.
 Devoll Charles F.
 Dean Samuel
 Dwyer Job
 Draper Chester
 Davis George
 Devoll Edwin Lee
 Durham Anderson S.
 Earle Isaac D.
 Elbridge Varnus

Freelove Clark J.
 Freelove George
 Freelove Joseph
 Francis Miram
 Fisher Charles
 Gifford Eli
 Gifford George D.
 Gifford Lyman
 Gifford Jason
 Gifford Charles
 Gifford Benjamin
 Gifford Henry H.
 Gifford Henry T.
 Gammons John

Gifford George B.
 Gifford Esler B.
 Grinnell Eben S.
 Grinnell Oliver
 Grinnell John
 Grinnell Asa
 Grinnell William
 Gifford Christopher B.
 Gifford Richard S.
 Gifford Alexander B.
 Gifford Peter H.
 Gifford Edwin B.
 Gifford Elihu B.
 Gifford Weston
 Gifford Philip H.
 Gifford Thomas B.
 Gifford Charles F.
 Gifford Alfred
 Gifford Albert A.
 Gifford Frederic
 Gifford Philander
 Gifford Elijah Jr.
 Gifford Samuel F.
 Gifford Abraham B.
 Gifford Samuel
 Gifford Thomas W.
 Gifford William H.
 Gifford William H. 2d
 Gifford Nathaniel
 Gifford Benjamin
 Gifford Abel
 Gifford Frederic W.
 Gifford Samuel S.
 Gifford Humphrey A. Jr.
 Gifford Peter C.
 Gifford Benjamin F.
 Gifford Ephraim

Howland Loeth
 Howland William P.
 Howland Stephen H.
 Howland Stephen B.
 Howland Isaac
 Howland Alexander H.
 Howland William
 Howland David S.
 Howland Solomon
 Hicks Barney
 Hicks Reuben C.
 Hix George A.
 Hix Daniel C.
 Handy William W.
 Hedge Mortimer
 Hathaway Albert
 Hopkins William
 Kitt Humphrey
 Kitt Charles
 Howland Henry B.
 Hunter John W.
 Howland John W. Jr.
 Haskel Leonidas
 Haskel Isaac
 Haskins Clark
 Kirby Perry
 Kirby Nathaniel
 Kirby Tellinghast
 Kirby Edmund
 Kirby Stephen P.
 Kirby Harvey W.
 Kirby George W.
 Kirby Uriah
 King Alfred
 King Asa S.
 King Leander C.

Lavere Arnold B.
 Lawton Perry C.
 Lawton David
 Lawton Edwin
 Lawton Robert
 Lawton Gideon
 Lawton Eli P.
 Lawton Uriah
 Lawton George B.
 Lawton John
 Lawton James B.
 Lawton Russell S.
 Little Charles
 Lavere William

Macomber Leonard
 Macomber Isaac
 Macomber Alexander
 Macomber Nestor
 Macomber Otis
 Macomber Isaac W.
 Macomber Andrew S.
 Macomber Richard
 Macomber Daniel
 Macomber John C.
 Macomber Alexander H.
 Macomber Thustone
 Macomber Andrew
 Macomber George B.
 Mosher Charles
 Mosher George M.
 Mosher Israel
 Mosher Lorenzo D.
 Mosher John
 Mosher Joseph Jr.
 Mosher Frederic P.
 Mosher Benjamin F.

Mosher William A.
 Manchester Abraham E.
 Manchester Wilbour P.
 Manchester Borden
 Manchester George L.
 Manchester James W.
 Manchester William W.
 Manchester Charles Jr.
 Mosher Frederic S.
 Mosher Reuben H.
 Mosher Charles
 Millard Ebenezer
 Macomber Charles H.

Mooring Jonathan

Palmer Henry
 Palmer James
 Potter Charles
 Potter Frederic P.
 Potter Abner S.
 Potter Pardon C.
 Potter Isaac S.
 Petty Potter
 Petty John T.
 Petty Abner T.
 Petty Holder T.
 Petty Pardon 2d
 Pierce Jonathan
 Pierce George
 Peckham Edward
 Petty George
 Parrie John B.
 Petty Edward
 Petty David D.
 Petty David

Petty James H.
 Petty John
 Petty Thomas
 Palmer Abner
 Peckham Eliza
 Peckham Benjamin
 Perry Joseph
 Petty Ray Green

Reed Willard
 Reynolds Malichi
 Records Philander
 Reed Charles H.

Stocum Andrew
 Stocum Willard W.
 Sherman Daniel
 Sherman Justus
 Sherman Peleg
 Sherman Wilson
 Sherman Thomas B.
 Sherman Kempton
 Sherman Abner
 Sherman Warton B.
 Sampson John
 Snell Henry
 Snell Humphrey W.
 Snell Moses
 Snell Alexander
 Snell Rodolphus
 Smith Henry
 Smith John A.
 Soule Charles P.
 Soule Benjamin
 Soule Russell
 Soule John H.

Soule John
 Soule James
 Soule Robert
 Soule Loeth H.
 Snow James L.
 Soule Henry Jr.
 Soule Pardon M.
 Soule Edward G.
 Sanford Silas B.
 Sanford Caleb T.
 Sanford David Jr.
 Sanford Peleg S.
 Sanford Thomas
 Sanford Daniel M.
 Sanford Barnabas B.
 Sanford David
 Sison Charles
 Sison Alden T.
 Sison George F.
 Sison Daniel H.
 Sison Stephen T.
 Sison Jonathan F.
 Sabins William H.
 Sabins Eideon B.
 Sabins Philander G.
 Sabins Weston G.
 Sabins Job
 Simmons Reuben
 Simmons Eben
 Simmons Benjamin
 Simmons George W.
 Shaw Benjamin T.
 Shaw Franklin
 Seabury Albert
 Seabury John
 Sanford Philip
 Sanford John W.
 Stevens William R.

Soule Abner
 Snell Daniel D.
 Stanton James
 Seabury Humphrey W.
 Sherman Jereh S.
 Simonds William
 Stearns John

Tompkins Isaac B.
 Tompkins Joseph
 Tilton Francis W.
 Tripp Andrew
 Tripp Clark B.
 Tripp James F.
 Tripp Nathaniel
 Tripp Wm B.
 Tripp Loma
 Tripp Oliver
 Tripp Benjamin P.
 Tripp Nathaniel 2^d
 Tripp Charles
 Tripp Pardon
 Tripp Charles H.
 Tripp Holder
 Tripp Daniel B.
 Tripp George
 Tripp Luthon D.
 Tripp Stephen
 Tripp Francis
 Tripp John G.
 Tripp Jeremiah D.
 Tripp Uriah B.
 Tripp Edmund Jr.
 Tripp Ellis
 Tripp Jonathan
 Tripp Wm B.
 Tripp Charles H. 2^d

Tripp Weston S.
 Tripp James H.
 Tripp Alexander A.
 Tripp Humphrey
 Tripp Algerene
 Tripp Solomon C.
 Tripp Monso B.
 Tripp John A.
 Tripp Stephen R.
 Tolman Jethro

White Peleg S.
 White Holder
 Wing George W.
 Wing Frederic A.
 Wing Perry G.
 Wing Charles
 Wing Lewis
 Wing Benjamin
 Wood George F.
 Wood Alexander
 Wood Nathan W.
 Wood Lawton
 Wordell Gershom
 Wordell Elkanah
 Wordell Holder
 Wordell Edmund
 Wordell Christopher
 Wordell Richard
 Wordell Humphrey R.
 Wordell Joshua N.
 Wordell Gershom A.
 Waite Reuben
 Waite Daniel H.
 Whalon Henry
 Whalon Eideon
 Whalon John R.

Whalon David
Weston John W.
Wilcox Hordijah B.
Wilcox Jedediah

Wady John C.
Wood Charles H.
Wilcox Bradford
Winchester Nathaniel W.

The foregoing is a list of the Militia in
Westport

June 17. 1854

F. Brownell } Apsons
Geo. H. Cifford }
Joshua Wordell } Westport

Whole Number 445

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Attest

Geo. H. Cifford Town Clerk

To either of the Constables of the
Town of Westport in the County of Bristol
C. R. E. & J. W. C.

In the name of the Commonwealth of
Massachusetts you are required to notify
and warn the inhabitants of the Town
of Westport qualified to vote in elections
to meet at the town house in Westport
on Monday the thirteenth day of November
next it being the second Monday of said
Month at ten of the Clock in the fore
noon to bring in their votes to the Selectmen
for a Governor and Lieutenant Governor
of the Commonwealth and for three Senators
for the District of Bristol all on one Ballot
for the year ensuing And one County
Commissioner for said County on the
same Ballot

Also to choose one Representative to
Represent them in the General Court
to be held at Boston on the first Wednes-
day of January next

And to give in their votes for a Represen-
tative in the Congress of the United States
for the Second District on the same Ballot
with the Governor

Also ^{to meet} at the same place at two O' Clock
P. M. of the same day then and there
to act on the following articles

1st To Choose a Moderator to preside
in said meeting

2^d To see if the Town will accept of the
Highway leading from Charles Baker's
Southwesterly to the Ship's Bridge Road,
as relaid out by the Selectmen in June
last past

And you are directed to serve this warrant
by posting up attested copies thereof at
three or more public places in said town
fourteen days at least before the time
for holding said Meetings

Hereof fail not and make due
return of this warrant with your doings
thereon to ourselves at the time and
place of Meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this
twenty fifth day of October in the year
one thousand eight hundred and fifty
four

Frederick Brownell Selectmen
Geo. H. Cifford } Westport

Westport November 13th 1854
I have served the within warrant by posting
up three attested copies in said town four-
teen days before the time of holding this
meeting

Service 30[¢]
Three copies 90
Travel 5 miles 20
1.40

Eli P. Lawton Constable of Westport

1854

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Westport on the Thirteenth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred & fifty four at the town house in said town for the purposes expressed in the foregoing Warrant Votes for the following named persons were given in sorted, counted & a legal declaration thereof made in open town Meeting, Edwin B. Gifford & Henry J. Gifford appointed & sworn Envelope distributors. For Governor

Henry Wilson of Watick sixty four votes 64

Henry J. Gardner of had thirty seven votes 37

Emory Washburn of Worcester had thirty five votes 35

Henry W. Bishop of Lenox had nine votes 9
Whole no. 145

For Lieutenant Governor

Increase Sumner of Great Barrington had sixty five votes 65

Simon Brown of Concord had thirty seven votes 37

William C. Plunket of South Adams had thirty five votes 35

Caleb Stebbins of Braintree had nine votes 9
Whole no. 146

For Senators

Whole number of Ballots 146

Isaac D. Hall of New Bedford had sixty five votes 65

William M. Chace of Fall River had sixty five votes 65

Joseph Wilbour of Taunton had sixty four votes 64

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Claudius B. Farnsworth of Pawtucket had thirty five votes 35

Anthony Shove of Dighton had thirty five votes 35

Joseph C. Dawley of Fall River had seventy two votes 72

William Ide of Seekonk had nine votes 9

Stephen L. White of Taunton had nine votes 9

Jerch Sherman of Dartmouth had nine votes 9

Simon W. Robinson of Taunton had thirty seven votes 37

Ambrose Vincent of New Bedford had thirty eight votes 38

For Representative to Congress
Gershon B. Weston of Duxbury had sixty five votes 65

James Buffington of Fall River had thirty eight votes 38

Samuel L. Crocker of Taunton had thirty three votes 33

Charles R. Vickery of Taunton had Eight votes 8
Whole no. 144

For County Commissioners
Azariah Shove of Dighton had sixty five votes 65

Azariah Shove of Fall River had nine votes 9

Alson Gilmore of Easton had thirty five votes 35

Horatio N. Cunn of Fall River had thirty seven votes 37

Whole no. 146

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At the first Trial for Representative to
the General Court

1 st Trial Rep. not Chosen	Benjamin B. Sison had sixty two votes	62
	Humphrey A. Gifford had thirty four votes	34
	Joshua Wordell had five votes	5
	George H. Gifford had four votes	4
	Abraham Macomber had seven votes	7
	G. F. Wood had two votes	2
	Eli P. Lawton had one vote	1
	Gideon W. Tripp had ten votes	10
	David S. Howland had two votes	2
	F. Brownell had one vote	1
	Abiel Davis had one vote	1
	Job Tripp had one vote	1
	Isaac Anthony had one vote	1
	Whole number one hundred & thirty one	131
	Necessary for a choice sixty six	66

Second Trial

2 ^d Trial	Whole number of votes for Representative to the General Court was one hundred and thirty	130
	Necessary for a choice sixty six	66
Rep. Chosen	Benjamin B. Sison had seventy	70
	Votes and was chosen	
	Humphrey A. Gifford had twenty four votes	24
	Abraham Macomber had twenty seven votes	27
	David S. Howland had five votes	5
	Abraham R. Gifford had two votes	2
	Joshua Wordell had one vote	1
	Abiel Davis had one vote	1

Also at two o'clock P. M. Nathan Wood was
chosen Moderator

Voted not to accept the Highway mentioned
in the foregoing warrant

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Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

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Bristol SS To either of the Constables of the
Town of Westport in said County GR E E T S S C.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
you are directed to notify the Inhabitants of said
Town qualified to vote in Elections and in town
affairs to meet at the Town House in said Town
on Monday the second day of April next at
ten o'clock in the forenoon then and there to
act on the following articles:—

- 1st To choose a Moderator to preside in said
meeting
 - 2^d To choose all necessary Town Officers for
the year ensuing
 - 3^d To hear the Report of the Selectmen and
act thereon
 - 4th To raise such sums of Money as may
be necessary for the support of schools and
to defray other Town Charges for the ensuing
year and make appropriations of the same
 - 5th To determine the manner of repairing
highways Town ways and bridges the year
ensuing
 - 6th To bring in their votes for a county Treasurer
 - 7th To see if the Town will purchase a wood
lot now owned by Thomas J. Allen
 - 8th To see if the Town will accept a list of
jurors as prepared by the selectmen
 - 9th To see if the Town will take any meas-
ures in regard to one or more public bury-
ing lots
 - 10th To know the Towns mind in regard to an
action commenced against the Town of
Dartmouth
 - 11th To discontinue the old Sodom road so
called if thought advisable
- And you are directed to serve this warrant
by posting ^{three or more} attested copies thereof at three
or more public places within the Town fourteen

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days at least before the time for holding
said meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return
of this warrant with your doings thereon
To the Town Clerk at the time and place
of Meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this twelfth
day of March in the year one thousand
Eight hundred and fifty five

Frederick Brownell, Selectman
Geo. H. Gifford
Joshua Wordell } Westport

Bristol ss Westport March 14th 1855

By virtue of the within warrant I have posted
up three attested copies thereof at three
public places in said Town

Eli P. Lawton Constable of Westport

Service 90

Three Copies 72

Travel 5 Miles 20

\$ 1,82

On the second day of April 1855 the inhab-
itants of the Town of Westport met agreeable
to the foregoing warrant and the following
named Officers were chosen and votes passed

For Moderator

B. B. Sison

For Town Clerk Geo. H. Gifford & sworn

For Selectmen Geo. H. Gifford, Russell

Gifford & Israel Allen was chosen & sworn

For Assessors George H. Gifford chosen & sworn

Thomas J. Allen chosen & sworn

David D. Petty chosen & sworn

Russell Gifford chosen & sworn

Isaac Francis chosen

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Voted That the Selectmen be Overseers of the Poor

Voted That the Treasurer be Collector

Voted That whoever gets the vote shall do it for
the lowest bid

Voted To receive bids for Collector and Treasurer

William T. Brownell bid 3 per cent

Geo. H. Gifford bid 2 per cent

Eli P. Lawton bid 1 1/2 per cent

Edwin B. Gifford bid 1 1/2 per cent

Geo. H. Gifford was then chosen and sworn
as Treasurer and Collector. It was then

voted that that Treasurer & collector have one
and one half per cent for his services

Voted That the same Discount be made
on Taxes as last year

For Constables Constables Nathan Wood

and Edwin B. Gifford were chosen & sworn

For Sealer of Weights & Measures Isaac Francis
was chosen

For General School Committee Giles E.
Brownell, J. B. Parris & John G. Mady were
chosen

For Pound Keeper John T. Petty was chosen

Voted That the persons be field Drivers as
was chosen last year & Canaan Dyer was
sworn

For Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers
of Wood and Bark Voted to have the
Same That was chosen last year

Voted That each ~~select committee~~
School District choose their own Prudential
Committee

Voted To raise the sum of one Thousand
Dollars for the purpose of repairing the highways
and to have it assessed in with the other
taxes & to be expended under the direction
of the Selectmen

\$1000

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Voted to choose the same number of Highway
 Surveyors as last year & the following named
 persons was chosen Surveyors of Highways viz
 Edmund Kirby chosen
 David Lawton chosen & sworn in the meeting
 Charles Little chosen
 Barney Hicks chosen & sworn in the Meeting
 Benjamin F. Tripp chosen Sworn April 11. 1855
 James F. Tripp chosen Sworn April 10. 1855
 Levi Gifford chosen Sworn April 4. 1855
 Lemuel M. Gifford chosen Sworn April 24. 1855
 Samuel C. Allen chosen Sworn April 21. 1855
 George J. Allen chosen Sworn April 5. 1855
 Elkanah Wordell chosen & sworn in the Meeting
 Henry Brightman chosen & sworn in the Meeting
 Stephen R. Howland chosen & sworn in the Meeting
 Elisha C. Peckham chosen & sworn in the Meeting
 Daniel H. Allen chosen Sworn April 5. 1855
 Stephen P. Kirby chosen
 Giles C. Brownell chosen
 George White chosen
 Abraham Macomber chosen & sworn in the Meeting
 James Reed chosen Sworn April 24. 1855
 Thomas Gifford R. chosen Sworn April 21. 1855
 Daniel Wing chosen Sworn April 21. 1855
 Pelag S. Sanford chosen & sworn in the Meeting
 Robert Potter chosen & sworn in the Meeting
 Perry Davis chosen Sworn May 12. 1855
 Thomas B. Gifford chosen & sworn in the Meeting
 Joshua Wordell chosen & sworn in the Meeting
 Stephen R. Howland chosen
 Pierce Tompkins chosen
 Nathaniel Kirby chosen & sworn in the Meeting
 John Sanford chosen & sworn in the Meeting
 Warton B. Sherman chosen & sworn in the Meeting
 Daniel D. Snell chosen Sworn April 10. 1855
 Ezra H. Gifford chosen & declined serving

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For Landing Commissioners. Abraham Macom-
 ber, Frederic Brownell, Varnum Macomber
 & Benjamin F. Tripp was chosen & sworn

\$2000
 & 1/2
 on 1/2
 Revenue

Voted That there be the same amount of Money
 raised for schools and in the same manner
 as last year & that it be divided amongst
 the Districts the same

\$3500

Voted to raise the same amount for incidental
 expenses as last year

Voted to purchase the wood lot of Thomas J.
 Allen

Voted to purchase the six acre lot adjoin-
 ing the wood lot of Thomas J. Allen for a Public
 Burying Ground

Voted that Abraham R. Gifford be a
 Superintendant of the Public Burying Ground
 subject always to the direction, authority
 and control of the selectmen

Voted to continue the case now pending
 between the towns of Westport & Dartmouth

For County Treasurer

George M. Woodward of Dartmouth had
 thirty two votes that being the whole
 number cast

Voted to discontinue the Old Sodom
 Road

Voted that the same persons be fence
 viewers that was chosen last year

Voted that there be 500 copies of the
 Report of the financial concerns of the
 Town & printed & circulated before
 the annual Town Meeting next April

Voted that Frederic Brownell, Joshua
 Wordell & Eli P. Lawton be an auditing
 committee

Voted That the Treasurer loan the Money
 & give his vote in behalf of the town for the

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\$200

purpose of paying for the wood lot and public Burying Ground
voted to raise the sum of two hundred Dollars to be appropriated on the Burying Ground under the direction of the Superintendant & Selectmen

voted to accept the reports of Selectmen and Landing Commissioners & also the list of Jurors as made out by the Selectmen
Attest

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

The following is a list of the Jurors that was accepted by the Town April 2^d 1855

Thomas Sanford
Rufus W. Brightman
Joshua Wordell
George H. Gifford
Stephen P. Kirby
Justus Sherman
Jeremiah Devoll
Henry B. Gifford
Edwin Lawton
Peter H. Gifford
William C. Allen
Prestcome Macomber
Frederic W. Brownell
Eli P. Lawton
Perry Davis
Thomas Records
Isaac Howland
Abial Davis
Gershon Wordell
Wilson Sherman
Alexander B. Gifford
Paul Fisher

Walter M. Cornell
Stephen K. Howland
Henry T. Gifford
Russell Gifford
John Gifford
Henry Smith
Joshua W. Gifford
Daniel B. Atkins
Edwin B. Gifford
Darius Davis
James Allen
Daniel K. Brown
Andrew Davis
George F. Wood
Willard Reed
Holder White
Thomas D. Carr
Ezra B. Peckham
Thomas Allen Jr
Abraham Macomber
David Lawton
Luther M. Dayton
Giles C. Brownell

Benjamin Davis
Attest Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

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Bristol ss April 9. 1855 Then personally appeared Jonathan Pier & Made oath to the faithful discharge of his duty as field Driver
Perry Davis to the faithful discharge of his duty as Surveyor of Lumber & Measure of wood & Bark
& Holder Wordell as Fence Viewer

Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol ss April 10. 1855 Personally appeared David Lawton & Made oath to the faithful discharge of his duty as Surveyor of Lumber & Measure of wood & Bark

Before me

Geo. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol ss May 23. 1855 Then Personally appeared Leonard Brightman and made oath to the faithful discharge of his duty as field Driver the ensuing year

To either of the Constables of the Town of Westport in the County of Bristol
Es. R. E. E. J. S. C.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in elections to meet at the town house in said Westport on Wednesday the twenty third day of May Eighteen Hundred and fifty five. It being the fourth Wednesday of said month at one O'Clock in the afternoon to bring in their votes to the Selectmen for or against each of the Articles of Amendment of the constitution as agreed to

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by the past and present General Courts
all on one ballot

And you are directed to serve this
warrant by posting up attested copies
thereof at four or more public places in
said Town seven days at least before the
time for holding said Meeting

Hereof fail not and make due return
of this warrant with your doings thereon
to ourselves at the time and place of
meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this tenth
day of May in the year one thousand
Eight hundred and fifty five

Esco. H. Gifford } Selectmen
Greal Allen }
Russell Gifford } Westport

Bristol SS

Westport May 23rd 1855

I have posted up notices as within dir-
ected one at the store of Alexander H. Cory & co
one do at Ezra P. Brownell & co, one do at
Christopher A. Church and co, And at
davis corner

Nathan Wood Constable

Westport May 23. 1855 Then the inhabitants
of Westport agreeable to the foregoing warrant
and gave in their votes as follows viz
On Article no one, Four yes & Seven no

" " " Two, Ten yes

" " " Three, Nine yes

" " " Four, nine yes

" " " Five, Ten yes

" " " Six, nine yes & one no

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Attest

Esco. H. Gifford Town Clerk

Bristol SS. June 15. 1855 Then personally appe-
-ard. Jerk Brownell & made oath to the faith-
-ful discharge of his duty as Fence viewer for the
ensuing year

Before me

Esco. H. Gifford Town Clerk

The following is a list of Jurors drawn

Jeremiah Devol.	March Term 1840.	Traverse Juror.
Henry Brightman.	Nov ^r Term 1840.	do
Andrew Hicks	Oct ^r Term 1841.	do
Abraham Manchester.	April Term 1842.	do
John Allen	Dec ^r Term 1842.	do
Jeremiah Devol.	April Term 1845.	do
Henry Brightman.	May C.C. U.S. 1845.	do
Christopher Gifford	May C.C. U.S. 1845.	do
Henry B. Gifford	May C.C. U.S. 1845.	do
Thomas Allen Jr	May C.C. U.S. 1845.	do
Charles S. Coggsball	May C.C. U.S. 1845.	Grand Juror
Paul Fisher	June Term 1845.	Traverse
Andrew Hicks	June Term 1845.	do
Abraham Manchester	Sept ^r Term 1845.	do
Lemuel Brownell	Sept ^r Term 1845.	do
James H. Shearman	Sept ^r Term 1845.	do
Gideon W. Tripp	Nov ^r Term S.C. 1845.	do
Ezra P. Brownell	Nov ^r Term S.C. 1845.	do
John Allen	Dec ^r Term 1845.	do
Gideon Davis Jr	Dec ^r Term 1845.	do
Parson Davis	Dec ^r Term 1845.	do
Thomas W. Mayhew	Dec ^r Term 1845.	do
Robert Lawton	Dec ^r Term 1845.	do
Ezra Macomber	March Term 1846.	Grand Juror
Pelig S. Sanfords	March Term 1846.	Traverse
Wilton Macomber	March Term 1846.	do
John L. Anthony	Apr ^r S.P.C. Term 1846.	Taunton. do
Nathan Woods	Apr ^r do 1846.	do do
Ephraim S. King	June C.C.P. Term 1846.	New Bedford. do
John Gifford	do do 1846.	do do
Joseph Thompson		
Isaac Gifford	Sept ^r Term Taunton 1846	Traverse
David Lawton		
Abner Lison	Nov ^r Term N.B. 1846	S.P.C. Traverse

11/19/46	Justus Shearman	Were drawn Juror men to Estimate damages Laying out Rail Road through Job Perry's Land & Fall River. Drawn 11/19/46
	Wm. B. Hicks	
	Perry Davis	
	Edward S. Gifford	
	Wilson Shearman	to Estimate damages to Russell Hathaway Fall River. for laying out R. Road through his land. 11/19/46
	Gershum Woodell	
11/19/46	Thomas Gifford	to Estimate damages to Russell Hathaway Fall River. for laying out R. Road through his land. 11/19/46
	George Lawton	
	James H. Shearman	C.C.P. Dec ^r Term Traverse
11/23/46	Frederick Allen	at New Bedford
2 ¹⁸⁴⁷	Varnum Macomber	drawn Grand Juror. March T. Taunton
	Edmund Kirby	March Term Taunton
	Simon Macomber Jr	drawn Dec ^r 22. 1847.
	Cornelius T. Allen	Traverse Jurorman 4 th Met ^r 1847
	Thomas W. Davis	Taunton S.P.J. Court
5/28/47	Jeremiah T. Thompson	June Term C.C.P.
	Wm Gifford	New Bedford
9/3/47	Thomas Records	Sept ^r Term
	Leonard Macomber	Taunton
10/29/47	Andrew Macomber	S.J.C. Nov ^r Term
	Eli Tripp	New Bedford
12/3/47	Adrin Davis	December Term
	George W. South	New Bedford
2/19/48	Stephen P. Kirby	Grand Juror, M. Term
	Godfrey Cornell	March Term
	Abraham Macomber	
3/29/48	Isaac L. Brightman	April Term
	John Lawton	
4/5/48	Leander Brightman	April Term
	Jeremiah Devol	
5/27/48	Abraham C. White	June Term. New Bedford
	Edmond Woodell	

8/26th/48. Anthony Gifford } Traverse juror
& Abraham Manchester } Sept Term. Taunton
10/27/48 George H. Gifford }
Paul Fisher } Nov. S. J. C. New Bedford
11/27th 1848. James Allen and } Traverse juror Draught
Charles S. Coggs } Dec. C. P. New Bedford
2/24/49. John Lawton } Grand juror.
John Allen and } Traverse juror.
George F. Wood }
4/7/49. Andrew Hicks and } Traverse jurors
John Sanford }
5/30/49 Pelig Dennis } Traverse juror
Thomas Allen Jr } June term N.B. Bedford
8/27th/49. Edwin B. Gifford } Sept Term
Henry Brightman } Taunton
10/30th/49. Joshua Woodell & } November Term
Robert Lawton } New Bedford
11/24/49. Elkanah Woodell } C. C. P. December
John Gifford 2 } Term New Bedford
3/1/50. Edmond Kirby Grand Jurorman
" Russell Gifford 2 } Traverse juror
" & Pelig H. Gifford } to March Taunton
4/2/50 Restcome Macomber } S. J. C.
Stephen R. Howland } April Term
May 23. 1850. Thomas W. Davis } C. C. Please
Henry Wilcox } June Term
Sept. 20 1850. Edwin Lawton } C. C. Please
Ezra Macomber } Sept. Term

Nov. 2. 1850 Justus Sherman } Nov. S. J. C. New Bedford
Thomas B. Gifford }
Nov. 26. 1850 Cornelius T. Allen } Dec. T. C. C. P. New Bedford
Abial Davis }
Feb. 20. 1851 Anthony Sherman Grand juror
Frederic Allen & } Traverse jurors
Leonard Macomber } for March Term
April 7. 1851 Adrian Davis } April S. J. C. Taunton
Benjamin Davis }
May 23. 1851 Isaac A. Anthony } June Term
Isaac L. Brightman } C. C. P. New Bedford
Aug. 22. 1851. Abner Manchester } Sept. Term
Job Davis } S. J. C. P. Taunton
Sept. 1851 Edmund Woodell Grand Juror
Oct. 21. 1851. Eli Tripp }
Jeremiah T. Thompson } Nov. Term S. J. C. 1851
Nov. 20. 1851. Godfrey Connely } Dec. T. C. C. P. 1851
Jeremiah Dewell }
Feb. 20. 1852 James Allen Grand Juror
Lemuel Brownell } C. C. P. March Term
Gershom Wordell } 1852
April 5. 1852 Andrew H. Macomber } S. J. C. 1852
Wilson Sherman } April Term
May 26. 1852. Stephen P. Kirby } C. C. P. 1852
George F. Wood } June Term
Sept. 27. 1852 Simon Macomber } Sept
Jonathan P. Gifford } Term
1852

Oct. 2, 1852 Thomas Records & for W. S. Duffin
Wm C. Allen } Court at Boston

Oct. 25, 1852 Abram Macomber & S. J. C. Nov.
Alex B. Gifford } Term at N. B.

Nov. 22, 1852 Henry B. Gifford & C. C. P. Dec. Term
David Lawton } at New Bedford

March 1, 1853 Frederic M. Brownell & Juror
Rufus W. Brightman } March Term
Pelcy H. Gifford } Taunton

April 8, 1853 Thomas Sanford & S. J. C. April
Rescome Macomber } Term 1853

May 1, 1853 Joshua Wordell & C. C. P.
Paul Fisher } June Term
1853

August 26, 1853 Fredrick Gifford & C. C. P.
John C. Macomber } Taunton
Sept Term 1853

Oct. 24, 1853 Justus Sherman & S. J. C. Nov
Edwin Lawton } Term at
New Bedford

Nov. 24, 1853 Weston M. Cornell & C. C. P. December
Cornelius J. Allen } Term 1853

March 1, 1854 Grand Jury Stephen R. Howland
& Leonard Macomber & Abel Davis for Travelling Jury

April 6, 1854 Abram C. Manchester & S. J. C. April
Perry Davis } 1854

June 2, 1854 Walter S. Davis & C. C. P. June
Israel Allen } 1854

July 27 Benjamin F. Tripp & C. C. P. July Term
David D. Petley } 1854

Sept. 1 Isaac L. Brightman & Sept. Term
Elkanah Wordell } 1854

Sept. 5, 1854 George D. Crape } Concerning
Isaac Hicks } an Highway
Frederic Allen } in Dartmouth
Charles Little }

Oct. 31, 1854 Pelcy S. Sanford & S. J. C. Nov. Term
John Allen } 1854

Jan. 18, 1855 Ezra Macomber & Feb. Term 1855
Grand Juror }
Holder Wordell }
Edmund Wordell } Grand Jury Feb. 7, 1855

April 4, 1855 William Reed & S. J. C. April 7, 1855
Eli P. Lawton }

May 26, 1855 Thomas Allen Jr. & C. C. June Term
Andrew Davis }

Aug. 30, 1855 Geo. H. Gifford & C. C. Sept. Term
Alex B. Gifford }
Gideon B. Peckham }

Oct. 8, 1855 Daniel K. Brown & W. S. C. C. Term
Thomas D. Carr }
Stephen P. Kirby }

Oct. 27, 1855 Benjamin Davis & S. J. C. Term
Rufus Gifford }
Holder White }

Dec. 1, 1855 John Gifford & C. C. Dec. Term
David Lawton }

Mar. 1. 1856 Giles E. Brownell Grand juror
Wm E. Allen
Henry T. Gifford } C. C. North Term

April 12. 1856 Henry B Gifford } Y. J. C.
Joshua W Gifford } April Term

May 21. 1856 Edwin B Gifford } C. C. P.
Abraham Macomber } June Term

August 23. 1856 Helder Earle } C. C. P.
Rufus W Brightman } Sept Term

October 24. 1856 Postcome Macomber } S. J. C.
Wilson Sherman } Nov Term

November 18. 1856 } Christopher Gifford } C. C. P.
Helder Earle } Dec. Term
Isaac Howland }

March } Darius Davis } C. C. P.
1857 } Job Davis } March Term

March } Thomas Records } Grand juror
1857 }

April } Stephen R. Cornell }
1857 } Edmund Kirby }

May } Henry Palmer }
1857 } Thomas J. Allen }

Sept 1857 } Henry Brightman }
Nov Term } Frederick Gifford }
1857 } Weston Macomber }
Decem } Edwin Lawton }
1857 } Pardon Davis }
Frederick W Brownell }

March } Stephen Gifford } Grand juror
Term 1858 }

March } Andrew Davis }
Term 1858 } Weston M. Cornell }

April } Leonard Macomber }
Term 1858 } Perry G Lawton }

June } Cornelia G. Allen }
1858 } ~~Edmund Lawton~~ }
Frederick Allen }

September } George Lawton }
1858 } Gelpy Cornell }

1858
District } Thomas Sanford } Grand juror
Court of } Christopher A Church }
Massachusetts } John H. Baker }
Pettit } Jeremiah Devol }
1858 }

November }
2nd 1858 } Christopher A Church } November Term
Jonathan F. Gifford }

Nov. 27. 1858 } Abial Davis } December Term
Pleg H. Gifford }

2nd Mo 28. 1859 Charles Little Grand juror

2nd Mo 28. 1859 } Stephen R. Howland } March Term
Ephraim Gifford }

3rd Mo. 6. 1859 } Andrew S Macomber } April
Isaac L Brightman }

{ June } 2. 1859 { Elkanah Wordell } June Term
{ Daniel H. Corneel }

8 Mo. 29. 1859 - { Frederick A. Wing } September Term
{ Gustus Sherman }

10 Mo. 29. 1859 { Alanson P. Brownell } November Term
{ Charles Ball } Superior Court

11 Mo. 26. 1859 { George H. Gifford } December Term
{ Isaac B. Comptons } Superior Court

1 Mo. 21. 1860 { Ezra Macomber }
{ Elkanah Wordell } Sheriffs
{ Stephen P. Kirby } Jurors
{ Abraham E. Manchester }

2 Mo. 29. 1860 Gershom Wordell. Grand Juror

2 Mo. 29. 1860 { Leonard Brownell } March Term
{ Giles. E. Brownell }

4 Mo. 9. 1860 { Gideon B. Peckham } April Term Superior Court
{ Holder White }

5 Mo. 2. 1860 { Nathan W. Wood } June Term
{ Robert Potter }

8 Mo. 25. 1860 { Edmund Wordell } September Term
{ Henry Smith }

10 Mo. 29. 1860 { Rufus W. Brightman } Nov Term
{ ~~Bartholomew~~ } S. P. C.
{ David D. Pelly }

1860
Nov { Henry Palmer }
{ Abraham Dyer } Sheriffs Jurors
{ Joshua Wordell }
{ Alfred C. Davis }

Nov. 28. { Stephen K. Howland } Superior
1860 { Abraham Dyer } Court

1861
2 Mo. 23 Henry Palmer Grand Juror

1861 { George F. Word } March Term
2 Mo. 23 { William B. Waring } Superior Court

1861 { James W. Manchester } Superior
4 Mo 1 { William G. Allen } Court

1861 { Elisha C. Peckham } June Term
5 Mo. 27 { Edwin L. Mayhew }

1861 { John L. Anthony } Sept Term
7 Mo 2 { Isaac Howland }

1861
10 Mo. 31 { Abraham E. Manchester } Nov Term
{ Ezra Macomber }

1861 { Stephen P. Kirby } Dec. Term
11 Mo 29 { Petero Tallman }

March 1. 1862 John White Grand Juror

" " Henry Wilcox } Superior Court
" " Zelotus Almy } March Term

April 7 1862 Thomas Allen J } April Term
Wm Humphy W Wordell }

May 29 1862 John Allen } June Term
Abraham Macomber }

Sept 30 1862 Alden M Lawton } September Term
George Lawton }

Oct 24 1862 Andrew Hix } November Term
Christopher A Church }

Nov 21 1862 Joshua Wordell } December Term
Henry Brightman }

March 2nd 1863 Charles Little } Grand Juror

March Term 1863 Isaac A Anthony } March Term
David Lawton }

April 6 1863 Thomas W Wood } April Term
Thomas Sanford }

May 28 1863 Charles F Sherman } June Term
Christopher Borden }

Aug 27 1863 Yoeth Howland } September Term
Daniel C Hix }

Nov 3 1863 Rescome Macomber } November Term
Leonard Macomber }

Nov 21, 1863 Charles Westgate } December Term
Isaac H Jenney }

Nov 21-1863 Simeon Macomber Jr } December Term
" " Eli P Lawton } at Boston
Charles Fisher }

March 1 1864 Edward Aikin } Grand Juror

March 1 1864 Robert H Macomber } March Term
Werton Tripp }

4 Mo 9. 1864 Abraham B Gifford } April Term
Albert Peckham }

5 Mo 28. 1864 Isaac B. Tompkins } June Term
Daniel H. Borne }

9 Mo. 27. 1864 Abias Davis } September Term
Isaac Hicks }

10 Mo 22/64 } Frederick R Allen } November Term
Justus Sherman } S. P. J. C.

11 Mo 26. 1864 } Benjamin F. Tripp } December Term
John H. Sisson } Superior Court

2 Mo 25. 1865 } Robert I. Cornell } March Term
Alanson P. Brown } 1865

2 Mo 25/65 Joseph C Little Grand Juror

Drawn
4 Mo 3. 1865 { Henry Palmer } April Term
Godfrey Cornell Jr } 1865

Drawn
5/6/1865 { Geo. M. White. }
{ Mr. C. Kirby } W. S. & C. Term
{ Thomas Record } Boston
{ Edwin Lawton } "

Drawn
5/27/1865 { Michael Cumiskey } June Term
{ Abraham Manchester } New Bedford

8.26.65 { Gershom Wordell }
{ Brownell Leonard }

10.28.65 { Ephraim Gifford }
{ Restorne Macomber }

11.25. " { Macomber, Andrew S. }
{ Mour, William }

2.22.1866 { George F. Wood. }
{ Christopher A. Briggs. }
{ Howland, John W. } (2)

March 31. 1866 John Lawton
" " " George Croft

May 25. 1866 Superior Court New Bedford
Edmund Kirby
Nathaniel C. Macomber

August 23. 1866 Superior Court Taunton
Relief to Gifford
John W. Smith

November 3^d 1866 New Bedford
Wilson Sherman
Albert S. Sherman

" 24 1866 New Bedford
John W. Gifford
George Potter

February 2^d 1867 Taunton
William Gifford 2^d
Nathan W. Wood
Joshua S. Wordell

April 1. 1867
Stephen S. Howland
Charles Little
drawn Superior Court New Bedford
June 1 Robert F. Felt

1867 John A. Cornell
August 24. 1867 Drawn
George P. Linn
Benjamin S. Chase

Drawn October 26 1867
Samuel S. Sanford
Jonathan Gifford

Drawn Nov 27. 1867
Eli C. Allen
Abraham Dyer

Drawn Feb 20 1868 Superior Court Taunton
William A Goun ~~Traverse~~ Jany
Eli P Lawton Traverse Jany
Albert H Simmons Grand Jury

Drawn April 6. 1868. Supreme Judicial Court Taunton

John A. Griff.
Jeremiah B. Thompson.

Sheriff Jany drawn May 18. 1868. Gal. Rins.

David Lawton Thomas Sanford 2d.
Gideon B. Peckham Henry Palmer
Robert S. Lawton

Superior Court New Bedford Drawn
May 30th per
James Allen Frederick Collins

Superior Court September 3d 1868 Drawn

Thomas J. Chace. William P. Howland.

Drawn Oct. 31st 1868.

Gideon B. Peckham William B. Wyatt.

Drawn November 23. 1868 United State District Court

Grand Jury Jonathan Borden Elbridge E. Chace

J. Simeon Macomber

Drawn November 23d 1868

Giles C. Brownell. Howland. Griff.

Drawn Feb 27 1869 Grand Jury William H Gifford 2d
" " Thomas Sanford 2d Cornelius Allen

Drawn April 1st 1869 Supreme
Judicial Court Taunton
Frederick A King
Matthias E Gammons

Drawn May 27. 1869 Superior Court
New Bedford

Daniel E. Nix
Rufus W. Bughtman

Drawn September 3d Superior 1869
Court Taunton

Richard B. Gifford
Daniel H. Nix

Drawn Nov 20. 1869 Supreme
Judicial New Bedford

Wm. A. Gifford
Robert A. Lawton

Drawn Nov 27. 1869 Superior Court
New Bedford

Isaac H. Jenner
Andrew E. Earl

Drawn Jan 25. 1870

Grand Jury James A. Gifford

Taunton Superior Court Jan 25 1870

Wm. A. Gifford
Samuel A. Gifford

The following is a list of Quakers from

Isaac & Carl. S. C. Taunton Feb 25. 1870
Christopher Borden " " " "

Albert & Manchester. S. C. G. March 4 1870
John Allen " " " "

Weston M. Cornell & April 3^d. S. C. G. Taunton 1870
Cortez Allen " " " "

Daniel H. Cornell S. C. N. B. June 3^d 1870
Michael Cumiskey " " " "

Charles H. Brownell S. C. Taunton Aug 30th 1870
William Palmer " " " "

Henry Brightman S. C. N. B. Oct 27. 1870
Stephen M. Brownell " " " "

Ephraim Gifford S. C. Nov 23^d 1870

Leonard. Brownell S. C. Taunton Feb 25-1871

Edwin A. Boomer S. C. N. B. May 27. 1871
Charles Lister " " " "

David H. Potter S. C. Taunton Aug 26. 1871
Justus Sherman " " " "

William A. Young S. C. G. N. B. November 7. 1871
Helder White " " " "

Charles Little S. C. N. B. November 29. 1871
Walter S. Davis " " " "

The Following is a list of Jurors drawn in 1872

Horatio W. Brownell, March 2^d Grand Juror

George F. Sisson S. C. Taunton March 2^d 1872
Leah R. Macomber " " " "

John H. Baker April 1st "
Goth Howland " " "

Charles Westgate S. C. N. B. May 24 "
Weston S. Tripp " " " "

Charles H. Penny S. C. Taunton Sept 2^d "
Albert F. Sanford " " " "

Augustus C. Lawton U. S. J. C. C. of Boston Sept 2^d "
John W. Howland " " " " " "

John Lawton C. M. S. J. C. C. of " " " "
Rodney Cornell Jr " " " " " "

Daniel M. Sanford S. J. C. N. B. November Term "
George C. Allen " " " " " "

George Z. Wood S. C. N. B. December Term "
Stephen A. Howland " " " " "

Syrus C. Booth S. C. Taunton & Juror Feb 24 1873

Alden M. Lawton S. C. Taunton - Feb 24 1873
Charles Wing " " " " "

Sheriffs Juror drawn March 15th 1873
Leotus L. May John A. Cornell Edmund Kirby
and George C. Lawton

The Following is a List of Jurors drawn in 1873.

Edmund Kirby S. J. C. Taunton. April. 7th 1873
Elihu S. Brightman " " " " " "

John A. Cornell Sup. C. New Bedford June term 1873
Sidney Anthony " " " " " "

Gideon B. Whalon Sup. C. Taunton Sept. term 1873
John Allen " " " " " "

Isaac B. Macomber S. J. C. N. B. Oct. 25. 1873
George S. Lawton " " " " " "

John H. Sisson Sup. C. New Bedford Nov. 22. 1873
George W. Butts " " " " " "

Charles E. Kirby Feb. 28. 1874 Grand Juror.

John W. Gifford Sup. C. Taunton Feb. 28. 1874
Anthony Sherman " " " " " "

Joshua N. Wordell S. J. C. Taunton Apr. 6. 1874
John A. Tripp " " " " " "

The following is a list of Jurors drawn in 1874.

James Leary Sup. C. New Bedford drawn May 23, 1874
John Lawton " " " " " "

Nathan W. Wood Sup. C. Taunton drawn Aug. 26. 1874
Robert F. Macomber " " " " " "

Matthias C. Gammons 3rd Bristol Dist. C. drawn Oct. 3. 1874

Thomas J. Chace S. J. C. New Bedford drawn Oct. 24 1874
Gideon Cornell " " " " " "

Harvey W. Kirby Sup. C. New Bedford drawn Dec 2. 1874
Jehiel Baker " " " " " " " "

Peter C. White Grand juror drawn Feb. 24. 1875
William J. Wyatt Sup. C. Taunton " " " "
Christopher Borden " " " " " " " "

Samuel H. Macomber S. J. C. Taunton drawn Apr 5. 1875.
William H. Gifford " " " " " " " "

List of jurors drawn in 1875 & 1876.

Charles F. Gifford of Barker. Sup. C. New Bedford drawn May 29. 1875
Pardon B. Ball " " " " " " " "

John R. Adams Sup. Court. Taunton drawn Aug 30. 1875
Peleg S. Borden " " " " " " " "

George W. Kirby Third District Court drawn June 24. 1875.
Charles F. Russell " " " " Sept 25. 1875

Daniel H. Waite S. J. C. New Bedford Oct. 23. 1875
Samuel A. Beckham " " " " " " 1875

Robert A. Lawton Sup. C. New Bedford drawn Nov. 27. 1875
Sylvanus Allen Sup. " " " " " " " "

Peter S. Devol Sup. C. Taunton drawn Feb. 27. 1876
Thomas B. Sherman " " " " " " " "
Eli Handy " " " " " " " "

John H. Lawrence S. J. C. Taunton drawn Apr. 3. 1876.
Eli W. Blossom " " " " " " " "

List of jurors drawn in 1876 & 7.

James H. Sowle S. J. Court adjournment drawn May 6. 1876

Andrew W. Hart S. Court New Bedford drawn May 27. 1876
Henry A. Allen " " " " " " " "

Jonathan Borden S. Court Taunton drawn Aug 22. 1876.
Abraham E. Manchester " " " " " " " "

Albert M. Allen S. J. Court drawn Oct. 30. 1876
William J. Jenney " " " " " " " "

John O. Babbitt S. Court New Bedford drawn Nov 27. 1876
Charles Wing " " " " " " " "

Charles F. Macomber Grand juror S. Court drawn Feb. 27. 1877
Philander H. Brightman S. Court Taunton " " " "
Eli F. Tripp " " " " " " " "

Benjamin W. Allen S. J. Court Taunton drawn Apr. 2. 1877
David S. Mosher " " " " " " " "

List of jurors drawn in 1877 & 1878

William H. Gifford 2d S. C. N B drawn May
Goeth Howland " " " " " " 1877

Holder D. Grapo S. C. Taunton " Aug 3 1877
Cornelius T. Allen " " " " " " "

Edwin Borden S. J. C. N B " Nov 6 1877
Jacob E. Anthony " " " " " " "

Peleg S. Sanford Jr. S. C. N B " Nov 27 1877
John Allen " " " " " " " "

Preservid Tripp S. J. C. adjournment " " " "

Harvey W. Kirby Sup. Court New Bedford drawn Dec. 2, 1874.
Jehiel Baker " " " " " " " " " " " "

Peter C. White Grand Juror drawn Feb. 24, 1875
William J. Wyatt Sup. C. Taunton " " " " " "
Christopher Borden " " " " " " " " " "

Samuel

Charles Little Grand Juror drawn Feb. 20, 1878
James A. Gifford Sup. C. Taunton " " " " " "
Charles E. Macomber " " " " " " " " " "

John M. Allen S. J. C. Taunton April 1, 1878
Pelotus L. Almy " " " " " " " " " "

List of Jurors drawn in 1878 & 1879

Oliver Cornell Sup. C. N. Bedford drawn May 23, 1878
John H. Sisson " " " " " " " " " "

Albert S. Sherman Sup. C. Taunton " Aug. 1, 1878
Joshua N. Wordell " " " " " " " " " "

Elbridge G. Chase S. J. C. New Bedford " Oct. 25, 1878

Walter S. Davis S. J. Court Taunton " Nov. 2, 1878
Godfrey Cornell Jr. " " " " " " " " " "

Horatio L. Brownell Sup. Court N. Bedford " Nov. 23, 1878
Job Allen " " " " " " " " " "

Orlando F. Tripp Grand Juror Superior Court Feb. 13, 1879
Alden W. Brightman Sup. Court Taunton drawn " " " "
Wilbur D. Tripp " " " " " " " " " "

Charles R. Borden S. J. Court Taunton " April 4, 1879

Jurors drawn in 1879 & 80

Abraham G. Allen Sup. C. New Bedford drawn May 13, 1879
Canaan E. Dyer " " " " " " " " " "

Jabez Manchester Sup. C. Taunton
Albert F. Keing " " " " " " " " " "

William E. Bradley S. J. C. drawn Oct. 23, 1879

Sidney W. Anthony Sup. C. New Bedford drawn Nov. 18, 1879
Richard S. Gifford " " " " " " " " " "

Stephen H. Borden Grand Juror drawn Feb. 14, 1880
David H. Potter Sup. C. Taunton " " " " " "
Rufus W. Brightman " " " " " " " " " "

James A. Francis S. J. C. Taunton drawn Apr. 5, 1880

Jurors drawn in 1882 & 1883

Pardon Z. Petter S. J. C. Taunton drawn April 10, 1882
Asa B. Howland " " " " " " " " " "

George F. Lawton Sup. C. New Bedford drawn May 22, 1882
Joseph C. Allen " " " " " " " " " "

Charles M. Davis Sup. C. Taunton drawn Aug. 15, 1882
Jonathan Borden " " " " " " " " " "

Philander H. Brightman S. J. C. New Bedford drawn Nov. 7, 1882.

Charles H. Penney Sup. C. New Bedford drawn Nov. 23, 1882
Philip L. Grinnell " " " " " " " " " "
Isaac C. Pick Grand Juror drawn Feb. 15, 1883
Benjamin P. Cook Sup. C. Taunton " " " " " "
Frank L. Brownell " " " " " " " " " "
Martin Steward S. J. C. " Apr. 2, " "

