

Triff Samuel J	28	Laborer
Triff Walter	41	Farmer
Triff Orlander J	27	Mariner
Triff Edwin J	28	Laborer
Triff George R	37	Farmer
Triff Lami C	34	"
Triff David R	32	Mariner
Triff Oliver F	41	Farmer
Triff Daniel H	41	Mechanic
Triff Faden R	37	Farmer
Triff Theodore J	23	Mariner
Triff Almentz G	24	Mariner
Triff Charles	25	"
Triff Joseph L	22	"
Triff Theophilus S	24	"
Triff James N	25	Laborer
Triff Fred W	23	"
Triff Benjamin C	22	Mariner
Triff George H	23	Laborer
Triff Alfred R	22	"
Triff Robert F	22	Peeler
Triff Holder A L	20	Laborer
Wilcox Moses	28	Mariner
Wilcox Thomas	24	"
Wilcox David	21	Farmer
Waite John H	22	Laborer
White William H H	23	"
Whalen William H	28	"
Whalen Daniel	24	"
Wood John B	28	Mariner
White Peleg S	41	"
White Charles J	20	Laborer
Wong Charles	39	Farmer
White George M	29	Merchant
Wood Robert C	39	Farmer
Woodell Joseph B	31	Caulker
Woodell Joshua N	34	Farmer
Woodell Humphrey H	38	"

Westport June 27 1867

David Lawton } Assessors
F. A. Anthony } of
Westport

Recorded by me
Albert C Kirby Town Clerk

To Either of the Constables of the Town of Westport
in the County of Bristol

1867
warrant

RECEIVED

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
State of you are directed 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 Fifth day of November next it being the Tuesday
after the first Monday of said month at Ten o'clock
Forenoon to bring in their votes to the Selectmen for a
Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth
Councillor for Councillor District No One Senator for
West Bristol District Secretary Treasurer Attorney-
General and Auditor of the Commonwealth
County Commissioners County Treasurer and
Register of Deeds for Southern District all on one Ballot
Also at the same time bring in their votes for
a Representative to General Court to represent the
Eighth Representative District on a separate Ballot

A. B. The Polls may be closed at 12 o'clock noon

And you are directed to serve this warrant by
posting up attested copies thereof at Four 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 21st day of October
in the year Eighteen Hundred and Sixty Seven

Chas. C. Brownell Selectmen
Harvey W. Kirby
Lease A. Anthony

Bristol 33. Westport Nov 5. 1867

According to the within warrant I have notified
and warned the Inhabitants of the town of Westport
qualified to vote as therein expressed to meet at the
place and time and for the purpose therein named
by posting attested copies of said warrant one at
the store of Andrew Lawrence one at the store of Robert
S. Cornell one at the store of Winchester and White
and one at the store of E. D. Brownell & Son seven
days before the time of said meeting

Charles F. Sherman Constable
of Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the
Town of Westport held at the Town House
in said Town Nov 5 1867 for the purposes set
forth in the foregoing warrant. Votes for the following
named persons were given in assorted and
counted and public declaration thereof made
according to law Viz -

For Governor whole number of votes 296

Alexander H. Bullock of Worcester had Two Hundred & Forty Nine 249
John Quincy Adams of Quincy had Forty Seven 47

For Lieutenant Governor whole number 296
William Chapin ^{of Newton} had Two Hundred & Forty Nine 249
George M. Stearns ^{of Chicago} had Forty Seven 47

For Secretary of the Commonwealth whole number - 296
Oliver Warner of Northampton had Two Hundred & Forty Nine 249
Charles Brimblecom of Barre had Forty Seven 47

For Attorney General whole number of votes 296
Charles Allen of Boston had Two Hundred & Forty Nine 249
William C. Endicott had Forty Seven 47

For Treasurer and Receiver General whole number of votes 292
 Jacob W. Gould of Plymouth had Two Hundred & Forty nine 249
 Henry Arnold of Adams had forty seven 47
 For Auditor of Accounts whole number 296
 Henry S. Briggs of Littlefield had Two Hundred & forty nine 249
 Gen Arthur F. Devereux of Roxbury had forty seven 47
 For Councillor First District whole number 298
 John S. Bragton of Fall River had Two Hundred & forty nine 249
 For County Treasurer whole number 296
 Thomas J. Lathrop of Taunton had Two Hundred & forty nine 249
 Ebenezer W. Pierce of Free town had forty seven 47
 For County Commissioners whole number 298
 Olisha Thornton Jr. of New Bedford had Two Hundred & forty nine 249
 John Terry of Fairhaven had forty seven 47
 For Register of Deeds whole number 287
 Charles C. Sayce of New Bedford had Two Hundred & fifty seven 257
 For Senator Third B. District whole number 294
 J. Angier Chase of Fall River had Two Hundred & nine 209
 J. B. Hathaway of " " had Eighty five 85
 For Representative to General Court Dist No 8 W. R. 289
 C. F. Brownell of Westport had One Hundred & seven (one) 171
 Albert F. Howland " " One Hundred & one 101
 Wm A Young " " Seventeen 17

Noted to adjourn without day

Recorded by me
Albert Kirby Town Clerk

To Charles F. Chuman Constable of the Town of Westport

RECEIVED

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in Elections and Town affairs to assemble at the Town House in said Westport on Monday the sixth day of April next at Ten O'clock in the forenoon for the following purposes viz

1st To Choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting

2d To Choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing -

3d To hear the Report of the various Town Officers and act thereon

4th To consider and determine the amount of appropriation necessary for the support of Paupers the maintenance of Schools Highways and Bridges and for incidental Expenses for aid to families of Volunteers and also to determine the manner of making the appropriations -

5th To Consider and determine what inducements the Town will offer by way of discounts for prompt payments of Taxes and fix the time during which discounts may be allowed and paid

6th To Consider the propriety of demanding and collecting interests from delinquent Tax payers that have not paid their Taxes on or before a specified Period of time

7th To determine the Amount of Compensation the Collector and Treasurer may receive for his or their Services -

8th To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer to renew certain notes held against the Town and to borrow money (if necessary) in anticipation of the Tax

9th To see if the Town will authorize the several school districts to choose prudential Committees and select and contract with Teachers—

10th To see if the Town will Establish a High School in compliance with the Laws of the Commonwealth

11th To see if the Town will accept the List of names of jurors prepared by the Selectmen

12th To see if the Town will authorize the Overseers of Poor to order bills against the Town incurred for and on acct of that Department

13th To see what action the Town will take in relation to its Debt

14th To see if the Town will offer and pay a bounty for the destruction of certain Birds (called) Hawks & Crows

15th To see if the Town will pay to Gile R. Cifford a part of the Money held in trust by the Town for the Support of Judith Wood

16th To see if the Town is in favor of the General Court authorizing the County Commissioners to lay out a Highway over Keise Bridge (so called)

17th To see if the Town will repair the Old House Build a New Town Hall or procure some suitable place for holding its Meetings

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up copies thereof at your Public Places in said Town fourteen days at least before the time for holding said meeting

Whereof I will 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 nineteenth day of March in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty Eight

Gile E. Brownell Selectmen
Harvey W. Kirby
Isaac A. Anthony Westport

Westport, March 19. 1868

Town Hall Westport, April 6. 1868
Agreeable with the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants legal voters assembled at the Town House in said Town And the following officers were chosen and votes passed to wit

Moderator William W. Handy sworn by the Clerk

Town Clerk Albert C. Kirby s

Selectmen Gile E. Brownell s
Harvey W. Kirby s
Isaac A. Anthony s

Treasurer Leonard Macomber Affirmed

Collector Leonard Macomber Aff-

Assessors David Lawton s
Isaac A. Anthony s
John W. Cifford 2^d s

Overseers of the Poor Harvey W. Kirby s
Isaac A. Anthony s
Gile E. Brownell s

School Committee John W. Cifford 2^d 3 years

Auditing Committee
 David Lawton
 Westcome Macomber
 Ephraim Gifford

Constable
 Charles F. Shuman
 John A. Smith

Landing Commissioners
 Frederick Brownell
 Benjamin F. Tripp
 Willard Reed
 Abraham Dyer

Hence Viewers
 Leotus L. Almy
 Henry W. Ripley
 George Lawton
 Matthias E. Gammons
 Abraham E. Manchester

Surveyors of Highways -
 Daniel Tripp 1 William B. Brownell
 John A. Smith 2 Daniel W. Allen
 Jonathan Devoller 3 Abraham E. Manchester
 George Lawton 4 Joseph Gifford
 Benjamin F. Gidley 5 Gideon B. Peckham
 Alexander W. Macomber 6 David Lawton
 Joseph Briggs 7 George S. Palmer
 Leami C. Tripp 8 Charles Little
 Isaac Howland 9 Thomas Sanford
 Gideon B. Chace 10 Charles Fisher
 John E. Whalon 11 William H. Gifford
 Daniel O. Snell 12 Simon Macomber
 Daniel Kix 13 George F. Sisson
 Alden M. Lawton 14 Robert S. Cornell
 Charles F. Russell 15 Weston Tripp
 John C. Tripp 16 Jonathan Pierce
 Edmund Wordle 17 Godfrey Cornell
 Thomas B. Shuman 18 Willard Reed
 Lemuel M. Gifford

Voted To Choose Nine Field Drivers

Jonathan Pierce
 David S. Little
 Adam Bennett
 Job Durfee
 Robert S. Cornell
 Garton Soule
 William F. Brownell
 Thomas Sanford
 Isaac Howland

Voted to Choose Two Pound Keepers

Henry Palmer Robert S. Macomber

Voted To Choose Eight Measures of Wood & Grains & Bark.

Jeremiah J. Thompson
 Charles H. Macomber
 Charles A. Crow
 Isaac Howland
 Charles H. Brownell
 David Lawton
 David S. Howland
 George H. Gifford

Scales of Weights and Measures
 Jeremiah J. Thompson

Supintendent of Town Burial Grounds
 Brody C. Tripp

Voted to accept the Landing Commissioners report and place ^{the same} on record

The Commissioners of Public and Town Landings in Westport submit the following report to wit: That the following persons hold leases of portions of the landings at the head of the river (so called) Jeremiah J. Thompson David Devoller Henry H. Gifford Matthias E. Gammons Hobbes Whit Eli L. Lawton Albert Hathaway Thomas D. Carr

Relate year report the amount on hand at # 3414
 Received within the year 4660
 - \$ 8074

	Total	\$ 80.74
8.23.1867	Paid Abraham Dyer for services to date	\$5.00
"	" Benjamin G. Griff "	5.00
"	" Frederick Brownell "	3.00
8.17.1868	" Eley A. Brightman on Note	42.00
"	" Leonard Macomber service	3.00
		78.00 78.00
	Cash to balance 4.6.1868	2.74
	Balance of Principal and interest due	\$ 80.74
	Eley A. Brightman on note to date	66.47

In accordance with a vote passed last Spring that the Landing Commissioners are hereby instructed to ascertain if the rent of E. B. Lifford can be collected by law and if so to enforce the same. The Landing Commissioners have taken counsel and find that they have no claim on the owners of the buildings for the same.

All of which is respectfully submitted
 Leonard Macomber Clerk
 Weymouth 4.6.1868 A True Cop. attest
 Alvin W. Wain Clerk

Voted to accept Selectmen Reports & to repair and erect Guide Post where they think it necessary

Laufer Voted to grant and raise Two Thousand Four hundred dollars for support of Laufer
 \$2400.00

Schools Voted to grant and raise Three Thousand dollars for the support of Schools
 \$3000.00

Highways Voted to raise Fifteen Hundred dollars to be expended in Labor on Highway. The same to be assessed as highway tax
 \$1500.00

Highways Voted to raise six Hundred dollars to be raised by tax in money - to be expended on highways at the discretion of the Selectmen
 \$600.00
 incidental Voted to grant and raise one Thousand dollars for incidental Expenses
 \$1000.00

State aid Voted to ~~grant and raise~~ authorize the Treasurer to loan Six Hundred & Twenty five dollars for State aid
 \$625.00

Voted to divide the School fund equally among the districts

Interest Voted to raise Fourteen Hundred Dollars to pay interest on Town debt
 \$1400.00

To pay Town debt Voted to raise Eleven Hundred dollars towards paying the town debt
 \$1100.00

Voted that when this meeting adjourn it be until the Twenty fifth day of April at One O'Clock P. M. 1868.

Voted to discount Five per cent on all Taxes paid on or before the Twenty fifth day of August

Voted to charge and collect interest at the rate of six per cent per annum on all Taxes not paid on or before the first of November 1868

Voted to allow the Collector ^{one} per cent for collecting on all money collected and paid into the Treasury

Voted to allow the Treasurer one third of one per cent on all money received & paid out of the Treasury

Voted to authorize the Treasurer to renew any notes held against the Town.

Voted to authorize the Treasurer to borrow Two Thousand Dollars in anticipation of Tax

Voted to authorize the several school districts to choose Substantial Committees and that they be authorized to contract with Teachers

Voted that the Town Establish a High School

Voted to choose a committee to investigate the matter of High School in every particular and report to the adjourned Meeting

Voted that the School Committee be that Committee

Voted to add Four to the above named Committee

Isaac Howland	John H. Baker
David D. Lett	Horatio H. Brownlee

Voted to excuse Isaac Howland from the foregoing Committee

A. W. Winchster in place of Isaac Howland excused

Voted to accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen

List of Names of Jurors prepared by the Selectmen of the Town of Westport in Compliance with Chap 132 of the Revised Statutes

Aikin Daniel B	Allen John
Allen Carter	Brownell Charles H
Amey Heloise L	Borden Christopher
Allen Cornelius	Borden Cephaniah
Allen James	Brownell Gile E
Anthony Isaac A	Borden Jonathan

Brightman Rufus M Macomber Simon

Collins Frederick	Lockham Eider B
Chace Thomas J	Palmer Henry
Cornell Daniel H	

Chace Elbridge L	Sanford Thomas J
Byker Charles	Sison Samuel A
	Sanford Daniel H
	Sison John H

Gifford William H	Thompson Jeremiah B
Commons Matthias E	Grippe John A
Howland William D	Grippe Howland

Jenny Isaac H	Wing Frederick A
Reiber Charles E	White Wolder
Reiber Albert E	Waite Daniel H
	Wyatt William S

Lawton Robert A	Gile E Brownell	Selectmen
Lawton David	Harvey M Reiber	
	Isaac A Anthony	Westport

Voted that the Overseers of the Poor be authorized to order all bills in their department

Voted that the Treasurer be authorized to loan any amount of money to pay notes held against the Town if called for

Voted to take up the sixteenth article of the warrant

Voted to indefinitely postpone the sixteenth article of the warrant

Voted to adjourn A Free Record
Attest Albert E Reiber Town Clerk

April 25th Resolved to adjournment the people of the Town of Westport assembled at the Town house and the following articles were acted upon -

1st Article Voted to pay a bounty of Twenty-five cents for the heads of Hawks killed within the limits of the Town
And Ten cents for the heads of Crows

Voted that the Treasurer pay for said Hawks & Crows out of the money raised for incidental purposes.

\$150.00 Voted that the Treasurer pay Giles & Gifford
Judith Wood One Hundred and fifty Dollars of the money held in trust for Judith Wood

Voted that the Seventeenth article of the warrant be indefinitely postponed

Charles F. Shuman read the report of Committee on High School

Voted to reconsider the vote whereby Three Thousand dollars were raised for Public Schools

Public School

\$800.00

Voted to grant and raise Twenty Eight Hundred dollars for the support of Public Schools

Voted to adopt the Committees report on High School

Westport April 25th 1868
To the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport
The Committee appointed on the Sixth instant to report on the most feasible plan of establishing a High School in compliance with the Law would recommend the following -

That the School Committee procure a suitable building at the Head of the East River so called and establish a High School there for Eighteen weeks Also procure a suitable building at Westport Point and establish the High School in that Village for the remaining Eighteen weeks of the present school year
Would further recommend that the Town raise by Tax or otherwise and appropriate one Thousand Dollars for the support of the High School

J. H. Baker. Charles F. Shuman.
W. H. Browne. A. W. Winchester.
J. W. Gifford. David D. Leth.

Voted that the School be kept at the Head of the East River the whole time unless a suitable place can be procured at Westport Point

Voted that one dollar and fifty cents be allowed for Six Hours labor on the Highway for a man and Two dollars and fifty cents for a yoke of Oxen for the same time

Voted that the Town House be thoroughly repaired

Voted that the Committee consist of the Selectmen to repair the Town House

Voted that the repairs of the Town House be left to the discretion of the Selectmen

Repairs of Town House
Voted to grant and raise not to exceed Four Hundred dollars for repairs of Town House

Voted that the Selectmen be empowered to fill vacancies of Surveyors on Highways

#400 Voted to reconsider the vote whereby the Town
 Repaid ~~Town House~~ voted to raise Eleven Hundred dollars
 over the last = Toward paying the Town debt
 back

Voted to adjourn without
 do A true Copy
 Attest Albert C. Kirby Town Clerk

Bristol SS June 9. 1868

Charles Little having been chosen
 one of the Surveyors of the Highways of Westport
 personally appeared and made oath that he would
 faithfully and impartially perform the duties of said
 office
 Before me Isaac Howland Justice of the Peace

Attest Albert C. Kirby Clerk

Bristol SS June 20. 1868

Walter S. Borden having been appointed
 one of the Surveyors of highways for the Town of Westport
 personally appeared and made oath that he would
 faithfully and impartially perform the duties of
 said office before me Isaac Howland Justice of the Peace

Attest Albert C. Kirby Town Clerk

To Charles P. Sherman Constable of the Town of
 Westport S. R. & E. S. & C.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 you are hereby directed to notify and to warn the Inhabi-
 tants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in Elections
 and Town Affairs to assemble at the Town House in said
 Westport on Saturday the Twenty Seventh Inst. at Three o'clock
 in the afternoon for the following purposes viz

1st To choose a Moderator to preside in said Meeting

And so somewhat action the Town will take in relation to
 granting Licenses which will authorize the sale to be
 drunk on the premises of either distilled or fermented
 liquors or both

And you are directed to give this warrant
 by posting up copies thereof at Town 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 the Town Clerk
 at the time and place of Meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this Seventeenth day of June
 A.D. One Thousand Eight Hundred
 and Sixty Eight

Charles E. Brownell

He Tr. Kirby

J. A. Anthony

Westport June 27. 1868

Pursuant to the within warrant
 to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants
 of said town of Westport qualified as therein expressed
 to assemble at the time and place and for the purposes
 herein mentioned by posting up thereof (copies of such
 warrant one at the Store of C. P. Brownell, one at the
 Store of Robert Leonard and one at the Store of Andrew
 Lawrence seven days before the time for holding said
 Meeting

Charles P. Sherman Constable of Westport

Town Hall Westport June 27. 1868. 3 o'clock P.M.

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants
 of the town assembled at the Town House and the
 following votes were passed

Charles E. Brownell was chosen Moderator

Voted that there be a yeas & nays vote taken on
 the second article of the warrant

Which resulted in the following

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Gen. Sw.

Noted to adjourn

Albany Co. State

Albany Co. R. R. Clerk

Report June 27, 1868

The following is a list of the Militia of the
Town of Westport as made by the subscribers
residents of said Town.

Name	Age	Occupation
Adams John R.	24	Farmer
Allen Scott	29	Labourer
Allen George E.	35	Farmer
Allen Benjamin R.	41	Mariner
Allen John M.	25	"
Anthony George A.	20	Labourer
Allen Charles R.	23	"
Allen Thomas S.	22	"
Allen Henry A.	19	"
Allen James H.	31	Miller
Borden Jonathan	27	Farmer
Baker Charles W.	36	Labourer
Bly John	41	Mechanic
Booth Sylvan S.	42	Mariner
Baker Jehiel	30	Clerk
Brightman Abner	40	Farmer
Briggs Jeremiah	37	"
Briggs Christopher E.	35	Mechanic
Briggs Joseph A.	31	"
Brownell George H. B.	41	Farmer
Brownell Charles H.	30	Mechanic

Name	Age	Occupation
Brayton Thomas	28	Farmer
Brownell George J.	40	"
Borden Job	42	"
Borden Peter S.	31	"
Boomer Edwin A.	25	Clerk
Brownell Stephen A.	24	Merchant
Baker John A.	22	Labourer
Bradd William E.	23	"
Brownell William C.	25	Mariner
Brightman Elihu S.	"	"
Bradley George E.	28	Labourer
Borden Charles	31	"
Cornell Jacob	44	Farmer
Cornell John A.	39	"
Cornell Joseph A.	37	"
Cornell James H.	41	Labourer
Cornell William A.	24	"
Cornell Thomas W.	35	Farmer
Cook Benjamin S.	43	"
Craw Leonard H.	33	Labourer
Chace William V.	42	Farmer
Cornell Robert S.	33	Merchant
Collins Frederick	33	Farmer
Cornell Daniel H.	38	"
Cornell Godfrey J.	31	"
Crafo Volde D.	31	Mariner
Crafo Alexander B.	29	Labourer
Chace George H.	37	Butcher
Cornell Oliver	32	Farmer
Cornell Abraham S.	29	Mariner
Chace Thomas J.	42	Farmer
Cornell George L.	40	Farmer
Crafo Daniel	42	"
Crafo Reuben W.	38	Mariner
Coggshall Bradford	33	"
Cady Joseph S.	22	Clerk
Cornell William S.	25	Farmer
Cornell Eison	22	Labourer

Name	Age	Occupation
Gunning, Charles D	23	Ship Carpenter
Grace Charles W	34	Marine
Davis Pebedee E	24	Laborer
Davis Charles M	23	"
Devol Peter S	24	"
Dumarsville Stephen	32	"
Dunham Anderson S	41	"
Davis Benjamin	42	Marine
Davis John A	38	Mechanic
Davis Christopher	33	Laborer
Davis George	36	"
Devol Henry S	29	"
Devot George S	22	"
Dwyer Benjamin S	26	"
Davis Giles	19	"
Earl Isaac D	33	Mechanic
Earl Andrew R	29	Laborer
Elbridge Henry W	43	"
Emelove Leonard	37	Laborer
Francis James	19	Student
Emelove Barney	44	Farmer
Fisher Charles	33	"
Francis John	30	Mechanic
Emelove Charles	35	Laborer
Gifford Charles	21	Laborer
Gifford William W	41	Farmer
Gammone Matthias E	35	Blacksmith
Ginnell Eken S	40	Laborer
Gifford George B	44	Marine
Gifford Valentine	31	Laborer
Gifford Albert S	42	Mariner
Gifford Joseph	31	Farmer
Gifford Abraham	34	Mariner
Gifford John W	30	Farmer
Gifford William	32	"

Name	Age	Occupation
Gifford William W	43	Marine
Ginnell Oliver E	35	"
Gifford Henry W	41	Farmer
Gibbs Benjamin W	26	Farmer
Gifford Samuel	33	Marine
Gifford Jonathan	31	Farmer
Gammone Samuel S	40	Mechanic
Washell Edward B		
Howland George W	22	Laborer
Howland Eli	21	"
Howland William	21	"
Howland Samuel	21	Cooper
Howland George B	21	Laborer
Hart Andrew W	38	"
Howland John W	40	Marine
Howland Isaac	40	Farmer
Hammone William	28	Marine
Holmes John J	27	Farmer
Hood Mark T	39	Laborer
Howland Frederick	20	"
Jones Charles W	22	Laborer
Jones Charles E	42	Farmer
King Albert J	24	Farmer
King Charles E	24	Laborer
King William	27	Mariner
King Albert E	24	Boat Club
King William S	24	Farmer
King George S	35	"
King George R	25	Laborer
King Abraham	32	"
King Oliver B	20	"
King George A	20	"
Lawton Augustus	24	Laborer
Little George A	24	"
Lawton Andrew R	23	"

Lawrence Frederick W	22	Marine.
Lawton Eli P	40	Butcher.
Lawton John S	27	Mechanic
Lawton Joseph C	30	Laborer
Lawton Allen M	33	Mechanic
Lawton Isaac C	34	Laborer
Lawton James B	37	Farmer
Lawton George S	129	"
Lawton Robert A	24	"
Mc		
Masko Thomas	21	Laborer
Macomber Weston J	26	"
Masko Philip	24	"
Manchester Barton B	44	Farmer
Macomber George W	41	Marine.
Macomber John A	29	Laborer
Macomber William F	19	"
Masko Emanuel D	21	"
Masko Robert C	22	Blacksmith
Macomber Edwin C	22	Laborer
Macomber Edwin A	19	"
Mcowen George W	22	"
Mcoster John J	20	"
Masko John C	23	"
Masko David C	39	Farmer
Masko Oliver F	33	Farmer
Manchester George L	44	"
Macomber Andrew S	38	Farmer
Masko Milton M	29	Laborer
Masko Charles W	44	Farmer
Macomber Gilbert C	30	Laborer
Manchester Calvin	33	Marine
Manchester David	30	Laborer
Masko Sherman W	30	Blacksmith
Macomber Isaac B	28	Laborer
Manchester Forbes B	25	Marine
Manchester James W	44	Caulker
Macomber Isaac B	27	Farmer
Macomber Francis	41	Marine

Manchester Albert L	20	Laborer
O		
Osborn Thomas D	40	Horse jockey
P		
Potter William	34	Carpenter
Palmer George S	20	Laborer
Peckham Frederick H	20	"
Pierce George H	20	"
Pierce Jonathan B	24	"
Petty Benjamin S	22	"
Potter Edwin	30	Farmer
Peckham Joseph C	20	Laborer
Potter Isaac	36	Mechanic
Pitt Isaac J	30	Laborer
Pitt Fardent	33	Marine
Potter George	28	Farmer
Potter Perry C	32	"
Pierce George C	44	Laborer
Pierce Allen W	42	Marine
Petty Henry B	34	"
Pitt William D	28	"
Pitt Wiram S	24	Laborer
Pierce Uriah C	19	"
Peckham Jacob S	24	"
P		
Reynolds Calvin J	21	"
S		
Smith Henry W	18	Laborer
Sherman Albert	19	"
Sherman Albert J	20	"
Sherman William C	20	"
Sherman Charles L	27	"
Sherman Charles W	33	Farmer
Sisson John W	39	Mechanic
Sowl Abner P	38	Laborer
Snell Humphrey W	44	Farmer
Sherman Thomas B	32	"
Smith John A	38	"
Sisson Philip G	44	"

Simmons Henry L	38	Laborer
Sowle James M	43	Farmer
Sanford David 2d	30	Mechanic
Sanford Samuel B	42	Farmer
Sherman Lorenzo	20	Laborer
Sabins Philander E	39	Marine
Sowle Robert H	27	Laborer
Snell Daniel D	40	Farmer
Sanford Barney B	30	Laborer
Sanford Daniel M	34	"
Snell Poley A	33	"
Sherman Daniel	37	Marine
Sowle William	43	"
Sowle James R	28	Laborer
Smith William M	33	"
Sisson George B	40	Mechanic
Sisson William Jr	21	Laborer
Sanford Alexander E	23	Laborer
Sanford William F	24	"
Sowle Andrew M	24	Marine
Sowle Andrew A	25	Laborer
Sowle Charles M	21	Laborer
Sisson Henry M	20	"
Sisson Charles M	21	"
Smith Charles	30	"
Sanford Charles	26	"
Sowle William A	24	"
Smith Frederick M	32	Marine
Symmes William A		Teacher
Thiff Abraham H	31	Marine
Thiff Allen M	30	Farmer
Thiff James F	31	"
Thiff Wilbur D	33	"
Thiff Solomon C	34	Marine
Thiff Algerine C	35	"
Thiff Edmund Jr	42	Farmer
Thiff Parson A	33	Marine
Thiff Richard A	38	Laborer

Thiff Albert A	33	Marine
Thiff Howard H	27	Laborer
Thiff Ezra B	31	Farmer
Thiff John A	38	"
Thiff Holden C	34	Marine
Thiff Eli F	27	Laborer
Thiff Jonathan A	39	Mechanic
Thiff Isaiah C	28	Laborer
Thiff Samuel C	29	"
Thiff Weston	42	Farmer
Thiff Orlander J	28	Marine
Thiff Edwin J	29	Laborer
Thiff George B	38	Farmer
Thiff Zami C	35	"
Thiff David R	33	Marine
Thiff Oliver L	42	Farmer
Thiff Theodore J	24	Marine
Thiff Almanzo	25	"
Thiff Charles M	26	"
Thiff Joseph F	23	"
Thiff Leopold S	25	"
Thiff James R	26	Laborer
Thiff Weston F	24	"
Thiff Benj C	23	Marine
Thiff George R	24	Laborer
Thiff Alfred R	23	"
Thiff Robert L	31	Teacher
Thiff Holden A. F.	21	Laborer
Thiff Christopher C	20	"
Thiff George H 2d		"
Thiff John C		"
Wilcox Nasse M	33	Marine
Wilcox Thomas	27	"
Wilcox David	22	Laborer
White Wm H M	26	"
Whalen Wm Jr	29	"
Whalen Daniel	27	"
Wood John B	29	Marine

White Peleg S 42 Marine
 White Charles B A 20 Laborer
 Wing Charles 40 Farmer
 White George M 30 Merchant
 Wood Robert B 40 Farmer
 Wardell Joseph B 32 Caulker
 Wardell Joshua T 37 Farmer
 Wardell Humphrey H 39 "
 Wardell Joseph 18 Laborer

Westport July 30 1868

David Lawton Assessors
 Isaac S. Anthony
 John W. Lifford Westport

A True Copy
 Attest Albert C. Kirby
 Town Clerk

Bristol ss

Westport April 17. 1868

Then Alexander H Macomber made Oath
 for the faithful performance of Surveyor of
 Highways for which he has been chosen.

Andrew Hicks
 Justice of Peace
 A True Copy
 Attest Albert C. Kirby Town Clerk

To Charles F. Sherman Constable of the Town
 of Westport C.R.E.S.S. & C.

You are hereby required in the name of the
 Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and
 warn the Inhabitants of said Town qualified
 as the Constitution requires to assemble at the
 Town House in said Town on the Third day of
 November next (it being the Tuesday after the first
 Monday in said month) at Ten O'clock in
 the forenoon to bring in their votes to the Selectmen
 for Twelve Electors of President and Vice President
 of the United States viz. Two at Large and one for
 each Congressional District, also for a Representative
 for the first Congressional District in 41st Congress
 of the United States Also for a Governor, Lieutenant
 Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, and Auditor, and
 Attorney General of the Commonwealth of
 Massachusetts, A Councillor for Council
 District No 1 One A Senator for the third
 Senatorial District, A District Attorney for
 the Southern District, A Sheriff for Bristol
 County, Three Commissioners of Insolvency, a
 Register of Probate and Insolvency Court,
 Commissioners, who is not an inhabitant of the
 same City or Town with either of the Commissioners
 which are to remain in office Also Two Special
 Commissioners, All on one ballot Also for
 one Representative to the next General Court
 from District No Eight on a separate ballot.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by
 posting at least Three Notices in as many Public
 places specifying the time place and purposes of
 said meeting as aforesaid Ten days at least before
 the time of meeting - Hereof fail not and make
 due return of this warrant with your doing thereon
 at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Westport this Seventeenth
day of October One Thousand Eight Hundred
& Sixty Eight

Edw. E. Brownell Selectmen
Haver W. Kiley
Isaac A. Anthony Westport
Westport Oct 17. 1868

Westport Nov 3. 1868.

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified
the Inhabitants of the town of Westport qualified
as therein expressed to assemble at the time and
place for the purpose therein mentioned by posting
notices one at the store of E. P. Brownell & Son
one at the store of Winchester and White and one
at the store of Charles W. Macomber Ten days
before the time of said meeting

Charles P. Sherman
Constable of Westport

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the
Town of Westport held at the Town House Nov 3^d
1868 for the purposes set forth in the foregoing
Warrant. Votes for the following named persons
were given in assorted and counted and public
declaration thereof made according to law viz

For Presidential Electors at Large	Whole number of votes	408
David Sears of Boston had Three hundred & Ninety Two		392
John H. Clifford of New Bedford had Three hundred & Ninety Two		392
Joseph A. Abbott of Boston had Sixteen		16
John R. Briggs of Sheffield had Sixteen		16
For Electors in District No 1 Whole number		408
Richard L. Pease of Edgartown had Three hundred & Ninety Two		392
Isaac S. Jones of Sandwich had Sixteen		16

For Electors in District No Two whole number	408
William Mason of Taunton had Three hundred & Ninety Two	392
Samuel B. Shafter of Abington had Sixteen	16

For Electors in District No Three Whole number	408
William Whitney of Boston had Three hundred and Ninety Two	392
James M. Keith Boston had Sixteen	16

For Electors in District No Four Whole number	408
Frank B. Fay of Chelsea had Three hundred and Ninety Two	392
Edwin C. Barnes of Chelsea had Sixteen	16

For Electors in District No Five Whole number	408
James A. Buffington of Lynn had Three hundred & Ninety Two	392
Jonathan Mayson Amesbury had Sixteen	16

For Electors in District No Six Whole number	408
George Cogswell of Bradford had Three hundred & Ninety Two	392
John D. Garbo of Lawrence had Sixteen	16

For Electors in District No Seven Whole number	408
J. W. Edmand of Newton had Three hundred & Ninety Two	392
William L. Palmer of Lowell had Sixteen	16

For Electors in District No Eight Whole number	408
Paul Whittin of Northbridge had Three hundred & Ninety Two	392
Levi Barker of Worcester had Sixteen	16

For Electors in District No Nine Whole number	408
Charles A. Stevens of Ware had Three hundred & Ninety Two	392
Of Otis Hale of Hubbardston had Sixteen	16

For Electors in District No Ten Whole number	408
Milton B. Whitney of Westfield had Three hundred & Ninety Two	392
Henry W. Bishop of Lenox had Sixteen	16

For Governor	Whole number of votes	407
William Claflin of Newton had Three hundred & Ninety one		391
John Quincy Adams of Quincy had Sixteen		16

For Lieutenant Governor Whole Number Three Hundred & Ninety Six 396
 Joseph Tucker of Lenox Had Three Hundred & Eighty 380
 Reuben Noble of Westfield Had Sixteen 16

 For Secretary of the Commonwealth whole number 408
 Oliver Ward of Southampton Had Three Hundred & Ninety Two 392
 Charles Brimblecom of Barre Had Sixteen 16

 For Treasurer and Receiver General Whole Number 408
 Jacob H. Gould of Plymouth Had Three Hundred & Ninety Two 392
 Harvey Arnold of Adams Had Sixteen 16

 For Auditor Whole Number 408
 Henry S. Briggs of Pittsfield Had Three Hundred & Ninety Two 392
 Arthur S. Perch of Roxbury Had Sixteen 16

 For Attorney General Whole Number 408
 Charles Allen of Boston Three Hundred & Ninety Two 392
 William C. Endicott of Salem Had Sixteen 16

 For Councillor District No One Whole Number 408
 Marshall S. Underwood of Dennis Had Three Hundred & Ninety Two 392
 Noah C. Perkins of Middleborough Had Sixteen 16

 For Representative to Congress District No One Whole Number 408
 James Buffington of Fall River Had Three Hundred & Ninety One 391
 Philander Cobb of Kingston Had Sixteen 16

 For District Attorney Whole Number 407
 George Maston of Barnstable Had Three Hundred & Ninety One 391
 Nicholas Hathaway of Freetown Had Sixteen 16

 For Sheriff Whole Number 391
 Charles B. H. Essenden of New Bedford Had Two Hundred & Seventy Two 272
 William H. Sherman of New Bedford Had One Hundred & Twenty Seven 127

 For Register of Probate & Insolvency Whole Number 408
 William C. Fuller of Taunton Had Three Hundred & Ninety Two 392
 John Davis of New Bedford Had Sixteen 16

For County Commissioner Whole Number 378
 Gifford H. Hathaway of Fall River Had Three Hundred & Sixty Two 362
 Stephen B. Allen of Berkley Had Sixteen 16

 For Special Commissioner Whole Number 408
 Leonard Hedges of Norton Three Hundred & Ninety Two 392
 Abraham Dyer of Westport Three Hundred & Sixty Two 362
 Charles Albro of Taunton Sixteen 16
 Joel S. Drake of Easton 16

 For Commissioner of Insolvency
 E. Math. Beed of Mansfield Three Hundred & Ninety Two 392
 Charles W. Clifford of New Bedford Three Hundred & Ninety One 391
 George Edgar Williams of Taunton Three Hundred & Ninety Two 392
 Daniel Conroy of Fall River Sixteen 16

 For Senator Third Bristol District Whole Number 377
 John B. Hathaway of Fall River Three Hundred & Fifty Seven 357
 Mark A. Clocum of Fall River Twenty 20

 For Representative to General Court Eighth Bristol District W.M. 386
 Isaac A. Anthony of Westport Had One Hundred & Twenty Seven 127
 A. B. Howland Had One Hundred & Eighty Nine 189

Noted To Adjourn without day

Recorded by Albert C. Keisig
Town Clerk

Warrant for
Annual
Meeting
1869

To Charles F. Sherman Constable of the Town of Westport
S R E E 3 3 4 9

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants
of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in Elections
and Town Affairs to assemble at the Town house in said
Town on Monday the 2nd day of April next at Ten
o'clock in the forenoon for the following purposes:

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 Reports of the various Town Officers
and act thereon

4th To consider and determine the amount of appropriations
necessary for the support of Paupers the Maintenance of
Schools Highways and Bridges and for incidental
Expenses and for aid to Families of Volunteers and also
to determine the manner of making the appropriations

5th To consider and determine what inducement the Town
will offer by way of discount for prompt payment
of Taxes and fix the time during which discount may be
allowed and paid

6th To consider the propriety of demanding and collec-
ting interest from delinquent Tax payers that have
not paid their Taxes on or before a specified period
of time

7th To determine the Amount of Compensation the Collector
and Treasurer may receive for this or their Services

8th To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer to
renew certain notes held against the Town and to borrow
money (if necessary) in anticipation of the Tax

9th To see if the Town will accept the List of names
of Jurors prepared by the Selectmen

10th To see if the Town will vote to Abolish the
School District.

11th To see what action the Town will take in relation
to a High School

12th To see if the Town will offer and Pay a bounty
for the destruction of certain birds (Called)
Hawks and Crows.

13th To see what action the Town will take in relation to
its Debt

14th To see if the Town will authorize the Overseers of Poor
to order bills against the Town incurred for and on
account of that Department

15th To see if the Town will authorize the Several School
Districts to choose their Prudential Committee
and to select and contract with Teachers

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting
up copies at Town Public Places in said Town
fourteen days at least before the time for holding said
Meeting

Whereof 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 Nineteenth day of March
in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and
Sixty Nine

Charles E. Brownell } Selectmen
Westport March 19th 1869 } W. W. Kirby
J. Nathan

Weyport. March 22 1869
Pursuant to the within warrant I have this day posted
allied copies thereof one at the store of Andrew
Lawrence one at the store of Robert S. Corneley one at
the store of Anthony Macomber and one at the store
of E. P. Brownell & Son.

Charles B. Shuman
Constable of Weyport

Weyport. April 5th 1869

The Inhabitants of the Town
of Weyport assembled at the Town House in said Town
agreeable with the foregoing warrant and the following
named officers were chosen and vote passed to wit

By request of the Clerk Silas B. Brownell read the
warrant.

Mon C. P. Brownell was chosen Moderator

On Motion of Stephen A. Brownell Voted to choose
Town Clerk Three Selectmen Three Assessors Treasurer
and Collector Two School Committees One for the year
and one for one year Four Landing Commissioners Three
Pence Viewers Three Overseers of the Poor Three Auditing Committee
all on one ballot

Town Clerk, Albert C. Kirby sworn by the clerk

Selectmen and	C. C. Brownell.	Sworn	2
Overseers of the Poor	W. H. Kirby	Sworn	
	Ephraim Gifford	Affirmed	2

Assessors	David Lawton	Sworn	
	John W. Gifford	Sworn	
	Christopher Borden	Sworn	

Treasurer and Collector	Leonard Macomber	Affirmed	
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School Committee Charles B. Shuman 3 year
Luther D. Biddler 1 year

Constables Charles B. Shuman Sworn
Adam Bennett Sworn

Landing Commissioners Abram Deen
Willard Reed
Benjamin B. Briff Sworn
Richard S. Gifford Sworn

Pence Viewers Richard S. Gifford Sworn
Benjamin B. Briff Sworn
George Lawton Sworn

Auditing Committee David Lawton
Pestome Macomber
Christopher Borden

Surveyors of Highways

Oliver C. Grinnell	Silas B. Sanford	5
John A. Smith	Abraham C. Manchester	5
James A. Briff	John W. Gifford	5
George Lawton	Samuel A. Beckham	5
Benjamin W. Gidley	David Lawton	5
Alexander H. Macomber	Deleg. B. Brownell	5
Humphrey W. Snell	H. Elder. Briff	5
Loami C. Briff	Deleg. Sanford	5
Esaac Howland	Charles Fisher	5
Charles A. Crow	John W. Howland	
Daniel D. Snell	Simeon Macomber	
Daniel D. Whalon	George S. Shuman	
Daniel Hix	Andrew C. Macomber	5
Albert C. Kirby	Oli A. Potter	5
Richard C. Gifford	Thomas A. Shorn	5
John S. Briff	Godfrey Cornell	5
Edmund Wordell	Willard Reed	
Thomas B. Shuman	Stephen Reed	
Justus Shuman		

Voted that a Committee of seven consisting of the general School Committee and four to be added who shall report on the day of the adjourned annual meeting what changes in school houses is requisite (except the appraisal of school houses) to carry into effect the law abolishing the school district system

Committee -
 - Ephraim Gifford Isaac H. Jenner
 John H. Sisson John W. Rowland

Voted that the above Committee be empowered to fill vacancies

Voted to adjourn until the day of the adjourned Annual Meeting at 3 O'clock P.M.

Recorded By Albert C. Kish
 Town Clerk

Annual Meeting called to order by the Moderator

Voted that when this meeting adjourns it be until the fourth Saturday of April it being the 24th at 3 O'clock P.M.

Voted to lay the article in relation to Superintendent of Town Cemetery on the table

Voted to accept the reports of the Selectmen

Voted to accept the report of the Auditing Committee

Voted to accept the report of Landring Commissioners

Paupers \$2400.
 Voted to grant and raise Two Thousand Four Hundred Dollars Support of Paupers.

Voted that the appropriation in regard to Schools be deferred until the adjourned meeting

Highway Voted to grant and raise Sixteen Hundred Dollars for the repairs of highways To be expended in labor.

Selectmen Voted to grant and raise Six Hundred Dollars To be expended on highways at the discretion of the Selectmen

Incidental Voted to grant and raise One thousand Dollars for Incidental Expenses

Voted to ^{authorize the Treasurer to loan} ~~grant and raise~~ Six Hundred and Twenty five dollars To pay State aid

Interest Voted to grant and raise Fourteen Hundred Dollars To pay on Town Debt \$1400 Interest on Town Debt

To pay Voted to grant and raise One thousand Dollars To pay on Town Debt

Voted that the Collector be allowed One per cent on all money collected & paid into the Treasury

Voted that the Treasurer be allowed $\frac{1}{3}$ of 1 per cent on all money paid out of the Treasury

Voted that all persons who pay their Taxes Voluntarily within thirty days after they are received by the Collector shall receive a discount of five per cent and all that pay within sixty days three per cent

Voted that Interest at the rate of Six per cent per annum be charged and collected on all Taxes that remain unpaid after the first day of November

Voted that the Treasurer be authorized to loan not to exceed One Thousand dollars in anticipation of tax

Voted that the Treasurer be authorized to renew Note held against the Town

Voted that the Treasurer be authorized to loan money not to exceed Eighteen Thousand ^{dollars} to pay Notes held against the Town

Voted to accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen

Allen Cortes
Allen John
Almy Pelotus L
Anthony Isaac A

Cammons Matthias E
Gifford James A
added Gifford Richard S
Howland Isaac E & ans
Nij Daniel E
Howland Zett

Borden Christopher
Brightman Rufus W
Brownell Charles W
Brightman Henry
Brownell Leonard
Boomer Edwin A & ans

Jonny Isaac W
Rish Albert E
Kistly Charles E

Cornell Daniel W
Chace George W
Cornell Weston M
Camishey Michael

Lawton David W & ans
Lawton Robert A
Lawton Augustus C
Lawton Alden M

Davis Walter S
Davis Alfred C
Davi G. Bedes E

Macomber John C
Monchester Albert L

Earl Andrew R

Sisson Samuel A
Sisson John W
Sanford Daniel M

Fisher Charles
Francis William

Waite Daniel W
White Holden
Wing Frederick A

G. E. Brownell } Selectmen
W. W. Bush }
W. W. Bush }

Voted to Excuse Isaac Howland David Lawton Edwin A Boomer from serving as Jurors

Voted to add Richard S Gifford's name to the list of Jurors

Voted to indefinitely postpone the Tenth Article of the Warrant

Voted to adjourn Recorded By Albert C. Rish
Town Clerk

Town House April 24th 1869
Meeting Called to order by E. P. Brownell Moderator

Voted to lay the fourth Article on the Table

Voted to lay the Eleventh Article on the Table

Voted to indefinitely postpone the Twelfth Article of the Warrant

Voted to Authorize the Selectmen with the assistance of the Town Treasurer to fund Eleven Thousand Dollars of the Town Debt to run not to exceed Ten years if they deem it expedient. Not however to pay over Seven per cent

Voted that the Overseers be authorized to order bills in and on account of their department

Voted to indefinitely postpone the fifteenth Article of the Warrant

Voted to accept the Report of the Superintendent of Town Cemetery and that it be placed in file

Voted to extend the Town Burial Ground as far south as the wood is cut off

Voted that the Suprintendant ^{of Town Burial Place} prepare the Ground so far as ploughing and seeding. And that the Additional Expense be added to the Costs of the Lots

Compensation Voted To allow Fifteen Cents per hour for attorn and
on Highway Twenty cents for a yoke of Oxen on Highway

Ivory & Griff Chosen Suprintendant of Town Cemetery

Voted That the Selectmen be authorized to file Vacancies in Surveyors of Highways.

Voted that Deacon Macomber be added to the list of Measurers of Wood Lumber & Bark

Voted That L S Brownell be added to the list of Surveyors of Highways

Voted That Daniel Macomber be added to the list of Surveyors of Highways

Voted that the Meeting adjourn until after the Special Meeting at the Call of the Chair

Town House April 24 Thru 6 o'clock P M 1869

Meeting Called to order by the Moderator

Report of the Appraisal Committee Read by David Lawton Chairman of said Committee

Report.

At a Town Meeting held in Westfort on the fifth day of April A.D. 1869 a Committee was chosen to appraise all of the School Houses and property belonging to the several School Districts in the Town and report their doings at an adjourned meeting on the fourth Saturday of April (pre-said)

That Committee has attended to that duty by appraising the property in each District as represented in the annexed Schedule And ask the liberty of making this as their report and to be excused from any further service in the matter

Schedule

District No 1 School House Lot and Fixture	\$5.00
" No 2 School House Lot and Fixture	4.75
" No 3 School House Lot and Fixture	5.50
Cash on hand about	30
" No 4 School House Lot and Fixture	2.00
" No 5 School House Lot and Fixture	10.00
" No 6 School House & Fixture	3.00
" No 7 School House & Fixture	60
" No 8 School House Lot and Fixture	40
" No 9 School House and Fixture	75
" No 10 School ^{House} & Fixture	80
" No 11 School ^{House} & Fixture	30
" No 12 School House Lot and Fixture	325
" No 13 School House Lot and Fixture	650
Cash on hand about	50
" No 14 School House Lot & Fixture	1180
" No 15 School House	720
" No 16 School House Lot and Fixture	20
" No 17 School House Lot and Fixture	325
" No 18 School House Lot and Fixture	175
" No 19 School House Lot and Fixture	300
" No 20 School House	12

Total Amount \$6497.

Westfort April 24. 1869

David Lawton Geo H Gifford
William Young John Allen
Eli & Allen

A True Copy Attest Alb C. High Town Clerk
Voted that the Appraisal Committee's Report be accepted and adopted

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Report of the Committee on Location read by John W Gifford

Be your Committee appointed at the annual meeting to examine the several School houses in the town in regard to their location together with the probable expense of putting some of them in suitable order and building others make the following report

That the School houses in the following Districts can be repaired to make them suitable for occupancy at the probable cost of Two Hundred and Seventy Dollars—

District No 1 \$10. No 2 \$10. No 3 \$25.
No 4 \$30. No 5 \$15. No 6 \$10. No 7 \$15.
No 12 \$15. No 13 \$15. No 14 \$40.
No 15 \$15. No 17 \$55. No 18 \$5.
No 19 \$20.
Sum Total \$270.

And we recommend that houses be built in the following places viz

One on the west side of the road in Rufus Brightman's pasture One on the west side of the road opposite Henry Waites

One on the east side of the road near Zillinghast Kirk's corner (so called) on land of Stephen Kirk and one on the east side of the road between Charles Westgate and Angles Snell
And one on the North East corner of the road at Abner Brownell corner so called

And we estimate the probable cost of the new houses including lot underpinning and other necessary labor at One Thousand each And we recommend that where the Town has to provide a lot it obtain a half acre wherever possible

And we recommend that the new houses be built after the model of the house near

1869

Brownell corner as regards style and finish and method of seating subject to such alterations as to size as may accommodate the probable number of scholars

And we further recommend that the Town furnish each of the School houses with wooden shutters hung on the outside and hooked within excepting one at the Head of the River and those already so provided And that of those houses already built of those worth the trouble the trimming be painted and the walls whitewashed

All of which is respectfully submitted

Charles L. Sherman John D. Gifford
Luther D. Horder Ephraim Gifford
John W. Howland

Wattout April 24 1869

Attest A. C. Kirk
Town Clerk

Voted to accept and adopt the report of the Locating Committee

Voted to adjourn without day
A True Record

Attest Albert C. Kirk Town Clerk

Annual meeting Called to order by the Moderator

Voted to accept and adopt the suggestions of the Locating Committee with the amendment that it be for the present School year

Suggestions

We recommend that the terms of the High School be reversed that is the summer term be taught at Wattout Point and in Winter at Head of the River In all other respects the same as last year

John D. Gifford John W. Howland
L. D. Horder Ephraim Gifford

High School Voted to appropriate One thousand Dollars for
#1000 the support of High School

Public School Voted to grant and raise Thirty Three Hundred Dollars
#3300 for the support of School

Voted that the School Committee be authorized
to hire out school houses for Private schools
after the expiration of the Public Schools

Voted to reconsider the vote whereby the Collector was
allowed One per cent on Money Collected

Voted to allow the Collector One per cent on all
Tax Collected and paid into the Treasury including
Percentage on the Six thousand Four Hundred
and Seventy Seven Dollars which is to be deducted
for School House

Voted to Adjourn
Recorded by Albert C. Birch Town Clerk

To Charles F. Sherman Constable of the Town of
Westport & R.E. & B. N. G.
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
you are directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants
of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in
Election and Town Affairs to assemble at the Town
House in said Town on Saturday the first
day of May next at 2 o'clock P.M. for the
following purposes to-wit:

1st To choose a Moderator to preside in said
Meeting

2^d To see if the Town will raise and appropriate
a sum of money sufficient to defray the expense

of building and repairing the school houses in accordance
with the recommendation of the Committee on
location and repair which report having been
adopted by the Town also to see if the Town
will increase the appropriations for incidental
expenses

3^d To see if the Town will choose a Committee to
superintend the building of the School houses

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

And if 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 Twenty Fourth day of
April in the year one thousand Eight Hundred and
Sixty Nine

April 24. 1869

E. C. Brounelle. } Selectmen
W. W. Kirby }
Ephraim Duffner } Westport

Westport April 24. 1869
According to the within warrant I have this day
posted up Copies as therein directed one at the store
of E. C. Brounelle and one at the store of Anthony
and Macomber and one at the store of Andrew
Lawrence

Charles F. Sherman. Constable.
of Westport

May 1st 2 o'clock P.M.
warrant -

I agreeable with the foregoing
The inhabitants assembled at the Town
House - The meeting was called to order by the
Clerk

E. P. Brownell was chosen Moderator and Sworn by the Clerk

Voted to appropriate Five Thousand dollars to be paid in five years with interest annually

Voted to reconsider the above vote

Voted to appropriate five thousand five hundred dollars by loan to defray the expense of building and repairing School Houses and the same was ordered to be paid in five annual installments with interest added commencing in September

Voted that the Selectmen with the Aid of the Treasurer be authorized to obtain the money upon the most favorable terms time rate and conditions being considered

Voted to indefinitely postpone the article in relation to raising money for incidental expenses

Voted to choose a Committee of Three to superintend the building of the School Houses

Committee John N. Eison Charles E. Sherman John W. Gifford
Voted that the work be done under special contract

Voted that the Committee be instructed to make plans and specifications to advertise for proposals to reserve the right to reject same and all bids should they deem it expedient

Voted that the Committee be authorized to make purchases of School House Lots where they can be had at reasonable prices otherwise to be taken as the Law provides

Voted to adjourn

Attest Albert C. Kibben

The following is a true list of the Militia of the Town of Westport as made by us Assessors of the Town of Westport

Name	Age	Occupation
Allen Cordy	36	Laborer
Allen George C	36	Farmer
Allen John M	26	Mariner
Anthony George M	21	Laborer
Allen Charles B	24	"
Allen Henry A	22	"
Borden Jonathan	28	Farmer
Baker Charles W	37	Laborer
Bly John	42	Mechanic
Booth Cyrus S	43	Mariner
Baker Michael	31	Clerk
Brightman Abner	41	Farmer
Brigg Jeremiah	38	"
" Christopher C	36	Mechanic
" Joseph A	32	"
Brownell George H B	42	Farmer
" Charles H	31	Mechanic
Brazton Thomas	29	Farmer
Brownell George B	41	"
Borden Job	43	"
Borden Delec S	35	"
Brownell Stephen A	25	Merchant
Burt Henry A	30	Laborer
Burt John A	28	"
Cornell John A	40	Farmer
Cory Joseph A	38	Mariner
Cornell James H	42	Laborer
Cornell Thomas W	36	Farmer
Cook Benjamin P	44	"
Craw Leonard H	34	Laborer
Chace Wm W	43	Farmer
Cornell Robert S	34	Merchant
" Daniel H	39	Farmer
" Godfrey J	32	"

Crafo Holden P	32	Mariner
" Alexander D	30	Laborer
Chace George H	38	Butcher
Cornell Oliver	33	Farmer
Cornell Abraham	30	Mariner
Chace Thomas J	43	Farmer
Cornell George L	41	"
Crafo Daniel	43	"
Crafo Deuben W	39	Mariner
Coggshall Bradford	39	"
Cornell Jm S	26	Farmer
" Gideon W	28	Laborer
Davis Ezra	29	Laborer
Durfee Mason	42	"
Davis Pebedee E	25	"
Davol Peter S	25	Farmer
Demerawille Etkin	33	Laborer
Davis Benjamin	42	Mariner
Davis John A	39	Mechanic
" Christopher	34	Laborer
" George	37	"
Devol Henry S	30	"
" George S	22	"
Durfee Benj G	27	"
Davis Giles	24	Mariner
Earl Isaac D	34	Mechanic
Earl Andrew R	30	Laborer
Eldrige Henry W	44	"
Francis James A	21	Teacher
Fisher Charles	34	Farmer
Gifford Geo E	24	Laborer
Grinnell Albert	31	"
Gifford Wm W ²	42	Farmer
Gammens Matthias	36	Blacksmith
Gunnell Eben S	41	Laborer
Gifford Valentine	32	"
Gifford Allen A	43	Mariner
" Abraham	30	"

Gifford John W	32	Farmer
" William W	44	Mariner
Gunnell Oliver C	34	Farmer
Gifford Henry W	42	Mechanic
Holly Benj W	27	Farmer
Gifford Samuel S	34	Mariner
" Jonathan	32	Farmer
Gammens Samuel S	41	Mason
Gifford Eli	32	Laborer
Haskell Edward B		Laborer
Howland George H	23	"
Handy Eli	22	"
Howland George H ²	22	Farmer
Hart Andrew W	40	Laborer
Howland John W	41	Farmer
Howland Isaac	41	"
Hammond William A	29	Mariner
Holmes John J	28	Laborer
Head Nath	40	"
Howland Fred A	20	Laborer
Handy Geo E	18	"
Hart Orlando J	25	Farmer
Hart Charles J	23	Laborer
Howland John	20	"
Jennery Charles H	23	Laborer
Jones Charles C	43	"
King Albert G	26	Farmer
King Charles C	25	Laborer
Kirby Nathaniel	33	Mariner
" James E	21	"
Kirby Albert C	27	Soun Clerk
Kirby Wilfred S	25	Farmer
" George L	36	"
" George W	26	Laborer
" Abraham	33	Mechanic
King George A	21	Mariner

Lincoln Edwin	40	Labourer
Lawton Augustus C	25	Marketman
Little George A	25	Labourer
Lawton Andrew W	24	"
Lawrence Frederick W	24	Merchant
Lawton Eli L	41	Butcher
Lawton Joseph J	31	Farmer
" Elden W	34	"
" Isaac J	35	Labourer
" James B	38	Farmer
" George C	30	"
" Robert A	25	"
" John E.	34	"
Macomber Ezra	40	Farmer
Macomber Isaac B	29	Butcher
Mayhew Charles	18	Labourer
Macomber Weston J.	26	"
Mashe Eliza	25	"
Macomber George W	42	Mariner
" John A	30	Labourer
" John A E.	20	"
" William J	20	"
Mashe Emanuel D	22	"
Manly Sylvester C	23	Blacksmith
Macomber Elihu C	23	Labourer
" Nathan A	21	"
Mashe George W	23	"
" John J	21	"
" John S	21	"
" David C	40	Farmer
Mayhew Oliver W	34	Mariner
Macomber Andrew S	39	Farmer
" Gilbert C	31	Labourer
Manchester Calvin	39	Farmer
" David	31	"
Mashe Sherman W	31	Blacksmith
Macomber Isaac B	29	Farmer
Manchester Forbes D	26	Mariner

Macomber Francis	42	Farmer
Manchester Albert D	21	Labourer
Mitchel Major W	38	"
Peter William	35	Carpenter
Peckham Frederick W	20	Labourer
Pierce George J	21	"
" Jonathan W	26	"
Potter Carrie	31	"
Peckham Joseph C	21	"
Potter Isaac	37	Mechanic
Petty Isaac J	31	Labourer
" Landon J	34	Mariner
Petrie George	29	Labourer
" Leroy C	33	Farmer
Pierce Allen W	43	Mariner
Petty Henry B	35	Labourer
" Willard D	29	Mariner
" Maria S	25	Labourer
Pierce Uriah C	20	"
Peckham Jacob S	25	Farmer
Farmer David	18	Labourer
Potter Charles S	33	"
Peckham Samuel A	24	Farmer
Petty Robert	20	Labourer
Reynolds Calvin J	22	Labourer
Smith Henry W	20	Artist
Sherman Albert	20	Mariner
" " S	20	Labourer
" Charles L	38	"
" Willard C	31	"
" Charles S	34	Constable of Village
Sisson John W	40	Carpenter
Bowle Abner L	39	Labourer
Sherman Thomas B	33	Farmer
Smith John A	39	"
Common Henry J	39	Labourer

Bowle James M	44	Marine
Sanford David 2 ^d	31	Farmer
" Samuel S	43	"
Sherman Alonzo	21	Laborer
Sabins Philander L	40	Marine
Bowle Robert S	28	Laborer
Snell Daniel B	41	Farmer
Sanford Darny B	31	Laborer
" Daniel O M	36	Farmer
Snell Deley A	34	Laborer
Sherman Daniel	38	Marine
Snell George E & H	10	Laborer
Bowle Wm	48	Marine
Bowle James H	29	Laborer
Sisson George F	41	Merchant
" William W	22	Laborer
Sanford Alexander E	24	"
Bowle Andrew H	25	Marine
" " A	26	Laborer
Bowle Charles H	22	do
Sisson Henry H	27	"
" Charles H	22	"
Smith Charles	31	"
Bowle William A	25	Carpenter
Smith Frederick H	33	Marine
Symmes William A	30	Teacher
Smith Peter	18	Laborer
Sanford Albert F	21	"
Snow Frank P	20	"
Triff Abraham B	32	Marine
" Allen H	31	Farmer
" James S	32	"
" Wilbour D	34	"
" Solomon C	35	Marine
" Algerine C	36	"
" Edmund J	43	Farmer
" Gordon A	34	"
" Richard A	39	"

Triff Albert J	34	Marine
" Howard G	28	Laborer
" Ezra B	32	Farmer
" John A	39	"
" Holder C	35	Laborer
" Eli J	28	"
" Azariah G	29	"
" Milton	43	Farmer
" Orlando J	29	Marine
" Edwin S	30	Laborer
" George B	39	Farmer
" Loami C	36	"
" Theodore G	25	Marine
" Charles H	26	Farmer
" Joseph G	24	Marine
" Theophilus S	26	"
" James N	27	Hose Grader
" Milton J	25	Mechanic
" Benjamin C	24	Laborer
" George H	25	"
" Alfred L	24	"
" Holder A G	23	"
" Christopher C	21	"
" George H 27	20	"
" John C	19	"
Gallman George	22	"
Wiley Moses H	34	Marine
" Thomas	28	"
" David	28	Laborer
White Mrs N N	27	"
Whalon Mrs W	30	"
" Daniel	28	"
Wood John B	30	"
White Deley C	43	Marine
" Charles R A	21	Laborer
Wing Charles	41	Farmer
White George M	31	Merchant
Wood Robert B	41	Farmer
Wardell Joseph B	33	Caulker

Wordell Joshua N 38 Gaine
 " Humphrey N 40 "
 " Joseph R 21 "

Westport July 28th 1869

David Lawton Assessors
 J. W. Gifford Westport

The foregoing list is a true copy as recorded by me
 Attest Albert E. Gifford Town Clerk
 of Westport

Westport July 30th 1869

Bristol S. S. Charles F. Sherman
 Constable of the Town of Westport
 C. R. E. S. S. N. 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 Town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Westport on Saturday the twenty first day of this month at 2 O'clock P.M. to act on the following articles Viz

1st To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting

2^d To see if the Town will abandon the School House now located at Abner Brownells farm (so called) and locate and purchase another in its stead

3^d To see what action the Town will take in regard to an unoccupied School House near Abner Thibbs

And you are directed to serve this warrant by fastening up attested copies thereof at Town 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
 the fifth day of August in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty Nine

Westport
 Aug 16th 1869

E. P. Brownell Selectmen
 H. W. Thibbs
 Ephraim Gifford Westport

Westport Aug 21 1869

I have served this warrant by fastening up attested copies thereof one at the store of E. P. Brownell & son one at the store of R. Macomber & son one at the store of Andrew Lawrence and one at the store of Winchester & White seven days before the time for holding said meeting
 Charles F. Sherman Constable of Westport

Agreeable with the foregoing warrant the People assembled at the Town Hall and the following votes passed

E. P. Brownell was chosen Moderator and sworn by the Clerk

Voted to abandon School House Lot located at Abner Brownells Corner (so called)

Voted that a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair to select a Lot Near Abner Brownells Corner

Chair Appointed John W Gifford, Leonard Macomber and Harvey W. Kirby

Voted that the Meeting take a Recess of Thirty Minutes or until the Return of the Committee

Meeting called to order by the Chair

The Committee reported two Lots one on the Land of Carmi Buff and the other on the Land of N. H. Wood.

Voted to Locate on land of Carmi Buff precisely to west of Abner Brownells Garden (so called)

Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to contract with Carmi Buff.

Voted to sell the School House near Abner Kirbys by Auction

Voted that Capt Nathan Wood be authorized to sell said House

Voted to reconsider the vote whereby the School House near Abner Kirbys be sold at Auction

Voted to Excuse Capt Nathan Wood from serving as Agent to sell said House

Voted that Adam Bennett sell the School House near Abner Kirbys

Voted to adjourn without day

Attest, Albert G. Kirby Town Clerk
August 21st 1869

To Charles L. Sherman Constable of the Town of Westport
REC'D 31st

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify, warn and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Westport qualified as the Constitution requires to assemble at the Town House in said Westport on the second day of November next (it being the Tuesday after the first Monday in said month) at Ten O'Clock in the forenoon to bring in their votes to the Selectmen for a Governor Lieutenant Governor Secretary Treasurer an Auditor and Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a Councillor for Council District No. One a Senator for Third Senatorial District County Commissioner who is not an Inhabitant of the same City or Town with either of the Commissioners who are to remain in Office And a Sheriff for Bristol County to fill an existing vacancy All on one Ballot also at the same time for One Representative to the next General Court from District No. Eight on a separate Ballot

1st Also on the same day and at the same place at Three O'Clock Afternoon for the following purposes viz

2^d To see what action the Town will take in regard to certain unoccupied School houses -

For Senator Thud Bristol District whole number 289
 George H. Colden of Fall River had One hundred thirty three 133
 John B. Hathaway " " One hundred fifty six 156
 For County Commissioners whole number of votes 306
 Eliza J. Jackson of Taunton had Two hundred ninety four 294
 John W. Quice of Somerset had Twelve 12
 For Representatives to General Court whole number 334
 Ezra L. Brownell of Westport had Two hundred thirty five 235
 Isaac D. Paul " " had Ninety eight 98
 William W. Hoadley had one 1

Special Meeting called to order by the clerk

Ezra L. Brownell was chosen Moderator

Voted to indefinitely postpone the 2^d Article
 of the warrant

Voted to Adjourn
 I True Copy Attest
 Albert C. Heisk
 Town Clerk

1874 To Charles F. Sherman Constable of the Town
 of Westport R. C. E. S. H. C.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 Meeting you are directed to notify the Inhabitants of
 the Town of Westport qualified to vote in Elections
 and Town Affairs to meet at the Town Hall in
 said Westport on Monday the Fourth 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 Also One School Committee for
 Three Years
- 3^d To hear the Report^s of the various Town Officers
 and act thereon
- 4th To determine the manner of repairing Highways
 Town Ways and Bridges the year ensuing
- 5th To consider and determine the amount of appro-
 priations necessary for the support of Paupers
 Maintenance of Schools Highways Town
 ways and Bridges for incidental Expenses
 and for aid to Families of Volunteers Also
 to determine the manner of making the
 Appropriations
- 6th To consider and determine the location of the High
 School for the year ensuing
- 7th To consider and determine what Inducement the
 Town will offer by way of Discount for prompt
 payment of taxes and for the time during
 which discount may be allowed and paid

- 8th To Consider the propriety of demanding and collecting interest from delinquent Tax payers that have not paid their taxes on or before a specified period of time
- 9th To determine the compensation the Collector and Treasurer may receive for his or their services
- 10th To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer to renew certain notes held against the Town and to borrow money (if necessary) in anticipation of the Tax
- 11th To see if the Town will accept the List of Names of Quakers prepared by the Selectmen
- 12th To see what action the Town will take in relation to its Debt
- 13th To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee to order bills against the Town incurred on account of that Department
- 14th To see if the Town will authorize the Overseers of Poor to order bills against the Town incurred on account
- 15th To see what action (if any) the Town will take in relation to an order served on the Town Clerk of Westport agreeable to a petition presented to the County Commissioners for a Highway to be laid out from Smith's Mill Village in Dartmouth to Macomber's Corner in Westport. Also another order for a new Highway to be laid out from Turners Mills in Dartmouth to Macomber's Corner in Westport
- 16th To see what the Town will do with former School District Property legally belonging to the Town and not used for School purposes

17th To see what instructions the Town will give (if any) to Collectors having Taxes assessed against Leonard Brightman

19th To see what action the Town will take in relation to a Town Pound or Pounds

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up Copies at Town 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 Meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this Twenty Third day of March One Thousand Eight Hundred & Seventy

Westport C. C. Drownell Selectmen
March 23rd 70 R. W. Kirby }
Westport

Westport April 4th 1870

Pursuant to the within warrant I have posted up Copies thereof one at the Store of Robert S. Cornell one at the Store of Anthony S. Macomber one at the Store of Charles H. Macomber and one at the Store of Henry H. Bliss Ten days before the time of holding said meeting

Charles F. Sherman
Constable of Westport

Town Hall March 4th 1870
Agreeable with the foregoing warrant the Inhabitant Tax Payers legal Voters of said Town assembled at the Town House and the following

named Officers were chosen and votes
passed
Meeting called to Order by the Clerk

Warrant read by E. Q. Brownell

E. Q. Brownell was chosen Moderator By
a Unanimous Vote

Voted to Choose Town Clerk Treasurer Collector
Three Selectmen Three Overseers Three Assessors
School Committee for 3 years Three Fence
Viewers Four Landing Commissioners Two
Constables Three Auditing Committee
all on one Ballot

Sworn

For Town Clerk
Albert C. Kirby

For Treasurer
Leonard Macomber

For Collector
Leonard Macomber

Sworn

For Selectmen
Giles E. Brownell

Sworn

Harvey W. Kirby

Affirmed

Ep. Main Gifford

Overseers of the Poor

Harvey W. Kirby

Sworn

Ep. Main Gifford

Affirmed

Joshua Wordell

Sworn

For Assessors

David Lawton

John W. Gifford

Giles E. Brownell

Sworn

Sworn

Sworn

1871 School Committee for Three years
April 4th Lutha Q. Kidder

Sworn

Fence Viewers

Sworn

Benjamin S. Buff

Affirmed

George Lawton

Richard S. Gifford

Landing Commissioners

Sworn

Abraham Oger

Affirmed

Ben S. Buff

Richard S. Gifford

Willard Reed

Sworn

For Constables

Sworn

Charles Sherman

Adam Bennett

Auditing Committee

David Lawton

Reserve Macomber

Thomas Sanford 2d

Surveyors of Highways

1 Oliver E. Guinnell

Sworn 2 Abram E. Manchester 1 Edmund Wordell 11 Oliver Cornell

3 Holder S. Borden 9 Thomas B. Sherman 34 Loddy Cornell

4 William S. Kirby 20 Justus Sherman 35 David G. Mosher

Sworn 5 George Lawton 21 Silas B. Sanford 36 Stephen Reed

Sworn 6 Benjamin W. Gidley 22 William H. Gifford 37 William H. Gifford

7 Benjamin S. Buff 23 Samuel A. Leekham

Sworn 8 Adam Bennett 24 David Lawton

Sworn 9 Edmund Buff 25 Peleg B. Brownell

Sworn 10 Charles S. Gifford 26 Holder S. Buff

Sworn 11 Charles D. Craw 27 Peleg B. Sanford

12 Daniel E. Gell 28 Charles Fisher

Sworn 13 Daniel E. Whelan 29 John W. Howland

Sworn 14 Howland Buff 30 Lemuel Macomber

15 Albert C. Kirby 31 John W. Howland

Sworn 16 Richard S. Gifford 32 Weston Buff

Sworn 17 George N. Leckie 33 Oliver Cornell

Voted to postpone the Elections of Field Surveyor and Pound Keeper until the Eighteenth Article is disposed of

Measures of Wood Lumber & Bark
Frederick Thompson Charles W Macomber
Charles K. Craw Isaac Howland
Charles W Brownell David Lawton
David S Howland George H Gifford
And Aestome Macomber

Scale of Weights & Measures
Frederick Gifford

Voted that the Auditing Committee Report be recommended to that Committee

Voted to pass over the 3rd Article of the Warrant

187th Labor Voted to raise Fifteen Hundred Dollars by separate Tax to be expended in Labor on Highway

Money Voted to grant and raise Six Hundred Dollars Tax Highway to be expended on the Highway at the discretion of the Selectmen

Paupers Voted to grant and raise Two Thousand Dollars for the support of Paupers

Common Schools Voted to grant and raise Thirty Five Hundred Dollars for Schools except High School

High School Voted to grant and raise One Thousand Dollars for the support of High School

Incidental Voted to grant and raise One Thousand Dollars for Incidental Expenses

Families Voted to grant and raise Seven Hundred Dollars for Families of Volunteers

Voted that the foregoing Appropriations be assessed upon the Polls Real & Personal Estate of the Town and Non Resident Property Holders of S^d Town

147th Voted that the High School for the ensuing year be located at North Point in the Summer and at the Head of the River in the Winter

Voted that no discount be allowed on Taxes for prompt Payment

Interest Voted that interest be charged and collected on all Taxes that remain unpaid on and after Sixty days from the date that they are received by the Collector at the rate of Seven and Three Tenths per cent

Collection Voted to give the Collector One per Cent Percentage on all monies collected and paid into the Treasury

Voted to reconsider the above was lost

Compensation Voted to allow the Treasurer One third of One per Cent on all monies received into the Treasury

add Voted to add Two and Seven Tenths per cent to the rate of interest already voted on Delinquent Tax

Legation
Review Notes Voted to authorize the Treasurer to renew
Notes held against the Town Not however
to exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars

Treasurer
to loan money Voted to authorize the Treasurer to loan Five
Thousand Dollars in anticipation of Tax

List
Voted to accept the list of Jurors as prepared
By the Selectmen

Jurors
Allen Carter
Allen John
Almy Zelotus
Anthony Isaac
Gifford E. Miam
Gifford John W
Giddis Frederick W. Exeuer

Borden Christopher
Brownell Charles H
Brightman Henry
Brownell Leonard
Boomer Edwin A
Brownell Stephen A
Howland Zeth
Howland John W
Jenner Charles H
Kibb Charles E

Cornell Daniel H
Chace George H
Cornell Weston M
Carmichael Michael
Crawford Reuben W
Lawton Augustus E
Lawton Elden M
Lawton George S
Leary James

Davis Walter S
Davis Zebedee E
Davis John A
Manchester Albert C
Macomber Robert F
Palmer William
Sisson John H
Sanford Daniel M
Sanford Albert F
Sherman Albert S

Earle Isaac D
Fisher Charles
Francis James A
White Holden
Westgate Charles
Potts David
Wing Charles
March 22. 1870

Voted to add the names of David H Potter
& Charles Wing to the Juror list

Voted to Excuse Frederick H Giddis from
serving as Juror

Vote
to authorize of the State Treasurer
to loan money Voted that the Treasurer be authorized to loan
a sum not exceeding
Twenty Thousand Dollars to be paid in
equal annual installments with interest thereon
provided the same can be obtained at a
rate of interest not exceeding Seven per cent
per annum

Voted to pass over the Thirteenth and Fourteenth
Articles and take up the Fifteenth

Voted to choose a Committee of Five the Selectmen
and Two Citizens to investigate the Road matter
from Smith Mills by Western Factory
to Ruth Woodells so called and report at
the adjourned meeting
Abram D G Moad Isaac Howland
were chosen on the Committee

Voted to adjourn until April 9th 1870
One O Clock P. M.

Attest Albert C. Leiber
Town Clerk

Town House April 9th 1870

Meeting Called to order by the Moderator

Report of the Road Committee Called
For and read by Abram D Gifford
Chairman

1870
Committee
Highway

Westport April 9th 1870
The Committee to whom was referred the
communication of the Westport Manufacturing
Co concerning a road from Smith's Mills
in Dartmouth to Ruth Wordells Corner
in Westport so called for which a petition
has been presented to the County Commission-
have attended to that duty and submit
the following report

In the opinion of your Committee it would be
for the best interest of this Town for the road
to be located to pass the Westport Factory
if the said Westport Manufacturing Co upon
their part will become obligated to pay one
half of the construction of said road also one
half of the amount of Land damage if any
should have to be paid to the owners of the
land over which said road should pass
And that the Town of Westport upon their
part agree not to increase the valuation
for the purpose of taxation for the term of
Fifteen years from May Eighteen Hundred
& Seventy upon any property that is or
may be used for Manufacturing purposes
or for buildings and improvements that
may be made for the use of said Co
including Tenement Houses owned
by said Co The Co also agree to keep
one half said road in repair for the
term of Fifteen Years

Signed E. E. Brounill
R. W. Kirby
A. R. Gifford
Isaac Howland) Committee

Voted to invite Mr B Trafford (not a citizen of
Westport) to make remarks on the subject

Voted to accept the report of the Committee

Voted that the Selectmen assisted by E. E. Brounill
be a Committee to appear before the County
Commissioners and favor the proposed
Route for a Highway from Smith's Mills
by Westport Factory to Ruth Wordells Corner
so called as frayed for by Robert S Gibbs
and Others provided the said Com shall
determine that the public good and
convenience require a more direct line from
Fall River to New Bedford

Voted that the Selectmen assisted by E. E.
Brounill be a Committee to appear before
the County Commissioners and oppose the
proposed Route for a Highway
from Turners Mills to Ruth Wordells
Corner so called as frayed for by
Joseph S Gillingham & Others

Voted to authorize the School Committee
to order all Bills in their Department

Voted that the Overseers be and are hereby authorized
to order all Bills in their department

Voted that the School Committee are hereby
authorized to sell all School District Property
not used for School Purposes

Voted that instruction to Collectors in regard to Leonard
Brightman's Tax Be postponed until next year

Voted that a Town Pound be constructed
on the Town Farm

Voted that Robert F Macomber's Barn Yard
Hard Be used for a Town Pound

Voted that the Widow Polly Macomber's Barn
Hard Be used for a Town Pound

Voted to Choose Three Pound Keepers
Adam Bennett Robert F Macomber
Richard Heaf

Voted to Choose Six Field Drivers
William E. Triff Albert J. Triff
David R. Triff Daniel M. Sanford
Henry W. Elbridge Andrew S. Macomber
add'd to list Mr. Brightman Michael Camisky

Voted that the Price of Lots in Town Cemetery
be fixed at Fifteen Dollars

Voted to except the ^{Report of} Superintendent of
Town Burial Ground

Voted to choose Superintendent of Town
Burial Ground.

Erory. C. Triff. (Chosen)

Voted to allow Fifteen cents per hour for a
man and Twenty cents per hour for a
yoke of Oxen for Actual Labor
on Highway

Voted to allow 33¢ per Day for a Plough
and 25¢ for a Cart labor on Highway

Report of Building Committee on School
Houses read and accepted.

Voted that the School Committee be
authorized and requested to wall and
grade the new School House Lots and
provide Shutters for all old Houses
that in their discretion are worth such
repairs

+500 Voted to grant and raise Five Hundred
8000 Dollars to be expended by School Committee
Committee in walling & grading Lots

Voted to accept the Landring Commission's
report

Voted to instruct the Collector to complete
his Collection on or before the first of
January 1871

Voted that the Overseers of Poor Collect
the Collectors Books as fast as
they shall complete their Collections

Voted to adjourn without day

At True Record

Attest Abner Kirby

Town Clerk
of Westport

1970 Bristol SS.
Special Meeting of the Town of Westport
To Charles F. Sherman Constable
Westport N.H.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
you are directed to notify the Inhabitants of
the Town of Westport qualified to vote in
Electors and Town affairs to meet at the Town
House in said Town on Tuesday the sixth day
September 1870 at 2 O'clock in the Afternoon
then and there to act on the following articles
Viz.

- 1st To choose a Moderator
- 2^d To see if the Town will prohibit the sale of such
Liquor as are mentioned in Chap 889. Sec 3 of
the Acts of the year 1870
- 3^d To see what action the Town will take in
relation to a demand that Dr. J. N. Mackie
holders against the Town for Professional service
rendered to D. G. Sabin

And you are directed to serve this warrant by
posting up three or more attested copies
thereof in as many 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 the Town Clerk at the
time and place of Meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this Twentieth third
of August in the year One Thousand Eight
Hundred & Seventy
G. E. Brownell Selectmen of
W. H. Kirby Westport

Westport Sept 6th 1870
Pursuant to the within warrant I have
posted up copies thereof one at the Store
of William Gifford one at the Store of
Anthony & Macomber and one at the
Store of W. N. Bliss seven days before the
time of holding said Meeting

Charles F. Sherman.
Constable of Westport.

Town House Sept 6. 1870 2 O'clock P.M.

In the absence of the Town Clerk the meeting
was called to order by the Selectmen

Leonard Macomber was chosen Clerk
Pro Tem. And affirmed.

George W. Gifford was chosen Moderator & sworn

Voted to vote on Article 2^d by yeas & nays

Yeas	—	Nineteen	—	19
Nays	—	Seven	—	7

Voted to indefinitely postpone the
third Article in the warrant

Voted to adjourn

Leonard Macomber
Clerk Pro Tem
I hereby certify that the foregoing
is a true copy of the warrant and record
Attest Albert C. Kirby
Town Clerk of
Westport

1870

Warrant

State

election

To Charles F. Sherman Constable of the
Town of Westport

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 Eight day of November next it being the Tuesday after the First Monday of said month at Ten o'clock in the forenoon to bring in their votes to the Selectmen for a Governor Lieutenant Governor Secretary Auditor Attorney General and Treasurer of the Commonwealth Representative for the First Congressional District Councillor for First District County Commissioner Ward Treasurer for Bristol County Register of Deeds for Southern District and Sheriff for Third Senatorial District all on one Ballot Also One Representative to the next General Court on a separate Ballot

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 yourselves at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hand this Twentieth day of October in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy
O. B. Russell (Selectman)

H. W. Kirby

Ephraim Gifford 1 Westport

At the Polls may be closed at Twelve o'clock noon

Westport Oct 27. 1870

Bristol ss. Westport Nov 8. 1870
Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town of Westport qualified as therein expressed to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein mentioned by posting up attested copies of such warrant One at the store of Charles H. Macomber One at the store of Anthony and Macomber one at the store of Henry H. Bliss and one at the store of Samuel Gifford. Being public and conspicuous places in said Town on the 28th day of Oct. 1870

Charles F. Sherman
Constable of Westport

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport held at the Town House in said Town the Eight day of November Eighteen Hundred & Seventy for the purposes set forth in the foregoing warrant. Votes for the following named persons were given in assized and counted And public Declaration thereof made according to Law Viz.

For Governor whole number of votes Two Hundred & Ninety four 294

William Claflin had Two hundred & Sixty seven 267
Wendell Phillips had Nineteen 13
John L. Adams had Fourteen 14

For Lieutenant Governor whole number of votes Three Hundred & five 305
Joseph Tucker had Two hundred & Seventy five 275
Relph Tate Trask had Sixteen 16
James Chattaway had Fourteen 14

For Secretary of the Commonwealth
 whole number of votes Two Hundred & Ninety five 295
 Oliver Warner of Northampton had Two Hundred
 and Sixty Eight 288
 George S. Ball of Milton had fourteen 14
 Luther Stevens of Hingham had thirteen 13

For Treasurer and Receiver General whole number of
 votes Two Hundred & Ninety six 296
 Charles Adams of North Brookfield had
 Two Hundred & Sixty Seven 287
 John Baker of Beverly had fourteen 14
 Levi Heywood of Gardner fourteen 14
 Genl Stephen " " " " one 1

For Attorney General whole number of votes
 Two Hundred & Ninety five 295
 Charles Allen of Boston had Two Hundred & Sixty seven 287
 Whiting Griswold of Greenfield fourteen 14
 William W. Warren of Brighton had fourteen 14

For Auditor of Accounts whole number of votes
 Two Hundred & Ninety five 295
 Charles Endicott of Canton had Two
 Hundred and Sixty Seven 287
 Lyman W. Daggett of Middleborough had fourteen 14
 Phineas Allen of Pittsfield had fourteen 14

For Councillor Dist No 1 whole number of votes
 Two Hundred & Ninety six 296
 Marshall S. Underwood of Dennis had
 Two Hundred & Sixty Eight 288
 Henry B. Maglathlin of Duxbury 28

For Representative to Congress dist No 1 whole number
 of votes Two Hundred & Ninety three 293
 James Buffington of Fall River had Two Hundred
 and fifty one 251
 Robert C. Patten of New Bedford had thirty nine 39
 William B. Comstock of Middleborough had three 3

For Senator Third Bristol District
 whole number of votes Two Hundred and Eighty six 286
 Charles P. Strickland of Fall River had
 Two Hundred & Forty six 246
 Abram R. Lifford of Westport had forty 40

For County Commissioner for Bristol County
 whole number of votes Two Hundred & Ninety two 292
 Elisha Thonbur of New Bedford had
 Two Hundred and Twenty 220
 Shearjashub T. Viall of New Bedford
 Seventy Two 72

For County Treasurer Bristol County whole number
 Thomas J. Gothrop of Taunton had 296
 Two hundred and Eighty two 282
 John Collins of Fall River had fourteen 14

For Register of Deeds South Bristol District whole
 number Two Hundred & Eighty Seven 287
 Charles C. Bager of New Bedford had
 Two Hundred & Eighty six 286
 John Davis New Bedford one 1

For Representative to General Court dist No 8 Bristol
 whole number of votes Two Hundred & Ninety two 292
 A. S. Nowlan had Ninety One 91
 Stephen A. Brownell of Westport
 had Two Hundred and One 201

Nov 10th 1870 A True Record
 Recorded by me
 Attest, Albert Kirby Sec. Clerk

Bristol SS Westport May 16. 1870.

Then personally appeared George
H. Chase and took the oath of Office
as Surveyor of Highways for the Town of
Westport for the year ensuing before me

Geo H Gifford Justice of the Peace
A True Copy
Attest Albert C Kirby
Town Clerk

Epizootic Notice

In order to prevent the spreading among cattle
of the contagious disease known as Epizootic
Aptha or Hoof and Mouth Disease it is ordered
by the Selectmen of the Town of Westport

1st No drove cattle shall be driven into or through
said town

2^d All cattle affected with said disease or those
known to have been in any manner exposed
to the contagion thereof shall be kept isolated upon
the premises of the owner thereof and shall not be
driven or allowed to pass therefrom

3^d Any person or persons violating any of the
above provisions will be liable to forfeit a sum
not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars and
to imprisonment not exceeding one year

Westport Jan 16.
1871

C. C. Bournelle, Selectmen
H. M. Kirby, of Westport

A True Copy
Attest Albert C Kirby Town Clerk

1871 To Charles F. Sherman Constable of the Town
of Westport
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Transmit In the name of the Commonwealth of Massa-
chusetts you are directed to notify and warn
the Inhabitants of the Town of Westport
qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs
to assemble at the Town House in said Westport
on Monday the Third day of April next
at Ten O'clock in the forenoon for the
following purposes viz

1st To Choose a Moderator to preside in said Meeting

2nd To Choose all necessary Town Officers for the year
ensuing

3^d To hear the Reports of the various Town Officers
and act thereon

4th To Consider and determine the Amount of
Appropriations necessary for the Support
of Paupers Maintenance of Schools Highways
Town Ways Bridges for Incidental Expenses
and for aid for Families of Volunteers also
to determine the manner of making the
appropriations

5th To Consider and determine the Location of
the High School for the year ensuing

6th To see what Action the Town will take in relation
to Establishing a Union School with the Town
of Dartmouth near Westport Factory

7th To see what Action the Town will take in relation
to Establishing Truant Children and Absentees
from School

8th To see if the Town will provide and maintain a Lockup.

9th To Consider and determine what Inducement the Town will offer by way of Discount for prompt payment of Taxes and fix the time during which discount may be allowed and paid.

10th To consider the propriety of demanding and Collecting Interest from delinquent Tax Payers who have not paid their taxes on or before a specified time.

11th To determine the Compensation the Collector and Treasurer may receive for his or their services.

12th To see if the Town will Authorize the Town Treasurer to renew certain notes held against the Town and to borrow money in anticipation of the Tax.

13th To see what action the Town will take in relation to its Debt.

14th To see if the Town will accept the List of Names of Jurors prepared by the Selectmen.

15th To see if the Town will empower some person or persons to execute an agreement in behalf of the Town with the Westport Manufacturing Company for the Building and Repairing and repair a certain part of a proposed road to be laid out by the County Commissioners from Westport Factory to Ruth Rodell Corner (so called) within the bounds of Westport.

16th To see if the Town will Authorize the Treasurer to pay to Reestome Borden and others the amt contributed by them for recruiting purposes and has not been reimbursed.

17th To see if the Town will Offer and a Bounty for the Destruction of Hawks and Crows.

18th To see if the Town will authorize the Overseers of the Poor and School Committee to order bills and demands against the Town for their respective departments.

19th To see what action the Town will take in regard to a Fishing privilege in Westport River near the Harbor called the Dick.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up 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 closing thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Twentieth Second day of March Eighteen Hundred and Seventy One.

Westport
March 22nd
1871

L. C. Brownell
H. W. Kibbe
Ophraim Liffard } Selectmen
Westport

Westport April 3rd 1871

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said town of Westport qualified as therein expressed to assemble at the time and place and for the purposes therein mentioned by posting up attested Copies of such warrant one at the store of Samuel Liffard one at the store of Anthony and Macomber one at the store of Charles H. Macomber and one at the store of

Gifford and King seven days before the
time of holding said meeting

Charles F. Sherman.
Constable of Westport

Westport April 3^d 1871 The Inhabitants
of the Town of Westport assembled at the
Town House in said Town agreeable with
the foregoing warrant and the following
named Officers were chosen and voted
passed

Annual
Meeting
1871

Meeting called to order by the Clerk

Giles E. Brownell chosen Moderator

Voted to choose Town Clerk Three Selectmen
Five Assessors Three Overseers of Poor
Treasurer & Collector Two Constables One
School Committee for three years Three Fence
Viewers Four Landing Commissioners Three
Auditing Committee all on one Ballot

Town Clerk. ^{sworn} Albert A. Kirby

Selectmen ^{sworn} Giles E. Brownell
" Harvey H. Kirby
Affirmed Ephraim Giffard

Overseers of Poor ^{sworn} Harvey H. Kirby
" Giles E. Brownell
Affirmed Ephraim Giffard

Assessors ^{sworn} David Lawton
" Giles E. Brownell
" John W. Giffard
Ephraim Giffard
^{sworn} Albert A. Manchester

Treasurer Leonard Macomber affirmed

Collector Leonard Macomber "

Constables ^{sworn} Charles F. Sherman
" Adam Bennett

School Committee 3y^{rs} Charles Fisher 3y^{rs}

Fence Viewers
Benjamin F. Luff George Lawton ^{sworn}
Richard S. Giffard ^{sworn}

Landing Commissioners
Abram Lye Benjamin F. Luff
^{sworn} Richard S. Giffard Willard Reed

Auditing Committee
David Lawton Reston Macomber
Thomas Sanford &c

Surveyors of Highways
Phillip F. Lissin & Abner Kirby
Stephen R. Howland Richard S. Giffard
Joshua H. Howdell George H. Chase
Helder B. Borden John A. Cornell
Alden F. Lissin Elias B. Sanford
George F. Lawton David H. Potter
Francis B. Macomber Eldon B. Peckham
Nathan W. Wood David Lawton
Adam Bennett Elias L. Macomber
Wilbour Luff John A. Smith
Charles F. Giffard &c Peleg S. Sanford
John A. Adams Charles Fisher
Daniel F. Snell John W. Howland
Daniel Whelan Simon Macomber
Howland Luff Joeth Howland
Nathaniel Kirby Johnathan Pierce
Lodney Cornell &c Willard Reed
Adam R. Giffard William H. Giffard &c

Manner of Wood Lumber & Bark

Measure Voted to choose Nine
of Wood Jeremiah L Thompson Charles N Brown
Lumber Charles N Brownell David B Nowland
& Bark Charles N Macomber Isaac Nowland
George N Liffard Artemus Macomber
David Lawton

Sealer of Weights and Measures
John C. Macomber

Voted to choose Six Field Officers
Charles N Borden Albert J Luff
Daniel M Sanford William B King
Wm Brownell Job Curfee

Voted to choose two Pound Keepers
Adam Bennett Robert E Macomber

Supintendent of Town Cemetery
Sven & Ship

Voted that the third Article of the warrant
be laid on the table

Support Voted to grant and raise Five Thousand
\$2500. Dollars for the Support
of Laupere

School Voted to grant and raise Four Thousand
\$4500. Live Hundred Dollars for the Support of
Schools

Labor Voted to assess Fifteen Hundred Dollars to
Highway be Expended in Labor on the Highway

Money Voted to grant and raise one Thousand Dollars
\$1000. in Money to be expended on the Highway
under the direction of the Selectmen

President Voted to grant and raise One Thousand
\$1000. Dollars for Incidental Expenses

Coffee Voted to grant and raise Five Hundred Dollars
Rewards in expectation of paying the Reward offered
by the Selectmen

Families Voted to grant and raise Six Hundred and
of Volunteers Fifty Dollars in aid of Families of Volunteers
\$650.

Voted that the foregoing Appropriations be assessed
upon the Polls Real and Personal Estate
of the Town and the Non Resident Property
Holders of the Town

Voted that the High School be Located at
the Head of the River in the Summer and
at West Point in Winter

Voted to indefinitely postpone the sixth Article
of the warrant

Voted to take up the nineteenth Article

Voted that the Selectmen take the nineteenth
Article into Consideration Take Counsel
and report at the adjourned meeting

Voted that when this meeting adjourn it be
until the fourth Saturday in the month at
Ten O'clock A.M.

Voted that the following by Laws be adopted
in relation to truant Children

sect 1 The Almshouse in the town of Westport is hereby
Established assigned and provided as the Institution
of instruction House of reformation or suitable place
of restraint confinement and instruction of any person
of said town convicted of being an habitual truant

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or if any child not attending school and growing
up in ignorance in said town between the
ages of Seven and Sixteen years

Section 2^d All children residing in the Town of
Treat at between the ages of Seven and Sixteen
shall be required to attend some school or
suitable place of instruction at least
Twelve weeks in a year unless there be some
good and sufficient reason to the contrary
and all persons not so attending shall be
termed truants or absentees

Section 3^d Any minor of said town between
the ages of Seven and Sixteen years convicted
of being an habitual truant or of not
attending school and growing up in ignorance
shall be punished by a fine not exceeding
Twenty Dollars or be committed to the almshouse
for such time not exceeding Two years
as the Justice or Court having jurisdiction
of the same may determine

Section 4 There shall be chosen by the Town of
Treat at its annual meeting persons who
alone shall be authorized in cases of violation
of these by laws to make complaint and to carry
into execution the sentence thereon and who
shall receive such compensation for their service
as the Selectmen of the Town may determine
and who shall be known and denominated
as truant officers

Section 5 Any trial justice or police Court shall
have jurisdiction of all offences under these by laws

Voted that the School Committee constitute the Board
of Truant Officers

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Voted that the Town provide and maintain a
lockup

Voted that the Overseers of Poor be empowered
to provide a suitable place at the Almshouse

Voted to adjourn

At True Copy attested
Albert C. Kirby Town Clerk

Adjourned Meeting 1871

Town House April 29. 1871.

Meeting Called to order by the Moderator

Voted to proceed to ballot for one Assessor
Ephraim Lifford having positively declined.

Joshua Wordell. Chosen to fill the vacancy

Voted to hear the report of the various Town
Officers and act thereon.

Report of Selectmen in relation to Guideposts
read and accepted

Voted to accept the Report of the Auditing
Committee also the Overseers of Poor

Voted to accept the Landring Commissioners
Report

serviced Voted to allow Twenty cents per hour for a
Man and the same for a yoke of Oxen
for labor Actual labor on Highway and that three
cents for a plough and Twenty five cents
for a cart

Voted not to allow any discount for
prompt payment of Taxes

Voted that the Collector Compute and charge
Twelve per cent on all Taxes not paid
within Sixty days from the time the Taxes
are received by the Collector

Voted to give the the Collector One per cent
on all monies Collected as Tax and
paid into the Treasury and one third
of one per cent on all payments from
the Treasury

Voted to authorize the Treasurer to loan not to
exceed Two Thousand five Hundred dollars in
anticipation of Tax and to renew certain
notes held against the Town

Voted to accept the list of Jurors as prepared
by the Selectmen

List of Names of Jurors as made out by
the Selectmen of Westport

- | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Allen Helotus L | Howland Stephen P |
| Shinn George C | Jennay Charles H |
| Boomer Edwin A | Leiby Charles C |
| Baker John H | Kirk Milford S |
| Brightman Elihu S | Lawton Augustus C |
| Brownell Horatio W | Lawton Alden M |
| Batts George W | Lawton George S |
| Chace George H | Leary James |
| Cornell John G | Little Charles |
| Cornell Godfrey J | Lawton John E |
| Carrs Walter B | Macomber Robert L |
| Carrs Hebridee C | Macomber Isaac R |
| Carrs John A | Westgate Charles |
| Lisher Charles | White Helder |
| Giffard Benjamin | Wood George L |
| Giffard John W | Wing Charles |
| Giffard Abraham R | Sisson John H |
| Howland John W | Sanford Daniel H |
| Howland John W | Sanford Albert L |

Sisson George F
Sisson Julius
Living William A
Potter David H

Westport March 22. 1871

W E Brownell (Selectman)
H W Kirby
Ephraim Giffard (Westport)

#257. Voted to grant and raise Two Hundred and fifty
to wall Rollaw to wall two school House lots which
school House the Town are under obligation to do
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Voted to allow William B Giffard to speak in the
Fifteenth Article of the Warrant

The following Agreement was read by Giles C
Brownell Chairman of the Board of Selectmen And accepted
by the Town And the Selectmen were chosen
as a Committee to execute said agreement

Whereas it is desired on behalf of the Town of
Westport to arrange for the building of the New
Town of Road which the County Commissioners are
about to lay out from Smiths Mills in the
direction of Fall River by way of Westport Factory
that is to say for building so much of the same
as shall be within the bounds of Westport and
also for the care of a portion thereof when built
and whereas William B Giffard George B Lewis
et al and Elijah H Lewis all of Westport and copar-
tated Avers under the style of the Westport Manufacturing
Machine Company offer to pay one half the expense of
building and completing said road within said
bounds of Westport to the acceptance of the
County Commissioners and as may be directed
by them but not paying any land damages
and also offer to pay one half the expense of
taking care of the said section within the
bounds of Westport when built for the period
of fifteen years from and after such completion

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That is to say of keeping the same in good order and safe and convenient for public travel and in all respects as the Town would be by law obliged to keep it for and during said period of fifteen years.

Now The said Town accepts said offer and agrees with said Company to accept said half of the expense aforesaid and the said Town shall be indebted to said Company therefor said portion of expense and expenses so received and ten per cent per annum interest from the several dates of such receiving and that such debt and interest shall be due and payable and without any demands except so far as modified by the following clauses of this instrument.

And it is agreed that said Town shall have the right to perform its part of this agreement and satisfy its debt and interest above named by the performance of the following substitute agreement that is to say if such substitute is in fact fully carried out it shall operate as a payment of said debt and interest and not otherwise If the said substitute shall be only partially carried into effect all just credits arising out of such performance shall be allowed to the Town.

Said Substitute is as follows
Said Town will remit all excess as hereinafter described of State County and Town Taxes upon the Real Estate Machinery unwrought Block Tenement Houses and property (all of the same being held for manufacturing purposes) which said Company now own or may hereafter acquire during said period of fifteen years said excess as to Real Estate is the excess over and above what would be the amount of

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Taxes if assessed on the valuation of such Real Estate actually in force in 1869 by whomsoever said Real Estate was then owned and in respect of said property not Real it is the excess over what would be the amount of Tax if assessed on the actual valuation of said Company's property not Real in force in 1869 in Trenton and this shall be so whether said property shall increase or diminish in quantity or value and said Town hereby agrees and promises to carry this substitute into effect and make the remission above set forth.

It is further understood that this agreement is in no wise to affect the making of new valuations of said property but remissions shall be made thereof afterwards as aforesaid.

It is also agreed that said Company shall pay its halves as aforesaid and if said Company shall be in ^{any} default of default in reference to the payments aforesaid at any time or times for thirty days after demand the said Town may recover the amount or amounts in default from said Company in an action at Law and if such default at any time shall occasion an unpaid arrear of One Hundred Dollars then the aforesaid agreement of the Town as to remissions shall if the Town so elect be vacated.

And it is further understood that any allowance that may be made by the County of Bristol on account of the expenses of construction of said Road to the said Town shall accrue equally to the benefit of the parties to this agreement but shall not effect the remission of Tax excess above provided.

And it is also understood that the Heirs and Assigns of said Company or of either of the Copartners of said Company are to be included within the aforesaid agreement

The aforesaid Agreement was executed this Sixth day of May One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy and
In behalf of the Town of Westport

by — L. E. Brownell.
H. W. Kirk.
Ephraim Giffard

Westport Mfg Company
Wm. B. Sheppard
C. W. Lewis
C. R. Lewis.

Voted to pay the Principal to Westcome Bader and Others as shown by the Fifteenth Article

Voted to indefinitely postpone the Seventeenth Article of the warrant

Voted to allow the Overseers of Poor and School Committee to order Bills in their respective Departments

Voted to accept the Report of the Selectmen in relation to the Nineteenth Article

Voted that a Committee of Three be chosen to take such legal measures as will seem to the Town the right of the Hearing Jurisdiction connected with Cooks East Pond in Westport

Voted that the Selectmen be that Committee

Voted to reconsider the vote whereby the Selectmen were chosen a Committee on the Hearing Jurisdiction

Voted to indefinitely postpone the Nineteenth Article of the warrant

Voted to instruct the General School Committee to lease a Building at Westport Factory in conjunction with the School Committee of Portsmouth and establish a Union School the present Year

Voted to choose Christopher Bondell Henry D. Eldridge & Poley Comell in addition to the list of School Officers

The following named Gentlemen were chosen as Surveyors and the named places of office were chosen instead

Surveyors — Ephraim R. Giffard, — William Colwell
Adam Bennett. — Albert J. Tapp
Stephen R. Howland — George W. Kirk
Darius L. Macomber — Poley B. Brownell

Voted to grant and raise Five Hundred Dollars in addition to the labor Tax on Highways

Voted to Adjourn

A true Copy

Attest, Albert G. Kirk, Town Clerk.

To Charles F. Sherman Constable of the
Town of Westport Meeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport who are qualified to vote in Election and Town affairs to meet at the Town House in said Town on Saturday the Twenty Ninth day of April (next) at Two O'clock in the Afternoon for the following purposes viz

- 1st To Choose a moderator to preside at said Meeting
- 2nd To see if the Town will accept a way as laid out by the Selectmen agreeable to a petition signed by James M. Bowland others

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up copies thereof at Town 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 therein to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of April in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy One

Westport, April 19, 1871
H. W. Kirby
Ephraim Dufford } Selectmen of Westport

Meeting called to order by the Town Clerk

John W. Liffad was chosen Moderator
Voted not to accept the Road as laid out by the Selectmen

Voted to adjourn
At Test
Albert C. Kirby Town Clerk

1871 Charles F. Sherman Constable of the Town of Westport
Ale. Beer

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport who are qualified to vote in Election and Town Affairs to meet at the Town House in said Town on Tuesday the Second day of May (next) at Three O'clock in the Afternoon for the following purposes viz

- 1st To Choose a moderator to preside at said Meeting
- 2nd To see if the Town will prohibit the Sale of the patent Strong Beer and Lager Beer in said Town

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up copies thereof at Town 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 therein to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting

Given under our hands this twentieth day of April in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy One

Westport April 19. 1871. GE Brownell (Selectman
 Ale H W Kirby
 Beer E Gifford } Westport
 & Porter

Westport April 22. 1871

Pursuant to the within warrant to me directed
 I have this day notified and warned the
 inhabitants of said Town of Westport qualified
 as therein expressed to assemble at the time
 and place and for the purpose therein
 mentioned by fastening copies of such
 warrant one at the Store of Anthony and
 Macomber one at the Store of Charles D.
 Macomber and one at the Store of Gifford
 and King

Charles F. Sherman
 Constable of Westport

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the
 People assembled at the time and place
 mentioned and the following vote was
 passed

Meeting called to order by the Clerk
 Isaac Nowland was Chosen Moderator

The vote was unanimous in the
 Affirmative. Fifteen votes were cast

Voted to Ad'ourn
 A True Copy Attest
 Albert C. Kirby
 Town Clerk

Bristol SS. Westport May 4. 1870
 Personally appeared Daniel S. Sanford
 and made oath that he would faithfully
 discharge the duties of Field Clerk for the
 year ensuing in Westport

Before me
 George H. Gifford Justice of
 the Peace

Bristol SS. Westport May 9. 1871

Then personally appeared Robert F. Macomber
 and took the oath of Office of Town Keeper
 for the Town of Westport for the ensuing year

Before me Geo H Gifford Justice of the Peace
 Bristol SS April 5. 1871

Then Personally
 appeared Abraham Brownell and made
 oath that he would faithfully discharge
 the duties of a Field Clerk in the Town of
 Westport the ensuing year

Before me
 Geo H Gifford
 Justice of the Peace
 The three foregoing Certificates are true
 Copies as recorded by me
 Attest Albert C. Kirby Town Clerk
 Westport May 24. 1871

Bristol S.S.

Special Meeting of the Town of Westport
 To Charles F. Sherman Constable Greeting

Bridge. In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 Highway you are directed to notify the Inhabitants of the
 Town of Westport qualified to vote in elections
 and Town affairs to meet at the Town House in said
 Westport on Saturday the 26th Inst at 2 O'clock
 in the Afternoon there and there to act on the
 following articles

1st To Choose a Moderator to preside in said
 Meeting

2nd To see what action the Town will take in regard
 to the decree of the County Commissioners laying
 out Hicks Bridge as a Highway and concerning
 the mode of the construction of said way and
 payment of land damages and construction
 expenses.

And you are directed to serve this
 warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in
 four 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
 Sixteenth day of August One Thousand
 Eighteen Hundred and Seventy One

L. E. Brownell (Selectmen
 H. W. Kirby) Westport

Westport
 Aug. 16. 1871

Bristol S.S.

Westport Aug 26. 1871

Pursuant to the within warrant
 I have this day posted up attested copies
 thereof at the stores of William Gifford
 Samuel Gifford Gifford and Wing
 Anthony Macomber and Charles D
 Macomber seven days before the time of holding
 said meeting

Charles F. Sherman
 Constable of Westport

Westport Aug 26 1871

The Inhabitants legal votes assembled at the
 Town House agreeable with the foregoing warrant
 and the following votes were passed

Meeting called to order at 2 O'clock and fifteen
 minutes by Liles & Brownell.

The Town Clerk being absent, J. W. Gifford was
 elected Clerk pro Tempore and taken to the Office
 of Isaac Kauland Justice of the Peace and sworn

Meeting called to order again at 4 O'clock and
 ten minutes read the warrant and received
 votes for Moderator Whole number Twelve

Liles & Brownell had Seven and was elected and
 sworn

voted that the Selectmen be authorized to construct
 and repair Hicks Bridge by Contract or otherwise
 as in their judgement will be for the best interests
 of the Town

Voted that the Treasurer be authorized to loan money to pay land damaged and construction expenses for repairing Hicks Bridge

Voted to adjourn

I have record of this day's proceedings so far as I know them
John W. Giffard Clerk for 1 cent

A true copy of the record
Albert C. Kirby Town Clerk
Westport Aug 28th 1871

To Charles T. Sherman Constable of the Town of Westport
B. R. & C. W. & C.

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Westport qualified as the Constitution requires to assemble at the Town House in said Westport on the seventh day of November next (it being the Tuesday after the first Monday in said month) at Nine and One Half O'clock in the forenoon to bring in their votes to the Electors for a Governor Lieutenant Governor Secretary Treasurer Auditor and Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a Councillor for Council District No. 1. One Senator for the third Senatorial District a District Attorney for the Southern District a Sheriff for Bristol County Three Commissioners of Insolvency a Clerk of the Courts County Commissioners who is not an inhabitant of the said City or Town with either of the Commissioners which are to remain in office also two Special Commissioners

All on one ballot

Also for One Representative to the next General Court from District No. Eight on a separate Ballot.

N. B. The polls may be closed at 11 1/2 O'clock P. M.

Also on the same day at the same place at Two O'clock in the afternoon for the following purposes viz

1st To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting

2d To see what action the Town will take in regard to petitioning to the Legislature for a grant to build a free Bridge across Westport River from some point at Westport Point to Haverhill

3d To see what action the Town take in regard to the fisheries of Cock East Pond situated in the Town of Westport

4th To hear the decree of the County Commissioners in laying out a Highway in Westport from Westport Factory to Macomber Corner so called and act thereon

5th To see what action the Town will take in regard to the depositing of Stones in the Highway and removing them therefrom

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting at least Four Notices in as many Public places specifying the time and place and purposes of said meeting as aforesaid Seven days at least before the time of meeting Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings at the time and place said meeting

Given under our hands at Westford this
Twenty fifth day of October One Thousand
Eight Hundred and Seventy One

L. C. Brownell Electmen
H. W. Kirby
Ephraim Afford) Westport

Westport Oct 25. 1871

Westport Nov 7. 1871

Pursuant to the within warrant I have
posted up notices at the stores of William
Lifford Samuel Lifford Sutherland and
Macomber And Lifford and Wing
Specifying the time place and purpose
of said meeting seven days previous to the
above date

Charles F. Sherman
Constable of Westport

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the
Town of Westport held at the Town House in
said Town the seventh day of November
Eighteen Hundred and Seventy One for the
purposes set forth in the foregoing warrant
votes for the following named persons were given
in assorted and counted and public
declaration made according to law

Nathan Wood and Charles M. Crow were
appointed envelope distributors

For Governor whole number of votes One Hundred and
Fifty four
William B. Washburn of Greenfield
One Hundred and thirty seven
Robert C. Titman of New Bedford Eight
John B. Adams of Quincy Nine

For Lieut Governor whole number of votes
One Hundred and Fifty three
Joseph Tucker of Lenox One Hundred and thirty six
Eliphalet Grant of Springfield Eight
Samuel Lamb of Greenfield Nine

For Secretary of State whole number of votes
One Hundred and Fifty four
Oliver Warner of Northampton One Hundred and thirty seven
George C. Ball of Upton Eight
Luther Stephenson of Hingham Nine

For Treasurer and Receiver General whole number
of votes One Hundred and fifty four
Charles Adams of North Brookfield
One Hundred and thirty seven
John I. Roberts of Beverly Eight
Levi Haywood of Gardner Nine

For Auditor whole number of votes One
Hundred and Fifty four
Charles Endicott of Canton One
Hundred and thirty seven
Erza B. Conant of Randolph Eight
Phineas Allen of Pittsfield Nine

For Attorney General whole number of votes
One Hundred and Fifty four
Charles R. Hain of Boston One Hundred and
thirty seven
Samuel L. Field of Melburne Eight
William West Warner of Brighton Nine

For Councillor District No. 1. Whole number
of votes One Hundred and Fifty four
Alfred Macy of Northampton One Hundred and thirty seven
Frederick M. Phelan of Fairhaven Eight
Lorenzo Lawton of Fall River Nine

For Senator Third Bristol District
 Whole Number of votes One Hundred and fifty 150
 Charles P. Pickney of Fall River
 One Hundred and Forty 140
 Alexander Manchester of Fall River Ten 10

For District Attorney Southern District
 George Maiston of New Bedford
 One Hundred and fifty four 154

For County Commissioner For Bristol
 County Whole number of votes One
 Hundred and Forty three 143
 Joseph C. Little of Westport One Hundred
 Sixteen 116
 Guillard N. Matthews of Fall River Seventeen 17
 Joseph W. Capron of Attleborough Ten 10

For Special Commissioner Whole number
 of votes One Hundred and Sixty one 161
 Daniel J. Lewis of Fair Haven One Hundred
 Thirty seven 137
 Leonard Hedges of Norton One Hundred forty four 144
 Isaac Wood of Fair Haven Eight 8
 Joel B. Drake of Boston Nine 9
 William B. Dunning of Westport Nine 9

For Clerk of Courts Whole number of
 votes One Hundred and fifty three 153
 Simon B. Baden of Fall River One Hundred and
 Forty five 145
 James Kerrigan of Taunton Eight 8

For Sheriff Whole number of votes One Hundred
 and Fifty four 154
 William B. Noble of New Bedford One Hundred
 Forty three 143
 John Collins of Fall River Eleven 11

For Commissioners of Insolvency County of Bristol
 Whole number of votes One Hundred and fifty four 154
 E. H. Reed of Mansfield One Hundred Forty five 145
 G. Edgar & William D. Phanton One Hundred Thirty seven 137
 Charles J. Bonney of New Bedford One Hundred and forty five 145
 William H. F. of Taunton Eight 8
 William M. Connolly of Fall River Nine 9
 Stephen M. F. of Taunton Nine 9

For Representative to General Court Eighth District
 whole number of votes One Hundred and fifty four 154

Nathaniel W. Winchester of Westport One 1
 H. P. Leonard " " 1
 William Young " Nine 9
 Giles E. Brownell of Westport One
 Hundred forty three 143

Agreeable with the Warrant the Special Meeting
 was called to order by Giles E. Brownell
 and the warrant was read, and the following
 business transacted as recorded

Giles E. Brownell was unanimously chosen
 Moderator by Six votes

Voted that the Town authorize the Selectmen
 to petition the next Legislature for a Charter
 for a Bridge across the river from Westport Point
 to Horse Creek

Voted to empower the Selectmen to take such
 action necessary to procure the right of the Fisheries
 belonging to Black East Pond

Resolved that the citizens of Westport in legal
 meeting assembled are opposed to the layout
 of the County Commissioners of a road from
 Westport Factory to Macomber's Corner

Resolved that we appoint a committee of three persons to confer with the said Commissioners exhibit the remonstrance of said Town against a crooked road and endeavor to influence said Commissioners to lay out a straight road from Hemlock Gutter to Macomber Corner

Resolved that the Town of Westford never favored a road from Macomber Corner to Westford Factory but if said road is to be built we desire that said road shall be straight

Voted that the Selectmen consist of the Committee to confer with the said Commissioners

Voted to lay the fifth article of the warrant on the table

Voted to Adjourn

True Copy Attest
 Albert C. Kibby
 Town Clerk
 Westford Nov 8th 1871

Bristol ss To Charles F. Sherman Constable of the
 Town of Westford in the County of Bristol
 Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Westford qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet at the Town House in said Town on Monday the first day of April next at nine o'clock in the forenoon then and there to act on the following articles

Art 1 To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting

Art 2 To see if the town will accept of the provisions of the act of Eighteen Hundred and Seventy One Chapter One Hundred and Fifty Eight and choose three Road Commissioners as prescribed by said Act

Art 3 To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing including one person for School Committee for three years

Art 4 To consider and determine the Amount of Appropriations necessary for the Support of Paupers Maintenance of Schools Highways Town Ways Bridges Incidental Expenses and for Aid of Families of Volunteers also to determine the manner of making Appropriations

Art 5 To hear the Reports of the various Town Officers and act thereon

Art 6 To consider and determine the Location of the High School for the year ensuing

Art 7 To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to apply to the present Legislature for a Charter for a Mutual Fire Insurance Company for the Citizens of the Town of Westford

Art 8 To see what action the Town will take relative to a proposed road in Acoset under consideration by the County Commissioners of Bristol County

Art 9 To Consider and determine what Inducement the Town will offer by way of Discount for prompt payment of Taxes and fix the time during which discount may be allowed and paid also the propriety of demanding and collecting Interest from delinquent Tax payers who have not paid their Taxes at a specified time

Art 10 To determine the compensation the Treasurer and Collector shall receive for Services

Art 11 To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer to renew notes held against the Town and borrow money if necessary in anticipation of the Tax

Art 12 To see what action the Town will take in relation to its debt

Art 13 To see what action the Town will take in relation to creating a Fishway at the Head of the River

Art 14 To see if the Town will accept the List of Names of Jurors prepared by the Selectmen

Art 15 To see if the Town will authorize the Several Boards of Officers to order bills and demands against the Town relating to their respective Departments

Art 16 To consider the propriety of accepting a proposition relative to macadamizing the Road from Head of the River to Dartmouth line

Art 17 To consider the expediency of purchasing a Stone Crusher for the purpose of Macadamizing Highways

Art 18 To see what action the Town will take relative to the School at Westfall Factory

Art 19 To see what action the Town will take in relation to Truants and Absentees from school

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up Copies at Town Public places in said Town Ten days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doing thereof to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting aforesaid

Given under our hand this Fifteenth day of March One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy Two

G. E. Brounell (Selectmen)
H. W. Kuba
Westfall March 16. 1872 Ephraim Gifford (Westfall)

Bristol S.S. Westfall April 1. 1872
In Obedience to the within warrant I have posted up Copies thereof one at the Store of Charles H. Brounell one at the Store of Sutton and Macomber one at the Store of Samuel Gifford and one at the Store of William Gifford ten days before the time of holding said meeting

Charles H. Brounell
Constable of Westfall

Town House April 1st 1872
Agreeable with the foregoing warrant the legal voters assembled at the Town House. and the following ~~named~~ officers were elected and votes passed

Giles. E. Brounell was chosen Moderator and sworn by the Clerk

Voted not to accept the provisions of Article 3^d