

December Anno Domini 1816,

"Ministry) have attended that service, and ask leave to report,
"as follows. — that it is the Opinion of your Committee
"that Mr. Rufus Hurlbut, should have as a salary the sum of
"Seven Hundred dollars annually, during the term of time
"he shall supply the Pulpit, in said Town, & not to be en-
"titled to the improvement of any of the Ministerial land,
"which this late Rev. Mr. Bigelow, had the improvement
"of during his life, — all which is respectfully submit-
"ted by your Committee, for your consideration," —

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Isaac Puffer, per, Order, —

— The Question was then put, to see if the Town, would accept of
the above report, as exhibited by their Committee, which being
put to vote, it passed in the affirmative, by 50, for, & 30, against
it — It was then moved, and the Question put, to take the
mind of the people, as it respects their having ^{particular} objections
to Mr. Hurlbut, excepting, as it regards the salary, being too
high, as reported by their Committee, & it passed in the affir-
-mative by 93, that had no objections to Mr. Hurlbut, & 3, were
against him.

— It was then voted, that the Committee which were appointed
to report to the Town, a suitable encouragement, by way of a
salary, to Mr. Hurlbut, do make communications as soon
as conveniently may be, to him respecting the proceedings of
the Town with regard to the votes passed at said meeting, for
his consideration.

— It was again moved & seconded, to see if the Town would
once more try the vote, for the acceptance of the report
of their Committee as by them exhibited, & being put to vote
it passed in the affirmative, by 34, for, & 29, against it.

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— NB. the last vote, was passed, before the one immediately preceding
and was recorded before the last vote, through mistake.

— Then vote, to Disolve this Meeting; Abel Wheeler } Mode-
rator,