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# 67th Annual Report of the Municipal Officers of the Town of Isle Au Haut Maine For the Fiscal Year Ending February 1st 1941 and Town Warrant

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Annual Report  
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of the Town of  
Isle au Haut, Maine  
Maine.



For the Fiscal Year  
Ending  
February 1, 1941



and TOWN WARRANT

JUN 25 1941

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## Town Officers Elected at Town Meeting of March 4, 1940

Moderator

Hollis B Nevells

Town Clerk

Jeannette F Turner

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Charles H Turner      Stanley E Dodge      Hollis B Nevells

Town Treasurer

Fred W Cousins

Tax Collector

George A Turner

School Committee

William S Rich      Mrs L C Turner      Elthea J Turner

Road Commissioners

Selectmen

Constables

Hollis B Nevells

Lewis A Bowen

Superintendent of Schools

Appointed by School Union

John A Dunton

Health Officer

Everett C Robinson

Fire Warden

James Jenkins

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

George A Turner

John T Crowell Jr

## Assessors' Report

### Valuation, April 1, 1940

Real Estate, Resident	\$26,034	
Personal Estate, Resident	8,435	
Total Estate, Resident		\$34,469 00
Real Estate, non-Resident	\$97,578	
Personal Estate, non-Resident	1,600	
Total Estate, non-Resident		\$99,178 00
Grand Total		\$133,647 00

### Assessments

State Tax		\$979 12
County Tax		331 89
Town Appropriations		
Current Expense	\$600	
Town Hall	50	
Public Nurse	6	
Town Roads	1,000	
State Aid Repair	450	
State Aid Construction	300	
Snow Removal	50	
Mothers' Aid	275	
Common-Schools	850	
School House Repairs	300	
Supt of Schools	75	
Total		\$3,956 00
Overlay Tax		183 87
Total Assessments		\$5,450 88

Note: The overlay tax is the amount of tax assessed so that the rate will come out a whole number of mills, but it may legally be any amount determined by the assessors up to 5 per cent of the tax assessed.

## Amount of Tax

Tax on Estates, real and personal	\$5,345 88
35 Polls at \$3 each	105 00
Total Tax committed to Collector, May 4, 1940	\$5,450 88
Rate of Taxation .04	

Charles H Turner                  Stanley E Dodge                  H B Nevells  
 Assessors of Isle au Haut

## Poor Account

No appropriation.  
 No relief required.

Charles H Turner                  Stanley E Dodge                  H B Nevells  
 Overseers of Poor

## Current Expense

Appropriation	\$600 00
Bank Stock tax	5 75
Dog License Refund	4 23
Gooden Grant, tax sale	76 59
Overlay tax	183 87
Interest on taxes	4 35
Excise tax	126 59
Supplementary tax	8 00
Total	\$1,009 38
Overdrawn Feb. 1, 1941	323 72
Total	\$1,333 10



Jeannette Turner, compiling reports	\$15 00
Island Ad-Vantages, printing reports	34 00
Island Ad-Vantages, printing notices	3 35
Sec'y of State, truck and tractor titles	3 00
Knox County Trust Co, check book	1 77
John R Perkins, State audit	42 60
Jeannette Turner, computing taxes	25 00
Charles H Turner, trip to Rockland	10 20
Charles H Turner, meeting State assessors	13 50
Marks Printing House, supplies	22 65
Loring, Short and Harmon, supplies	8 65
Percy T Clarke, making deed	3 00
Clarke & Silsby, legal advice	5 00
Stanley E Dodge, freight and errands	9 34
Charles H Turner, expense and postage	6 40
Doris Barter, ballot clerk	6 00
Hattie Bridges " "	6 00
Georgia Barter " "	6 00
Florence Cousins " "	6 00
Stanley E Dodge, freight & express on ballots	2 70
Charles L Bowen, abatement	10 00
Charles H Turner, 1st Selectman	65 00
Stanley E Dodge, 2nd Selectman	35 00
Hollis B Nevells, 3rd Selectman	35 00
Jeannette Turner, Clerk and postage	13 62
Fred W Cousins, Treasurer and postage	79 00
George A Turner, collector	179 54
Lewis A Bowen, constable	5 00
Hollis B Nevells, constable	5 00
Paid difference in wage scale	529 89
Road machine blade	8 00
Cleveland's Express	50
Stonington & Deer Isle Power Co, blasting cable	8 75
Webb Bros, road tools	21 25

O B & F P Weed	60
T Warren & Co, tools	8 65
Paid interest on loans	
Ralph L Chapin	64 65
L C Turner	20 15
Knox County Trust Co	13 34
Total	<u>\$1,333 10</u>

## State Aid Road Construction

### Receipts

Appropriation	\$300 00
Received from State	1,581 63
(This amount includes State Municipal allotment \$174 99 and Automobile Registration Refund \$366 16)	
Unexpended Feb 1, 1940	409 15
Total	<u>\$2,290 78</u>

### Expenditures

Labor	\$906 64
Material	446 62
Trucks and Tractor	409 05
Unexpended Feb 1, 1941	353 48
State Municipal Allotment transfered to S M A account	174 99
Total	<u>\$2,290 78</u>

## Town Roads Receipts

Appropriation \$1,000

### Expenditures

Labor \$868 71

Material 88 34

Unexpended Feb 1, 1941 42 95

Total \$1,000

## State Aid Repair 50-50 Reimbursement Payroll Receipts

Appropriation \$450 00

Received from State 493 20

Unexpended Feb 1, 1940 191 57

Total \$1,134 77

### Expenditures

Labor \$514 05

Material 122 14

Trucks and tractor 294 10

Unexpended Feb 1, 1941 204 48

Total \$1,134 77

## Special Resolve Construction Receipts

Received from State \$242 43

### Expenditures

Labor \$228 83

Trucks 13 60

Total \$242 43



## Unimproved Road Fund

### Receipts

Received from State	\$227 00	
Overdrawn Feb 1, 1941	04	
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Total		\$227 04

### Expenditures

Labor	\$174 63	
Material	7 40	
Trucks	45 01	
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Total		\$227 04

## Snow and Ice Removal

### Receipts

Appropriation	\$50 00	
Received from State	43 45	
Unexpended Feb 1, 1940	41 58	
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Total		\$135 03

### Expenditures

Labor	\$63 50	
Material	21 85	
Unexpended Feb 1, 1941	49 68	
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Total		\$135 03

## Truck Account

### Receipts

From State Aid Road projects	\$761 76	
Residents and non-Residents	95 51	
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Total		\$857 27

## Expenditures

For gasoline and oil	\$342 82	
repairs	48 95	
parts	59 98	
Total expense	\$451 75	
Unexpended balance	405 52	
Total		\$857 27

## Revere Memorial Hall

### Receipts

Appropriation	\$50 00	
Received for use of Hall	45 00	
Overdrawn Feb 1, 1941	44 10	
Total		\$139 10

### Expenditures

Webb Bros., paint (1939)	\$6 49	
E C Moran Co Inc, insurance	78 00	
J K Barter, gasoline	6 95	
Webb Bros, stovepipe	15	
Clara Barter, cleaning	7 00	
Lewis Bowen, emptying batteries	50	
Stanley Dodge, errands	35	
L H Barter, gasoline	4 66	
Maurice Barter, janitor	35 00	
Total		\$139 10

## Mothers' Aid

### Receipts

Appropriation		\$275
Overdrawn Feb 1, 1940	\$50	
Paid Treas of State		
Mothers' Aid, Virginia Barton	150	
Unexpended, Feb 1, 1941	75	
Total		\$275

## State Municipal Allotment

Received from State Aid Road Fund 1940	\$174 99	
From 1939	87 45	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$262 44</b>
Paid Treas of State	\$160 40	
Due State (August 1941)	102 04	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$262 44</b>

## School Account

### Receipts

Appropriation	850 00	
Received from State	169 70	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,019 70</b>	
Overdrawn Feb 1, 1941	376 69	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,396 39</b>

### Expenditures

Overdrawn Feb 1, 1940	\$325 08	
Teaching	630 00	
Janitor	53 29	
Conveyance	258 00	
Fuel	43 00	
Books and supplies	27 02	
High school tuition	60 00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,396 39</b>

## School House Repairs

### Receipts

Appropriation	\$300 00
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## Expenditures

L C Turner	\$6 65	
O B & F P Weed	35 70	
Fred W Cousins	22 00	
Irville Barter	5 00	
Stanley E Dodge	3 70	
Wm S Rich	1 00	
Total	<u>\$74 05</u>	
Unexpended Feb 1, 1941	225 95	
Total		\$300 00

## Public Nurse

Appropriation	\$6 00
Unexpended	6 00

## State Tax

Assessment	\$979 12
Paid Treasurer of State	979 12

## County Tax

Assessment	\$331 89
Paid Treasurer of County	331 89

## Dog Tax

Received from Town Clerk	\$17 90
Paid Treasurer of State	17 90

## Resources and Liabilities

### Resources

Cash in Treasury	\$853 57	
Due from Llewellyn Rich Collector 1933-1937	35 60	
Due from George A Turner Collector 1939	1 07	
Collector 1940	66 67	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$956 91</b>

### Liabilities

Note, Ralph L Chapin	\$800 00	
Due State Municipal Allotment to Feb 1, 1941	14 59	
Resources over Liabilities	142 32	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$956 91</b>

Charles H Turner

Stanley E Dodge

H B Nevells

Selectmen of Isle au Haut



## Tax Collector's Report

Committed to Collector May 4, 1940		\$5,450 88
Paid Town Treasurer	\$5,361 50	
Received from sale of Merchant property 1940 tax	23 04	
Uncollected taxes due	66 67	
Total	\$5,451 21	
Subtract .33 error overpaid	33	
Total		\$5,450 88

### Unpaid taxes 1940

Heirs of Solomon Hamilton	\$1 00	
John Johnson	21 00	
Heirs of Charles Robinson (paid after Feb 1)	14 67	
Aubrey Greenlaw (pd after Feb 1)	30 00	
Total		\$66 67

### Unpaid taxes 1939

Minnie Hamilton	\$1 07	
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George A Turner  
Collector of Taxes

Unpaid taxes 1933, Chas. Hamilton res.	\$4 83	
"  "  1934, "  "  "	4 80	
"  "  1936, John Johnson, due on tax	7 67	
"  "  1937, John Johnson, due on tax	18 30	

Llewellyn Rich  
Collector of Taxes

## Treasurer's Report

### Receipts

Cash balance from 1939		\$444 35
From Ava Rich		15 30
Gooden Grant	use of truck	4 50
Elmer Gross	"	8 62
H B Nevells	"	6 00
Stanley Dodge Jr	"	2 00
Stephen Bridges	"	6 01
J K Barter	"	3 50
Margaret Robinson	"	3 75
John Suydam	"	6 75
Elizabeth Rich	"	2 25
Fred Cousins	"	3 00
Charles Turner	" and tractor	25 88
State Aid Road	" "	373 15
State Aid Construction	" "	313 00
Special Resolve Road	" "	13 60
State Aid Construction No. 2	" "	17 00
Unimproved Road Fund	" "	45 01
Harold Turner	" "	
	for S E Dodge and J Chapin	23 25
State Aid Road Construction		1,581 63
Unimproved Road Fund		227 00
Special Resolve Fund		242 43
50-50 Road Fund		493 20
George Turner, Col	1939 taxes	63 27
"	Excise taxes 1940	126 59
"	Supplemental tax (Chas MacDonald)	8 00
"	Abatement, Chas Bowen boat	10 00
"	1940 taxes	5,351 50
"	Interest on 1940 taxes	4 35
Jeannette Turner, Town Clerk, dog licenses		17 90

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State dog license refund	4 23
" reimbursement snow payroll	43 45
" School fund	169 70
" Bank stock	5 75
Gooden Grant, tax deed of Merchant property	76 59
Maurice Barter, rent of Town Hall	45 00
L C Turner, note	500 00
R L Chapin, "	800 00
Knox County Trust Co. note	1,000 00
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Total	\$12,087 51

**Expenditures**

Orders of Selectmen	\$11,233 94
Balance in Treasury Feb 1, 1941	853 57
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Total	\$12,087 51

Note for \$800 00 outstanding to R L Chapin for which no appropriation was made.

Fred W Cousins  
Treasurer

## Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Isle au Haut:

I herewith submit my report as Superintendent of Schools for the fiscal year ending February 1, 1941.

In my opinion, the school at Isle au Haut is in excellent condition. The success of any school depends largely upon the ability of the teacher. I believe we are fortunate in securing Miss Argie Clifford, a teacher of considerable successful experience.

Following is an estimate of expenses for the ensuing year. This estimate does not take into consideration any previous overdraft.

### School Budget 1941-1942

#### Expenditures (Estimated)

Salary of Teacher	\$648	
Fuel	50	
Janitor & Cleaning	50	
Conveyance	240	
High School Tuition	60	
Textbooks & Supplies	25	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,073</b>

#### Receipts (Estimated)

State School Fund	\$173
Necessary appropriation	\$900

Respectfully submitted,

John A Dunton  
Superintendent of Schools

## Detailed Expenditures

### Teachers

Evelyn Closson	\$306 00	
Argie Clifford	324 00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$630 00</b>

### Fuel

Dennis Eaton	\$24 50	
R K Barter	6 50	
Lewis Bowen	2 00	
Everett Robinson	5 50	
Stinson Robbins	2 50	
William Rich	2 00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$43 00</b>

### Janitor

Clara Barter	\$47 62	
Milton Bradley	5 67	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$53 29</b>

### Conveyance

Clarissa Turner	\$216 00	
Lewis A Bowen	42 00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$258 00</b>

### High School Tuition

Town of Stonington	\$60 00
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### Textbooks & Supplies

William S Rich	\$6 40	
Row Peterson Co	4 87	
Scott Foresman Co	7 15	
Milton Bradley	1 64	
Town of Stonington	6 96	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$27 02</b>

### Total Expenditures

**\$1,071 31**



Superintendent	
Receipts	
Appropriation	\$75 00
Unexpended Feb 1, 1940	6 87
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Total	\$81 87
Expenditures	
A H Tuck	\$31 25
John A Dunton	43 75
Unexpended Feb 1, 1941	6 87
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Total	\$81 87

## Report of Audit

### for the Town of Isle au Haut, Maine

### for the 1939 fiscal year

At the close of the 1939 fiscal year, the Town of Isle au Haut was in fair condition financially and improved over a year ago. The town did not spend its entire income for the year. It should be noted, however, that balances forward in State Aid Road and Snow Removal accounts were dropped.

The books of the town have been kept in an exceptionally neat manner. The system used, however, did not afford a complete check on the finances. Partly on this account, the treasurer's books did not agree with her receipts and errors were found amounting to \$15.30. These were in items for the excise tax, use of town trucks, and in the state dog tax refund as shown to the selectmen. The treasurer has agreed to refund the amount of these errors. To avoid this type of error in the future a new system has been installed as is now in use in nearly all Maine towns and as required by Chap. 216 P. L. 1937. It is noted also that balances have been carried forward from year to year that should have been dropped. Only those balances should have been carried forward that are required to be carried by law as for the school account (but not repairs or superintendent). The reason for this is that appropriations represent current income, while balances forward generally represent earmarked money in the bank or prospective debt.

The wage bonus was separated from the miscellaneous account and it therefore appears in summary as an overdraft.

Attention is respectfully called to comments in the 1938 fiscal year report as to paupers and to wage scale.

The auditor wishes to thank the town officers for their cooperation and courtesy.

Respectfully submitted,  
J R Perkins  
Auditor

April 19, 1940  
Wayne,  
Maine

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 Comparative Balance Sheet

1939 fiscal year

ASSETS	Start	Close
Cash	\$332 16	\$444 35
Due from A Rich, Treas		15 30
Impounded Cash	280 94	280 94
Excise Tax (R No. 1 due from Collector		2 00
Schools, Overdraft Fwd	312 51	325 08
Tax Lien 1938 Tax		22 14
Uncollected Taxes		
1939 Tax		\$89 11
1938 Tax       \$140 59		
1933-1937 Tax   35 60		35 60 124 71
1930 Tax        3 85	180 04	
Town Owned Property (Reserved)	9,425 00	9,125 00
Net Town Debt	1,044 49	
Totals	\$11,575 14	\$10,339 52

LIABILITIES	Start	Close
Notes Payable	\$1,300 00	\$800 00
Balances Fwd		
State Aid Road	\$409 15	
Snow Removal   140 99	550 14	
S M A		87 45
Reserve for Impounded Cash	280 94	280 94
Reserve for uncollected taxes	19 06	
Town Property Reserve	9,425 00	9,125 00
Surplus		46 13
Totals	\$11,575 14	\$10,339 52

### Proof of Change in Net Debt

Net unexpended balance from summary	\$571	56
Appropriation for debt	500	00
Reserve for uncollected taxes to net debt	19	06
Total	\$1,090	62
Less net town debt start of year	1,044	49
Surplus close of year	\$46	13

### Summary of Overdraft and Unexpended Balances

Account	Overdraft	Unexpended
Excise Tax		\$121 63
Administration		324 20
Town Roads	\$4 07	
State Aid Road Maintenance		18 20
State Aid Road Construction (Includes Bal Fwd dropped)		458 05
Snow Removal (Includes Bal Fwd dropped)		41 58
Town Equipment (Trucks and Tractor)		327 62
Paupers	33 91	
Mothers' Aid	75 00	
School House Repairs	32 88	
Interest	103 69	
Town Hall Expense		13 71
Wage Bonus (no appropriation in this account)	484 42	
Interest on Tax Lien		54
Totals	\$733 97	\$1,305 53
Net unexpended bal to net debt	571 56	
	\$1,305 53	

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 Assets Feb 1, 1940

Impounded Cash Security Trust		
Co, Rockland		\$280 94
Tax Lien 1938 Tax		
Heirs of Nathaniel Merchant		22 14
Uncollected Taxes, G A Turner, Coll 1939 Tax		
Aubrey Greenlaw	\$32 25	
Minnie Hamilton	1 07	
Hrs Nathaniel Merchant	24 77	
Noyes MacDonald	15 25	
Hrs Chas Robinson	15 77	89 11
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Uncollected Taxes, L Rich, Coll		
1937 tax, John Johnson	\$18 30	
1936 tax,       "	7 67	
1934 tax, Charles Hamilton	4 80	
1933 tax,       "	4 83	35 60
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## List of Town Property

Town Hall	\$6,000	
School House	1,500	
2 Small School Houses	100	
2 Trucks (Ford)	600	
Tractor	100	
Town Garage	500	
Road Machine	100	
Snow Plow	100	
Shovels and other small tools	100	
Adding Machine	25	
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Total		\$9,125 00



# WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

County of Knox

State of Maine

To Hollis B Nevells, a constable of the Town of Isle au Haut,

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Isle au Haut, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Revere Memorial Hall in said Town, on Monday, March 3, 1941, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1 To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2 To choose a town clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3 To choose a board of selectmen for the ensuing year.

Art. 4 To choose assessors of taxes.

Art. 5 To choose overseers of poor.

Art. 6 To choose a collector of taxes and vote his compensation.

Art. 7 To choose a collector of excise tax and vote his compensation.

Art. 8 To choose a treasurer and vote his compensation.

Art. 9 To choose one or more members of the school board.

Art. 10 To see if the town will vote to elect a road commissioner, one or more, fix his term of office, not to exceed three years, have the selectmen appoint, or they themselves act as commissioners, as provided by Chapter 40 of the Public Laws of 1933, or act anything relating thereto.

Art. 11 To choose a sealer of weights and measures.

Art. 12 To choose two or more constables.

Art. 13 To choose a fire warden and vote his compensation.

Art. 14 To choose surveyors of wood and lumber.

Art. 15 To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for current expenses.

Art. 16 To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for school, including textbooks, supplies and high school tuition.

Art. 17 To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for schoolhouse repairs.

Art. 18 To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for the salary of the superintendent of schools.

Art. 19 To see if the town will vote to give the selectmen authority to sell property taken for taxes or act anything relating thereto.

Art. 20 To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for support of poor.

Art. 21 To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for Mothers' Aid.

Art. 22 To see what sum the town will raise and appropriate for State Aid road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Section 19, Chapter 28, Revised Statutes of 1930, or under the provisions of Section 3, Chapter 229, Public Laws of 1937.

Art. 23 To see what sum if any, the town would recommend to take from the joint state aid account for the purpose of applying bituminous surface treatment to State Aid Roads, in excess of the requirements of Section 2, Chapter 132, P. L. 1935.

Art. 24 To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for the maintenance of town roads and bridges.

Art. 25 To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for repairs on State Aid Roads.

Art. 26 To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for snow and ice removal.

Art. 27 To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for the maintenance of Revere Memorial Hall.

Art. 28 To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to issue notes for temporary loans and what rate of interest to pay.

Art. 29 To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate to pay the outstanding note or act anything relating thereto.

Art. 30 To see if the town will vote a certain date on or before which all taxes will be paid also decide on a rate of interest for all taxes unpaid after that date, or act anything relating thereto.

Art. 31 To act on any other business that may come before said meeting.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session, for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters, at Revere Memorial Hall, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, on date of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Isle au Haut the 15th day of February, A. D. 1941.

Chas H Turner

Stanley E Dodge

H B Nevells

Selectmen of Isle au Haut

A true copy, Attest:

H B Nevells

Constable of Isle au Haut