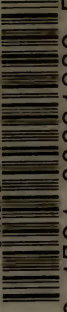


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PREFACE

THIS volume completes the documents relating to the Indians of Maine. I have added to them some documentary material taken from the records of the Pejepscot Company, whose land claims were the subject of so many disputes between the savage tribes and the pioneers who settled the eastern part of the state during a considerable portion of the eighteenth century. There can be no doubt that the Indians had valid reasons for opposing the Pejepscot Company's grants of territory to which they had but a shadowy title, if any, but the political influence of the Pejepscot Proprietors was so great, that in the end the Indians had no alternative but to yield. -

With the preceding volume, which relates wholly to the Indians, and scattered documents to be found in the earlier volumes, the student will have all the unpublished Indian documents that I have been able to collect. I hope to continue the Documentary History from the date where I left it at the end of the twenty-second volume to the close of the century.

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

Report of Committee on putting Forts and Garrisons into proper posture of defence.

“That the Walls of the Truckhouse of St Georges River be forthwith repaired and shingled or clapboarded on the out and Inside as shall be thought best.—

That there be 10 Cannon in this fort,—Viz^t—

2: 9 pounders to be taken from Fort Frederick.

2: 6 pounders to be taken from Castle William which belonged to the province Ship, and

6. 4 pounders to be purchased by the province

2 good Cohorns and

50 good Small Arms with a Suffic^t number of Shott Shelles & Stores for both the Cannon & Small arms

That the platforms be secured and other necessary repairs be made at Fort Frederick and as soon as the weather will permit that the Walls be new pointed

That there be 2 good Cohorns & 40 Small Arms with Suitable stores at this fort. There are a sufficient N^o of Cannon, Shott, and Shells there already.

That Richmond fort be repaired & Shingled or Clapboarded as soon as may be.

That there be 6 Cannon at this fort Viz^t—

6. four pounders.—2 Cohorns.—40 good Small arms & all Stores Necessary for the Cannon & Small Arms

That the Block house on Saco River be repaired and supplied with some few articles that are wanting there.

That there be 2 good Cohorns with a Sufficient N^o of Shott and Shells to every fort and Blockhouse in the Government

That a sufficient Number of Wheels of Cast Iron be procured for the Cannon at the Several forts and Garrisons of the province, as also to supply those at Castle William which have now wheels of Wood as there shall be occasion for them.

The Committee further report that in Order to procure these Cannon &c they found a considerable number of old Guns at S^t George, Richmond and Castle William as also a Considerable Number of Small Arms in the Commissary's Store and at several forts and Garrisons which are not good, but may Undoubtedly be disposed of for a considerable Sum which with a grant of Six hundred or Seven hundred pounds lawful money they apprehend will be Sufficient to Compleat the several articles in this report.

But inasmuch as the french are daily making Ineroachments on our Territorys, they apprehend, these repairs &c will not be sufficient for the defence and preservation of the Province, unless something further be done by his Majesty or the Colonys be obliged to act Conjunctly in this Affair. The Comittee have therefore prepared a more particular Answer to his Excellencys Speech and Message by way of Message, which they herewith begg leave to Offer and is humbly submitted by—

[Signed] W^m Pepperrell
by order of y^e Comittee.

In Council Jan. 4, 1754, Read & Sent down. In House, read accepted & ordered £700 be paid to purchase guns & make repairs, and that old guns & small arms be disposed of as advised—

Concurred in Council Jan. 4: Consented to by Gov. Shirley.

Memorand^m of Provisions & Amunition.

March 18th 1754, Memorand^m of Sundry men raised for
y^e Eastward Provisions & Amunition with Beds & Blanketts
p Cap^t Saunders.—

60 Cpt Berry of Falmouth
50 Cpt Benj^a Muggeridge of N^o Yarm^o
30 Cpt David Dunning of Brunswick
15 Cpt Adam Hunter of Topsham
40 Cpt John Wright of George Town
30 Cpt Alex^r Nichols of Sheepscot.

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Amunition and Provision at the Several Garrisons—

5 men added to Brunswick	3 beds & 3 Blank ^{ts}
13 men added to Pemequid	6 beds & 5 Ditto
15 men added to S ^t Georges	8 beds & 9 Ditto
35 men to Richmond	16 beds & 13 Ditto
	60 Small Arms and re- pair his Garrison.
5 men to Sacco	3 beds & 2 Ditto.

on reverse

from his Hon ^r	10
Coll ^o Brinley	10
Coll ^o Lincoln	8
Coll ^o Miller	5
Coll ^o Wendell	10
Coll ^o Cushing	25
Cap ^t Jon ^a Bean	
at Sacco	5

men 73

Each Garrison a whale Boat and Some Repairs at Bruns-
wick 6 month Provisions to Richmond Cap^t Sam^l Moody 2
bbls powder balls & flints

Action of House in re Fort.

In the House of Representatives April 10th 1754

Whereas the fort at Richmond is in a very ruinous condition and past repairs, and a more suitable place may be found further up Kennebeck River whereon to erect a new One, and inasmuch as it is the earnest desire of the Two Houses that his Excellency the Governour would take the trouble of a voyage to the Eastern part of the Province to give directions concerning this fort, as well as other important matters and the two houses have also concluded to desire his Excellency to give orders for enlisting five hundred men including officers to attend his commands Eastward, as also that Commissioners with a Present to the Six nations to attend the Convention at Albany in June.—Therefore granted £5300, for these purposes.

Apr. 11.—Concurred in by Council, and approved by Governor.

Meeting of the Proprietors of the Kennebec Purchase.

Boston, April 17, 1754.

At a Meeting of the proprietors of the Kennebeck purchase from the late Colony of New-plymouth, held by Adjournment— Voted—

Whereas the Great and General Assembly of the province of the Massachusetts Bay, have in their present Session by their Message to his Excellency William Shirley Esq Governour of the said province desired him to order “a New Fort to be Erected of about One hundred & twenty feet square as far up the River Kennebeck, above Richmond Fort as he shall think fit;” and his said Excellency has signified to us the proprietors, that in Case we will forthwith at our Expence cause to be built at or near a place called Cushenac

upon the said River, as he shall order, an House of hewn Timber not less than ten Inches thick One hundred feet long, thirty two feet wide, & Sixteen feet high, for the Reception of the said province's Stores, with Conveniences for Lodging the Soldiers who may be placed there by the Government, & will picquet in the same at thirty feet Distance from every part of the said House, and build a Block-house of Twenty four feet Square at Two of the opposite angles, and a Centry Box at each of the other two Angles of twelve feet square agreeable to a plan Exhibited by us to his said Excellency for that purpose and finish the same with four Cannon carrying Ball of four pounds, his said Excellency having undertaken to protect the Workmen who shall be employed in building said House untill the same Shall be finished; He the said Governour will, as soon as may be, give orders for Erecting a new Fort at the Charge of the Government of the Dimensions proposed by the General Assembly in their afores^d Message to him, above Taconnet Falls upon the aforesaid River, for the protection of the Settlements made or which may hereafter be made upon the same, & in the Adjacent Country, and use his best Endeavours to cause the Fort to be finished with the utmost Expedition—

Now it is Unanimously Voted—That in Consideration of the aforesaid Assurance given to this proprietee by his said Excellency We the said proprietors will forthwith Cause to be built a House of Hewen Timber * * * * [as prescribed above] * * * And the Committe^e Viz^t Thomas Hancock Esq, Dr. Silvester Gardiner, Mr. James Bowdoin, M^r William Bowdoin & M^r Benjamin Hallowell are hereby desired to take care that the aforementioned House be built and picquetted in, and the Block-houses and Centry boxes built agreeable to this plan at the Charges of this proprietee.

A true Coppy.

David Jeffries prop. cl.

William Lithgow to Gov.

May it please Your Excellency

Since your Excellencys Last Instructions to me of y^e 18th March viz^t to Convene as many of y^e Indians as I Could forthwith, and acquainte them that your Excellency had heard y^e French had Builte a Fort Neer y^e Heads of Kennebeck Rivers, and farther to acquainte them of your Excellencys Request to them to furnish two Indian pilots to Cary two English Men to make Discovery of y^e above supposed French Settlement &c—and In pursuance of your Excellencys above Instructions to me, I have heitherto by all oppertunitys Sent out to all y^e Indians of y^e Nerrigewack Tribe as also to those of y^e Arsegunticooke Indians and others now Hunteing on this Side y^e Continant to Informe them your Excellency had Sent an Answer to their Letter Wrote y^e Last winter, and that your Excellency was Desirous thay would Com and heer it Red &c—but as yet thare have not any Number of them Com to heer s^d Letter, I have Lately Seen Sepperately Two of y^e Cheife men that Dictated thare Letter to your Excellency, Viz^t Pessegueant of Nerrigewock, & Action of Arsegunticooke,— Y^e Latter Indian I saw first, who asked me what News I tould Him all was good News in Boston He then Asked me If an Answer was Com to their Letter, I tould Him it was, He Desired to heer it Red, upon which I informed Him of Som Parts of your Excellencys Letter to them, as that your Excellency Saluted ye hole of their Tribes and was glad to heer thay ware In Health, and that your Excellency as Longe as thay behaved them Selves peaseably with us, that your Excellency would not Suffer any Settlements to be made on their Land by y^e English Except such as have been fairley purchased of them or their ansestors, and that as soon as your Excellencys Hurry of Business was over this Spring

that your Excellency would Certainly pay them a Visit this summer god willing, I thought it no ways proper to Communicate that part of your Excellencys Letter to Him which Related to that of takeing Hostages of them for y^e Safe Return of Cap^t North & Lieu^t Fletcher as Knowing well that neither of those Cheifes Could give me a Direct answer to your Excellencys Demand, but my Chief Reason was on Account of y^e Jeasuite, I thought If I Should say any thing to a Single Indian Conserving our goaing to make Discovery of y^e Supposed French Settlement as above that s^d Indian would Imedietly Inform y^e Father which might be of Ill Consequence to your Excellencys Designe of makeing ye above s^d Discovery &c—and also thought it would have attendency to hasten their Coming In to Keep them In suspense—for I tould them your Excellency wanted an answer to y^t Letter and that they could not give one till thare was a Number of their Leeding men togather which your Excellency Desired might be as Speedy as possable and at y^e same time I upbraided them with their Neglect of not Coming to heer their Letter Seeing thay ware so Desirous of having an answar, and that your Excellency Did not treat their Letters when ever thay Sent any with Such Indeffrence but Imedietly Call^d a Council Let their Business be never So grate and allways gave them a Direct answer to all their Letters, and that your Excellency Expected thay would take as good notice of your Letters as your Excellency allways Did of theirs &c—those two fellows tould me y^t Indians ware all out a Hunting a grate ways back In the Country and belived Som of them would be in In about twenty Days which will be y^e Later end of May, I asked them if they would not be In with y^e Rest of their Breatherin they Boath tould me thay belived thay should not, pesegevent y^e Nerrigewalk Chief tould me He was goaing to Cary y^e Jesuite to Canada In about 20 Days time, May it please your Excellency this

was Som of y^e Discourse that pass^d between those two Cheifs and me. I would not willingly Trouble your Excellency any farther but upon the whole of what passed I am Sometheing apprehensive it will be Difficualt to Bring them to a Heering of your Excellencys Letter Excepting Som of y^e Lower Sort which will be of Little Consequence, they have stayed out longer this Spring than ever I knew them to Do, which I think Dos not Lock with a good Countenance, and when ever thay Com In tis but one or two at a time and then Imediety away again. I was tould by one thay ware Designed to Do mischief Soon Som whairs about Saco or Casco they Seem to be very Resarve, thare is one Rite Franck a Frenchman who went Lately to Boston with one M^cfaden a Coster who I am tould got som Inteligence Lately from ye Indians Viz^t that there would soon be Blood a nought Spilt here and Incouriged Him to go to Canada with them &c—your Excellency Can have him Eximened as He is now In Boston, I had no opertunity to see this French man after I had this account So Cannot say wheather this be true or not this French man Lived on Swan Island Last Winter and is gon to Boston on account of His being a faird y^e Indians would Carry him to Canada p force as I have heard Him say Him selfe because He Deserted from Crown point Fort whare He said He was a Sergeant In y^e French Service, I have advised y^e Inhabitents of y^e Fruntiers to order their Busniss In Such a manner as thay may be best able to Leave their business if a Larum should be soon, these being the Cheif Inteligents I have to Communicate your Excellency at present.— I Humbly Beg Leave to Subscribe my selfe your Excellencys most Humble & most Dutyfull Serv^t &c

William Lithgo.

Richmond Fort May y^e 4th 1754.

Letter Capt. Jabez Bradbury.

Boston, May 7, 1754.

Sir,

As the Indians have express'd their Dislike of the Time for the Interview with them & for their Receiving Presents from this Government; (Viz. In the Month of October) as Interfering with the Season of their Hunting, I acquainted them that if nothing extraordinary should prevent, I would meet them some time in the summer; & would afterwards inform them of the particular time & place of Meeting: I have been informed by divers Persons well acquainted with the Indians Affairs that their Spring Hunting is seldom over till about the end of May; so that it can't be supposed that they can be assembled till about the fifteenth of June; At which time I will endeavour to meet them at Falmouth in Casco Bay: And of this you must give the Penobscot Tribe & any other Indians near you who are willing to live at Peace with us, the fullest & earliest notice you can; Informing them that I expect a general Meeting, & that they should call on as many of their people as can attend it. And that I will order a Vessel to bring them from S^t Georges to Falmouth: And you must give them Subsistence while they are attending at S^t Georges upon this Affair.

Cpt. Jabez Bradbury

Extracts of a Letter from Capt. Samuel Goodwin.

Frankfort on Kennebeck River May 15, 1754.

I would further Inform your Excellency that the Indians have not been in to hear your first Letter altho desired by Cap^{tn} Lithgow sundry times & some of their Chiefs he informed viz^t Passaguant &c; in my passage to Tecounet I met

one Indian Canoo with two men & one Woman in it, who informed me, that all the Indians were come from hunting & were at Nerigwock; I informed them that your Excellency had sent another Letter to the Indians to inform that your Excellency was coming down to see them & had set the time. & desired them that they would inform all the Rest: but they told me that the Indians were at Nerigwock & that I would not go there, but I told them that your Excellency ordered me up as high as Tecounet to see if I could see them &c. Captⁿ John North Informed me that he was at Georges about fourteen Days ago, & that Cap^t Jabez Bradbury told him, that the Indians had told him that the French were building a Fort on the Back of Mount Disert Hills which I suppose he has informed your Excellency of.

The Stragling Indians that have been into Richmond Fort last week have informed the German Settlers at Frank Fort that the Canada Indians would certainly fall on English in two Sabbath days more, & that all the old People were to be Killed & the young carried to Cannada, & told them to take care of themselves, & they are now all in Garrison, & what to do they know not, but intreat your Excellency's favor & protection.

I am further inform'd by John Howard at Richmond Fort that the Indians that were last in, told him, that the Arresigunticook Indians were gone to fall on the English at Saco River, or thereabouts.

And the Indians have killed a hog at frank Fort, for one John Tufts; & one Abram Wyman went to Challenge them with it, & one of them discharged a Gun at him & would have kill'd him but one of them struck the Gun * * aside, & bid him quick walk, or else he would be killed; this was about 3 Weeks ago. there is none of the Indians that comes in to trade only now & then one or two, who are look'd on only as Spies, so that they may have the better Advantage of the

English: Cap^t North gives his Duty to your Excellency & is always ready to obey your Commands: all which is humbly Submitted, & beg Leave to Subscribe myself Your Excellency's most dutiful, most obedient & very humble Servant.

Samuel Goodwin.

Letter William Lithgow.

May it please your Excellency.

pessegueent one of y^e most leading Indians of y^e Nerigewack Tribe attended with three others two of which ware of y^e penobscott Tribe & y^e other of Nerigewack—Came to this Fort & gave the following Account and Says thay Saw 4 Canada Indians which war Cheif men of y^e Worenock Tribes and that those four Cheifs Desired pessequeent & his attendants to Com and Deliver me y^e following messige Viz^t—that Coughnewage, arseguncticook & Worenock three sundry Tribes of Indians, Desired y^e English to take Care of their Selves for that thay had not for gott how y^e English had Served two of their young men about a year ago Neer Connecticut River and says thay are now goaing to pay their Selves for y^e Loss of y^e above 2 Indians Neer a place Called by y^e Natives Cossechcheewack whare y^e Indians says thare Is a Fort Built and Som Settlements Lately begun by y^e English on Connecticut River, and says y^e Canada Indians Designs to Commit no acts of Hostility to y^e Estward of Saco River and says y^e English may plant Safly to y^e Estward of s^d River I Communicated your Excellencys two Letters to pessegueent viz^t one of y^e first of March and the other of y^e 22nd of April Last, all which thay s^d thay Liked well, and farther says thay will meet your Excellency at Falmouth y^e 15th June, but I could not gitt

pessegueent & his attendance to Say your Excellency might Expect a General Meeting of ye Cheifs either of y^e S^t Francois or the Nerrigewaks a greeable to your Excellency's Letter of April 22nd for pessegueent tould me He belived he could not attend y^e Interview on Account He with Som of y^e Nerrigewaks ware a goaing to waite on their Jesuite to Canada, I then Reminded Him of the Letter He and y^e Arsegunticooks and penobscotts Sent your Excellency Last Winter and whather thay had forgott what thay said In that Letter, and agreeable to their own Desires I tould Him your Excellency had Condesended to Hasten y^r Interview not withstanding y^r Hurry of Business your Excellency was in, I tould Him also it was not a Light matter for your Excellency to Leave your Government to meet a few Triffiling Drunken Indians which would be the case if He and the Rest of their Chiefmen went to Canada with their Father, I tould Him Farther that your Excellency wanted a posetive answar wheither your Excellency might Depend upon Seeing all y^e Chief men Boath of y^e S^t Frances and Nerrigewaks and others In order to Settle all Disputes about y^r Land and Everything Else which could not posably be Dun un less that all y^r Chiefs of their Seavral Tribes war their and that it would be a grate a frunt to your Excellency if their Cheefs Did not give their attendance, seeing your Excellency Condisended to be thair In person, upon which He tould me thay must have a meeting with the Canada Indians before thay Could give thair answar to what I then s^d, I tould him y^r Time was Short, and that it Required their utmost Disspatch which Ended our Disscourse—two Days Sence Quarroowad one of y^r Nerigewack Tribe Came here, and Spoke much to y^e Same purpose as pessegueent had Dun, but upon askeing Him Som Questions Respecting y^r prosedings of y^r French at y^e Head of Chodier River & Else whares, He gave me the following account and s^d y^r French gov^r was a bad man and that

he had Sett y^r Canada Indians on now to Do mischief and for y^r Indians Incourgement tells them to have a good Hart and by all means prevent y^e Englishes Settling up Kenebeck River or elsewhares, and that s^d gov^r will Cover them with Forts, In the following places viz^t one at y^e head of S^t Frances River, and one at y^r Head of Chodier River, and one at y^r Head of penobscott River. He tould me thare was no Fort yet built at y^e Head of Chodier River nor at those other places He mentioned, but he belived (He s^d) y^e French would soon Build them, for they had Talked about building them a grate while, I asked Him if he was not mistaken In what he now tould me He s^d He was not, and that He had not tould me anything but what He had heard from y^e French Governour, I tould Him I believed your Excellency would Endeavour to pull those French Forts Down as fast as y^r French Gov^r Built them. He tould me that was none of His busness. I tould him he was Right, and y^r Indians must not think Hard if your Excellency should Endeavour to prevent y^e Frenches Building any more Forts on their Land, which would be a Damige to them as well as to us, He tould me their was no Settlements begun on y^e Carrying place between y^e Heds of Kenneback & Chodier Rivers, but that y^e French ware Settled a Little ways tother Side s^d Carrying. Quar-roowad Delivered y^e above to y^e Interpreter and my Selfe, and desired I might not make use of His name to any of y^e Indians, thus I have Cerfully Communicated to your Excellency y^e most meteriel Circumstances which passed between those Indians & me, worth your Excellencys Notice, as I apprehend, —

I would Beg your Excellencys patience a little till I informe your Excellency a little more conserning y^e Indians, it apeers to me upon y^e whole of y^e Nerrigewalks and arsegunतिकooks behaviour that neither of those Tribes are very well Disposed at present, In y^e Winter thay are In a

grate hurry for a Treaty with your Excellency early in the Spring, and when your Excellencys Letter Came Down In march which thay ware Imedietly aquainte thear of, as also of your Excellency's Letter of y^r 22nd of April, So that it Is but Just now that I have had an opportunity of Reeding Either of those two Letters to them which I think Is pritty Extreordinary, ware they Sincearly Inclined to meet your Excellency as thay Seemed to Express them Selves In the Winter, and as their Spring hunting Is now pritty well over with a grate many of them I Did Expect they would have come In as usual but on y^e Contrary thay act with a grate Deal of Caution and Shiness and but very few Coms In, and Imedietly away again, which Inclines me to think that Som of y^e Nerrigewalks as well as y^e Arssegunticooks are Consulteing or Joyntely assisteing those Indians which are gone against Some Settlements to y^e wast ward of this, and when thay have pared their Selves as thay Terme it, for y^e two Indians as above, I think thay will ly by at a Disstence till thay heer what Reception that action meets with from your Excellency, and then If your Excellency is Dissposed to Send them a Gracious Letter or two, their Cheifs then may vouchsafe after Som time to give your Excellency a Hering, and untill these things be Compleated it Is a grate Scruple with me wheither your Excellency will have an opportunity of Conferring with Either y^e Cheifs of y^e Nerigewacks or S^t Frances Especialy with thê Latter. Its probable y^e penobscots may be harty, but I think y^e Nerrigewaks will not meet your Excellency according to y^e time preficed Excepting Som of their Infereour Sort, I may be mistaken in this, and Humbly offer it as my own opinion, I shall communicate to your Excellency their answer as soon as possible,

with Due Regard I Humbly Beg Leave to Subscribe my
 Selfe Your Excellencys most Dutyfull Humble Servt.

Richmond May y^e 24th 1754.

William Lithgow

Deposition of Thomas Walker.

Thomas Walker of Boston Merchant of Lawful Age Testifieth and Saith, That being at Louisbourg in Sept 1753, he saw divers Indians at Louisbourg and some little Difference arising in the Street between one of said Indians and an Englishman the Indian told the Englishman that he wished he could meet him in the Woods he would Scalp him. The Deponent afterwards entered into Conversation with the said Indian who told him he was one of the Party who killed eleven English Persons the preceeding Summer and further added that Father De Loutre payed the Indians one hundred Livres for Every English Scalp and one hundred & fifty Livres for the Scalp of an Officer. This Indian Conversed with the Deponent in French and further said that Causo belonged to them (meaning as the Deponent apprehended to the French) and added that the Indians would Scalp all the English they should find there.

Thomas Walker

June 14 1754—Sworn before the Governor in Council

Meeting of Council.

Province of the Massachusetts Bay

At a Council held at Falmouth in Casco Bay Wednesday
June 26, 1754.

Present—

His Excellency William Shirley Esq ^r Governour &c.		
The Honble John Osborne	The Hon ^{ble} Sylvanus Bourne	
Samuel Danforth	John Hill	
Samuel Watts	Andrew Oliver	
Esq ^{rs}	Jabez Fox	Esq ^{rs}

Mr. Ezekiel Price was appointed by his Excellency the Governour to be Secretary pro haec vice & thereupon took the several oaths by Law required to qualify him for the Discharge of that Trust.

Advis'd that his Excellency the Governour be desired to take up a suitable Vessel to be sent to S^t George's in order to fetch the Penobscot Indians to meet his Excellency at Falmouth—also Advis'd that Jabez Foz Esq^r be empower'd to agree with Capt Moses Pearson for a Vessel suitable for the Service aforesaid.

At a Council held at Falmouth in Casco Bay Thursday
June 27. 1754.

Presnt [Same as above]—

His Excellency the Governour communicating to the Council the Draft of a Letter from him to the Penobscot Indians dated this day unanimously advised that his Excy be desired to forward the aforementioned Letter as soon as Possible.

At a Council held at Falmouth in Casco Bay June 28.
1754

Present [Same as on previous page]

His Excellency having proposed for the consideration of the Board, whether it would not be more advisable for him to have an Interview & Conference with the Norridgewalk Indians who have been waiting several days in order to treat & confer with his Excellency—unanimously Advis'd that his Excellency be desired to Confer wth the Norridgewalk Indians separately to morrow in the forenoon & not wait any longer for the Arrival of the Penobscot Indians.

[Again Council met— entry as above July 2.]

His Excellency communicated to the Board a Letter he had received from Jabez Bradbury Esq^r Captⁿ of S^t Georges Fort in w^{ch} was inclos'd a Letter from the Jesuit of the Penobscot

Tribe of Indians to the Jesuit of the Norridgwalk Tribe w^{ch} last mention'd Letter was intercepted by Capt. Bradbury.

Council on "Fryday July 25"—entry as before, Present Messrs. Osborne, Watts, Hill, as in previous sessions, with Messrs. John Greenleafe, James Minot, John Wheelwright, Benj^a Lincoln—

Unanimously Advis'd that his Excellency the Governour stay at Falmouth until Maj^r General Winslow return from his march up to the head of Kennebec River &c and as long afterwards as his Excellency shall judge proper upon the Advices he shall receive from the General at his Return from the March.

His Excellency the Governour acquainting the Board that being willing to Ease the province in their Charge on acc^t of the present Expedition to the Eastern parts of the province would consent to Return to Boston in the Sloop Massachusetts, & that the Ship Burreau in the pay of the Province might be Dismiss'd.

Advis'd that the said Ship be Dismiss'd at her Return to Boston accordingly.

His Excellency mentioning to the Board the many Outrages & Hostilities suppos'd to be done by one Polan an Arssagunticook Indian.

Unanimously advised that his Excellency be desir'd to pursue such measures as he shall think most proper for taking & securing the said Indian that so any further mischief may be prevented being done by the said Indian.

Council Aug. 5, 1754. Present Governor and Messrs. Col^o Greenleafe, Capt Hill, Fox, Wheelwright, Col. Minot, Col^o Lincoln, Capt Ewing.

His Excellency the Governour communicated to the Board the several Letters he had receiv'd from Gen. Winslow since the 25th July last past.

Advis'd that it be recommended to his Excellency the Gov^r to send orders to have Fort Halifax built on the Eminence near a Fork of Land at Taconnett Falls, & that a strong Block house be erected on the Fork.

Advis'd that a Road be cutt thro the Woods on the main Land between Fort Halifax & Fort Weston.

Council Sept. 4 1754.

Present. the Governor, with Capt. Watts, Mr. Wheelwright & Mr. Fox

His Excellency communicated to the Gentlemen of the Council several Letters he receiv'd from the Western Parts of the Province relating Hostilities having been committed by the Indians in those parts which Letters were inclosed in a packet from M^r Secretary Willard.

Also the Letter rote by his Excellency to the Secretary & his Instructions to Col^o Israel Williams relating to these Indians Likewise two Letters from his Excellency one to the Penobscott Indians & the other to the Norridgwalk Indians reminding them of their promise to join their Young Men with ours in case any Hostilities should be committed by the Indians of the other Tribes. Advis'd that the last mentioned Letters be dispatch'd as soon as Possible.

Att^t

Ezekill Price, Secy pro hae Vice.

Articles of Agreement between Capt. Isaac Ilsley and his Excellency William Shirley, Esq.

Articles of agreement Indented & made the Sixth day of July, A. D. 1754, between Cap^{tn} Isaac Ilsley of Falmouth in Casco Bay in the Province of the Massachusetts bay—

Carpenter of the one part, and his Excellency William Shirley Esq^r Governour of the said Province of the other part as follows Viz^t The said Captⁿ Isaac Ilsley Covenants promises and Agrees to and with the said William Shirley, that he will on the ninth day of July instant, proceed with twelve other persons, all carpenters, whom he hath engaged for that purpose, to Kennebec River, in a Schooner or other Vessell to be hired by the said Government, and there continue with the aforesaid twelve other Persons for the space of two months, to be employed in helping to Build a Fort designed to be erected at or near Taconick falls, or such other place upon or near the said River as shall be judged most convenient by major General Winslow, according to such orders as he and they shall from time to time receive from the person or Persons, who shall have the Superintendency and direction of the said Works, and the said William Shirley in behalf of the aforesaid Government, Covenants promises and Agrees to and with the said Isaac Ilsley that he shall be paid for the work of himself and the aforesaid twelve persons after the rate herein after mentioned viz^t—for himself and his apprentices being five of the said Twelve Carpenters at the rate of nine pounds old tenour p day, and for six others of the said Workmen at the rate of thirty shillings of the like Tenour per day for each of them and for John Tomes being the other Carpenter engaged by him at the rate of forty five shillings of the like Tenour per day together with the Province's ordinary allowance of Provisions and Drink for the Subsistence of himself and the said Twelve other Carpenters engag'd by him as aforesaid: The said Pay & allowance of Provisions and Drink to Commence on the Eighth day of July instant, and to continue until their return to Falmouth aforesaid, and to be transported home to said Falmouth at the Expense of Government aforesaid.

In Witness whereof the Parties herein first aforementioned have hereunto set their hands & seals the day & year first aforementioned.

W. Shirley (Seal)

Signed Sealed & Delivered

in presence of us

Mascarene.

Jos. Calef.

Order of House.

In House Oct. 30, 1754—

Ordered that the sum of three hundred pounds be advanced & apply'd by the Commissary General out of the Truck trade as a present to the Penobscot and Norridgewalk tribes of Indians.

Concurr'd in Council. Consented to by Gov^r

In Council Nov. 12, 1754—

Voted that his Excellency be desired to order the whole or any part of the Presents intended for the Penobscot and Norridgewalk Indians to be delivered or the delivery thereof to be suspended according as it shall appear to him will be most for the publick Service.

In House Concurred: Consented to by Gov.

In House Nov. 12, 1754

Voted that his Excellency the Governour be desired to suspend delivering the present ordered this sitting of the Court for the Norridgewalk & Penobscot tribes of Indians untill he obtain Satisfaction they were not concerned in the late attack upon the English near the Garrison at Taconock on Kennebeck River.

In Council, amended—new draft made,—probably the preceeding—and passed—

General Court voted to send James Bean and one other to see if the French are building a fort on the Carrying place between the Kennebec and Chandiere Voted April 4.

Indian Letter.

November 11, 1754.

Brother. I have had news by a Cannoo from Canada with a Letter; the Parliment of france wrote to us Indians; our Children of Penobscot we tell you its all well here, we and the English Love one another well & we Know that for five years to com there will be no difference; and we understand the difference thats amongst you Indians, and as we have heard of it, there will be another Governor Sent to Quabeck in the Spring and he will be one thats wise & knows the way of the Indians he is Governors Voodrils Son he is in hast to put out the fier that has been kindled We earnestly desier to Se him that the fier may be put out; you ar our Children & we tell you this, we are poor and shall ly Still. Now what we Know thats good that we shall follow, do you look out for the best & follow that which is good. I salute you and all the Council

Kehoorit Squadook's Son.

Vote of House.

In House of Reprs Nov. 11, 1754 and Council 12th

Voted to desire Gov. to order to enlist or to impress Thirty Effective men to reinforce the Garrison at Taconock on Kennebeck R. Also that Com^y Gen provide one hundred pair of Snow Shoes & as many pair of Mogasons for use at Taconick.

Petition of John Winslow.

[To the Governor & Gen Court]

The Petition of John Winslow Commander of the Forces lately Employed for the Defence of the Eastern Parts of this Province in behalf of the Officers and Soldiers that were under his Command Humbly Sheweth—

That the Commissary General was directed & did Issue to each man one Blanket, one Knapsack, & Bandileer, and that altho the Expedition was not long, yet the Service was such by continued Marches and Passing sometimes by Water, and some times by Land, lying on the Ground, and transporting Provisions as well in their Blanketts as Knapsacks, and divers men intirely lost their Blanketts as well as Arms by oversetting their Boats &c.—and that the whole of these Articles are Wore out, and rendered Unserviceable.

Your Memorialist for & in behalf of the said Officers & Soldiers, Humbly Prays that the Blanketts, Knapsacks & Bandileers as they were actually worn out in the Service may be given to them gratis, and the Commissary be directed not to charge them in their particular Accounts, and he in behalf of said Forces as in Duty Bound shall ever Pray.

[Passed Dec. 4, 5, 1754]

John Winslow.

Penobscots to Governor.

December 9th 1754

Brother—

We did all we Could Last year & Can do no more, we went to Cannada last year to stop them, after we Came back, we Concluded where we Should Set down this winter; and then we heard what our Breathren of S^t John said, which was brethren we Look on you and what you say & do we also shall

do. the Mukimuks we could not se or Speak with; but the S^t John's will Se them, and we know they will bid and quiat; we have not yet heard from those at Cannada and if we should not have an answer, shall think they did not mind us.

We would have you strive for peace whilst the Kings are quiat: All we of Penopscot Salute the Governor and Council.

Wambemando
and others of their Chiefs.

Vote of House in re Fort.

In House of Representatives, Dec^r 23, 1754.—

Voted that his Excellency the Captain General be desired as soon as may be to Appoint some Suitable Person to repair to Fort Hallifax on Kennebeck River with Special Authority to Strengthen the same as also the Block house or redoubt on the Hill near the same in such manner as to make the same proof Against Small Cannon in such parts of those fortresses as are Exposed to the Approach of an Enemy And that the s^d person be authorized to govern & conduct the whole affair of s^d Garrison during his stay there & that he be directed to employ the Soldiers in Scouting & Garrison Duty: also to do the Labour necessary to Strengthen s^d Fortresses at such moderate rates as he may agree with them, & in case of y^e Death or Sickness of s^d person that his Excellency be desired to appoint some other person to perfect the same—

And also that the Cap General be desired to give Orders for reinforcing S^d Garrison with forty effective men to be taken out of the Independent Companies at the Eastward And further that the Cap^t General be desired to order that four hundred & Sixty men more be raised out of the s^d

Independent Companies & the militia nearest the s^d Garrison from whence they may be best spared be held in readiness to march instantly for their relief on the first Advice of an Attack or the Approach of an Enemy— And that s^d Forty men be kept in the pay of the Government during the time the works are carrying on for the Strengthening s^d Garrison not to exceed two months from the tenth day of Jan^y next & then dismissed and that the s^d four hundred & sixty men afores^d be entitled to no pay but from the day they shall march. [Passed &c—Dec. 24 & 26, 1754]

First twelve lines of foregoing quoted in Article "Fort Halifax," in Me. Hist. Coll., Vol. 8, p. 244.

Indians to Gov. Shirley.

January 8th 1755

Brother

You are very wright in saying youd follow Goverⁿ Dummer's Treaty, and you have don it; we Cant do as you told us, we have hinder'd the Indians from coming against you, and you must hinder the English from Coming against us, we have don all thats in our Power to do, we told you of that Scout that were gon out which we did not see; we shall indeaver to keep Governor Dummer's Treaty, and shall always let you know when any Indians are coming against you.

We salute you and the Council and hope God will guide you

Necterramet and others

P S All our young men salute you & give you thanks for the Present sent them; we should be glad a Sloop might bring Provision in the Spring into our River if you can it being A

great way to fetch it from Georges, we shall prevent mischief being don any where as well as here, as soon as See will permit we shall go over to Canada.

Gov^r Shirley to Council et als.

Gentlemen of the Council & House of Representatives.

Having received Intelligence from Cap^t Bradbary of the removal of the Penobscot Indians to a greater distance from our Truck House at S^t Georges thro the Artifices of the French Jesuit, & the imminent Danger there is of a War in that Quarter I have ordered the Secretary to lay the Letters themselves before you for your advisement upon the affair.

W. Shirley

Feb. 17 1755.—

Report of Committee.

The Committee to whom was referred the Consideration of his Excellencys message of the 17th instant and the letters accompanying the same have attended the service and are humbly of opinion

That his Excellency be desired to signify by a Letter to the Penobscot Indians the favorable opinion which his Excellency & the two Houses have conceived of the conduct of said Indians in endeavouring to prevent hostilities against the English from the other tribes & in their own peaceable and friendly disposition towards his Majestys Subjects ever since the Peace; and that with respect to their desire that a Vessel may be sent with provisions to Penobscot the Government do not approve of delivering supplies from any places

but the public Truckhouses and although there is a commodious Truckhouse at S^t Georges yet if the Indians apprehend it more convenient to have one at Penobscot they shall be gratified in it and they retain their property in all their lands notwithstanding the placing such a Truckhouse there as fully & securely as they do at present.

Jacob Wendell by order

[In Council Feb. 24, 1755. accepted. In House 25th concurred.]

C. L. Leissner to Gov. Shirley.

Sir.

Your Excellency will pardon my taking the Liberty, in troubling you with this. The Waare of which there is at present so much talke of, is not onely so freightfull to the Settlers of this Place, but their not being provided the necessary Ammunition, as Powder and Ball, and some being intirely without any Fire Arms; they have in so fair provided as to built five Garrisons, and are to built Three more and it would be a very necessary thing, to have Three or Four small Cannon in the Upper Garrison, as the same is almost at the end of the Settlement, and Two large Hills to be defended; Therefore I and the Inhabitants of this Place, Pray your Excellenceys assistance in the above mentioned Articles; and I in Duty bound Subscribe myself Your Excellencys most Hum^{ble} & Ob^d Servant to Command

C. L. Leissner

agent to Brig^{dr} Waldo.

Broad Bay 29th Janr^y 1755.

please to send me y^e name of him y^t was lately made Cap^t at Broad Bay

Yo^r

J. W.

Order of House.

In House of Representatives Feb^y 22^d 1755.

Voted that his Excellency the Captain General be desired to give Order that there be sent to Broad bay Three small Canon two pounders One Barrel of Powder & a proper proportion of Ball out of the Magazine of the province and put the same under the Care of some proper Officer there to be improved for the defence of that place Against the Common Enemy & not otherwise.

Passed & concurred, & consented to.—

Memorial of Enoch Freeman.

Humbly Shews Enoch Freeman Captain of the Battery in Falmouth Casco Bay that the following things he apprehends are at this Juncture necessary & wanting for the Said Battery, Viz^t

More Guns, Shot and Powder
the Walls & Guard House to be Clapboarded
the Flanker Door to be repaired
A New Gate at the Entrance
the Watch Box wants repairing
New Carriages all but one
Windows for the Guard Room Chamber
and Cartridge Paper &
A New Flagg 32 feet Long & 17 feet Deep.

Wherefore the said Enoch Freeman Prays this Hon^{ble} Court's Consideration of the Premises and that what may be thought necessary may be allow'd him to provide for the same, and more Especially the Powder and Cartridge Paper, which was Expended, the summer past during his Excellency's

being there & treating with the Eastern Indians and the Flag which was worn out at y^e Same Time, and the said Freeman as in Duty Bound will ever pray &c

Enoch Freeman

Action of House.

Note of (Governor) accompanying the above: regards the request as reasonable, and it is recommended to consideration of the House that Effectual Care shall be taken to relieve them in a time not Exceeding three months from this time.—

[Passed and approved.] Aug 14, 1755.

In House of Rep^s Sept. 26—

Letters from Capts. Lithgow and Goodwin were read and it was Voted that orders be given that a sufficient number of

men now in service of the province should assist in transporting—[not to guard simply]—the Stores from Richmond and Western to Fort Hallifax as soon as may be.

In House of Rep^s Oct. 1.—

Voted orders be given to Officers in the towns of the Eastern and Western Frontiers to oblige the Soldiers under their respective Commands to go compleatly Arm'd to their several places of publick worship on Lord's Days in this time of Danger. Concurred; Consented to.

In the House of Rep^s Oct^r 30, 1'

Voted That The following Establishment be made for the Defence of the Eastern & Western Frontiers of this Province Viz^t—That Fort Hallifax & the Store house at Cushnoc be garrisoned with Eighty men and no more:

The Fort at Brunswick wth five men & no more:

Fort Frederick at Pemmaquid wth twenty men & no more:
The Truck house at S^t Georges with thirty five men and
no more:

The Truck house at Saco with fifteen men and no more:

* * * Western Frontier. * * *

The same to Commence Nov. 5; continue to March 5, &
no longer. Pay and subsistence, same as provided June 11,
last.—Any men in Pay on Frontiers not herein mentioned are
to be discharged. Concurréd in: Consented to.—

In House of Representatives, March 29, 1755.—

Ordered that the Town of Falmouth be & hereby are di-
rected to repair the Fort in s^d Town within Three months
from this time or return the money into the province Treas-
ury Granted to build a Fort there within Six months and that
M^r Commissary General be directed to supply s^d Town with
Three Barrels of powder, Three quire of Cartridge paper &
a New Flagg in lieu of what was Expended & worn out while
his Excellency was there at the last Interview with the East-
ward Indians.

[Passed and Concurréd in]—

In Council, June 17, 1755.

Voted that his Excellency be desired to give his Orders
to the Several Commanders & Officers of the Garrisons &
Truckhouses, not to supply the Penobscot Indians with any
more Powder & Ball or any other sort of Goods till further
Order, except such of them as may joyn our Inhabitants in
fighting the Indian Enemy.—

Letter Gov. Shirley to Col. Ez. Cushing.

Whereas His Majestys Service requires that the Guard for
Convoying the public Stores to Fort Halifax be made up Two

Hundred Men, and one Hundred Men only being as yet raised for that Service you are hereby required in his Majestys Name forthwith to impress out of the Regiment of Militia under your Command one hundred able bodied Men well armed for the high Service & you are hereby impowered & directed to impress so many of said Hundred men as you shall find necessary out of the Independent Companies in your Regiment any Exemption by my Order given them from any Military Duty notwithstanding; And what men you shall take out of the Independent Companies you must put under the immediate Command of some of their own officers And all the Men so impressed must be immediately sent to Kennebeck River to attend to the Duty before mentioned according to such Directions as they shall receive from Cpt W^m Lithgow. Hereof fail not. Given under my Hand & Seal at Boston the 19th day of May 1755, in the 28th year of his Maj^{ties} Reign.

W. Shirley.—

Note: War with Indians: On pg. 430, In House, a proposal to declare war was referred to a Committee May 30.—On pg. 435-7 is their Report, considered amended, recommended, June 3.—On pg. 447, Final action, viz;

Action of House.

In the House of Representatives June 9.—

Voted that His Excellency the Captain General & Governor be desired immediately to declare War against the Arasaguntacook Tribe of Indians, and all other Tribes of Indians eastward & northward of Piscataqua River, the Penobscot Tribe only Excepted.

That his Excellency be desired to inform said Penobscott Tribe, that this Government is sincerely desirous to maintain

Peace and Amity with them, and to take into their Pay and Subsistence all such of their Tribe as are able body'd effective men, capable of bearing Arms, and will act offensively with us; and upon which, by all the Treaties now subsisting between us and the Penobscott Tribe, they are obliged to take up Arms as aforesaid: And that upon their so Doing this Government will at their own Charge take Carè of and support their Invalids, Women and Children, if they will come amongst us, and put themselves under our Protection.

That for the Defence of the Eastern Frontiers, a Marching Army be raised by Inlistment, consisting of Three Hundred Men exclusive of Officers; that they be constantly employ'd in Scouting, and that their Destination be as follows; That Fifty men be employ'd in scouting from Lebanon to Saco River; Sixty men from Saco River to New Boston by the way of Pearson and Hobbs Town and New Gloucester; ninety men from New Boston to Frankfort; One Hundred men from Frankfort to the Truck House on St George's River.

That the Pay for the Officers and Soldiers be the same as is now established for the Officers and Soldiers in the intended Expedition against Crown Point, and the subsistence the same, as was allowed to marching Forces, during the last War, and a Bounty of Three Dollars be given to each Soldier that may inlist and find his own gun. * * * [* * * Same bounty for Prisoners & Scalps, as previously]

That there be but two Commission Officers, Viz^t a Captain and Lieutenant to a Company of not less than Forty five men; that the Establishment be for five Months, to Commence from the Twentieth Day of June Instant and no longer; that the Pay and subsistence of the Soldiers that may be inlisted as aforesaid commence upon the Day of their Inlistment, and that an Establishment be made accordingly.

Also Voted that Fort Hallifax, and the Store House at Cushnoc be garrison'd with Eighty men and no more. Fort Frederick at Pemaquid with Twenty men and no more. The Truckhouse at Saco with Fifteen men and no more.

Also Voted, That Richmond Fort is of no Service for the Defence of the Eastern Country, and therefore that the Captain General be desired to dismantle the same, and give Orders for the Removal of the Province Stores which are there; and that His Excellency the Captain General be desired to give Orders that all those men who were impressed to guard the Province Stores up to Fort Hallifax be dismissed upon their having performed that Service.

* * * [the remainder relates to the Western Frontier]

In Council concur'd June 10th 1755. Consented to.

W. Shirley.

Capt Bradbury reports concerning Indians seen &c.

Sir:—

Boston, June 17, 1755.

I herewith send you a Letter to the Indians of the Penobscot Tribe proposing to them to join in Subduing the other Indians that have engaged in Acts of Hostility with my Proclamation for Declaring War against them You will see this Letter & Proclamation faithfully interpreted to as many of those Indians & of the Chiefs of them as you can soon assemble: And take their Answer with the greatest Exactness, & send it with your observations & opinions respecting their Dispositions & Designs.

I am your most assur'd Friend and Serv^t

[No Sig.]

Captⁿ Bradbury.

Gov Shirley to Penobscot Indians.

Boston June 17, 1755.

My Good Friends and Brethren—

The perfidious Dealings of Norridgewock, Aresaguntacook & Wawenock Indians in cruelly Murdering & Captivating the People under my Government after they have in the most solemn Manner (especially the Norridgewocks) so lately confirmed their Treaties of Peace with us, have obliged me after long Patience & many Endeavours to have the Peace maintained, to enter into War with them as you will find by my Proclamation which I now send you.

And as the Penobscot Tribe have distinguished themselves from the rest of the Indians by endeavouring to dissuade the other Indians from their cruel and treacherous Designs against us & by their own peaceable Deportment towards us, I do now assure you that if you shall continue in amity with the English you shall receive such marks of kindness from us as will effectually convince you that your Interest lies more in our Friendship than in anything the French can do for you.

And particularly I would in behalf of this Province & Agreeable to our Treaties with you desire that all such of your Tribes and able bodied effective men capable of bearing arms would act offensively with us against those Indians who in the Most audacious Manner have Violated their solemn Treaties with us; By which Treaties you have obliged yourselves to take up Arms as aforesaid;

And upon your thus Doing this Government will take care of & support your old, sick & wounded People & your Women & Children if they will come among us & put themselves also under our Protection.

I desire you would deliberately consider the Proposals I now make & give me a full answer thereto as soon as may be.

I am your Assur'd Friend and Brother.

Reply of Penobscot Indians.

June y^e 27th 1755.

Governer Shirley: Brother we Salute you and all the Counsel, we are glad that you have Kept what we agreed upon, we always thought that the Cannada Indians wou^d bring us into Trouble, And what you desired of us we have done, You Told us that those that came against us in a hostile manner, we must Joyn and goe against them; let Us know when we must do it, they have hurt us As well as You, and three of our men are now Come up to wait on You, which will be a proof of our Sincerity, And we Expect that our wives & Children will be Supported at our village till our return, they that have hurt You already are gone off & will do it no more, & we shall always let you know truly when There is danger. there shall no Damage be done on this Side Penmequid. You must not think that we Disemble, if you Could see our hearts You'd know that we are true. War will hurt us as well as You therefore we are strong Against it, if there Should be war between England and france & we should Come over to you, our women and Children must be well used.

We again Salute You.

Wombemando

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in behalf of our Tribe.

Jabez Bradbury to Gov. Shirley.

May it Please your Excellency

I have this day Seen that which was the most surprising to me of any thing I ever met with before Viz. when I had read your Ex^{ty's} letter to nine of the most Considerable men of the Penobscot Tribe, and they were going out to Consult and return an answer Cap^t Fletcher Came into the Room & told me that many of the inhabitants, with the men he had inlisted into his Company (of this Garrison) which were neare twenty in number, and most of the remaining part of the Garrison; were all in arms & had determined that the Indians Should never go of until they had given them Satisfaction, by complying with the Governours terms proposed to them in his Letter; upon which I went out to them, and askt why they appeared in that manner; was answered almost Unanimously that they were Resolved the Indians Should not go well away till they had givin them Satisfaction; Capt Fletcher teling me at the same Time he had orders for doing what was don & that he must answer it, ading that he was obliged to do as he had don to prevent greater mischief viz. Bloodshed, (the people being greatly inrag'd) I told the men they had acted directly Contrary to the Gover^{ns} Declaration of Warr & to his directions to me, but did not prevail with them to quit their armes, nor their Resolution and not being able to use force, thought it best to give Soft words; then some of the Indians went out Leaving others as hostages and consulted with their men who were at som distance from us; after which they returned wrote the inclosed Letter and said they had Concluded to send Som of their men to Boston to waite on the Governor; upon which I venterd to tell them when their men Embarkt for Boston I woud trade with them, & not before.

Refer your Ex^y to Cap^t Fletcher who accompanys this, for a more perticuler acct. and Subscribe myself your Excelencys Most obedient Humble Serv^t

Jabez Bradbury

S^t Georges June 27, 1755.

P. S. I intreat your Excelency as I have more than once already, that I may be dismisd from my Charge here.

Am as above,

J. B.

[Added on back of Sheet]

May it please your Excelency

I am inclined to think that y^e penobscots are most of them Dessirous of peace, but whether they have don all that was in their power to Prevent the mischief Latly don us, I am not Suer of, though they insist upon it that they have; they now seem to be in Earnest that they^l Joyne us against the Common Enemy, but how much to be relied on I am not able to tell. Your Ex^s as on the other side—

J Bradbury.

*James Cargill's Memorandum relating to the Killing
Indians.*

A Mimarandum of my transactions with my Company of Voluntiers.

July the 1st Went from home with Twenty tow men with a Disire to March on the Back of the Inhabitants and got to Broadbay and stayed all night.

the 2^d Filled up my Company to Thirty one men and Sat out to march all Round the Inhabitants of Gorges to strive to come on some of the Enemys lurking Places and Came out on the River about Six Miles below the Fort and found there some canons and went over and marched about five miles and came up with three Indians and Killed and

Found their Cannon and left nine men there and mised one man but found that he had refused to any further so went on with twenty one men, about five miles and about sunsett came on sum Indians & Shot on them and Killed nine of them and the Rest runaway and so we returned to our men which we had left and rested all night—

the 3^d Went to Georges and got some men from Capt Broadberry and Capt Nickels and his Company and some more men from Georges and went out and Buried the Dead and Brought away our Cannons and lugage and then concluded to take our Provisions for to march and to go to the Northard and so to go up Kennebeck or to Macias so I went to Capt Broadberry and Demanded Stors and he refused to let me have any—

the 4th In the morning called my men together and told them that I could not get any stors for them there and so we Devided our Cannons and what small Plunder we had got and So I told them to Shift Every man for himself so set out for home.

A true Coppy pr me

James Cargill.

[No date but filed July 1, 2, 3, 4 1755.]

Report of Alex^r Nikels.

Report to Governor of Scouting,—Frankfort to St Georges
July 1-29, 1755.—by Alex^r Nikels Jun^r

“22^d We took our allowance [at Newcastle] and being informed by the inhabitants of Herentown and penmequid of indians being in the woods about muskungus and that they wore akilling of cattle there and people was afraid and not being quit well my self I sent my leutenant with 27 men who

ranged all them woods but could find no apearance of indians and returned hom the 24th * * *

There is nothing been remarkable that I think worth while to mention.

Alex^r Nikels Juner

Read in Council Aug 8, 1755.

Note: A letter from the same to Governor,—from Newcastle July 26, 1755, mentions new orders to Capt. Hatcher at St Georges who is to scout westward only to Damariscotta,—hence Nikels requests to scout from Newcastle to Frankfort and between F. & Damariscotta.

Journal of L^t John Stackpole.

Scouting from North Yarmouth, to New Boston, New Gloucester, and to Androscogin River,—also one march up Kennebeck River.—July 1755.

No incidents: details very briefly movement each day. It seems tho Stackpole keeps the journal, and reports to the Secretarys office as if in command, yet Capt Beveridge held the command. 4th Marched to N. Yarmouth; 5th to New Boston; 6th Sunday scouted round the Fort;—Mon. & Tues. to Androscoggin River; Wed. & Thurs; returned to N. Boston and scouted round the Fort; Friday 11th sent 10 men for provisions; Rest to Riols river with "Capt Beveredg" to search the proprietors provision: 14th to 22^d—from N. Yarmouth to Brunswick, Cathance, Richmond, at Capt. Lithgow's wish to Fort Western, to Fort Halifax; and returned. 23rd from N. Y.—to New Boston; met (other) scout returning, left some to guard the forte: 26th marched towards "Ammascogin:" 29th returned to New Gloucester; 30th the night at New Boston, 31st towards Ammascogin,—then to N. Yarmouth—

Report of Scouting in Saco River Territory.

—by Wm. Gerrish—July-August, 1755.—

June 30, Marched from “Barwick,”—to Lebanon, Little River falls,—Swan Pond,—Saco river, & encamped at Block House; July 3, marched N. W., to Massabeesick pond,—to Mousam river, eastern branch; to Bonnibeeg Hill;—to Barwick. 9th marched to Lebanon, encamped at Capt. Tibbetts House, “where there was an Hundred and Seventy Souls Dwelt under that Roof”—10th N. W. to Lovells pond; N. N. E. to Beaver pond, and “upper Samon fall pond”—12 ms. long, 6 in breadth; N. E. to Osabeg hills; and over on of the highest of the hills called Palmasicket: 13th marched N. W. by N. to Great Osaby River, and N. E. by E, to Little Osaby pond; then N. E. to a Large River;—S. E. to a pond, 5 ms in length, 2 in breadth: 15th to Saco river 25 ms above Samon falls; thence to the Block House,—and to Biddeford for provisions.—July 18th marched W. by N. encamped in “the Desarts;”—19th by Bonnibeeg pond to Barwick North Parrish, and “marcht to Church and heard prayers;”—on 23rd & 25th Wed. & Fri.—marched to “Commecerays for allowance and there was none to receive,” but on 30th “received all Back allowance,”— July 31 to Aug 9.—marching—to Lebanon,—to Little River falls, to Monson river,—Saco falls,—to Swan pond, thence S. W. by W. to Phillips town upper (fort?); to Berwick Lebanon, to Bungonungo pond, thence to Saco Little falls & to Saco falls; Sunday Aug. 10. —to Church & “heard prayers”;—11th from Saco falls, via Brimstone pond and great Oak hill to Berwick;—18th to 23rd via Beaver Dam road, Lebanon, Phillips town upper foart, Saco river block house,—Swan pond, Pleasant point, Oak Hill to Berwick.—

pr W^m Gerrish

“Barwick august 26th 1755.”—

On pp. 185-6. Report continued: Aug 25 to Nov. 24: then company was disbanded. No incidents.

Phipps to Penobscots.

Boston July 5, 1755

Friends & Brethren of the Penobscot Tribe—

I received your Letter dated the 27th of June last, wherein you say that you have done all that we demand of you, and that you desire to know what is further to be done on your part in conjunction with us, against our Enemies: you like wise say that you expect that your Wives & Children shall be supported at your Village whilst you are absent from them: To which I answer that I expect that a competent number of your most able men do joyn with the English in avenging the wrongs we have received from the other Tribes of Indians; and (in order thereto that you repair (with your Wives & Children) as soon as may be, to S^t George's Fort, to be ready to attend that Service when required: and you may be assured that whilst you are actually engaged in that Service you shall be in the Pay of this Government, and that your Wives & Children & aged men, Shall be supported in the mean time:— But I can by no means judge it convenient for us or Safe for you—that your Wives and Children should continue at your Village & be there supported during the War with the other Tribes, Nor is it agreeable to the Proposal made to you by Governour Shirley:— It is therefore expected that all those of your Tribe that would not be reputed our Enemies—do appear at S^t George's (within such reasonable time as Capt. Bradbury & you shall agree upon), in order to joyn with the English in the War, and that such as are unable to go to War come in among us to be supported whilst the War Shall last (or untill some other Measures Shall be Concerted betwixt us—that shall be thought to answer as well, for our mutual Security & defense) which is agreeable to the Promise made to you by Governour Shirley. —And I must tell you that any further Delay in this matter

must be look'd upon as a Refusal to joyn with us, & will constrain me to treat you as Enemies in common with the other Tribes; But I hope that your ready Compliance with what I expect from you, will prevent any Breach betwixt us, and that the Chain of Peace & Friendship will continue Bright so long as the sun & moon Shall Endure.

I am your Friend & Brother

S. Phips.

Phipps to Penobscots.

Boston, July 10, 1755

Brethren of the Penobscots.

I have already wrote to you by your Messengers whom you sent hither and who were preparing for their Departure, when I received a most unhappy Piece of news from S^t Georges which Occasions this second Letter. I hear that twelve Indians have been killed by a Party of English who were sent out after the S^t Francois and the Norridgewock tribes but as the Report goes fell upon some of your Tribe. Whether or no the English knew that they were of your Tribe I cannot certainly say, I am afraid they did. I have taken Measures that the Commander and several other Persons who are charged with being Principally concerned should be secured in order to a strict inquiry being made into this Affair that so such as shall appear to be guilty may be punished according to Law. I am at a loss what to say to you. My Grief on this occasion is very great. My hopes were, that your Message to me would be attended with an happy consequence, and I greatly desired to live in Peace with you. You made the Same Profession to me and we were endeavouring to settle Measures for our Mutual Safety.

There is a great God who governs every event. He has permitted this terrible Affair and suffered a great Cloud to come over us.

Sometimes your young Men have done cruel things to the English notwithstanding all the Endeavours of your antient men to the Contrary. Our young men I fear have now done a very bad thing not only against the mind of the Government,—but against the Express charge of the Governour who cautioned them to be very carefull of hurting any of your Tribe. I hear of a rumour that revenge has already been taken by some of your People. How it is I have no certainty. Be it as it Will the Government will do nothing unjust nor dishonourable and I have ordered your two Brethren to be sent down to you in safety, and I give you now my Solemn Promise that if any of you will come up in order to prosecute a complaint against the English who are said to have Killed your People you Shall not only be absolutely secure of your lives liberties and a Safe Conduct out and home but shall be kindly treated and shall have all the Justice done for the Injury received which the law will give.

I have a tender sympathy with you and am

Your Friend and Brother.

S. Phips.

Phipps to Penobscots.

July 12, 1755.

Brethren, Since writing the foregoing I have secured the Captain of the Party who has done you this Mischief, & have taken Measures to secure some other Persons who were principally concerned in it: And I desire you would let your Resentment sleep 'till we can confer together. You see how much you are Exposed to danger while we are at War with

the other Tribes of Indians; I therefore desire you would confine yourselves to the Eastward of S^t Georges River untill we can see one another, and I will give Orders that none of our People shall do you any Mischief, so long as you continue quiet and suffer no Mischief to be done us on that Side of the River: If you think it better to come in with your Old Men, Women and Children, you shall all be supported by us, and I shall not insist upon your Young Men going out with us against the other Indians as I proposed in my Letter to you of the 5th Instant.

The two Young Men you sent up propose that I should send some Gentlemen down to cover the Blood and Renew our Friendship; and I will send down two or three Gentlemen sometime in September, if you will let me know that it is agreeable to you.

Brethren.—I am informed that the French have deserted their fort at S^t John's River, and that the S^t John's Indians have submitted to the English, and desire to live in Peace. I will write to the Governour of Nova Scotia, & desire him to appoint some Gentlemen to join with us, and meet you and the S^t John's Indians at some suitable Place, in September or as soon after as may be, and I would propose that the Fort at S^t Georges should be the Place we Shall meet in,—and I desire to hear from you upon these Matters and am

Your Friend & Brother—

To the Indians of the Penobscot Tribe. S. Phips.

Bradbury to Governor.

Boston July 11, 1755.

Sir.

I have rec^d your Letter of the 3^d Instant giving me an Account of the bloody Action committed upon the Indians at Owl Head which gives me & the Council the utmost Grief &

Distress; and we are desirous if it be possible to make up the Breach. I wrote a Letter to the Indians in answer to theirs to me before I rec^d your Letter, And after your last I have written an other to the Indians Both which you must read & interpret to so many of them as you can collect in; And in Order to have them brought in it is proposed that Cp^t Fletcher should go with one of the Indians to the Penobscot Men to bring them in & that you keep the other as a Hostage for Fletcher's Safety. You will find by my Letter to the Indians that a Warr^t is issued out for Apprehending the Actors in this Tragedy. You are hereby directed to take the utmost Care that all proper Evidence be taken relating to this Disaster & the Several Circumstances thereof to set it in a true Light and that the names of Witnesses be put into the Summons in the Sheriffs Hands. You will do what you are able to keep the Indians in a treatable Temper.

I am your Friend & Serv^t —

Cp^t Jabez Bradbury.

Umbarius to Governor.

Brother We are very thankful that you have returned our men again. Umbarius will Com up to Boston again after we have Consulted; We like Well what we have heard from you, and hope you will Like what you hear from us when we meet, We are going to our Vilage to hold a Council. We that ware at Boston before will Com up again.

Umbarius.

S^t Georges July 16, 1755.

Bradbury to Governor.

May it Please your Honnor

When the Indians arrived here from Boston, which was the 13 instant at night, they two had your Honnors letter

Red & interpreted to them, were suplied with a Cannoo & other necesares to inable them to Search out their brethren whome they found the 2^d Day after they want hence thirty in number near the places where their people ware Kild. Umbarius after conversing with them Returned and wrote the inclos'd letter as he said by the Direction of Wambemando Whenquid Ossung, Nekterramit & others and told me that three of their men were gon from them, he knew not whether, and that I must Let our people Every where Know it; that then they might not be Exposed to danger which was immediately don by Capt Fletchers going to Brood Bay by Land and som to other places by water, What the Result of their meeting at their Vilage will be is not posable for me to know until I hear from them and when that will be I know not, but as Soon as I se or hear from them shall inform your Honnor.

I subscribe myself [& c] Jabez Bradbury
S^t Georges July 25 1755. —

Bradbury to Governor.

May it Please your Honnor —

This day after reading and interpreting your two Letters to Wambemandoe and Sundry others of the Penobscot tribe; they writ the inclosd answer and said it was the voice of their people, I then askt Wambemando whether theyd Send any of their men to Boston to appear against those that had Struck them, he said their Letter woud do as well as if they went up.

Since writing as above Came here two men from Pasamaquady, who have traded here for many years past, one of them I have alway Accounted a S^t Johns Indian. he tels me there will be more of their people here to trade, but have told

him I Cant deale with them until I have Leave from the Governor, who has forbid my trading with any but the Penobscots.

Pray your Honnors further directions, and that I may be diliverd from this place of torment.

Jabez Bradbury

Penobscot Chiefs to Governor.

S^t Georges July 25. 1755.

Brother

its very true what you have said to us in your Letter, but our hearts are very Sore, we thought to answer your Letter but we are Struck with a damp, You Cant think how our hearts are broaken, Brother we Shall Say nothing further aboute whats don to us, but you must make it up as you think proper; If you Se Cause to make it up, do So, make it up, thats all we Can Say. Brother I tell you I have warnd all the Indians not to Com this way. You know how it is, and Must Strive to keep up Love and friendship, the Sooner the better.

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Action of House.

In the House of Rep^r August 8. 1755.

Whereas on the tenth day of June last this Court agreed to exempt the Tribe of the Penobscott Indians in their declaration of War; and to make them an offer (in case they would bring in their Invalids their Women & Children, that they sh^d be taken under the Protection of this Government

and be supported by it; and that the remaining part of their Tribe being their able bodied and effective men should enter into the pay of this Government^t and Act offensively with us against the other Tribes in order to preserve friendship between us and the said Penobscott Tribe: And whereas notwithstanding the said Proposals made them, the Government remain at an uncertainty what are their resolutions on this head: Therefore

Voted, That his Honour the Lieu^t Governor be desired to write, as soon as may be, to the said Tribe of Indians and acquaint them. that [a paragraph here stricken out in the subsequent action] it will be satisfactory to this Government if their young men will come in with the rest of their Tribe. and put themselves under the Care & Protection of this Government; [a 2nd paragraph stricken out and another inserted] and that such of them as shall decline going out against the Enemy shall not be compelled thereunto.

And whereas several of the Said Penobscot Tribe have lately been killed by a party of the English & the Captain of the Party supposed to be concerned in the fact is imprisoned & a warrant has issued against others of the same party, that the said Penobscot Indians be further informed that Justice shall be done in the course of the law & that their loss shall be repaired in any reasonable manner desired. And whereas they have not signified their consent to treat with Commissioners as proposed to them by his Honour the L^t Governour that they be further informed they must give a definitive answer to the Proposals now made them within twenty days after their being acquainted therewith as they would avoid the ill consequences of their neglect or refusal.

In Council August 12, 1755 Read & nonconcurrent, and Thereupon Voted That his Honour the Lieut. Governour be desired to write to the Indians of the Penobscot Tribe ac-

quainting them that he has received their Letter of the 25th July and has Communicated the same to the General Court— That the unhappy Action at Owls Head Bay gives the Court the greatest Concern That the Cap^t of the Party is still in Prison waiting for his Trial according to Law and all due Means have been used and are still pursuing to bring the other Persons concerned to Justice that the Court are desirous to know from the Indians in what other manner they expect the loss should be repaired and that nothing reasonable shall be refused them.

That his Honour be likewise desired to inform the said Indians That any proper Method for their Safety consistent with our own shall be Complied with

That the Government desire the Indians to make proposals of their own for that Purpose if those already made be not agreeable —

That a Speedy determination must be had on these points and a definitive answer given to Cap^t Bradbury unless they chuse to treat with Gentlemen that may be appointed Commissioners for that Purpose in which case they must not protract the time of meeting beyond the 20th of Sep^r

Final Vote.

[The two houses disagreed in several votes, — a conference was ordered, and final concurrence gained with the vote of the 8th inst. with the amendments then made, but in a new draft, thus —] — Whereas * * * [as in the first action] Therefore Voted, that His Honour the Commander in Chief be desired as soon as may be to write to the said Tribe of Indians & acquaint them that this Government think it necessary for their Safety as well as ours, that they forthwith accept the said Proposals; otherwise their Refusal or Delay will constrain him to treat them as Enemies in common with the other tribes against whom War has already been declared

and to prevent their pleading an excuse for their refusing the aforementioned proposals our therein insisting upon their taking up arms with us against the other Tribes as aforesaid, to inform them that it will be Satisfactory to this Government if instead thereof their young men come in with the rest of their Tribe, & put themselves under the care & protection of this Governm^t and that His Honour do likewise give them assurance that any matters of Grievance that may have occurred since the last Treaty with them at Falmouth shall be duly inquired into as soon as conveniently may be — (their compliance with the said Proposals notwithstanding) and that such measures shall be taken for their Quiet & satisfaction as upon such Enquiry shall appear to be just & reasonable:

[Concurred in House Aug. 14, in Council Aug. 15.—Consented to by Gov^r]

Action of House in re Indians.

In the House of Rep^s Aug^t 14, 1755.

Voted, that his Honour the Lieuten^t Governor be desired to give Orders that a Detachment of thirty men be made out of the several Companies raised for the defence of the Eastern Frontiers, that are destined to march from New Boston to Frankfort, & from Frankfort to the Blockhouse on George's River, and to be employed in guarding the Provisions &c up to Fort Halifax and in guarding the workmen while at Work, as the Comanding Officer of said Fort shall Order: And that his Hon^r the Lieu^t Gov^r be desired immediately to give Orders to the respective Captains of the Said Companies to furnish their proportions of the aforesaid Thirty Men, Specifying the Number that each is to furnish

who are to repair to the Comanding Officer of s^d Fort without loss of time; And in Order that the said Soldiers so draughted may be satisfied with their Duty, the Comanding Officer aforesaid is to assure them in the name and behalf of the governm^t that effectual Care shall be taken to relieve them in a time not exceeding three months from this time—

Passed & approved—

Governor to Bradbury.

Boston 16 Aug: – 1755 –

Cap^t Jabez Bradbury –

Sir. I receiv'd your Letter of 26 July together with one from some of the Penobscot Indians: but it did not appear by these Letters that they clos'd with the proposals made of meeting them by Comis^{rs} at Georges; Under this Uncertainty it has been thought by the Government that nothing but their coming in to dwell among us and putting themselves under the protection of this Government can secure either us or them: for should our people continue to be restrained from scouting to the Eastward of Georges other Indians who are at Enmity with us may come upon our Borders, Kill & Captivate our People, and when they have done the Mischief, betake themselves thither and be safe: or should our People be permitted to scout to the Eastward of Georges in quest of the Indians of the other Tribes, it is great odds but the Penobscotts would fall in our way & come to damage.

I therefore impower & direct you to propose to the Indians of the Penobscot Tribe that if they will come and put themselves under the protection of this Government they shall be supported & protected by us, and in case of their compliance You may send them up to Boston and they shall be provided for in such place as shall be agreeable to them consistent with

the Safety of our own Inhabitants; and if any of their young men will join with our people in going out against the other Indians they shall not only be supported but shall likewise receive the pay of the Government, but it shall remain in their own Election whether any of them will take up Arms or not.

You must endeavor to convince them that neither we nor they can be safe in any other method, and you may assure them, that such matters of Grievance as have occurred since the last Treaty with them at Falmouth shall be duly inquired into as soon as conveniently may be (notwithstanding their immediate compliance with these proposals) and that such measures shall be taken for their Quiet & Satisfaction as upon such inquiry shall appear to be just & reasonable. And if they have anything to offer which may tend to remove their uneasiness I would have you receive their proposals & forward them to me.

If you find that they will not come into these Measures you must let them know that I shall be constrained to treat them as Enemies in common with the other Tribes of Indians against whom War has already been declared. But you must endeavour by all means in your power to prevent any of our Scouts or People going out against them until they have had sufficient time to get back to their Village, and you must send me their answer forthwith.

Governor to Penobscots.

Boston August 18. 1755.

Brethren & Friends

In your letter to me of the 25 July you do not tell me that you will treat with such Commissioners as I might send down to you, but desire me to make up your loss myself & that as soon as may be.

I told you before that the Captain of the Party which has been charged with striking you was confined & that Justice would be done in the course of the Law & I now tell you that I will do any reasonable thing to quiet & satisfy you under this loss & desire you to make your proposal to Cap Bradbury to be sent by him to me.

But I am very desirous of Preventing any more of your people being killed. You know the Arresaguntacooks & other Tribes except yours have committed such hostilities against us that we could not forbear declaring them our Enemies: You know likewise that our people cannot distinguish your tribe from theirs: If we set any bounds within which your people might travel or hunt & our people should be restrained from entering there for fear of annoying yours then that would be a place of Shelter for our Enemies, who are your Allies & whom you suffer to come among you, & to bring our people when they are taken Captives; so that I do not see any possibility of preventing the danger of your being annoyed unless you comply with the proposals formerly made you & put your Selves under the protection of this Government, and I now make you this further Proposal, viz. that not only your old & infirm men with the women & children shall be received & protected by the Government but that your young men also may come in with them all together & be protected & supported in some convenient place & within the body of the Province, & if they do not incline to go out to war they shall not be compelled to it. If you shall decline these proposals & your people shall be destroyed while we are pursuing our Enemies and a war between us shall be the consequence, as I think it necessarily must, the blame will ly upon you for refusing the only means of preventing it & not upon us who make you these offers purely for your own sakes & for the preservation of your lives, for the supporting and protecting you must occasion a great burden and expence to

us. I desire your answer directly and I give you timely notice that I must withdraw my orders to our forces by which they have been restrained from marching within certain limits nearly for the sake of your safety. —

Letter to Jabez Bradbury.

Boston August 18, 1755

Sir.

It does not appear Either by your Letter of the 26th July or the letter of the Indians which accompanied it that they desire to have a Conference or will meet with any Gentlemen that might be appointed Commiss^{rs} if they should go down to Georges I have therefore laid aside the thought of such a Treaty — I now inclose to you a letter unsealed which I have wrote to the Indians the purport of which you will observe to let them know that I am willing to make them any reasonable satisfaction for the loss they have sustained & that I do not think it possible that their people can be safe for the future unless they will comply with the proposal I make them to come in & live among us & put themselves under our protection.

I would have you to cause this letter to be delivered as soon as may be & interpreted to them and inform them that I expect an immediate answer. If they shall declare that they intend a compliance with the Proposals of the Government & desire some time to prepare for it you must insist on it that some of them remain with you at the Fort as a pledge or security for their Tribe that the Indians who are our Enemies shall not in the mean while be admitted among them — & that they will Inform against & discover any that they shall know to be near us.

But if the Penobscots decline an agreement with us on the terms proposed you must then let them know that I am obliged in faithfulness to the People under my Government & for the sake of the preservation of their lives and estates to revoke the orders which I have given to the several parties on the frontiers not to march within certain limits & that I must leave them at large to pursue our Enemies wherever they are to be found, & that it will not be possible to distinguish their People at Penobscot from the rest & that I do not apprehend that they can with safety continue any longer to come in to trade with us or come to any of our forts or settlements on any other occasion or pretence.

I shall in conformity hereto send a number of printed orders revoking the former orders I have given If the Indians determine to comply with the Proposals & leave pledges or security for it in this case you are to keep private the printed orders I send you but if they shall not so determine you are then to acquaint them with these printed orders, no other Person except the Interpreter being present and to assure them that you will not suffer them to be made public in less than eight days after the Indians departure from you, and at the expiration of said ten days you are to disperse the said orders in the most expeditious manner you can that they may be made publick on the several parts of the frontiers.

I cannot determine what particular place will be most convenient for the Indians if they come in but I will endeavor that they shall be well accommodated near the town of Boston where they should first come up.

To Cap^t Jabez Bradbury

Lithgow to Governor.

May it please your Honour

In my last letter to your Hon^r I mentioned something Concerning a guard for transporting provisions from a Store

House to Fort Hallifax, but as I am Sensible your Hon^r Is very much hurried about y^e publick affairs of y^e government, of grate Importance, and least that Letter thereby might be over looked I therefore Here again Humbly beg Leave to Remind your Hon^r once more that there be a suitble guard ordered to attend on s^d service as your Hon^r may Judge most proper, — this Service will be but short, will not Exceed If y^e wether is fair upwards of Ten Days, — and it Is what will be absolutely needful otherwise I should not Trouble your Hon^r at that Time, as we ware In Search of Hay above Fort Hallifax about 4 miles we Discovered one Indian Tract, we Judged them about 40 In Number by comparing their Tract with ours we being 40 men in Number. S^d Tract Crossed Sebisstoscook River, and apper'd to us as if thay ware Designed Down Kennebeck River; In order to fall on y^e Inhabitence, upon which Discovery I amediatly Sent Down y^e River Intelligence of s^d Discovery, and Sence that thay have been Tracted in Sundry places neer y^e settlementes but have not as yet Dun any hurt that I have herd of—

With Due Regard I Humbly Beg Leave to Subscribe My Selfe

Your Excellency's Most Dutyfull Humble Serv^t

William Lithgow

Richmond Sep^r 26th 1755. —

Penobscots to Governor.

S^t Georges Septemb^r 6th 1755

Brother.

The first time you wrote we liked it well, and understood there was to be a Treaty here; and we of Penobscot look forward for that which is best, we do not look behind, or on one side; You told us that you would do everything for the

best and that which is good. We have always strove for that which is best, & you have always said that you would do the same. We think it might do well for some Gentlemen to come here; We would have you Strive further & we will Strive for the best.

The Passamaquady Indians have done you no hurt, they want to Trade, here; We pray you to consider of it, they that are loving to each other will trade together. If we should come to live among you, our Dogs will destroy your Creatures, & when we are drunk we might sometimes treat you ill. You shall find us true and honest — We would have no lives taken away to satisfy for the Wrong done us, but would have you make that Matter up as you think best. We should be glad of an Answer as Soon as you can; We all Salute you & all the Gentlemen.

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Memorial Jabez Bradbury.

Sept 26th 1755

The memorial of Jabez Bradbury Com^{dr} of S^t Georges Fort, humbly shews that there is now at the Fort, forty two w^t Beaver about 85 w^t Feathers, & Eight pound Castorum Lodg'd there by two passamaquoddy Indians who came to trade in Company with the penobscots two or 3 Days after I recd. the Govern^r Letters Informing me that he should Invite the S^t Johns Indians to an Interview in Septemb^r Current. I declined trading wth em till I heard from the Govern^r I humbly therefore pray I may have your Hon^r & Hon^r directions what I shdd do with the above goods when

they shall come under a flag (as I expect) to demand the goods of me, they refused to take back the s^d goods, And said they woud trade when the Gen^{tn} Came down — I am your Hon^r & Hon^{rs} Most Obedient Servant —

Jabez Bradbury

[Committee of both Houses report respecting Penobscot Indians.]

Are humbly of opinion That his Hon^r the Lieu^t Governour and Commander in Chief be Desired to Declare War with the above said Tribe of Indians.

[In Council September 27, "Not accepted," —

[In House nonconcur^d] and Voted That His Hon^r the Lieut Gov^r be desired to Declear War immediately with the Penobscot Tribe of Indians accordingly —

In Council Sept. 30. non-concurred —

In House Oct. 1, 1755, and in Council, A Committee of Conference ordered —

In Council Oct. 1. 1755, Voted that His Hon^r the L^t Gov^r be desired to inform the Indians of the Penobscot Tribe that it will not be Possible for the Forces in the Service of this Province to distinguish between that Tribe and any other Tribes with whom we are at War and that if any of their People are killed by our Forces when in pursuit of the Enemy they must atribute it to their refusal to comply with the proposals made by this Government out of regard to their Safety and expect no Satisfaction: And that His Honor be likewise desired to prohibit Said Indians from coming in to Trade or for any other purpose to any of the Forts or Settlem^{ts} within this Province on pain of being treated as Enemies.

[In House Oct. 1 — non-concurred]

In Council 3^d October 1755.

The Board having reassumed the consideration of the Affair of the Penobscot Indians, Voted That His Honor the Lieu^t Governor be desired to empower Capⁿ Bradbury or Some other Suitable person to repair forthwith to Georges Fort and that if he shall find that the Penobscot Indians have been concern'd in any of the late Mischief He immediately send notice of the same to his Hon^r and that in such case his Hon^r be directed to declare War against them, but if no such thing shall appear against them that he give notice to the Said Indians of the readiness of this Government to maintain peace with them upon such terms as may consist with our mutual Safety. And that his Honour give Orders that upon their coming in with a Flag of Truce they be protected from all Insults and that if need be they have a Guard to defend them. And that upon their coming in, it be proposed to them to send up two or three of their principal Men to Boston to confer with the Government. That if they decline to comply with this proposal and that Cap: Bradbury or such other person empowered for the purpose be directed to inform the Indians that this Government can not think their Inhabitants on the Frontier can be secure, unless the said Indians shall comply with the Agreem^t they have made of joining some of their Young Men with Ours to go out against the Other Indians: and that he demand of them to send 20 Men to join with Us for that purpose; and inform them that if they refuse this or neglect doing it for the space of 8 days after such demand it will be looked upon as a Breach of their Treaty and that his Hon^r the Lieut Governor be desired upon receiving Notice of the same immediately to declare war against them.

[In the House Oct 2 — Nonconcurrent]

Phipps to Bradbury.

Boston October 3, 1755

S^r

Such is the present Situation of affairs betwixt the Inhabitants of this Province & the Penobscut Indians that I judge it necessary, & do hereby accordingly direct you forthwith to repair to S^t Georges Fort; & impower & direct you to make strict Enquiry whether the said Indians were concerned in any of the late Mischiefs done to the English, and if you shall find that they have been concerned therein that you immediately send notice of the same to myself; but if no such thing shall appear against them, that you give them notice of the Readiness of this Government to maintain Peace with them upon such Terms as may consist with our mutual Safety: and you are to take Care that upon their coming in upon a Flag of Truce they be protected from all Insults & if you think it needfull that you provide a Guard for their Defence. And you are to inform them that this Government cannot think their Inhabitants on the Frontiers can be secure unless the said Indians shall comply with the Agreement they have made of joining some of their young men with ours to go out against our Indian Enemies and demand of them to send twenty of their men to S^t Georges Fort to joyn with us for that purpose: And if they refuse this or neglect it for the space of 8 Days after such Demand that then such Refusal or Neglect will be look'd upon as a Breach of their Treaty with us; and hereupon you are to give me the Earliest Notice possible of such Refusal — that I may take such order thereon as the Security of the Inhabitants of this Province may require.

I am S^r Your assured Friend and Servant

To Capt. Jabez Bradbury

S. P.

Phipps to Indians.

Brethren—

I have received your letter of the 25 July & I have communicated to my Great Council which is now sitting. I do not wonder at your great grief for the death of your friends and I am willing to do every reasonable thing for your Satisfaction. You say you will leave it to me. I must tell you in answer that so far as concerns the Persons that did you the injury I shall leave them to the law to take their tryal. The Captain is still in prison & I hear that one other against whom a warrant was issued is taken & confined. I desire you to let me know what further can be done to make up your loss. I am very much concerned that some way may be found to keep the rest of your people out of danger. You cannot think it reasonable that we should sit still & see the Norridgewalks & other tribes destroy our people, and yet if we go out after them it is not possible for us to distinguish your tribe from theirs. Which way then would you have us proceed that so you & we both may be safe.

It has been proposed to you to bring your Women & Children & infirm people within our Settlements where they should be protected & supported and that your able bodied men Should join with our people in going to War. I now make you a further proposal that if your young men will come in with your Women & children they shall be protected and supported until the present danger to which they are exposed is over and none of them that do not incline to go out with our people shall be compelled to it. If you refuse this proposal let me know which way you think yourselves that we & you can be secure. Tell your whole thoughts to Cap^t Bradbury & he will communicate them to me. If you do not accept of my proposal & refuse to make any other that is reasonable in the room of it the bad consequences will always be at your own door—and I tell you plainly that it will

be possible for us to contin in so uncertain a state as we have been in, but you must either give Cap^t Bradbury a definitive answer or else let me know that you will treat with Gentlemen I shall send down to you if you agree to the last proposal also let me know & what time next month will be most convenient for you.

I write this to you at the desire of my Great Council & am

Your friend & brother

Bradbury to Phipps.

May it Please your Honnor —

The third day after I arived here, which was Octber the Ninth the Sentry saw as he thought at Som distance from the Fort, three Indians, upon which I hoisted a white flag, Kept it flying, until night the next day; but I saw not nor heard any thing more of them. I did not at that time or since fier any Guns, as I once thought to have don; thinking it might rather drive them from us than bring them in, as they would Readily think we had discovered them, & so might fier to alaram our People. And although I told your honnor when at Boston, I thought they might be brought in by fiering Som Great Guns, yet I now think they will not be brought in here this fall, by any Signal that I can make being as I imagine gon of to Cannada; but should they com in shall immediately aquaint your honnor of it; am inclined to think the Penobscots were concerned in the Late mischiefs don here, have nothing farther to add but

Subscribe myself [&c] Jabez Bradbury

Georges October 24th 1755.

Action of House against Penobscots.

In the House of Representatives Nov. 1. 1755.

Forasmuch as upon the Refusal of the Indians of the Penobscut Tribe to take up arms & to act offensively with us agains't the Arrasagunticook & Tribes of Indians that have been declared Enemies Rebels & Traitors to His most sacred Majesty, as by the Treaties subsisting between us & the said Penobscut Indians they were obliged to do; and upon divers Hostilities lately committed them. This House have desired His Honour the Lieut Governour & Commander in Chief — to declare them Enemies & Rebels; Therefore Voted That upon such Declaration being made & published — the same Bounty & Encouragement be given & paid out of the Publick Treasury, for every Penobscut Indian Prisoner that shall be brought in to Boston, & for every Scalp of a Penobscot Indian that shall be killed as have been allowed by this Court for those of the other Tribes before mentioned; and that all Persons who may go forth or be engaged against the said Penobscuts, be under the same Regulations as have been Ordered in relation to such as should go forth against the other Tribes. —

Sent up for Concurrence. T. Hubbard Spk'

In Council, Nov. 1. 1755 Read & Concur'd

Tho^s Clarke Dep^y Sec'y

Consented to S Phips. —

Proclamation S. Phips.

By his Honour Spencer Phips Esq^r Lieutenant Gov^r and Commander in Chief in and over his Majestys Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England.

A Proclamation.

Whereas the Tribe of Penobscot Indians have repeatedly in a perfidious manner acted contrary to their Solemn Submission unto his Majesty long since made and frequently renewed.

I have therefore at the desire of the House of Representatives with the Advice of his Majestys Council thought fit to issue this Proclamation and to declare the Penobscot Tribe of Indians to be Enemies, Rebels and Traitors to his Majesty King George the Second. And I do hereby require his Majestys Subjects of this Province to Embrace all opportunities of pursuing captivating killing and Destroying all and every of the aforesaid Indians.

And whereas the General Court of this Province have Voted that a bounty or Incouragement be granted and allowed to be paid out of the public Treasury to the Marching Forces that shall have been employed for the Defence of the Eastern and Western Frontiers from the first to the twenty fifth of this Instant November—I have thought fit to publish the same and I do hereby Promise that there shall be paid out of the Province Treasury to all and any of the said Forces over and above their Bounty upon inlistment, their Wages and Subsistance the Premiums or Bounty following viz.

For every Male Penobscot Indian above the Age of twelve years that shall be taken within the Time aforesaid and brought to Boston Fifty Pounds.

For every Scalp of a Male Penobscot Indian above the age aforesaid brought in as Evidence of their being killed as aforesaid Forty Pounds.

For every Feemale Penobscot Indian taken and brought in as aforesaid and for Every Male Indian Prisoner under the Age of twelve Years taken and brought in as aforesaid Twenty five Pounds.

For every Scalp of such Female Indian or Male Indian under the Age of twelve Years that Shall be killed and brought in as Evidence of their being killed as aforesaid Twenty Pounds.

Given at the Council Chamber in Boston this third day of November 1755 and in the twenty ninth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the second by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith.

By his Honours Command

S. Phips.

J. Willard Secry

God save the King.

In House of Represent^s June 10, 1756.

Resolved That there shall be allowed and paid out of the Public Treasury to any Number of the Inhabitants of this Province, not in the pay of the Government, Who shall be disposed to go in quest of the Indian Enemy, & shall before they go signify in Writing to the Chief Military Officer of Y^t part of the Province from which they shall go, their Intentions, with their names the following Bounty viz^t For every Indian Enemy that they shall kill and produce the Scalp to the Gov^r & Council in Evidence, the Sum of three hundred Pounds.

For Every Indian Enemy they shall Captivate & deliver to the Governor & council, the Sum of Three hundred and Twenty Pounds.

Also, — Voted, That the same allowance be made to private Persons who shall captivate or kill any of the Indian Enemy which is made to soldiers on the Frontiers of the Province.

The foregoing establishment to be for the Space of Twelve Months from this Time, provided the war shall Continue so long. —

Concurred in Council. — Consented to S. Phips

Journal of Samuel Goodwin.

“To His Honour Spencer Phips Esq^r L^t Gov.” &c. ***
 “agreable to His Excellencys W^m Shirleys order” “I inlisted my Company and don the Duty as seet forth in my Journal, and shall Every Do as Directed to the utmost of my Power”
 —&c— Samuel Goodwin.

His Journal,—Extracts &c—

1756 March 18 to Dec^r 8—Service on East Side of Kennebec River.

Enlisted his men chiefly in Cambridge & Boston: there provided supplies, secured vessel to transport men and stores to Frankfort. Particulars of voyage, reached Fort Shirley Apr. 12. Guarded at various times province stores transported by boats to Fort Halifax, and aiding in the work, at Capt. Lithgow’s request; acted in concert with Capt. Nikels, —and marched east to the Sheepscoot, and Damariscotta. May 10th “alarms fired I answered then by firing two cannon”. May 18th “had account of y^e Indians Discovered themselves at Broadbay which Ocation the Alarms at Pemaquid &c” — 21st Capt Joshua Freeman with 36 men from S^t Georges came; “gave acco^t that the Indians was seen there most every day”. 26th “this day I took my whaleboat & went to see what y^e ocation of y^e alarmens and heard that the Indians had fired on a man in a boat in Cathance river but he escaped.”

June 1-5 marched to Damariscotta River.

June 13 "having acco^{tt} that the Indians had Don Damage up Kennebeck river we fired an alarm with the cannon".

June 21: Upon Gov's order, detached fourteen of his men to go to Brunswick and march from fort George to Maquoit.

July 9: one of his men nearly bled to death, caused by a severe cut on his foot with an ax. On 10th sent boat & 6 men for Dr Coffin at Falmouth.

16th "all my men on Duty 7 at Broadbay 14 at Brunswick 7 sick & lame 12 amarching 6 in y^e boat to Casco Bay."

"Sabath Day y^e 3^d Ins^t [October].

I detached a party to guard the reverend Mr William McClenachan down the River Kennebeck to preach at Georgetown."—

10th Rev. McClenachon preached at Richmond: "we attended."—12th and subsequently, a part of his force marching on west of river. 19th: at Richmond, "had malencholly news of the Reverend Mr William McClenachon's Eldest son John McClen-a-chon's Brains beat out By firing a gun it Killed him instantly he was in a float in the Eastern River sent and fetched him home"— 20th "Preparing to "Bury him."—"Thursday y^e 21 Day of October 1756"—

"I Detached a party to assist in Burying him said John McClenachon Carried him to Georgetown."— 24th—"Rev. McClenachen preached at Richmond, a General attendance."

30th a guard to Rev. McClanachon "to preach at Georgetown, which is Every other Sabath."—

Oct 9th Capt. Sanders with province Stores in Sloop Massachusetts, and insisted on having a guard and assistance in transporting the Stores to Fort Halifax. Capt Goodwin put a guard on the sloop and others with his boat were sent to Capt Lithgow, for his aid also.—

22nd Dismissed his company—those not dismissed on 9th Sails from Swan Island for Boston,

24th Nov. Recites particulars of the voyage,—slow and perilous by reason of severe storm, and snow— Waited on the Governor with his report of service December 8, 1756.— To His Honour &c— “Humbly Sheweth that this is the Last of my Journal to my arival in Boston & a final Discharge of all my men—[one, Maurice Jones—probably his clerk continuing with him after disbanding] and I have endeavored to Do my Duty to the utmost of my power and hope it will be agreeable to your Honour and the Honourable General Court and I begg leave to Subscribe my selfe your Honours most Dutifull most Obediant and Very Humble Sarvent

Samuel Goodwin

Journal of Capt. Elaxander Nickols In

Brief mention of several marches Apr.-Oct. 1756.—at different times had 11, 12, 15, 18, 24 men—No incidents.

Extract from Information given by a French prisoner at Fort W. Henry July 16, 1756. “They give the Indians 60 Livres for an English scalp & 50 French Crown for a Prisoner.” Robert Rogers autograph

Journal of James Cargill.

an Expedition up Kennebec River. August, 1756.

Set out 11th: reached Fort Halifax 14th on 18th at about eighteen miles above the Fort discovered new work of Indians, and “heard like men’s feet on Shoar”, but in morning found no new work: 22nd reached Norridgewoek. Next day canoe overturned, bread spoiled, his men would go no further; returned homeward and on the way running some fall overturned and injured canoe and lost articles: hid one canoe till

the next trip. On return, reached Fort Halifax on 15th Sept.—advanced making careful examination on both Sides the river. On 29th found where three Indians had been two or three days before;

Oct 1, two of his men sent out had turned to catching beaver and would go no further; two others also refused: Examined Wesserunsett river. On 11th saw signs of Indians; 19 heard two guns fired; endeavored to waylay these Indians but failed and by signs learned they were but two: reached a stream which ran into Penobscot river,—then such ponds and swamps, that discouraged they turned towards home

George Berry to Phipps.

Falmouth 31st July 1756.

May it please y^r Hon^r

Agreeable to my Orders from his Excellency Governour Shirley, would acquaint y^r Honour that about three Weeks past a Party of Indians were discovered in the Borders of this Township, a Detachment of my Company being near by, upon Notice thereof divided immediately into small Scouts, one of which rushed upon the Spot where they were Seen, Others waylay'd them in the most likely Places to meet with them in their Retreat, but they some how or other perceived the Scouts Motion (tho' they acted with as much Secrecy as possible) & got off without their meeting with them. Since which there has been no Discovery or News of any—

I some time since petitioned y^r Hon^r and the General Court for two Whale Boats in Order to penetrate backe into the Country, & have heard they were allow'd, but have not yet rec^d them. I have heretofore wrote your Honour, that I have not rec^d y^e Bounty Money for my Company consisting of 60 Men, & as the Men are most of them in poor Circumstances &

their Families almost suffering for Want of it must beseech y^r Honour to give Orders that it may be sent down by Cap^t Ephraim Jones the Bearer hereof, who will give any Security for Delivering the same that may be required.

I am y^e Hon^{rs} most Obed^t Humble Serv^t

George Berry

Petition Herrington and Pemaquid.

To the Honourable Spencer Phips Esq. Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief In and over his Majesty's Province of Massachusetts Bay, To the Honourable Council and Gentlemen of the house of Representatives.

The Petition of the Inhabitants of Herrington and Pemaquid—Humbly Sheweth That whereas there is a Fort at Pemaquid for the security of that of his Majesty's Dominion, and of his Subjects that Dwell in those parts, We the subscribers Inhabitants Humbly set before you the state and position of the Fort and of the Captain of the Forts Proceedings, and Desire your Righting those grievances, Here follows our Complaints,

We understand that you have furnished the s^d Fort with twenty men for the Reasons before mentioned. Whereas at the same time there is neither Guard nor Centinal for Months By Day and Doubtful if any by night By Reason there hath been Calls at the Gate an no Answer, and as to what are Called Soldiers there are some on An Island at a Considerable Distance Cutting Wood for the Cap^t for market, others in his Schooners a fishing others his Son a Negro Boy &c. And as for any that are left in the fort they are Commonly so Disguised with Liquor as to be incapable of any Duty as we understand. Some of them hath been so overcome with Liquor being Supply'd by the Capt. as to fall and

Lay in the Snow a Cold winters Night and by all Likelyhood would have perished had not one of the Inhabitants Been Informed of it and Tackled his Ox Slead and picked them up and Carry'd them to his house rubbed and warmed Them to bring them too—The Whale Boat furnished By the Government for use as Occasion Should Call is this Winter sent to an Island with the Soldiers to cut Wood for the Captⁿ for market And the many so Employed Eat the Country's Bread and the Capt. Receives their pay; The Boat froz up And Left the people going over the Ise and back by Land for provision. Some of the Inhabitants Requesting to have a room, or a place to build a Room in the fort were Utterly Deny'd when at the same time one room is a horse Stable another a sheep house another a room for waving As we are in such Jeopardy of our Lives on account of having no place of Safety to flee too, In the way that the fort is kept, and our Danger is so great as the French and Indians are so numerous and our selves so Expos'd— We your Petitioners Humbly pray that you In your Great Wisdom Would Take it into your Wise Considerations And furnish the fort with such a Capt. as may be faithful to trust and a Security to the Inhabitants— And we shall as in Duty Bound for Ever pray—

N. B. What is above Said We the Subscribers Can Sufficiently prove If you would Call Lieuten^t Rogers, Edmond Rand John McFarling Sen^r— February y^e 6th 1757.

John Hutchings
James Sproul
Morgan Caffrey
Timothy **X** Oneil
Robert Sprouel
James **X** Young

Thomas Caldwell
William Sproule
James Clark
Robert Savorys
Elisha Clark
Simon Eliot

In the House of Rep^{ves} April 2, 1757.

Read and in Answer Ordered that His Hon^r the Lieut Gov^r be desired to send for John North the Commanding Officer at Pemaquid Fort to appear at Boston on the Second fryday of the next May Session to give answer to the several Complaints against him within mentioned with respect to his Male Administration.

And that Leiut Partrick Rogers Edmund Rand Morgan Caffrey and John M^cfarland be likewise Ordered to appear at the time aforesaid to support the Allegations

[Concurred.]—

Ebenezer Hall of Lawfull Age Testifie & Saith that in the Latter end of the year 1754, Captⁿ John North Hired me for that Winter; Being late in the Year (to the best of my remembrance) I helped to get wood home for the fort, when ordered; And I always found s^d Cap: North a Just Honest Man in all his Dealings with me Given under my hand this 22^d Day of April 1757—

Ebenezer Hall.

York ss

Pemaquid April 22^d 1757.—

Ebenezer Hall, made Solemn Oath to the truth of the above Deposition subscribed by him. Before me

John North Jus. Peace

Present Boyce Cooper.—

Bradbury to Governor.

S^t Georges February 22^d 1757

May it Please your Honnor

This day Came here two of the Penobscots and from a number of thier tribe, as Assung Wambewesoo & others, desired thlis their inclos^d Letter might be Sent to your Honnor, they have in Som measuer Confirmed the Late account we

had of thier having sufferd much by the Small Pox which Came amongst them in goods from Cannada. I askt after about twenty or twenty two of thier men, by name, fourteen of which they told me were dead, Some of them men of note amongst them, as Endawakenk Squadook, Cosemea, two of Lorans Sons, and one of Squdooks and a great many women & Children,

Whether thier Letter is worth your Hnnors regard or not, is not for me to determine, though they seem to be in Earnest. I conclude by Subscribing my Self your Honnors most obedient Humble Serv^t

Jabez Bradbury

[Indian's Letter] —

The reason for which I came is for Good. Our desire is to live in love as formerly we used to do, for what is the reason we should not want that which is good, for it was not we that were the occasion of any breaking of Friendship formerly: and if any other Indians come to annoy you we will timely Inform you of it, The old men in Penobscutt Salute the Governor in Boston. The messenger that Indited the above was called Sabadies and says those that sent him expects your Honours answer

S^t Georges 22^d Febr^y 1757.

To the Hon^{le} Spencer Phipps Esq^r

Phipps to Bradbury.

Boston, 16 March 1757.

Capt. Bradbury

Sir. I have your Letter of 22nd February which came to hand two days since. The General Court is to meet the 30th

Instant when I shall communicate the Contents together with that from the Indians accompanying it to the two Houses — I do not see how it is possible in the present Situation of our own Affairs to permit the Indians to come in & Trade with us as usual: if they would come and live amongst us during the continuance of the War, it is probable the Court would make Some Provision for their Support: & if they sh^d make any proposals of this Kind I would have you send the proposals to me. Or if they incline to return to their Friends I would have you caution them of the danger they may be in from our Scouts, and I know of no way to prevent it. If a small party was to guard them to any distance where they apprehend themselves to be safe; there might be danger of our Mens falling into a Snare and being cutt off so that it is difficult for me to direct to any measures for the Safety of the Indians: but I hope you will take the most prudent measures you can, that they may not be cut off upon their Return; when they seem to have come in upon a friendly design. I am Sir Your humble Servant

S. Phips.

Petition of Joshua Bradford.

[To Governor, Council & House, in form.]

The humble petition of Joshua Bradford in behalf of himself and others the Inhabitants of Madumcook humbly Sheweth—

That Whereas many of the places Eastward are furnish'd with Companys of Soldiers for their protection we are Intirely without and much Expos'd to the merciless Indians. As the Summer past Sundry men were Cutt of and a Schooner burnt within Seven miles of us, and the Indians can in two or three hours be amongst us from the places they

much frequent as their Smokes were seen and their Gunns heard at Sundry times the year past which keeps in such Jeopardy that we are not able to persue our buisness and hath Drove us to an Almost Starving condition and fear that without Speedy help we shall be oblidg'd to quit our lands.

We therefore humbly pray that you would take it into Your wise Consideration and furnish us with such a commander as may persue and Drive or Destroy our Enemy, that we may be able to furnish our almost famish'd familys.

And as there are Sundry Companys already allow'd to other places Either to furnish men from them or others as in your Wisdom's may seem most fitt and your petitioners as in Duty bound shall Ever Pray—

Joshua Bradford

Madumcook March the 10th 1757.

In House of Reps^{rs} April 12, 1757

Ordered that Ten of the Inhabitants of Medumcook be put into the pay & subsistence of the Gov^t under the care of a Sargant, agreeable to the establishment for the Defence of the Eⁿ & Wⁿ Frontiers.—

Letter S. Phips.

Gentlemen of the Council and House of Representatives —

Since the Adjournment of the Court I have received Advice from Capⁿ Bradbury that two of the Penobscot Indians have been in at the Fort at S^t Georges River; and they have by a Letter to me from thence signified the desire of that Tribe to live in Friendship with us as formerly. It seems by the account they gave to Capⁿ Bradbury that their numbers are very much lessened by the Small pox which has lately prevailed amongst them: if those which are left

should be willing to come in, and live among Us during the War, I am of opinion that would be the only way wherein they could be safe, or we secure of their Friendship. I think however that it behoves Us in some way or other to avail Ourselves of their present Temper and Circumstances.

The Secretary will lay before you the Proceedings of the Lieu' Gov' & Council in consequence of the several Letters, which I have received during your Recess from his Excell' the Earl of Londoun, Major General Abercromby, and Major General Webb, relative to the Operations of the Ensuing Campaign; and I doubt not you will readily acquiesce in all such Measures as his Majestys Service render necessary, and afford your Help and Assistance as Occasion may require.

S. Phips.

Cambridge 31 March 1757.

Journal of James Cargill.

April-May, 1757.

Scouting in Penobscot bay and Vicinity.—

Set out 18th at Abbenecook 19th Pemaquid 20th 21st to Miscongus: sailed for the Georges, camped on an island; 22nd heard five guns, & next day—stormy—two more; little before night saw a Canoe coming right for the island, having three Indians: two came on shore and near us, “we started up and called quarters to them but when they heard us they Reased a wild cry and run and we Shot on them and killed them Both Dead.” The other paddled off, but was shot and fell and over set the canoe. They scalped the two, and sought the third & the guns, but as two canoes and Six Indians came in sight and towards them, they concealed themselves. Next day saw more on the island, and after dark in

fear stood away for Meduncook. There got a boat and help of five more men to hunt for the dead Indian and the guns; gave chase to two canoes, but by the fog shutting in lost them beyond a point; could not find the guns, as Indians had taken all away.

On 28th went to Georges: the Officers thought the Indians previously met were Tossepeses scout, that they heard was out to do mischief.

Again set out on 30th from S^t Georges—passed Tennants Harbor, camped at mouth of little river south of Mount Betty, signs of Indians recently there, found a Canoe,—perhaps the one the Indian was shot in; again camped on an island southward of “Caprosher,”—next morning saw canoe with three Indians standing in to the head of “Edgeamoggan Reach,” went that way could discover nothing; in a bay heading towards “Mountdisart,” saw an Indian on shore, nine of us went ashore, searching,—three remained in care of the boat,—heard him run past in thick woods;—as we were discovered, useless to go further,—so before daylight on the 5th (May) returned: on the way a heavily loaded gun was discharged in the boat,—slightly wounding Archibald Robeson, cutting thro’ a thwart, a water-vessel,—bursting a powder-horn holding a pound of powder right under Hance Robeson;—tarried on account of high wind, on one of the Fox Islands, reached S^t George on the 6th and home 13th

James Cargill.

Sworn to—May 28th—

Journal of Scouting in Vicinity of S^t George.

Journal of Scouting in Vicinity of S^t George.

May 31.—Marched with 25 men from the mill Garrison, 3 miles E. N. E. found Indian tracks three times.

June 1.—Man & Woman on western side of Madamuck Falls, frightened by noise in woods and the actions of their dog; went with 12 men, no discovery.

3rd Marched, 18 men.—down to lower part of the bay, to look for cattle: at lower Garrison met Georges and fforth Comp^{nys} both bound to Frankfort;—

4th went with 18 men to middle garrison, left 4 to guard a Settler making fence near woods: east of river watch surprised by noise in the woods—breaking of dry sticks,—“Three Wooman and a Man” went to their lots above the falls,—first 70 rods from mill garrison;—noise of dog caused discovery of Indian behind fence in gunshot,—woman ran screaming, hid in her cellar, but could see four Indians run to the shore. I went with 15 men,—found the woman in the Cellar “almost Death”;—told, the Indians returned to the house, she supposed to kill her. I went to lower garrison, fired an alarm, called in the men at work.

5th Went with the escaped women to their house for necessary articles;—found cattle higher up Madamuck river, presumed driven together by Indians to trap the people.

6th A settler had 8 men to guard at his work; were frightened by a rushing thro the brook,—returned to Garrison: settlers making fence next lot to garrison had guard of 7 men; three went to brook for water, surprised by something creeping beyond the brook,—espied two Indians, having but one loaded gun they returned to the guard, who felt too weak to follow the Enemy.

7th Rain,—guarded coasters.—Afternoon, Georges company returned: told of 30 canoes landed at the Old Head,—and 2 Indians Killed & Scalped by Cap^t Low. Capt. Kent came with province Stores which were landed that night.—

8th to the lower garrison,—guarded men hauling out Wood for Capt. Kent: Heard a gun at N. E, but could not leave the guard:—at 4 ^o_c informed a woman was Killed, east

side of Narrows,—too far to reach before dark by land; went with Sloop and 20 men; found man at edge of wood,—woman at house, shot Scalped, Stabbed and Mengelt* in a Cruill and barbarous manner, the ax lying by the man, and the Indian Hatchet left in the Womans Skull; 2 of 5 guns in the house were taken & a Cutlass, man stripped, clothing & money taken Chest broken open; no Ammunition taken, tho a good deal in the house; a sick son was in the house, Indian came, set his gun to sick man's breast, missed fire,—woman seized the Indian, & pushed out of the door & shut it, then he fired thro a crack & killed her; son lay hid in cellar three hours and escaped—

9th a guard of 14 men for Capt. Kent. All night Enemy had been about the garrison mocking the Watch,—the Dogs making great noise.

Closes abruptly:—No signature; and no conjecture of the writer in index.—

Journal of Capt. Israel Herrick.

Scouting between Androscoggin and Kennebec Rivers, May-July, 1757.

May 12, 1757: Marched from Boxford to Bradford; 13th with party of men from Bradford & Andover proceeded on my march Eastward. His Lieut. was Foster. At Brunswick May 21, His various marches reached Cathance, Abagadasset.—Richmond, "Ammarscoggin" river, up Kennebec river,—Merrymeeting,—Muddy river;—detachments to Mair point, and "Mequaite."— No incidents, no discovery nor alarms of Indians; guards for people haying or at the mills.—

Ends July 30.

Signed Israel Herrick

* Mangled.

Journal of Capt. Joshua Freeman.

(and Lieu^t Joseph Robinson) Scouting at S^t Georges and Vicinity and to Frankfort.—May-Oct. 1757.

Commissioned Apr. 22. Reached S^t Georges May 6.—May 12, Visited Burton's and Henderson's garrisons, for an inspection. Went to Broadbay.—

16th Early morning,—on hill north of fort, 50 rods distant appeared a company of Indians with white flag. Capt. Bradbury and others held discourse with 8 of them near the fort,—three remaining on the hill; and 9 others $\frac{1}{2}$ mile distant. About 3 p. m. Indians departed.

Soon some of his men asked leave to follow them, but he forbad, commanding to let them go peacefully. But guards abroad did follow, found an Indian asleep in the road, brought him to the block house,—the others out of sight, and no flag to be seen. The men insisted he was properly a prisoner and should be sent to Boston. By Capt. H's persuasions the fellow was released. Then he said he was afraid to go,—as he was alone & the rest must have reached Owl's Head. Later—an Indian—Neptune,—came with a flag,—and took the man away— Neptune told,—as Capt Killpatrick informed,—there were 26 in their Company and 30 more Expected in the morning, but would probably be stopped, as there could be no trade,—Then Expected Indians would do what Damage they could, as they had not agreed to the proposals of the Government.

My men were very Earnest to go—a party of Ten or Twenty—to learn if such a body was near; consented, with order to report to block-house if any Indians were discovered, then rest of us would join them for an attack before they did any harm. Eighteen went,—about 10 ^o_c (Eve). At 11 ^o_c returned with one Scalp; had discovered Indians near the road, fired on them, and received their fire,—huzzas and yells in the darkness,—thus ambushed “quit the fray,”—one

slight wound as one man's gun was broken in his hand by a bullet.— 17th new party sent,—fired on three Indians without known effect; found seven guns, beaver, some feathers; in p. m. found another gun: went to Pleasant point to send account to Boston by Capt Rotch, ready to sail.

25th Came two Indians with flag, in behalf of two parties to make proposals to the government; said they knew not of any damage the English had done the Indians; would come again in three days.

Sat. 28th Informed from Broad Bay, Indians had killed & Scalped a man between Livnor's and Woolmore's garrisons.—29th Sent out 25 men, but no discovery. June 3rd to 7th Scouts to Broadbay, Frankfort, Wiscasset, Sheepscot and Damariscotta.—

8th Learned that five Indians the night before had attacked house of one Elwell at Mundumcook, but were beaten off—9th Sent part of my men thither. 12th sent twelve to Mundum Cook to guard Capt Rotch while loading for Boston.

14th Repaired Henderson's garrison.

15th David Patterson, John McCarter, John Kellock Moses and Haunce Robinson set out for York on summons in the case of Cargill. 20th to 30th various marches. In July, the same and guarding the people at their haying. Aug. 2. With Eleven men set out for Fort Halifax to aid about the Stores; at Fort Western, Capt Lithgow dismiss me only needing six of my men, who were detained near four wks.

No events, no discovery of Indians, only constant Scouting to various points, in the remainder of the journal.

Ends at Oct. 30.

Signed, Joshua Freeman, Joseph Robinson.

Sworn to by Jo^s Robinson in Boston Nov. 28, 1757.

Vol. 38 A. pp. 303-4—Has further report by Capt. Freeman,—Sept 7 to Oct. 31, 1758.—No incidents of value. Reports come to him of Indians seen, he finds none.

*Francis Foxcroft to Bradbury.*Boston 2^d May 1757.Cap^t Bradbury

Sir, It appears by a L^r of the 15th April from M^r Burton at S^t Georges, that he Expected the Penobscots in again at that Fort. The Council would have you transmit their Proposal by first Opportunity; But in as much as the Council are of Opinion, that neither we nor they can be secure unless we live together, you must not encourage them to expect any favour from this Gov^t upon any other terms: And you must warn them of the Danger they are exposed to by coming in as they do, for our Scouts may possibly meet wth them and not discover their Flag of Truce, & so do them a Mischief. It is best for you to be upon Guard, lest you should be surprised by the Enemy. And in case you should receive any fresh Intelligence of their Designs you sh^d send Notice thereof to such Places as may be more immediately exposed to danger so far as you are able: & when you write to the Gov^t on any such Occasion, you sh^d let them know how far you have sent your Advices, that they may take their Measures accordingly in Sending their Expresses to notify the Inhabitants of other Places, which your Intelligence shall not extend to.

By order of the Council

Fra^s Foxcroft.*Bradbury to Council.*

May it please your Honours

I told the Indians more than once the terms on which the Government would receive them as friends, and the reasons why they could not receive them otherway, viz^t That neither we nor they could be safe on any other terms. They said it

was true, Nevertheless they insist on having further Conference with the Government tho' one of them said it would be to no purpose to come in with a flagg from time to time; I told them that also was true; but they insisted on having an answer to their inclosed Letter, and that they would be in again to hear what the Government would say farther to them — I can say nothing more to them than what I have already said unless I tell them never to appear here again with a flag of truce, which is what I shall tell them if they come again: except I am ordered to do otherways by the Gover^t There do indeed seem to be an inconsistency in their letter, they say if there a peace between us and them it might be soon spoiled, but at the close of their letter say if we should come to an agreement, nothing would be able to break it meaning as they said the french would never be able to do it and said that they did not break with us, but their people being killed at the owls head-bay, had scattered them when two of their men were at Boston — I conclude — —

Jabez Bradbury

S^t Georges May 16th 1757.

Indian Letter.

We like well what the Governor hath wrote to us, for it is true we cannot come in and out with safety — We know if it was peace it would or might be soon spoiled, we shall stay where we are, for it is all one as being with the English to stay in our own River — Indians are not very wise and some of our Young men are rogueish; and our Dogs are not under command and may destroy some of the English's Creatures which would breed bad blood amongst them — We are close by we can come and go in one day. There is a good many of us here and if the Governor had called any of us to talk

with him some of us would have gone but as he had not we decline going up. If we should now come to an agreement nothing on our part would break friendship again. we salute the gentlemen of the Council with our whole hearts —

Sir Subsc^r Pear, Neptune, Sabadies

S^t Georges May 16th 1757

Order of Gen^l Court.

In the House of Representatives, May 28. 1757 ---

It was Voted — to pay to

“Any number of the Inhabitants of this Province not in the pay of the Government who shall be disposed to go in quest of the Indian Enemy and shall before they go signify in writing to some Military Officer (not below the degree of a Captain) in that part of the Province from which they shall go, their Intention, with their names, —

the following Bounty. — Viz —

1. For every Indian Enemy which they shall kill and produce the Scalp in evidence £300. —
2. For every Indian Enemy captivated and delivered up — £320. —

The Chief Officer of such party shall keep a Journal of their Proceeding —

3. Also there shall be “paid to every private Person, being an Inhabitant of the Province or Soldier in the pay of this Government on the Eastern or Western Frontiers, who shall Captivate any Indian Enemy, any where between the Province of New York & Nova Scotia, & deliver such captive to the Governor and Council £50 for each Captive.” —

“And to Every Inhabitant or Soldier in pay of the Government who shall kill any of the Indian Enemy within the

Limits aforesaid, & produce the Scalp to the Governor & Council, the Sum of £40 for each scalp —

The foregoing bounties for Captives & Scalps shall be allowed for the Space of one year from the 10th of June & no longer — ”

[Passed June 1, 1757]

Petition of Heseekiah Purinton.

* * * Address * * *

The humble petition of Heseekiah Purinton of Brunswick in the County of York, humbly sheweth that your petitioner with five others ware taken prisoners at Brunswick aforesaid by the Indians in the month of July 1751, and carried by them a prisoner to Canada and was sold by my Indian marster to my Monnser Sharro at Quebeck and after tarying with him about six weaks he considering my bodily Indisposition was so kind as to frely give me my freedom sartified under his hand upon which I together with about upwards of twenty more prisners was transported from Quebeck to Luisburg and being Examined by my pars and having nothing to show but my clearance from my marster it was suggested that that might be a forgery and determind that I must stay there until they cold send to Canada to se if it was Jenuine upon which Capt Josiah beal who was then at Luisburg became bound for me that so upon Inquiry It appeared that my clearance from my marster was a falasity that he would pay the sum mentioned In said Clearance which was one hundred and fifty Livers which sum the said beal has since ben obliged to pay and have and that Justly demanded the same of me and as I am not able to pay the gentleman and as the government was pleased in their grate goodness to

pay the ransom of others that ware taken captive with me."—
So asks compassionate regard and grant of the sum to reimburse the person who was so kind as to pay for him. * * *

Hesekiah purinton

Brunswick, June 15, 1757—

Joshua Freeman to Council.

S^t Georges July 8: 1757

Gentlemen —

May it Please your Honnours; I am blam'd by many that I have not as yet Sent up the Indian Sculp My people got Som time Ago; I expected you would have or have had various Accounts of the affairs Choosing if I mought be permitted to Carry it up my Self with what Evidence that was Necessary for Proof about the Same That I Mought give y^r Honnors a perticular Account of the Transaction of the day before; as well as of the Sircumstances of the matter in the night in which it was Obtained. And if it would be Consistant with y^{or} Honnors Pleasure; that I mought Come up to Boston soon; Should take it as a favour; Am Gentlemen your Honnour Most Obedient and very humble Serv^t

Joshua Freeman

Letter Joshua Treat.

To the Honnorable his Majestys Counsell for the Province of the Massachusetts Bay.

On Munday Morning the 16th of May Last, Capt Bradbury had a Conference wit^h a Company of Indians Consisting of Eleven belonging to the Tribes of Penobscut and S^t John's and after they had don Conferring together And had taken down the Indian Storey to the Government Taking

Leave of one Another between Eight and Nine of the Clock, A. M: they went of from the Fort being desired by Capt. Bradbury to make the best of their way of; About Six or Eight Hours after An Indian named Neptune Came back to the Fort with a Flagg S^d Indian was one of the Chief of the S^t John's Tribe and was Spokesman for his Company who gave An Account that there was Twenty Six in their Company and Thirty more would be in in the morning but as there was no Trading to be had they should Stop them and Said our People had best not to Come out or after them for that if they did the Indians mought do them Dammage he allso Said that there was an Hundred more Cannady Indians at Penobscut Capt Fletcher ask'd him where they was a going The Indian Said that they were Comeing to take the Fort And that we Should all be their Prisoners by and by. Neptune then ask'd Capt Bradbury for Som Provisions he told him that he Could not let him have any; Upon which the s^d Neptune took up his Flagg seemingly in Great Anger And Went of; when he had got about Fifty Rods of from the Fort he Tore his Flagg of from the Staff Broke the Same in pieces and Flung it away from him The above is what I am Ready if Called to Swear to

Joshua Treat —

S^t Georges July 27: 1757.

The Memorial of William Ross.

[To the Governor, &c. * * * assembled Dec. 30, 1757]

The Memorial of William Ross in behalf of himself & his two sons John & Robert Ross most humbly Sheweth—

That He & his Two Sons being at work in the Field on his Lands at Sheepscott on May 20th 1755 were taken by four

Norridgewalk & two Penobscot Indians, and by them carried to Quebeck, and there sold for Slaves, at the rate of 250 livres each, for which He & his Eldest Son were obliged to serve two years in order to discharge said sum but for the Redemption of his Youngest Son he was obliged to the Generosity of Coll. Peter Schuyler who advanced the sum of 250 livres for which he gave his note to repay him again, On the 20th July last they were sent in a Flag of Truce from Quebeck to England, from thence to Ireland, and from thence to New York, and from New York they came by Land to Boston.—

Your Memorialist and Eldest Son have had the Misfortune to be captivated some years since & is himself but infirm, & came & has a Wife and four other children * * * and these repeated misfortunes render him very unable to discharge his Obligation to Coll: Schuyler, and therefore humbly hopes for the Compassion of this Hon^d Court under his present destitute Circumstances, and earnestly prays that they would in their great Goodness enable him to discharge the sum advanced by Coll: Schuyler for the Redemption of his Youngest Son, which he shall thankfully Acknowledge, and as in duty bound shall ever pray &c.

William Ross

In the House, Jan. 4, 1758.

Ordered the payment to him of £15.—and also 20^s for his expenses home.—

Joshua Freeman's Report.

Block House at S^t George's May 16, 1758

Early in the morning upon a Hill to the Northward of the Fort about Fourty or 50 Rod there appeared a white Flag

with a Company of Indians, Capt Bradbary Hoisted Another, upon which I went over to the Fort, a few rods of Capt Bradbary Mr. Fletcher and the Intarpreter was discoursing with Eight Indians, there being three more on the hill with the flag. Som of our people gave an Account that they saw nine more back of lime Stone hill which is about one quarter of a mile from the block house, And by what I understood that is as I took it they were giving the Indians an Account of our Company or Scouts that ware out; I heard Capt Bradbary say up Kennebeck River And then he made sighns with his hand this way and that way And the other way but what he Said I could not tell Excepting Kenebeck, Mr. Fletcher at the same time seem'd to be verry full in giving An Account but what I dont know Excepting Kenebeck, as Fletcher was a Talking there was Mention made of a Schooner, Capt Bradbary ask'd Fletcher what Schooner he was giving an account of or men mentioning about. Fletcher told him it was the Schooner that was Fixt out from Casco Bay to go down East after the Indians, I then ask'd Capt Bradbary whether he understood by the Indians that they would come in upon the purposals the Goverment had made, he said that they would not, I told him I thought he was much out of the way to give the Indians an Account of our proceedings Against them and open our Selves to them, as long as there was no hopes of their Comeing in in a friendly manner, he said he had orders from the Government so to do (or words to that purpose) Upon my Expressing my Self Something in a heat on the affair they made a full Stop and Presently Mr. Fletcher left the Company and went towards the Fort. I followed him and Told him of the bad Consequences there mought be in giveing the Indians An Account of the Schooner that was Fixt out from Casco Bay after the Indians, he said Capt. Bradbary had orders for what was said to them.—

Joshua Freeman

[A continuation]

Some time in the after noon of the 16th of May A. D. 1757 before the Indian My People had Taken and Brought in was dismiss'd Capt. Bradbarry being then over at the Block House I Told him that as Som boddy had given an Account to the Indians (That Farnsworth and others was that morn-ing gone out a hunting) I should send out part of my Com-pany the Night following to watch the Indians Motions And desired him to urge that Indian to go of And Tell the other Indians if there was Any loytering about to go of Clear—

The next morning I went over to Capt Bradbury with a letter I had wrote to the Government And Read it to him as he lay in his Bead And then Said to him S^r I think you Can-not find any fault with my Proceedings in the affair, he said I was to blame Sending out my men Sooner then what I told him for I told him I should not Send my men out till Towards day and that I had Sent them out about Ten a Clock, I told him that upon having an Account what the last Indian named Neptune said when he came in with his Flagge a little before night And the manner of his Going of Gave me Just Grounds to send out when I did; he seem'd to be Angry and Said my People had made them drunk and then went out and kil'd one of them I Told him I knew nothing of any body's Tradeing with them but had given Strict orders to my people not to have Any Concerns with them, And did no ways think nor mistrust but that the Indians was all gone intyerly of Unless they Stop't with an Intent to do Damage, being Ocationally over to the Fort Capt Bradbary Again Reflected upon me that My Company had made the Indians drunk and then like a parcell of Stout fellows went out and Kill'd one, when I Returned to the Block House I was Telling the affair of what Capt Bradbary said, A son of mine named Reuben Standing by said he wondered Capt Bradbary should Reflect so much upon our Company Trade-

ing with the Indians when they Came in with the Flagg for that he was upon the Hill with the Indians where they had a Considerable quantity of Beavoar allmost the whole of the time they ware there; that he saw an Indian a Black Tawl Fellow (by his discription his name was Neptune) come up from the Fort with his Misquombe Tye'd Round his Blanket and that another Indian Pack'd on his back as many Beavour Skins as he could well make lay on, and then Flung his Blanket over his Shoulders and that the said Indian went down to the Fort Foure Several times and Come Back Every time Empty and that Sundry other Indians took up and Carry'd Beavour down that way from the Hill where the Flag was Flying I asked my Son if he saw any of our People Tradeing with them he said No I asked him if he did not Trade with them he said he did not but that the Indian offered him a Beavours Skin for a point of Rum Soon after I was at the Fort and Telling one Farnsworth of what my son Reuben was Telling about the Indians Carrying a Considerable Quantity of Beavour to the Fort as he thought Farnsworth answered he believed he could give a pretty Good gues who had the most of it I asked him if he Thought Capt Bradbary had any of it he said No I asked him if he Thought M^r Fletcher had any he said he belived no great matter I asked him who then he said his wife Told him as she was Seting by her dore the day the Indians Came in with the Flag. That by what she observed by the Indians going out and in to the House of John MacIntyar that he had Considerable Tradeing with them,

Not long after being in Company with Capt Bradbary he gave me an Account of one of his men pretending he had found Two Beavour Skins but he believed that the Fellow was rogue and had Traded with the Indians for them and Said if he could find it out he would punish him for it, Sundry times after this when I went to see Capt Bradbary

he would give me an account of the Fellow That had found the Two Beavour Skins and what a Rogue he said he was afraid he was in the Case, I told him I wondered he should make such a Noise about Two Skins the Fellow had got when I was apt to think by the account I had Rece^d That John McIntyar had Traded Considerable with the Indians, Capt Bradbarys answer was I am afraid he is a naughty Fellow, before this Capt Bradbary use'd often to speak verry light of s^d MackIntyar but after that I neavor heard him say any thing about or Against him which I wondered at Considering what a Touse he made about the Fellow that said he found the Two Skins, Sometime after this one Capt Rotch who was then a Coaster that used S^t George's River Told me That the above mentioned John McIntyar had the last trip sent to Boston in his Sloop Sundry Empty barrels and a Chest the barrels he said ware to be fild with Cydar but observing one to be a dry Cask he observed it Narrowly and through the Craks of the Barrell he discovered as he thought the Hare or Fur of a Beavour Skin upon which he said his Curiosity led him to look in to his chest which he opened and found a considerable quantity of Beavour in it the barrell that he observed to have beavour in was accidentally washed over Board in the passage to Boston, Sometime towards the Fall of the Same year being in Company with Capt Bradbary on the Green between the Fort and his Barn he asked me whether I had Crost out that Parragraf in My Journal that I Took down Relating to the Schooner that there was Mention made about to the Indians when they came in with the Flag last May I told him I had not he Desired me that I would do it, And not Acquaint the Government of the affair for if I did it mought be of Great Damage to him but as for the rest of the Evidenece he believed they would be look'd upon as Prejudiced pearsons, I told him that I had told him before that when I drewed out a Coppy of My Journall

I would leave out that Parragraff but If I was ask'd any Questions in the affair I should give an Exact Account of what I heard; And he mought Tell his Story in the affair and they That is the Government would be Judges in the Case whether he was Right in the Affair or not.

Joshua Freeman

Oath taken to the Truth of the foregoing Jan. 15, 1759.

Committees' Report concerning Persons trading with the Indians in time of war Jan 15, 1759.

Report of Committee upon Petition of Capt. James Cargill.

House of Representatives June 1st 1758

The Committee upon the Petition of Capt James Cargill praying that the sum of Three Hundred pounds be allowed & paid him for killing one of the Indian enemy on the Eleventh of May last, beg leave to report as follows—

That it appears to s^d Committee that the said James & one W^m Gove did on the second of the same May certify in writing under their hands unto one Jonathan Williamson Captain of a military foot Company in Whiscasick that they were going out in Quest of the indian enemy That on the Eleventh of the Same May the said James did kill & scalp an Indian Enemy, that the s^d James produced an indian Scalp to the Committee, and upon oath declared that he Killed and Scalped an Indian as aforesaid & that after He had killed & Scalped him, He was pursued by the Enemy, that in his retreat he run upon a tree which was fallen, that wounded him sorely & which caused him to drop the Scalp aforesaid: that some days after, He with a party of men went out to search for the Scalp & the dead body of s^d Indian, the latter they

could not find, the former they found by the tree where the s^d James dropped it in his retreat afores^d & that the scalp now presented is the Very Scalp He there found & that he has not the least doubt in his own mind but that the Scalp found as aforesaid was the very scalp he took of the Indian which He killed on s^d Eleventh of May Wherefore the Committee are unanimously of opinion that the s^d James is intitled to three Hundred pounds for killing s^d indian & that s^d sum be allowed & paid him out of the Public Treasury pursuant to a Resolve of the Great & General Court passed on the twenty Eight day of May 1757—

by order of this Committee

S^a Waldo.

Mimarandum of my Transactions at the Eastward.

May the 2^d 1758. Went to Whisacasick and got Nathan Goue to go with me so we gave in our names and Intentions to Capt. Williamson But we had no proper Weather for seting out Before the 8th when we set out for Sackasawokkik By Land and got to the first Middow on the Mill river Brook and there camped that night—

the 9th Marched up Between the Long Middow & Roonpick got a little above Barn Camp and there Camped that night.

[10th marched N E by E to head of Damarascotta pond, saw "Moggazeen trackes,"—11 o'clock heard a gun N E,—later another,—advanced, went from hill to hill to discover a smoke, but to success,—returned to camp.]

the 11th In the morning Left my Partner with our Packs so went as Privitly about as I could to try to make some Dis-

covery & saw many Signs where they had been not Long before and about nine a clock went away again onto a hill to Indavour to Discovour their Smook But Saw Nothing Remarkable untill I was within about a Quarter of a Mile of my Partner when I saw an Indian which came within about ten yards of me before he saw me But as Soon as I saw he had Discovered me I shot and killed him So charged my Gun But Could See no more So went and Scalped him and was Going off But saw two Indians att about Eighty yards Distance & as I was Looking at them before I was aware I was Shot at by a French man which was behind me that I had not seen which Shot Struck my Powder horn & Broke it and before I could Get Clear of the Danger of my horn and turn to him he was so close in upon me that Just as I shot at him he Struck my gun to aside and took Hold of me and speaking in Good English offered me good Quarters But not Being willing to Submit to his Proposeals I Claped my Pisttal to his Breast and Snaped her But she flashed by which means I got out of his hands and Got hold of my own Gun again and Struck him on the head and Broke my Gun & he fell But their was an Indian near by Alltho he never offered to help him when he had hold of me and as I Run I saw two Indians follow me & when I had got about half way to my Partner I Hallowed as loud as I could & when he answered they Quit following me & Run Another way and as they turned I thought I heard one of their Guns Snap and as I Run I Dropped the Scalp, So we Sett off for home as fast as we could & I spat Blood all the way Being Strained with the Scuffel I had with the French Man when we had Run about two miles and was on a hill we saw the woods on fire, and when we got home we Got ten men more to go with us to look for the Scalp But I was not able to go before the 15th when we went and found it.

James Cargill.

*Names and Lists of Captives sent in, in response to the
Proclamation of the Governor.*

Falmouth: Ebenezer Buxton, George Butter, George Comens, Jonathan Lock, Nathaniel Lock, Jr. Sailed June 19, 1758 sailed on fishing voyage from Falm^o all belonging to that town: No News; presumed they were carried into S^t Johns river by French or Indians.

Berwick: James Nasen, three sons of Joseph Nasen soldiers, taken between Fort W^m Henry & Fort Edward, taken to Canada

Biddeford: Son of Jacob Bradbury, named Moses: taken when Fort W^m Henry surrendered.

Georgetown. June 9th 1758:

Ebenezer Pribble [Preble] and wife Mary, killed.

Children,—Captivated:—Rebekah, aged about 12,—Samuel, about 10,—Mehetabel, about 8,—Ebenezer, about 6,—Mary about 4,—William about 3 mos.—Sarah Fling, servant maid about 16,—Simeon Gurdy servant, about 15 small for the age.—

Frankfort, W^m Pomeroy, killed May 12, 1758, at Eastern river near Frankfort;—William his son, aged about 14, captured at same time and place.

Thaddeus Davis, grandson of Pomeroy, aged about 4 captured at same time & place.—

Gorham Bartholemu Thorn aged about 20, son of Joseph, captured in Gorham, June, 1754; when Gov. Shirley was at Falmouth on a Treaty with the Indians.

Kittery. William Furbush, and William his son, soldiers, and made captives at taking of Fort W^m Henry.

Matinicus Is. Mary Hall, and her children,—Sarah Green, Peter Hall, Phebe Hall, Tabitha Hall.—also Benjⁿ Mograge: Taken June 1757. Mary the mother, sent from

Quebec to England and thence to Newport: others remain in captivity.—

Metinick. Elisha Winslow of Damaris Cotta, killed,—his three Sons,—Nathaniel, John, Elisha, were either killed or captured,—about 7th July, 1758. Do.—The Father aged ab^t 40; sons 18, 16, 14 yrs.—taken on the 6th of July.—

“Mundomock”—(Medomack, or Medumcook) [Capt.] Joshua Freeman, had a son George, a soldier, taken at Fort W^m Henry by Indians, redeemed by French and carried to Quebec.—

Medumcook. Joshua Bradford, about 11 yrs. Benjⁿ Bradford about 6 yrs. taken May 1758.

Do. Daniel Small son of John Sept. 1756.

Newcastle. John Nickels aged 34,—Murice Joan ag. 27,—William Cochran ag 18,—went to hunt at Sheepscot ponds, taken to Canada in May 1758 John Machear aged 50, William Hopkins aged 40 James Kennedy aged 13, all taken 3^d June 1758.

New Gloucester Joseph Tyler, May taken—Jonathan Farwell Samuel Butterfield, taken May 1755.—

New Boston—(Gray.)—Abraham Cross, (one of Capt. Jer^h Green's settlers, taken April 30, 1756,—at the time and place they kill'd & scalp'd the son of Capt. Beveridge.

North Yarmouth, Abram Cross taken on back part of the town 30 April, 1756; aged about 30:—

Mary Tenny aged about 16, Fly Pt. taken May 10, 1756. Daniel Mitchel, taken in year 1751, about 7 yrs. old.

Scarborough. Charles Allen, taken at Fort W^m Henry Aug. 1757.

Sheepscott.—(V. Newcastle-ante) John Nickles and William Coffin, and one Jones, taken May, 1758, “Either up Sheepscut or S^t Gorges Rivers”—hunting.—

Swan Island in Kennebec River.—Lazarus Noble and wife and seven children taken Sept. 1750.—Three children yet

remain captives,—son Joseph aged 8 when captured, daughters Frances, 3 yrs,—and Abigail 6 months—

York. Taken with Vessel Endeavor of York, in the “Bay of Funda,”—W^m Grow, master,—Edward Simpson, James Grant, Alcot Banks, Sam^l Adams, about the first of June [1758]

[Additional Names, Vol. 84, p. 304]

Samll Hawes, John Thompson, in Penobscot Bay, in Capt. Sanders boat. Aug. 20, 1758 Humphrey Bray, Mintinicus, July 6, 1758: Richard Gilford, F^t Halifax, Nov. 1754—Samuel Day, Rufus Stacy.—Minhegin Is. a fishing—July 6, 1758

Preble Papers. Massachusetts Archives.

A list of the Killed and Captivated by the Enemy at Kennebeck river.

William Pomeroy Senior killed, May 12th 1758, At Eastern river near Frankfort.

William Pomeroy his son aged about 14 years, Captivated at said time and place.

Thaddeus Davis grandson to said Pomeroy Senior Captivated at Said place & time aged about 4 years, June 9, 1758.

Ebenezer Pribble killed at Georgetown.

Mary [Harnden] Pribble Wife of said Ebenezer killed same time.

Captivated of his Children as Follows,

Rebekah Pribble aged about 12 years.

Samuel Pribble aged about 10 years.

Mehetabel Pribble aged about 8 years.

Ebenezer Pribble aged about 6 years.

Mary Pribble aged about 4 years.

William Pribble aged about 3 months.

Sarah Fling Servant maid to said Pribble, aged about 16 years.

Simeon Gurdey Servant to Jonⁿ Pribble Senior, aged about 15, tho seemingly Small for that Age.

Georgetown, Sep. 18th 1758.

Gentlemen.

Having heard of a Design laid by the Gov^r & Council for the recovery of the Captives & having being Deprived of so many of my Family make bold to send up this list & so Trusting that God will bless y^r endeavours for the Good of his People I am wth respect Gentⁿ your very Humble Servant,
Jonathan Pribble.

Indian Conference at Fort Pownall.

Fort Pownall March 2^d 1760

Prebble. from whence came you and how many of you came in Company.—

Indi^a—We came out of the Country from up Penobscott River and there is five of us.

Pr^e did you leave any part of your Tribe at the Place from whence you came.—

In^d We left Seventy men woman and Children.—

Pr^e What is your design in comming in now

In^d We are glad God has Spared our lives and that we have the Pleasure of Seeing each other and now we will tell you our buisness, our Tribe are desirous of Peace and we would know whether we can have it and on what Terms the Saint Johns Indians have made peace and trade freely with the English.—

Pr^e it is your own faults that you have not had a peace and a free and open trade with the English long Since there ware Such proposials made to you by the Governour as ware consistant with your Interest to Comply with, are you come in behalf of your whole Tribe or only for your selves,—

In^d we came for the Whole Tribe.—

Pr^e What Evidence can you give me besides your words that you came to represent the whole.

In^d We call God to witness we Speake the Truth.

Pr^e what have you to propose in respect to a peace with the English.

In^d We desire to know what Terms we may have peace on.

Pr^e if you bring in your wives and Children agreeable to Governour Pownalls proposials to sum of your Tribe last Summer I will take you and them under the Protection of this Garison and you shall be Treated not like Ennemyes, but as freinds and Breathren till I shall know his Excellencies Pleasure which I expect by the Return of an express which I shall Immediately Send to him

In^d We Ware advis^d by the S^t Johns Tribes not to come in here for if we did we Should be killed as one of our tribe was at Georges last year but we have ventured to come notwithstanding.

Pr^e as long as you come in a proper manner and with no ill Design you may be sure to be safe and not one Hare of your Head Shall be hurt.

In^{ds} We came only for good and therefore are not affraid.

Pr^e What answer do you make me in respect to bringing in your Famalies.

In^d We must Talk with our Tribe we only came in to know if we might have peace and on what Terms and we will carry back to our Tribe your propotials and bring you their answer.—

Pr^e if you come in behalf of your Tribe why did you not bring their answer to the proposials made by the Governour last Summer, and which ware communicated to your Tribe by Lowrin and Soccorrin.

In^d We did not see them till we went to Canada and they never told us what the Governour Said we never heard the Governour requested of us to bring our Famalies in before you told us.

Pr^e how long will it take you to Visit your Tribe and Return with their answer

In^d as they are Scattered a Hunting it will take us one moon and then we will certainly return with their answer.

Pr^e I had as punctual A Promise from two of your Tribe last Summer that they would Return in twelve Days & have not seen them since now what Reason have I to beleive you will comply with your promise any more than they did with theirs.

Ind. Lowrin & Soccorrin ware not properly Sent the Old men Sent us and we Speake true and mean nothing but Good.

Pr^e if you will freely consent to leave one of your men with me as a Pledge of your fidelity he Shall be well us^d and it will be an Evidence to me of your Sencerity & I will send an Express Immediately to the Governour so that I may be furnish^d with his Excellencies directions against your return.—

Ind. We left three of our company on the other Side of the River and would have them fech^d over that we may consult about one of our mens Staying.

Pr^e I then Sent a Boat and fech^d them over one of which then Said he had somthing to say to me I desire he would let me know what it was.

In^d We bless God he has allow^d us to See Each other on the Sabath Day, it was not our faulths that we broke with the English but other Indians faults that did not belong to our

Tribe, we came to Speake for the Penobscott Tribe and no others.

Pr^e as you did not come impowred by your Tribe you can say nothing Properly in their behalf but you can give me an answer in respect to your Selves whether you that are here are willing to come in with you famalies & live with the English under their Protection, they desired they might have till next morning to consider which I readily consented to

March 3^d I met them early in the morning told them I was Glad to See them in Health and Hop^d they had rested well the last night, and told them I was ready to hear what they had further to Say.

Ind. we will give you our answer after Breakfast

Pre^e I would have you well consider and give such an answer as you determine to Stand by for this is an affaire of such consequence as will not admit of Trifeling with, you see Niagary Frontanac Ticondroga Crown Point & Quebeck are all in the Hands of the English and we have a Powerful army will march Early in the Spring to join General Amhurst at Crown point and will proceed over the Lake as Soon as the season of the year will admit & there is no room for any Scruple to be made but that the English Flagg will Grace the Walls of Mount Royal in three months from this time as it dose now the Wals of Quebeck and from the assistance of a large number of men of war bound up Canady River accompanied with Transports and Troops on Board to join our forces already at Quebeck you your Selves can make no manner of doubt but that the English will be Posses^d of the Whole Province of Canada befor the End of the Ensuing Summer & then where is all the fine Spun Cobwebb Promeses of the French by which you have been so often Deceiv^d, this will Cut of all Prospect of your ever Receiveing any more Supply from them and you will find King Georges Subjects two Loyal to their Princee ever to Supply you with one farthing

so long as you persist in a war with the English we See verry Plainly the destressing Surcumstances you are reduced to—and realy pity your case as knowing you have been deceiv^d disappointed & urged on to acts of Hostility against the English by the French not withstanding I dare Ingage the Governour will be willing to Receive and Protect you to grant you the Liberty of Tradeing planting fishing fowling and Hunting if you comply with the Just and reasonable Terms proposed to you and since you can expect no other, if you consult your own Safety and Intrest you will Immediatly bring in your Wives and Children and for the futer live in peace and friendship with the English.

Ind^a We are glad you have heard the good News we have no where to go but here, except we go to Heaven this is our Native place nor do we desire to go any where else we want to know if it will answer if our families live any where in sight of the Fort.

Pr^e it was never desired you should live in the Fort and you will have all the Liberty you can reationable expect the English are often better than their promotes and the french Seldom so good.

Ind. We desire a little time further to Consider.

Pr^e You may take as much time as you Please and I would have you take so much as to come to a Stedy and fix^d Resolution amoungst your selves, that you will be sure to Stand by, after one Hour they Sent me word they ware ready to give me their answer I told them I was ready to hear them.

Ind. we have considered of what you have preposed and we will go & Bring our Wives and Children in we cannot answer for the Rest of our tribe but will let them know your proposals & Bring their answer, and as a Pledg that we reaily design to Comply with our promese and Bring in our fama-lies we will leave one of our Company with you till we Return and desire you will use him well.

Pr^e You may depend on it he shall want for nothing in my Power to Supply him within reason now let me know how long before I may expect your Return with your Families that I may Communicate the same to the Governour.

Ind. You may depend on our Return within three weeks or sooner without fail, then after haiving Drank king Georges Health the Governour & Province of the Masachusetts Bay, I fixt them out with Sum provition and set four of them across the River and one I kept in the Fort.

Conference with Indians at Fort Pownall by Brigd^r Preble
March 2, 1760.

Letter to Brig^dr Preble.

Boston 30 Apr^l 1760

Sir

You will with this receive an Instrument engrossed on Parchment containing the Terms on which I have received the Penobscot Indians into the Protection of the Government: this Instrument is signed as yet only by those four who are in Town and you will see by the tenor of it that none are intitled to the Benefits of it but such as shall actually sign it, and the Families of such You will therefore admit as many to sign the terms as you Shall find willing to do it, and let the Instrument be lodged in the Fort that they and you may always have recourse to it on any occasion. You have been acquainted with all the Steps taken in this matter from the beginning and know my mind fully about it. You will treat them kindly, but then keep a watchful Eye upon them: and until I can procure a Missionary to dwell among them; some prudent person of the Garrison should Visit them frequently and keep as much with them as conveniently may be. You will pitch upon some proper place within sight of

the Fort for them to sit down upon such as they shall choose and as shall best accomodate them, and answer the design proposed by this measure; and as the Commissary will furnish you with some Supplies for their Comfort, you are to furnish each Family that comes in, with a part of their Stores not Exceeding the Value of twenty Shillings to Each Family. This you are to give them not as presents which used to be the method when we made peace with them, But you are to distribute them as some of the Advantages they are to receive in consequence of their Submission.

By the rights mentioned in the Instrument you are to understand a right to Satisfaction in case of an Injury done them as much as any English Subject; and by privileges also is to be understood the like privileges with the English, so long as they remain a Settlement: but if they should break up their proposed Settlement, it is to be looked upon as a Breach of the Articles of Accomodation, and a forfeiture of everything promised by them— By Advantages is to be understood that aid, Comfort & Assistance that the several members of a Society are intitled to when their Circumstances require it. If any thing should be necessary to carry these Measures into full Effect which are not sufficiently provided for, You will send me timely Advice of it. When they are become embodied, I will invest some one among them if they shall choose it, with such powers of Government as shall be convenient for them, and as near as may be to the Powers Enjoyed by the English in their respective Settlements, the better to preserve order among them—

You may cause this Letter to be interpreted to them that they may see as I was in earnest to prosecute the war against them, so I am as much in Earnest to have them reap the Benefits of the Peace to which I have received them.—

Letter to Brig^{dr} Preble 30 Apr^l 1760.

Petition of Sam^l Harnden and Action thereon.

Province of Mass. Bay

To His Excellency Francis Bernard * * * * Council
and House * * assembled at Boston, May 27th 1761.

The Petition of Samuel Harnden of Woolwich in the county of Lincoln Gentlemen in his own behalf and also in behalf of Benjamin Mitchell of North Yarmouth, Lazarus Noble of Swan Island, Ezra Davis of Woolwich and ——— Pumroy widow of W^m Pumroy of George Town — Humbly Shews — That on the 8th June 1758 y^r pet^{rs} Son in Law, Ebenezer Pribble when he was in his field at Georgetown, now Woolwich, he was Shot dead by a party of Indians four in Number, who afterwards came down upon and attacked his House, wherein was his wife, Six children, his Servant girl and a Servant Lad that belonged to Jonathan Preble father of said Ebenezer Preble, the said Ebenezer's wife Mary, who was y^r pet^{rs} Eldest Daughter, and that the said Mary for Sometime defended the House and Children, but at last She was Shot dead thro' the door or Window by the S^d Indians and they then Entred and plunderd the House, and carried off y^r pet^{rs} Six Grandchildren, namely Rebecca Preble the Eldest about Eleven years old, Samuel Mehitabel, Ebenezer, Mary Preble and a young Suckling infant of about three months old, named William Preble, also the Servant girl named Sarah Fling and the Serv^t Lad the Servant Girl they killed, the Servant Lad they wounded mortally and then was wounded in the house but Survived, the youngr infant Knocked him in the head So that he dyed. the other five children and the Serv^t Girl they carried to Quebeck and Sold to the French.

That in the year 1759 after the Reduction of the City of Quebeck by General Wolfe two of the aforementioned Grandchildren viz^t Rebecca and Mary were accidentally discovered known and Challenged there in the hands of the remaining

French Inhabitants by William Nichols and Alexander Campbell two men belonging to the Eastern parts of this Province, who were at Quebec, and thereupon they Agreed for their Release or Redemption, w^{ch} they Obtained and paid to the French One Hundred Dollars for the same as may fully appear by a Certificate from the then Commanding Officer at Quebec Colⁿ Robert Monkton bearing date Oct. 8th 1759, and the same Sum was repaid to s^d Nicholls and Campbell, or one of them, on their return to New England, as by their receipt for the Same will also fully appear, both w^{ch} are ready to be produce, and accordingly the said two Children were returned home.

That the child Mehitabel was carried to old France to Attend on her French Mistress, and was to return back with her to Quebec, but had not as yet returned as the pet^r knows off. The Servant girl has not been heard off Since the month of August after her being carried away; y^r pet^{rs} other two Grand Children viz^t Samuel and Ebenezer yet remain in Quebec or in Canada in the hands of Some of the French, or of the Indians.

That in the Spring in the year 1750 or 1751, the aforementioned Benjamin Mitchell had two children captivated and carried away by the Indians, One was recovered, the other remains yet in the hands of the Indians. And in Sep^r 1750 the aforementioned — Noble had three children captivated and carried away by the Indians, the Said Ezra Davis had one child captivated and carried away from a place called the Eastern River, and the Widow Pumroy's husband was killed about the Same time and they carried away from her One child which Children Still remain in the hands of the French Inhabitants at Quebec, or in the Country of Canada, and the s^d Davis and Pumroy are so poor that they are in no Shape able to do anything toward recovering their s^d Children and depend on the Governments Aid and assistance.

And y^r Pet^r humbly Complains to y^r Excellency and this Hon^{ble} Court of the Unjust Detention of his two Grandchildren Samuel and Ebenezer and of the others his Neighbours Children, where without doubt the practice and principals of the Popish Religion will be instilled into them in their tender years and propagated during their lives if not recovered. —

Upon which y^r pet^r humbly Prays the Aid and assistance of this Hon^{ble} Court in a Recommendatory way to the Government in Canada for the Effectual demanding and recovering his grand children and the others his Neighbours Children there in his own person, and for these reasons viz^t That the said Captivated children, being in their tender Minority at the time of Captivation and now having no Retention of the Knowledge of their parents or place of Nativity, and y^r pet^r as their surviving parent, obliged in duty (with the Authority of this Hon^{ble} Court) to recover 'em and his Neighbours Children, and he being well acquainted with Several of the Tribes in that Country, who in the times of Peace frequently visited the Frontiers of this Province, where y^r pet^r has for many years been Settled which assures him that Some of these Indians, will be of service to him in the recovery of these captivated children mentioned, who in all probability, is dispersed in that Country among the French or Indians at remote distances and incapable to give any account of themselves Excepting to a person, who has a Knowledge and remembrance of them. All which y^r pet^r humbly Submits to y^r Ex^{cy} and this Hon^{ble} Courts Wisdom and Consideration, and prays that he may be heard upon the premises before a Committee appointed relative to y^e matters,

And y^r pet^r as in duty bound Shall pray &c.

Sam^l Harnden.

Resolve of General Court.

In the House of Rep. June 20. 1761.

Read and Inasmuch as the within named Pet^r proposed to go to Canada by the way of Kennebeck River, in order to recover the ten captives mentioned in his Petition, Therefore, Resolved—

That his Excellency the Governor be desired to write to the Commanders in Chief at Quebeck and Montreal that they would aid and assist the Petitioner in the Recovery of said Captives or any others, out of the Hands of the French and Indians and that the Petitioner be allowed and paid out of the Province Treasury the sum of Ninety Pounds to enable him to proceed in his Journey “for the purpose mentioned in the petition” he to be accountable to the Court for the Disposition of said Money.

Sent up for Concurrence

In Council June 30, 1761.—Read and concurred.

An Account of the Expenses and Proceedings of Samuel Harnden of Woolwich in the County of Lincoln in his Journey from Woolwich to Quebeck &c. for the Seeking out and recovering Elinor Noble the daughter of Lazarus Noble of Swan Island at the Eastward who had been in Captivity above eleven years, (and in the year 1753 was withheld from him when he was there in person from this Government) pursuant to a Resolve of the Great and General Court of the Province of Massachusetts Bay, June 20th 1761; vizt.

Montreal: Aug^t 19, 1761.

I finding there was no report made of the Captive I applied myself to private persons, and by their Information I found She was in the Country and three persons informed me of a Man who they sayd could help me in the matter.

To Cash paid 2 Informants each one dollar I applied myself to the Same man £0-12-0 and found him to be the Interpreter that was with Lazarus Noble in the year 1753, he told me he knew the Child was living in the House of Mons St. Toise in the year 1753, but dare not then discover it but where She was at this time, or if alive he knew not.

20. I asked him if he would undertake to Seek her out, he told me he would provided I would not discover him in the affair and also that he would stand Interpreter if need was and thereupon we proceeded.

23. This man made his Report that he had found the girl, and that she was in the Nunnery in the Care of Mons^r S^t Toise, and if I would go with him at Eleven of the Clock the Same day he would wait on me. And accordingly we went and with great difficulty managed the matter so as to get a Sight of the Captive girl in ye Nunnery.

Montreal, 1761 August—

To Sum Carried Over	£0 .. 12 .. 0
To Cash paid in the whole of this Informant's Service Viz ^t two dinners One Bottle Wine One D of beer and One bowl of Punch Cost 7 dollars	2 .. 2 .. 0
To Cash paid my own expenses for Board 1 week	1 .. 3 .. 0
To Cash paid for drink and washing in ye time 24 th I took her out of the Nunnery	0 .. 12 .. 0
25 At or near Night We Imbarked on board a Vessel and arrived at Quebeck the 29 th Aug ^t at night	
29 To Cash paid Expenses at Quebeck	0 .. 12 .. 0
At Quebeck I was obliged to put her to board at a French House and there paid Cash for her Boarding 19 days	3 .. 18 .. 0
To Cash paid her washing at Quebeck	0 .. 6 .. —

To Ditto One pair of Shoes	0 .. 6 .. -
To Ditto One pair of Stockings	0 .. 6 .. -
To Ditto One Short gownd	0 .. 12 .. -
To Cash paid her part of Stores on board the Vessel from Quebeck to Boston Meat at 4/6 ^{lb} Bread Fowls Sugar Rice 5 ^{lb}	1 .. 7 .. 6
To Six Quarts of Wine and the bottles	0 .. 12 .. 8
To Cash paid her Board after Arrival in Boston 12 days and Support home to the Eastward	0 .. 18 .. 0
To Coffee and Chocolate on the passage	0 .. 4 .. -
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	£13 .. 11 .. 2
Signed	Sam ^l Harnden.

An Account of the Expenses and Proceedings of Samuel Harnden of Woolwich in the County of Lincoln in his Journey from Woolwich to Quebeck and Montreal for the Recovery of his two Grand Children namely Samuel and Ebenezer Preble in Captivity in the Country of Canada pursuant to a Resolve of the Great and General Court of the Province of Massachusetts Bay June 20th 1761 Viz^t

1761 July 24th

Departed from my own House and went to Brunswick to see a young woman who had lately come from Canada who informed me of a Servant girl who belonged to my Son in Law Ebenezer Preble deceased, where I paid for Shoeing my horse	0 .. 6 .. 0
To Victuals and Lodging and Fodder for my horse at Brunswick	0 .. 6 .. 11
26 Proceeded to No. Yarmouth	
To Cash p ^d Lodging &c there	0 .. 3 .. 8

Aug^t 7 Set out for Crown Point where I arrived on the
7th of August at 9 o'Clock at Night

To Cash paid for my horse fodder oats and my
Own Support, and what I bought at No. 4
to carry me through the woods—and grain
for my horse the whole being 1 .. 10 .. 8

10th To Cash paid getting my Self and horse
over the Lake 0 .. 6 .. 0

got a pass from Col. Haviland to Montreal and got a pas-
sage that night

To Victuals, a pint of wine, one bowl of punch,
one pine beer and Stores down the lake 1 .. 3 .. 2

11th Came to Sail at break of day

12 & 13 Small Wind water shoal obliged to anchor often

14 Wind right ahead and no hopes of proceeding

To Cash paid 3 hands to Row me to S^t Johns,
being leagues 3 dollars 0 .. 18 .. 0

The Same day arrived at S^t Johns at Sun Sett where I
refreshed my Self

paid Cash for Victuals 0 .. 4 .. 6

At St. Johns I agreed with 2 Soldiers to pilot me
part by land, part by water, to Shamble
fort for w^{ch} p^d cash 0 .. 6 .. 0

1761 Aug^t 15th

To Sum Brought Over £5 .. 4 .. 11

This day Sett out for Lapparre 16 miles and agreed with
my french Landlord to carry my Cloaths

To Cash paid him for Victuals, Lodging &
Carriage 0 .. 6 .. 0

16th To Cash paid for Victuals lodging, drink
at Lapparre and my part of Ferrage to
Montreal 0 .. 9 .. 3

17th I waited on the Town Major and Reported my busi-
ness, he told me the Governor was busy this day.

18th & 19th I recovered my grandson Samuel Preble who was in the Care of Major Desrey, and I waited on the Governor, he informed me that he believed he Saw my other grandson in a french gentlemens house below the 3 Rivers.

I got a pass through that government and attempted to go to S^t Antonio above 60 miles distant to recover a Serv^t girl of my Son Preble's named Sarah Fling. I got over the river and after travelling Some way not being well I returned back.

To Cash paid for Ferrage	0 .. 6 .. 0
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I tarried at Montreal until the 25th Aug^t in favor of Noble's Child.

25 th To Cash paid my own and grandsons charges at Montreal with washing and mending	0 .. 18 .. 4
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The Same day I embarked at night for Quebeck, passage with my grandson on board a Vessel bound to England.

To Cash for what I paid & laid in	0 .. 18 .. -
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29 I landed near night at Quebeck.

30 I begun to Enquire after my other grandchild, finding no report was made of him, I was obliged to do the best I could and in three days time by a boy of about 8 or 9 years old, I got some intelligence of him which proved to be true.

Sept. 1 st To Cash paid in seeking him out and recovering him	1 .. 16 .. 0
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1761. To Sum Brought Over	£9 .. 18 .. 11
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Sept. 10th Whilst I was at Quebeck my eldest grandson broke his arm

To Cash paid the doctor for Setting it and Visits	1 .. 4 .. 0
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To Cash paid my own board and Lodging at 4 dollars p week, the eldest grandchild at 3 dollars p week, the youngest grandson at 2½ dollars p week and drink & washing for 19 days	7 .. 3 .. 5
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17th I embarked for Boston.

To Cash paid at Quebeck for Stores Viz^t 36^{lb}

beef, 12^{lb} Mutton, Fowls, 2 gall^s rum 15^{lb} rice

Sauce &c in the Whole 3 .. 3 .. 8

To Cash paid on board the Vessel for Coffee and

Chocolate on the passage 0 .. 3 .. 0

Oct. 4th I arrived at Boston, and for want of a passage to the Eastward I was detained in Boston 12 days.

To Cash paid for my own and the 2 Children's

board in Boston 1 .. 7 .. 4

17th To Cash paid for Stores for my Self and

the 2 Children for Stores to the Eastward 0 .. 8 .. 0

20th We all arrived at home at the Eastward £23 .. 8 .. 4

Province of Massachusetts Bay

in New England.

Petition of Subscribers of Newcastle.

[To Governor & Gen. Court assembled Nov. 11, 1761.]

The Subscribers of the district of New Castle in the County of Lincoln. — most humbly shew That they have for a great number of years past made attempts to have a Gospel minister Settled among them but have not been able till latly to find one whom they could unite in and Consent to Settle over them —

That the Rev^d M^r Nathan Ward a Gentleman of Good Credit has upon their Invitation preached with them for near twelve months past to general Satisfaction and the Inhabitants are Unanimously desirous that he Should be settled in the Ministry over them but as there happens not to be any ministers of the Congregational persuasion in the whole County to obtain their Approbation Concerning the qualifications of the said M^r Ward as the act latly made re-

quires he not haveing had a degree at any of the Universitys Your pet^{rs} are apprehensive that Difficultys may hereafter arise unless they can have the Allowance of this Hon^{ble} Court to Conduct this Affair in such a way as may have a Tendency to promote harmony and peace among themselves. —

They therefore humbly pray your Excellency and Honors will be pleased by a Resolve or Order of this Great and Hon^{ble} Court to allow the Approbation of some of the Ministers in Boston and other Towns in the Province Concerning M^r Wards qualifications to be as good and Valid in Law as if they were of the County where your pet^{rs} belong and that the Inhabitants and their Estates may be Subjected for M^r Wards Support upon his being Settled over them and that they may have leave to Install or Ordain him in such a part of the Province as the district shall agree upon and as shall be least Expensive to them. —

And as in duty bound shall ever pray &c.

Signed by me Commissioner for and in behalf of the
District of Newcastle John McNear.

A joint Committee of the two houses made report, — 24 Nov. — * * * “That a Bill be brought in to obviate the Difficulties suggested and afford the Petioners relief, by investing the settled ministers of the Several Towns lately belonging to the County of York with the same Powers referring to the Settlement of Ministers in any of the Towns in the Counties of Cumberland & Lincoln, as they had before the Act for Constituting of the s^d Two New Counties.” —

Not accepted by Council; Petition referred to next Session

Indian Letter & reply.

Governer Bearnnard—We think it Hard That you Settle The Lands That God Gave To Us Whouth making us Sum

Considiration We Kno That We are in Your Power Pray
 Consider ouer Case and You Will Be Inlightn^d Into Your
 owen. We heare That It is Peace and reioyce That The
 English Comands The Greatest Parte of North America
 We hear that ouer Ministers are and are To Be removid from
 us Ifs So we Pray That You Would Consider and have
 Pittey on ouer Souls and Send us one We Should Be Glad
 That You Would send us a French one But if not Send us
 one of Yours For aney is better than none

We hope That You will Consider ouer riqwest And Send us
 an answer we Saluit You The Gournover and Counsell In
 The Name and Behalfe of the Passamaquodua Tribe

Abowndrawonit —

Passamaquida Great Island June 1763

Abowadwonits **X** marke.

To the Indians of the Tribe of Passamaquida

The Governor of the Province of Massachusetts Bay has
 received a Letter from the Indians of the Passamaquida tribe
 signed on their behalf by Abowndrawonit & dated Passama-
 quida Great Island June 1763.

In answer to which He informs them that the Settlers on
 the Island of Passimaquida or the Neighbourhood thereof
 have no Authority from this Government for so doing. This
 Government has authorized no Settlements in that Country
 except on the lands on the East Side of Penobscot river &
 about Mount desert, which lands have not been inhabited by
 Indians for many years past. It is not their intention to
 injure the Indians but on the contrary to assist & benefit
 them —

As to a Minister it is Very fitting they should have one:
 and He will endeavour to get one sent to them as suitable to
 them as well may be.

Boston July 18, 1763.

Instructions to Cap^t Sanders, Commander of the Sloop
Massachusetts—

You are to acquaint the Indians who have desired to Come to Boston that 2 or 3 of the chiefs may come with you they haveing full powers from their tribes for what they shall have to offer.

You may inform them that no formal Treaty will be held with them, but only, if they desire it, consideration will be had of a proper time & place for such treaty. As the Passamiquida Tribe have wrote to me a Letter signed by Abowndrowonit, you are to forward to them an Answer to that letter and if Abowndrowonit or another of their chiefs duly authorized has a mind to come to Boston with the rest you may bring him.

If there is not time for the Indians to procure powers from their tribes so as to come with you now you may tell them to be prepared against September near when it is possible I may be at Fort Pownall, if not they may come to Boston.

Fra. Bernard

Boston July 23, 1763.

Indian Conference.

At a Council held at the Council Chamber in Boston on
Monday the 22^d day of August 1763.—

Present

His Excell^y Fra^s Bernard Esq. Gov^r

Hon^{le} Tho^s Hutchinson Esq. Lieu^t Gov^r

John Osborne

James Bowdoin

John Cushing

Tho^s Hubbard

Sam^l Watts Esq^{re}

Peter Oliver

Andrew Oliver

Harrison Gray Esq^{re}

John Erving

Tho^s Flucker

Meserwanderomet

Ectambuit

Indians of Penobscot

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Gov^r Have you power from your Tribe to appear here

Ind. Yes.

Gov^r Do you consider Yourselves as Subjects of K. George

Ind^a We have no particular King, but acknowledge we are governd by English Laws.

Q. Are you willing to Submit to King George and this Government as your Fathers did formerly?

A. Yes.

Q. As War has been declared against You, and no Reconciliation, are you desirous to be at peace with the English?

A. We never will be at War with the Engl. again We have been at Canada & have made peace.

Q. You are by your situation more immediately connected with this Governm^t are you willing to renew the antient Treaties with Us?

A. We are willing to renew all the Treaties our Fathers have made with you.

Q. Do you appear in behalf of the Norrid: Arrasegunt: & Wewenocks, or any other Tribes?

A. We appear in behalf of the Passamaquodi

Q. How many Norridgewalks are there now left?

A. About ten, they are now join'd with the Wewenocks & live among them at Becancour Some of the Passam. Indians are joined with the Penobscots the Machias Indians were always joined with Us.

Q. What Business have you to propose?

A We come to speak about the Truckhouse—when we us^d to Trade at Georges, nothing was wanting now there is always wanting.

Q. What is wanting?

A Cloathing & Provision, Flour, Bread, Corn Peas, Pork, Tobacco, Rum, Wine.

Q. What Cloathing is wanting?

A All sorts of fine Cloathing, Silks

Q. Will it not be sufficient to send such things when you bespeak them?

A. We do not want at present, we have spoke very often for things: but they have not come down.

Q. What else is wanting?

A. We usd to have our Corn at Geo. meas^d in a half bush^l it is now meas^d in a gal^o Pot, by which we lose 3 quarts in half a bushel. We think the Steel yards are wrong, we have had our Bever fall short of the weight.

Gov^r Would you like to have Scales & Weights?

Ind. We should like them better.

Indⁿ What time should our Bever be killed?

Gov^r Not after the beginning of May.

The Indians desire that the Soldiers of the Fort may be hindred from hunting; the Ind^{ns} have no other way to live but by hunting, the Eng. have: and the Ind^{ns} must starve, if the English continue their hunting.

Q. Is it the Soldiers of the Garrison that destroy the Bever or other People?

A. The Sold^{rs} of the Gar: hunt & other People, Strangers that we do not know. We have desired Brig^r Prebble to prevent it—He sends them out a hunting instead of preventing them. We desire you would inquire into this matter—The Fall before last We bought Spirits of Brig^r Prebble & gave him 20/ a quart. Last Winter the Brig^{drs} Son let Us have a quart of Rum & took a large Bevers Skin for it, He did this three times—there was no Rum in the Truckhouse belong^s to the government at those times.

Q. There is a List of Prices sent to the Truckhouse do you never see it?

A. No. We could not read if there was

Q. Could not you get some body to read for you

A. Yes.

Q. If there was a List of Stores with the prices posted up would that satisfy you?

A. Yes.

Q. Have you anything more to say?

A. Lieu^t Prebble took a Canoe from Us in the Spring & has almost wore it out and never gave Us any thing for it.

Gov^r Have you anything else to say?

Ind We have said all we were desired to say.

Gov^r Do not you drink Rum at the Truckhouse before you trade?

Ind^a Yes, but we do not get drunk, Brig^{dr} Prebble, has told Us to do our Business first—

Brig^r Prebble had leave to ask any Questions

Bri Prebble. I have Silks at the Truckhouse. Do you not know that I have?

Ind^s The chief that We want is provisions. We have never had a full Supply in the Spring yet.

Q. Did not I desire one of your Indians to come & see their Weight

A. The Interpreter says it was so, but the Indⁿ replied he had done it so often & found him honest, that he did not desire to see it.

Q. The Comis^r General ask'd Brig^r Preble if he did not always send what he wrote for,—

A. Yes, there was no deficiency on his part—

Tuesday 23^d Aug^t 1763. Present &c

His Excellcy made Answer to what the Ind^{na} said Yesterday as follows—

Gov^r Have you any thing more to say

Ind^{ns} If We had a good humour'd man to trade with We should bring more Beaver into the Fort

Gov^r The Ind^{ns} sometimes drink too much, which obliges the officer to appear sometimes a little severe with You

The Gov^r acquainted the Indians that they might have a copy of what had been said to them, and that he would order them some small presents before they went away.—

The Ind^{ns} upon the whole expressed themselves well satisfied with what had been said to them

His Excell^y Answer to the 3 Penobscot Indians, who appeared Yesterday in the Council Chamber

When I saw You Yesterday You told me that You came with full power from the Penobscot and Machias Indians & from the Passimiquody Indians to talk with Me. That you submitted to King George, and this Government as your Fathers did formerly, and that You were desirous of renewing all the Treaties that your Fathers had ever made with Us, and that You would never be at War with Us again.

Brethren, I am glad to see You, and to find that you are disposed to live as dutiful Subjects to King George, His Majesty has subdued all this great Country which the French used to hold, and he is now become Sovereign of the Whole. The French who remain here are now become subject to King George and both French and Indians will be treated by him as children so long as they behave dutifully to him.

You informed Me that You came to speak about the Truckhouse. I have considered what you said upon that Subject, and will see that you have all necessary Supplies.

You shall have Provisions of all kinds at the Fort, and

shall have them in full weight and measure, the Corn and Peas shall be measured to you in a half bushel, and if you want them in smaller quantities, you shall have full measure. The Bread, Flour, Tobacco and Meat shall be weighed to you with weights and Scales, with the same weights and Scales that we weigh your Bever with, when We buy it of you.

There will be always a Supply of such Cloathing at the Fort as you commonly want, when you want Silks or other fine Cloaths, you should let the Captain know it, that he may send for such Sorts and Colours as you like best. That you may know that you are not cheated in the prices of goods—I will give Orders to the Captain to put up a paper in the Trading Room with the prices of every thing he has to sell. If you cannot read yourselves, you say you can get some body to read for you. I shall often ask if this Order is obeyed, for I am determined to do all I can that you may have Justice done you.

If you think yourselves wronged in any of these things at any time, I shall be always ready to hear your Complaints, and to do you Justice—

You complain that the English spoil your hunting. The English have a right to hunt as well as you. They fairly conquered your Country in time of War Gov^r Pownall built the Fort at Penobscot when you were at War with Us. He told you that the English should hunt in that Country: You could not then help yourselves, and should now sit down content when you are assured of our protection and friendship.

I know you depend upon hunting for your Living: I will not therefore suffer any of the Soldiers in the Fort to hunt for Beaver: nor will I suffer any of the officers or Soldiers to trade with English Hunters for Bever or any other Furs. If the English Hunters do you any injury: if they rob your Traps or any ways hinder you in your hunting, I will take

care to have Justice done you, when I know who has injured you. The Soldiers in the Fort will sometimes want Deer and Moose to eat, and they must catch it about the Fort, for their own eating: this will not spoil your hunting: the Bever is what you chiefly live by: they shall not hunt for Bever. For I will not allow them to absent themselves from the Fort for any considerable time or distance.—

As for such other Matters as I can not now answer I will take care to have them enquired into & redressed.

Brethren If your Tribe & the Passimaquody Tribe shall be desirous to make your submission to this Government & renew the treaties heretofore made with it in a formal Manner you will signify such desire to me.

1. About a month ago I issued a proclamation requiring the Subjects of this Government not to commit any act of Violence against you or give you any Trouble but to afford you all necessary releif & Assistance.

As to the want of some particulars at the Truck House, at Some Seasons of the year is true, it being So remote from Boston, and the Indians so uncertain in their Tradeing, & so few vessails passes, which renders it extreem difficult to keep A Constant Suply of every particular, but for the most Part of the Time Since I have had the Hon^r to Serve the Government there has been A full Suply of every particular they have wanted & more than they have had Beaver & Furrs to purtchis

2. as to measureing the Corn in A gallon pot I did it by their own desier & all ways gave them Thirty two quarts for a Bushel nor did I try the diffrence & have often offred to measure in A half Bush^l when they have desiered it should be in the gallon Pot

3 if the Stellyards are Rong it is unknown to me I allways gave them full weight & measure & should rather have Scales & weights

4 as to their desiering me to stop the people from Hunting is true, but as there is no act of the Government against it & not in my power to restrain Strangers I thought it would be A hardship on the Soldiers to prevent their killing fresh meet when they had nothing but Salt at the Fort.

5 as to the Spirits they mention—they had a few quarts at A time when the Truck House was out of Rum, but not till they had tyered me out with importunitys I told them I had onely Sume for my own use but they would take no Denial I Set that price to discourage them from buying, as I had no mannar of inclination to Sell it, the furr's they Paid for it I Pass^t to the account of the Government & took my pay in Rum when A Suply came

6 As to my Sons Selling them A quart of Rum for A Beaver Skin I never knew anything of it, nor did I ever allow him nor any one Belonging to the Garrison to trade with them for A shilling

7. As to the prices of goods being Posted up I did not know it was Customary nor had I any orders I was never against shewing the invoices to any Person and have all ways Sold them every Article agreeable to invoice Proceedings had in the representation of the Penobscot Indians August 23^d 1763

Extracts of a Letter from Cap^t Goldthwait to the Governor
March 26th 1764

Sir. I got here on the 23^d instant in the morning, Just before I came from Boston Cap^t Wasgal hinted to me that the Indians had grown very surly and that the Inhabitants at Magabaggaduce were very uneasy about it he said he own'd he was himself. I didn't pay much regard to it as I had letters from the Officers of the Fort by him which made

no mention of it, but still it made me more anxious about getting down. Upon my arrival here I enquired of the Officers whether there was any foundation for the Report. they told me there was. M^r Treat told me that he had wrote a letter on purpose to acquaint me of it but Wasgal was gone and he didn't know which way to convey it.

I found no Indian in but the old Squaw Oso. I immediately sent for her and also for M^r M^cFarland and Examined her about it. She seemed very frank and open to me tho M^r Trent says she had before deny'd it to him. I inclose your Excellency the dialogue we had upon it.—

Mr. Goldthwait, I have heard that some of the Penobscot Indians have proposed to the Tribe to brake their Friendship with the English and commit hostilities, and as I know you to be a friend to us I expect you'l tell me whether there's any foundation for it or not.

Oso—You may depend upon it that I am your Friend and will tell you the Truth.

G. Has such a thing been proposed

Oso. Yes

G. Who Started it—

Oso—Toma.

G. What did he say?

Oso He said to us why shall the English live upon our Lands Let us take them and drive them off.

G. Did he mention to a few or to many.

Oso He mentioned it to all.

G. What answer did they make him.

Oso They said his proposal wasn't good, the English treated them kindly and held their lands by conquest.

G. What answer did he make?

Oso. Says he, the English have no right to Command us let us be our own Masters and not be Slaves under them.

G. What answer did your People make?

Oso They said What can we do. The English have got possession of our land and its best for us now to live in Friendship.

G. Did any Indians join with Toma in the proposal.

Oso Yes Some.

G. Did Toma make this proposal to the S^t John's Indians also

Oso I have heard he did and believe he did but I do not know it. I did not hear it with my own Ears.

G. Where is Toma now

Oso. I do not know. It's said he is a very great way in the Country. Some says he won't come here again.—

The next day came in French Meset one of the Indians that was in Boston, and with him Anson, another very friendly Indian. They all agreed in the same story separately examined. I found it was that old Villian Toma whom your Excellency had a Conference with last year, and who upon all occasions has had so much respect shewn him together with Espequeunt another deceitful fellow, were at the bottom of this Affair. M^r Treat says he had observed several of them more sullen and Snapish than usual and could'nt account for it till some more friendly inclin'd gave him a hint of this Affair. Meser says the better sort among them despise them who moved it. He says he plainly told them that they were going to ruin themselves and their nation; but he says they can make no head he says he thinks I sha'nt see Toma this year. He hopes I won't lay Toma's faults upon him, I told him if they followed Toma's plans they might disturb the Neighbourhood and ruin themselves but they must know they couldn't hurt the Fort, He said he knew it very well and if Toma wasn't a Fool he might know it too, but Toma he say'd was a Proud Man and wanted to be a greater Man than they thought him to be, in a little time says he the children will despise him—

I am now at the 29th Ins^t Cap^t Frost came in this morning. He tells me that the Indians have been surly his way so much that he had once concluded to move his goods,—He desired me to advise him what to do respecting his Indian Trade. I told him it &c.

Indian Conference.

In Council August 14th 1765—present in Council

His Excell^y Governor Bernard

Hon^{ble} Lieu^t Governor Hutchinson

And ^w Oliver	Thomas Flucker
John Erving	Harrison Gray
James Bowdoin Esq ^{rs}	Royal Tyler Esq ^{rs}
Thos. Hubbard	And ^w Belcher

Nodogawerrimet

Pierre Michael of Norridgewalk

Lewis Arowseguntue

Joseph Weweenock

His Excellency informed them that he was ready to hear what they had to say

Nodog: in behalf of the rest said—We came up to see your Excellency considering you as our Father as you represent the King who is our father and shake hands, hope you are well, presented a small bundle of Sable Skins

Gov^r I thank you for your Congratulations on my health and for your present, I am glad to hear you express your duty to the King, who you may be assured will prove a common father to you, and all his other Subjects, I should be glad to know how I could do you any good—

Nodog—Said—When I was with Gen^l Johnson he told y^e Indians that all was now peace, and they must betake them-

selves to hunting and carry their Skins where they could get most for them, when we returned to our own Country we found the Beaver mostly killed up.

He acquainted the Gov^r that the Norridgewalk Wewenock & Arowseguntecooks were all related together & were one family, and further said that the Penobscots were also related to them.—

We want to have Money at the Truck house for our Bever in order to pay our Debts at Quebec. Father have Mercy upon us we want a priest among us to Marry and to Christen our Children—There is no priest at Wewenock, he that was there is Dead This is all we have to say.

Gov^r We do all we can to preserve the Beaver, and to prevent our people from Hunting in your Country, and we have made a Law for that purpose.

The Government set up the Truck-house at first at your request to Supply you with such Goods as you wanted that you might not be imposed on by private persons either in Selling Goods to you or in purchasing your Beaver. The Government got nothing by the Trade, but it is an expence to them.

The Trade is established by the great Council of the Province, and it cannot be altered without them, when the great Council meet if they thought proper it might be done then

About two years ago the Penobscot Indians made their request for a priest, I have sent their request home to be laid before the Great King, it was under consideration there: but the Kings Council is full of business, and care for the new Conquests, so that no order has been as yet given in the affair, If they should provide a priest for the Penobscots you will have the benefit of him.

I shall order you some small presents as I did to the Penobscots, who came to see me some time since

Nodog— We have something further to say We are very thankful for the care you have taken to prevent your young men from Hunting on our Grounds and preventing the Destruction of our Game which is our livelyhood, and hope you will continue to take care of this matter.

Gov^r I will endeavour to have the Law continued & duly Executed: but it is very difficult to prevent every breach of the Law in such a wide Country.

Gov^r How many Indians Hunters have you upon the River at or near Norridgwalk—

Nodog—We have about fifty men that Hunt on that River.—

Gov^r I should be glad to see you at the Castle next Friday to drink the Kings health.—

A Conference held at Fort Pownall on Saturday Sep. 17, 1763 between his Excellency the Governor & Toma, Jo Hart &c Indians of the Penobscot tribe, present Brig^r Prebble Capt Goldthwait &c Walter MacFarland Interpreter

Toma Brother I am going to tell you what I came to see you for

Govern^r Do you speak for yourself only or for your Tribe

Toma I speak for my whole Tribe

Govern^r I am ready to hear you

Toma, Brother I want you to help me on account of religion—God made us all—Do help us if it lays in your Power—The people of Boston are Brothers to us as well as the people of Halifax are brothers to the indians at S^t Johns—It is a Friar we want

Govern^r Will no Priest do but a Romish Priest

Toma: No—I have another thing to say—I want you to take pity upon them that are poor. You know the Indians are a poor People—God put us into this Land—I wou'd be glad to have no English houses as far as we can see up the River, and you have the benefit of as far as we can see up the River as well as we—I have nothing further to say upon this Subject

Toma: Brother I am ready to believe what was said to us at Chebucta—There has been a trade here three years and I see No Alterations in the prices of the truck—The Gov^r of Halifax says you will not sell so cheap as they do—and now I come to see you I should be glad to know the prices of your Goods
Governor—

1. It is our principle that All Christians should Worship God in the manner that is most agreeable to their Conscience, But as the priests of the Romish Religion have been allways dangerous Enemies to the Civil State of Great Britain We have good reason to be particularly careful against them, Nevertheless if it can be made safe to the civil state of this Country you will be indulged in the use of a romish priest, But great Care must be taken in the appointment of the Man & some provision must be made for his support: All which will require time for consideration

2 The English have conquered this whole Country: and the Indians must not prescribe to them what shall be the bounds of their settlements. Nevertheless the Government desires that the Indians shall live plentifully & comfortably, for which there cannot be wanting land, let the English settle ever so fast. At present the Government has made grants about 15 miles above the Fort, These must be supported: and it is not intended for the present to carry them further.

3. There is & will be all proper care taken that the Truck Trade is carried on upon just terms — There will be a List of

the prices hung up in the Truck house for Any one to inspect: & when any Indian trades, an Account of what he sells & buys is entered in a book of which he may have a Copy if he pleases. It cannot be true that the Governor of Halifax has said that this Truck house will not sell so cheap as his will. If any Truck Master of his will say so, let him produce his list of prices at any one time to be compared with the list of this house at the same time. The prices of goods Vary with times & Seasons, & that must be allowed for: and It is not a fair comparison between goods in a dear year & the Same in a cheap year. (As) We had two dry years together which has made Corn very dear with us. As soon as the truck house is fully supplied, you will know the prices from the lists hung up there: and if you have any exception to make, it shall be inquired into & justice shall be done.

Toma I shall be glad to have a Copy of what I have said & your Answer to it

Gov^r You shall have it

Letter William Lithgow.

May it Please Your Excelency

I was Honoured with a Letter from You by the two ac-
cadines who ware going to quaback by the way of this &
Chandier Rivers, and for their direction gave them a Draft
of this River to y^e lower end of a Pond on Chandier River.
I supplid them with Provisions at Boston price, which was
according to yo^r Excellencys orders, as to Indian Pilots here
was none to be had as they ware all out hunting, as to that
dissapointment they war intirely easy as they had a plan
with other necessary directions which I gave them as boath
they & I apprehended there wou'd be no manner of Dificulty

in their finding the way.— the following account is from y^e Indians and is to acquaint your Excellency of a very barbarous action Committed in y^e murther of an Indian & his Wife, about fourteen miles from this Fort on Cabbassecontee Ponds Som Time Last fall, and is Supposed by the Indians that Som English men did it, y^e Indian that was killed his Name was Nov:dog:aw:wer:re:mit—the Same old man that was Speaker last Summer to your Excellency when I was In Boston last, a young Indian & Boy who hunted with the above old man gave me the following account, and say they left y^e old Indian & his Wife Som Time y^e first of November, and left with y^e old Indian when they went from him 20 Beaver Skins and other Furs 2 guns, 2 Traps, and other utencels and a considerable quantity of Provisions, and war gon 20 Days before they Returned to y^e old Indians Camp, where they found the Camp burnt & y^e Two dead Boddys of y^e old Indian & his Wife almost burn't up in y^e Rueins of y^e Camp, and say y^e 2 guns, Traps & hatchets ware carried away, and from this Circumstance of their not finding the Barrells and Locks of y^e guns & Hatchets in y^e ashes of y^e Camp, and their finding a bag of Rice & one of flour and a birch Cannister of powder at a little Distance from y^e Camp neer y^e eadge of y^e Pond, all which articles they say were left in y^e Camp at their deperture, and say they knew the above Two bags of Rice & flour to be the same they left in y^e Camp, from those circumstances as above y^e above young Indian & boy (who are Related to y^e Dead Indians) say it could be no body else but y^e English that first Killed y^e Two Indians and then took y^e above Furr and after they had don y^e murther then Set y^e Camp a fire that it might look lick an accident and say if that had ben Realy y^e Case they would have surely found in y^e Rueins of y^e Camp y^e gun barrells Hatchets and Steel Traps.— What passed between the Indians & me on this account wou'd be too Tedious to Informe Your Excel-

lency, any farther then Let you know I have don the best I could to Satisfie them in so Dificult an affair, they tould y^e English had killed an other Indian at a place called Cohoss, but don't mention that affair to your Excellency by way of Complaint, as that matter is foring to them, and dose not so neerly Consern them as y^e other two,—

with Humble Submission I would Just beg leave to Signifie my opinion on this matter, which is If your Excellency after the Consideration of this affair should think proper to order a present to y^e Surviveing Relations which I think are five in Number, as your Excellency & the Honorable Court might think proper, might answer as good an end as to Refair the matter to see if y^e Criminals Could be found and prossecuted, and if this Could be don, which is Ten to one if it be found out it might be very dificult to find such prooffe as would be sufficent to convict y^e person or persons that might be found or Suspected to have Committed y^e Murther, and if they ware Caught & not hanged for want of positive prooffe and discharged would only make the matter worse, as it won'd give the Indians no Satisfaction but Reather might prove occasion to Cause them to think the government onely Caused a Sham prosecution and did not want to do them strict Justice, and it would be very dificult to aquaint them with y^e nature of our Law & Juryes, and might naturally lead them to make Reprisals in the Same manner by Murthering Som Innosent person if they might do Such things and go off Clear without positive Prooffe Could be brought against them, this matter of my owne opinion I humbly Submitt it to your Excellencies better Judgment, the Indians desired me to aquaint you with y^e above Account.

[Signed—usual form.]

William Lithgow.

Fort Halifax April 14th 1766.—

Letter of Lithgow, reporting the murder and details as in his first letter,, and the opinion that it was done by hunters, then he adds what the Indians further say.—

* * *—They say it wou'd be an easey thing for them to serve ye English in y^e same manner, and y^e English never find them that did it, by flying to y^e Southren Indians who has invited them to joine them not long Since, but had Reather be at peace with y^e English if they will let them, but if ye English hunters is Determined to steel their Lives away by peace meals, for y^e sake of Hunting, they say it's better for them to Die lick men, then to be kill'd lick Dogs, for they say, if y^e English Hunters has no Regard for their owne Lives, nor that of their Neighbours, it would be easey for them as y^e English is Settled in an unguarded and Scattered manner for them to Steel as many Lives of y^e English as they Could take of y^e Indians, and perhaps maney more; but as y^e Governor & Council talked to them very friendley Last Summer wou'd therefore hope they ware then in Ernest, — I have used all the arguements in my power to perswaide them y^e whole Government would bere y^e utmost abhorrence to such a Vile action, and hope they will Rest Satisfied from those above arguments. I have advised His Excellency if possible to procure a present for y^e surviveing Relations of y^e Dead Indians being about five in Number, if aney should be made as above, I think it would be best to order them to be made out of the Truck House, as I think it wou'd be most agreeible to the Indians, I have wrote y^e Gov^r Conserving this matter, and think it will not be a miss, if you think proper, to compare this Letter with His * * * both will be more full.

[Signed as before]

William Lithgow

Fort Halifax April 16th 1766.

Report of Council.

At a Council at Council Chamber, Boston 30 Apr. 1766. Governor Bernard and others present. Report of information from Col. Lithgow concerning death of two Indians in camp; circumstances indicating murder;—(as shown in previous documents)—Advised, a Proclamation by Governor,—for apprehension of any concerned and reward of £100 for discovery & conviction. Also—Inasmuch as some of the Relations of the dec^d Indians expressed a Jealousy that some of his Majestys English Subjects have been concerned in the murder of said Indians, which Jealousy may have a Tendency to produce some acts of violence unless care be taken to quiet the minds of the Indians.

Advised, that his Excellency give directions to Col^o Lithgow to take measures to be satisfied that none of the Indians themselves have been guilt of the said murder; and that in case it should appear to him that there is no room of a suspicion of that sort, but that on the other hand there is reason to fear some Englishmen have been concerned in the murder: He endeavor to soften the Relations of the deceased, who he says are five in number, by making them Presents out of the Truck house for that purpose according to his best Discretion in case he finds it immediately necessary, and the amount of those Presents be not very great so as to require the Deliberation of the General Court. If on the other hand he finds they expect any thing very considerable, and he shall apprehend no ill Effects from delaying these presents, that he immediately acquaint his Excellency of the matter, and what sum it is that he finds will be necessary to distribute among them.

[Copy of Minutes of Council Apr. 30, 1766.]

Proclamation.

Proclamation by Gov. Fra. Bernard, in respect to the supposed murder of the two Indians; First gives details of information received (as in the foregoing pages.) Next calls upon

* * "All officers civil and military within this Province and all other his Majestys good Subjects to do their utmost endeavours to discover the author or authors of the Said supposed murders, that such atrocious offenders, who by acts of barbarity of this kind expose the peace of the Government and the Lives of his Majestys Subjects may be brought to condign Punishment.

And I do hereby promise a Reward of One Hundred pounds lawful money of the province afores^d to any person or persons who shall discover the author or authors of the said mischief to be paid out of y^e public Treasury upon the Conviction of any one or more of them.

I do likewise promise that any one person concerned as an accomplice in the Crime who shall first discover the person or persons who actually committed the Said murder shall be admitted as an Evidence in behalf of the King and be exempted from the penalties of the Law.

[Given—&c—30 April 1766.]

By his Excellencys Command.

Fra Bernard.

And^m Oliver Sec^y

[The Proclamation, a Printed Broadside]

Letter William Lithgow.

May it Please Your Hon^r

I have received your Letter as also the order of y^e Honourable Council for my Conduct in Regard of the suppos'd murdered Indians, and shall manage that Trublesom affair in the

best manner I am capable in behalf of the Government, as Soon as y^e friends of the deceased & others Indians are Returned from Hunting.

I now with Humble Submission offer my opinion in Regard of y^e Indians, which is that a good understanding be constantly maintained between them & us and I can think of no better meathod then to Treat them with Justice in order to maintain such good understanding I mention this because I have heard in Times past that a Drunken Indian has Rec'd only a pint of Rum for 2 or 3 Saple Skins, & y^e Indian when sober dos not know the Person who Cheated him, I instence in this one perticular but suppose other articles to go at the same rates, I am sensible y^e Law alredy Subsisting is well intended to Restraine such bad practices, but think if it was enacted that som incouragement be given for one Neighbour or Inhabitent to make Discovery of such evile minded persons, apprehend it wou'd answar a good end to prevent such Clendistin deelings, and apprehend if this thing be not duely attended too when y^e Indians find them selves thus abused, will by way of Retalliation kill som of the Inhabitence Cattle, and perhaps an Inisont person may loose a Cow or ox who never wronged y^e Indian at all, y^e Consiquence of which may be, such English person or persons as loose their Cattle as above, by way of Reveng may kill an Indian or Two, & so in Return y^e Indians fall upon y^e Inhabitints, and so bring on a Rupture between us,

I know it is a prevailing oppinion among Several of y^e English, and men of good sence, that as Canada is now ours, y^e Indians is So dispirited that they will never give us further Truble, & I am of the same oppinion, if we are not first in fault, but I dont suppose them to be so far dispirited as intirely to submit to be muredred Robed & Cheated by Every Evile minded person that is so disposed, and they have said If I mistake not in my Last Letter to His Excellency, that

they ware fond of peace, but if y^e English wer determined to Steel their Lives by peace meals, it wou'd be best for them to Die Like men then to be killed Lick Dogs, and said they supposed they could easely take 10 Lives for one, were they so disposed as we are scattred all over the country & unguarded.

Sir with all Due Regard I beg Leave to subscribe my Selfe
Your most Humble Servent,

William Lithgow

Fort Halifax May 15th 1766.—

Letter William Lithgow.

May it Please Your Excellency.

When I Rec'd y^e advice of the Honorable Council of ye 30th of April last, In Regard of the Two Indians Suppos'd to be murdred by som English Hunters, in which advice I was Cautioned to be well sattisfied that y^e Indians did not Com-mitt y^e murder them selves, but on y^e Contrary if I was Sat-isfied it was don by Hunters &c. then to endeavour to Soften y^e Relations of y^e Deceased being five in number, & make them presents if I found it immeadiately necessary, So as not to be grate as to Require y^e Deliberation of y^e General Court.

In obedience to which advice I have made y^e best enquirey in my Power, and uppon y^e whole am inclined to think it was not any Indians y^t Committed y^e murder, but must think it was some English Hunters, I have Just now seen three of y^e above Relations, I have Signified to them measures y^e Governor & Council had taken in order to Discover the mur-derers, and have talked with them in as Cautious a manner as Possible, what they wou'd expect as a Present as y^e Case was now Circumstanced they answered me they should be glad to

be paid for y^e Two guns, Two Steel Traps, three Stroud blankets, Two broad Cloath d^o, one Scarlet ditto, one Learge Belt of Wampum, Two Small ditto Two wide peices of Wampum to wear on their arms, a Coat y^e governor gave Him last Summer, 20 Beaver Skins, Som Silver plates to wear Round their armes, and Sundry other articles of small Vallue, Two Brass Kettles.—

the above are the Cheife of the things taken away, and which they expect to be paid for, which I suppose to be worth about £25 or Thirty pounds Sterling, the Wampum I suppose to be about 10,000 beeds, and is sold here for fifteen y^e white & Twenty y^e black p Thousand, y^e most of ye Things of consiquence I am knowing off, as I have often seen them & ware mostly purchased here, as to y^e Consideration of y^e Death of y^e Two Indians they entirely submitt to your Excellencys consideration, and wait for the Return of this Letter, I have gave them nothing as yet as I belive they will Rest Satisfied till they here farther from Your Excellency,

I have don y^e best in my power to soften them by telling them y^t murder & Roberies was Som Times Committed among our Selves, y^e French, and all other Nations, which was a Thing that would Som Times Happen notwithstanding all y^e precaution to y^e Contrary, I beg leave to subscribe my selfe

Your Excellency's most obedient Serve^t—

William Lithgow

Fort Halifax May 28th 1766.

Letter Samuel Goodwin.

May it Please Your Excellency—

I Rec'd a letter from Capt James Howard last Evening of which the inclosed is a Copy it is Said the Pretended Reason

of this uneaseness is on acco^{tt} of the two Indians who was said to be burnt in there Campt last Winter but it is Supposed it Origenats from the New Bishop Lately arived amongsts y^e French at Canada but what is the Reale Cause is unknown, upon Receiving this acco^{tt} Coll^o Lithgow & Coll^o Cushing being out of this County I have Given Orders to the Several Captains to have there Companys Redy at an hours warning with Armes & ammunition according to Law, as the Indians hath Given notice Doutless they will do Some Damage for they seldom fail when they Declare it.

Your Excellencys Orders and Commands Shall be Obeyed, I shall advise all to Act only Defenceably, About a month aGoe three Indians who Called themselves Penobscots came from Fort Hallafax & told there they came after News then they Proceeded Down Kennebeck River, and almost amongsts alle the Settlements enquiering after News & the Number of people &c.

I am may it Please your Excellency your Excellencys most Dutefull most Obedeant and Very Humble Serv^t

Samuel Goodwin.

Pownalboro, Aug^t, 1766.

Letter Samuel Howard.

Fort Hallifax, August 23^d 1766.

Colo William Lithgow S^r—

there is Nine Indian men here now Without any of their women or children among which are Sosepses and Peervack and they tell us that Quenorquras and Mandeweremet are Gone to Canada and that they intend to Get other Indians to Joyn them and to come and dow Damage here this fall which they say will be about six week hence but I think if they should do any Damage this fall they will begin sooner—

we are at a loss to know what to Do about alarming the inhabitants for if it should prove a false Report it would Do Great Damage for them to leave their places and if it should prove true we should be blamed very much for not informing them I would have wrote to the Governor but as you are there I thought it would do best to write to you. Sosepsis says that he came in on purpose to tell you and he called five or six of the other Indians who heard what he said and did not contredict but confirmed it which is all from your humble Serv^t.

Samuel Howard.

Letter James Howard.

Fort Western 24th Aug^t 1766

Sir There was an Express brought here about midnight last night by James Collar & Thomas Parker from Lieu^t Howard, the Cause of the Express coming was Socepses & five or Six other Indians telling that Quenockras, and Mando-wermite were gone to Canada to gett other Indians to Join them, and that they determined to fall on the English and do what mischief they could, and that they would come back in less than a moon & half Socepses says that he came on purpose to tell the Col^o and Seemed very sorry that the Col^o was gone, there is now nine Indian men at Fort Halifax, and never a woman or child amongst them — What to do Concerning the Settlers I know not — if I alarm them & the news proves false it will do great damage to the people and if I do not alarm them & the news proves true, I shall be much blamed

I hope God will direct me to the best

I am in haste from Sir Your Very Humb Serv
 pray forward the Express James Howard
 as fast as possible

To Major Sam^l Goodwin

Report of Committee on line between N. H. and Mass.

The Committee appointed to Repair to that part of Salmon Falls River with M^r Bryant the Surveyor that run the Line between the Province of New Hampshire and the Province of Maine so called in the year 1741 and to see how far he carried on said Line, and to make observation necessary that a full discovery of the said may be made.

Having attended to that Service beg leave to Report Thursday Nov^r 20th 1766 marched from Berwick, the whole Company consisted of Eleven Viz^t Col^o Jonathan Bagley, James Gowen Esq^r & Cap^t Henry Young Brown Committee from the Massachusetts; Col^o John Wentworth, Walter Bryant Esq^r the Surveyor Committee appointed by Gov^r Wentworth; James Warren Jun^r Surveyor and Gilbert Warren, James Hasty, Joseph Hasty Stephen Ferguson William Brock Attendants — arrived at Lebanon in the Evening, the Snow being about 12 inches deep and encamped — Friday Nov^r 21st marched about 6 o'clock and about 3 o'clock P. M. arrived at the Crotch of Salmon Fall River about 7 Mile from any Settlement; marched up the N E Branch about one mile & viewed the same as to wedth & depth of Water — Then cross over that Branch & marched about half a mile Westward to the middle or main Branch, and viewed that, then marched down that Branch to the crotch and viewed them again where they unite, and after a full viewing there, Examined Mr. Bryant on the spot which of them two Branches he took when he run the line of 1741 — He answered he could not be certain which as the Snow was deep and the River frozen where he run the Line in 1741 and as the N E.^t Branch appearing to be so much smaller than the other he could not Say, but could not think he took the N E^t Branch But only that the Branch he then run had a large pond at the head, and that he had been very lately informed by Hunters

that there was no Pond at the head of the Main Branch ; So in order to make a full discovery marched up the middle or main Branch about one mile and Encamped —

Saturday Nov^r 22^d March about Sun rise up by the main Branch about two mile, viewing the same and it appeared to be a considerable River about 40 feet wide & about 12 inches deep with high Banks — then left that Branch & marched ab^t N 4 miles to a large Pond called Lovell's Pond, marched round the north end of said Pond and Encamped — Sunday Nov^r 23^d marched about 6 o'clock N E B E in order to strike the N E^t Branch or the Pond that Empties itself into the S^d N E^t Branch and after Marching about two Mile struck the West end of Said Pond, marched down the South Side of Said Pond to the Mouth where it empties in to said N E^t Branch & there found some marked Trees which we followed about half a mile which run about N 7 degrees E^t by the needle the Trees appeared to be well marked on two sides: We cut out the marks from several of the Trees and found by the Groth or grains of the Trees that the marks were made upwards of twenty years since— which Trees Mr. Bryant declared after examination that he marked in the year 1741 when he was sent by Gov^r Belcher who was then Gov^r of New Hampshire to run the Line between the Province of New Hampshire & the Province of Maine— Then we returned to the mouth of said Pond and viewed the N E^t Branch again to see what quantity of water run there, and viewed it down stream some distance called all the whole party together to judge how large a hole would vent the water that run in that Branch, and after measuring the wedth and depth the party judged the whole water that then run in said Branch would Run through a hole as big as a Barrell—then took our departure from thence for the Main Branch again in order to view that and marched about four mile and encamped—

Monday Nov^r 24. Marched at day break having had a very Rainy night and marched about two mile & fell in with the Main Branch about half a mile below the West Branch and viewed the said Main Branch there, and it appeared that the said middle or main Branch was more than three times as large as the N E Branch that M^r Bryant Run in 1741 and yielded more than three times as much water. Then crossed said main Branch being 35 feet wide and about 12 inches deep and moving water.

Having finished viewing the Branches & being very Rainy marched in the Rain across the Woods homewards, fell in with the north end of Salmon falls first Pond—marched round said Pond to the River above the Great Falls or floom so called; arrived about 12 o'clock the Travelling being bad; the snow about 6 inches deep & full of water by the Rain, and in order to shorten our march 5 or 6 miles forded the River above the Falls & marched for Lebanon and arrived in the evening and encamped—

Tuesday Nov^r 25th being fair weather marched for Berwick & arrived about 2 o'clock P. M. and discharged the People—The Com^{tee} beg leave further to Report that the Plan hereto annexed is from an actual Survey of the main Branch and the Easterly Branch of the River therein delineated, all which is most humbly submitted

P Jonathan Bagley p order.

In the House of Representatives Decem^r 9th 1766

Read and ordered that the consideration of this Report be referred to the next session of this Court.

And the Committee are directed to procure in the mean time the declaration upon oath if to be obtained, of the Gentlemen who accompanied them on this discovery from New Hampshire, or any of the attendants In this occasion.—

In council read & concurred 9th Dec^r.

In Obedience to the foregoing order the Committee beg leave to Report they have attended the business and have taken the Depositions of sundry persons belonging to this Province who were formerly well acquainted with Salmon Falls and that attended the Committee from the two Provinces in their late Reconoitering the Same with the several Branches thereof, which Depositions are hereunto annexed together with the Plan of said Salmon Falls River & Branches. The Gentlemen on the Committee from New Hampshire who attended upon the business afores^d declined giving their Deposition, But what they declared on the Spot while viewing the same are contained in the said Depositions.

Jonathan Bagley p order.

In House & Council Feb. 24 & 25, 1767—a joint Committee was chosen to consider further action.

Two copies of above;—the original report pp. 339-342; the Secretary's copy for use in Gen court pp. 335-338.

Letter James Flag.

Sir, May it please your Excell^{cy},

I have taken the liberty, on the repeated solicitations, of a number of the Arasagunticook Indians; (who are now met, at this their old rendezvous) to inclose you their Address.

These Indians are now bound to Penobscot, & Col^o Lithgow having removed from Fort Hallifax, they insisted on my writing to your Excell^{cy}; which with my ardent wishes for the peace and welfare of the Community, must appologize for my troubling you in this affair; I am, with due Esteem — Your Excell^{cy}'s Most Obedient

Humble Servant. Ja^s Flagg —

Cobbeseconte 29th July 1767.

Indian Letter inclosed.

His Excell^{ty} Francis Bernard Esq —

May it please your Excellency

We the Sagamore & other Indians of the Tribe of Arasagunticook, beg leave to acquaint your Excellency that notwithstanding, our earnest desire of living in peace and Amity with our English Brethren, yet the repeated cruelties comitted on some of our Friends & relatives has obliged us to apply to your Excell^{ty} for your protection and assistance, to procure Justice for the murder & robbery of Joseph an Indian Man, with Squaw Matty-Oneas & two Daughters, Hannah aged about 14 years & Prasawa about 4 years, who we imagine were killed about the 1st of June last, at their Wigwam near Sobago pond & Streams, at the head of Stroudwater River; where we left them about the last of May, since which some of us have been to look for them, & have found their Gun & all their Manudas (Baggage) except their Furr, & from several circumstances we have the greatest reason strongly to suspect, that One Astin (who had a Camp within one mile of our camp at that time) was concerned in the perpetration of this murder, which we beg your Ex^{ty} will do us the Justice to enquire into.

Another instance of Robbery comitted near the same time on two of our Brethren; Cap^t Maquasak and Swasin a young Indian, who being absent from their Camp a few hours to tend their Traps, on the 25th of May last, were robb'd of 22 Beaver Skins & a Gun with a Silver thumb piece & Light, which they say was taken by one Wilson & another Man who were followed by Maquasok till they got into their float & paddled off out of his reach after which the Said Wilson & the other went in to an English Settlement on Seumscook Pond seeing a person at a Distance from any House, presented & snap'd his Gun at him, & miss'd fire on which the

Person (one T Foster) called out to know what he was about, Wilson made answer that, he thought it was an Indian who was pursuing him; then went to Fosters House with with him & showed 36 Beaver skins, which they said they had killed within y^e time they had been out which was Six days only w^{ch} Foster will aver.

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[G. Flagg made oath respecting this statement & signatures — Sept. 10, 1767]

Letter James Flagg.

Sir: May it please your Excellency

I have already taken the liberty to forward your Excellency the address of a number of Indians, respecting the Murder & Robbery of some of their Brethren; since which I have received the following intelligence from persons of undoubted veracity, which I am advised & desired to communicate to your Excell^{cy}.

In June last One Douglass brought a pack of Beaver bound up with a Squamba, (which by the marks appear'd to belong to Indians, & deposited them in the care of James Thornton, as the property of Dn' Asten & himself; 'till the

8th instant; when one Sole Master of a Coasting Sloop which was bound to Dartmouth in Bristol County bot it; where it Might be stop'd as Evidence; if your Excell^{cy} thinks proper. This Asten is the person suspected by the Indians & has been seen with the Squaw's Cap, string of Wampum & severall other articles of Indian apparell; & from many concurring circumstances (with due deference to your Excell^{cy}'s superior Judgement) it appears too suspicious to pass Unnoticed. —

When the Indians went from hence, they acquainted me with their intention of returning this way in two months, & were in hopes some steps would be taken to discover the perpetrators of these Murders & Robberys, which might prevent some future ill consequences, as they think it unsafe to hunt, if something is not done. —

I am with the greatest Esteem, Your Excellency's
most Obedient Humble Serv^t Ja^s Flagg
Cobbiseconte 20th August, 1767.

His Excell^{cy} Francis Bernard, Esq^r

Letter Gershom Flagg.

Boston Septemb^r 3^d 1767 —

Cap^{tt} Joseph Sole —

S^r: After a proper Complement to you with hopes you have Gott safe home Ere this Reaches you & if so I begg you will take the greatest Care posable to Secure and keep the Indens misquamby and as many of the pelts that is mark^d by the Indens; on the Skins you bought of austin & took from Thorns as you can posable gitt though they should all be Strip^d of there furr. they will Do for the purpose intended if the Indens marks are preserved on y^e skins for I am orderd by His Excellency Gov^r Barnard To write you this Letter,

and pray you will observe the Contents, as his Excellency is Determin'd to Call a Council next week and persue those Villens who have Robed if nott murdered Some of the Indens, & not Suffer Such Rogues to Go unpunished, but will advertise a Reward to any one that will Discover the Rest & if he is Concern'd will be Cleard & have the s^d reward on the Conviction of the Rest Concern'd

S^r your Care in this matter will serve the Cause of Justes, the Honour of the Government, and oblige His Excelln^{cy} who is Determin'd to pursue the Matter — & your Compliance will also oblige me whom you Promised & am S^r Your Friend & Humb^{le} Serv^{tt}

Gershom Flagg —

a Coppy of my Letter
Sent to Captt. Josep^h Sole
at Dartmouth.

P. S. pray Save the misquambly & pelts Safe in your own hands untill you have orders from y^e Governour how to actt in This affair. —

Extracts of a Letter from Thomas Goldthwait Esq^r to his Excellency the Governor.

Fort Pownal 6 Septem^r 1767 —

“At present we are in a little confusion here occasioned by some insolent and unjustifiable behaviour of the Indians which has frightened the Inhabitants that they are so uneasy in their own Houses they cannot be prevail'd upon to stay in them, and desire me to give them protection in the Fort. I cannot deny them tho I own at present I see no real danger. — The insolence of the Indians I believe proceeds from there being a large body of them together & their knowledge of the weakness of the Garrison. while I was gone to

mount desert a small number of Indians came in & without applying or giving any notice of their want of provisions they drove up a flock of Sheep in order to kill some but before they cou'd carry their design into execution my people had notice of it & prevented it. Afterwards some others took another method, they sufferd their Dogs to be loose, and they kill'd eight sheep, some of which they carried away with them. In my way from Mount desert I had many complaints from the Inhabitants of their Sheep being killd by the Indians and many other Complaints of Mischief being done by them. I took the first opportunity to demand in a peremptory manner satisfaction for it. They appeared concerned about it and promised that satisfaction should be made, but at present they could do no more than pawn their words & assure me that I should have no further cause of complaint. These very people in all probability killd the peoples Swine within 5 miles of the Fort the next day. Another Indian soon after shot a hog in the Cove while the owner was almost in sight of him and by the time the owner got Some assistance the hog was half roasted. The Indian got off, but the hog they bro't to me which appeared to be just killed & full of shot. I have heard since that the Indian dont deny the fact. They have never been so open & daring in their insults before. Their wandering about after a Priest the last year made them extreme poor & perhaps they think they cant be more miserable let what will happen to them. What serves to increase the people's fears is what the Indians themselves give out viz^t — That there are a great number of Indians of different tribes now assembled on Penobscot river; that they are determined to maintain their right to 12 Rivers which they claim, and that they intend soon to pay me a visit together. What truth there may be in this I know not. All I know of certainty is, That there are a considerable number of Indians of different nations such as Cape Sables S^t Johns, Norridgewalks, Arese-

gunticooks with some other Indians & some white Men now on Penobscot River, and that they have had a Council with the Penobscots upon some occasion or other. A neutral Frenchman who is known in Boston came with a party of Indians from Canada & has been in here: He tells me he came only to spend a little time in hunting with the Indians for his diversion, behaved very civilly & went off. But there is another thing which has greatly served to alarm the Inhabitants. While I was gone to Mount desert a S^t Francis Indian came in & told the commanding Officer that he came Express from Sir William Johnson to me; that he had a Letter from him for me, but that he must not leave it without I was here, and that he woud Soon be in again. Last Thursday he came in to see if I was returned; told me he did not come from his Camp, and had not got the Letter. He said he came from Canada, & brought 16 Indians in his party who were now hunting on this River, and that he woud be in again on Monday and bring me the Letter, & then open his mind to me. He then went off and going up the River he met some of our people & told them (he speaks English) that there were 300 men near Penobscot falls who wou'd be at the Fort in a few days. His not telling me this, occasioned my sending immediately after him, & also to get the Letter. My people overtook him at Salmon point & br'ot him back but without the Letter. He deny'd what he had told the people & pressd me to let him fetch the Letter, but woud not consent to my people going with him. His name is Philip & has been employed bothe in the English & French Service, and is now an Inhabitant of S^t Francois. I Expect him tomorrow, but in the mean time I shall put the Fort in the best posture of defence I can, & my doing this will unavoidably increase the fear of the Inhabitants who are already too much agitated.

Tuesday the 8th Yesterday there came in Four Canoes of Indians among whom were Philip before mentioned Espequeunt & Oso & 8 or 10 others. I met them at the Shore & askt Philip for the Letter. He said Espequeunt met him & desired him to come with him, and that he hadn't opportunity to go to his camp. I then took Oso aside & told her I confided in her, and that she must tell me what She knew of this Philip. She said she knew but little about him; that he was a Canada Indian & she believed he wasn't good. I then had some talk with Espequeunt but he said he wanted some refreshment and would say more to me the next day. This morning he came early and desired to speak with me in private; nobody was present but M^r Treat & him & me. He says he was at Canada 15 days ago & was invited by a French Gentleman there (whom he took to be an officer or a man of distinction by his being laced with Gold) to stay in Canada and assist him in an enterprize against the English. He says he told them he was far from home & his Family would suffer and that he could not stay. He askt me if there was a War between France and England, I told him there was no appearance of any such thing, and that I believed there wasn't the least foundation for such a suspicion. He said the Canada Indians told him it was so; but they hadn't determined what part to take — He said He spoke the Truth: he pointed towards Heaven & said he spoke before God. I askt him if he had any request to make to Gov^r Bernard, He said no. I then asked Oso by herself, if she knew of any ill intention among the Indians; She said She knew of none, that Espequeunt was very secret about the news he brought from Canada. She said she would always speak the Truth to me; She said she once told me of an intention to surprise the Garrison & says She I told you the truth. That now, She tho't there was no ill design among the Penobscot Indians. All the Indians she said talkt about the English

mens hunting & Settling upon their Rivers, but that was all.

I have not exaggerated, but rather Extenuated Everything that may be the occasion of Expense or agitation. M^r Harrod & some other Gentlemen from Boston have been eye witnesses of some of it, and I think it will be best for your Excellency to hear them upon it. I shall be upon my Guard, but with as little appearance of my apprehension of danger as may be to avoid alarming the Inhabitants for in my opinion one or two more such frights would break up all the Settlements.

The Garrison is too weak, and the Indians precisely know the Strength of it. It is not sufficient to keep them in awe. I ought to have men enough to send out a party to reconnoitre upon occasion, and upon occasion to demand satisfaction at their Village for any injury done to the English.

I am now at the 9th Nothing new has appeared & I think not to detain Wesent any longer — I fear this matter will have a bad Effect upon this Settlement and all about here. —

In the talk with Espequent he told me repeatedly that he thought there might be some news of importance in the letter from the Governor of Canada to your Excellency, I therefore ventured to open it upon such an occasion which I hope your Excellency will excuse, It was bro't by some Indians who came from thence before Espequeunt.

Septem^r 10th Last night Oso came in again and several other Indians have been in since. They accuse Philip of being the author of this disturbance. — Whatever their intention might be I believe there is a stop put to it for the present. They all promise that satisfaction shall be made for the mischief that has been done, and that they mean to keep up Peace & friendship with us; but it is not in their power to settle peoples minds as they were before. I can hardly persuade them to return to their Houses.

Oso now tells me that their former priest at S' John's was an Imposter, and they have thrown away their Books, and Espequeunt & the others told M' Crawford to day that if he would go to their village, they would attend his Prayers." —

Letter Mr. Elisha Tobey.

Boston September 10, 1767 —

Sr.

By direction of the Governor & Council I write you this Letter and it is to acquaint you that there is great reason to apprehend an Indian Family has been murdered in the Eastern parts of this Province for the sake of the Bever and other Furs they were possessed of. The information communicated to His Excellency relative to said Furs is "that in June last one Francis Douglass brought a pack of Beaver bound up with a Squamba (which by the marks appeared to belong to Indians) & deposited them with James Thorn as the property of Daniel Asten and himself till the 8th of August when Capt Joseph Sole of Dartmouth bought said Pack"— This Pack is probably the same that belonged to the Indian Family aforesaid, and as it may serve as Evidence to bring the perpetrators of this horrid Act to Justice, it is the desire of his Excellency the Gov^r & the Council that you would immediately on receipt hereof apply to Capt Sole for the Pack aforesaid; and when you are possessed of it keep it in the Same State it shall be delivered to you. Or if it has been unpacked, please to inquire of Capt Sole as particularly as may be in what manner it was packed What sort of bandages were about it and what marks were upon it; And inform his Excellency in all these particulars as soon as you can,: You'll please also to inform him at the Same time of the marks that your examination may find thereon.

This Pack will be returned to Capt Sole as soon as it has answered the purpose of Evidence in the Case. And it is not to be Doubted he will readily contribute all in his power to bring the criminals to Justice. — You'll please to take Capt. Sole's Affidavit in relation to said Pack and all circumstances attending it & transmit it to his Excellency —

M^r Elisha Tobey Esq^r
To W^m Cushing Sam Derry & W^m Lithgow.

Letter J. Cotton D. S.

Gentlemen —

Boston 10 Sept. 1767.

I am ordered by the Governor in Council to transmit to you the Enclosed papers & desire that you will use your utmost endeavours to bring to justice the perpetrators of the Murthers & Robberys therein mentioned. In regard to the Murther & Robbery committed on Sebago pond, you will receive the Chief Justices Warrant to take up Dan^l Austin & Francis Douglas You are desired to see that that warrant is executed with secrecy & dispatch, & when the Men are taken that they be kept confined separately from Each other & all other persons untill they be Examined. When they are Examined it is recommended to you that you endeavor to get one of them to confess & turn Evidence against the other; as it will be better to bring one only to justice than let both Escape. For this purpose you will receive a set of proclamations which are not to be published till the offenders are taken. But you may make use of it at the Examination in order to induce one of them to make a Confession. You are also to be very careful to Examine what Indian cloaths &c shall be found upon either of them; one of them as it is said having been seen with the Squaws Cap a String of Wampum

&c. Upon the whole you will conduct yourselves upon this occasion with all possible prudence & diligence, to which you will be incited by the abhorrence which must arise in your breasts upon imagining an whole family being destroyed for a pack of Beaver.

In regard to the other robbery the Gov^r recommends the detection & punishment of it to you as faithful & upright Magistrates. In both cases you must give Notice to the Indians concerned, whose testimonies may be taken when you can get them, & will be necessary when they come to trial to be given Viva Voce. I am &c

J. Cotton D. S —

N. B. You must report to the Gov^r what you do in y^r premises, & when you think it a proper time deliver the Proclamations to y^e Sheriff.

Warrant for Arrest of Men Suspected — V. previous pages.

Tho^s Hutchinson Esq Chief Justice to Sheriffs Deputies, Constables; — Information to Governor, showing probable Murder, of Indian, Joseph, his wife Molly Eneus & daughters Hannah & Pasanway near Sabago pond, — and Suspicion that D. Austin & Fr. Douglas were the Murderers and Robbers, — order for diligent Search & apprehenSion of them; also for Search in their houses, outhouses and other Suspected places for Indian Cloaths wampum, or beaver and furs with Indian marks, & if found to hold in custody. — 10 Sept. 1767

[Also. —] Amemorandum of the Hunters that usually Go in Consot are Daniel Austin and Frank Duglass —

Daniel austin Sold. the Beavour to Cap^t Joseph Sole of Dartmouth. the S^a Beavo^r was Deliver^d to S^d Sole by M^r James Thorn of George Town or New Meddows.

[James Thornton lived in northern part of present city of Bath, and near the Narrows of the Kennebec, at head of Long Reach.]

Proclamation by Gov. Bernard, 10 Sept. 1767.

Declares facts; — and resulting conclusions, — that an Indian Joseph & family were murdered near Sebago Pond, and furs Stolen: — Commands Effort to discover & apprehend the perpetrators: Reward of One Hundred Pounds: Promise to an Informer if an accomplice, a recommendation to King for pardon. —

The original Written proclamation — p. 433: the printed poster for distribution — p. 441 — V. previous pp.

An Act — to revive and continue a former Act — viz: “An Act for allowing necessary supplies to “the Eastern Indians and for regulating Trade with them and preventing “Abuses therein.” — This act about to expire — proved beneficial, is revived to continue to 30th June, 1769. —

Passed by House & Council.

In the Council Chamber July 26th 1769

Present —

His Excellency the Governor —

Jno^o Erving, Tho^o Hubbard, Harrison Gray, Ja^s Russell, Royall Tyler, Ja^s Pitts, Samuel Dexter Esq^{rs}

The Gov^r informed the Board of what had passed yesterday between him & the Deputies of the Penobscot Indians viz^t Espequeunt, Arexes and Anson, and that he had appointed the said Deputies to attend this day as well to confirm what had passed as to consider of what they had further to say.

Whereupon the Indians were called in and had the following talk.

Gov^r Have you any thing to add to what you said to me yesterday.

Indian Yes.

Gov^r We are ready to hear you

Indian We should be glad to have a small part of the trading house carried up the river as high as the falls. It would avoid much trouble which frequently arises betwixt our people and the english inhabitants, and it would free us from the difficulty of coming to the Fort in the winter which is sometimes hazardous passing in Canoes. —

Gov^r Would it not answer to have a vessell carry up the river from the Fort what things may be wanted at Spring & Fall hunting?

Indian We think that would do as well.

Gov^r Have you any thing else to offer?

Indian We should be glad to have some officers appointed among ourselves to decide differences and we should like to have some English men joined with them. Two english men and one Indian would be agreeable to us.

Gov^r Would it not be better to have three Indians and two english men and if the Indian Judges can't determine the difference at your own village then there may be an appeal to the english Justices?

Indian This we like well.

Gov^r Suppose there should be three english for you to appeal to?

Indian We like that too.

Gov^r It is expected that those whom you recommend for Judges should be sober discrete men. You have liberty to name your men.

Indian We name Orano, Espequeunt and Anson. Two of those are present.

Gov^r Have you any thing further to offer?

Indian We would explain what we said yesterday respecting a Tract of land. We should be glad of a sufficiency at present for our hunting but as hunting is daily decreasing we would be glad of a tract of land assigned us for a Town-

ship settled upon us and our posterity for the purposes of husbandry.

Gov^r If such a tract of land should be granted, it must be unalienable and not in your power to sell it from your family.

Indian We like that.

Gov^r What quantity of land would you think of?

Indian Sufficent to support ourselves and families by husbandry.

Gov^r When we grant tracts of land to English Inhabitants we commonly give about six miles square, that is 6 miles in length & 6 miles in breadth, to 60 families

Indian We think that would not be enough for us, as our number are more than that at present and we are increasing fast.

Gov^r Would six miles in length on each side your village of Passadonkey and six miles back in the Country do?

Indian That would do. —

Conference with the Indians of Penobscot.

Espequeunt, Arexes and Anson Chiefs of the Penobscot Nation of Indians address his Excellency Sir Francis Bernard Baronet Governor of the Province of Massachusetts Bay as follows —

Brother, We are chosen by the Penobscot nation of Indians to come to Boston to salute your Excellency.

Col^o Goldthwait has told us that you was going to see our Father the great King George. We wish you health & happiness and a good sight of him. We pray that you would intercede with him to take pity upon us. We are poor and far out of his sight.

The Lands which we now possess was in possession of our Fathers from the begining of time.

We acknowldge that we have sided with your Enemies and that they and we have been conquered, and that we are become the Subjects of that great King George. We do now in the name of our whole Tribe recognize it, and do declare that we are now, and always will be, ready to obey his call upon any duty whatever.

We pray his Majesty to extend his pity to us and grant us so much Land as will give us and our Families subsistence in the way of life which we have been used to; We are not acquainted with Husbandry, nor Arts, sufficient to get our living by, and if we have not a sufficiency of Land assigned us, for our use only, to Hunt in, We and our Wives and our Children must perish.

Brother — We have another request to make to you. It is a long time since we have had any Priest among us and if we are kept much longer without one, we shall become like wild Beasts. We think it very hard that other Indian Nations in our neighbourhood can have a Priest of their own profession among them, and we be debarred of the same privilege: We are obliged to go a great Journey to S^t John's River for a Priest to Baptize our Children and carry our Families with us.

We pray that our Father the great King would pity us and suffer us to have a Priest, a good man, of our own profession to reside among us, that we and our Wives and our Children may worship God in the way that we have been taught, which may save us from Eternal death. It is too late for us at this time of life to learn a new Religion. Those who come after us may follow their own inclinations.

We take this opportunity to thank your Excellency for your kindness to us in a great many instances since you

commanded this Province and we hope you will return to it in safety.

Aiexes [mark]

Espequeunt [mark]

Anson [mark]

Deputies of the Penobscot Indians address.

At a Council held at the house of Jonathan Hastings Esq^r
in Cambridge Tuesday May 4th 1773

Present His Excellency the Governor

Capt Erving	Gray	Hall
Bridg ^{ar} Brattle	Russell	Dexter
	Pitts	

an Indian named Joasha from Canada appeared in Council with an Interpreter—& said that he was empowered with four other Captains & an Interpreter by the Abenaki Indians of the Arreseguntacook Tribe who all left Canada the 23rd August 1772 for to Come and present their Respects to his Excellency the Governor of Boston, and at the same time to Represent to him Such business as Immediately Concerned him & Expected to have had the Honour of seeing him without those inconveniences which have hapened to them but not being able to proceed by Reason of Sickness Gave full power to One of their Captains & the Interpreter to proceed In seeing of whom the whole would be seen & what they said the whole said.

from the Height of the Land 17th Sep^t 1772.

Joasha then Said My Fathers I am Come to Represent to you what has been Committed to me in Trust but I am young & unacquainted with Affairs and hope youl Excuse my Imperfections— I am Come to let you know that the fathers

& mothers of the persons who have been killed are not able to attend themselves and desire me to Lament before you their Pitiabie Case in the Loss of their Children hoping to Obtain some recompence from you, but do not demand Justice against the murderers one of whom is now In Falmouth Goal on that Account.

My Father I demand Nothing more than to Live in peace & union. We the Subjects of One Prince & desire to Eat of the same Food in the Same dish & to have the Land all Clear and Smooth—We young men desire to live in peace with all the English who are out a hunting and that no differences may arise between us, and our hunters desire to have a Badge whereby they may be known to the English Hunters, that they may Pass about their business in Safety. thus I have Expressd my meaning in the best manner I am able and Leave it to the Wisdom of your Excellency to Consider thereof.

His Excellency asked the Indian whether the Village he represented was in the Government of Canada, he answered that it was. and said that when any matter Concerned the Indians in General they applied to S^r W^m Johnson but in other Cases they went to the Governor of Canada.

His Excellency told the Indian he saw these things in the same Light, and that the Man in Falmouth Goal was soon to have a Tryal for the supposed murder. The Indian replied he did not demand any Satisfaction or propose any thing to be done but Left that to the Wisdom of the Governour & Council.

His Excellency Informed him that the Murder of an Indian was punished in the same Manner as the Murder of an Englishman, the Laws of the province made both death, which had this further View to prevent the Like Actions in future.

The Indian Said this Affair had been Considered In their own Counsells, they where sensible the Laws of God made it Death & they Should Punish Accordingly But they Trusted No Indian would Kill an Englishman.

His Excellency then Enquired If he knew how many Indians had been Killed—the Indian Answered Only a Man & his Wife & that the father of them was dead. a Mother & two Sisters are Still Living.

At Another Council at the Seat of Brigd' Royals on Wednesday the 5th Present His Excellency the Governor & the same Members of Council Except M^r Dexter.

His Excellency desired they would Advice what they thought propper should be done in this Affair. After a Debate they unanimously Advised that Six pounds be paid out of the Public Treasury to the Indian & Interpreter, and that His Excellency would Acquaint them that If on Tryal of the person in Falmouth Goal he Should be Convicted of the Murder he is Charged with, this Government would take further Notice of the Friends of the Deceased.

[Appended: The Indian's Letter—]

nous Sauvages abenakis du villages aresikantekok ayant Ete député par par les ordonnateur de notre villages au nombre de 5 Chêf Et capitaine Et notre interpreter, ayant partie le 23 aout 1772 pour aller représenter no respect a Son Exclences Monsieur le gouverneur de baston Et au memestem pour lui repré senté quel a faire qui nous regar-des-&c. ce nous aurion et l'honneur de vous voir sens lin-conveniens qui nous a-t arivé Mais ne pouvou continuer notre voyage par l'incommoditor de la maladie nous don non plain

pouvoir a un de no capitaine de pour Suivre la route avec
notre interpréte Et an les voijan vous nous voijez Ese qui
vous diron nous vous ladisont S – antacahanir

A 17 Septembre 1772.

Resolve of House.

In the House of Representatives June 18th 1773.

Whereas the Supplying the Indians with such Goods and Provisions as they Stand in need of at Penopscot falls, will greatly promote the Trade with the Indians, and prevent their being defrauded and abused by designing men, as well as prevent many Quarrells and Mischiefs that may otherways arise which may be Attended with fatal Consequences to this Goverment. therefore Resolved that the Commissary General be and he hereby is directed to lodge such Goods and Provisions; as he may think Expedient and necessary for Carrying on the Trade with the Indians, at such place near Penopscot falls as he thinks will best Accomodate the Indians and that he have a Stone at or near the place before mentioned for the Lodgement and Preservation of such Goods as he may send Down for the purpose aforesaid.

[Passed & consented to June 18]

Petition in re Embargo.

In Provincial Congress.

Watertown July 1st 1775.

May it please your Honours—

The distressed situation of the Eastern parts of this Province, calling for the serious attention of the humane, this Congress beg leave to address you in their behalf—

By reason of a number of our friends removing from the sea ports into the interior towns and a large army before Boston to support the rights of the Colonies, this Colony is unable to spare the necessary supplies of grain & provisions to our friends in the Province of Main. By which means & an Embargo laid upon grain & provisions in your Colony, they are reduced to the Alternative of Starving, or supplying the ministerial troops with Lumber either of which they deprecate—

We would therefore suggest to your Honours the Expediency of taking off the Embargo, so far as to permit the Inhabitants of the Eastern parts of this province to purchase grain & provisions for themselves, they producing a certificate from any of the Committees mentioned in the Enclosed list & giving bonds to your officers that they will deliver it to such Committee—

We are with the greatest sincerity Your Honours most obedient Humble Servants.—

[Page 30 has names of such committees for eleven towns—Berwick to Machias.]

Petition in re Embargo.

To the Hon^{ble} the Governor & Company of the Colony of Connecticut.

To the Honorable Council and House of Representatives

The Humble Petition of the Delegates of the Distrects of Maja Bigwaduce Dear Island, Mount Desart, Crambery Island, & presences, Nasgigg, Blue Hill Bay, Union River, and Frenchman's Bay duly assembled—at the House of M^r John Bane at Frenchman's Bay, Beg leave to lay our Grivences in a Concise Manner before your Honners—Viz—

Whereas the usual Communication is stop'd, both as to Exportations and Importations, we are thereby Rendered unable to provide the Necessaries of Life for ourselves & fameles & for the want of Ammunition &c we are unable to Defend ourselves against our Enemies should an Attempt be made to take our Cattle, they must Necessarily fall an Easy pray, we therefore pray that you would take our distressful Situation into your Serious Consideration and afford us such Assistance as shall seem to you most meet, as to our distressed situation. in General we Refer you to Sam^l Jordan Esq^r who is made Choice of by this Body to forward this petition, in mean time we are your distressed tho faithfull friends in the Common Struggle—

French Mans Bay July 20th 1775

John Bakmon	Maja Bigwaduce
Thom ^s Stinson	Dear Island
Jonas Dodge—	Nasgigg—
James Richardson—	Mount Desart
	Chamber Island & presency
Nicholas Holt	} Blue Hill Bay—
Joshua Horton	
Tho ^s Milliken	Union River
John Bane	Frenchman's Bay

A Conference with the S^t John's and Mickmac Tribes of Indians in Nova Scotia July 10 1776.—

A Conference held at Watertown in the Colony of Massachusetts Bay between the Hon^{ble} the Council of the said Colony, in behalf of said Colony, and of all the United Colonies on the one part, and the Delegates of the S^t Johns and Mickmac Tribes of Indians in Nova Scotia on the other part.

In Council Wednesday July 10th 1776.

The Hon^{ble} Board being Informed that Major Shaw was desirous of speaking to them on Business of Importance he was admitted into the Council Chamber, when he acquainted their Honors that a Number of Indians of the S^t Johns and Mickmac Tribes in Nova Scotia were come to Town to see & talk with the Council & General Washington, from both whom they had received Letters: and that at the earnest request of the said Indians he had accompanied them having brought them in his Sloop from Machias to Salem, from whence they rode hither in Carriages which were provided for them.

Major Shaw was desired to introduce them, which he did. After Salutations and their being seated & welcomed, The Honorable James Bowdoin Esq^r as President to the Council was desired to manage the Conference with them.—

President. What Tribes do you belong to and Represent?

Indians. The S^t John's and Mickmac.

Presid^t We should be glad to know your Names and to what Villages you belong.

Indians. We will answer each one for himself—

Ambrose Var

Newell Wallis

of S^t John's River.

Francis

Joseph Denaguara

of Winsor Mickmacs

Charles

Mattahu Ontrane

of Meremichi &

Nicholas

Rechibueto Mickmacs.

John Battis of Beansejour in Cumberland a Mickmac.

Peter Andre of Le Héve a Mickmac.

Sebattis Netobcobwit of Gaspee a Mickmac.

President. What number of Men is there in your Several Villages? Let each answer with respect to his own Village only

Ambrose Var. There are Sixty Men belonging to the S^t Johns Tribe.

Joseph. There are Sixty belonging to my Village Winsor Mattahu. In my Village are Eighty Men

Jn. Battis In the Village at Cumberland are forty men.

Peter Andre There are fifty men at La Heve.

Sabattis. Att Gaspee are fifty strong men

President. Are there any more Villages of Indians in Nova Scotia?

Indians. There are Six more Villages of Mickmacs, but we do not know what number of Men they have.

Presid^t As you want Refreshment we will defer hearing what you have to say to us; and we will let you know when we are ready to hear you. We have ordered good Lodgings & entertainment to be provided for you, and Major Shaw will take care that the order be complied with.

Wine being brought the President drank their Health, and the Health of the S^t John's, and Mickmac Tribes: which was returned by the Indians drinking the Health of the Council. They then retired with Major Shaw.

In Council Fryday A. M. July 12th 1776.

A Message went from the Board to the Honorable House of Representatives, then sitting in the Meeting House, to Inform them that certain Indians from the S^t John's & Mickmac Tribes were in Town, with whom the Board proposed to hold a Conference at eleven O'Clock and to invite the Hon^{ble} House to be present at it, and to propose to them that it should be held in the Meeting-House.

A Message was received from the House in Answer that they would attend the Conference at the Meeting-House

which should be at the Service of the Honorable Board for that purpose.—

The Council then proceeded to the Meeting House, into which they were introduced by the Speaker. Being seated and the Indians also come and seated, the Conference was renewed.

President. Brothers of the S^t John's & Mickmac Tribes.—We are glad to see you to Day and hope you are all well.

Ambrose. We thank you.

Presid^t As Some of you speak French, we have desired M^r Job. Prince who speaks French also to Interpret what shall be Said at this Conference: And we have appointed M^r John Avery as clerk to take Minutes of it. They will be Each sworn to the faithful discharge of their Office respectively.

They were sworn by the President accordingly: & Col^o Lithgow who understands the Indian Language was desired to assist as interpreter.

Ambrose We like it well.

President. At our first interview, you told us, that you came from and Represented the S^t John's & Mickmac Tribes What Evidence do you give us of this.

Ambrose hereupon rose and delivered to the President a large Parchment, containing a Treaty made between those Tribes and the Government of Nova Scotia in 1760: Also a Letter to them from General Washington dated in February last and a Letter to them from the General Court of Massachusetts Bay dated in October last: and said that those Letters were the occasion of their coming hither to see General Washington.

President. We are now ready to hear what you have to say to us: and shall give great attention to it.

Ambrose. The S^t John's and Mickmac Tribes are all one people and of one Tongue and one Heart.

We are very thankful to the Almighty to see all the Council. The Almighty has given the English and Indians one Heart.

General Washington sent us Something (the Letters aforesaid) last Fall and this Spring, and that is the reason of our coming here now to speak.

The Captains that are come up with me and all our people are all one as Boston, Our Eyes and our Ears will not turn to the other side of the Water to see or hear what they do.

We want a Father or a French Priest. Jesus we pray to and we shall not hear any prayers that come from England.

We shall have nothing to do with Old England and all that we shall worship or obey will be Jesus Christ, and General Washington.

[Here Ambrose delivered to the President a Silver Gorget and Heart with the Kings Arms and the Busts of the King and Queen engraved on them.]

General Washington advised us to pray to Jesus for aid and assistance and to be thankful for the Lands that God had given us. All our old Men & Women pray that the Almighty would enable us to walk in the right way.

General Washington wrote us a Letter desiring us to pray for him, and assist him all in our power.—All our Captains and Chiefs do pray that he and his Brothers may be Masters of this country—We are both one Country—We are of their Country—and they are of our Country.

There are Boston people down with us, and we esteem them as our own people, and treat them as such There are a Number of French People upon our Land who disturb us in hunting, and we want to remove them a little further from us near the Sea Coast.

[Here Ambrose presented & delivered a Sword and Pistol which he said had been offered them by one Anderson, and

which they afterwards took from him; and he then proceeded]

Mr. Anderson told us if we would be for England as he intended to be, we might have that sword & pistol, he told us, that if we lost any money by the Boston People, the King in old England would make it up.

After we received Letters from General Washington we took the sword from Anderson, and told him we would have nothing to do with him: and sett him as a mark and despised him

We told Anderson when we took the sword from him we would deliver it up to General Washington if he would receive it.

We have now said what we had to say concerning this Matter, and would again mention,

That we want a Truckhouse & a Priest.

Presid^t You mentioned there were some Frenchmen in your Country, whom you wanted to have removed—Are they in opposition to the Interest of this Country?

Ambrose. They are all for you.

Presid^t For what purpose did Anderson give you the Sword?

Indians. As M^r Anderson would not be for the people of Boston we took it from him.

Presid^t Did M^r Anderson appear as an Agent for the Government of Nova Scotia, or only as a private Individual?

Indians. M^r Anderson told us in the Winter and in the spring not to go to Boston, but to Halifax.— He said it would not signify to go to Boston; but if we would go to the Governor of Halifax we should have a Hatt full of Money given to us by the Governor. We did not want Money; but we wanted to lay our Hearts open to the people of Boston.

Presid^t Was Anderson a public agent, or Employed by the Governor of Halifax?

Indians.—We believe he was.

Presid^t What is the disposition of the English people in Nova Scotia with regard to the disputes between England and America?

Indians. We do not know.

President. What is the Disposition of the Mickmacs and S^t John's Tribes in general. Would they all enter heartily and with Resolution into the War on our side?

Indians. Both the Mickmac or Cape Sable Indians and the S^t John's Indians are all for helping Boston; we know their Hearts for we had a talk with them.

The President then delivered a Speech to them which was as follows.

Brothers. What you have Said we like well.

President It makes a Strong impression on our Hearts, and at our next Conference with you we will give you a full and particular Answer. We will now open our minds to you. You have heard that the English people beyond the great Water have taken up the Hatchett and made War against the English united Colonies in America. We once looked on them as our Brothers, as Children of the same Family with ourselves, and not only loved them as Brothers, but loved and respected them as our elder Brothers. But they have grown old and Covetous; many of their great men have wasted and Squandered not only their own Money but the Money of the public; and because they cannot obtain in their own Country a sufficiency to support their Excessive Luxury and Sate their Avarice they want to take from us our Money and our Lands for those purposes; and at the same time to deprive us of our Liberties and make us Slaves. They have already taken away a great deal of our Money and many of our privileges, and we have born it with patience having only told them, that their doing so, was unbrotherly and unkind, and most earnestly prayed them again and again

to desist from their unfriendly and cruel treatment of us; but all our Petitions have been disregarded, and they have troden them as waste paper under their feet. After this ill usage, and repeated insults, we have refused to part with any more of our Money and privileges: and this refusal has brought upon us the War in which we are engaged. Our Enemies, before they openly declared themselves to be such, we received as friends, and admitted them into our Towns and Sea ports. Taking advantage of this peaceable disposition of ours, they sent Ships and Troops and took possession of Boston and Strongly fortified it, expecting we Should permit them to do the Same with other places, till they had secured the whole Country. But they found themselves mistaken, for when a large Body of them went from Boston secretly by night into our Country in the Month of April the last year, and killed some of our people, burnt or damaged many of their Houses stole and destroyed much of their property, and committed other acts of cruelty, a number of our Warriours assembled and drove them back, and killed a great many of them: And a little while after killed a much greater number of them at Charlestown, with comparatively little loss of Lives on our side. The War being thus begun, all the Colonies on the Continent from New Hampshire to Georgia (including them) determined in a great Council held by some of their Wise Men at Philadelphia to unite together for their Mutual defence: and their Army under the Command of that great Warriour General Washington, have lately driven away the British Army from Boston, where for many months they were held as prisoners, not daring to March out of the town to fight General Washington: and we doubt not through the favour of divine Providence, that although the British Troops have gained some advantages in Canada, the armies of the United Colonies will be able to drive them out of all other parts of America within the

Limits of the said Colonies; and out of Canada Also, if the Canadians are not blind with regard to their own Interest and liberty.

We have given you this Information that you might know the true State of things. And we would inform you further, that as we and the S^t John's and Mickmac Tribes of Indians are Countrymen, and not very distant from each other, we ought to be, and it is our Interest to be mutual friends and as Brothers: and we are glad to find by what you have now said, that you are of the same Mind. accordingly we the governor of the Colony of Massachusetts Bay in behalf of this Colony and of all the united Colonies in North America receive you to our friendship. Your Acceptance of it intitles you to be considered by us as Brothers, and your Enemies we shall deem our Enemies; and will do all in our power to protect you from them—We do not however ask you to join with us in the War, unless it is your free choice to do so.— If you choose to join with the united Colonies in the War, and shall tell us so clearly, we will immediately take the matter into consideration, and let you know our minds at the next Conference.

In the mean time we are glad to see you do not intend to join our Enemies against us. It is probable that the Governor of Nova Scotia, the Governor of Canada, and other Enemies of these Colonies will Endeavor to deceive you, and by presents and threats try to make you join with them against the United Colonies; But be not deceived by them, Our love for you obliges us to forwarn you of their Arts and Earnestly to Caution you against being deceived. If they should engage you in the War against us, you will be undone, and will be a ruened people. We do not mention this as supposing you will join them; but only as a friendly caution to you, that you do not suffer them to deceive you to your on ruin.

When you have considered what we have now said, and are ready to give an Answer to it we will hear you.

Ambrose. We will consider it and speak to you again.

Presid^t You told us the Sword and Pistol you took from Anderson was at our disposal. We thank you and now return them to you in Confidence, that they will be employed by you, only against your own Enemies and our Enemies.

[The Silver Gorget and Heart with the King's Arms and Bust engraven on them were delivered to the Interpreter to be returned to the Indians. He presented them to their Speaker; but with great vehemence and displeasure he refused to take them, saying they had nothing to do with King George and England. Whereupon the President told them, that they should have a new Gorget and Heart with a Bust of General Washington and proper devices to represent the United Colonies.] The Conference was then adjourned to to morrow after drinking mutual Health.

In Council Saturday, July 13th 1776.

A Message went from the Honorable Board to inform the Hon^{ble} House that the Conference with the Indians would be renewed at three O'Clock P. M, to which the House returned an Answer, that they would then attend.

Accordingly at three O'Clock the Council proceeded to the Meeting House, and the Indians being come the Conference was renewed.

President. Brothers of the S^t John's and Mickmac Tribes. It gives us pleasure to see you today in Health. We hope you have been well Entertained at your Lodgings, agreeable to our Order.

We shall now give you an answer to what you said to us yesterday.

You told us you prayed to our Saviour Jesus, and wanted a French Priest to assist you in your prayers. We are glad

to see you have such a regard for Religion, and are ready to furnish you with a Priest to assist you in your prayers, and teach you the true Religion; but we do not know that we can git a French Priest. if one of our Priests would be agreeable to you, we will endeavor to git you one, and will take care he be a good Man.

You told us you wanted a truck house. According to your desire last year, we sent to our Truckmaster at Penobscot Money to purchase Ammunition provisions and Goods, as much of each as we thought sufficient to supply you the last Winter; and we wrote you so in our Letter to you last October. We hope the Truckmaster supplied you according to our Order; which was to supply you with what you wanted, and take your skins & Furs in payment; and that you might be the better accommodated we also sent a quantity of the same Articles to Machias with Orders to our Truck Master there to supply you. We shall send a further Quantity, and order him to let you have the things you want, at the same rate they cost us, and allow you for your Skins & Furs the same price they will fetch in Boston.

We hope this will be Satisfactory to you. With respect to the War, we told you yesterday how it began, and mentioned to you some of the Cruelties our Enemies committed on our people. We shall now mention some more of those Cruelties.

After the British Ships and Troops were admitted into Boston as friends they stopped all the Trade of the Town, and would not suffer our Vessels to come or go out to supply the Town, and Country as usual. They then fearing the people of Boston after such provocation would rise upon them, told them, that if they would deliver up their Arms, the Inhabitants should be all safe, and no injury offered to them or their property; and that such as inclined to go out of y^e Town, should have free Liberty to go with all their Effects—The Town knowing themselves to be in the power

of the Troops, and being cut off from all communication with the Country agreed to the proposal, and accordingly delivered up their Arms, relying on the promise of the British Gen^l M^r Gage that he would perform his part of the Agreement; but as soon as he had got their Arms, he broke his Faith, and would permit only a part of the people to go, and would not suffer them to take their effects with them. Those that were obliged to remain in the Town, were insulted and abused by the Soldiers, who burnt and destroyed many of their Houses, stole a great quantity of their Goods, and subjected them to great difficulties and hardships; all directly contrary to the plighted faith of the British General. And afterwards when the British Troops found that General Washington was determined to drive them out of Town, they broke open Dwelling Houses and Store Houses, and took away and destroyed a prodigious quantity of Goods, and then with great precipitation retreated to their ships, and quitted the Town.

Some time before this they burnt the large town of Charlestown, consisting of several Hundred Houses, taking away everything valuable they could find there. And Several of their Ships of War went and destroyed great part of the Town of Falmouth in Casco Bay, burning near two Hundred Houses there, with many things of Value in them, much other Damages they have done, and many other Cruelties they have committted. This unjust, inhuman and cruel treatment has compelled us to take up Arms in our defence, and in earnest to engage in a War with them; and all the Colonies on the Continent, thro fifteen Hundred Miles extent, have joined with us in the War, and are determined to carry it on, 'till we can obtain a peace on just and Honorable Terms.

We know our Cause to be just: we can therefore plaec our Confidence in that Being who is the great dispencer of justice: and who will not suffer such Inhumanity and Breach of

Faith to go unpunished. We trust that by his favour we shall be able to defend ourselves: and we do not desire you as we told you yesterday to enter into the War unless you choose it. You then expressed a disposition to engage in it; but we desired you to weigh and consider the matter well before you engaged and to let us know your mind about it fully and plainly after you had so considered it—

We shall now attend to what you have to say on this head, and to everything else you have to say.

Ambrose. We have the same to say to day that we said yesterday, that we are your friends, and Brothers, and will join in the War on your side. You may depend upon it, that we will not break our Words—we will not Lie—All that are here present hear us, and the God of Heaven hears us, and we will engage in the War, for we are Brothers—We would not lie to save our right hands. We pledge our Faith that we will do what we promise—We love Boston. It gives us a great deal of concern they were so ill used. We should have been glad to have had the Arms of Boston to keep. If ye had had y^e Boston Arms, we should have been able to defend ourselves— In case the people of England should come to drive us out of our Country we will give you information of it immediately—We shall be very glad to have proper Goods for our Furs and Skins, and we want them up S^t John's River. We are not capable of wrighting, we ca'nt convey our minds as we would wish to do—We will pledge our right Hands in faith of what we have promissed.

There are some of us here that are willing to go to War now, and would go to General Washington immediately.

(Upon this three of them went from their seats into the Isle and manifested a great desire to go)

These three are Chiefs of different Villages and are willing to go together.

Presi^t We thank them, and will let them know our Minds. By what you said yesterday, and what you say now it appears to be your disposition and intention to join in the War with us. do we understand you right? Do you mean to join with us in y^e War?

Ambrose. Yes—we are with our Hearts ready to join you.

Presid^t You mean not only yourselves particularly; but your Tribes in General.

Amb: Its not in our power to answer now for the whole of our Tribes, but when we go home, we will call together all the young men and see how many will go to War:

Presid^t How many men do your Tribes consist of?

Amb: It is not in our power to tell.

Pres^t You, Ambrose are of S^t John's: how many men are there in your Tribe?

Ambr. Sixty men that are able to do duty.

Presid. How many of your men would be willing to engage in the War?

Amb. It is impossible to tell certain 'till we go home and call our men together.

Pres^t Do you think thirty would engage?

Amb: We can git Thirty men to go, and three Cap^{ts} for certain. This man that is next to me will make one of the thirty that will go with me.

Francis of the same Tribe } I can go and fetch from S^t Johns twenty myself, I will return and bring twenty men with me.

Pres: How many men Joseph will go from your Village and how many does it consist of?

Jos^h Denaguara. Twenty five men would go, and there are fifty in the whole.

Presid^t How many men in your Village Mattahu, and how many would go?

Mattahu I can bring Ten Men and could bring more if I want afraid of the English coming to attack our Village while we were gone. We have Eighty Men.

Presid^t How many in your Village, and how many would go Battis?

Jn. Battis. We can produce fourteen, but must leave none to take care of the & women & Children. We have forty men in our Village.

Presid^t I want to know how many Men there are in your Village, Peter?

Peter Andre Sixty Men.

Pres: How many men can your Village furnish?

Peter. It is not in my power to answer with certainty as I am going myself to General Washington directly.

Presid^t Do you think Twenty?

Peter An. Thirty.

Presid^t How many are there in your Village, Sabattis? Sabattis Netobcobwit. Fifty men.

Pres^t How many men would go to War?

Sab: Netob: Twenty five Men.

Presid^t How many Villages are there of the Mickmac's not represented here? [Here Several of them consulted together, and then the answer was given.] Ambrose. Six.

Presid^t How many Villages are there represented here?

Ambrose. Six.

Presid^t Are the other Villages as big as these Six?

Amb: Some much bigger.

Presid^t What is the reason that the other Six Villages did not send Delligates as well as those that have sent?

Ambrose. The reason is that General Washington's Letter had not reached them, some of our people went after them but we have not heard from them.

Presid^t Do you think that the other Villages have as friendly a disposition towards us as you have?

Amb: The Same. We are all Brothers and Cousins—We are of the same Flesh & Blood and can't make War or be attacked separately.

President. Would your Warriours form a Body in conjunction with a number of our people?

Ambrose Yes— We are Brothers now and for that reason we would join our Hands with yours.

Presid^t From what you now say, we depend that you are hearty to enter into the War with us?

Ambrose. Yes we are [Hereupon all the Indians came from their seats and shook Hands with the President in token of their heartiness & sincerity]

Presid^t We look upon this as an Expression of your readiness to join with us in the War, and accordingly I shall immediately consult my Brothers of Both Houses here present and let you know presently what our determination is. After consultation with the Council, and with the Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives, the President then proceeded.

President. Brothers. I would now inform you what the General Court have agreed to, upon your having Signified your readiness to enter with us into the War. They have agreed that a Regiment be imployed in the Continental service under the Command of General Washington to consist of Five Hundred of the Mickmac & S^t John's Tribes, and two Hundred and Fifty of our people with them. These are to form one Regiment to act together. The Field Officers or the Chief Officers are to be English—The other Officers of the Regiment are to be one half English and the other half Indians; with respect to the pay of the officers, it will be determined the next time the Court Meets—With respect to the soldiers both Indians & English they will have the like pay, viz, forty shillings p^r month, equal to Six Dollars & two thirds, and each of the Indians to be allowed a Rifle Shirt

such as the Rifle men have, a Blankit, Shoes & Buckels or Morgasons. You will also have provisions supplied you while in the service.

Presid^t Do you understand perfectly what has been said?

Amb^r We understand it exceeding will—

Pres^t Do you approve of the Establishment of such a Regiment consisting of English and Indians?

Ambrose We are very glad of it, and we repeat it again, we are very well contented and pleased with it.

Presid: Brothers, are you all well equipt with Guns and all things necessary belonging to a Gun?

Ambrose. We have few or none, nor can we find any Knives to buy.

Pres: How do you Hunt without Guns?

Ambr. We have got Guns but reserve them for our Children to hunt with in our Absence from home.

Presid^t Those that engage in the service must bring their Guns with them. Have you any thing further to say at this time?

Ambrose. We have nothing further to say, all we have said we consider as an Oath.

Presid^t The next time we meet together, we will let you know how the Regiments are to be regulated.

Then the President drank prosperity to the Indians of the Mickmac and St John's Tribes, and wished that the friendship now established might continue as long as the Sun and Moon shall endure, which was pledged by the Indians.

Presid^t We will bid you farewell to night, and will see you again next Tuesday.

In the Meeting House Tuesday July 16, 1776 P. M.

The Conference was continued.

Presid^t Brothers: We hope we now see you well—At our last Meeting, you desired, that the Goods we should send to the

Truckhouse at Machias, might be such as you most wanted. We should be glad you would now inform us what Goods you most want, and like best; and we will endeavor the Truckhouse shall be supplied with them, being desirous to accomodate you in the best manner in our power.

Ambrose. We want Strouds and Blankets for Winter and Summer. Our Children & Families are always in want of those Articles—We want Powder, Shott, Flints, Knives & Combs, Hatchets, Small Axes of two diff^t sixes, Paint, some steel Traps to catch Beaver, And we want Guns too, to go a Hunting with.

Presid^t Major Shaw has delivered us a Memorandum of a Number of Articles—We will order our Commissary to supply the Truckhouse with them if they can be procured.

Ambrose We are much obliged to you.

Presid^t One of you desired yesterday that a Truckmaster with Goods might be sent to S^t Johns.

Ambrose There is one Adderton who lives a ligue from our Village, who we should be glad might be appointed.

President. We should be glad to send a Truckmaster there, but as S^t John's is not within the bounds of this Colony, we have no right to do it.

Ambrose We are much obliged to you.

President. Since we last talked together we have received Letters from General Washington, in which he mentions his Brothers the S^t Johns and Mickmac Indians. As he thinks you are strong men and his good friends, and as you have expressed great inclination to take part with him in the War, he desires you to come and join him at New York with all possible expedition. He wants five or six Hundred of you, but if you cannot spair so many, desires you to speak to your Brothers of Penobscot, Passamaquoddy and other places to come along with you so as to make up that number in the Whole. The pay and Encouragement will be the same we

mentioned to you last Saturday—We now desire your Answer, that we may weight it to General Washington.

Ambrose. My Brother, it is not in our power to tell how many Men we can raise, we will git as many as we can, we cannot say anything further: We will endeavor to furnish all we can.

Presid^t You all promise to use your endeavors to engage all the Warriours you can. They are to come here, and then go to New York to join General Washington.

Ambrose. Yes we have said it already, that we will go and git all that we can.

Presid^t You told us the other Day how many you thought your several Villages would furnish—we should be glad you would mention the number again, according to the best of your Judgment, that General Washington may know what to depend on.

Ambrose. S ^t John's consists of 60 men and will furnish 30			
Jos ^h & Charles Winsor	“ 50	do	20 or 25
Mattahu Meremichi &			
Beausejour—	80	do	10
Jo ^s Battis Cumberland			
Beausejour—	40	do	15 perhaps 25
Peter Andre Le Heve	60	do	15
Sebattis Netobsobwit, Gospee	50	do	25 or 50
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President— How many can the other Six Villages furnish?

Ambrose. We cannot tell, We would let you know it is not in our power to come this Fall: except three who are willing to go now. The rest say, they cannot come this Fall.

Presid^t If you cannot come yourselves this Fall, perhaps some other of your Tribes can.

Ambrose. When we go home we will git all our People together and advise with them, and we will certainly come in the Spring.

Presid^t General Washington wrights he wants them now, as they are strong men, and his good Brothers.

Ambrose We will endeavor to git them, & if it is possable we will come this fall, we will git our Men together & come up if it is possible.

Presid^t Would the other Six Villages furnish any men?

Ambrose. We are so far distant from each other, that it would bring it to Christmas before we would git together.

Presid^t How long would it be before your people could git together?

Ambrose We are certain that we can all be here in the Spring. It will be late before we can git home, and it will be Winter before our people will be able to git together.

Presid^t Cap^t Shaw can carry you to Machias or S^t John's quick and you can be in your own Country in a few days after.

Ambrose Some of us after we git to S^t John's River have a great way to go, near two Hundred Leagues.

President. Those of the S^t John's Tribe are near, they can come in a short time.

Ambrose When we came from home our Captain of the S^t John's Tribe was gone to Quebec to hear what News; he went to see the Boston people, not the Kings Troops, perhaps when we git home our Captain may be returned, and may bring the same tidings we git here: if not as soon as he does return we will endeavor to git the men here as quick as possable.

President. Do you think your Neighbours the Passamaquoddy Indians can furnish any men? They are near.

Ambrose We will send people to inform them, and endeavor to git as many of them as we can.

Presid^t Do you think the Cape Sable Indians can furnish any men?

Ambrose They are too far off to send to from S^t John's.

Presid^t Not if you can go across the Bay of Fundy to Cape Sable.

Ambrose. We keep along the Coast, except when we come across Rivers that are not too wide

Presid^t General Washington will depend on Thirty Men from S^t John's to come up soon.

Ambrose. Yes all we can git.

President— Who lives next to S^t John's?

Ambrose—The Mickmac's are the nearest. They can't come this Fall for want of provisions for their families, who will starve if they come away.

President. Tell Ambrose, that we thank him for his readiness to engage his people to come here as soon as he can: and we shall be glad the rest of them will get their people together as soon as may be, and come to Boston, with as many as they can get.

Indians. We will do all that we can.

Presid^t When you git home, inform your Tribes, and the other Indians Tribes, what has been agreed between us. Such of the Indian Warriours as incline to engage must come to this place, and General Washington says, they must bring their own Guns, as General Washington depends upon it.

Ambrose Those who have two Guns will bring one with them and those who have but one Gun must leave it at Home.

Presid^t Besides their wages, they will have a Dollar for the use of each Gun, and if their Guns should be lost in the service, they will be paid for them, Everything else that is necessary will be supplied them when they come here. They must be very expeditious in coming. General Washington wants them immediately. Now you know what will be paid

for your Guns, you must prevail with your people to bring Guns with them.

Ambrose Yes we will all bring our Guns, all that have any We have all got Guns, but they are not in very good order.

Presid^t Bring the best you have got, You must come as quick as you can—We shall desire Major Shaw to procure you a passage up to Boston from Machias.

Ambrose. If there was a Vessel at S^t John's, we could come much quicker.— We want to know who will carry us to S^t Johns now for the sooner we can get home, the sooner we can git together.

Presid^t We shall desire Maj. Shaw to carry you to Machias certain and if he can carry you to S^t John's he will. When Major Shaw carries you to Machias, you must let him know when he must go there again to bring you up.

Ambrose. We will let him know.

Presid^t Your pay will commence on the day you sail from Machias to come to Boston. Our Commisary will send provisions for your passage up— The Companies will be formed when you come here—You must engage and enlist for so long a time as General Washington shall want you, not exceeding two or three years unless General Washington & you agree for a longer time: and from hence you will proceed to General Washington.

Ambrose— We are Willing.

President. Several of you, viz, Joseph Denaguara, Sabbattis Netobcobwit and Peter Andre, offered themselves to engage in the war immediately, we want them—We are much pleased they show so hearty a Disposition to engage, we accept of their offer, and according to their desire will send them to General Washington who will inform them what to do. The S^t John's & Mickmac Tribes are now our Brothers, and are become one people with the United Colonies—Those

Colonies have lately by their Great Council at Philadelphia declared themselves free and independent States, by the Name of the United States of America.— The Certain News of it and the Declaration itself are just come to us and we are glad of this opportunity to inform you, our Brothers of it.—The said Great Council the Representatives of the United States of America in General Congress Assembled appealing to the Supreme Judge of the World for the rectitude of their Intentions do in the name and by the Authority of the good people of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, that these united Colonies are and of right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britian, is, and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as free and independent states they have full power to levy War, conclude Peace, Contract Alliances Establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and things, which Independent States may of right do, and for the Support of this Declaration with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, they mutually pledge to each other their Lives, their Fortunes, and their Sacred Honour.”

Here the printed Declaration at large was produced to the Indians, and the Interpreter M^r Prince fully explained it to them.—

Ambrose. We like it well.

Presid^t This is the declaration of the United States of America. You and we therefore have now nothing to do with Great Britian We are wholly separated from her and all the former Friendship and Connection with her are now dissolved. The United States now form a long and Strong Chain; and it is made longer and stronger by our Brethren of the St. John's & Mickmac Tribes joining with us; and may Almighty God never suffer this Chain to be broken—In pur-

suance and in full Conformation of what has in these Conferences been agreed upon between us, we now lay before you certain Articles of Alliance and Friendship, which if you approve of them we propose shall be mutually signed, viz, by you in behalf of the S^t John's & Mickmac Tribes on the one part; and by us in behalf of the united States of America on the other part.

The President then holding out to them the Treaty said this is the Treaty to be read to you. If you approve of it, it will be fairly written and brought here again to be Signed by you and us.— I shall desire one of my Brothers to read it to you being obliged myself to go to Boston. Upon which the President, after shaking Hands with the Indians & bidding them farewell retired.

The Honorable Benjamin Greenleaf Esq^r then read the Treaty to the Indians, which was fully and clearly interpreted to them, and of which they expressed their intire approbation, and Said they were ready to sign it.

The Conference adjourned to the next Day.

Wednesday, July 17th 1776.

The Council and the Indian Delegates being met, Duplicates of the Treaty fairly written were produced and signed and exchanged.—

Then the Hon^{ble} Benjⁿ Greenleaf Esq^r told them the presents ordered them by the Government, would be delivered to them as soon as they were ready. The Conference being now ended, the Indians took leave of the Council and departed.

The following is a Copy of the Treaty above referred to, Viz.—A Treaty of Alliance and Friendship—entered into, and concluded by and between the Governors of the State of Massachusetts Bay, and the Delegates of the S^t John's & Mickmac Tribes of Indians.

Whereas the United States of America in General Congress Assembled have in the name, and by the Authority of the Good people of these Colonies solemnly published and declared, that these united Colonies are, and of right ought to be free and Independent States; That they are absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them, and the state of Great Britian is and ought to be dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States they have full power to Levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce and to do all other Acts, and things which Independent States may of Right do.

We the Governors of the State of Massachusetts Bay do by Virtue thereof, and by the Powers vested in us enter into, and conclude the following Treaty of Friendship and Alliance Viz—

1st We the Governors of the said State of Massachusetts Bay in behalf of said State, and the other United States of America on the One part, and Ambrius Var, Newell Wallis, and Francis Delegates of the S^t John's Tribe, Joseph Dene-guara, Charles, Mattahu Antrane, Nicholas, John Battis, Peter Andre, and Sabattis Netobcobwit, Delegates of the Mickmac Tribes of Indians, inhabiting within the province of Nova Scotia for themselves, and in behalf of said Tribes on the other part do solemnly agree that the people of the said State of Massachusetts Bay, and of the other United States of America, and of the said Tribes of Indians shall henceforth be at peace with Each other, and be considered as Friends & Brothers united and allied together for their mutual defense safety and Happiness.

2^d That each party to this Treaty shall, and will consider the Enemies of the other as Enemies to themselves, and do hereby solemnly promise and engage to and with each other, that when called upon for that purpose, they shall, and will, to the utmost of their abilities, aid and assist each other

against their public Enemies; and perticularly, that the people of the said Tribes of Indians shall and will afford, and give to the people of said State of Massachusetts Bay and the people of the other united States of America during their present war with the King of Great Britian, all the aid and Assistance in their power. And that they the people of said Tribes of Indians shall not, and will not directly or indirectly give any aid, or assistance to the Troops or Subjects of the said King of Great Britian, or others adhearing to him or hold any Correspondence, or carry on any commerce with them during the present War.—

3^d That if any Robbery, or outrage happens to be committed by any of the Subjects of said State of Massachusetts Bay, or of any other of the United States of America, upon any of the people of said Tribes, the said State shall upon proper application being made, cause satisfaction, and restitution speedily to be made to the party injured.

4th That if any Robbery or outrage happens to be Committed by any of the said Tribes of Indians upon any of the subjects of said State or of any other of the United States of America the Tribe to which the Offender or Offenders shall belong, shall upon proper application being made, cause Satisfaction and Restitution speedily to be made to the Party Injured.

5th That in case any Misunderstanding, Quarrel or Injury shall happen between the said State of Massachusetts Bay, or any other of the United States of America, and the said Tribes of Indians, or either of them, no private Revenge shall be taken, but a peaceable application shall be made for Redress.

6th That the said Tribes of Indians shall and will furnish and supply 600 strong men out of said Tribes or as many as may be, who shall without delay proceed from their several homes up to the Town of Boston within this State,

and from thence shall March to join the Army of the United States of America now at New York under the immediate command of his Excellency General Washington, there to take his orders.

7th That each of the Indians who shall by their respective Tribes be appointed to join the Army of the United States of America shall bring with him a good Gun, and shall be allowed one Dollar for the use of it: and in case the Gun shall be lost in the service shall be paid the value of it. And the pay of Each Man shall begin from the time they sail from Machias for Boston, and they shall be supply'd with provisions, and a Vessel or Vessels for their passage up to Boston. Each private Man shall receive the like pay as is given to our own private men. The Indians shall be formed into Companies when they arrive at Boston, and shall engage, or inlist for so long a time as General Washington shall want them not exceeding the term of three years, unless General Washington and they shall agree for a longer time. And as Joseph Denaquara Peter Andre, & Sabattis Netobcobwit have manfully and Generously offered to enter immediately into the War they shall be sent as soon as may be to Gen^l Washington to join the Army, and shall be considered as entering into our pay at the time of Arrival at New York.

8th The Delegates above named, who may return to their Homes, do promise and engage, to use their utmost influence with the Pasamaquoddy, and other Neighboring Tribes of Indians to persuade them to furnish, and supply for the said service as many Strong Men of their respective Tribes as possible, and that they come along with those of the Tribes of S^t John's Mickmac—

And the said Governor of the said State of Massachusetts Bay do hereby engage to give to such of the Passamaquoddy or other Neighbouring Indians, who shall enter into the service of the United States of America, the same pay and

encouragement in every perticular, as is above agreed to be given to the St John's or Mickmac Indians, and to consider them as our friends, and Brothers.

9th That the said State of Massachusetts Bay shall, and will furnish their Truckmaster at Machias as soon as may be with proper Articles for the purpose of supplying the Indians of said Tribes with the Necessaries and Conveniences of Life.

10th And the Said Delegates do hereby annul and make Void all former Treaties by them or by others in behalf of their respective Tribes made with any other power, State, or Person, so far forth as the Same Shall be repugnant to any of the Articles contained in this Treaty.

In Faith & Testimony whereof we the said Governors of the Said State of Massachusetts Bay have signed these presents, and caused the Seal of said State to be hereunto affixed, and the Said Ambrius Var, Newell Wallis, and Francis, Delegates of the St John's Tribe, Joseph Denaquara, Charles, Mattahu, Ontrane, Nicholas, John, Battis, Peter Andre, and Sebattis Netobcobwit, Delegates of the Mickmac Tribes of Indians have hereunto put their Marks, and Seals in the Council Chamber at Watertown in the State aforesaid the Nineteenth day of July In the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred, and Seventy Six.

James Bowdoin

B. Greenleaf

Ambrius **X** Var & Seal

Caleb Cushing

Rich^d Derby Jun^r

Newell **X** Wallis & Seal

John Winthrop

Thomas Cushing

John Whitcomb

Francis **X** & Seal

Eldad Taylor

Sam^l Holton

Mattahu **X** Ontrane & Seal

Moses Gill

John Taylor	Nichola X & Seal
Benj ⁿ White	
Eben ^r Thayer Jun ^r	John X Battis
Henry Gardiner	
Daniel Hopkins	Charles X & Seal
Daniel Davis	
Jabez Fisher	Peter X Andre & Seal
	Joseph X Danaquara & Seal
	Sabattis X Netobcobwit & Seal

The Seal of the State Appending—

[Foregoing a Copy]

Questions asked the Indians of the S^t Francis Tribe.

Q. What occasioned your coming this way

A. Being Informed you were in a State of War with Great Britain. I come to offer you our Assistance if wanted.

Q. Has the Gov^r of Canada proposed to you to take up the Hatchet against y^r English

A Yes frequently

Q Has the Gov^r sent any agents among you for that purpose.

A Yes two persons who offered us presents & 4 or 5 of our young men went to Quebeck & took blankets

Q Why did you refuse to comply with the proposals of Gov Carlton

A As our Ancestors gave this Country to you we would not have you destroyed by English but are ready to afford you our Assistance

Q If Gov Carlton should know you offered us your assistance are you not afraid he would destroy you

A We are not afraid of it—he has threatened us but if he attacks us we have arms to defend ourselves

Q Would your tribe in General be disposed to assist us

A We some time ago made peace with Gen^l Johnson & buried the hatchett but are now in Gen^l ready to take it up again in your behalf

Q Do you know of whither any of the tribes near you are disposed to afford us Assistance if wanted

A There are five tribes that are of one head & ready to assist you

Q How many men are there in the 5 tribes fit to bear Arms

A About 2000 young men & more if wanted

Q When was you at Montreal.— A. This Spring

Q Had eny number of you & the other tribes at meeting with Gov. Carlton.

A Some from the S^t Francois & other tribes.

Q When did you meet the Gov^r

A We had two meetings one at Mount Real the others at Quebec

Q Do you know of any meeting of your tribes with French Officers at Os

A Their was a Meeting but they took nothing.

Q Do you know whether any tribe has agreed to take arms against us

A All the Tribes have agreed to afford you assistance if wanted

Q Do you know the disposition of the tribes far West & N-West

A I do not know. They are far off.

Have any tribes joined Gen^l Johnson A No

Q Are your tribe in Alliance with the Indians A Yes.

Q Has he given you any advice with regard to this Dispute.

A Our preist is no Warrior & does not concern himself about it.

Q What is the disposition of y^e Canadians as to taking arms.

A They are afraid—& are not disposed to take arms

Q How do you like the military appearances near Boston

A Very well.—

Q Would it be as agreeable to Join Gen^l Schuyler at Crown point as the army at Cambridge

A Yes.

Q. Should Gen^l Schuyler proceed into Canada to take Montreal & Quebec would you assist him

A Yes heartily

Conference with y^e Indians—S^t Francis Tribe July 1776.

To the Hon^{ble} the Council & the Hon^{ble} House of Representatives for the State of Massachusetts Bay in New England in General Court Assembled.—

May it Please your Honors.—

The Petition of the Committees of Safety, Correspondence and Inspection, for the severall Towns of Georgetown, Pownalbrough, Edgecomb, Bristol, Boothbay & Woolwich, in the County of Lincoln, in behalf of the Town of Boothbay, and the Places adjacent—

Humbly Shews— That the Rainbow man of war, commanded by S^t George Collier, together with severall other arm'd Vessells lately came into the Harbour of Boothbay, & took possession thereof, and while there stript and carried off from Severall of the Inhabitants of these parts, a considerable number of their Cattle, Sheep, swine & poultry, & other Necessarys, and water'd their vessells and while they lay there, made prizes of & carried away a number of Vessells belonging to these states, to the Number of Fifteen or twenty, they also while they lay there threatened the In-

habitants to return with sufficient Force, & conquer or Destroy all before them thereby Putting the Inhabitants in great Terror,

we have also the Deposition of a Person on Oath, who was captivated by them, that their intention was to return in about a Fortnight or three weeks, and sweep all before them and as we doubt not their intention is to make the harbour of Boothbay a Place of Rendezvous for their ships, not only the Town of Boothbay but the whole Eastern Country, & this State must suffer exceedingly, it is needless to mention every Particular as your Honors must be sensible of the Consequences, should they be suffer'd to obtain their Ends. Your Petitioners therefore humbly Pray that your Honors would grant us some immediate relief in the Premises, by granting us six pieces of cannon. Viz^t two twelve pounders, two nine pounders, and two six pounders, with a sufficient Quantity of Ammunition &c. For the same, and that a Company of fifty men exclusive of officers with one good engineer to manage the same may be stationed at Boothbay for the Defence thereof, & the places adjacent and that none of the Inhabitants of Boothbay may be included in said company, and that said company be paid and Victual'd by the State.

Your Petitioners also pray that if any of the Neighbouring places should be invaded the Commanding Officer may have Liberty to remove such of the cannon as may be thought proper heither for their relief, and your Petitioners as in Duty bound shall ever Pray, &c. Signed by order & in Behalf of s^d Committees—

Ja^s McCobb Chairman.

In House of Representatives, Sept. 19, 1777, and in council,—read and assigned to joint Committee. The Committee reported as follows—

“Resolved that the Board of War be & they hereby are directed to send to the Committee of Boothbay they to be

accountable for the same two nine and two six Pound Iron Cannon with Carriages & implements compleat & fifty rounds of Powder & Ball for each Piece.

And it is further resolved that a Company of Fifty Men to be commanded by one Captain & two Lieutenants be raised in any part of the Eastern Parts of this State & stationed at Booth Bay & to continue in Service until the last Day of Decem^r next unless sooner discharged by Order of this Court to receive the same Pay & Subsistence as are allowed the other Sea Coast Companies in the Pay & Service of this State.

And it is further resolved that a Commissary be appointed by this Court to purchase & issue "Provisions to the S^d Company."—

1777—Sept 20, and 22, Read, and passed in form.

Petition of Committee of Georgetown.

To the Honourable the Council of the State of Massachusetts Bay.

The Petition & Memorial of the Committee of Georgetown on Kennebec River in behalf of said Towns — Humbly Sheweth—

That since the unhappy destruction of our Fleet & the precipitate retreat of our army from Penobscot in consequence, the distressed inhabitants of this Place have been ever on the Alarm, and are hourly exposed to the Depredations of the Enemy's piratical Cruisers, who, encouraged by the Vicinity of the british Fleet, infest our Coasts and even enter our harbours with an avowed determination to plunder and then burn every house they can approach. On Saturday last one of them conducted by one Gardiner, formerly an inhabitant of this River daringly sailed ten miles up it in

pursuit of a Vessel from the West Indies who took shelter here, but not being able to overtake her they boarded & took three Coasting Vessels belonging to the Westward, which had been run ashore on her coming up, and anchored near them in order to take advantage of the flood Tyde to get them off. in the mean time the alarm was communicated, & by the activity & spirited behaviour of our few remaining Militia, who kept up a continual fire of musquetry, whilst some pieces of cannon, one of which was got from on board the abovementioned West indiaman played upon them with success from the neighbouring heights, she was obliged to abandon the Vessels, and favoured by a very rapid Ebb Tyde made her escape down the River, tho' with the loss of several Men killed and wounded, and not a little injured in her Hull & rigging. on our part was lost one Man killed and another slightly wounded. by a Flagg which they sent ashore soon after for the purpose of Exchanging some prisoners we had taken, we learn their principal view in coming up the River was to plunder the People and lay their habitations in ashes, but that seeing the Inhabitants assembled on the banks of the river, they despaired of executing their humane purpose— in this encounter our ammunition was exhausted, and we humbly apprehend that should they (in our present defenseless situation) allured by the hope of rapine, or excited to revenge by their late repulse, renew the attempt with a fresh accession of strength, which we have every reason to fear, we shall be reduced to the painful alternative of tamely submitting to such conditions as cruelty and avarice may dictate, or behold the flourishing settlements on this River (at least as high as it is navigable) involved in one general scene of savage Devastation, as we have neither a sufficiency of small arms or cannon to enable us to make any considerable resistance. permit us therefore as we now feel, and have ever demonstrated the warmest attachment to the great Cause in which America is engaged, to look

up to the fathers of this State for protection & assistance in our present distressed circumstances & humbly to request that they would be pleased as speedily as possible to furnish us with the several articles of Ordnance, ordnance Stores &c mentioned in the inclosed Schedule, subject however to such Alteration as your Honours in your great Wisdom may think proper. And also that you would order as many Troops Stationed here for any limited time as may be sufficient to form a regular Guard, who may occasionally make use of Musquetry or assist in managing the cannon. We would Suggest to your Honours humbly in duty our request it will not only diffuse a Spirit of animation among this and the neighboring towns on & about the river, but may also (under God) be the happy means of securing to this and the United States so valuable a part of the Country. In the firm hope that the present application may have the wished for Effect wih your Honours your Petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

Dum^r Sewall

Benj^a Lemont

Jno. Woods

Committee of Georgetown.

The Derivation of the Title to Pejepscot Lands lying in the Late Province of Mayne in the Eastern parts belonging to the Massachusetts Province in America, purchased by Thomas Hutchinson of Boston Esq^r, John Wentworth of Portsmouth Esq^r, Adam Winthrop, John Watts, David Jeffries, Stephen Minot, Oliver Noyes & John Ruck all of Boston Gent: in equall Eighth parts of Ephraim Savage Adm^r to the Estate of Rich^d Wharton Esq^r dec^d who bought the same of John Shapleigh, Eleazar Way, John Blaney & Wife

Adm^x of Thomas Purchase dec^d & Six Indian Sagamores, with an Accompt of the Votes & Agreements of the S^d Partners with their charges & disbursements for carrying on Settlements there.

Shapleigh Deed to Wharton.

To all Christian People, Know yee I John Shapleigh of Kittery in the Province of Maine in New England Gent Heir to Maj^r Nicholas Shapleigh late of Kittery aforesaid deceas'd for & in consideration & full satisfaction of the Sum of Two hundred & Eight pounds of New England money due & payable from the Estate of the S^d Nicholas Shapleigh, unto Richard Wharton of Boston in the Colony of the Massachusetts in New England afores^d Merchant & for other good causes & considerations me thereunto moving, have given granted bargained sold demised aliened enfeoffed & confirm & by these presents do give grant bargain sell demise aliene enfeoffe & confirm to the S^d Richard Wharton all that Tract or Neck of Land called Merryconeeg lying over against an Island called Sabasco alias Sequasco Diggin in Casco Bay in the Province of Mayne & is bounded at the Head or upper end with the Plains of Pejepscott or Land late belonging to or claimed by M^r Purchase & on all other Parts & Sides is encompassed & bounded with & by the Salt Water & also all that the afores^d Island called Sebasco alias Sequasco Diggin, Together with all Rocks, Shores, Beaches, Havens, Creeks, Coves & all Trees Woods Underwoods Pools Ponds Waters Watercourses & all Mineralls & Mines & all other Profits Priviledges Advantages & Emoluments to the premises or any part thereof belonging or in any wise appertaining, To have & to hold to him the said Richard Wharton his heirs & as-

signes for ever all the afores^d Neck or Tract of Land called Merryconeeg bounded as afores^d & the afores^d Island called Sebasco alias Sequasco Diggin Togethre with all Islets Rocks Shores Beaches Havens Creeks Coves & all Woods & Underwoods Trees Pools Ponds Waters Watercourses & all Min-
eralls & Mines & all other Profits Priviledges Advantages & Emoluments to the Premises or any part thereof belonging or in any wise appertaining, To have & to hold to him the said Richard Wharton his heirs & assignes for ever all the afores^d Neck or Tract of Land called Merryconeeg bounded as afoers^d & the afores^d Island called Sebasco alias Sequasco Diggin Together with all Islets Rocks Shores Beaches Havens Creeks Coves & all Woods & Underwoods Trees Pools Ponds Waters Water courses & all Mineralls & Mines & all other Profits Priviledges Advantages & Emoluments to the Premises or any part thereof belonging or any ways appertaining, Yielding therefor unto our Sovereign Lord King Charles the Second his Heirs & Successors the Fifth Part of all the Oar of Gold & Silver that shall be found & gott upon any part of the Premises & making & performing such acknowledgements & Duties as are reserved to or do belong & are due unto the Crown, And I the said John Shapleigh do for me & my heirs covenant & promise to & with the S^d Richard Wharton his heirs & assignes that I am the true & proper Owner of the Premises & that I have in my self good right full power & Authority to alienate & dispose the same & the same now are & shall be made & kept free & clear & freely & clearly acquitted & discharged of and from all former & other gifts grants entails Jointures Dowes or rights of Dower from all Mortgages Judgments Executions & extents & from all Incumbrances whatsoever & that I will warrant & defend the same to the Said Wharton his heirs and assignes against all & every person or persons that may legally claim or pretend to have any right title or Interest

in the premises or any part thereof, & that upon the reasonable request of S^d Richard Wharton his heirs Executors Adm^{rs} or Assignes I will do & perform execute & acknowledge such other Acts Deeds & Instruments as the Learned in the Law shall advise necessary firmly & effectually to demise & convey the Premises & every part thereof to the S^d Richard Wharton his heirs & assigns according to the true intent & meaning of these presents, provided I be not compelled for the doing thereof to travell or go without the Bounds & Limits of the Province of Mayne, And I the Said John Shapleigh do hereby further covenant & promise that I will deliver unto the S^d Richard Wharton or order fair & uncanceled all such Deeds Writings & Evidences relating unto or concerning the Premises or any part thereof as now are in my possession or hereafter may come to my hand. In Witness whereof I the S^d John Shapleigh have hereunto set my hand & Seal this Fourth Day of July in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Six hundred Eighty & Three & in the Thirty Fifth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord Charles the Second

John Shapleigh a Seal

Sealed & Delivered in the presence of

W^m Bickham.

Daniel Epps.

Mr John Shapleigh came before me this Fourth day of July 1683 & did acknowledge this Instrument to be his free Act & Deed & M^{rs} Alice Shapleigh then appeared likewise and renounced all her Interest of Dowery or Thirds relating to the premises abovementioned this Fourth day of July 1683.

Edward Rishworth Jus^t Peace
in the Province of Maine.

This Instrument entered into the Third Book of Record for the Province of Maine Page 127 & 8 this 7th day of July 1683

P Edward Rishworth Recorder.

A true Coppy as appears of Record with the Records of Deeds &c for the County of York

Exam^d

Jos. Hammond Reg^r

Testimonies of Maj^r Shapleighs Right to Said Lands.

Province of Mayne

The Deposition of Francis Small Sen^r aged about fifty Six years and Elizabeth Small aged about forty-nine years being examined make Oath, that about Twenty three or Twenty four years agoe This Deponent Francis Small Sen^r was employed by Maj^r Nicholas Shapleigh to purchase a certain Great Island which some call Sebasco Diggin, for which this Deponent paid the Indians a considerable Sum of Wampum peag, Severall Gunns & a parcell of Tobacco for the Said Island lying against a Neck of Land called Merry-conege which the Deponent purchased with the Said Island in Maj^r Shapleighs behalf & further the S^d Francis Small testifieth that he built a house by order of Maj^r Shapleigh & possessed the Said Islands in Maj^r Shapleigh's behalf & further saith not—

Taken upon Oath this Tenth Day of May 1683.

Before me

Edw^d Rishworth Jus^t Peace

A true Coppy of these Testimonies abovewritten transcribe & compared with the Originall this 7th Day of July 1683

P Edw^d Rishworth Recorder.

A true Coppy as appears of Record with the Records of Deeds &c for the County of York Lib. 3: Fol^o 12 S:

Exam^d Jos: Hamond Register.

Province of Mayne /

The Testimony of John Cousins aged about Eighty Seven Years being examined maketh Oath, that when this Deponent lived in Casco Bay severall years before the Wars, it was commonly reported there & so understood by many of the Inhabitants who then lived there, that the Great Island lying at or near the Bottom of S^d Bay called Sequasco Diggin lying Northwardly in from Whites Island did belong to Maj^r Nicholas Shapleigh & was accounted his Island by divers of us that lived there & further saith not.

Taken upon Oath this 14th Day of May 1683.

Edw^d Rishworth Just: peace

A True Coppy of this Testimony transcribed & with the Originall compared this 7th day of July 1683.

P Edw^d Rishworth Record^r

A True Coppy as appears of Record with the Records of Deeds &c for the County of York Lib: 3: Fol^o 12 S

Exam^d Jos: Hamond Reg^r

Ways Deeds to Wharton.

To all Christian People to whom this present Deed of Sale shall come Eleazer Way of Hartford in the Colony of Connecticut in New England Merch^t Son & Heir of George Way of Dorchester in the County of Dorset within the Kingdom of England sendeth Greeting, Know Yee that I Eleazar Way for & in consideration of the Sum of One hundred pounds of Current money of New England to him in hand paid at &

before the Sealing & delivery of these presents by Richard Wharton of Boston in the Colony of the Massachusets in New England afores^d Merchant well & truly paid the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge & himself fully & throughly satisfied & contented & thereof & of every part thereof Doth hereby acquit exonerate & discharge the S^d Richard Wharton his heirs Execut^{rs} & Adm^{rs} & every of them for ever by these presents Hath granted bargained sold alienated enfeoffed & confirmed & by these presents doth fully freely clearly & absolutely give grant bargain sell aliene enfeoffe & confirm unto him the Said Richard Wharton his heirs & assigns for ever, One Moiety or half part or whatsoever share part or proportion be the same more or less he the said Eleazar Way now hath may might should or in any wise ought to have or claim of in or to a certain Tract or parcell of Land commonly called & known by the Name of Pejepscoth situate lying & being within the Province of Maine in New England afores^d together with one Moiety or half part or whatsoever other Share part or portion be the same more or less which he the S^d Eleazar Way now hath may might should or in any wise ought to have or claim of in or to all and Singular the uplands Meadows Lands Arable Lands Marshes Swamps Trees Woods Underwoods Waters Watercourses Rivers Fishing Towling Mines Mineralls Royalties Profits Priviledges Beaches Flatts Right Commodities Hereditament, Emoluments & Appurtenances whatsoever to the premises or any part or parcell thereof belonging or in any wise appertaining, which S^d Tract of Land & premises for the Space of Fourty years or thereabouts before the Late War with the Indians was in actual possession and Improvement of M^r Thomas Purchase deceas'd & was antiently given by Patent from the Councill of Plymouth within the Said Kingdom of England to the Said George Way & Thomas Purchase deceased, To have & to hold all & singular the above-

granted premises with their and every of their Rights Hereditaments & Appurtenances and every part & parcell thereof unto the Said Richard Wharton his heirs & assignes for ever & the S^d Eleazar Way for himself his heirs Execut^{rs} & Administ^{rs} doth hereby covenant & promise & grant to & with the Said Richard Wharton his heirs & Assignes in manner & form following, That is to say, that he the S^d Richard Wharton his heirs & Assignes shall & may by force & vertue of these presents from time to time & at all times for ever hereafter lawfully quietly & peaceably have hold use occupy possess & enjoy the above granted premises with their appurtenances & every part & parcell thereof as a good perfect & absolute Estate of Inheritance in fee simple without any manner of condition revasion or limitation whatsoever so as to alter change defeat or make void the same fully & clearly acquitted & discharged of & from all manner of former and other Gifts Grants Bargains Leases Sales Mortgages Dower, Joyntures Judgments Executions Entails Forfeitures & of & from all other Titles Troubles charges whatsoever Had made or committed done or suffered to be done by him the Said Eleazar Way his heirs or assignes at any time or times before the ensealing hereof, And further that the Said Eleazar Way his heirs Execut^{rs} and Adm^{rs} shall & will from time to time & at all times for ever hereafter warrant & refund the abovenamed Premises with their & every of their rights hereditaments & appurtenances & every part & parcell thereof unto the Said Richard Wharton his heirs & assignes against all & every person or persons whatsoever any wise lawfully claiming or demanding the same or any part thereof by from or under him his heirs or Assignes. And Lastly he the Said Eleazar Way his heirs & Assignes shall & will give unto the Said Richard Wharton his heirs or Assignes what by his or their Councill learned in the Law shall be reasonably devised advised or required according to the true Intent & meaning of

these presents. In Witness whereof the Said Eleazar Way hath hereunto sett his hand & Seale the Tenth Day of October Anno Dom' One Thousand Six hundred Eighty three Annoq Regni Regis Caroli Secundi Tricesimo Quinto.

Eleazar Way (his Seal)

Signed Sealed & del in the presence of

John Hayward Notar^y Pub^c

Eliezer Moody Scr^y

The within written Deed was acknowledged by M^r John Hayward Notary Publick & Attorney to the within named Eleazar Way being especially impowered to acknowledge this Deed in Form of Law in behalf of S^d Way as P Power produced Dated Octob^r 10th 1683 This was thus acknowledged Octob^r 23 1683

Before me

Thomas Danforth

president of the Province of Maine

Vera Copia of this Deed abovewritten transcribed out of the Originall & therewith compared this 30th Day of July 1684

P Edward Rishworth Recorder

A true Coppy as appears of Record with the Records of Deeds &c for the County of York in Libio 4th Folio 18 & 19

P Joseph Hammond Reg^r

Blaney & Wife Adm^x to Purchase their Deed to Wharton.

To all Christian People to whom this present Deed of Sale shall come, John Blaney of Lynn in the Colony of the Massachusetts in New England & Elizabeth his Wife the Late Relict & Administratrix of Thomas Purchase of Pejepscott in the

Province of Maine in New England afores^d do send Greeting &c Know yee that whereas by a Patent from the Council of Plymouth within the Kingdom of England the Lands at Pejepscot aforesaid Together with the Lands adjacent lying upon and between the River of Kenebeck Ambroskoggen and Casco Bay with the Priviledges thereunto belonging were long since granted to George Way of Dorchester in the Kingdom of England deceas'd & whereas the S^d Thomas Purchase ever since the Third year of King Charles the First of Blessed Memory actually possessed planted & improved the said Lands till the Late War, And whereas Eleazar Way the Son & Heir of the Said George Way hath granted & sold unto Richard Wharton of Boston in S^d Colony in New England afores^d Merchant all his Moiety part or Share in the Said Patent or Land granted & possessed as afores^d with all Priviledges Royalties & Appurtenances thereunto belonging as p his Deed bearing Date the Tenth Day of this Instant October more fully doth appear: Now be it further known that the Said John Blaney & Elizabeth his Wife with the free & full consent of all the Children of the Said Thomas Purchase & in order to some further Settlement & provision for their Subsistence & Livelyhood & for & in consideration of the Sum of One hundred & fifty pounds Current money of New England paid & secured to be paid by the Said Richard Wharton & seven Lotts & shares of Land reserved & secured by Articles signed by the S^d Wharton bearing Date with these presents, wherewith they do acknowledge themselves now to be fully satisfied & contented & thereof & every part thereof do acquit exonerate & discharge the said Richard Wharton his heirs Executors & Administ^{rs} for ever by these presents having Given Granted Bargained Sold Aliened Enfeoffed & confirmed unto him the S^d Richard Wharton his heirs & assignes for ever All that Moiety half deale & remaining Share whatsoever the same is or may be of the Said

Lands late belonging to the S^d Thomas Purchase by vertue of the Said Patent or any other right in Partnership with the Said George or Eleazar Way & all the Right & Title Propriety & Interest which the Said Thomas Purchase dyed Siezed of or that he might should or ought to have had in the Said Province of Maine Together with all & singular the Uplands Arable Lands Meadow Lands Marshes Swamps Trees Woods Underwoods Waters Watercourses Rivers Fishing Fowling Mines Mineralls Royalties Profits Privileges Beach Flatts Rights Commodities Hereditaments Emoluments & Appurtenances whatsoever to the Said Premises or any part or parcell thereof belonging or any wise appertaining or therewith now or heretofore used occupied or enjoyed. To have & to hold all & singular the abovegranted Premises with their appurtenances & every part & parcell thereof unto him the Said Richard Wharton his heirs & assignes & to the only proper use benefit & behoof of him the S^d Richard Wharton his heirs & assignes for ever, And the S^d John Blaney & Elizabeth his Wife for themselves their heirs Execut^{rs} & Administ^{rs} do hereby covenant promise and grant to & with the S^d Richard Wharton his heirs & assignes in manner & form following, That is to say, That the said Richard Wharton his heirs & assignes shall & may by force & vertue of these presents from time to time & at all time for ever hereafter lawfully peacefully & quietly have hold use occupy possess & enjoy the abovegranted premises with their appurtenances & every part and parcell thereof as a good perfect & absolute Estate of Inheritance of Fee Simple without any manner of contradiction reversion or Limitation whatsoever so as to alter change defeat or make void the same Free & clear & clearly acquitted & discharged of & from all & all manner of former & other Gifts Grants Bargains Sales Leases Mortgages Joyntures Dowers Judgments Executions Entails Forfeitures & of & from all other Titles Charges & Incum-

brances whatsoever had made committed done or suffered to be done by them the Said John Blaney & Elizabeth his Wife or by the S^d Thomas Purchase or either of them or either or any of their heirs or assigns at any time or times before the ensealing hereof, And further that the S^d John Blaney & Elizabeth his Wife their heirs Execu^{rs} & Administ^{rs} shall well & truly from time to time & at all times hereafter warrant & defend the abovegranted premises with their Appurtenances & every part & parcell thereof unto the Said Richard Wharton his heirs & assigns against all persons whatsoever any wise lawfully claiming or demanding the same or any part thereof by from or under the S^d Thomas Purchase deceased or by from or under them the S^d John Blaney & Elizabeth his Wife or either of them their heirs or assigns. And Lastly that the S^d John Blaney & Elizabeth his Wife their heirs & assigns shall & will give unto the S^d Richard Wharton his heirs & assigns upon reasonable request such further & ample assurance of all the afore bargained Premises as by the Said Wharton his heirs or assigns or by his or their Councill learned in the Law shall be reasonably devised advised or required according to the true intent & meaning of these presents. In Witness whereof the S^d John Blaney & Elizabeth his Wife have hereunto set their hands & Seales the 25th Day of October Anno Domⁱ 1683. Annoq^{ue} Regni Regis Caroli Secundi &c Tricessimo # Quinto.

John Blaney (his Seal)

Elizabeth Blaney (her Seal)

Sealed & delivered in the presence of

John White

W^m Haynes.

John Blaney & his Wife personally appeared before me & acknowledged the within Instrument to be their Act & Deed.

Thomas Danforth

President of the Province of Mayne.

Elizabeth Purchase Relict of Thomas Purchase Jun^r de-
ceas'd & Oliver Elkin & Jane his Wife the Daughter of
Thomas Purchase Sen^r dec^d & Elizabeth Blaney Daughter of
the S^d Thomas Purchase Sen^r do all freely consent to this
Deed & Alienation of the Lands within written & in Testi-
mony set to their hands the Tenth Day of January 1683 &
have acknowledged the same before

William Browne

Samuel Appleton

Assistants.

Elizabeth Purchase her Mark E.

Oliver Elkin his Mark— O

Jane Elkin—

Elizabeth Blaney her Mark E

Vera Copia of this Deed abovewritten as attested and ac-
knowledged transcribed & with the Originall compared this
27th July 1684

P Edw. Rishworth Recorder

A true Coppy as appears of Record with the Records of
Deeds &c for the County of York in Lib^r 4th Fol^o 17th

Exam^r Jos: Hammond Reg^r

Six Indian Sagamores Deed to Wharton.

To all People to whom these presents shall come, Know
Yee that whereas near threescore years since M^r Thomas
Purchase deceas'd came into this Countrey as wee have been
informed and did as well by Power or Patent derived from
the King of England as by consent contract & agreement with
Sagamores & Proprietors of all the Lands lying on the East-
erly Side of Casco Bay & on the both Sides of Androscoggen
River & Kenebeck River, enter upon & take possession of all

the Lands lying four Miles Westward from the uppermost Falls in S^d Androscoggan River to Maquoit in Casco Bay & in the Lands on the other side Androscoggan River from aboves^d Falls down to Pejepscot and Merrymeeting Bay to be bounded by a South West & North East Line to run from the upper part of S^d Falls to Kenebeck River & all the Lands from Maquoit to Pejepscot & to hold the same Breadth where the Land will bear it down to a place called Atkins his Bay near to Sagadahock or the Westerly Side of Kenebeck River & all the Islands in the S^d Kenebeck River & Land between the Said Atkins his Bay & Small Point Harbour the Lands & Rivers & Pond interjacent containing in breadth about three English Miles more or less, And whereas we are well assured that Maj^r Nicholas Shapleigh in his lifetime was both by purchase from the Indian Sagamores our Ancestors and consent of M^r Gorges Comisioner possessed & dyed Seized of the remainder of all the Lands lying & adjoining upon the Maine & all the Islands between the Said Small Point Harbour & Maquoit afores^d & perticularly of a Neck of Land Merryconege & an Island called Sebasco Diggin, And whereas the Reliets & Heirs of Said M^r Purchase and Maj^r Nicholas Shapleigh have reserved accommodations for their severall Families sold all the remainder of the aforesaid Lands & Islands to Richard Wharton of Boston Merch^t, And forasmuch as the Said M^r Purchase did personally possess improve & inhabit at Pejepscot afores^d near the Centre or Middle of all the Lands afores^d for near fifty years before the Late unhappy War, And whereas the S^d Richard Wharton hath desired an enlargement upon and between the S^d Androscoggen & Kenebeck Rivers & to encourage the Said Richard Wharton to settle an English Town & promote the Salmon & Sturgeon Fishing by which we promise our Selves great Supplys & Relief, Therefore & for other good causes & considerations and especially for & in consideration

of a Valuable Sum received from the Said Wharton in Merchandize, Wee Warumbee, Darumkine, Wihiker-met, Wedon-Domhegon, Neonogasset & Nimbanewet Chief Sagamores of all the aforesaid and other Rivers & Land Adjacent have in confirmation of the Said Richard Whartons Title & Propriety fully freely and absolutely given granted ratified & confirmed to him the Said Richard Wharton all the afores^d Lands from the uppermost part of Androscoggan Falls Four Miles Westward & so down to Maquoit & by Said River of Pejepsco^t & from the other Side of Androscoggan Falls all the Land from the Falls to Pejepsco^t & Merry-meeting Bay to Kenebeck & towards the Wilderness to be bounded by a South-West & North-East Line to extend from the upper part of the Said Androscoggan Uppermost Falls to the Said River of Kenebeck & all the Land from Maquoit to Pejepsco^t & to run & hold the same Breadth where the Land will bear it unto Atkins his Bay in Kenebeck River & Small Point Harbour in Casco Bay and all Islands in Kenebeck & Pejepsco^t Rivers & Merrymeeting Bay & within the afores^d Bounds, Especially the aforesaid Neck of Land called Merryconege & Island called Sebasco Deggin Together with all Rivers Rivulets Brooks Ponds Pools Waters Water-courses, All wood Trees of Timber or other Trees & all Mines Mineralls & Quarries and especially the Sole & absolute use & benefit of Salmon and Sturgeon Fishing in all the Rivers Rivulets or Bays afores^d & in all Rivers Brooks Creeks or Ponds within any of the Bounds aforesaid, And also Wee the Said Sagamores have upon the considerations aforesaid given granted bargained & sold enfeoffed & confirmed & do by these presents give grant bargain sell aliene enfeoffe & confirm to him the Said Richard Wharton all the Land lying Five Miles above the uppermost of the Said Androscoggan Falls in Breadth & Length holding the same Breadth from Androscoggan Falls to Kenebeck River & to be bounded by the

afores^d South West and North East Line & a parcell of Land at Five Miles Distance to run from Androscoggan to Kenebeck River as afores^d Together with all the Profits Priviledges Commodities Benefits & Advantages & peticularly the sole Propriety Benefit & Advantage of the Salmon & Sturgeon Fishing within the Bounds & Limits aforesaid. To have & to hold to him the Said Richard Wharton his heirs & assigns for ever all the aforenamed Lands Priviledges & Premises with all benefits rights appurtenances or advantages that now do or hereafter shall or may belong unto any part or parcell of the Premises fully freely & absolutely acquitted & discharged from all former & other gifts grants bargains Sales Mortgages & Incumbrances whatsoever, And Wee the Said Warumbee Derumkine Wihikermet Weedon-Domhegon Neonongasset & Nimbanewet do covenant & grant to & with the Said Richard Wharton that we have in our selves good right & full power thus to confirm & convey the premises & that we our heirs and Successors shall & will warrant & defend the Said Richard Wharton his heirs & assigns for ever in the peaceable enjoyment of the Premises & every part thereof against all and every person or persons that may legally claim any right Title Interest or Propriety in the Premises by from or under us the abovenamed Sagamores or any of our Ancestors or predecessors, Provided nevertheless that nothing in this Deed be construed to deprive us the S^d Sagamores our Successors or People from improving our antient planting grounds nor from hunting in any of the Said Land being not inclosed nor from fishing for own provision so long as no Damage shall be to the English Fishery, Provided also that nothing herein contained shall prejudice any of the English Inhabitants or Planters being at present actually possessed of any part of the premises & legally deriving right from S^d M^r Purchase &c or Ancestors. In Witness hereof we the aforenamed Sagamores well under-

standing the Purport hereof do set to our Hands & Seales at Pejepscot the seventh Day of July in the Thirty fifth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King Charles the Second One Thousand Six hundred Eighty four

The Mark of Warumbee W (his Seal)

The Mark of Darumkine X (Seal)

The Mark of Wihikermet

The Mark of Wedon Domhegon O (Seal)

The Mark of Nehonongasset

The Mark of Numbenewet

Sealed & delivered In presence of

John Blaney.

James Andrews.

Henry Walters.

John Parker.

Geo: Felt.

Memorandum. That upon the Day of the Date of the withinwritten Deed the Severall Sagamores whose Names are Subscribed thereto & inserted therein did at the Fort at Pejepscot deliver Quiet & Peaceable possession of the Premises with Livery & Seizin to M^r John Blaney & his Wife in their own Right as she is Administratix to the Estate of M^r Thomas Purchase deceased & in Right of his Children—Also the S^d M^r Blaney Attorney to M^r Eleazar Way did the same day deliver quiet & peaceable possession with Livery & Seizin of the Premises to M^r Richard Wharton, the Quantity of Seven hundred Acres of Land being excepted according to a Former Agreement.

Henry Walters

John Parker.

Taken upon Oath this 19th Day of July 1684—This was sworn to by John Parker before me

Edward Tyng Just: Peace

James Andrews aged about Fourty nine years Testifyeth upon Oath that he saw this Instrument sealed & delivered by the Six Sagamores withinnamed to M^r Richard Wharton & saw John Parker & George Felt the other Witnesses subscribe as Witnesses, as now they are on the Indorsement above Sworn before me this 21st of July 1684.

Edward Tyng Just: Peace

Falmouth in Casco Bay July 21st 1684. Warumbee the Sagamore within named this day appeared before me & in behalf of himself & other Sagamores that Sealed & delivered the within written Instrument, acknowledged the same to be his & their free & Voluntary Act & Deed.

Edward Tyng Just: Peace

John Parker of Kenebeck aged about Fifty years deposeth that he saw this Deed Signed Sealed & delivered by the Severall Sagamores within named & that he saw possession together with Livery & Seizin of the premises given as is expressed in the other Indorsement on this Deed & in presence of the severall Witnesses thereto subscribing & further the Deponent saith that upon the Eleventh of this Instant month he with M^r Henry Walters was present and saw Warumbee deliver Possession and Livery & Seizin by Turf & Twig & Bottle of Water taken by himself off the Land & out of the Main River above Androscoggan Falls to Richard Wharton in full Compliance with a conveyance of the Premises within granted and confirmed. Taken upon Oath 9th July 1684 Before me

Edward Tyng Just: Peace

A true Coppy of this Deed or Instrument within written Subscribed by the severall Sagamores to M^r Richard Wharton acknowledged by Warumbee & attested by divers Witnesses

abovewritten Transcribed out of the Originall & therewith compared this 26th Day of July 1684.

P Edw: Rishworth Record^r

A true Coppy as appears of Record with the Records of Deeds &c for the County of York in Lib^r 4th Fol^o 15 & 16.

Examin^r Joseph Hammond Reg^r

Endorsed on an Attested Copy produced at the Treaty 1726 and entred

P Belcher Noyes prop^r Clerk.

Falmouth in Casco Bay August 4 1726. This Instrument was shewn to Winemeuet Chief Sachem of Penobscot & his Tribe at a Ratification of y^e Peace then made between y^e Government of the Massachusetts Bay &c & the Penobscot & other Eastern Indians; this was done by a Committee of y^e General Court appointed for that Purpose.

Attest^d John Wainwright Cler: Conc:

Cap^t Savage his Power to Sell S^d Estate.

Suffolk Ss:

Anno RR^t Guilielmi Tertii Anglia &c Nono

At His Majesty's Superiour Court of Indicature &c holden at Boston for the County afores^d on the 26th Day of October 1697 being the last Tuesday of S^d Month.

Whereas upon application made to the Superiour Court of Indicature &c sitting in Boston the Last Tuesday in Aprill 1695 by Cap^t Ephraim Savage Administrator of the Estate of Richard Wharton late of Boston Esq^r deceased:

The Said Court pursuant to the Law then in Force did license & empower the Said Administrator to make Sale of the Housing & Lands belonging to the Said Estate for the

payment of the just Debts owing by the deceased; It being then made appear that the Estate is insolvent & not sufficient to answer the Demands of the Creditors, & forasmuch as the S^d Administrat^r hath not acted by Vertue of the Said Impowerment in the Sale of any of the Said Houses & Lands: And His Majesty's Pleasure for disallowance of Said Law having since that been signified with the Reasons thereof; And being now again reenacted with Amendments; Pursuant whereunto the aforementioned Administrat^r is hereby a new licensed & impowered to make Sale of the Houses & Lands left by the Said Richard Wharton for payment of his just Debts so far as the Value thereof will extend, & to make & execute good & firm Conveyances in the Law for the Same.

A true Coppy as appears of Record

Exam^d

P Elisha Cook Cler:

Ephraim Savage's Deed of all S^d Lands to Thomas Hutchinson, John Wentworth, Adam Winthrop, John Watts, David Jeffries, Stephen Minot, Oliver Noyes & John Ruck in equall Eighth's.

This Indenture made the Fifth Day of November Anno Domⁱ One thousand Seven hundred & fourteen Annoqs R R^t Georgii Magnce Brittanice &c Primo, Between Ephraim Savage of Boston in the County of Suffolk wti^hin His Maj^{ty}s Province of the Massachusets Bay in New Engh. Gent: Administrator to the Estate of Richard Wharton late of Boston aforesaid Esq^r deceased of the One part, And Cap^t Thomas Hutchinson of the same place Esq^r, John Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire Esq^r, Adam Winthrop, John Watts, David Jeffries, Stephen Minot, Oliver Noyes & John Ruck all of Said Boston Merchants on the other part, Whereas Eliezer Way of Hartford in the Colony of Connecticut Merchant Son & Heir of George Way late of Dorchester in the County of Dorset within the King-

dom of England deceased, in & by a good Deed under his hand & Seale bearing Date the Tenth Day of October Anno Domⁱ 1683 duly executed & recorded with the Records of Deeds &c for the County of York Lib^r 4: Fol^o 18: & 19: for the considerations therein mentioned did Give Grant Bargain Sell Aliene Enfeoffe & confirm unto the S^d Richard Wharton his heirs & assignes for ever One Moyety or half part or whatsoever share part or proportion the S^d Eleazar Way then had or in any wise ought to have or claim of in or to A certain Tract or parcell of Land commonly called or known by the Name of Pejepscot situate lying & being within the Province of Maine in New England afores^d Together with one Moyety or half part or whatsoever other share part or proportion be the same more or less which he the Said Eleazar Way then had might should or in any wise ought to have or claim of in or to All & Singular the Uplands, Meadow Lands, Arable Lands, Marshes Swamps Trees Woods Underwoods, Waters Watercourses Rivers Fishing Fowling Mines Mineralls Royalties Profits Priviledges Beaches Flatts Rights Commodities Hereditaments Emoluments & Appurtenances whatsoever to the premises or any part or parcell thereof belonging or in any wise appertaining which S^d Tract of Land and premises for the Space of Fourty years or thereabouts before the War with the Indians was in the actual possession & improvement of M^r Thomas Purchase deceased & was antiently given by patent from the Councill of Plymouth within the Kingdom of England to the Said George Way & Thomas Purchase dec^d And Whereas John Blaney of Lyn in the Colony of the Massachusetts & Elizabeth his Wife the Late Relict Widow & Administratrix to the Estate of Thomas Purchase aforenamed in & by a certain Deed of Sale under their hands & Seales Dated the Twenty fifth day of October 1683 acknowledged & Recorded in the same Book Fol^o 17, for the considerations therein also ex-

pressed & with the full & free consent of all the Children of the Said Thomas Purchase & in order for some further Settlement & provision for their Subsistence & livelyhood Did Give Grant Bargain Sell Aliene Enfeoffe & confirm unto the Said Richard Wharton his Heirs & Assignes for ever All that Moyety half deale & remaining Share whatsoever the same is or may be of the Said Lands late belonging to the Said Thomas Purchase by virtue of the Said Patent or any other right in Partnership with the Said George or Eleazar Way, And all the Right & Title Propriety & Interest which the Said Thomas Purchase dyed Seized of, or that he might should or ought to have had in the Said Province of Mayne, Together with all & singular the Uplands Arable Lands Meadow lands Marshes Swamps Trees Woods & Underwoods Waters Watercourses Rivers Fishing Fowling Mines Mineralls Royalties Profits priviledges Beach Flatts Rights Commodities Hereditaments Emoluments & Appurtenances whatsoever to the Said premises or any part or parcell thereof belonging or in any wise appertaining or therewith now or heretofore used occupied & enjoyed. And Whereas John Shapleigh of Kittery in the Said Province of Mayne in New England Gent: Heir to Maj^r Nicholas Shapleigh late of Kittery aforesaid Deceased in & by a Deed of Sale under his hand & Seale bearing Date the Fourth Day of July 1683 well executed in the Law & recorded in the Third Book of Records for the Province of Mayne Page 127 &c for & in consideration of the Sum of Two hundred & Eight pounds & other good considerations mentioned therein Gave Granted Bargained Sold Demised Aliened Enfeoffed & Confirmed unto the Said Richard Wharton All that Tract or Neck of Land called Merryconeeg lying over against an Island called Sabasco alias Sequasco Diggin in Casco Bay in the Province of Mayne, And is bounded at the head or upper end with the Plains of Pejepscott, or Land late belonging to, or claimed

by M^r Purchase, and on all other parts & Sides is encompassed & bounded with & by the Salt water And also All that the aforesaid Island called Sebasco alias Sequasco Diggin Together with all Rocks Shores Beaches Havens Creeks Coves and all Trees Woods Underwood Pools Ponds Waters Watercourses and all Minerall, & Mines and all other Profits Priviledges Advantages and a Emoluments to the premisses or any part thereof belonging or in any wise appertaining To have & to hold to him the Said Richard Wharton his heirs & assignes for ever as P the Said Deed (Relation being thereunto had) will more fully appear. And Whereas also Warrumbree, Durrumkine, Wihikermet, Weedon-Domhegon, Neonongasset and Nimbanewet Sagamores of the afores^d Rivers and Land adjacent in & by a certain Deed under their hands & Seales bearing date the Seventh Day of July Anno Domⁱ 1684 duely proved & enrolled in the Said Fourth Book of Records Folio 15 & 16 for sundry considerations therein enumerated & in confirmation of the Said Richard Whartons Title & Propriety, Did fully freely and absolutely Give Grant Ratify & Confirm unto him the Said Richard Wharton All the afores^d Lands from the Uppermost part of Androscoggan Falls Four Miles Westward & so down to Maquoit by the Said River of Pejepscott & from the other Side of Androscoggan Falls all the Land from the Falls to Pejepscott & Merrymeeting Bay to Kenebeck & towards the Wilderness to be bounded by a South:west & North:east Line to extend from the upper part of the Said Androscoggan uppermost Falls to the said River of Kennebeck, And all the Land from Maquoit to Pejepscot & to run & hold the same breadth where the Land will bear it unto Atkins his Bay in Kennebeck River & Small point Harbour in Casco Bay & all Islands in Kennebeck & Pejepscot Rivers & Merrymeeting Bay & within the afores^d Bounds, Especially the afores^d Neck of Land called Merryconeeg & Island called Sabasco Diggin, Together with

all Rivers Rivulets Brooks Ponds Pools Waters Water-courses, All Wood Trees Timber & all Mines Mineralls Quarries & especially the Sole & absolute use & benefit of Salmon & Sturgeon Fishing in all the Rivers Rivulets or Bays afores^d & in all Rivers Brooks Creeks and Ponds within any of the Bounds afores^d, And further the Said Sagamores in & by the Said Deed Gave Granted Bargained sold & confirmed to him the Said Richard Wharton All the Land lying Five Miles above the uppermost of the Said Androscoggin Falls in Breath & Length holding the same Breadth from Androscoggin Falls to Kennebeck River & to be bounded by the afores^d South:West & North:East Line, and a parcel of Land at five Miles distance to run from Androscoggan to Kennebeck River as afores^d Together with all the Profits Privileges Commodities Benefits Advantages & peticularly the Sole Propriety Benefit & Advantages of the Salmon & Sturgeon Fishing within the Bounds & Limits afores^d, To have & to hold the same & every part thereof unto the Said Richard Wharton his heirs & assigns for ever As in & by the Said Deed or the Record thereof (Relation being thereunto had) will among other things appear, Of all which Lands & Premisses the Said Richard Wharton dyed Seized in his own Right of a good estate of Inheritance in Fee Simple. Now this Indenture—witnesseth that the aforementioned Ephraim Savage pursuant to a power & Authority from the Superior Court of Indicature at their Session in Boston on the last Tuesday of October Anno Domⁱ 1697 to him given to make Sale of the Real Estate of the Said Richard Wharton deceased Insolvent for the enabling of him the Said Savage to pay the Severall Creditors to the Said Richard Wharton's Estate their respective proportions thereof so far as the same will extended for & in consideration of the Sum of One hundred & four pounds Current money of New England to him in hand per at and before the delivery hereof by the Said Thomas Hutchinson,

John Wentworth, Adam Winthrop, John Watts, David Jeffries, Stephen Minot, Oliver Noyes & John Ruck the receipt whereof the Said Ephraim Savage doth here acknowledge the same to be applied towards payment of the Creditors of the Said Richard Wharton & thereof doth acquit & discharge the Said Thomas Hutchinson John Wentworth Adam Winthrop John Watts David Jeffries Stephen Minot Oliver Noyes & John Ruck their heirs Executors & Administr^{rs} for ever by these presents, Hath given granted bargained sold released enfeoffed and confirmed & by these presents by Virtue of the Order of the Said Superior Court Doth fully freely & absolutely give grant bargain sell release enfeoffe convey & confirm unto the Said Thomas Hutchinson John Wentworth Adam Winthrop John Watts David Jeffries Stephen Minot Oliver Noyes and John Ruck their heirs & Assigns for ever, All the aforementioned tract or Parcell or Parcells of Land called Pejepscot purchased of the Said Eleazar Way & John Blaney & Elizabeth his Wife Administratrix to the Estate of the Said Thomas Purchase together with all other Lands & Premises abovementioned to be by them granted & Sold to the Said Richard Wharton, And also all that Tract or Neck of Land called Merryconeeg, And also all that Island called Sebasco alias Sequasco Diggin with all other the premises above mentioned to be bought & purchased by the Said Richard Wharton of John Shapleigh. And also all the Land lying five Miles above the uppermost of the Said Androscoggan Falls & all other the Lands & Premises which the Said Indian Sagamores Sold conveyed & confirmed to the Said Richard Wharton in & by the above recited Deed— Together with all Rivers Fishing Fowling Mines Mineralls Royalties Beaches Flatts Meadows Trees Copse Fencing Waters Watercourses Profits Priveleges & Appurtenances to the Said Granted Lands & Premises belonging And all the Estate Right Title Interest & Inheritance claim & demand whatso-

ever of him the Said Richard Wharton & his heirs of in & to the Said Lands & Premisses or any part or parcell thereof with all Deeds Writings & Evidences relating thereunto (Saving & Reserving out of this Grant unto the Said Ephraim Savage Lawsons Plantation of Weskege alias Whigby of One thousand Acres) To have & to hold the Said Tract of Land called Pejepsco^t, the Neck of Land, called Merryconege, & the Island called Sebasco alias Sequasco Diggin, And also all the Land lying Five Miles above the uppermost of the Said Androscoggan Falls & all other the above given & granted or mentioned or intended to be granted Premises with their Appurtenances & every part & parcell thereof unto them the Said Thomas Hutchinson John Wentworth Adam Winthrop John Watts David Jeffries Stephen Minot Oliver Noyes & John Ruck their Severall & respective Heirs & Assigns for ever equally to be divided between them & not to hold by Survivourship To their Sole Proper use benefit and behoof from henceforth and for ever more (Reserving only as afore reserved) Free & Clear & fully acquitted exonerated & discharged of & from all & all manner of Gifts Grants Bargains Sales Mortgages Leases Wills Entails Joyntures Dowers Titles Troubles Debts Charges and Incumbrances whatsoever Had Made Done committed or suffered to be done by the Said Richard Wharton in his lifetime or done committed or suffered to be done since his Decease. And the Said Ephraim Savage doth hereby covenant promise grant & agree to & with the Said Thomas Hutchinson John Wentworth Adam Winthrop John Watts David Jeffries Stephen Minott Oliver Noyes & John Ruck their severall & respective heirs & Assignes, That he the Said Ephraim Savage in his Capacity of Administrator as afores^d & by Vertue of the power & Order from the Said Superiour Court of Indicature Hath in himself full power & lawfull Authority to grant bargain Sell & convey the Said Tracts or parcells of Land Islands & premises

with their Appurtenances & every part thereof in manner & form as aforesaid. And further the Said Ephraim Savage for himself his heirs Execut^{rs} & Administ^{rs} Doth hereby covenant grant & agree to warrant & defend all the above-given granted & bargained Lands & premises with the Members & Appurtenances belonging thereunto or to any part or parcell thereof unto them the Said Thomas Hutchinson John Wentworth Adam Winthrop John Watts David Jeffries Stephen Minot Oliver Noyes & John Ruck their Severall & respective heirs & assignes in Severalty for ever against the Lawfull claims & demands of the heirs of the Said Richard Wharton or of any other person or persons from by or under him them or any or either of them in any manner of wise. And at any time or times hereafter at & upon the reasonable Request or Demand of the Said Grantees their heirs or assignes & at their cost & charge to do perform & execute any further Act or Deed Device or Devices in the Law for the better assuring confirming & more sure making the Said Bargained Premises to them or any of them respectively for ever or shall or may be lawfully advised devised or required So as such Assurance or Assurances contain no other or further Warranty than as aforesaid In Witness whereof the Said Parties to these presents have hereunto interchangeably set their hands and Seals the Day and Year herein first abovewritten.

Ephraim Savage (a seale)

Signed Sealed & D'd: in presence of us

John Greenough

Thomas Gross.

Samuel Tyley Jun^r

Received the Day & Year first withinwritten of the Grantees within named the Sum of One hundred & forty pounds being the full consideration within expressed

P Ephraim Savage.

Suffolk Seil:

Boston Nov^r 6th 1714.

The Withinnamed Ephraim Savage personally appearing before me underwritten One of His Maj^{ty's} Justices of the Peace for the County afores^d acknowledged the within Instrument to be his Act & Deed.

John Clark.

Novemb^r 19 1714

Recorded with the Records of Deeds &c for the County of York Lib^r VIII Fol^o 57: 58: 59:

P Jos: Hamond Reg^r

Purchase's Resignation to Govern^r & Comp^{ty} of the Massachusetts Anno 1639.

At a Generall Court held at Boston the 4th day of the 7th month 1639.

The Covenant of M^r Thomas Purchase being ordered to be exemplified here followeth.

This Indenture made the Two & Twentieth day of the Fifth month Anno 1639 Between Thomas Purchase of Pejepscot Gentleman of the one part & John Winthrop Esq^r Governour of the Massachusetts on the Behalf of himself the Gov^r & Company of the Massachusetts on the other part Witnesseth, That the Said Thomas for diver good causes & considerations him thereunto moving, Hath given & granted & by these presents Doth give & grant unto the Said John Winthrop & his Successors the Governour & Company of the Massachusetts for ever, All that Tract of Land at Pejepscot afores^d upon both Sides of the River of Androscoggin being four Miles Square towards the Sea, with all Liberties & Priviledges thereunto belonging, so as they may plant the same with English Colony when they shall see fit, & shall have as full Power for ever to exercise Jurisdiction there as

they have in the Massachusetts, Provided that the Interest & Possession of such Lands as the Said Thomas now useth or shall make use of for his own Stock & Improvement within Seven Years next ensuing the Date hereof, shall be & remain to the Said Thomas his heirs & Assignes for ever under the Jurisdiction aforesaid: And as well the Said Thomas himself & his Family & his Heirs and Assignes as all other Inhabitants of the same Jurisdiction are, This Grant by approbation of the Said General Court to be recorded & exemplified under the common Seal or otherwise to be void. In Witness whereof the Parties aboves^d have hereunto interchangeably set their hands & Seals the day & year first abovewritten.

Thomas Purchase.

Signed Sealed & dd: in the presence of

Stephen Winthrop.

Thomas Lechford.

Amos Richardson.

Indian Deed to Parker 1659.

This Instrument witnesseth this 14th June 1659 that I Nanuddemaure Proprietor of these Lands hereafter mentioned have let, set & sold all my Right, Title of the Said Land and Appurtenances of Marsh & Upland Meadow unto John Parker now dwelling upon the Said Land unto him his heirs Executors Adm^{rs} for ever, for one Beaver Skin receiv'd & the yearly rent of one Bushell of Corn & a quart of Liquor to be paid unto the Said Nanudemaure his heirs for ever at or before the Twenty fifth Day of December being Christmas Day at the Dwelling house of the Said Parker reserving out of the aforesaid Land Liberty unto me my heirs to fish fowl & hunt also to set Otter-Traps without Molesta-

tion, The afores^d Land being bounded as followeth, Beginning at the first high Head upon the South-West Side of Sagadehock River & so running up the Said River unto Winegance Creek being by estimation Six Miles or thereabouts & all the Tract of Land Southwestward unto the Eastern part of Casco Bay. To confirm the truth hereof I have hereunto set my hand the day & year abovewritten.

The Mark **X** of
Nanuddemaure
The Mark **X** of
Robinhood Sagamore.

Witnesses

Henry Jocelyn
Rich^d R F Foxwell
Roger Spencer.

Robinhood acknowledged this before me in May 1666
Henry Jocelyn Just: P^{ce}

This Deed withinwritten enter'd in the Great News Book of Records Page 13th of the Province of Maine this 22^d May 1667.

P Edward Rishworth Recorder.

Whartons Deed to Parker.

This Indenture made the Fifteenth day of July in the Thirty Sixth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King Charles the Second Annoqs Domⁱ 1684 Between Richard Wharton of Boston in New England Merchant on the one part & John Parker of Kenebeck in the Province of Maine Fisherman on the other part Witnesseth, That forasmuch as the Said John Parker hath for upwards of Twenty Six years

last past been possessed of certain Lands lying between Kenebeck afores^d & Casco Bay extending in length about Six Miles & bounded at the upper end by Winegance Creek as P Indian Deed made to the Said John Parker & acknowledged before Henry Jocelyn Esq^r a Justice of the Peace & enter'd in the Records of Said Province, And foreasmuch as the Said John Parker was the first of the English Nation that began to Subdue the Said Tract of Land & to undertake in the Fishing Trade & hath since alienated sundry parcells of Said Land to severall persons who have made Improvement thereon & promoted the Fishery, And whereas the afores^d Tract of Land did of Right belong unto & was included in an Antient Patent granted by the Great Councill of Plymouth to M^r Thomas Purchase & M^r George Way deceased, & Whereas the Sole Interests & Propriety of Said Thomas Purchase & George Way in the afores^d Lands & all other the Lands between Said Kenebeck & Casco Bay is now Invested in & become the Propriety of the Said Richard Wharton, Therefor & for other good causes & considerations, but especially, to encourage Fishery & Husbandry in the places afores^d The Said Richard Wharton hath Given granted & confirmed & Doth by these Presents Give Grant and confirm to the Said John Parker his heirs and Assignes all the first mentioned Tract of Land lying between Kenebeck & Casco Bay being in length about Six Miles bounded as afores^d Together with all Woods, Trees, Waters, Watercourses, Passages, Priviledges, Profits, Commodities & advantages to the Premises or any part thereof belonging or any ways appertaining, To have & to hold the Premises & every part & parcell thereof together with all Priviledges, Profits, Comodities & Advantages to the Premises or any part thereof belonging or any ways appertaining, And the Said Richard Wharton doth covenant & Grant to & with the Said John Parker his heirs & Assignes & every of them, that he & they and every of them respectively

shall & may peaceably & quietly possess & enjoy their Severall & respective Parts and Portions in the Premises without the least Trouble molestation claim or demand (except what is hereafter reserved) of him the Said Richard Wharton his heirs Execut^{rs} Adm^{rs} or Assignes or any other person or persons legally claiming by from or under him them or any of them: The Said John Parker his heirs or Assignes or some of them yielding & paying yearly Viz^t upon the Tenth Day of June Two dry Cusk or Two dry Cod fish if demanded to him the Said Richard Wharton his heirs or Assignes for ever, And the Said John Parker doth for himself his Heirs & Assignes for ever covenant and grant to & with the Said Richard Wharton his heirs & Assignes That to encourage the Settlement of a Town upon the Premises that when Tenn Families besides what are already Settled shall agree to settle upon the Premises upon their request or notice given by the Said Richard Wharton his heirs or Assignes to the Said Parker his Heirs or Assignes, he or they will afford each of Said Families Equall accommodation of Lands with himself & will in lieu thereof accept the like quantity or Value of Lands & in case of difference, the Said Wharton his heirs or Assignes consenting, refer the same to the Estimation or Apprizement of Such persons as His Maj^{ties} Justices at the Quarter Sessions shall appoint upon their Oaths to apprise the same & Submit the Regulation of Such Town & affairs thereof to such Persons as shall be annually selected by the Major Vote of the Freeholders or Inhabitants thereof. In Witness whereof the Parties have hereunto interchangeably sett their hands & Seals the day & year first abovewritten.

R^d Wharton Signum.

Sealed & dd in presence of
Elias White.
Edward Shinter.

This Deed was acknowledged to be the Act & Deed of M^r Richard Wharton unto John Parker & the Parties concerned, Owned this 19th July 1684, it was acknowledged by M^r Richard Wharton before me

Edward Tyng Jus^t P^{ce}

Mem^o

Not recorded.

Whartons Heirs Quitclaim.

To all Persons to whom these presents may come, This Instrument of Quitclaim of us the Subscribers Sheweth, That whereas our Father M^r Richard Wharton did in his lifetime purchase of Maj^r Nicholas Shapleigh, M^r George Way, The Administratrix of M^r Thomas Purchase deceased & of Six Indian Sagamores a large Tract of Land lying between & bordering upon Kenebeck and Pejepscot or Androscoggen Rivers & Casco Bay in the Province of Maine & whereas M^r Ephraim Savage Administrator to our Said Fathers Estate hath some time since made sale of Said Lands to Thomas Hutchinson & John Wentworth Esq^{rs} M^{ssr} David Jeffries, Adam Winthrop, Oliver Noyes, John Ruck, Stephen Minot & John Watts, which Said Gentlemen being willing that as our Father was at so much Labour & Expence on that Purchase, we his Children should reap some Benefit therefrom, have accordingly given us under their hands & Seals an Instrument obliging themselves that in case they can hold & retain the Lands mentioned in Said Purchase they will grant & confirm to us John Cotta Jun^r & Wife Two hundred Acres of Land within some part of Said purchase & Two hundred Acres more to each of the three Maiden Daughters of S^d Wharton that shall subscribe and Seal this Instrument: In

consideration whereof & for other good causes us thereunto moving, Wee John Cotta Jun^r & Sarah my Wife, Bethiah Wharton, Martha Wharton & Dorothy Wharton all of Boston in the County of Suffolk in New England do hereby testify our full & free consent to Said Sale & Grant made by S^d Ephraim Savage to abovementioned Thomas Hutchinson & Partners as aforesaid & do by these presents so far as in us lyes ratify & confirm the same & do each of us for our Selves our Heirs Execut^{rs} & Administ^{rs} for ever quit claim of the Said Lands & every part & parcell thereof (except the Two hundred Acres to be assigned to us) unto the Said Thomas Hutchinson & Partners according to their respective Interests, to have & to hold to them their heirs & Assignes for ever, free & clear of any claim or pretention from us or any of us, or of any from by or under us, likewise promising that if there shall be occasion to apply to the Generall Court for any further confirmation of Said Purchase to Said Hutchinson & Partners we will either joyn with them, or by our Selves as they shall think most proper, petition the Generall Court for such confirmation to be made unto them. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & Seals this Ninth day of February Anno Domini Seventeen hundred and fourteen in the first year of the Reign of King George over Great Brittain &c

John Cotta Jun ^r	Seal
Sarah Cotta	Seale
Bethiah Wharton	Seale

Signed Sealed & dd by S^d

John Cotta Jun^r
 Sarah Cotta &
 Bethiah Wharton

in presence of

Daniel Grant
 Benois Adriaenssens.

Suffolk Ss—

Boston July 9th 1731.

M^{rs} Sarah Cotta & M^{rs} Bethiah Bumshead (late Bethiah Wharton) personally appeared and Acknowledged the above & within written Instrument to be their free & Voluntary Act & Deed.

Before me

John Ballantine Just. Pacis:

York Ss./ Received February 25, 1737, and Recorded with
the Records for Deeds in said County Lib^o 20 fol:
62, 63.

Attest

Jer: Moulton Reg^r*Proprietors Grant to Whartons Heirs.*

Whereas we the Subscriber's have purchased of M^r Ephraim Savage Administrator to the Estate of M^r Richard Wharton deceased a large Tract of Land lying in the Late Province of Mayne, in making which Purchase we are sensible that Said M^r Wharton was at great Labour & Expence without reaping any Benefit or Income therefrom, And whereas the Heirs of Said M^r Wharton have testified their Approbation of & Consent to our Purchase & by a writing under their hands & Seales given us their Quit-claim to those Lands, we being desirous that they may rejoice with us & reap some harvest from their Fathers labours, Do hereby promise & oblige our Selves that upon confirmation of the Lands contained in S^d Instrument or Deed of Sale or the greatest part of them to us by the Generall Court, or upon our taking quiet possession of them so that we have the Prospect of enjoying them in right of S^d Wharton, that we will then grant to John Cotta Jun^r & his Wife one of the Daughters of Said Wharton Two hundred Acres of Land in some part of Said Purchase & to Each of the other Three Daughters of Said Wharton that shall Subscribe the abovementioned

Instrument of Quit-claim Two hundred Acres more to be laid out & Surveyed at their charge & to be & remain to them & their Heirs & Assignes for ever. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & Seals this Ninth Day of February Seventeen hundred & fourteen, in the first year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King George over Great Brittain &c.

Thomas Hutchinson	(Seal)
John Wentworth	(Seal)
Adam Winthrop	()
David Jeffries	()
Oliver Noyes	()
Stephen Minot	()
John Ruck	()
John Watts	()

Signed Sealed & dd in presence of

Benjamin Eliot.

Sam^l Kneeland.

Mem^o

It is agreed that each of the Said Two hundred Acres abovementioned shall be in the first Township that is settled, of as good land as the Town in generall consists of & not very far distant from the Town Platt.

*Proprietors Proposals to the Committee appointed by the
Generall Court.*

To the Honourable Committee appointed for receiving of Claims to Lands in the Late Province of Maine & Proposals for regular Settlements there.

The Proposals of us the Subscribers humbly Shew,

That whereas we have purchased a considerable Tract of Land in the aforesaid Province, 'Running from Five Miles

'above the Uppermost Fall of Ambroscoggen River on a
'North-East Line over to Kenebeck River including what
'Land lyes to the Southward of that Line down to Merry-
'Meeting Bay: Likewise running from Said Ambroscoggan
'Uppermost Fall Four Miles West & so Southerly down to
'Maquoit, Taking in the Land lying within four Miles West
'of Said River: Likewise the Land lying Southward of
'Merrymeeting Bay, On the Westerly Side Running down to
'Small-Point-Harbour including Merryconege Neck & the
'Island Sebasco Diggin, with the other Islands interjacent,
'and on the Easterly Side running round Winegance Point &
'so down Sagadahock River along by Arowsick Island down
'to Atkins his Bay. Of which Lands Merryconege & Sebasco
Diggin are derived to us by Indian Purchase long since, long
possession & Improvement & by Consent likewise of M^r
Gorge's Comission^r & the rest by Deed from Six Sagamores, &
Antient Patent from the Councill of Plymouth; We are de-
sirous to have the same settld in such good & defensible man-
ner as may make a Strong Frontier to the Eastern Parts,
which we humbly conceive our Selves able to accomplish, if
the Generall Court will please to give the following encour-
agements:

1: For Satisfaction of such as are willing to settle them-
selves on Said Lands, & that we may be the better able to en-
courage Substantiall Farmers to remove with their Stocks
from England to us; That the Gen^l Court would please to
give their Confirmation to our Purchase & thereby to such
Grants, as we shall make out of it.

2. To enable us to settle a fishing Town near Small-Point,
which lyes conveniently situate therefor, That the Generall
Court would please to grant us, the unappropriated Land
(which is not much) lying between Small-Point-Harbour &
Small-Point to be laid out in Allotments for accommodating
the Settlements there.

3. That when Twelve Persons or more offer for any new Settlement, That they may be covered with such a Force, and for such a time as to the Generall Court shall seem needfull.

4. That such as shall settle in the Limits afores^d may for the first Seven years have some Assistance from the Publick towards the Maintenance of the Ministry & be exempted from any Tax to the Province, by which time 'tis hoped they may be in a Capacity to ease the rest of the Countrey in Publick Charges, by bearing their Proportion with them.

If the Generall Court shall think fit to give the above-mention'd Encouragements, we will on our parts enter into the following Engagements.

1. That we will lay our three, or, if the Land afford Convenience for it, Four Platts for Towns & have them surveyed & platted out this Summer at our own Cost and Charge.

2. That in Seven years time, if Peace continue with the Indians, we will settle each of Said Towns, with Fifty Families or more in a defensible manner, having already Offers of very considerable Numbers both in this Countrey, and from England, & in order thereunto, we will grant them in Fee such House Lots & accommodations of Lands as may induce them to settle there.

3. That in each Town we will take care to lay out a convenient Portion of Land for the Subsistence of the First Minister, the Ministry & a School.

4. Being desirous that the People may not live like Heathens without the Worship of God, as has been too frequent in new Settlements; We engage, that for the more speedy procuring of a Gospell Ministry & for the Ease of the Inhabitants at their first sitting down, as soon as there shall be to the Number of Twenty Householdiers in each of S^d Towns; The Said Inhabitants providing a Frame for a Meeting House & raising of it; We will at our own Expence furnish for the meeting house in each Town, Glass, Lead,

Nails Ironwork & other Materials & finish it for them, & likewise pay towards the Maintenance of an Orthodox Gospel Minister in each of Said Towns, Fourty Pounds P annuum for the first Five Years, by which time it may be hoped, by the Blessing of God they will be able with some small Assistance from the Publick to maintain him comfortably themselves.

Thomas Hutchinson.

Adam Winthrop.

John Ruck.

Stephen Minot.

Oliver Noyes.

for Our Selves & Partners

John Wentworth Esq^r

David Jeffries.

John Watts.

Boston Feb^{ry} 18th 1714/15

Vera Copia.

Examined

P John White

Cler: Dom: Rep^r

The Comittee's Report.

The Generall Court at their Sessions October last having appointed us a Comittee to proceed in receiving Claims to Lands in the Late Province of Mayne & to take all proper Methods for promoting the Speedy and Regular Settlement thereof, We have, according to our Instructions, given Publick Notice of the Times & Places of our sitting & attended both in this Town & at York for three months successively on the Daies appointed, have received & entered the Claims that were brought in and taken the Names of severall Persons inclinable to settle in those Parts when Towns are laid

out, but have received only Two Proposals from Proprietors of Lands relating to a regular Settlement.

One from M^r Francis Clark relating to Land claimed by him & the Heirs of Col^o Gedney, deceased lying in North-Yarmouth, above the Falls in Ryalls River Casco Bay, as P Reference to the Said Proposal herewith offered will appear, which Spot we have not seen, he not inclining to go, or come into the Charge.

Another Proposal from Thomas Hutchinson and John Wentworth Esq^{rs} & their Partners Proprietors of Lands near Kenebeck & Ambrosoggen Rivers & Merrymeeting Bay & Small Point, at whose desire & considerable charge, We have been, the Major part of us, on the Spot, & viewed those Lands & find good convenience for severall Townships, but particularly Two for the present, one on each Side Pejepscot Falls, on S^d Ambrosoggen River, to begin Two Miles or thereabouts above Said Falls & to run along downwards upon a Large Bay called Merrymeeting Bay Eight Miles Square, if the Land will allow it, or otherwise where the Land is narrower, to the Quantity of Eight Miles Square for each Township. We find choice Land in each place approved of for a Township, & that the Proprietors propose to settle after a regular & defensible manner, near the Water-side, which the Situation of the Land will well allow according to their Plans which we herewith offer, & likewise their Proposals, wherein they have given more than ordinary Encouragement both for the Ease of the Inhabitants, & for the settling of the Gospell among them as P Reference thereto being had will more fully appear. On which regards, and inasmuch as the Said Two Towns being regularly settled & near each other for mutuall Succour in time of need & not far distant from Arowsick Island, will make a Strong Frontier for our Out-Towns, especially such as have been lately allowed for Settlements, & are much more easily

defensible by reason of a Stone Fort adjacent built by S^r Edmund Andros, which is almost wholly standing at this time. And inasmuch as a Strong Settlement there will greatly tend to dislodge the Indians from their Principall Fishery, keep them from chief carrying Places, & be possibly a Means of removing them further from us, if another War should happen :

For these & other reasons that might be offered, We are humbly of Opinion, that it will much conduce to the Publick Weal & Safety, That the afores^d Proposall be Accepted & the Towns mentioned be allowed & Settled as soon as may be.

And forasmuch as all Persons have been forbid to build or settle in any part of that Countrey, except York &c, before the Committee shall proceed to order the proper places, whereby they have been held in Suspence for a long time; The Eyes of all are with great Expectation waiting on this Court, justly hoping that a Method will now be established, for their repossessing & improving their Estates. We therefore judge it our Duty to propose two things (besides what is offered in the afores^d Proposall) which we look upon as needfull to be done for facilitating the Eastern Settlements, & removing the Main Obstructions, which seem now to stand in the way thereof.

One is, That whereas in many Places, as at Papondack, Black-Point &c, a Regular Settlement is at present hindred, by reason of some Persons claiming Large Quantities of Land, which they are not capable themselves to settle, as the Law directs, nor are willing to part with to others, that offer to settle on them: Also in some Places, Claims may interfere, & so Persons may be fearfull of taking up & clearing Land, lest they should be afterwards disturbed in their Possession. For Remedy whereof & of other Inconveniences that may arise, We judge it necessary that some Provision be made by Law for taking an Estimate, by Persons upon

Oath, of the present Value of Lands, both in Towns heretofore settled & deserted & in Towns now to be settled anew, That the Claimers of such Lands may be either obliged to settle them in a defensible manner, or to accept of an Equivalent either in Land or Money for such a part as is necessary to carry on the Settlement: And that where persons sit down by Allowance of this Court, clear Lands, build on them, & by their Expence & Labour, raise their Value, they may be at least so far quieted in their Possessions, as to be liable to no further Damage, than the present Valuation of the Lands, altho Disputes in Law should afterwards arise & Judgment should go against them.

The Other is, That for travelling backwards & forwards, for transporting Cattle &c, but most especially for facilitating the March of Forces to their Relief in Time of War, A Road be made passable for Horse & Foot by Ferries, Bridges &c from the Said Places either to Wells or Newichwanok, which shall be thought most serviceable, & that some persons be ordered as soon as may be to take a view of the same, & lay before this Court an Accompt of what is necessary to be done in order thereunto & a Computation of the charge.

All which we humbly offer as our Opinion; But Submit to the Wisdom of the Honourable Court.

By order & in behalf of
the Committee.

John Wheelwright.

Boston May 27th 1715.

A true Coppy of the Originall lodg'd in the Files of the House of Representatives.

Examined P John White
Cler: Dom: Repr:

The Generall Courts Confirmation of our Purchase.

At a Great and Generall Court or Assembly held at Boston upon Wednesday the 25th of May 1715.

June 10th In Councill.

The following Votes passed in the House of Representatives Read & Concurr'd Viz^{tt}

In answer unto the Proposall of Thomas Hutchinson & John Wentworth Esq^{rs} in behalf of themselves & Partners recommended by the Committee of the Eastern Claims for the Settling of Two Towns forthwith in a Regular & Defensible manner.

Voted

That the Said Towns proposed to be settled be accepted and encouraged according to their Report, That the Land platted for a Town from Pejepscot Falls to Maquoit in Casco Bay be constituted a Township to be laid out the Quantity of Six Miles Square as the Land will allow & be called by the Name of Brunswick to be forthwith settled in a Defensible manner. That the Other Town platted in a Square of a Mile to the Eastward of Androscoggin River fronting to Merry-meeting Bay be allowed & accepted by the Name of Topsham, and be platted & laid out the Quantity of Six Miles Square as the Land will allow & a Return made in some convenient time to this Honourable Court.

Voted,

That for the Satisfaction & Encouragement of those that offer to settle in the Said Towns, That this Court give a Confirmation to their Purchase as bounded & laid down in their Proposals with a Saving for any and all other Grants, Titles, Interest or Estates that may be found within the same & particularly that of Harvard College & with a Reservation of the Rights, Improvements & Possessions of any Inhabitants or

Proprietors, Provided alwaies & it is to be understood that those Persons shall be Subject to such Regulations of this Court, as has been made for their Settling in a Defensible manner.

Voted,

That the Said Townships be freed from the Province Taxes for the Space of Five years from their first sitting down, & this Court do encourage the Ministry as shall appear reasonable unto them, Provided that the Proposers on their part perform what they offer of encouraging a Minister Ministry & schools & proceeding forthwith to grant such Tracts in fee to such as will settle there. And in Order to the covering these Settlements the Stone Fort near Pejepscot Falls be repaired And that Fifteen men, one of which to be a Sergeant, with a Comission Officer upon Ensigns Pay be placed there for the Protection & Assistance of the new Settlements, in the Room of the Fort or Trading House at Casco, which being much out of Repair, We are of Opinion, it is for His Maj^{ty}s Service it be slighted & no longer continued: That His Excellency the Governour be desired to give his Orders accordingly & also for the enlisting five Men which with Ten men taken from Casco makes the Complement for Brunswick & in Answer to the Representation of M^r Edward Hutchinson, they humbly offer, that the other Twenty men of the Complement that is now at Casco be removed to Arowsick Island for their Covering for the Space of Six Months & no more agreeable to the Grant of the Generall Court.

Voted

That Major John Wheelright, M^r Abraham Prebble, M^r Joseph Hammond, Charles Frost Esq^r, M^r John Leighton or any three of them be a Comittee to prosecute the Regular Settlements of the Eastern Frontier, & that in Answer to the

Petition of the Proprietors of Cape Porpus & Black:point to the Comittee for Claims, the Said Comittee be directed to lay out the Town Platts in a Regular and Defensible manner at the Charge of the Proprietors & of such other Towns as shall offer agreeable to the order of Court.

Voted,

That the Memoriall offered by the Reverend M^r Samuel Emery & M^r Samuel Moodey be referred to the Said Comittee to report to this Court the State of Winter Harbour.

Voted,

That agreeable to the Comittee of Claims Report relating to a Road to the Eastern Settlements, We are of Opinion that it is necessary that a Road be laid out in the most convenient place from Wells or Newichwanock to Pejepscot Falls as shall be thought most convenient and practicable & a Computation made of the charge be laid before this Court, & that it be an Instruction to the Said Comittee to cause the same to be surveyed & to make their Report of the place & charge—And that a Comittee of Both Houses be appointed to prepare the Draught of an Act for settling & quieting the Titles of the Lands that are to the Eastward of Piscatequa River.

By His Excellency the Governour.

Att the Desire of the Councill & Representatives I shall give the Warrants to draw out Nineteen Men & an Ensign from Casco Fort for Arowsick.

And shall also raise Fifteen Men for Brunswick with a Comission Officer for the Service projected.

But cannot at present see reason to Demolish the Fortification at Casco, untill His Majesties Pleasure be known therein.

J. Dudley.

A True Copy as of Record
appears Examined P

Joseph Hiller Cler. Con.

Province Mass^{ts} Bay Ss.

In the House of Representatives June 20th 1715.

A Message sent to the Board to enquire whither his Excellency had consented to the whole of the Vote of this House passed the 7th Curr^{tt} & concurred to by the Board, relating to the settling of the Eastern parts of this Province, excepting the Clause concerning Casco Fort.

Answer was returned, That His Excellency said he did consent to all but that of Slighting Casco Fort.

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P John White Cler:

Advertisement.

Whereas the Generall Court have lately Allowed Two Towns, viz^{tt} Brunswick & Topsham, lying within the Late Province of Mayne, to be forthwith laid out and Settled in a defensible manner; the Former Situate on the Westerly side of Pejepscot Falls, on Ambrosoggen River & reaching over to Maquoit in Casco Bay: The Other Situate over against it on the Easterly Side of Said River, & Fronting on Merry-meeting Bay: And have been pleased to grant the following Encouragements for the speedy Peopling of Said Towns.

1st That the Stone Fort near Pejepscot Falls in Brunswick Town be repaired & maintained with Fifteen men, for the covering & assistance of Said Towns.

2. That such as shall settle there shall be exempted from any Tax to the Province for five years time.

Over & above which, the Proprietors of Said Lands, will give these further & great Encouragements.

1. That each Person, who shall build a Suitable Dwelling House in either of Said Towns (untill the Number of Fifty Families for each Town be compleated) and by himself, or a good Tenant, occupy & inhabit the same for the Space of three Years, shall have granted him Gratis in Fee, One hundred Acres of Land, Twenty whereof in Homestead, the other Eighty at some convenient Distance, as the Land will allow, a Proportion whereof to be Marish or Meadow Land.

2. That a Saw Mill shall be speedily erected for the facilitating the building of Houses there.

3. That the Said Proprietors will have a Vessell ready the Latter end of next Month, to go from Boston thither, & transport such Persons as they shall agree with to go thither, with their Effects, free of Charge.

4. That a Proportion of Land shall be set out for the First Minister, the Ministry & a School.

5. That for the speedy procuring & Settling the Gospell Ministry, & for the Ease of the Inhabitants, as soon as there shall be to the Number of Twenty Families in each Town, the Said Inhabitants preparing & raising the Frame for a Meeting-House, the Proprietors will provide Glass, Nails &c & finish it at their own charge: And likewise pay towards the Subsistence of such Orthodox Gospell Minister, as the Said Inhabitants shall procure to settle with them, Fourty Pounds P Annum, for the First Five Years.

These are therefore to give Notice, that all Persons desirous to remove thither, may apply themselves to Mrs^{rs} Adam Winthrop, Oliver Noyes & Stephen Minot at Boston, or John Wentworth Esq^r at Portsmouth; with whom they may agree.

Boston June 24^d 1715.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors July 14th 1715.

Present Mrss ^{rs} Wentworth.	Ruck.
Noyes.	Watts &
Minot.	Winthrop.

Voted,

That S^d Wentworth be desired to discourse with M^r Wire of Hampton or any other suitable person for building a Saw Mill & a Grist Mill at or near Pejepscot Falls & in order thereunto that he procure him or them to go the first opportunity & take a View of the place most proper for it.

Mutuell Bond.

To all who shall see these presents Greetings, Whereas we the Subscribers, Namely Thomas Hutchinson, John Wentworth & Adam Winthrop Esq^{rs} John Watts, Stephen Minot, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes and John Ruck Merchants lately purchased of Cap^t Ephraim Savage Administ^r to the Estate of Richard Wharton late of Boston Esq^r deceased a certain Tract of Land called or known by the Name of Pejepscot lying by Ambrosoggen River & the River of Kenebeck as P the Deed of Sale for the same will more at large appear relation being thereunto had. Now Know Yee that We the Said Proprietors do hereby Mutually agree for our Selves our Heirs Execut^{rs} Adm^{rs} and Assignes, That it shall be in the Power of the Major Part of us, for & during the term of Seven years to be accounted from the first Settlement of the Towns of Brunswick & Topsham lately Voted & ordered to be plotted & laid out by the Generall Court, to make and pass all such Votes, Orders & Determinations as Shall from time to time be thought proper for promoting the Settlement of the Said Towns & especially for encouraging a Minister Min-

istry & Schools therein & for conveying such Parcells of Land as we or the Major part of us shall think fit to give to any persons who will Settle the Same & for the payment of all such Sum & Sums of Money as shall within the Said term arise be laid out & expended about the Said Town, And Generally to do all things that shall be voted necessary or convenient for the Speedy Settlement thereof; all Votes or Orders by us (or the Maj^r Part of us) made or passed, to be entred in a Book to be kept by us for that purpose. And further we do hereby mutually covenant promise & agree to bear & pay our respective parts & Shares of all such charges Costs disbursements Sum & Sums of money as shall arise & become due to be paid by reason of any Vote of us the Said Purchasers (or any Number of us exceeding four) within three months after Settling the Acc^{ts} referring to the premises, which Acc^{ts} shall be adjusted & Settled once every year during the Term afores^d And we do also severally oblige our Selves to relinquish and quit our claim to all such parcells of Land at Pejepscot aforesaid as shall be given by the Vote of the Major part of us to any persons to promote or forward their Setling the Said Towns, or do any thing proper to confirm their Title to such Lands as shall be given them as afores^d.

To the true & faithfull Observation, Performance & fulfilling of all & whatsoever we have mutually covenanted & agreed to do & perform, we oblige our Selves our heirs Executors & Adm^{rs} & each & every of us & them by himself in the Sum or penalty of Five hundred pounds to be paid by the Person or Persons who shall neglect or refuse to perform or fulfill the same, And as a Collaterall and further Security for the payment of the Said Sum, We do freely give grant sell assign & make over unto such of us as shall pay the parts of any of us being defective, Our severall & respective Shares & parts of & in the S^d Tract of Land called Pejepscot, or so

much thereof as shall be adjudged by two or three indifferent Persons upon Oath, to be of sufficient value to answer or make good the costs, damages, expenses, Sum or Sums of money as shall arise be occasioned or become due to be paid by each one of us respectively, who shall fail or neglect to perform his Covenant together with lawful Interest for such Sum or Sums as shall be remaining behind & unpaid after the same shall become payable. To have & to hold our severall & respective Shares in Pejepscot aforesaid or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy & make good the Share or Proportion of any of us that shall be defective or negligent in the payment of such sum or sums of money as shall be by us determined to be due and payable with the Interest thereof as afores^d unto such of us as shall advance & pay the same for or by reason of any such Neglect or Refusall, and unto our severall and respective heirs Execut^{rs} Adm^{rs} & Assignes for ever. In Witness whereof We have hereunto set our hands & Seals this Fifteenth Day of July Anno Domⁱ 1715. And in the first year of his Maj^{ty}s Reign.

Signed Sealed & dd	Thomas Hutchinson	(Seal)
Feb ^{ry} 3 ^d 1715/16	John Wentworth	()
by S ^d Winthrop, Jeffries,	Adam Winthrop	()
Minot, Watts & Noyes	Stephen Minot	()
in presence of	J Watts	()
Edmund Mountfort	Oliver Noyes	()
Buttalph Belknap.	David Jeffries	(Seal)
Signed Sealed & dd by	John Ruck	()
S ^d Hutchinson Wentworth		
& Ruck		
in presence of		

In the House of Representatives July 28th 1715.

The following Proposall presented to the House by the Subscribers viz^{tt}

Wee the Subscribers Proprietors of the Lands in Brunswick & Topsham &c being desirous to make such a Settlement as may be able to sustain a War with the Indians, Do acknowledge the Favour of the Generall Court in their readiness to encourage & protect the intended Settlements & particularly in the Repair of the Fort there, Yet perceiving the House inclinable to a Wooden Fort on account of the Cheapness of it: We being sensible that as this Fort is set so, as to be a Bridle to the Indians; So if a War should arise, it may be expected, they will leave no means untried to become Masters of it, towards which the Remoteness from Succour will give them great advantage; & considering how much the Lives and Estates there will depend upon the Strength & Security of that Fort: We have been induced to make the following Proposall.

That Whereas the Wooden Fort at Winter Harbour cost, as we are informed Four hundred Pounds, when Provisions & Labour were much cheaper, than at this time; we cant suppose such an one now would cost much less than five hundred Pounds; & a Stone Fort supposed to be much more chargeable: Yet rather than the S^d Fort should be of Wood, & so liable to be consumed by Fire, in case it should be assaulted by French as well as Indians.

We offer, That if the Generall Court will please to allow Five Hundred Pounds, & let us now have the Fifteen Men, which are designed for that Garrison, we will enter into Engagements to repair & finish the aforesaid Stone Fort: To be Fifty Foot Square, as proposed, with Four Bastions, Two of which of Wood on the Top of the Angle, at our own charge, altho it should amount to more than that Sum. And we shall set about it in a weeks time, if possible, & hope to finish it before winter if not obstructed by the Indians. We desire to have Three hundred Pounds of the Said Sum, as

occasion shall require, to provide Materialls &c & the remainder when the work is finished.

Thomas Hutchinson.

Adam Winthrop.

Oliver Noyes.

in behalf of themselves & Partners.

Boston July 28: 1715

Memorandum.

It is agreed, that the Foundation of the said Fort shall be Three Foot under Ground, That the Wall shall be Three Foot Thick at Bottom, & at least Tenn Foot High above the Ground, & laid in Lime Mortar, with Barracks for Fifteen Men, to be built on or near the Spot where the Fort now stands.

Voted, That the Said Proposall be accepted, & the Sums be paid out of the Treasury as proposed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Concurred with by the Board, & consented to by the Governour.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors July 29th 1715.

Present Mss^{rs} Hutchinson.

Watts

Noyes

Ruck &

Minot.

Winthrop.

Voted, That we unanimously consent to the Proposall of the 28th Curr^{tt} signed in our behalf by Mss^{rs} Hutchinson Winthrop & Noyes (which has been offered to the Generall Court & accepted by them) for our repairing & finishing the Stone Fort at Pejepscot according to the terms therein mentioned for the allowance of Five hundred pounds & the assistance of the Garrison Souldiers.

Proposed, to request His Ex^{cy} for an order for the Fifteen Men & to furnish us with Utensills out of the Publick Stores.

Proposed, to send a Yoke of Oxen & a Cart.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors Augst 2^d 1715.

Present	Hutchinson.	Ruck &
	Mss ^{rs} Noyes.	Winthrop.
	Minot.	

Voted, That Cap^t John Wentworth be writ to to dispatch a Sloop from Piscatequa forthwith, with Four Thousand of Pine Plank & to fill up with good Boards to be landed at Pejepscot Falls.

That Cap^t Noyes be desired to dispatch a Sloop from Newbury with Seventy or Eighty hogsh^{ds} of good Stone Lime, the price here 21^s p hh^d 100 Gallons.

That a Sloop be sent from hence with Bricks, Shingles Clapboards, Nailes, Provisions, a horse Team, Six Wheel barrows, Arms, Crows, Pickaxes, Mauls, Shovells Blankets, Kettles, Pails, Dishes, Horse Cart, Ox Cart & a pair of Trucks.

Encouragements to enlist.

We the Subscribers Proprietors of the Lands in Brunswick & Topsham do offer the following encouragements to such as shall voluntarily enlist themselves as Souldiers to garison the Fort at Brunswick.

1. That immediately upon their enlistment, they shall enter into Pay & Subsistence.

2. That the Military Service expected from them at present is like to be so small as to permit them, besides their Wages, to earn money by Labour.

3. That during the time of the Forts Repair, we will employ them all as Labourers, (except the Warders) & pay Two Shillings a day for every day they work.

4 That afterwards we will endeavour to find employment for them, by splitting Staves, Shingles or Clap boards or any other Service that may prove beneficiall to us & them.

5. That when they have served Six months as Souldiers if they desire to become Inhabitants, we will endeavour to obtain a Generall Order from His Ex^{cy} the Govern^r to release them, they finding another man in their room, & when so dismist they shall have One hundred Acres of Land granted to each of them equall with the other Inhabitants & on the same Terms & conditions with them.

6. If they dont see cause to settle there, when they have served Twelve Months, We will use our endeavour to obtain His Ex^{cys} Favour to get them discharged, which we hope we shall be able to accomplish.

Approved by the Governour & Signed by severall of the Proprietors.

Boston Augst 3 1715.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors Augst 30th 1715

	Hutchinson.	Minot
Present Mss ^{rs}	Noyes.	Ruck &
	Jeffries.	Winthrop.

Voted, That the Souldiers now enlisted, & persons that offer to settle at Brunswick & Topsham be provided with a passage thither either in a Sloop of our own or some other, & that it be left to Mss^{rs} Minot & Ruck to take care thereof.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors Sep^t 14 1715.

Present	Hutchinson.	Watts
Mss ^{rs}	Noyes.	Ruck &
	Minot.	Winthrop.

Voted, That the present Projection for laying out the Town of Brunswick in one Line of Houses be accepted, & the Town laid out accordingly

That each Proprietor will take up a Lot & build upon it as soon as may be, That we consent to Mr Noyes taking his Lot Next Maquoit (he promising to build a Defensible House thereon next Spring) That the Meeting House shall be in the Midway between the Fort & Maquoit, That the Lotts for the Ministry, the First Minister & the School be the Centre Lots, & as for the other Lots, Those persons, whither Proprietors or Others, that first take up the Lots & build upon them, shall take their choice.

And that the Outbound & the Plan of Topsham be likewise laid out now, three Sides of a Square, the Houses Twenty Rods distant according to the plan offered to the Generall Court.

That Mr Watts be desired to take the advice of a Mill-Wright of the proper place for a Mill & discourse him what the Cost may be & make report to us at his return, in order to our agreeing for a Mill against the Spring. That Mr Watts be desired to discourse with Mr John Minot about his staying there this Winter, if it be needfull, to oversee our affairs, to keep our Cattle employed in haleing Timber &c & to forward the building our Houses.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors December 26th 1715.

Present	Hutchinson	Ruck
Mss ^{rs}	Jeffries	Watts &
	Noyes	Winthrop.

Voted, That Mss^{rs} Noyes Minot & Winthrop be im-powered in behalf of the Proprietors to treat with the Agents for the Corporation of Harvard Colledge about Merriconege Neck in Casco Bay & to make & conclude such a Composition with them as the S^d Noyes &c shall think advisable & consistent with our Interest.

That night Mr Hutchinson pitcht on Lot N^o 21, Mr Ruck on the Lot next adjoining.

An Acc^{tt} of the Cost of Fort George.

Masons Work.

Benj ^a Swain 88 daies at 5/1 night 1/6	22 .. 1 .. 6
Peter Herod 4/	15 .. 18 ...
Hunniwell & Negro 7/6	27 .. 09 .. 6
Dutch at 4/	15 .. 18 ...
Clark at 4/	15 .. 14 ...
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	97 .. 1 ...
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Carpenters work

Benj ^a Haley & Man 7/6 p	30 .. 3 .. 9
Kemball at 4/6	18 .. 2 .. 3
Wheeler at 4/	16 .. 2 ...
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Nights work of Tradesmen as p Acc ^{tt}	8 .. 1 .. 2
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The Souldiers as Labourers

Nights, Days & Boatage	58 .. 4 .. 4
M ^r Watts Boy cooking the Pott at 1/6 p	6 .. 7 .. 6
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	64 .. 11 .. 10
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Materials.

Shell lime 500 bush ^{us} at 14 ^d	29 .. 3 .. .
40 hh ^{ds} Stone lime	50 .. 4 .. 4
Boards 10821 feet	23 .. 16 .. 3
Pine plank 4 m	17 .. 1 .. 7
Oak plank	3 .. 19 .. 10
Shingles 10 m at 16/	8
Clapboards 12 ^{lb} at 7/	4 .. 4 .. .
Bricks 11 m	12 .. 7 .. 6
Nailes Spikes &c	20 .. 2 .. 3
Glass Casements	3 .. 4 .. .

Great Hinges & Rivets	2.	6	..	..
Small Hinges	1	..	10	..
Smiths work .....	..	12	..	..
Large Lock for Gate .....	..	14	..	..
	177	..	4	..
			9	

Provision Acc^{tt} in the Severall Bills

M ^r Watts Bill	2	..	8	..	..
M ^r Winthrops Bill	17	..	5	..	5
M ^r Noyes's Bill	45	..	6	..	7
M ^r Rucks Bill	13	..	5	..	..
M ^r Minots Bill	12	..	3	..	3
	90	..	8	..	3

Sloop Hire & Piloting.

Lowle's Sloop	17	..	18	..	..
Stephen's Sloop	9	..	..	..	..
Board Sloop	9	..	10	..	..
M ^r Watts Sloop	40	..	..	..	..
Lowd Piloting	1	..	..	..	..
More Piloting &c	2	..	10	..	..
Butter Boating Lime	2	..	5	..	10
D ^o Piloting					
	82	..	3	..	10

Small Expenses

Giv'n Gyles for dispatch	1	..	..	..	..
Gett: great Boat from Mill pond .....	..	9	..	..	..
Port ^r & Cart ^a .....	..	12	..	9	
Reckonings & Small charges	3	..	5	..	9
	5	..	7	..	6

Allowed Mr Watts his Trouble	30
Due to Mr Jn ^o Minot to 5 th Nov:	18 .. 8 .. .
Charge enlisting men	5
1 horse lost	9 .. 15 .. .
James Irish's work	4
Use of our Teams	30
Loss & Wear of Tools	2
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	99 .. 3 .. .
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Fort George Dr

To Masons work at Supra	97 .. 1 .. .
To Carpenters work	64 .. 8 .. .
To Nights work Tradesmen	8 .. 1 .. 2
To Labourers	64 .. 11 .. 10
To Provisions Drink &c	90 .. 8 .. 3
To Materialls	177 .. 4 .. 9
To Sloop Hire &c	82 .. 3 .. 10
To Small Expenses	5 .. 7 .. 6
To Mr Watts, Minot &c	99 .. 3 .. .
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	688 .. 9 .. 4
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An Acc^{tt} of the Proprietors Stock at Brunswick.

40 hh ^{ds} of Stone Lime	50 .. 4 .. 4
2 Yoke of Oxen	29
1 Carthorse	7 .. 5 .. .
Cart, Collars & tackling	8 .. 12 .. .
2 Cows with Calf	9
4 Swine	7
1 Canoe & 2 boat Oars	2 .. 5 .. 10
James Irish our Serv ^t man	9 .. 1 .. 6
Books of Acc ^{tt} & Records	1 .. 2 .. 6
1 Plow 20/ Timber chain 28/	2 .. 8 .. .
Silvanus Davis's Land of Nelson	40

15 Axes	4 .. 1 .. 6
2 Iron Crows	1 .. 5 .. .
6 hoes 25/ 6 Hatchets 21/	2 .. 6 .. .
3 Spades 22/6: 3 Shovels 12/	1 .. 14 .. 6
4 Mauls 10/1 fork &c 10/	1
1 Grindstone 6/ Rope 30/	1 .. 16 .. .
2 Compasses 8 .. .
1 peck & 1/2 peck 3 .. .
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	178 .. 13 .. 2
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Cargo for Sale at Brunswick.

Smiths Tools as p Bill	9 .. 13 .. 6
Carpenters Tools	8 .. 6 .. 6
1 Teirce Rum	10 .. 12 .. .
1 bb: of Molasses	3 .. 16 .. 7
1 Teirce Sugar	10 .. 6 .. 4
4 Jackets & Breeches	4
1 Watchcoat	1 .. 5 .. .
1 bb. of roll'd Tobacco	3 .. 18 .. 9
2 .. 1 .. 12 of Iron at 40/	4 .. 14 .. 10
10 Cheeses	2 .. 18 .. 6
2 bbs: of Salt	1 .. 16 .. 6
1 doz: Yern Hose	1 .. 6 .. .
6 Mill'd Caps	1 .. 1 .. .
2 Gro. Short pipes 8 .. .
10 ¹ hard Soap 6 .. 8
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	64 .. 10 .. 2
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Journey of Jeffries &c to view a place for Mills	10 .. 11 .. 9
Express p an Indian with Letters to the Fort..	1 .. 18 .. .
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	12 .. 9 .. 9
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Provision for Cattle & keeping this Winter.

3 Bundles Screw'd hay	2..	6..	..
4 load of Salt hay	4..
20 bushells Oats	2..	3..	4
Keeping Hogs in Town .....	..	10..	..
1 hh ^d Indian Corn	3..	8..	3
1 hh ^d of Oats	1..	8..	9
2 bush ⁿ Corn & Bag .....	..	11..	..
getting Cattle on board .....	..	6..	..
Waterhh ^d .....	..	3..	..
	14..	16..	4

Incidentall Charges.

Fee to Paul Dudley Esq ^r	3..
Hire & keeping M ^r Barnards Horse last Voyage	2..	8..	4
Coppies to M ^r Hiller & White	9..	..
Unlad: & fetch: Great Boat	6..	..
Mend: Calenders Barn	5..	6
Advert: 5/ 3 quire paper 4/4 ^d	9..	4
Ax Gyles 6/ Gloves, Prebble 3/6	9..	6
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David Jeffries....D^r

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By John Watts to pay	15 .. 14 ..
By Stephen Minot to pay	5
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Stephen Minot....D^r

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To John Ruck to rec:	19 .. 10 .. 11½
To David Jeffries to rec:	5
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By his Bill (page 53)	86 .. 8 ..
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John Ruck....D^rTo $\frac{1}{8}$ part at Contra 61 .. 17 .. $\frac{1}{2}$ C^r

By his Bill (Page 53)..... 35 .. 14 .. 4

By Stephen Minot to pay 19 .. 10 .. $11\frac{1}{2}$

By John Watts to pay 6 .. 11 .. 9

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January 20th 1715/6.

At a meeting of the Proprietors February 21st 1715/6.

Present	Hutchinson.	Ruck.
Mss ^{rs}	Noyes.	Watts &
	Minot.	Winthrop.

Voted, That there be about Twenty hundred weight of Screw'd Hay sent in the First Sloop to Brunswick for the use of our Cattle there.

That the necessaries writ for be sent to our Servant James Irish.

That a proper Boat be provided by M^{rs} Minot & Watts with Sails, Oars &c.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors, March 9th 1715/6

Present	Hutchinson.	Ruck.
Mss ^{rs}	Jeffries.	Watts &
	Minot.	Winthrop.

Voted, That for defraying the Purchase of a Sloop & other expected charges, we will raise a Stock of money of Twenty five pounds each, to be paid by each Proprietor within a Fortnight at furthest from this time into Said Winthrops

hands to defray the S^d Charges & render an account thereof to the Company.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors April 27 1716

Present	Hutchinson.	Minot.
Mss ^{rs}	Jeffries.	Ruck &
	Noyes.	Winthrop.

Voted,

That such of our Partners, as shall now go to Pejepscot, be impowered fully to act what they shall find necessary, for regulating the Towns of Brunswick & Topsham, for laying out a Fishing Town at Small Point or elsewhere, for appropriating a Tract of Land to each Proprietor, & what else shall be requisite to promote the Settlement according to Equity.

Voted,

That S^d Winthrop be allowed to make choice of some Island Neck or Tract of Land any where within our purchase as shall be agreeable to him, which we consent shall be confirmed to him as part of his share; he to receive so much less as it shall amount to for his Share.

Mem^o The Vote last abovementioned In favour of S^d Winthrop, being shown to M^r John Watts at Brunswick & to John Wentworth Esq^r at Portsmouth, was consented to by them.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors, May 24th 1716

Present	Hutchinson.	Minot.
Mss ^{rs}	Jeffries.	Ruck &
	Noyes.	Winthrop.

Voted,

That there be a Town laid out at Small Point.

That the Persons, who have Interests thereabouts be compounded with.

That the Fifty first Families shall have Fifty Acres of Land granted to each of them, for their building a House & improving it for three years time, whereof part to be a convenient Homestead for Fishery, five Acres of Salt Marsh, & the remainder in upland as near as can be with convenience.

That if M^r Penhallow & M^r Minot go thither, build Houses & continue there for three Years time, they Shall each have Two hundred & Fifty Acres of Land granted to them, whereof Twenty Acres to each to be Salt Marsh.

Nath^l Webber's Deed to the Proprietors.

To all People to whom this Deed of Sale shall come Nathaniel Webber of Boston in the County of Suffolk in New England Lawyer sendeth Greeting, Know Yee that whereas my Father Thomas Webber formerly of Kenebeck Husbandman & my Mother Mary Webber did by Vertue of an Indian Deed to my S^d Father Dated _____ & a Deed of Gift from my Uncle John Parker to my S^d Mother Dated _____ did possess & enjoy a certain Tract of Land being & lying on Small-Point Neck in the Late Province of Mayne, now the County of York, in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New-England, Bounded Northerly with Winegance Creek or John Leightons Plantation, Easterly with the River of Sagadehock or Kenebeck running down S^d River four Miles in Length or thereabouts, Southerly with John Parkers Plantations & Westerly with Casco Bay as p S^d Deeds on Record may more fully appear, & did Inhabit & improve the same till driven thence by the Indian War, since which they are both deceased

Intestate, whereby according to the Laws of this Province One Seventh part of the S^d Lands do's descend unto & of right belong to me, Now Know Yee that I the Said Nathaniel Webber for & in consideration of the Sum of Tenn Pounds current money of New England to me in hand well & truly paid before the ensealing & delivery of these presents by John Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire Esq^r Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes Esq^{rs}, Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts Gent: all of Boston afores^d & for other good causes & considerations, especially to promote a Fishing Town thereabouts, Have given granted sold enfeoffed & confirmed & do by these presents freely & fully give grant sell enfeoffe & confirm unto the S^d John Wentworth, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts their Heirs Executors, Adm^{rs} & Assignes, One Seventh part of S^d Tract of Lands Butted & Bounded as aforesaid to me of right belonging as Heir to my S^d Father & Mother, Together with all Woods, Trees, uplands, meadows, waters, watercourses, priviledges & appurtenances thereunto in any wise belonging, To have & to hold the S^d Seventh part of S^d Land with all Priviledges & Appurtenances thereunto to them the S^d John Wentworth, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts their heirs & assignes for ever, free & clear of all claims & demands of me the S^d Nathaniel Webber my heirs Executors or Administ^{rs} or any person or persons claiming by from or under me & free & clear from all former & other Sales Titles Mortgages & Incumbrances whatsoever (excepting one Mortgage made Jan^{ry} 1676/7 of S^d Land by my S^d Father Thomas Webber to John Dalin or Assignes for Thirty Eight pounds nine Shillings & tenn pence, whereof Sixteen pounds twelve Shillings & two pence was long since paid)

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seale in Boston afores^d this Fourteenth Day of February Anno Domⁱ Seventeen hundred & fifteen/6 in the Second year of the Reign of King George over Great Brittain &c.

With the Reserve of One hundred Acres of Land to be laid out, if I shall soo cause to settle it within four years by my Self or heirs.

Nathaniel Webber (Seal)

Signed Sealed & dd in presence of

John Penhallow.

Edmund Mountfort.

Suff. Ss. March 14th 1715/6 Nath^l Webber appeared this day before me the Subscriber & acknowledged the above Instrument to be his Act & Deed before me

W^m Harris Just: Peace.

May 1st 1716

Recorded with the Records of Deeds &c for the County of York Lib^r VIII Fol^o 149

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Nathan Webbers Deed to the Proprietors.

To all People to whom this Deed of Sale shall come, Nathan Webber of Boston in the County of Suffolk in New England Mariner Only Son & Heir of John Webber late of Boston Mariner sendeth Greeting, Know yee that whereas my Grandfather Thomas Webber formerly of Kenebeck Husbandman deceased & my Grandmother Mary Webber did by Vertue of an Indian Deed to my S^d Grandfather Dated & a Deed of Gift from my Great Uncle John Parker to my S^d Grandmother Dated did possess & enjoy a certain Tract of Land

being & lying on Small-Point Neck in the Late Province of Mayne now the County of York in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, Bounded Northerly with Winegance Creek or John Leightons Plantation, Easterly with the River of Sagadahock or Kenebeck running down S^d River four miles in length or thereabouts, Southerly with John Parkers Plantation & Westerly with Casco Bay, as p S^d Deeds on Record may more fully appear, & did inhabit & improve the same untill driven thence by the Indian War & both dyed Seized of the same in their own Right Intestate, & whereby according to the Laws of this Province giving to the Eldest Son a double Share of the Land of Intestate Estates & whereas the S^d Thomas Webber & Mary Webber had five Sons & one Daughter at the time of their Decease, so that Two full Seventh parts of S^d Land dos descend unto & of right belong to me as Heir to the Eldest Son, Now Know Yee that I S^d Nathan Webber for & in consideration of the Sum of Tenn pounds current money of New England to me in hand well & truly paid, before the ensealing & delivery of these presents by John Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New-Hampshire Esq^r, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes Esq^{rs} Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts Gentlemen all of Boston afores^d & for other good causes & considerations, especially to promote the Setling a Fishing Town thereabouts, Have given granted bargained Sold aliened enfeoffed & confirmed & do by these presents freely & fully give grant bargain Sell enfeoffe & confirm unto the S^d John Wentworth, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts their heirs Execut^{rs} Administrat^{rs} & Assignes Two full Seventh Parts of the Said Tract of Land butted & bounded as aforesaid to me of right belonging as Heir to my Father John Webber Eldest Son & Heir to my Grandfather & Grandmother afores^d

Together with all Woods, Trees, uplands, Meadows, Waters, Watercourses, Priviledges & Appurtenances thereunto in any wise belonging or appertaining. To have & to hold the S^d Two full Seventh Parts of S^d Land with all Priviledges & Appurtenances thereunto to them the S^d John. Wentworth, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts their heirs & Assignes for ever, free & clear of all claims & Demands of me S^d Nathan Webber my heirs Execut^{rs} or Administ^{rs} or any Person or Persons claiming by from or under me or my Father John Webber, Free & clear from all former & other Sales Titles Mortgages whatsoever, except a Mortgage to John Dalin made 1676/7 for Thirty Eight pounds Nine Shillings & Tenn pence, whereof Sixteen pounds twelve Shillings & Two pence was long since paid. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal in Boston aforesaid the Twenty First Day of February Anno Domⁱ Seventeen hundred & Fifteen/6, in the Second Year of the Reign of King George over Great Britain &c.

Nathan ^{his} X Webber (Seal)
mark

Signed Sealed & deliv^{ed} in presence of us.

John Penhallow.

Edmund Mountfort.

This is to certify that I Abigail Newman of Boston in the County of Suffolk in New England Widow only Daughter of John Webber deceased, Eldest Son of Thomas Webber formerly of Kenebeck Husbandman, for & in consideration of Three pounds to me in hand paid before the ensealing & delivery of these presents do hereby quitclaim to my part of the Lands at Small-Point-Neck over against Arowsick Island as described in the aboves^d Deed formerly possessed by my Said Grandfather Thomas Webber & descending from him to

my Father John Webber & from him to my Brother Nathan Webber & me his only Children, & do hereby for my Self my heirs Execut^{rs} & Administ^{rs} make over, grant, confirm & convey whatsoever right or Share I have or ought to have in S^d Lands to aboves^d John Wentworth Esq^r & his Partners mentioned in S^d Deed, To have & to hold to them their heirs Execut^{rs} Adm^{rs} & Assignes in fee for ever as Witness my hand & Seale hereunto set this Twenty First Day of February Anno Domⁱ Seventeen hundred & fifteen/6 in the Second Year of the Reign of King George over Great Britain &c.

Abigail ^{her}A Newman (Seal)
mark

Signed Sealed & dd in presence of

John Penhallow

Edmund Mountfort.

Suffolk Ss.

The Day & Year abovementioned the abovenamed Nathan Webber & Abigail Newman personally appearing before me the Subscriber one of His Maj^{ty's} Justices of the Peace for the County afores^d acknowledged the aboves^d Instrument to be their Act & Deed.

Anthony Stoddard Jus. Pac^s

James Webbers Deed to the Proprietors.

To all People to whom this Deed of Sale shall come, James Webber of Charlestown in the County of Middlesex in New England Mariner sendeth Greeting, Know Yee that whereas my Father Thomas Webber formerly of Kenebeck Husbandman & my Mother Mary Webber did by Vertue of an Indian Deed to my Said Father Dated & a Deed

of Gift from my Uncle John Parker to my S^d Mother Dated
possess & enjoy a certain Tract of
Land being & lying on Small Point Neck in the Late
Province of Mayne now the County of York in the Province
of the Massachusets Bay in New England, Bounded North-
erly with Winegance Creek or John Leightons Plantation,
Easterly with the River of Sagadehock or Kenebeck, running
down Said River over against Arowsick Island four Miles in
length or thereabouts, Southerly with John Parkers Planta-
tions & Westerly with Casco Bay, as P Said Deeds on Record
may more fully appear, & did inhabit & improve the same
till driven thence by the Indian War, since which they are
both deceased Intestate, whereby according to the Laws of
this Province, One Seventh Part of the Said Lands dos de-
scend unto, & of right belong to me, Now Know Yee that I
the Said James Webber for & in consideration of the Sum
of Tenn Pounds current money of New England to me in
hand well & truly paid, before the ensealing & delivery of
these Presents, by John Wentworth of Portsmouth in the
Province of New Hampshire Esq^r, Thomas Hutchinson,
Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes Esq^{rs}, Stephen
Minot, John Ruck & John Watts Gentⁿ all of Boston afore-
said & for other good causes & considerations, especially to
promote the Setling a Fishing Town thereabouts, Have given
granted sold enfeofed & confirmed & Do by these Presents
freely & fully give grant Sell enfeoffe & confirm unto the S^d
John Wentworth, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop,
David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, Stephen Minot, John Ruck &
John Watts their Heirs Ex^{rs} Administrat^{rs} & Assignes the
aforementioned One Seventh part of the S^d Tract of Land,
butted & bounded as afores^d to me of right belonging as Heir
to my Said Father & Mother, & Also One Seventh part more
of S^d Land which I bought of my Brother Samuel Webber
Together with all woods, trees, up Lands, meadows, waters,

watercourses, privileges & Appurtenances thereunto, to them the S^d John Wentworth, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts, To have & to hold to them their Heirs & Assignes for ever the S^d Two Seventh parts of Said Land with all the Priviledges & Appurtenances thereunto belonging, Free & clear of all claims & demands of me the Said James Webber my heirs Execut^{rs} & Administ^{rs} or any Person or Persons claiming by from or under us or them & Free & clear from all former & other Sales Titles Mortgages or Incumbrances whatsoever (excepting one Mortgage made Jan^{ry} 1676/7 of S^d Land by my Said Father Thomas Webber to John Dollen or Assigns for Thirty Eight Pounds nine Shillings & Tenn pence, whereof Sixteen Pounds Twelve Shillings & Two pence was long since paid) In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal in Boston afore-said this Nineteenth Day of March Anno Domⁱ Seventeen hundred & Fifteen/6., in the Second Year of the Reign of King George over Great Brittain &c.

Reserving One Hundred Acres of Land
butting on the Rivers to me & my Heirs

James Webber (Seal)

Signed Sealed & dd in presence of

John Penhallow.

Buttalph Belknap.

Suffolk Ss.

Boston March 19th 1715/6 Mr James Webber this day acknowledged the above Instrument to be his Act & Deed before me

Anthony Stoddard Jus: Pac^s

At a Meeting of the Proprietors August 6th 1716

Present	Hutchinson.	Ruck &
Mss ^{rs}	Noyes.	Winthrop.
	Minot.	

Voted, That Thomas Webber be allowed to take up a Lot any where at Small-Point-Harbour (except M^r Noyes's Lot of 200 foot which is to begin at the Rock next the Sandy Beach & another Lot of 100 foot to begin on the other Point that leads up towards Drakes (for which S^d Noyes proposed to build two double Houses) & M^r Minot's White-Head (being the Point over against it, just near the Rock that makes the narrow Entrance), any other Lot Webber had liberty to take up.

Voted, That a common Lot for a Single House shall have Seventy foot fronting to the Harbour.

Voted, That Four Thousand feet of Boards be sent from hence to Small-Point in our Sloop this Trip.

That another House be built at Brunswick on the Generall Accompt, instead of that on Lot N^o 4 sold to M^r Norton.

That S^d Webber be desired to take charge of our Salt Marshes near Small-Point-Harbour, & to hinder any from cutting Salt Hay without paying us an acknowledgment.

Proprietors Agreement for a Division of Lands & for Defending Lands Assigned.

Whereas we the Subscribers Thomas Hutchinson, John Wentworth, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, John Watts, Stephen Minot & John Ruck have jointly purchased of Severall Persons a Large Tract of Land in the Eastern parts of this Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England & obtained a Confirmation of the same from

the Generall Court as p Reference to our Deeds & the Said Confirmation upon Record will more at large appear, & having made a good Progress towards Settlements there, Do now find it necessary & of Advantage to us that some considerable Part of our Said Purchase should, as soon as may be, be assigned to each Partner, for the better Improvement thereof to be thenceforth held in Severalty by him his heirs and assigns for ever: In order whereunto we have thought it equall & expedient to covenant & agree & Do by these Presents for us our Heirs Execut^{rs} & Administ^{rs} covenant & agree to & with each other; That whensoever any Island Tract or Parcell of Land shall be appropriated to any of us, a Grant as short & concise, as may be, describing the Quantity, Boundaries or Situation thereof shall be made to the Said Partner & Signed & Sealed by the other Partners or the Major Part of us (the whole being notified) & entred in our Book of Records, the Performance whereof shall make unto the S^d Party his heirs or assigns a good & sufficient Title to the Tract or Parcell of Land so granted, for ever Free & clear of all claims & demands of us, our Heirs Execut^{rs} and Administ^{rs} And if it shall so happen, that any other Person or Persons shall lay claim to the whole or any part of any Island, Tract or Parcell of Land appropriated as afores^d In every such case we oblige our Selves, our Heirs &c, either to compound jointly, if need be, with the Person or Persons so laying claim; or otherwise, to defend & secure the same in course of Law at our joint & common charge unto Our S^d Grantee his Heirs &c, or in failure thereof, that we will forthwith appropriate or assign unto him his heirs &c an Equivalent for the Land so recovered from him in some other part of our Purchase. To the true Performance whereof, we do by these presents respectively bind our Selves, our Heirs Executors & Administ^{rs} as Witness our hands & Seales Dated in Boston in New England this Fourth Day of September

Anno Domⁱ Seventeen hundred & Sixteen, In the Third Year of the Reign of King George over Great Brittain &c.

Thomas Hutchinson	(Seal)
John Wentworth	(Seal)
Adam Winthrop	(Seal)
David Jeffries.	(Seal)
Oliver Noyes	(Seal)
John Watts	(Seal)
Stephen Minot	(Seal)
John Ruck.	(Seal)

Signed Sealed & dd: in presence of

(The underwritten being first agreed on.

That in case of the Death of any of us, before the Severall Divisions of our purchase are made, it shall then be in the Power of the Major Part of the Survivours to order from time to time any further Division that shall be thought necessary, having a due regard to the Interest of the deceased.)

Edward Winslow.

John Gerrish.

Acknowledged before Edw^d Hutchinson J. P. Oct: 26:

At a Meeting of the Proprietors September 5th 1716

Present	Hutchinson.	Minot.
Mss ^{rs}	Wentworth.	Ruck &
	Jeffries.	Winthrop.
	Noyes.	

Voted, That some Persons be employed to look out for a proper place for erecting one or two Sawmills within our Purchase lying convenient for forwarding the Settlements & that the running Gear therefor be provided Seasonably.

That the Small Stream in a Gulley lying about Twenty Rodds WNW from Fort George at Brunswick be granted to Capt John Gyles & M^r William Goodwin and their Associates, provided they erect a Sawmill or a Gristmill thereon within a Twelvemonth, & keep it going.

Voted, That according to our Vote of the 27th of Aprill last granting Liberty to Adam Winthrop our Partner to make choice of some Island, Neck or Tract of Land within our purchase for his own, That Swan-Island be appropriated to S^d Winthrop as his Share of our First Division, & that it be reckoned for One Thousand Acres, whither it proves to be more or less.

That Mair-Point be divided into Two Lotts, The Lower half part to be Lot N^o 2, The upper half to be Lot N^o 3.

That the Land lying between Cathance River & the Eastern part of Abegedeset Point by a Line running from thence Northerly be divided into Five Lotts equall in the Front, The Lot next Cathance to be N^o 4 & so onward 5:6:7:8, to run backward from Merrymeeting Bay till it makes up One Thousand Acres of Land to each Lot: And what One half part of Mair-Point falls short of One Thousand Acres shall be made up in some part of the Township of Brunswick.

Then the Lotts being fairly drawn, came out as follows,

- N^o 2. John Wentworth Esq^r
3. M^r Stephen Minot.
4. Thomas Hutchinson Esq^r
5. Oliver Noyes Esq^r
6. M^r John Ruck
7. David Jeffries Esq^r
8. John Watts Esq^r

The Above Lotts are reckon'd our First Division.

Voted, That there be Eight Lots laid out on Small-Point-Neck across from Sagadahock River to Casco-Bay upon a

West-North-West Line, or such other Line as is the most direct Line to run across according to the Bearing of the Land in Generall, the Lines of the Severall Lots to be Parallel; Each Lot to be three quarters of a Mile Front on the River upon a Straight Line & to hold the same Breadth over to Casco-Bay, Lot N^o 1 to begin at the upper end of Cheese Island & so to run up Sagadehock River till the Quantity of Six Miles be compleated, Each Lot to be accepted as an equall Division let the Quantity be more or less.

Then the Lots being fairly drawn came out as follows.

- Lot N^o 1. Oliver Noyes Esq^r
- 2. John Wentworth Esq^r
- 3. Adam Winthrop.
- 4. M^r Stephen Minot.
- 5. M^r John Ruck.
- 6. Thomas Hutchinson Esq^r
- 7. John Watts Esq^r
- 8. David Jeffries Esq^r

These Lotts reckoned our Second Division.

The Heirs of Thomas Atkins their Deed to the Proprietors.

To all People to whom this Deed of Sale shall come Elizabeth Davis of Beverly in the County of Essex Widow, Samuel Clark of Marblehead in the County afores^d Blacksmith & Anne his Wife, Samuel Gurney of Little-Compton in the County of Bristoll Husbandman & Sarah his Wife, George Pike of Mendon in the County of Suffolk Husbandman & Hester his Wife, James Berry of Boston in the County afores^d Labourer & Rachell his Wife, Thomas Washburn of Bridgewater in the County of Bristoll Husbandman & Abigail his Wife, John Haskins of Situate in the County of Plymouth Husbandman & Ruth his Wife send Greeting, Know

Yee that whereas Thomas Atkins formerly of Kenebeck Husbandman & Father of all the Females abovementioned did above Sixty Years since purchase of the Indians a large Tract of Land in the Province of Maine in New England lying between the River of Sagadehock or Kenebeck & Casco Bay & did build upon, improve & possess the same till driven thence by the Indian War & did when the War was over return to his Said Land & dy there Intestate, leaving behind him no Son but Ten Daughters, whereby, according to the Laws of this Province, The Said Tract of Land do's descend & and of right equally belong unto the Said Ten Daughters; Now Know Yee that the S^d Elizabeth Davis, Samuel & Anne Clark, Samuel & Sarah Gurney, George and Hester Pike, Thomas & Abigail Washburn, John & Ruth Haskins in consideration of the Sum of Thirty pounds current money of New England to them the Said Daughters in hand well & truly paid, that is to say, Five Pounds for each Daughters Share, & the S^d James and Rachell Berry for Ten pounds to them paid for her Share & the Share of her Sister Rebecca Hall living at Tarpolin Cove (which Share they do hereby dispose of & oblige themselves within four months to procure her the S^d Hall's confirmation of) Have given, granted, sold, enfeoffed, & confirmed & do by these Presents each for themselves severally give, grant, sell, enfeoffe & confirm unto John Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New-Hampshire Esq^r, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries & Oliver Noyes Esq^{rs} Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts Gentⁿ all of Boston afores^d their Heirs Execut^{rs} Administ^{rs} & Assignes One Tenth part & the S^d James & Rachel Berry Two Tenth Parts, That is, in the whole Eight Tenth Parts of the Said Tract of Land being butted & bounded as follows viz^{tt} Fronting Easterly upon a Small Bay called or known by the Name of Atkins's Bay, Southeasterly bounded by a Creek coming out of the Sea &

running between this Land & Sagadehock Point or Hunniwells Plantation, bounded Southerly by the Sea, & Westerly by a River coming out of the Sea parting it from Small-Point, Running at first North-Westerly or thereabouts & then turning away North-Easterly running up to the Head of the Marshes (where it bounds upon Land formerly belonging to John Hanson) & from thence Running into the Woods Five or Six Miles by computation, up to the End of a Fresh Meadow, & from thence upon a return to the Head of a Marsh lying upon Long-Cove which runs into Atkins's Bay parting it from Land of Robert Edmunds, Together with all Woods, Trees, Uplands, Meadows, Waters, Watercourses, Priviledges & Appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining. To have & to hold the Said Eight Tenth Parts of the Land afores^d or of whatsoever Land did of right belong to their Said Father Thomas Atkins with all Priviledges & appurtenances thereunto, To them the S^d John Wentworth, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts to be holden by them in Severalty & not by right of Survivourship to them their Heirs & Assignes for ever, Free & clear of all claims & demands of them the Said Elizabeth Davis, Samuel & Anne Clark, Samuel & Sarah Gurney, George & Hester Pike, Thomas & Abigail Washburn, John & Ruth Haskins James & Rachell Berry, and Rebecca Hall or either of them, their or either of their Heirs, Executors or Administr^{rs} or any person or persons claiming by from or under them or any of them & Free & clear from all former & other Gifts, Grants, Sales, Titles, Troubles, Mortgages & Incumbrances whatsoever. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & Seals in Boston afores^d this Second Day of Aprill Anno Domⁱ Seventeen hundred & Sixteen in the Second Year of the Reign of King George over Great Brittain &c.

Signed Sealed & dd by
the Nine Persons on the
other Side in presence of
John Penhallow.
Edmund Mountfort.

Eliz^a ^{her}
^{mark} X Davis (Seal)

Esther ^{her}
^{mark} X Pike Widow (Seal)

Thomas ^{his}
^{mark} X Washburn (Seal)

Suffolk Ss:

Bost: Apr¹¹ 2 1716.

Abigail ^{her}
^{mark} X Washburn (Seal)

Eliz^a Davis, Esther Pike
Widow, Thomas Washburn
& Abigail his Wife ap-
peared before me

James ^{his}
^{mark} X Berry (Seal)

Rachel ^{her}
^{mark} X Berry (Seal)

Grove Hirst

Ruth ^{her}
^{mark} X Haskins (Seal)

James Berry & Rachell his
Wife appeared before me &
acknowledged the above to
be their Act & Deed

Eliz^a ^{her}
^{mark} X Davis (Seal)

Sarah ^{her}
^{mark} X Gurney (Seal)

W^m Harris Just: P:

Ruth Haskins Aprill 27

W^m Harris. Eliz^a Davis for

Anne Clarks Right May 4,

1716. G: Hirst.

Sarah Gurney May 11,

1716 W: Harris.

Marblehead May 3rd 1716.

Anne Clark gives up all her Right & Title in her Fathers
Estate to her Sister Eliz^a Davis as Witness my hand

Anne ^{her}
^{mark} X Clark

Witness George Nichols.

Situate this 25th of Aprill 1716.

These may certify all whom it may concern, that John
Haskins of Situate do give unto my Wife Ruth Haskins all

my Right & Interest in Thomas Atkins Estate Witness my hand

The Mark of John **X** Haskins.

Received the Sum of five pounds in full of my Tenth Part of the within Deed & the Sum of five pounds for my Sister Susanna Green her Tenth Part which I promise to procure her confirmation this 2^d of April 1716 of Oliver Noyes Esq^r

Elizabeth ^{her}**X** Davis
mark

Rec^d of Oliver Noyes Esq^r the sum of five pounds in full of my Tenth Part of the within Deed my Husband being Dead this 11th April 1716.

Hester ^{her}**X** Pike
mark

Rec^d of Oliver Noyes Esq^r five pounds in full of my Tenth Part of the within Deed my Husband consenting thereto

Ruth ^{her}**X** Haskins
mark

Boston April 27 1716

Rec^d of Oliver Noyes Esq^r five pounds in full for my Tenth Part of the within Deed this 27th April 1716

Rachell ^{her}**X** Berry
mark

Boston May 4th 1716. Rec^d of Oliver Noyes Esq^r Five pounds in full for the Tenth Part of the within Land belonging formerly to my Sister Anne Clark, which she had given to me as P her Deed annex hereunto.

Elizabeth ^{her}**X** Davis
mark

Boston May 10th 1716. Rec^d of Oliver Noyes Esq^r Five pounds in full for my Right of the within mentioned Deed

Sarah ^{her}**X** Gurney
mark

Peter & Martha Soullard their Deed to the Proprietors.

To all People to whom this Deed of Sale shall come Peter Soullard of Boston in the County of Suffolk in New England Labourer & Martha his Wife send Greeting, Know Yee that whereas John Drake the Father of the Said Martha did more than Fourty years since purchase of John Hanson a Tract of Land bordering upon Small-Point-Harbour & Casco Bay in the Province of Maine & did build upon, inhabit & for severall Years improve the same till driven thence by the Indian War, at which time his House & therein the Deed for S^d Land were consumed to Ashes by the Enemy, since which the S^d John Drake is deceased Intestate leaving one only Child Martha, now the Wife of the Said Peter Soullard, Whereby the Right Title, Interest & Propriety in the S^d Land is devolved on the S^d Martha, Now Know Yee that the Said Peter Soullard & Martha his Wife for & in consideration of the Sum of Fifteen pounds current money of New Engl^d to them in hand well & truly paid before the ensealing & delivery of these presents by John Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire Esq^r, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes Esq^{rs} Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts Gent: all of Boston afores^d, the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge Have for them their heirs Execut^{rs} & Administrators given granted sold enfeoffed & confirmed & do by these presents fully freely & absolutely give grant sell enfeoffe & confirm to the S^d John Wentworth, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts all that Tract of Land abovementioned, beginning at the South-east Part of Small-Point-Harbour, & running upon a Line Easterly to a Small River that comes out of the Sea, then tending away North-North-Easterly for a Mile & half or thereabouts, then on a Return Westerly to Casco-Bay so as to

include Five Hundred Acres of Upland besides all the Meadow lying on the Westerly Side of the abovementioned River, with whatsoever Right or Interest the S^d Martha now hath or ought to have to the Lands there in right of her Said Father, To have & to hold the aboves^d Tract of Land, with all Woods, Trees, Uplands, Meadows, Waters, Watercourses, Priviledges, & Appurtenances whatsoever to the same or any part thereof belonging or in any wise appertaining, to them the Said John Wentworth, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts their heirs & Assignes for ever (to be held in Severalty & not by right of Survivourship) Free & clear of all claims & Demands from them the S^d Peter & Martha Soullard or any Person by, from or under them & Free & clear of all Former & Other Gifts Grants Deeds Sales Mortgages Titles Troubles & Incumbrances whatsoever. In Witness whereof the Said Peter & Martha have hereunto set their hands & Seales in Boston aforesaid this Fourth Day of Aprill Anno Domⁱ Seventeen hundred and Sixteen in the Second Year of the Reign of King George over Great Britain &c

Signed Sealed & dd

Peter Soullard (Seal)

in presence of

Martha ^{her} X Soullard (Seal)
mark

Andrew Ruck.

Abigail Ruck.

Boston Aprill 14th 1716.

The above Subscribers Peter Soullard & Martha his Wife personally appearing before me acknowledged this Instrument to be their Act & Deed

Elisha Hutchinson Just: P:

Samuel & Hannah Holman their Deed to the Proprietors.

To all People to whom this Deed of Sale shall come Samuel Holman of Situate in the County of Plymouth Labourer &

Hannah Holman of Boston in the County of Suffolk in New England Spinster send Greeting, Know Yee that whereas Richard Collacut of Boston aforesaid Merchant & Thomasin his Wife, did, by Deed dated Aprill the Tenth 1684, convey to our Uncle Thomas Holman and our Father Samuel Holman in equall halves, 'One Moiety of a Tract of Land lying '& being on the West Side of Kenebeck River in the Province 'of Maine bounded as followeth, Viz^{tt} from the Place where 'the Dwelling House of Alexander Thwaits stood down the 'S^d Kenebeck River to the Lower part of a Point of Land 'called Abbacadusset Point, taking in the whole Point of Said 'Land & from S^d Point to run on a Streight Line into the 'Main Land Four Miles inward from the afores^d River & also 'from the S^d Place where S^d Dwelling House stood to run 'upon a Streight Line into the Main Land Four Miles inward 'from the Said River & so from the Said River to extend 'Four Miles into the Main Land all the whole length of the 'S^d Tract of Land from the afores^d Place, where the House 'stood to the utmost & lowest part of the afores^d Point or any 'part thereof, And also One Moiety or' half part of Two 'Islands of Land lying in Kenebeck River afores^d near unto 'the Place, where the aforesaid Dwelling house stood, lying 'near South-East from the same, commonly known by the 'Name of Swan-Alley, which S^d Moiety is to begin from the 'Lowermost Part of the furthest of S^d Islands & to extend 'from thence to the middle of a certain Cove there, as P 'Said Deed may appear: which S^d Land abovementioned, our S^d Father Samuel Holman, having never in his Life time alienated, deceased Intestate, leaving behind him One Son & two Daughters, whereby Two Fourth parts of his Share or Interest dos accrue & descend to his Son Samuel & One Fourth part to his Daughter Hannah, Now Know Yee that we the Said Samuel Holman & Hannah Holman for & in consideration of Nine pounds current money of New Eng-

land to us in hand well & truly paid by John Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire Esq^r, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes Esq^{rs}, Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts Gent: all of Boston afores^d & in consideration that the abovementioned Tract of Land is wholly comprized & included within a Patent now claimed and possessed by the abovenamed Wentworth & Partners, Have for us our Heirs Execut^{rs} & Administr^{rs} freely and fully given granted sold enfeofed & confirmed & do by these presents freely & fully give grant sell enfeofe & confirm unto the Said John Wentworth, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts all our Right Share Title & Interest in the Lands aforementioned being Three Fourth Parts of our S^d Fathers Share according to S^d Deed, Together with Three Fourth Parts of all the Trees Woods underwoods, Swamps, Meadows, Lands, Waters, Watercourses, Rivers, Fishings, Fowlings & all Priviledges & Appur^{ces} to the same or any part thereof belonging, To have & to hold the Said Three Fourth parts of S^d Fathers Share with the Priviledges & Appurtenances to them the S^d Wentworth & Partners abovenamed their Heirs & Assignes for ever, Free & clear & clearly acquitted & discharged of & from all former & other Gifts Grants Sales Titles Troubles Mortgages & incumbrances whatsoever. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & Seals in Boston afores^d this Twenty Second Day of May Anno Domⁱ Seventeen hundred & Sixteen in the Second Year of the Reign of King George over Great Brittain &c.

Signed Sealed & dd
in presence of
Edmund Mountfort.
Buttalph Belknap.

Samuel Holman (Seal)
her
Hannah **X** Holman (Seal)
mark

Boston May 22^d 1716 Personally appeared, before me the Subscriber, Samuel Holman & Hannah Holman & acknowledged the within Deed of Sale to be their Act & Deed

Coram me

W^m Harris Just: Pac:

James Berry & Wife's Deed to the Proprietors.

To all People to whom these Presents shall come James Berry of Boston in the County of Suffolk in New-England Labourer & Rachell his Wife send Greeting, Know Yee that whereas the S^d Rachell was formerly possessed of the severall Tracts of Land hereafter mentioned within the Province of Maine & continued Siezed thereof till driven thence by the Indian War, Viz^{tt} One Tract, bounded Easterly by Small-Point-Harbour & by a Small River running Northerly out of the Sea towards Small-Point-Harbour & by a Line drawn from S^d River over to Small-Point-Harbour, near the place where the House of John Drake former Husband of Said Rachell once Stood, bounded Southerly by the Main Sea, Westerly by Casco-Bay, Northerly by Small-Point-Harbour including all the Land within these Bounds; which Tract the S^d Rachell before her Marriage bought above Fourty Years ago of Blind Joan, Great Agummagus, & Sheepscut John Indians, Proprietors thereof: Also a Tract of Land bounded Northerly upon Land of Robert Edmunds running thence to Look-out Hill, & Fronting Easterly about one quarter of a Mile upon Atkins's Bay & running backwards to Crooked Tree along by Spruce Swamp for a Mile or thereabouts, which Tract was granted & given to the S^d Rachell above fourty years since by Gregory Mudge, who built upon the same: Also Another Tract called Small-Point-Neck, or the parcell of Upland & Marsh lying between the two Small

Rivers that run from the Main Sea to the Westward of Seguin Island Northerly into the Land, being bounded Easterly & Northerly by Land formerly belonging to Thomas Atkins & lately sold to Thomas Hutchinson Esq^r & Partners, Southerly with the Main Sea & Westerly with the Land formerly belonging to John Drake, but Lately also sold to Said Hutchinson & Partners, which Tract was many years since possessed before the Indian Wars by John Hanson & by him left to the S^d John Drake & aboves^d Rachell his Wife. Now Know Yee that the abovementioned James Berry & Rachell his Wife for & in consideration of the Sum of Nine pounds ten Shillings current money of New England to them in hand well & truly paid, before the ensealing & delivery of these Presents by John Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire Esq^{rs}, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes & John Watts Esq^{rs}, Stephen Minot & John Ruck Gentⁿ all of Boston afores^d & for other good causes & considerations them thereunto moving, Have given granted sold aliened enfeoffed & confirmed & do by these presents for themselves their heirs Execut^{rs} & Administ^{rs} fully freely & absolutely give grant sell aliene enfeoffe & confirm to the Said John Wentworth, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, John Watts, Stephen Minot & John Ruck the Three Severall Tracts of Land abovementioned together with all & singular the uplands meadows Trees, Woods, Underwoods, Mines, Quarries, Mineralls, Waters Watercourses, Coves, Ponds, Harbours, Beaches, Flatts, Priviledges & appurtenances whatsoever to the S^d Tracts of Land or any of them now or heretofore belonging or any ways appertaining, To have & to hold the abovementioned Tracts of Land with the appurtenances, to the abovementioned John Wentworth, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, John Watts, Stephen Minot & John Ruck, to them

their Heirs Executors Adm^{rs} & Assignes for ever, Free & clear & clearly acquitted & discharged of & from all & all manner of former & other Gifts Grants Bargains Sales Titles Troubles Demands Mortgages & Incumbrances for ever. And further the S^d James Berry & Rachell his Wife do by these Presents freely & fully resign & quit-claim unto the aboves^d Wentworth & Partners the Thirds or Right of Dower of the Said Rachel to a Tract of Land adjoining to the Premises formerly possessed & built upon & inhabited by the S^d John Drake & Rachell his Wife & lately Sold by Peter Soullard of Boston & Martha his Wife daughter of the S^d John & Rachell Drake to the aboves^d Wentworth & Partners as P S^d Deed the Fourth day of Aprill last, reference thereto being had will appear. In Testimony of their consent to & confirmation of the Premises the S^d James Berry & Rachell his Wife have hereunto set their hands & Seals in Boston afores^d this Twentieth Day of July Anno Domⁱ Seventeen hundred & Sixteen in the Second Year of the Reign of King George over Great Britain &c.

Signed Sealed & dd

in presence of

Stephen Minot Jun^r

William Taylor.

James ^{his}
X Berry (Seal)
_{mark}

Rachel ^{her}
X Berry
_{mark}

Suffolk Ss. Boston N. E. July 20 1716

James Berry & Rachell Berry personally appeared before me the Subscriber & acknowledged the abovewritten Instrument to be their Act & Deed.

Grove Hirst J Pacis.

Assignment of Swan Island to Adam Winthrop.

Wee the Subscribers Thomas Hutchinson, John Wentworth, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, & John Watts Esq^{rs},

Stephen Minot & John Ruck Gentⁿ Proprietors of Lands between Kenebeck & Ambrosoggen Rivers & Casco Bay, Have granted & assigned & do by these presents for us our Heirs Execut^{rs} & Administ^{rs} grant & assign unto our Partner Adam Winthrop of Boston in the County of Suffolk in New England Esq^r in Fee, A Large Island commonly called or known by the Name of Swan Island lying in Merry-Meeting Bay in the County of York beginning or bounded on the North-East End at the mouth of Kenebeck River & running down South Westerly near to Abbadadusset Point, To have & to hold as S^d Winthrops part or Share of our First Division of our Purchase to him the Said Adam Winthrop his heirs and Assignes for ever, Free & clear from all demands of us or either of us, our or either of our Heirs Execut^{rs} or Administ^{rs} & to be defended by us against all Persons whomsoever according to our Agreement on Record, as Witness our hands & Seals hereunto set in Boston afores^d this Tenth Day of September Anno Domⁱ Seventeen hundred & Sixteen in the Third Year of the Reign of King George over Great Brittain &c.

Signed Sealed & dd	Thomas Hutchinson	(Seal)
in presence of us	John Wentworth	(Seal)
Edward Winslow.	David Jeffries	(Seal)
John Gerrish.	Oliver Noyes	(Seal)
	Stephen Minot	(Seal)
Named Garden Island	John Ruck	(Seal)
Page 106.	John Watts	(Seal)

Suff: Sc: Boston Sepb^r 28 1716.

The withinnamed Thomas Hutchinson John Watts & David Jeffries Esq^{rs} & upon the 12th day of Octob^r John Wentworth Esq^r & M^r John Ruck & on the 13th Oliver Noyes Esq^r & M^r Stephen Minot personally appeared & each of them acknowledged the within Instrument to be their Act & Deed

Before me

Edw^d Hutchinson Just: P^s

At a Meeting of the Proprietors September 10th 1716.

Present	Hutchinson.	Minot.
Mss ^{rs}	Wentworth.	Ruck &
	Jeffries.	Winthrop.
	Noyes.	

Desired Cap^t Peter Nowell to build us a Small House near our Mill at Cathance Falls, to clear ground sufficient to lay Logs & Boards, to get Logs cut, & to put the Mill under Improvement after the best manner for our Advantage & to bring us in an Account of the charge.

Desired Said Nowell to look out the Two most advantageous places, for building Sawmills, well furnisht with Timber & prepare us runing Gear for one Mill with Two Saws against the Spring.

John Nelson Esq^r his Deed to the Proprietors.

This Indenture made the Thirteenth Day of September Anno Domⁱ One Thousand Seven hundred and Sixteen Annoq Regni Regis Georgii Tertio, Between John Nelson of Long-Island within the Township of Boston in the County of Suffolk & Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Esq^r Sole Executor & Devisee of & in the Last Will & Testament of Silvanus Davis late of Hull in the County & Province afores^d Merchant deceased on the One Part, And Thomas Hutchinson of Boston afores^d Esq^r, John Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire Esq^r, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries & Oliver Noyes Esq^{rs}, Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts Gent: all of Boston afores^d on the other part Witnesseth, That the Said John Nelson for & in consideration of the Sum of Fourty pounds lawfull money of New-England to him in hand well & truly paid, at & before the delivery hereof, by the Said Thomas

Hutchinson, John Wentworth, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts, the receipt whereof to full content & Satisfaction the S^d John Nelson hereby acknowledgeth, Hath given granted bargained Sold aliened, enfeoffed released conveyed & confirmed & by these Presents, Doth fully freely clearly & absolutely give grant bargain sell aliene enfeoffe release convey & confirm unto the S^d Thomas Hutchinson, John Wentworth, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts their Heirs & Assignes for ever, The Severall Tracts or Parcells of Land hereafter mentioned, That is to say, All that certain Tract or Parcell of Upland & Meadow lying situate on the Westward Side of Kenebeck River upon the Neck of Land known by the Name of Small Point, the Southward bounds whereof begins at a run or Brook of Water about half a Mile to the Southward of the House late of the Said Silvanus Davis at a great Hemlock Tree Mark't, & up the Said run or brook to the Southward Side of a Spruce Swamp & from thence to the Southward End of two fresh Meadows lying to the Westward or West Southerly from the S^d House with Mark't Trees from the afores^d Hemlock Tree to the Southward end of the afores^d fresh Meadows, supposed to be about a Mile in Breadth up & down the River & so holding the Same Breadth across the S^d Neck of Land over to Casco Bay. Also a parcell of Meadow Land containing about Fifteen Acres lying on the Eastward Side of Casco Bay to the North-West from Small-Point about two Leaguos, called or known by the Name of Davis's Harbour. Also a Small Piece of Meadow Land or Salt Marsh lying within Small-Point-Harb^r containing by estimation about Ten Acres, granted to the Said Silvanus Davis by the Selectmen of the Town of Harwick & afterwards confirm'd to him by S^r Edmund Andres Knight then Governour of this Province,

it being a round Marsh within the Small Salt water Falls that run out of S^d Marsh about half a Mile within the Harbours Mouth within two little Islands, which S^d Three Severall Tracts or Parcells of Land & Meadow are lying Situate within the County of York formerly called the Province of Main. Also an Island called or known by the Name of Great Stage Island lying upon the Eastward Side of the Mouth of Kenebeck or Sagadehock. Also a Tract of Land containing by Estimation about Two Hundred Acres more or less on the East Side of Kenebeck River over against Swan Island purchased by the S^d Silvanus Davis of the Indian Sagamores as appears by a good Deed Dated the Twenty Second Day of August 1671. Also a Tract of Land lying up in and about a Place called & known by the Name of Oyster River in Damariscotty River containing Five hundred Acres more or less bounded as follows, Viz^{tt} on a Neck of Land lying above the Salt-Water-falls on the Westward Side of a Small River called Oyster River, w^{ch} runs up into the Woods nearest North-East, being the Eastward Side of the Said Neck, & the Westward bounds of the Said Neck of Land is the Salt pond or Bay, which the Great Fresh Falls fall into, upon the Southward end of the Said Neck stands a White Pine Tree & a White Oak, being both Mark't, part of the Bark chop't off; And from Said Southward Point over the Cove of Said Salt Pond nearest North & by West half a point Westerly to a Small Green Point of Land whereon stands a Red Oak & a White Oak Tree both Markt, the Bark cut: So that the S^d Five hundred Acres of Land lyes betwixt Oyster River on the Eastward Side & the Salt Pond or Bay on the Westward Side nearest the Courses aforesaid, & to run back into the bounds according to the Said courses from the Southward end of Said Neck, untill Five hundred Acres be up or compleated. And also a Tract of Land lying Eastward of Masconkes beginning at Madoamok Point up to

the Falls of Magesemanussuck & running two Miles above the Same & in breadth one Mile on each Side the River, which Land the Said Silvanus Davis (by & with the consent of S^r William Phips Knight & Governour of this Province for that time being) purchased of Madokowando Sagamore of Penobscot & Egeremet Sagamore of Kenebeck by a good Deed Dated the Tenth of May 1694. Also the Priviledge of Sixty feet of Land in Front at High Water Mark & so to Low Water Mark upon the Westward Side of the Fishing Island at Sagadehock, granted to the S^d Davis by the Principall Inhabitants of Newtown Anno 1681, or however otherwise the afores^d Tracts or Parcells of Land or any of them are or may be described or reputed to be bounded, Together with all & Singular the housing, outhouses, warehouses, Barnes, Edifices, Buildings & Fences erected or standing upon any part of the Said Lands, Woods, Underwoods, Copse, Trees, Rocks, Mines, Mineralls, Ponds, Rivers, Creeks, Bays, Rights, Commodities, Profits, Priviledges, Members & Appurtenances whatsoever to the same or any part thereof belonging or therewith now or heretofore used occupied or enjoyed. And all the Estate Right Title & Interest of him the S^d John Nelson of & in the S^d Granted Premises, And the Reversions & Remainders thereof, Of all which Severall Tracts or Parcells of Lands & Premises afore given granted & sold the Said Silvanus Davis dyed Seized in Fee & in & by his Last Will & Testament duly proved approved & allowed Dated the Eighth Day of Aprill Anno Domⁱ 1703 gave & devised the same (being the Residuary part of his Reall Estate) unto him the S^d John Nelson. To have & to hold the severall Tracts Peices or Parcells of Land beforementioned with the Dwelling Houses, Outhouses, Barns, Edifices, & Fences standing thereon & all other the herein before given & granted Promises unto them the Said Thomas Hutchinson, John Wentworth, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes,

Stephen Minot, John Ruck and John Watts their Heirs & Assignes for ever in Severalty, That so no advantage may be had or claimed by right of Survivourship, to their Sole proper use benefit & behoof from henceforth & for evermore. And the Said John Nelson doth avouch himself to be the rightfull Owner of the S^d granted Premises, having full Power to grant sell & dispose thereof in manner as afores^d, the same being Free & Clear of & from all Prior & other Gifts, Grants, Bargains, Sales, Leases, Mortgages, Jointures, Dowers, Titles, Charges, Incumbrances, claims & demands whatsoever And the S^d John Nelson for himself his Heirs Execut^{rs} & Administ^{rs} doth hereby covenant & grant to & with the S^d Thomas Hutchinson, John Wentworth, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, Stephen Minot, John Ruck & John Watts their Heirs & Assignes, to Warrant & defend the said Tracts or Parcels of Land & premises aforegranted with their Appurtenances unto them for ever in Severalty as afores^d against all other Persons whomsoever claiming any Right Title or Interest therein by from or under him the Said John Nelson his heirs or Assigns. In Witness whereof the S^d John Nelson hath hereunto put his hand & Seal the day & year first herein beforewritten.

John Nelson (Seal)

Signed Sealed & dd in presence of us.

Edmund Mountfort.

Buttalph Belknap.

Suffolk Ss. Boston Septemb^r 15th 1716.

The withinnamed John Nelson acknowledged the aforewritten Instrument to be his free Act & Deed

Before me

Edward Lyde J Peace

At a Meeting of the Proprietors September 27th 1716.

Present	Jeffries.	Ruck
Mss ^{rs}	Noyes.	Watts &
	Minot.	Winthrop.

Voted,

That Cap^t Nowell be desired as soon as may be to get a Cart Way cut from Small-Point-Harbour over to Sagadehock River against Arowsick Island in the most convenient place the Land will allow.

That M^r Watts be desired to get the Lotts round about Small Point Harbour & the Basin, Stak't out & Numbred Seventy foot wide in Front to each Lot, reserving a Sufficient Space in the most convenient place for a Fortification to defend the Harbour.

That whereas severall of our Partners will have places for Stream or Tide-Mills falling out within their Lots, it is proposed that the rest of our Partners shall be accommodated with a Place for a Mill in the most convenient Place, so that each Partner may finally have one Mill to himself in Propriety.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors October 9th 1716.

Present Mss^{rs} Noyes, Minot, & Winthrop.

Agreed with M^r Benjamin Swain to build the Chimneys in our House at Maquoit, & in our House at Small-Point; the Stack in each house to have four Fires at Fourty Shillings P Fire, Each Brick Arch under the four Chinneys to be at Fourty Shillings P Arch; The Stonework to be Four Shillings & 6^d P Perch, the Stuff to be at the Place, S^d Swain to allow Boston Price for what Labour he has done by our Hands.

Proposed, That except places more convenient for the Settlements can be found, that Two Saw Mills be built at Bungamunganock Falls, & the Gulley on Ambrosoggen Falls on the Eastern Side over against Fort George.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors November 13th 1716.

Present	Hutchinson.	Minot
Mss ^{rs}	Noyes.	Ruck &
	Watts	Winthrop.

Voted, That upon Cap^t Nowell's Proposals sent us P M^r John Minot for settling within our Purchase, that in case Said Nowell will promote the Settling the Town of Topsham by building & inhabiting there for the Space of five Years next coming (not removing thence except by consent of the Proprietors to bring forward some other Town within our Purchase) That we will grant and confirm to S^d Nowell his heirs &c Five hundred Acres of Land within the Town of Topsham to be laid out to him, so as not to interfere with the Town Platt.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors November 28th 1716.

Present	Noyes.	Watts &
Mss ^{rs}	Minot.	Winthrop.
	Ruck.	

Voted,

That whereas the Lotts proposed to be laid out at Small Point, as a Second Division to each of our Partners, were by Vote of the 5th September last Page 71 to begin at the Upper End of Cheese Island in the River of Sagadahock, & there is a Dispute which is Cheese Island, That so the Bounds of the Said Eight Lots may be made certain for all times to

come, It is now agreed that Lot N^o 1 shall begin at the Northern or Uppermost Side of a Small River which lyes Right over against M^r Watts his Brick house at Arowsick & runs Westerly into the Land, across S^d Neck: Each Lot to run up the River Three Quarters of a Mile in Front upon a Direct Line.

That whereas M^r Samuel Came of York informs us, that at home he could build Running Gear for a Mill for two Saws for Twenty Seven pounds, the Mill it self for Thirty pounds, & the Dam, at such a Fall as Cathance is described to be, for about Thirty pounds more,

Voted, That Said M^r Came be desired to prepare the running Gears for two Mills & go down as soon in the Spring as the Season will allow, & set down one at Bungamunganock Falls, & the other at the most convenient place he can find for Timber, Stream, & to suit the Settlements, & what reasonable allowance ought to be made for the Trouble & Charge of working at a Distance from home, we consent to make him.

To which M^r Came, being there present, consented & agreed.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors June 13th 1717.

The Whole being Present.

Voted,

That Lieu^t Heath be directed to survey & take a Platt of each Proprietors Lott of the First & Second Divisions according to our Votes on Record & that he shall be allowed a reasonable consideration for the same.

That Topsham Town-Platt be likewise surveyed in an oblong Square (if the Land will allow it) fronting on Merry-meeting Bay, so as leave about Two hundred Acres in the

Area, S^d Town-platt to be laid out into Fifty Lotts, each Lott to be Twenty Rods wide fronting on S^d Area.

That the Surveyor be directed, as soon as it can be conveniently done, to take a Generall Platt of our Purchase according to the Bounds described in the Grant of the Generall Court, for the charge whereof we will make an Agreement with him.

That M^r Hutchinson be desired to write to his Friend in England to take out a Coppy of the Councill of Plymouths Patent to Purchase & Way well attested & send it over to us P the first.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors June 17th 1717

The Whole being present.

Voted,

That there be laid out to each Proprietor a Lott on Small-Point Neck as a Third Division, which Lots are to begin where our Second Division ends & to run to the uppermost end of Long-Reach in the River of Sagadehock or the Lower end of the Small Cove over against Kemers Island, The whole Front upon the S^d River of Sagadehock between the two afores^d Bounds to be divided into Eight equall Parts on a straight Line, the Lowest Lott to be N^o 1: & to hold the same Breadth on a Parellell Line with the Lotts of the second Division over to Casco-Bay.

The Lotts being fairly drawn came out as follows—

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| | Lot N ^o 1: Adam Winthrop. |
| | 2: Stephen Minot. |
| | 3: John Watts. |
| | 4: John Ruck |
| repealed | 5: Thomas Hutchinson. |
| | 6: Oliver Noyes. |
| | 7: John Wentworth. |
| 3 rd Division. | 8: David Jeffries. |

The above Division repealed & made null P Vote vide page 110—

Voted,

That a Mile & half upwards from Potts's Neck & the other Prongs of Merryconege Neck be left on the lower end of S^d Merryconege Neck for a Town or Fishing Settlement, the rest of S^d Neck to be divided into Eight parts equall in

Memor: The Erasement made in the above vote was done by Henry Gibbs & the word Pott's inserted agreeable to ye originall vote.

P B. Noyes.

Front to run across S^d Neck in Parellel Lines from the North West to the Southeast Side according to the bearing of S^d Land the Lowest Lott to be N^o 1:—

The Lotts being fairly drawn came out as follows,

- N^o 1: David Jeffries.
- 2: John Watts.
- 3: John Ruck.
- 4: Adam Winthrop.
- 5: John Wentworth.
- 6: Oliver Noyes.
- 7: Stephen Minot.
- 8: Thomas Hutchinson.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors October 4th 1717.

Present	Hutchinson.	Minot
Mss ^{rs}	Jeffries.	Ruck &
	Noyes.	Winthrop.

Voted,

That we consent to Said Noyes's Sale of our Company House at Augusta with the Lot of Land annexed to Purrington now residing there for Ninety Pounds to be paid us in publick Bills of Credit on this Province Viz^t Thirty pounds at the End of each Year commencing from this Day;

Said Purrington now Mortgaging the Said House & Land to us as Security for making good the Said Payments: And consented to allow S^d Purrington & his Wife in case they continue to dwell at Augusta three years Tenn Acres of Land over & above their Fifty Acre Lott to be to them their heirs & Assigns for ever in consideration of Her being the first Woman settling there & of her forwardship in promoting the Said Settlement.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors October 14th 1717.

Present

Mss^{rs}

Noyes.

Ruck &

Minot.

Winthrop.

Agreed to let our Saw Mill at Cathance to Lieu^t Heath for three Years from this time, he to Logg for it, & improve it & keep it in repair according to Custom, & we to have One Fourth part of the Boards, Plank Joyce &c which shall be cut by S^d Mill: N^o Boards to be sold to any others till our Settlements are supply'd

Agreed to write to Cap^t Gyles to put Our Sawmill at Bungamunganock under Improvement, till we shall take further order about it.

Agreed with Lieu^t Heath to cut a Road or Way through the Woods at least Ten feet broad, clear it, bridge it & make it passable for Men & Cattle from Fort George the Upperway to Ryall River being judg'd about Twenty Miles in Length (Provided the Men at Ryalls River will engage at their charge to cut & clear a Road from thence to Presumpscot River) for which when finish'd we will allow S^d Heath Fourty pounds.

To w^{ch} M^r Hutchinson & Jeffries consented afterwards.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors January 15th 1717/8.

Present	Hutchinson.	Minot
Mss ^{rs}	Jeffries.	Ruck &
	Noyes.	Winthrop.

Voted,

That if it shall so happen that there be any Mine or Minerall found out within any Proprietors or Inhabitants Lott; that the Said Mine or Minerall shall be held in common to the Proprietors; The Person in whose Lott it shall fall, to have the same Quantity of good Land elsewhere.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors February 5th 1717/8.

Present	Hutchinson.	Minot.
Mss ^{rs}	Jeffries.	Ruck &
	Noyes.	Winthrop.

Voted,

That in order to the Setling of Two Towns & for setting out a Fifth Division to the Proprietors, The Island Sebasco Deggins or Shapleigh's Island with the Islands on both Sides it between Merryconege Neck & Small Point Neck, the Islands above it between that & Stevens's carrying place & the Islands any part whereof at high-water-mark are within a Mile below it, be allotted for Four Shares, And Six Miles Square bordering on the Westerly Side of Kenebeck River at the Lower End & on Swan Alley; or the Quantity of Six Miles Square as near upon a Square as the Land will allow, So as to bound Southerly or Westerly upon our first Division Lotts at or near Abegedesset & to run from thence Easterly to Kenebeck River be allotted for Four other Shares, for which we will now draw Lotts.

Then the Lotts were fairly drawn; First of all Mr Watts's Lott drawn by M^{rs} Patten of the Green-Dragon, Then Cap^t

Wentworths Lott drawn by M^r Ruck; After which every one drew for himself: And the Lotts came out as follows.

For Sebasco Deggin

For Kenebeck

Division.

Division.

Oliver Noyes.

Adam Winthrop.

David Jeffries.

Stephen Minot.

John Wentworth

Thomas Hutchinson.

John Ruck.

John Watts.

This Vote repealed page 112.—

Proprietors Grant to John Holman.

Know all men by these Presents that We the Subscribers Proprietors of the Lands in Brunswick and Topsham &c. Have fully & freely granted & do hereby fully & freely Grant to John Holman of Milton in the County of Suffolk in New England Gentⁿ Two hundred & Fifty Acres of Land to be laid out to him either in the Township of Brunswick or Topsham within the County of York, or Part of it within one of the Said Towns and part in the other (as S^d Holman shall choose) in some convenient Place, so as it interfere not with the Town Platt, To have & to hold the Said Two hundred & fifty Acres of Land to him the Said John Holman his heirs & Assignes for ever. As Witness our hands & Seals in Boston in New England this Thirty first Day of October Anno Domⁱ Seventeen hundred & Seventeen in the Fourth Year of the Reign of King George over Great Brittain &c.

Signed Sealed & dd

Adam Winthrop (Seal)

in presence of

Tho: Hutchinson (Seal)

Benj^a Eliot

Oliver Noyes (Seal)

Samⁿ Kneeland.

John Ruck (Seal)

David Jeffries (Seal)

John Watts (Seal)

Stephen Minot (Seal)

Suffolk Ss: Boston Jan^{ry} 6 1717/8

The within named Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, & Oliver Noyes Esq^{rs} & Col^o Stephen Minot acknowledg'd the within Instrument to be their Act & Deed.

Before me

Anthony Hoddard Just: Pac:

Suffolk Ss: Boston 16th January 1717/8

The withinnamed John Ruck & David Jeffries acknowledged the within Instrument to be their Act & Deed

Before me

Thomas Palmer Just: Peace.

John Holman Quit-claim to the Proprietors.

To all People to whom this Instrument of Quitt-claim shall come, John Holman of Milton in the County of Suffolk in New England Gent^r sendeth Greeting, Know Yee that whereas Richard Callacutt of Boston Merchant did formerly convey to my Father Thomas Holman & my Uncle Samuel Holman in equall Halves, One Moiety of a Tract of Land on the West Side of Kenebeck River from a Point called Thoyts Point to a Point called Abbacadusset Point, & One Moiety of Two Islands lying Right over against Said Land called Swan Alley or Swan Island, I the Said John Holman claiming in my own Right One Fourth Part, & in right of my Brother Samuel One Fourth part bought of him & three Sevenths of the Fourth part of my Brother Ebenezer deceas'd, being in all near about Two Thirds of what my Father purchased: I being sensible that the Land above-mentioned is now claimed by a Superiour Title & also actually possessed by John Wentworth Esq^r & Partners Proprietors of the Lands lying upon and between the Rivers of Kenebeck

Ambrosoggen & Casco-Bay, & the S^d Proprietors being willing to concede to me some convenient parcell of Land within their Purchase, Know Yee therefore that I the S^d John Holman for the considerations abovementioned have fully & freely alienated released & quit-claimed & do by these Presents for my Self my heirs Execut^{rs} & Adm^{rs} alienate, release, quit-claim & make over to John Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New-Hampshire Esq^r, Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes Esq^{rs}, Stephen Minot & John Ruck Gentⁿ all of Boston in the County of Suffolk afores^d & John Watts of George-Town in the County of York Esq^r their heirs & Assignes for ever whatever Right Title or Interest I the S^d John Holman have may should or ought to have in & to the Premises or any part thereof being Two Thirds or thereabouts of what my S^d Father purchased, & of all Trees Woods Underwoods Swamps Meadows, Lands, Waters, Watercourses, Rivers, & all Priviledges & Appur^{ces} to the same or any part thereof belonging, To have & to hold the same to them the Said Wentworth & Partners abovenamed their heirs & Assignes for ever, Free & clear of & from all former & other Gifts Grants Titles Troubles & Incumbrances whatsoever. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal in Boston afores^d This Tenth Day of December Anno Domⁱ One thousand Seven hundred & Seventeen.

John Holman (Seal).

Witness

Stephen Minot Jun^r

Mary Minot.

Suffolk Ss: Boston January 6th 1717/8.

The abovewritten M^r John Holman personally appearing before me the Subscriber One of His Maj^{ty's} Justices of the

Peace for the County afores^d acknowledged the above Instrument to be his free Act & Deed.

Cor: Anthony Stoddard Jus: Pac^s

At a Meeting of the Proprietors Aprill 23rd 1718.

Present	Hutchinson.	Minot.
Mss ^{rs}	Jeffries.	Ruck &
	Noyes.	Winthrop.

Voted,

That our Partners that are going down to Pejepscot be desir'd as soon as possible to get our Two Mills put into good order & under good improvement, & to do what else they shall find necessary for the Advantage of the whole.

That in order to each Proprietors having a Mill Stream to himself, Our Partners be desired to look out for Streams proper to set Saw Mills on, that there may be appropriated to each of us a Stream so as best to suit each Partners Lott.

That there be allowed & granted to our Partner Oliver Noyes Esq^r his heirs & Assignes Three hundred Acres of Land in Augusta Township, in consideration of the Expence & Loss he has been at in Setling S^d Town.

That inasmuch as there will be a Mill Stream to each Partner, & there is said to be a Stream on the Main over against Swan-Island (running out about one Third part of a Mile Westerly from a Point formerly called Thoyts Point at the Mouth of Kenebeck River) proper for a Mill, our Partner Adam Winthrop may have the refusall & propriety of S^d Stream, provided on view thereof he finds it suitable for a Mill & that he build a Mill thereon within two years Time, if it continue Peace with the Indians.

That whereas it will tend much to the advantage of the Settlements for each Partner to settle his Severall Lotts laid

out to him, & that it may be a Means of preventing Troublesome disputes, We agree as soon as may be conveniently to build upon our Severall Divisions & to put them under Improvement.

At a Meeting of the Committee of the Proprietors On the Island in Merrymeeting Bay granted to Adam Winthrop our Partner as his First Division Lott Tuesday May 6th 1718.

Present Mss^{rs} Noyes, Minot & Winthrop.

Advised, That it is best for Said Winthrop to give a Name to S^d Island, which was done accordingly, and Resolved,

That the S^d Island go no longer by the Name of Swan Island, But that for the future it be denominated & called Garden Island.

The Small Island lying on the Eastern Side, as an Appendix to it, is since named Pasture Island by S^d Winthrop.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors Augst 30th 1718
Present

Mss ^{rs}	Hutchinson	Minot
	Ruck	Winthrop

Voted, That our Partners Mss^{rs} Noyes & Minot be desired, if their Affairs will allow, to go down to Brunswick &c, & that they be fully impowered to act what they shall think proper & reasonable for fixing the Inhabitants & settling the Towns, & that suitable Provision for the Voyage be made at the common Charge.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors January 27 1718/9

Present

Mss ^{rs}	Hutchinson	Ruck &
	Noyes	Winthrop.
	Minot	

Voted That it be left to our Partners Minot and Winthrop to take such Methods as they shall think proper, & necessary for getting the Road made passable in those places where it is yet wanting between Wells & Brunswick.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors August 24th 1719

Present

Mss ^{rs}	Hutchinson.	Ruck &
	Noyes.	Winthrop.
	Minot.	

Voted,

That our Partners M^r Minot & Winthrop being bound to Pejepscot be fully impowered to do & transact what they shall think necessary for the good of the Partnership.

That whereas there may possibly be occasion to grant some Land by way of Composition to some Persons who have claims thereabouts, that the Vote for laying out to each Proprietor a Third Division of Land from the Middle part of Long Reach up to Weskege be repealed, that it may be free to be disposed of as Occasion may require: And that one Lot of three quarters of a Mile on the River, next above our Lotts of the second Division be kept in Reserve in case M^r Noyes should fail of the lowest Lot.

It was then also declared that the Small Island close by Garden Island on the Southerly Side, called Pasture Island, should be deemed as an Appendix of Garden Island, & as such adjudged to belong to Adam Winthrop his heirs & Assignes.

By Adam Winthrop & Stephen Minot a Committee of the Proprietors impowered to Act in behalf of the Whole

Voted, That there be granted to Lieu^t Joseph Heath, four hundred Acres of Land on Sagadahock River towards the upper end of Long Reach with a convenient Front for his Services to the Comp^a (See Vol. 6, Pej. Pap. No. 54)

That there be granted to Gardener One hundred Acres adjoining to the Land last abovementioned in consideration of his Services.

That all that take up Lots for the Future build on them & inhabit them in a Twelve month from the time of taking them up or forfeit them, & in all forfeiture the charge they have been out to be lost.

That no Persons be allowed to take up Lots for the future except such as can supply themselves.

That if Young, who asks Liberty to take up a Lot at Topsham, can pay his Debt at Brunswick & supply himself, he may take up a Lot at Topsham, provided he can build and inhabit it in a Twelvemonth.

That we consent to make good to Cap^t John Gyles what allowance of Land he S^d Gyles proposed & was consented to by M^r Minot & M^r Watts (M^r Baxter the Minister being present) the S^d Gyles disclaiming for himself & his Brethren any further pretensions to Land.

That Lieut: Heath be desired to fix the Front of our Lots on Sagadahock River, & to lay out Five Lots of three quarters of a Mile each above the Winegance: That he with M^r Edmund Mountfort run the Line across from the Creek by Carey over to Casco-Bay, the Course to be North 75 Degr: Westerly: That he lay out Brunswick Meadows, if cant be otherwise agreed to be decided by Lot.

It was agreed at a Meeting of the Inhabitants of Brunswick, that inasmuch as there is far less Meadow in the Town than was expected, by reason whereof each Lot cannot have

five Acres of Meadow belonging to it, as was at first proposed, That each Lot which was built upon & improved already should have Three Acres of Meadow belonging to it, if the Meadow would hold out so much (those who come afterwards, having had no promise, to shift as they could) which seemed to give generall content & Satisfaction to the Town. Brunswick September 16 1719.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors November 11th 1719
Present

Mss ^{rs}	Wentworth	Minot
	Jeffries	Ruck &
	Noyes	Winthrop.

Proposed that it is a Detriment to the Proprietors to possess the Sawmills in common (they having never yet brought in any thing) but that it is best they should be brought into Severalty, therefore agreed now to sell them to those of our Partners that will give most for them.

Then Bungamunganock Mill being put up, it was sold to Mss^{rs} Noyes & Winthrop in equall halves for Fifty Pounds.

Then Cathance Mill being put up, it was sold to Mss^{rs} Minot & Winthrop in equall halves for Ninety Pounds.

Voted, That the Two Branches of the Western Stream of Cathance River be assigned to Mss^{rs} Wentworth & Noyes they proposing to build thereon.

That there be One Thousand Acres of Land laid out to each Mill, Viz^t Five hundred Acres to each Partner to whom they are sold or assigned, of Timber Land near & convenient to each Mill, the said quantity of Land to be deducted out of the Share of that Partner to whom it is allotted.

That in each Stream granted to any of the Proprietors, the sole right of Said Stream above the Mill belong to the Person to whom the Stream is granted.

That if Mr Noyes gain from the Sea (by making a Dam) a Pond near his house at Harbour Farm in Atkins's Bay, the Land so gained shall be to Said Noyes without being reckoned any part of the Land granted to him. [See Pejepscot Papers Vol. 2 p. 758]

It was agreed by the Partners that each one build on his Lot at Sagadahock River before the first day of July next.

Voted, That the Vote of a Separate Division of Richmond to Four of the Partners & Sebasco Deggin to Four others be annulled, as being found inconsistent with the Interest of the Proprietors.

November 26 1719

There were Lots cast between Oliver Noyes & Adam Winthrop, about the Farm of Five hundred Acres to be laid out to each of them near Bungamungamock Mill, & the Lot fell to Said Noyes to have his Farm next to Brunswick Town & to Adam Winthrop to have his Farm next to Bungamungamock River.

At a Meeting of the Proprietors January 5th 1719/20

Present the whole.

Voted, That it be left to our Partners Mss^{rs} Noyes Minot Ruck & Winthrop to use all proper Methods for taking & keeping possession of such places within our Purchase as they shall find necessary for asserting our Right to Said Lands.

That Mr Edmund Mountfort lay out lots of Ninety five Acres each & Eighty Rods wide on both Sides the Road from Augusta Harbour over to Sagadahock River as far as to the Head of the Marshes, leaving the Road Eight Rods wide with cross Roads up & down at convenient places, & where

the Land is worse than ordinary, in order to make the Lots pretty equall it is left to him to allow not exceeding Ten Acres to One Lot for the badness of the Land, & the Proprietors will take care that he shall be paid.

That the Island over against Topsham of about Twenty three Acres be granted to the Rev^d M^r Joseph Baxter of Medfield upon his building two Houses & settling Two Families in Topsham that can subsist themselves.

To all People unto whom these Presents shall come John Wentworth of Portsmouth in new Hampshire Esq^r Thomas Hutchinson Adam Winthrop David Jeffries & Oliver Noyes all of Boston in New England Esq^{rs} Stephen Minott & John Ruck of Boston Aforesaid merchants and John Penhallow of George Town in the Island of Arowsick Esq^r and Elizabeth his Wife lately Elizabeth Watts the Relict Widdow of John Watts late of George Town Aforesaid Esq^r deceased Send Greeting Know Ye That Whereas We the Seven Proprietors first above Named in Company with the said John Watts since deceased, did in y^e Year 1714 Purchase a considerable Tract of Land within the County of York in New England Aforesaid, called or known by the Name of Pejepscott as by the same Deed upon record, reference thereto being had will more fully & at large Appear, and have not only began to Settle Severall Towns thereon, as Brunswick Topsham & Augusta, But have also thought it expedient & necessary to lay out to our Selves & our Heires respectively Two Farmes for the present to be to each of our Partners, and to be held by him in Severalty in manner following That is to Say, To the abovesaid John Wentworth the lower half part of Mair Point lying in Casco Bay containing five Hundred & Sixty Acres & to have four hundred & fourty Acres more

laid out to him in the Township of Brunswick to make up in all One Thousand Acres as the first Division of said Wentworth. To the abovesaid Stephen Minot the upper half part of Mair Point Measuring five Hundred & Sixty Acres with four hundred & fourty Acres more adjoining making up One Thousand Acres for said Minot's first Division. To the abovenamed Thomas Hutchinson a Tract of Land bounded Westerly on Cathance River Three hundred & fifty Six rods and on the other Land of the Proprietors five hundred & Sixty Rods fronting Southerly on Merrymeeting Bay Supposing a direct Line Fourty one Chain fifty Links or One hundred and Sixty Six rods, Easterly by the Lott of Oliver Noyes and unappropriated Land one Thousand & Twenty four Rods in the rear One hundred Sixty Six Rods making up one Thousand Acres as the first Division of the said Hutchinson. To the abovesaid Oliver Noyes a Tract of Land fronting Southerly on Merrymeeting Bay One Hundred and Sixty Six rods, Westerly Bounded by Land of Thomas Hutchinson Nine Hundred fifty two rods, Easterly by Land of John Ruck Nine hundred fourty Nine rods, in the rear One hundred & Sixty Six rods making in all One Thousand Acres as the first Division of the said Noyes. To the Abovesaid John Ruck a Tract fronting on Merrymeeting Bay and, Abegadassett river supposing a Direct Line One hundred & Sixty Six rods. Westerly bounded by Land of Oliver Noyes and Unappropriated Land Twelve hundred & twenty two rods, Easterly by Land of David Jeffries Six hundred & Eighty Rods and the Remainder thence to the front—by Abegadassett River on the Rear One hundred & Sixty Six rod making in all One Thousand Acres as the first Division of said Ruck. To the Abovesaid David Jeffries a Tract of Land fronting Southerly on Merrymeeting Bay supposing a Direct Line One hundred & Sixty Six rods, Westerly bounded by Abegadassett river towards the front

& backwards by Land of John Ruck Six hundred & Eighty rod and by Land of ours Unappropriated Sixty four rods, Easterly by Land which was to have been the Lot of the Aforesaid John Watts Eight hundred and Eighty Eight rods and by Unappropriated Lands One hundred & Sixteen rods, in the rear One hundred & Sixty Six rods making up in all One thousand Acres as the first Division of said Jeffries. To the abovesaid Oliver Noyes in right of John Watts deceas'd (he having disbursed Seventy pounds on the Account of said Watts towards the Gen^l Charge of bringing forwards the Settlements, and therefore said Lott is pursuant to articles of Agreement signed by said Watts made over to said Noyes in defect of said Watts his Execut^r defraying his part of the Generall Charge) a Tract of Land being called in the front Abegadassett Point or point Agreeable bounded Southerly & Easterly by merrymeeting Bay Westerly on a course North Eleven degrees East by David Jeffries Eight Hundred Eighty Eight rods, in the rear on a course East Eleven Deg^r South Three hundred & fourteen rods making up one thousand Acres to be to said Noyes in right of John Watts deceased as the first Division of said Watts, The Westerly Line of these five Lotts being on a Course North Eleven Degrees East, and the Northerly Lines East Eleven Degrees South, In like manner to the abovesaid John Wentworth a Tract of Land lying on Sagadahock river Fronting three quarters of a mile Easterly on a Straight Line on said river (the Southerly Bounds to begin three quarters of a mile on a Streight Line above the Cove or Small river which is over against or a little below the Late M^r Watts' Brick House) The said Land being three quarters of a mile in front as aforesaid to run in two Streight Lines upon a Course West & North half Northerly over to Casco Bay and to be the Second Division of said Wentworth. To the Abovesaid Adam Winthrop a Tract of Land bounded Southerly on said Wentworth's

Northern Line, Easterly to run upwards in front three quarters of a mile on a Streight Line on Sagadehock river, then to Strike on a Course West & by North half Northerly in a Streight Line over to Casco Bay said Bay being the Western Bounds, This to be the Second Division of said Winthrop The said Winthrop having his first Division formerly assigned him by Deed of Garden Island. To the Aforenamed Stephen Minot a Tract of Land bounded Southerly by the last named Land of Adam Winthrop Easterly by Sagadehock river to run up river three quarters of a mile on a Streight Line (which reaches to or very near to Winegance, then to Strike over on a Streight Line the Course West & by North half Northerly to Casco Bay, This to be the Second Division of said Minot. To the within Named John Ruck a Tract of Land beginning at or just above Winegance bounded Southerly by the last described Lot of Stephen Minot, To run up Sagadehock River in front Three quarters of a mile in a Streight Line on long reach, then to Strike over in a Streight Line the Course West & by North half Northerly to Casco Bay this to be the Second Division of said Ruck. To the withinnamed Thomas Hutchinson a Tract of Land in Long reach in Sagadehock river bounded Southerly by the last Named Land of John Ruck, To run up the river three quarters of a mile in front on a Streight Line, then to Strike over on a Streight Line Course West & by North half Northerly to Casco Bay This is to be the Second Division of said Hutchinson. To the Heires of John Watts deceased a Tract of Land lying in long reach above said bounded Southerly by the last described Land of Thomas Hutchinson to run up the river three quarters of a mile in Front on a Streight Line then to Strike over on a Streight Line Course West and By North half Northerly to Casco Bay This to be the Second Division of said Watts. To the abovesaid David Jeffries a Tract of Land in Long Reach

aforesaid bounded Southerly by the last Named Land of John Watts his Heires to run up the river three quarters of a mile in Front on a Streight Line, Then to Strike over on a Streight Line Course West & by North half Northerly to Casco Bay, this to be the Second Division of said Jeffries. To the within Named Oliver Noyes a Tract of Land in long Reach aforesaid Bounded Southerly by the last described Land of David Jeffries, to run up the river three quarters of a mile in front on a Streight Line, Then to Strike over on a Streight Line Course West & by North half Northerly to Casco Bay, this to be the Second Division of said Noyes.

To Have & to hold the Severall Lotts & Divisions above and within Mentioned to the respective Assignes their Heires & Assignes forever Together with all the Woods Underwoods Beaches Flatts Meadows Waters, Water Courses, profitts, priviledges and Appurtenances whatsoever to the premises belonging or in any wise Appertaining, And We do hereby mutually Covenant and Oblige our Selves our Heires Execut^{rs} And Administ^{rs} to Warrant & Defend the Same to the respective Parties their Heires and Assignes according to our Covenant upon Record In Testimony whereof we have hereunto sett our hands and Seals this Thirty first Day of December Anno Domⁱ One Thousand Seven hundred & nineteen—Annoq Regni Reg. Georgii Mag. Brittannio &c Sexio.

Signed Sealed & DD
in the presence of us
Edmund Mountfort
Jos: Bowditch
Hull Abbot
Hannah Townsend

Stephen Minot
John Ruck
John Penhallow
Elizabeth Penhallow
J: Wentworth
Tho^s Hutchinson
Adam Winthrop
David Jeffries
Oliver Noyes

In consideration of the Service Cap^t Benjamin Larrabee has done for the Town of Brunswick & especially on account of the good services we expect he will hence forth do for said Town in guiding assisting & bringing forward the Settlement thereof & of the Gospell Ministry there. We the Subscribers proprietors of the Land in said Town have granted & do by these presents grant unto said Benjamin Larrabee Gratis one Lot of Land in said Town to consist of One Hundred Acres on condition that he forthwith proceed to build a dwelling House upon said Lot, to fence in & break up ground & to keep it under improvement by himself or his Tenant for Three years at least which we warrant to him his Heirs & Assigns, from us our Heirs & all holding by from & under us—And said Larrabee is to make a return to us of the number of the Lot he shall pitch upon among the Lotts not already granted to any other person. As Witness our hands in Boston this thirtieth day of June 1733.

Coll^o Joseph Heath Esq^r

S^r We desire you to deliver to Cap^t Benj^a Larrabee the Town Book of Brunswick to whose charge the same is committed by y^r Hum^b Serv^{ts}
Boston June 30, 1733.

July 16: 1737.

The Proprietors Power of Attorney to Benjamin Larrabee Esq^r to execute Deeds to the Setlers In Brunswick and Topsham Dated July 16. 1737.

Know all men by these Presents that We Adam Winthrop Joseph Wadsworth Job Lewis Esq^{rs} Nathanael Cunningham Merch^t Belcher Noyes Physician, Mather Byles Clerk and Anna his Wife Katharine Noyes Widdow, as Guardian unto Oliver Noyes a Minor Youngest Son of Oliver Noyes Esq^r

Deceased Sarah Pulcifer Widdow, John Fayrweather Esq^r & Hannah Fayrweather Widdow, Executors to the Last Will and Testament of Thomas Fayrweather late of Boston Merchant Deceased John Watts Gentleman,— Caleb Richardson Distiller, as Guardian unto Lydia Watts Youngest Daughter of John Watts Esq^r Deceased, all of Boston in the County of Suffolk and Province of the Massachusetts Bay In New England Thomas Westbrook Esq^r of Falmouth in the County of York and Province aforesaid. Theodore Atkinson Esq^r as Attorney to Benning Wentworth Esq^r Dame Sarah Wentworth, Widdow, both of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire; the Proprietors of a large Tract of Land lying and being in the County of York in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay partly bordering on Merrymeeting Bay Androscoggin River and Casco Bay, and in particular of Two Tracts commonly known by the Name of Brunswick and Topsham and having granted Lotts of Land in each of the two last Mentioned places to Divers persons who have built and made Improvements in order to the Setling two Towns there in pursuance of Agreements made by us and our Partners, proposed also to proceed in further granting Lotts for filling up the said two intended Towns of Brunswick and Topsham; But inasmuch as the said settlers have not as yet received Deeds for the Lotts granted to them and the Distance of us from each other renders it Difficult that the severall Deeds should be signed by each respective Proprietor—Know Yee Therefore, That we the said Adam Winthrop, Joseph Wadsworth, Job Lewis, Nathanael Cunningham, Belcher Noyes, Mather Byles & Anna his Wife, Katharine Noyes, Sarah Pulcifer, John Fayrweather, Hannah Fayrweather, John Watts, Caleb Richardson, Thomas Westbrook, Theodore Atkinson and Sarah Wentworth the abovenamed Proprietors have made and Constituted and Appointed; and by these Presents do make, Constitute and Appoint our

Trusty & Well respected Friend Benjamin Larrabee Esq^r now resident in the aforesaid place named Brunswick, and Commander of Fort George erected there, to be our true and Lawfull Attorney for us, in our Name, and Stead to pass & fully execute lawfull Deeds, & Conveyances of the Lotts of Land granted or to be granted to the several setlers or Grantees within the said intended Towns of Brunswick, and Topsham in such Manner and according to such instructions as he shall receive from us or y^e Major part of the Proprietors, our said Attorney to account with us, or such as shall be deputed by us, or the Major part of the Propriety from time to time for all such sum or sums of Money as he has already received, or shall receive hereafter on Account of his Signing and Sealing, and executing Deeds & Conveyances of the Lotts as aforesaid. And we likewise Authorise & impower our said Attorney to admitt other Setlers or Inhabitants agreeably to such instructions as he shall receive from us, or the Major part of the propriety, And we do hereby for us our heirs and Assigns covenant and Agree to abide by what our said Attorney shall do or cause to be done in the Premisses agreeably to our Instructions, and that we will indemnify our said Attorney for what he shall Act & do in conformity to our Instructions, or from the Majority of us from time to time. In Witness whereof we the above-named proprietors have hereunto sett our hands and Seals in Boston, Falmouth and Portsmouth aforesaid this Sixteenth day of July Anno Domini, One thousand seven hundred and Thirty seven, in the Eleventh Year of our Sovereign Lord King George the Second over Great Brittain &c.

Adam Winthrop & a Seal.

Joseph Wadsworth & a Seal.

Mather Byles & a Seal.

Anna Byles & a Seal.

Sarah Pulcifer & a Seal.

Job Lewis, & a Seal.
 Katharine Noyes, & a Seal.
 Belcher Noyes & a Seal.
 John Watts, & a Seal.
 John Fayrweather, & a Seal.
 Hannah Fayrweather, & a Seal.
 Caleb Richardson & a Seal.
 Nath^l Cunningham & a Seal.

Signed Sealed and Delivered In presence of Us. by Adam Winthrop, Joseph Wadsworth Mather Byles, Anna Byles Sarah Pulcifer, Job Lewis Katharine Noyes Belcher Noyes, John Watts, John Fayrweather, Hannah Fayrweather, Caleb Richardson and Nathanael Cunningham "The words (John Fayrweather Esq^r) between the 4 & 5 lines, & the "words (Executors to the Last Will & Testament of Thomas "Fayrweather late of Boston Merch^t deceased) between y^e 5th & 6th 14th lines, and the words (John Fayrweather Esq^r) between the 26 & 27 lines on the other side, and the word (us) between the 6 & 7 lines on this side being all interlined before signing & sealing.

Henry Gibbs.
 Lemuel Gowen

Witnesses.

Signed Sealed and Delivered In
 Presence of Us by Madam Sarah Wentworth.

Sarah Wentworth & a Seal.

John Wentworth
 Henry Gibbs.

Signed Sealed & Delivered
 In Presence of Us by—
 Thomas Westbrook Esq^r

Thomas Westbrook, & a Seal.

Charles Frost
 Henry Gibbs

Suffolk Ss Boston July 22^d 1737.

Mr Henry Gibbs & Lemuel Gowen personally appeared before me the Subscriber one of his Majesties Justices of the Peace for the County of Suffolk & made Oath that they did see Adam Winthrop, Joseph Wadsworth Job Lewis Esq^{rs} Mather Byles, Anna Byles Sarah Pulcifer, Katharine Noyes, Belcher Noyes, John Watts John Fayrweather Hannah Fayrweather, Caleb Richardson & Nath^l Cunningham sign seal & deliver this Instrument as their free Act & Deed, and that they set to their hands as Witnesses at the same time—

Jurat Coram Me,

Samuel Sewall J Pacis.

Suffolk Ss Boston August 23, 1737.

Mr Henry Gibbs personally Appeared before me the Subscriber one of his Majesties Justices of the Peace for the County of Suffolk and made Oath that he did see Madam Sarah Wentworth Sign, Seal & Deliver this Instrument as her free Act and Deed, and that he together with John Wentworth set to their hands as Witnesses at the same time.

Jurat Coram Me

Habijah Savage Just: Pacis.

York Ss May 19 1740. Then Thomas Westbrook Esq^r Acknowledged that he signed the within as his free Act & Deed.

Coram Charles Frost.

York Ss Received October 24, 1737, and Recorded with the Records for Deeds in said County Librò 18 fol: 217, 218.

4/6 Attest, Jer: Moulton Reg^r

York Ss. The Signing, Witnessing & Acknowledgm^t of Tho^s Westbrook Esq^r Rec'd Dec^r 18, 1749 & Recorded in the Margin of the same Book, & page w^h the aforegoing Instrum^t

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P Dan^l Moulton Reg^r

A True Copy compared with the Original

P Belcher Noyes.

July 18 1737.

The Letter of Instructions to Benjamin Larrabee Esq^r referred to in the afore recited Power of Attorney.

Sir

This accompanys our power of Attorney duly executed whereby we have authorized you to pass Deeds in our Names, and Stead to the settlers at Brunswick & Topsham for the Lotts of Land which have been granted them, and for such Lotts as you may further grant to fill up those Towns, we have sent a Draught for a pattern to which the Deeds must be made conformable: And upon executing the Deeds you must receive of the several Grantees the sums they are obliged to pay, gett ready money from as many as you possibly can, and those that can't pay down must give bonds payable to you with Interest in a twelve month, or sooner. The first Setlers were to pay but Five pounds for each hundred Acres, Since that Giveen and those near him were to pay Sixteen pounds for each hundred Acres, some that have more lately taken Lotts at Brunswick Road Ten pounds for each hundred Acres, those at Topsham and New Meadows Twenty five pounds for each hundred Acres. These are the Terms According to our Remembrance but if in any Instance it be Otherwise We leave it to you to conform to any Terms you may have made with them on our behalf. As fast as you can receive money for the Deeds you execute we would have you apply it to discharge the Debts of the Propriety Viz^t M^r Pearse the Carpenter, and M^r Wakefield the Glazier for Brunswick Meeting-house, and what Coll Westbrook & others

of the Proprietors are in advance, with what you are also in Advance upon its being certifiyd to you that their Accounts are settled & adjusted; If the Lotts at Brunswick Road to Maquoit and Topsham are not all filled up, or granted you may go on to grant them on as good Terms as you can for the Proprietors not lower than Ten pounds in Brunswick, and Twenty five pounds in Topsham, without a further order from us, or y^e Major part of y^e propriety, or some Committee that may be Authorized to give Instructions from time to time in behalf of the whole. As to the Land at New Meadows we would have you send up to Coll Winthrop at Boston being one of us, a List of the Lotts you have granted, and if it may be a platt of y^e Land there, with the Lotts delineated upon it, that we may know what part is granted, and how much is still left, which is to wait a further Order from us, or a Majority of us, or a Committee as aforesaid. When the Deeds shall be executed we would have you enter them upon record in the Town Book. We desire you to keep an exact Account of D^r & C^r and lay the same before us when we shall require it. Advise us or some of us from time to time of what Steps are Needful to be taken for the Benefitt of the propriety, which we rely upon your care & endeavour to promote on all Occasions, And we shall endeavour that in due Season you may have a recompence for the Trouble you shall be at on our Accounts. So we Subscribe Our Selves, Sir, Your Humble Servants.

Boston July 18th 1737.

Adam Winthrop.
Joseph Wadsworth.
Mather Byles.
Anna Byles.
Sarah Pulcifer.
Job Lewis.
Belcher Noyes

A true Copy compared
with the Original,
P Belcher Noyes.

John Watts.
Katharine Noyes.
Hannah Fayrweather.
Caleb Richardson.
Nath^l Cunningham.
Sarah Wentworth.

To Benjamin Larrabee Esq^r

July 18, 1737.

The Proprietor's Power of Attorney to M^r John Booker to keep possession of Sebasco-deggin Island In Casco-bay in their behalf. Dated July 18, 1737.

Know all men by these Presents that We Adam Winthrop Joseph Wadsworth Job Lewis Esq^{rs} Nathanael Cunningham Merch^t Belcher Noyes Physieian Mather Byles Clerk, & Anna his Wife Katharine Noyes Widdow, as Guardian unto Oliver Noyes a Minor, Youngest Son of Oliver Noyes Esq^r Deceased, Sarah Pulcifer Widdow, John Fayrweather Esq^r Hannah Fayrweather Widdow Executors to the last Will & Testament of Thomas Fayrweather late of Boston Merchant Deceased, John Watts Gentleman, Caleb Richardson Distiller, Guardian unto Lydia Watts youngest Daughter of John Watts Esq^r Deceased all of Boston in the County of Suffolk and Province of the Massachusetts Bay In New England. Thomas Westbrook Esq^r of Falmouth in y^e County of York, & Province aforesaid Theodore Atkinson Esq^r as attorney unto Benning Wentworth Esq^r Dame Sarah Wentworth Widdow both of Portsmouth of the Province of New hampshire; Have made & constituted and by these presents do make constitute & appoint—John Booker of a place called New Meadows bordering on Casco bay in the County of York, & province aforesaid Yeoman, Our true &

Lawfull Attorney for us & in our Name & Stead to keep possession of a large Island in Casco-bay called Sebasco deggin, and to keep off all persons from setling or plundering wood or Timber on said Island and from Cutting hay there, other than such persons already licensed by us to cutt part of the Salt Marshes there, & to seize upon any Timber or wood cutt there without our Liberty or permission and to send up the same to some of us in Boston, and for his Service therein he the said Booker shall have one half part of the Neat produce of what y^e said wood & Timber shall fetch clear of all Charges when sent up; And we the within named do hereby covenant & Agree to Defend and Indemnify him our said Attorney for what He shall lawfully do or cause to be done in the premisses pursuant to such Orders as he has now receiv'd or shall hereafter receive from us or the Majority of the Proprietors. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals in Boston Falmouth & Portsmouth this Eighteenth day of July Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred & Thirty Seven

Adam Winthrop & a Seal.

Joseph Wadsworth & a Seal.

Mather Byles, & a Seal.

Anna Byles & a Seal.

Sarah Pulcifer & a Seal.

Job Lewis & a Seal.

Katharine Noyes & a Seal.

Belcher Noyes & a Seal.

John Watts, & a Seal.

John Fayrweather & a Seal.

Hannah Fayrweather & a Seal.

Nath^l Cunningham & a Seal.

Caleb Richardson & a Seal.

Signed Sealed & delivered In presence of Us, by Adam Winthrop, Joseph Wadsworth, Job Lewis, Nathanael Cun-

ningham, Belcher Noyes, Mather Byles, Anna Byles, Katharine Noyes, Sarah Puleifer, John Fayrweather, Hannah Fayrweather John Watts Caleb Richardson.———
the words (John Fayrweather Esq^r) between y^e 5 & 6 lines,
& the Words (Executors to y^e last Will & Testament of
Thomas Fayrweather late of Boston Merchant Deceased)
between y^e 6 & 7 lines being first Interlined.

Henry Gibbs.

Lemuel Gowen.

Theodore Atkinson & a Seal

Sarah Wentworth & a Seal

Signed Sealed and Delivered by Madam Sarah Wentworth
& Theodore Atkinson Esq^r In presence of Us.

John Wentworth.

Henry Gibbs.

Signed Sealed & Delivered by Thomas Westbrook Esq^r In
presence of Us.—

Suffolk Ss Boston July 22^d 1737.

Mr Henry Gibbs & Lemuel Gowen personally Appeared
before me the Subscriber one of his Majesties Justices of
the peace for the County of Suffolk & made Oath that they
did see Adam Winthrop Joseph Wadsworth Job Lewis John
Fayrweather Esq^{rs} Mather Byles Anna Byles Sarah Puleifer
Katharine Noyes Belcher Noyes John Watts Hannah Fayr-
weather Caleb Richardson, and Nathanael Cunningham sign
seal & deliver this Instrument as their free Act & Deed.

Jurat coram me.

Samuel Sewall Just: Pacis.

Suffolk Ss Boston August 23^d 1737.

Mr Henry Gibbs personally Appeared before me the Sub-
scriber one of his Majesties Justices of y^e Peace for the

County of Suffolk and made Oath that he did see Theodore Atkinson & Sarah Wentworth sign seal & deliver this Instrument as their free Act & deed, & that he together with John Wentworth set to their hands as Witnesses at the same time.

Jurat coram me

Habijah Savage Just: Pacis.

A true Copy compared with the Original,

P Belcher Noyes.

A Letter to Benjamin Larrabee Esq^r directing him not to take Bonds of any of the Setlers, for the Deeds which he shall execute.

Boston Sept^r 14, 1737—

Sir, We lately sent you by M^r Booker a power of Attorney executed by us here, we hope you have taken care to have it executed by Coll: Westbrook, & Recorded in the Records for the County of York, that you may be ready to execute the Deeds; A number of them (Viz 48) we now forward to you by Cap^t Adam Hall who has engaged his care to deliver y^m to you. We have filled one of them for your Direction. In giving the Deeds have a due Regard to those that have paid their money According to the Account you exhibited to us. And Whereas in our Letter of Instructions to you we directed you to take bonds from those that can't pay their Money upon executing the Deeds; We do upon a further Consideration of that part of your Instructions from us, think proper to direct you Otherwise; you are not to execute Deeds to any unless they pay the purchase Consideration upon the execution thereof. This is now to be your direction in that Matter. As to every other thing referred to in our Letter of Instructions to you, you are to Observe Accordingly: If you should want any more Deeds you must acquaint us with it.

Lett us hear from you by the first Opportunity upon the Receipt of this; We remain your Friends & Servants.

Adam Winthrop. For our Selves

Belcher Noyes. & Partners.—

To Cap^t Benjamin Larrabee
at Fort Brunswick

Copy

P Adam Hall

Proprietors Deed To William Vaughan.

April 6 1734.

To all People unto whom these Presents shall come Adam Winthrop of Boston in the County of Suffolk & Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Esq^r Benning Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire Esq^r Belcher Noyes of Boston aforesaid Physician Mather Byles of said Boston Clerk & Anna his Wife Sarah Noyes of said Boston Spinster, Oliver Noyes of y^e same Boston a Minor, Hannah Fayrweather of said Boston Widdow & Executrix of the last Will & Testament of Her late Husband Thomas Fayrweather late of Boston aforesaid Merchant Deceased, Job Lewis of said Boston Esq^r Thomas Westbrook of Falmouth in the County of York Esq^r Nathanael Cunningham of Boston aforesaid Merchant Joseph Wadsworth of said Boston Esq^r John Penhallow of Portsmouth aforesaid Esq^r Guardian to y^e Heirs of John Watts late of Arrowsick Esq^r Deceased Viz^t John Elizabeth & Lydia Watts. John Watts of said Portsmouth Marriner and Caleb Richardson of said Boston Distiller and Elizabeth his Wife Send Greeting Know Yee—That We the said Adam Winthrop, Benning Wentworth, Belcher Noyes, Mather, & Anna Byles, Sarah, & Oliver Noyes, Hannah Fayrweather, Job Lewis, Thomas Westbrook, Nath^l Cunningham Joseph Wadsworth

John Penhallow, Caleb—Richardson & Elizabeth his Wife, and John Watts for & in Consideration of the Sum of one hundred Pounds in Money to us in Hand at & before the ensealing & Delivery hereof well & truly paid by William Vaughan resident at Damariscotty in the Eastern Parts of New England Gentleman The Receipt whereof we do hereby Acknowledge & thereof do acquitt & Discharge the said William Vaughan his Heirs Executors & Administrators & every of them forever by these Presents, and for divers other good Causes & Considerations Us thereunto moving: Have remised released & for ever quitt claimed and by these Presents Do remise release and altogether of and from us & our Heirs & in our Severall Capacities forever quitt claim unto the said William Vaughan in his full & peaceable possession & Seizin now being and to his Heirs & Assigns forever All our & each of our Right Estate Title, Interest Inheritance use Property Possession, Reversion Claim & Demand whatsoever which we or either of us ever had have or by any ways or Means hereafter may or might have of in and to All that Certain Tract of Land lying up in and about a place called & known by y^e Name of Oyster River in Damariscotty River containing Five hundred Acres more or less Bounded as followeth Viz^t On a Neck of Land lying above the Salt Water Falls on y^e Westward Side of a small River which runs up into y^e Woods nearest North East being the Eastward side of said Neck & the Westward Bounds of the said Land is the Salt pond or Bay which great Fresh Falls fall into, upon the Southward End of said Neck stands a White Pine Tree & a White Oak being both Marked & part of y^e Bark chopt off and from said Southward point over the Cove of the said Salt Pond nearest North & by West half a point Westerly to a small Green Point of Land whereon stands a Red Oak & a White Oak Tree both Markt the Bark cutt off so that the said Five hundred Acres of Land lyes betwixt Oyster River on the

Eastward Side, and the Salt Pond or Bay on the Westward Side nearest the Courses aforesaid and to run back into the Woods According to the said Courses from the South End of said Neck untill five hundred Acres be made up and compleated or however otherwise Bounded or reputed to be Bounded and all the Rights Members Profitts Priviledges & Appurtenances to the said Tract of Land belonging or in any wise appertaining & also of & in the Reversion & Reversions Remainder & Remainders thereof, our Particular Rights or Claims in the said released Premisses being as follows Viz^t Adam Winthrop one Eighth Part thereof, Benning Wentworth one fourth part, Belcher Noyes Two fifth parts (of one Eighth) Mather & Anna Byles one fifth part (of one Eighth) Sarah Noyes one fifth part (of one Eighth) Oliver Noyes one fifth part (of one Eighth) Hannah Fayrweather one Fifth part, Job Lewis one Twelfth, Thomas Westbrook one Twelfth part Nathanael Cunningham one Twelfth part, Joseph Wadsworth one Twenty fourth part, John Penhallow, John Watts Caleb Richardson & Elizabeth his Wife and Lydia Watts among them one Eighth Part. To Have and to hold, the aforesaid Tract of Land and Premisses and every part & parcell thereof with their and every of their Appurtenances unto the said William Vaughan his Heirs & Assigns forever So that neither we the said Adam Winthrop Benning Wentworth Belcher Noyes Mather Byles & Anna Byles Sarah Noyes, Oliver Noyes Hannah Fayrweather Job Lewis Thomas Westbrook Nathanael Cunningham Joseph Wadsworth John Penhallow John Watts Caleb Richardson & Elizabeth his Wife & Lydia Watts nor our Heirs nor any other Person or Persons whatsoever for us or them or in our or their Name or Names Right Title or Stead shall and may by any ways or means hereafter have, claim, challenge or Demand any Estate or Interest of in or to the same Premisses or any Part thereof But from all Action Right Estate Title

Interest & Demand of in or to the aforesaid Premisses and every of them shall & will be utterly Excluded & forever debarred by these presents. And we the said Adam Winthrop Benning Wentworth Belcher Noyes Mather Byles Anna Byles Sarah Noyes Oliver Noyes Hannah Fayrweather Job Lewis Thomas Westbrook Nathanael Cunningham, Joseph Wadsworth John Penhallow John Watts Caleb Richardson & Elizabeth his Wife, and Lydia Watts & our Heirs the aforesaid Tract of Land and Premisses & every Part & Parcell thereof with their and every of their Appurtenances unto the said William Vaughan & his heirs, to his & their own proper use & uses against us & our Severall, & respective Heirs & against all & every Person & Persons lawfully claiming by from or under us or our Heirs shall & will Warrant, & forever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & Seals the Sixth day of April Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred & Thirty four Annoque Regni Regis Georgii Secundi Magna Perittania & Septimo.

Adam Winthrop & a Seal

Job Lewis, & a Seal

Belcher Noyes, & a Seal

Joseph Wadsworth & a Seal

Mather Byles, & a Seal

Anna Byles, & a Seal

Hannah Fayrweather & a Seal

Nathⁿ Cunningham & a Seal

Sarah Noyes, & a Seal

Caleb Richardson & a Seal

Elizabeth Richardson & a Seal

Benning Wentworth & a Seal

Signed Sealed & Delivered

In Presence of Us.—

Samuel Eliot

Eliot Vaughan

Andrew Eliot Junior

Clement Hugher

Suffolk Ss. Boston April 6, 1734

Adam Winthrop Joseph Wadsworth Job Lewis Esq^{rs} M^r
Mather Byles M^r Nath^l Cunningham M^r Belcher Noyes
M^{rs} Anna Byles M^{rs} Hannah Fayrweather all personally Ap-
pearing Acknowledged the foregoing Instrument to be their
Voluntary Act & Deed before me

Anthony Stoddard Just: Pac:

Province of New Hampshire

April 15, 1734.

The abovenamed Benning Wentworth appeared & acknowl-
edged y^e above Instrument to be his Act & Deed

Before me

Henry Sherburn Just Pac:

Proprietors Deed To John Gyles Esq^r

July 21, 1738

To all People to whom these Presents Shall come, Adam
Winthrop, Joseph Wadsworth Job Lewis Esq^{rs} Hannah
Fayrweather Widdow, Belcher Noyes Physician, Mather
Byles Clerk & Anna his Wife Sarah Pulcifer Widdow,
Oliver Noyes a Minor, by his Guardian Katharine Noyes,
John Watts Merchant, Lydia Watts by her Guardian Caleb
Richardson, All of Boston in the County of Suffolk in the
Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New-England; Isaac
Royall of Charlestown in the County of Middlesex &
Province aforesaid Esq^r Thomas Westbrook of Falmouth in
the County of York & Province aforesaid Esq^r And Benning
Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hamp-
shire in New England Esq^r Send Greeting.

Know Yee that we the abovenamed for and in Considera-
tion of five Shillings currant Money of New England to us

in hand paid by John Gyles Esq^r of a place called S^t Georges in the County of York aforesaid, and in Consideration of a Quitt Claim for Lands at a place called Topsham in the County of York aforesaid signed by said John Gyles & his Brethren bearing Date the fifteenth Day of August Anno Domini 1727, and more especially from a Desire to avoid Controversy, & to uphold good Amity & Agreement between us the Subscribers & the said John Gyles & Brethren; Have for us and our respective Heirs & Assigns released, transferred & Quittclaimed to the said John Gyles & Brethren; All our Right Title & Interest unto a Point of Land containing Sixty Acres lying on the lower or easterly end of a Place called Topsham, bounded Southerly by Lott Number one in said Topsham, Easterly & Northerly by Merrymeeting Bay and Westerly by the Entrance or Mouth of Muddy River. Also all our Right Title & Interest to another Tract or parcell of Land lying Westerly from the former bounded Southerly by Lott Number one before mentioned, Westerly by Cathance River, Northerly by Land belonging to us the said Winthrop & Partners and Easterly by Merrymeeting Bay & the Entrance of Muddy River aforesaid containing five hundred & fifteen Acres According to a Survey thereof under the Hand of Joseph Heath Surveyour in the Year 1720 both which Tracts of Land as above described were laid out to said John Gyles & Brethren agreeable to a former Vote of said Adam Winthrop & partners upon said Gyles's disclaiming his Right to Lands at Topsham. To Have & to Hold to Him the said John Gyles & his Brethren the said Tracts or Parcells of Land with the Appurtenances thereunto belonging to Them their Heirs & Assigns for ever, free & Clear of all Claims, & Demands of us the said Adam Winthrop & Partners, and of all claiming by, from, or under us. In Witness whereof & in Token of our disclaiming our respective Shares or parts of said Land we have hereunto sett

our hands & Seals y^s Twenty first day of July Anno Domini 1738, in the 12th Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King George the Second Over Great Brittain &c—

Adam Winthrop, & a Seal.

Job Lewis, & a Seal.

Belcher Noyes, & a Seal.

Mather Byles, & a Seal.

Anna Byles, & a Seal.

Sarah Pulcifer, & a Seal.

John Watts & a Seal.

Caleb Richardson & a Seal.

Joseph Wadsworth & a Seal.

Katharine Noyes & a Seal.

Hannah Fayrweather & a Seal.

Isaac Royall & a Seal.

Signed Sealed & DD. by

Adam Winthrop, Job Lewis,

Belcher Noyes, Mather Byles,

Anna Byles, Sarah Pulcifer,

John Watts, Caleb Richardson,

& Joseph Wadsworth.—

in Presence of—

Thomas Boylston Junior

William Phillips—

By Katharine Noyes, in presence of

John Walley & David Jeffries

By Hannah Fayrweather In presence of

Thomas Little George Glen

By Isaac Royall In presence of

John Reed & Simon Tufts.

Suffolk Ss. Boston July 31, 1738.

The within Named Adam Winthrop Job Lewis, Belcher Noyes Mather Byles Anna Byles Sarah Pulcifer John Watts

Caleb Richardson & Joseph Wadsworth personally Appearing Acknowledged the within written Instrument to be their Voluntary Act & Deed. — —

Before me

Samuel Adams Just: Pac:

Suffolk Ss. Boston July 31, 1738.

The within Named Katharine Noyes personally Appearing Acknowledged the within written Instrument to be her Voluntary Act & Deed.

Before me

John Walley, Just Peace.—

Suffolk Ss. Boston August 20th 1738.

The within Hannah Fayrweather personally Appearing acknowledged the within written Instrument to be her free Act & Deed.

Before me

John Fayrweather Just Peace

Middlesex Ss. Charlestown August 15, 1738.—

Isaac Royall Esq^r afore mentioned acknowledged the foregoing Instrument and his hand & Seal to be his free Act & Deed.

Before me

Simon Tufts Just. Pacis

Proprietors Deed To Job Lewis Esq^r.

July 28, 1738

To All People to whom these presents shall come Adam Winthrop & Joseph Wadsworth, Esq^{rs} Hannah Fayrweather Widdow, Belcher Noyes Physician Mather Byles Clerk, and Anna his Wife Sarah Puleifer, Oliver Noyes a Minor by

his Guardian Katharine Noyes, John Watts Merchant, Lydia Watts by her Guardian Caleb Richardson all of Boston in the County of Suffolk in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England; Isaac Royall of Charlestown in y^e County of Middlesex in the Province aforesaid Esq^r Thomas Westbrook of Falmouth in the County of York in the Province aforesaid Esq^r and Benning Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire in New England aforesaid Esq^r
Send Greeting.

Know Yee that whereas John Nelson of Long Island in the Township of Boston aforesaid Esq^r Sole Executor & Devisee of, and in the last Will, & Testament of Silvanus Davis late of Hull in the County of Suffolk aforesaid Merchant Deceased; did upon y^e 16th day of September Anno Domini 1716, by Deed under his hand & Seal duly executed & upon Record in the County of York in the Eighth Book & 177 page, among other Things Sell and convey to the abovenamed Adam Winthrop and others his Partners called the Pejepscott Comp^a a Certain Tract of Land scituate lying & being to y^e Eastward of a place called Muscongus, in the Eastern parts of y^e Massachusetts Province aforesaid beginning at Madoamok Point up to the Falls of Magessemanussuck and running two miles above y^e same, and in Breadth one Mile on each side the River which Land the said Silvanus Davis (by & with y^e Consent of Sir William Phipps Knight and Governour of this Province for that time being) purchased of Madokowando Sagamore of Penobscott, and Egeremett Sagamore of Kennebeck by a good Deed dated the Tenth day of May 1694.

Now know yee that we the said Adam Winthrop, Joseph Wadsworth, Hannah Fayrweather, Belcher Noyes, Mather Byles, Anna Byles, Sarah Pulcifer, Katharine Noyes, in her Capacity aforesaid, John Watts, Caleb Richardson in his

Capacity aforesaid, Isaac Royall Thomas Westbrook and Benning Wentworth for and in Consideration of y^e Sum of Fifty Pounds currant money of New England aforesaid to us in hand at and before the ensealing & delivery of these presents well & truly paid by Job Lewis of Boston aforesaid Esq^r the Receipt whereof we do hereby Acknowledge, Have granted sold, released & Quittclained and by these Presents do for our Selves, our Heirs, Executors and Administrators grant sell release & Quittclaim unto the said Job Lewis one of our partners and Joint Proprietor with us; All our Right, Title, Claim, Interest, & Property in the before described Tract of Land, beginning at Madoamok point up to the Falls of Magessemanussuck & running two Miles above the same and in Breadth one mile on each side the River: Together with all woods Timbers standing or growing on the same, with all the Profitts Priviledges and Appurtenances whatsoever to the same, or any part thereof belonging, or appertaining. To Have, and to Hold to Him the said Job Lewis his heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns forever; Free and Clear of all claims and Demands of Us the said Adam Winthrop, Joseph Wadsworth, Hannah Fayrweather, Belcher Noyes, Mather Byles, & Anna his Wife, Sarah Pulcifer, Katharine Noyes as Guardian Aforesaid, John Watts, Caleb Richardson as Guardian Aforesaid, Isaac Royall, Thomas Westbrook, and Benning Wentworth our Heirs Executors^{rs} or Administrators or of any holding, or claiming the same by, from, or under any of us. In Testimony whereof we have to these presents set our hands, & Seals this Twenty Eighth day of July Anno Domini 1738. in the Twelfth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King George the Second over Great Brittain &c. Signed, Sealed, & Delivered by Adam Winthrop, Belcher Noyes, Mather Byles, Anna Byles, Sarah Pulcifer, John Watts, Caleb Richardson, & Joseph Wadsworth, in presence of Thomas Boylston Junior, William

Phillips; Signed Sealed & Delivered by Katharine Noyes, in presence of John Walley & David Jeffries junior, Signed Sealed & Delivered By Hannah Fayrweather, in presence of George Glen, and Thomas Little. Signed Sealed & delivered by Isaac Royall in presence of John Reed & Simon Tufts. Adam Winthrop & a Seal. Belcher Noyes & a Seal. Mather Byles and a Seal. Anna Byles & a Seal. Sarah Pulcifer & a Sela. John Watts & a Seal. Caleb Richardson & a Seal. Joseph Wadsworth & a Seal. Katharine Noyes & a Seal. Hannah Fayrweather & a Seal. Isaac Royall & a Seal.

Suffolk Ss. Boston July 31, 1738.=The withinamed Adam Winthrop Belcher Noyes, Mather Byles, Anna Byles, Sarah Pulcifer, John Watts Caleb Richardson & Joseph Wadsworth personally Appearing acknowledged the within written Instrument to be their Voluntary Act & Deed Before me,
Samuel Adams Just: Peace

Suffolk Ss. Boston July 31, 1738.=The within named Katharine Noyes personally appearing acknowledged the within written Instrument to be her Voluntary Act & Deed.
Before me,
John Walley, Justice of the Peace

Suffolk Ss. Boston August 20th 1738.=The within named Hannah Fayrweather personally appearing acknowledged the within written Instrument to be her free Act, & Deed.
Before me,
John Fayrweather Justice of the Peace.

Middlesex Ss. Charlestown August 15th 1738.=The within named Isaac Royall Esq^r personally appearing acknowledged His hand & Seal & the foregoing Instrument to be his free Act & Deed.

Before me,
Simon Tufts, J: P:

*James Webber's Deed To Oliver Noyes.*Ap^r 7, 1720.

Know all men by these Presents that I James Webber of Charlestown Marriner in the County of Middlesex for divers Causes me thereunto moving have given granted bargained & Sold and by these Presents Do Give Grant Bargain & Sell Alien and Quitclaim unto Oliver Noyes of Boston in y^e County of Suffolk Esq^r All that my hundred Acres of Land Scituate lying & being in the Township of Augusta by Sagadehoc River, which I reserved in my Deed of Quittclaim to John Wentworth & Thomas Hutchinson & Partners of my Right & Interest in my Fathers Lands there in Consideration of the Sum of Five pounds by me received of y^e said Oliver Noyes before the ensealing and delivery hereof, the receipt whereof I do hereby Acknowledge To Have and to Hold unto Him the said Oliver Noyes his Heirs and Assigns forever with all the Priviledges and Appurtenances thereof and that I have a full right to dispose of the same & do promise to warrant & defend from my Heirs or any claiming under me. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand & Seal this twenty Seventh day of April Anno Domini 1720. Annoque Regni Regis Georgii Sexto

James Webber, & a Seal.

Witness

William Clark.

Samuel Keeling.

Suffolk Ss Boston April 28, 1720.

James Webber Acknowledged y^e Above Instrument to be his free Act & Deed, before

Daniel Oliver Just: Pac:

July 16, 1737

Sept^m 10: 1740.

Henry Gibbs confirmation of Benjamin Larrabee Esq^{rs} Power to execute Deeds to the Setlers in Brunswick and Topsham, dated July 16 1737.—

To all People to whom these Presents shall come Henry Gibbs of Boston in the County of Suffolk in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Brasier Sends Greeting.—

Know yee that whereas Thomas Hutchinson Esq^r and others Pejepscott proprietors did in the Year 1714 make proposals to the General Court of this Province that in Order to settle several Towns in the County of York in the Province aforesaid within their purchase they would grant out Lotts of Land on reasonable Terms to such as should undertake to build upon and improve the same And whereas in Order to fulfill and compleat the said proposalls a power of Attorney was in the Year 1737 prepared by Adam Winthrop Esq^r & others then proprietors of the said Land signed and executed by each of them (excepting one who was beyond Sea) authorizing and empowering Benjamin Larrabee of Brunswick Esq^r as their Attorney, in their Name to execute Deeds for the Lotts of Land granted, and that should be granted to the Settlers in Brunswick and Topsham some part of which Deeds remain still to be executed

Therefore Know yee, that I the said Henry Gibbs have lately purchased an Interest in said propriety, and being desirous on my part to act and do what shall appear Necessary for rendring the Deeds of Land that have been or may be executed by the said Benjamin Larrabee fully authentic & free from all disputes Do by these presents as far as relates to my Share and Interest in said Land, Make, constitute, and appoint the beforenamed Benjamin Larrabee Esq^r to be my true and lawful Attorney and to make use of my Name in Conjunction with the Other proprietors in executing Deeds for Lotts of Land in Brunswick and Topsham aforesaid agreable to the true intent and Meaning of the General Power of Attorney made to him Anno 1737, and upon record in the County of York aforesaid Libro 18 Folio 207 &c And I do

hereby covenant and Agree to ratify and Confirm what has been already done or shall be hereafter done by the said Benjamin Larrabee Esq^r in pursuance of the power vested in him by the aforementioned Letter of Attorney or agreeable to it.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal this Tenth day of September Anno Domini 1740

Henry Gibbs and a Seal

Signed sealed & delivered

In presence of us.

Peter Boylston

Nathanael Boylston

Suffolk Ss Boston September 15, 1740.

M^r Henry Gibbs personally appeared before me the Subscriber one of his Majestys Justices of the peace for the aforesaid County and Acknowledged the above and within written Instrument to be his Voluntary Act & Deed

Jacob Royall Just: Peaec

The above is a true Copy from the Originall, & recorded

P me Belcher Noyes.

Sept^r 15 1740.

Isaac Royall's confirmation of Benjamin Larrabee Esq^{rs} Power to execute Deeds to the Settlers in Brunswick and Topsham dated July 16 1737.

To all People to whom these presents shall come Isaac Royall of Charlestown in the County of Middlesex in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, Gentleman. Sends Greetings.—

Know yee that whereas Thomas Hutchinson, John Wentworth, Adam Winthrop, David Jeffries, John Ruck, Stephen Minott Oliver Noyes and John Watts Esq^{rs} did in the year

1714 purchase of Cap^t Ephraim Savage Administrator to the Estate of Richard Wharton Esq^r a large Tract in the County of York bordering on Casco Bay Androscoggin River, Merry-meeting Bay and Kenebeck River as by the Description thereof in said Deed upon Record in the County of York Libro 8 Folio 57, 58, 59 will more fully and at large appear and whereas the said proprietors did in the year 1714 make proposals to the General Court of this province for settling several Towns within said purchase, and that in Order thereunto they would grant out Lotts of Land on reasonable Terms to such as should undertake to build upon and improve the same and whereas in order to fulfill and compleat the said proposalls in the Year 1737 a Power of Attorney was prepared by such as were then proprietors of the said Land signed and executed by each of them (except one who was beyond Sea) Authorizing and empowering Benjamin Larrabee of Brunswick Esq^r as their Attorney and in their Name to execute Deeds for the Lotts of Land granted or that should be granted to the Settlers in Brunswick and Topsham and whereas since the making said power of Attorney my Honoured Father Isaac Royall of Charlestown aforesaid Esq^r since deceased did purchase of some of the then proprietors an Eighth part and two thirds of another Eighth part of said Tract of Land, and did by his last Will and Testament upon record in the probate's Office for the County of Middlesex aforesaid give and dispose his whole Right and Title to said Lands to me his only Son, and whereas some of the Deeds of said Lotts of Land in Brunswick and Topsham have been executed since the purchase made by my said Father in pursuance of the power of Attorney before made to said Benjamin Larrabee and many more still remain to be executed and no provision having been made by my said Father in his Life Time in respect to the part he purchased. Therefore Know yee that I the Said Isaac Royall looking

upon the Acts Votes and Agreements of the Originall proprietors as Valid and binding to their Successors, deeming the regular Settlement of said Towns to conduce much to the General Benefitt of the proprietors, & being desirous on my part to Act and do what shall appear to be necessary for rendring Deeds of Land that have been or may be executed by the said Benjamin Larrabee, fully Authentic and free from all Disputes; Do by these presents as far as relates to my share and Interest in said Land make constitute and Ordain the before named Benjamin Larrabee Esq^r to be my true & lawfull Attorney & to make use of my Name in conjunction with the other proprietors in executing deeds for Lotts of Land in Brunswick and Topsham aforesaid agreeable to the true intent & meaning of the General power of Attorney made to him anno 1737 and upon Record in the County of York aforesaid Libro 18. Folio 217. And I do hereby covenant and agree to ratify and Confirm what has been already done or shall be hereafter done by the said Benjamin Larrabee in pursuance of the power vested in him by the aforementioned Letter of Attorney or agreeable to it. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal this fifteenth day of September 1740.

Isaac Royall and a Seal.

Signed sealed & delivered

In presence of us
the word (Letter) being first
interlined in y^e 3^d line from
the Bottom of y^s page.

Peter Boylston.

Nathanael Boylston.

Suffolk Ss Boston September 15, 1740.

The within named M^r Isaac Royall personally Appearing before me the Subscriber one of His Majesty's Justices of the

Peace for the County aforesaid Acknowledged the within written Instrument to be his Voluntary Act and Deed.

Jacob Royall Justice Peace.

The above is a true Copy from the Originall and recorded
p me,

Belcher Noyes.—

Benning Wentworth Esq^{rs} confirmation of Benjamin Larrabee Esq^{rs} Power to execute Deeds to the Setlers in Brunswick, & Topsham dated July 16, 1737.

To all People to whom these Presents shall come Benning Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Esq^r and Governour of said Province:

Sendeth Greeting

Know yee that whereas I the said Benning Wentworth am one eighth part interested in a large Tract of Land in the County of York in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England aforesaid commonly known by the Name of Pejepscot Purchase which I hold in partnership with Adam Winthrop & Job Lewis of Boston in New England Esqrs & Others which eighth part was originally the Share of John Ruck of said Boston Esq^r, and whereas the said Adam Winthrop & others in order to bring forward the Settlement of two Townships (called Brunswick & Topsham) pursuant to the Original agreement of the whole partnership made in the Year 1715, did sometime since by a Letter of Attorney bearing date July 16 1737, duly executed, Authorize & empower Benjamin Larrabee Esq^r Commander of Fort George in said Brunswick to admit Inhabitants, & to grant out Lotts of Land to them in each of said Townships & to pass Deeds of

conveyance in the Name, & behalf of the Proprietors, and to receive payment for the same for which he was to account with the said Proprietors, which Letter of Attorney tho' signed by the other partners, was not signed by me being at that time in parts beyond Sea and the said Power of Attorney being putt upon Record in the County of York it is now become too late for me to execute the same.

Know yee therefore that I the said Benning Wentworth being desirous y^t Settlements should be brought forward as originally agreed and that the Conveyances of Lands to the Settlers should be authentic & indisputable Do by these Presents testify and declare my consent unto the said Power of Attorney executed to said Benjamin Larrabee as aforesaid, and to what has been acted thereupon, and do by this Instrument constitute & appoint the said Benjamin Larrabee to be my true & lawfull attorney for the ends & purposes aforesaid Viz^t for granting Lands and making conveyances thereof within the said two Townships in like Manner as is more at large sett forth in the aforementioned Letter of Attorney executed by my other partners. Hereby for my self & my Heirs covenanting and agreeing to ratify and confirm what our said Attorney Benjamin Larrabee Esq^r has acted or shall lawfully act & do in the Premises. In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand & Seal in Boston this Ninth day of December Anno Domini one thousand Seven hundred & Forty one in the Fifteenth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second by the Grace of God King of Great Brittain &c

B Wentworth & a Seal.

Signed Sealed & Delivered

In Presence of Us.

Tho^s Parker

Henry Gibbs

Suffolk Ss Boston December 9th 1741.

His Excellency Benning Wentworth Esq^r personally appearing acknowledged the within & above written Instrument to be his Voluntary Act & Deed.

Before me

Daniel Henchman Just: Pac:

Dec^r 11th 1741.

The above is a true Copy from the Originall recorded p me
Belcher Noyes.

May 3, 1742:

William Skinner & Lydia his Wife Daughter of John Watts Esq^r Deceased, confirmation of Benjamin Larrabee Esq^{rs} power to Execute Deeds to the Setlers in Brunswick and Topsham dated July 16: 1737.

Know all men by these presents that whereas William Skinner of Boston in the County of Suffolk & Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Gentlemen & Lydia his wife, the said Lydia being one of the Daughters & Heirs of John Watts late of George Town in the County of York in the Province aforesaid Esq^r are interested in a large Tract of Land in said County of York commonly known by the Name of Pejepscott Purchase which they hold in partnership with Adam Winthrop & Job Lewis both of Boston aforesaid Esq^{rs} & Others, and Whereas the said Adam Winthrop & others in order to bring forward the settlement of two Townships the one called Brunswick the other Topsham pursuant to the Original agreement of the whole partnership made in the Year 1715, did sometime since by a Letter of Attorney bearing Date July 16 1737 (which Letter of Attorney was executed in the behalf of the said Lydia by Caleb Richardson her Guardian she being at that time in her minority) author-

ize & impower Benjamin Larrabee Esq^r Commander Fort George in said Brunswick to admitt inhabitants & to grant Lotts of Land to them in either of said Townships & to pass Deeds thereof in the Name and behalf of the proprietors & to receive payments for the same for w^{ch} he was to account with said Proprietors.

Know Yee therefore that the said William & Lydia being desirous that Settlements should be brought forward as originally agreed, & that the conveyances of Lands to the Settlers should be Authentick & indisputable do by these Presents testify & declare their consent to the said Power of Attorney executed to the said Benjamin as aforesaid and to what has been acted thereupon, and do hereby constitute & appoint the said Benjamin their true & lawfull Attorney for the purposes aforesaid Viz^t for granting Lands & making Conveyances thereof within the said two Townships or either of them in like Manner, as is more at large sett forth in the aforementioned Letter of Attorney, executed as aforesaid; Hereby also for themselves & their Heirs covenanting & agreeing to ratify & Confirm what their said Attorney has acted or shall lawfully act in the premises. In Witness whereof they have hereunto sett their Hands & Seals this third day of May Anno Domini 1742.

William Skinner & a Seal

Lydia Skinner & a Seal

Signed Sealed & Delivered

In presence of us

William Lowder.

Ann Lowder.

Suffolk Ss Boston 3^d May 1742.

The withinnamed William Lowder personally appeared & made Oath that he was present & saw the within mentioned William Skinner & Lydia Skinner execute this Instrument

as their Act & Deed & that He with Ann Lowder signed at the same time as Witnesses thereunto

Before me

Thomas Hubbard Just: Peace

May 3, 1742.

The above is a true Copy from the Original recorded p me
Belcher Noyes

The Proprietors Deed to Samuel White of Boston.

May 12 1721.

To all People to whom these Presents shall come John Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire Esq^r Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop & David Jeffries all of Boston in the County of Suffolk in the province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Esq^{rs} Stephen Minott & John Ruck both of Boston aforesaid Merchants and John Penhallow of George Town in the County of York Esq^r & Elizabeth his Wife, Executrix of the last Will of John Watts late of George Town afores^d Esq^r deceased proprietors of Brunswick & Topsham &c on the one part, and Samuel White of Boston aforesaid Merchant on the other part Send Greeting. Know Yee that whereas there hath arisen some Dispute between the said Proprietors and the said Samuel White touching a small tract of Land lying upon Mair point in Casco Bay, the said partys respectively deeming themselves to have a Right & Title thereunto; Therefore for Maintaining a good Friendship and Correspondence between them & in dependance on the said White's carrying on, as he has proposed good Improvements to the benefitting of the Settlements in those parts. It is mutually conceded and Agreed

That there shall be sett off and laid out to the said Samuel White at his Charge in lieu of his and his Familys pretensions, Fifty Acres of Land on Mair point to ly on the Easterly side of a Run of Water which goes across Mair point Neck, provided the said Land (which is to run across the said Neck from Water to Water & to cutt the Neck at right Angles or the shortest way over) beginning at the Run of Water aforesaid and running Easterly till it make up Fifty Acres do not reach further Eastward or up the Bay on Merry-coneeg Side than the South westerly point of a large Cove, which runs into the Neck on that side over against a small Island lying next above Birch Island, But in case the said Fifty Acres shall upon Tryall be found to reach further Easterly than the abovementioned point of the said Cove, Then the said Fifty Acres to be taken up between Coll^o Minots & M^r Wentworth's Lotts on that Neck, and it is further conceded that the small Island beforementioned lying next above Birch Island shall be & remain to the said Samuel White his heirs and assigns forever. And there are further granted to the Said Samuel White his heirs & assigns forever Two hundred Acres of Land in the Township of Brunswick and two hundred Acres more of Land in the Township of Topsham, some part of it to border upon the River, or Bay, in expectation that he will build upon the same & putt it under improvement in convenient time. The several parcells of Land abovementioned to be surveyed & laid out at the Charge of said White. The said Samuel White also by these presents for himself & in behalf of the several descendents of his Grandfather M^r Nicholas White deceased, renouncing & for ever disclaiming all Right Title or pretensions to any Other Land at Mair point. In token of their Agreement to the abovementioned Articles the Respective parties have to these presents interchangeably sett their hands & Seals this Twelfth day of May Anno Domini 1721, in the seventh

Year of the Reign of his Majesty King George over Great Brittain.

J: Wentworth & a Seal
Tho^s Hutchinson & a Seal
Adam Winthrop & a Seal
Stephen Minott & a Seal
David Jeffries & a Seal
John Ruck & a Seal
John Penhallow & a Seal
Elizabeth Penhallow & a Seal

Signed Sealed & delivered
by Mess^{rs} Hutchinson, Winthrop,
Jeffries, Minott, & Ruck in
presence of

Howard Wyborne.

George Minott.

Signed Sealed & delivered by the
Honourable John Wentworth Esq^r

In the presence of

Edward Hutchinson

Theo: Lillie

Signed Sealed & dd by John Penhallow Esq^r
& Elizabeth his Wife In presence of

Tho: Selby.

Richie Love.

Suffolk Ss Boston December 26, 1732.

Thomas Hutchinson, Adam Winthrop, & John Ruck Esq^{rs}
personally Appeared & acknowledged the Instrument on the
other side to be their Act & Deed

Before me

Edward Hutchinson Just. Pac:

The above is a true Coppy from the Original Instrument
& recorded by the Desire of the prop^{rs}

By Belcher Noyes

July 3^d 1742.

Mem^d The Counterpart to this Agreem^t is supposed to be in the hands of Coll Minotts heirs who purchased the 50^a at Mare point. . . . 200^a laid out in Brunswick was purchased by M^r Hooton. . . . 200^a laid out in Topsham was purchased by Jonas Clark now owned by Ste Minott. . . .

Proprietors Deed To Isaac Hall.

Sept. 12, 1743

To all People to whom these presents shall come Benning Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of Newhampshire in New England Esq^r Adam Winthrop, Joseph Wadsworth & Job Lewis Esq^{rs} John Fayrweather Esq^r & Hannah Fayrweather Widdow Executors to the Last Will & Testament of Thomas Fayrweather deceased Henry Gibbs Brasier, Beleher Noyes Physician William Skinner & Lydia his Wife all of Boston in the County of Suffolk in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Isaac Royall of Charlestown in the County of Middlesex & in the Province aforesaid Gentleman Thomas Westbrook of Falmouth in the County of York in the province of Massachusetts Bay aforesaid Esq^r & John Watts of George Town in the said County of York Gentleman.

Send Greeting.

Know yee that we the abovenamed do according to our Respective Shares & Interests for and in Consideration of the Sum of Five Shillings lawfull Money of New England to us in hand at & before the ensealing & delivery of these presents

well and truly paid by Isaac Hall of an Island called Sebasco degin in Casco bay Yeoman, and for other Valuable causes & considerations us thereunto moving; Have given granted, released, & confirmed, and by these presents do fully & freely Give, Grant, release, & confirm to the said Isaac Hall one hundred Acres of Land, situate lying & being upon the Island commonly called or known by the Name of the Island Sebasco-degin in Casco Bay in the County of York aforesaid in the Northerly part of said Island, said hundred Acres of Land is butted & bounded as follows, Viz^t Beginning at a pine Tree marked on four Sides, said Pine Tree bears South Twenty degrees west from the South west end of an Island lying between Bombazeen Island, & the great Gurnett so called, & from said Pine Tree to run South fifteen degrees west one hundred & sixty Poles into the Land, thence West one hundred and twenty six poles to a Cove running into said Island, thence Northerly by y^e Shore to the aforesaid Pine Tree the Bounds first Mentioned as surveyed by James Scales according to the Plan thereof returned into our Clerks Office To Have and to Hold the said one hundred Acres of Land with all & Singular the Priviledges and appurtenances there-to belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Isaac Hall his heirs & assigns forever. And we do hereby covenant & agree to warrant the same to the said Isaac Hall his heirs & assigns from us & each of us and our Heirs & from all & every person holding by from or under us or any of us. In Witness whereof we have hereunto sett our hands & Seals this Twelfth day of September Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred & Forty three in the Seventeenth year of His Majesties Reign

Adam Winthrop for $\frac{1}{8}$	& a Seal
Joseph Wadsworth for $\frac{1}{24}$	& a Seal
Job Lewis for $\frac{1}{8}$	& a Seal

Henry Gibbs	} for one	& a Seal
Belcher Noyes		& a Seal
W ^m Skinner	} Eighth.	& a Seal
Lydia Skinner		& a Seal
John Watts.		& a Seal
John Fayrweather.		& a Seal
Hannah Fayrweather.		& a Seal
Isaac Royall.		& a Seal

Signed Sealed & delivered
by Winthrop, Wadsworth,
Lewis, Gibbs & Noyes in
presence of us.

Stephen Apthorp
Edward Winslow Junior

Signed Sealed & delivered
by W^m Skinner, & Lydia
Skinner in presence of
William Lowder.
Benjamin Lowder.

By John Watts In presence of
Sam^l Downe
Edw^d Winslow Jun^r

By John Fayrweather Esq^r &
Hannah Fayrweather In presence of us
Hannah Tollman
Sarah Bradley

By Isaac Royall Esq^r In presence of us
Jeff. Johnson
William Story.

June 6, 1744 Acknowledged by John Watts Before
Sam^l Sewall Just Peace

Sept^r 24, 1747 Acknowledged by W^m Skinner & his Wife
Before

Jonas Clarke Just: Peace.

Sept^r 24 1747 Acknowledged by John Fayrweather Esq^r
& Hannah Fayrweather Before

Dan^l Henchman Just Pacis

Sept^r 26, 1747 Acknowledged by Isaac Royall Esq^r Before
Anth^o Stoddard Just Pacis

Suffolk Ss Boston Sept^r 14 1743

The withinnamed Adam Winthrop Joseph Wadsworth &
Job Lewis Esq^{rs} Mess^{rs} Henry Gibbs & Belcher Noyes per-
sonally appearing acknowledged the within written Instru-
ment to be their voluntary Act & Deed.

Before me

Daniel Henchman Just: Pacis

The above is a true Coppy taken from the Original, &
entred in this Book of Records for the said proprietors

p Belcher Noyes.

Proprietors Deed to Ebenezer Toothacre.

Sept^r 12: 1743.

To all People to whom these Presents shall come, Benning
Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hamp-
shire in New England Esq^r Adam Winthrop Joseph Wads-
worth Job Lewis Esq^{rs} John Fayrweather Esq^r & Hannah
Fayrweather Widdow Exec^{rs} to the Last Will & Testament
of Thomas Fayrweather deccased Henry Gibbs Brasier,
Belcher Noyes Physician William Skinner Gentleman &
Lydia his Wife all of Boston in the County of Suffolk in the
province of Massachusetts Bay in New England Isaac Royall

of Charlestown in the County of Middlesex, in the Province of Massachusetts Bay aforesaid Gentleman, Thomas Westbrook of Falmouth in the County of York in said Massachusetts Province Esq^r And John Watts of George Town in the said County of York aforesaid Gentleman

Send Greeting.

Know yee that we the above named do according to our Respective Shares & Interests for & in consideration of the sum of Five Shillings lawfull Money of New England to us in hand at and before the ensealing & delivery of these presents well & truly paid by Ebenezer Toothacre of an Island called Sebasco degin in Casco-bay yeoman and for other valuable causes & Considerations us thereunto moving; Have Given Granted released & confirmed, and by these presents do fully & freely Give Grant release & Confirm to the said Ebenezer Toothacre one hundred Acres of Land scituate lying & being upon the Island commonly called or known by the Name of the Island Sebasco degin in Casco-bay in the County of York aforesaid in the Northerly part of said Island, said hundred Acres of Land is butted & bounded as follows Viz^t Beginning at a Pine Tree marked on y^e four Sides & from thence running South fifteen degrees west one hundred & Sixty Rods there bordering upon Land granted to Isaac Hall then running y^e Same Course twenty Rods, then running East one hundred twenty three Rods, then running North Forty five Rods to the Shore and is bounded Easterly & Northerly by the Salt water, untill it comes to y^e aforesaid Pine Tree, first above mentioned as surveyed by James Scales according to the plan thereof returned into our Clerk's office. To Have and to Hold the said one hundred Acres of Land with all & Singular the Priviledges & Appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise Appertaining unto him the said Ebenezer Toothacre his Heirs & assigns forever. And we do hereby covenant & agree to warrant the same to the

said Ebenezer Toothacre his Heirs & Assigns from us & each of us & our Heirs & from all & every person holding by from or under us or any of us. In Witness whereof we have hereunto sett our Hands & Seals this Twelfth day of September Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred & Forty three in the seventeenth Year of his Majesties Reign

Adam Winthrop	for $\frac{1}{8}$	& a Seal
Joseph Wadsworth	$\frac{1}{24}$	& a Seal
Job Lewis	$\frac{1}{8}$	& a Seal
Henry Gibbs	} for	& a Seal
Belcher Noyes	} $\frac{1}{8}$	& a Seal
William Skinner	}	& a Seal
Lydia Skinner	} $\frac{1}{8}$	& a Seal
John Watts		& a Seal
John Fayrweather	$\frac{1}{8}$	& a Seal
Hannah Fayrweather		& a Seal
Isaac Royall	$\frac{1}{8}$ & $\frac{2}{3}^{\text{ds}}$	& a Seal

Signed Sealed & dd by
 Winthrop Wadsworth Lewis
 Gibbs & Noyes In presence of us
 Stephen Apthorpe.
 Edward Winslow Junior.

Signed Sealed & delivered
 by W^m Skinner & Lydia Skinner
 In presence of
 William Lowder
 Benj^a Lowder

By John Watts in presence of
 Sam^l Downe
 Edward Winslow Jun^r

By John & Hannah Fayrweather

In presence of us.

Sarah Bradley.

Hannah Tollman

By Isaac Royall Esq^r In presence of us

Jeff: Johnson.

William Story

June 6 1744. Acknowledged by John Watts Before

Samuel Sewall Just Peace

Sept^r 24 1747. Acknowledged by W^m Skinner & his
Wife before

Jonas Clarke Just Peace

Sept^r 24 1747 Acknowledged by John Fayrweather Esq^r
& Hannah Fayrweather, Before

Danⁿ Henchman, Just Pacis

Sept^r 26 1747 Acknowledged by Isaac Royall Esq^r Before

Anth^o Stoddard, Just Pacis.

Suffolk Ss Boston September 14, 1743.

The withinnamed Adam Winthrop Joseph Wadsworth &
Job Lewis Mess^{rs} Henry Gibbs & Belcher Noyes personally
appearing acknowledged the within written Instrument to be
their Voluntary Act & Deed

Before me

Daniel Henchman Just: Pacis.

The above is a true Coppy taken from the Original &
entred in this Book of Records for the said Proprietors

P Belcher Noyes.

Proprietors Deed to Richard Jaques.

Sept. 14, 1743

To all People to whom these presents shall come Benning
Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hamp-

shire in New England Esq^r Adam Winthrop Joseph Wadsworth & Job Lewis Esq^{rs} John Fayrweather Esq^r & Hannah Fayrweather Widdow Executors to the Last Will & Testament of Thomas Fayrweather deceased, Henry Gibbs Brasier Belcher Noyes Physician, William Skinner Gentleman & Lydia his Wife all of Boston in the County of Suffolk in the Province of the Massachusetts-Bay in New England Isaac Royall of Charlestown in the County of Middlesex & in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay afores^d Gentleman, Thomas Westbrook of Falmouth in y^e County of York in the Massachusetts Province aforesaid Esq^r & John Watts of George Town in the said County of York Gent^a

Send Greeting.

Know Yee that we the abovenamed do according to our Respective Shares & Interests for and in Consideration of the Sum of Five Shillings lawfull Money of New England to us in hand well & truly paid by Richard Jaques of North Yarmouth in the County of York & province aforesaid Yeoman, & for other valuable Causes & Considerations us thereunto moving, Have Given, Granted, released, & Confirmed, And by these Presents do fully & freely Give, Grant, release, & Confirm to the said Richard Jaques One hundred Acres of Land Scituate lying & being on a certain Island commonly called or known by the Name of Little Sebascodegin Island in Casco bay in the County of York & province of Massachusetts Bay aforesaid; said one hundred Acres of Land is butted & bounded as follows Viz^t On the North East point of said Island, beginning at the head of the Cove running in the South east Side of said Island thence Northwest across the Neck of said Island to Merryconeeg River, thence Northeasterly by the Shore to y^e upper point of s^d Island thence round y^e point of y^e Cove & Northeasterly by the Shore to the head of the Cove the Bounds first mentioned so as to contain one hundred of Land & no more To Have and to

Hold the said one hundred Acres of Land with all & Singular the Priviledges & Appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Richard Jaques his heirs & assigns forever: And we do hereby covenant & agree to Warrant the same to the said Richard Jaques his heirs & assigns from us & each of us & our Heirs & from all & every person holding by from or under us or any of us. In Witness whereof we have hereunto sett our hands & Seals this Fourteenth day of September Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred & Forty three in the Seventeenth Year of his Majesties Reign

Adam Winthrop	1/8	& a Seal
Joseph Wadsworth	1/24	& a Seal
Job Lewis	1/8	& a Seal
Henry Gibbs	}	& a Seal
Belcher Noyes	1/8	& a Seal
William Skinner		& a Seal
Lydia Skinner		& a Seal

Signed Sealed & dd by
 Winthrop, Wadsworth Lewis
 Gibbs & Noyes In presence of us
 Stephen Apthorp
 Edward Winslow Junior

Signed Sealed & dd by W^m Skinner
 & Lydia Skinner In presence of
 William Lower
 Benjamin Lowder.

100 acres on Little Sebascodegon Island—Viz N. E. point of s^d Island beginning at the head of the Cove runing in on S. E. side of s^d Island, thence N W. a Cross the Neck of s^d Island to Mereconege River, thence N Easterly by the Shore to the upper point of s^d Island thence Round the Point

of the Cove, & North Easterly by the Shore to the head of the Cove to the bounds first mentioned so as to include & contain one hundred Acres & no more.

Suffolk Ss Boston September 14, 1743

The withinnamed Adam Winthrop Joseph Wadsworth & Job Lewis Esq^{rs} Mess^{rs} Henry Gibbs & Belcher Noyes personally appearing Acknowledged the within written Instrument to be their Voluntary Act & Deed

Before me

Daniel Henchman Just: Pacis

The above is a true Coppy taken from the Original & entred in this Book of Records for the Said proprietors

P Belcher Noyes

Proprietors Deed To Henry Gibbs.

March 3: 1739.

To all to whom these presents shall come Jacob Royall Esq^r as Executor to the Last Will & Testament of his Brother Isaac Royall Esq^r late of Charlestown deceased & Guardian to the Children of said Isaac Royall, Adam Winthrop Esq^r Joseph Wadsworth Esq^r Job Lewis Esq^r Hannah Fayrweather Widdow of Thomas Fayrweather late of Boston deceased Belcher Noyes Physician Mather Byles Clerk & Anna his Wife Sarah Bridgham Widdow, Katharine Noyes Widdow Guardian to Oliver Noyes a Minor Lydia Watts Spinster all of Boston in the County of Suffolk & province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Thomas Westbrook Esq^r of Falmouth, John Watts of George Town Merchant in the County of York & province aforesaid; and Benning Went-

worth Esq^r of Portsmouth in the Province of New-Hampshire in New England

Send Greeting.

Know Yee, That we the said Royall, Winthrop, Wadsworth Lewis Fayrweather, Noyes, Byles & Anna his Wife Bridgham, Noyes, Watts, Westbrook, Watts, and Wentworth for and in Consideration of the good Services performed and to be performed to our Propriety by Henry Gibbs of Boston aforesaid, and in consideration of Five Shillings Sterling to us in hand paid by said Henry Gibbs the receipt whereof we do hereby Acknowledge, Have given, granted conveyed and assigned and do by these presents give, grant convey and assign to the said Henry Gibbs Two hundred Acres of Land scituate lying & being upon a Neck of Land in Casco-bay in the County of York commonly known by the Name of Merryconeeg Neck said two hundred Acres lying at the Southerly End of said Neck being the Southeast Prong of said neck containing five hundred and Eighty poles in length bounded North east by a Divisional Line dividing said Land from other Land belonging to the Propriety there measuring two hundred & twenty poles, & on all other sides by the Sea, as appears by a plan of said two hundred Acres hereto annexed Together with all Woods, underwoods, priviledges & appurtenances thereto belonging to him the said Henry Gibbs his heirs & assigns forever. To Have and to Hold the said Two hundred Acres of Land with the priviledges & appurtenances to him and his heirs & assigns forever; And we do hereby covenant & agree so far as we are respectively interested in said Land to warrant & defend the same to the said Henry Gibbs his heirs & assigns against the Claims & Demands of our respective Heirs & all holding by from or under us. In Testimony whereof we the abovenamed according to our respective Shares & Interest have hereunto sett our hands & Seals third day of March in the Year of our Lord one thou-

sand seven hundred & Thirty Nine in the Thirteenth Year
of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second King
of Great Brittain.

Jacob Royall Exec ^r	& a Seal
Adam Winthrop	& a Seal
Joseph Wadsworth	& a Seal
Job Lewis,	& a Seal
Belcher Noyes,	& a Seal

Signed Sealed & delivered by
Royall, Winthrop, Wadsworth
Lewis & Noyes In presence of
Benjamin Parker
John Ashe.

Katharine Noyes	& a Seal
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Signed Sealed & delivered by
Katharine Noyes In presence of us
David Jeffries Jun^r
Rebecca Oliver

Hannah Fayrweather	& a Seal
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Signed Sealed & delivered by
Hannar Fayrweather In presence of us
Sam^l Fayrweather
Elizabeth Hall.

John Watts	& a Seal
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Witnesses to John Watts. Viz^t
Cornelius Soul.
Joshua Williams

Tho ^s Westbrook	& a Seal
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Signed Sealed & dd by
Tho^s Westbrook In presence of us
Charles Frost,
Joanna Frost

Anna Byles	& a Seal
Sarah Bridgham	& a Seal

Signed Sealed & dd by Anna Byles
& Sarah Bridgham In presence of us,

Thomas Boylston

Nathⁿ Boylston

Lydia Watts

& a Seal

Signed sealed & dd by Lydia Watts

In presence of us

Moses Bass

W^m Skinner

I Benning Wentworth do allow & confirm the above Instrument.
B Wentworth & a Seal.

Suffolk Ss. Boston Dec^r 8, 1741.

His Excellency Benning Wentworth Esq^r personally appeared & acknowledged the aforewritten Instrument to be his free Act & Deed.

Before me

John Ruck Just Peace.

Suffolk Ss Boston March 8, 1739/40

The within named Jacob Royall Adam Winthrop Joseph Wadsworth, Job Lewis & Belcher Noyes personally appearing Acknowledged the within written Instrument to be their Act & Deed.

Before me,

Joshua Chever Just: Peace

Suffolk Ss Boston April 2^d 1740.

M^{rs} Katharine Noyes acknowledged the within written Instrument^t by her executed to be her Act & Deed

Before me,

Jacob Wendell Just. Peace

Suffolk Ss Boston May 6 1740.

M^{rs} Hannah Fayrweather appeared & Acknowledged the Instrument by her signed on the other Side to be her free Act & Deed.

Before me,

John Fayrweather Just Peace.

York Ss May 12, 1740.

M^r John Watts personally appeared & acknowledged the within Instrument to be his Act & Deed.

Before me,

Samuel Denny Just Peace

York Ss May 19, 1740.

Then Thomas Westbrook Esq^r acknowledged that he signed & Executed the within Instrument as his free Act & Deed (being signed as Witnesses) at the same time by Charles Frost & Joanna Frost. Coram

Cha: Frost Just Peace.

Suffolk Ss Boston June 9, 1740.

Then Anna Byles & Sarah Bridgham appeared & acknowledged y^e Instrument by them signed on the Other Side to be their free Act & Deed

Before me,

Tho^s Hubbard Just peace.

Suffolk Ss Boston March 28, 1741.

Then personally appeared the aforementioned Lydia Watts & acknowledged the aforewritten Instrument by her executed to be her Voluntary Act & Deed

Before me,

Samuel Welles Just Pacis

The above written Deed executed to M^r Henry Gibbs is a true Copy as compared with the Original & recorded in this Book of Records for the said proprietors.

P Belcher Noyes.

M^r Isaac Royalls Deed To Henry Gibbs.

Feb: 3, 1740.

To all People to whom these presents shall come Isaac Royall of Charlestown in y^e County of Middlesex in the

Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Gentleman send Greeting

Know Yee That I the said Isaac Royall for & in consideration of the Good Service performed to our propriety by our Partner Henry Gibbs of Boston in the County of Suffolk in the Province aforesaid Brazier and in Consideration of Five Shillings Sterling to me in hand paid by said Henry Gibbs the Receipt whereof I do hereby Acknowledge Have given granted conveyed & assigned & Do by these Presents Give Grant Convey & Assign to the said Henry Gibbs Two hundred Acres of Land scituate lying & being upon a Neck of Land in Casco-Bay in the County of York commonly known by y^e Name of Merryconeeg Neck, Said Two hundred Acres lying at the Southerly end of said Neck being the South east Prong of said Neck containing Five hundred & Eighty poles in Length bounded North east by y^e Land, by a Divisional Line dividing said Land from other Land belonging to the propriety there measuring Two hundred & Twenty poles & on all other Sides is bounded by the Sea (as appears by a Plan of the same annexed to the Deed made by my other partners to said Gibbs bearing date the third day of March 1739.) Together with all woods Under woods priviledges & appurtenances thereto belonging to him the said Henry Gibbs his heirs & assigns forever. To Have and to Hold the said Two hundred Acres of Land with the Priviledges & Appurtenances to him & his heirs & assigns forever, and I do hereby covenant and agree so far as I am respectively interested in said Land to warrant & Defend the same to the said Henry Gibbs his heirs & assigns, and holding by from or under me. In Testimony whereof I the abovenamed Isaac Royall according to my Respective Share & Interest have hereunto sett my hand & Seal this Third day of February in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & Forty in the Four-

teenth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second King of Great Brittain &c.

Isaac Royall & a Seal.

Signed Sealed & dd In presence of us

Joseph Royall

Rebecca Kennedy.

Suffolk Ss Boston Feb^y 6, 1740/1.

M^r Isaac Royall appeared before me the Subscriber one of his Majesties Justices of y^e peace & acknowledged the above Instrument to be his Voluntary Act & Deed

Before me

Jacob Royall J P^s—

Attest Jer. Moulton Reg^r

The above written Deed is a true Coppy from the Original & compared with the Original & recorded at y^e desire of M^r Henry Gibbs

P Belcher Noyes

Assignment of Sebasco-degin Island.

Dec^r 21, 1741.

To all People to whom these Presents shall come Benning Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Esq^r & Governour of said Province Adam Winthrop Joseph Wadsworth & Job Lewis Esq^{rs} Henry Gibbs Brasier Belcher Noyes Physician Oliver Noyes Merchant John Fayrweather Esq^r & Hannah Fayrweather Widdow as Executors to the Last Will & Testament of Thomas Fayrweather late of Boston deceased Lydia Watts Spinster all of Boston in the County of Suffolk and Province of the Massachusetts Bay In New England, Isaac Royall of

Charlestown in the County of Middlesex & Province aforesaid Gentleman, Thomas Westbrook of Falmouth in the County of York & Province aforesaid Esq^r John Watts of George Town in said County of York & Province aforesaid Gentleman.

Send Greeting

Know Yee, that whereas the Honourable John Wentworth Esq^r Adam Winthrop Thomas Hutchinson David Jeffries Oliver Noyes Stephen Minott John Ruck & John Watts Esq^{rs} did in the Year 1714 purchase a considerable Tract of Land within the County of York in New England aforesaid called by the Name of Pejepscott as p Deed on Record in the County of York reference thereto being had may more fully & at large appear. And the abovenamed John Wentworth Esq^r with the rest of the Proprietors did lay out to themselves & their Heirs respectively Two Farms to be to each of their Partners & to be held by them in Severalty & did accordingly assign their first Divisional Lotts to front Southerly on Merrymeeting Bay Swan Island & Mair-point being likewise appropriated to compleat their said first Division, and their second Divisionall Lotts were laid out in Sagadehoc River beginning at the Northern or uppermost side of a small River which lyes right over against M^r Watts Brick house at Arrowsick Island & runs westerly into the Land across said Neck, Each Lott to run up the River three quarters of a Mile in Front upon a direct Line as p their Deed of Partition bearing date December 31, 1719 on record may more fully & at large appear: And whereas it happens that the said second Divisional Lotts assigned to the said Thomas Hutchinson David Jeffries Oliver Noyes & John Watts their other Partners interfere with the claims of others and liable to controversy in the Law, and no Prospect of obtaining any Benefitt by Vertue of said assignment, and Provision being made in such Case either to compound Jointly or otherwise to defend & secure the same in course of law at their Joint

Charge unto the said Grantee his heirs & assigns or in failure thereof to appropriate or assign unto him & his heirs an equivalent for the Land so recovered from him in some other part of their Purchase as by a Mutual Agreement under the Hands & Seals of all the Partners bearing date September 4th 1716 duly executed & on Record may more fully & at large appear. And inasmuch as the second divisional Lotts assigned unto the said John Wentworth Adam Winthrop Stephen Minott & John Ruck are held by their respective heirs & assigns in quiet & peaceable possession to their great Advantage & Benefitt to which the other Proprietors have contributed in order thereto, and the Heirs and assigns of said Thomas Hutchinson David Jeffries Oliver Noyes & John Watts have reaped no Benefitt, nor are they like to enjoy their said Divisional Lotts, by reason of those second Divisional Lotts falling within the antient Claims of others. In Order therefore that equal Justice may be done to the Heirs & assigns of said Thomas Hutchinson David Jeffries Oliver Noyes & John Watts and in due Regard to said Covenant & Obligation We the abovenamed the now present Proprietors Do by these Presents assign over convey & confirm unto the Heirs & assigns of the said Thomas Hutchinson David Jeffries Oliver Noyes & John Watts and to their Respective heirs & assigns forever to be held by them in Severalty; a Certain Island within our Purchase lying in Casco-bay in the County of York & Province aforesaid on the Easterly side of Merryconeeg Neck, which Island is commonly Known by the Name of Great Sebasco degin Island alias Shapleigh Island being formerly purchased of the Heirs of Major Nicholas Shapleigh be the same more or less. Together with all the Marshes Woods, & all other Profitts & Priviledges to the said Island or any part thereof belonging or in any wise Appertaining. To Have and to Hold the said Island of Sebasco degin alias Shapleighs Island unto them

& their respective Heirs & assigns according to their Just Proportions & Shares as an Equivalent for the Second divisional Lotts assigned to said Thomas Hutchinson David Jeffries Oliver Noyes & John Watts And we do hereby mutually covenant & oblige our Selves our Heirs Executors & administrators to warrant & defend the said granted Premises unto the respective Partys their Heirs & assigns forever according to said Covenant on Record. In Testimony whereof we have hereunto sett our Hands & Seals this Twenty first day of December Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred & Forty one in the Fifteenth of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King George the Second.

Joseph Wadsworth	& a Seal
John Fayrweather	& a Seal
Hannah Fayrweather	& a Seal
Job Lewis	& a Seal

Signed Sealed & delivered
by His Excellency Benning Wentworth Esq^r
In presence of us

Henry Gibbs	& a Seal
Belcher Noyes	& a Seal
Oliver Noyes	& a Seal
Isaac Royall	& a Seal
Lydia Watts	& a Seal
John Watts	& a Seal

Signed Sealed & delivered
by Joseph Wadsworth John Fayrweather
Hannah Fayrweather Job Lewis Belcher
Noyes, Henry Gibbs & Oliver Noyes In
presence of us.

Caleb Lyman
Lemuel Gowen

Signed Sealed and delivered by Isaac Royall In presence
of us

Simon Tufts William Grigg.

Signed Sealed & delivered by Lydia Watts In presence
of us

William Lowder William Skinner

Signed Sealed & delivered by John Watts In presence of us
Barth° Gidney John Greenleaf.

Suffolk Ss Boston December 21, 1741.

Then John Fayweather Joseph Wadsworth Job Lewis
Esq^{rs} Belcher Noyes Henry Gibbs Oliver Noyes and Hannah
Fayweather personally appeared & acknowledged y^e within
written Instrument to be their voluntary Act & Deed.

Before me,

Caleb Lyman Just: Peace.

Middlesex Ss Charlestown January 11, 1741

Then M^r Isaac Royall personally Appeared & Acknowl-
edged the within written Instrument to be his Voluntary
Act & Deed

Before me

Simon Tufts Just: Paci^a

Suffolk Ss Boston January 16, 1741.

Then M^{rs} Lydia Watts personally Appeared & Acknowl-
edged the within written Instrument to be her free Act &
Deed

Before me

Caleb Lyman Just Peace.

Suffolk Ss Boston April 20, 1742

Then M^r John Watts appeared & acknowledged the within
written Instrument to be his free Act & Deed

Before me

Caleb Lyman Just Peace.

The above written Instrument is a true Coppy from the Original & is recorded in this Book of Records for the said Proprietors.

P Belcher Noyes.

del the original to Sam^l Hinckley to record in the County of York. received y^e same from York & putt on file.
Aug. 9, 1749.

Att a Meeting of a Number of the Proprietors of Pejepscott Lands on Wednesday August 9, 1749.

Present

Joseph Wadsworth Esq ^r	1/3 of 1/8
Job Lewis Esq ^r	1/8.
Isaac Royall Esq ^r	1/8 of 2/3
Cap ^t John Watts	1/2 of 1/8
M ^r William Skinner	1/4 of 1/8
D ^r Belcher Noyes	2/5 of 1/8.

What is here entred was agreed to and Concluded on by the said Proprietors.

Whereas Coll: Joseph Heath was formerly Agent for the Proprietors of Brunswick & Topsham & by their Order did sign a Number of printed Deeds to the Setlers in said Brunswick & Topsham, on certain Conditions of Settlement, & for the payment of Five pounds money, which Deeds are to be esteemed good to the possessors of them, but inasmuch as they have not paid said sum to this day. And Whereas Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes & William Skinner are impowered to go down to the Eastern parts; We the Subscribers Proprietors of said Brunswick & Topsham do hereby authorize & empower said Noyes & Skinner to receive of those Setlers at Topsham, who are possessed of said Deeds signed by Joseph Heath, the said Sum of Five pounds, and in Consideration our Currency is so depreciated, We direct that they now pay Thirty pounds old tenor, unto said Noyes & Skinner and their receipt shall

be a Discharge in full to the possessors of said Deeds. Witness our Hands the Day and Year abovewritten.

NB Said Skinner & Noyes to be Accountable to the proprietors of Topsham for the same.

Signed by

Job Lewis.

Joseph Wadsworth, for the
part he's propriety of.

John Watts.—

Isaac Royall

Entred & Recorded.

P Belcher Noyes.

Tho^s Gyles's Deed of Quitt Claim.

Aug^t 15, 1727.

To all People unto whom these presents shall come, Thomas Gyles Ferryman, John Gyles Gentⁿ, Mary Brewer Widdow and Jonas Webber Lawyer and Margaret^t his Wife all of Boston in the County of Suffolk in New England (which said Thomas and John Gyles are Sons & Mary and Margaret^t are the Daughters of Thomas Gyles late of Pemmaquid in New England Yeoman deceased) Send Greeting

Know Yee, That in consideration that Adam Winthrop & Stephen Minott both of said Boston Esq^{rs} a Committee in behalf of the Pejepscott Company so called, have delivered sett off, and Quittclaimed to us, Two Tracts or parcells of Land on Merrymeeting Bay, Viz^t Sixty Acres on the point where our Fathers House stood and Five hundred & fifteen Acres on Cathance point, so called, over against it as an Equivalent for our said Father's right in the Neck of Land on Muddy river point, & all other Lands of our said Father, lying in the Township of Topsham We the said Thomas

Gyles, John Gyles, Mary Brewer, Jonas & Margaret Webber in consideration of the premisses, and for divers other good Causes us thereunto moving, Have Given Granted Sold, remised, released & Quittclaimed, And by these presents Do fully, freely, & absolutely remise release give, grant sell, Quitclaim unto the said Adam Winthrop & Stephen Minott a Committee as aforesaid, for the Use of themselves & the rest of the Pejepscott Company, and to their Heirs and Assigns forever, All our, and Each of our Right Title Interest Shares & proportions of in and to all the other Lands in the Township of Topsham aforesaid, which was the Estate of our said Father Thomas Gyles, and whereof he dyed seized & particularly the Neck of Land on Muddy river point aforesaid. To Have and to Hold the said granted & released Land and premisses with the Appurtenances unto the said Adam Winthrop, Stephen Minott and the rest of the Pejepscott Company, and to their Heirs & Assigns forever. To their only sole and proper Use Benefitt and Behoof forever so that of and from all Right, Estate, Title, Interest property, reclaim, Challenge or demand to be by us the said Thomas Gyles, John Gyles, Mary Brewer, Jonas Webber, & Margaret his Wife, had made, or claimed of in or to the said granted & released Land, & premisses We & each & Every of us & our heirs shall & will be excluded & forever be barred therefrom, by force and Vertue of these presents. Witness our hands & Seals hereunto putt this fifteenth day of August Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred & Twenty seven.—

Thomas Gyles & a Seal

John Gyles & a Seal

Mary ^{her}
X Brewer & a Seal
_{mark}

Jonas Webber & a Seal

Margaret ^{her}
X Webber & a Seal
_{mark}

Signed Sealed & delivered In presence of

Thomas Welsh

Joseph Heath

Suffolk Ss Boston August 21, 1727.

Thomas Gyles, John Gyles, Mary Brewer, Jonas Webber,
& Margaret Webber, Appearing Acknowledged the above In-
strument to be their Act & Deed.

Before me,

Habijah Savage Just: Pacis.

Entred & Recorded from the Original.

P Belcher Noyes.

Quitclaim from Sam^l Yorke.

June 30, 1721.

To all Persons to whom these Presents shall come Samuel
York of Ipswich in the County of Essex in the Province of
the Massachusetts Bay Shoreman Sendeth Greeting.

Know yee That I the said Samuel York Administrator to
the Estate of my Father Samuel York late of Gloucester in
the County aforesaid deceased in Consideration of three hun-
dred Acres of Land granted to me & the Descendants of my
Father by Adam Winthrop Esq^r and Stephen Minott Mer-
chant both of Boston in the County of Suffolk in the Province
aforesaid as by their Deed of this date reference thereunto
being had will more fully Appear. Have released and quit-
claimed & Do by these Presents For my Self and the other
Descendants of my said Father freely & fully release & quit-
claim to the said Adam Winthrop & Stephen Minott & their
Partners proprietors of Land at Brunswick and Topsham
All right Title and Pretension to the Lands at a place now
called Topsham where my said Father formerly dwelt or any

Lands in the Propriety of said Winthrop, Minott and partners. As Witness my Hand & Seal in Boston this thirtieth day of June Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred & Twenty one.—

Sam^l Yorke and a Seal.

Signed Sealed & dd in presence of

Adam Winthrop Jun^r

James Minott—

Suffolk Ss Boston April 12 1731.

The abovenamed Samuel York personally Appearing Acknowledged the above written Instrument to be his Voluntary Act & Deed.

Before me

John Ballantine Just: Pacis

Entred & recorded from the Original.

P Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk

rec'd of G. Minott Octob^r 1st: 1755.

Winthrop & Minotts Deed to Sam^l Yorke.

June 13: 1721.

Whereas Samuel York did heretofore Possess & Inhabit some Land fronting upon Merrymeeting Bay at a Place now called Topsham, and Whereas Samuel York of Ipswich in the County of Essex in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New-England Shoreman has in Behalf of himself & his Brethren Descendants from Samuel York first abovenamed signed an Instrument of Quittclaim of said Lands unto John Wentworth Thomas Hutchinson Esq^{rs} & others their Partners Proprietors of Lands at Brunswick, Topsham &c releasing & disclaiming any Right or Pretension to Lands in those parts in consideration thereof We Adam Winthrop

Esq^r & Stephen Minott Merch^t both of Boston in the County of Suffolk in the Province aforesaid Two of the Partners above mentioned being authorized thereunto Do for our Selves & all Partners grant unto him the said Samⁿ Yorke & the Descendants of his Father Samuel Yorke deceased to them their Heirs & Assigns forever; Three Lotts of Land containing One hundred Acres in each Lott within the Township of Topsham fronting on Merrymeeting Bay to be taken up on their behalf by Capt^t John Gyles, & Lieuten^t Joseph Heath in any Lotts not already taken up as near as may be to the Place where his Father Samⁿ Yorke dwelt. As Witness our Hands & Seals in Boston this thirteenth day of June Anno Domini seventeen hundred & Twenty one

Adam Winthrop, & a Seal

Stephen Minott, & a Seal

Signed Sealed & Delivered In presence of.

(the above Interlinement being first made.)

Adam Winthrop Junior

James Minott.

Suffolk Ss Boston April 12 1731. The within named Adam Winthrop & Stephen Minott Esq^{rs} personally Appearing acknowledged the within Instrument to be their Voluntary Act & Deed

Before me

John Ballantine Justice Peace.

A true Copy from the Original received May 12 1731.

Attest Joseph Moody Register.

Entred & recorded from an Attested Copy

P Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

In Consequence of this Deed one Benj^r Thomas cheated the Prop^r out of 900 Acres of Land, who had Sold it to Joseph Denison Esq. and John Robinson laid out 500^a who had no Right so to do & sold it to Wincholl & Staples

Deed to Adam Hunter, Nov^r 10, 1753.

Nov^r 12 1753.

deed dd—Dec^r 9, 1755.

To all Persons to whom these Presents shall come Henry Gibbs of Newtown in the County of Middlesex & Province of the Massachusetts bay in New England Esq^r William Skinner Gentleman & Belcher Noyes Physician both of Boston in the County of Suffolk & Province aforesaid, a Committee of the Proprietors of the Township of Brunswick, & Topsham in the County of York & Province aforesaid

Send Greeting.

Whereas Adam Hunter of Topsham aforesaid in the Year 1718, did take up two Lotts in said Township containing one hundred Acres in each Lott in right of said Proprietors of Topsham upon the Conditions following Viz^t That he should pay for each of the said Lotts the Sum of Five pounds in Money on demand & build a dwelling house on each of the said Lotts within two Years from said time, & dwell thereon for the Space of three Years, which Conditions when fulfilled, the said Lotts were to be conveyed to him his heirs and Assigns forever; the Conditions aforesaid excepting the payments of the Money aforesaid, have been performed by the said Hunter to the Satisfaction of the proprietors.

Now Know Yee, That we the said Henry Gibbs, William Skinner, & Belcher Noyes a Committee of the Proprietors aforesaid, in pursuance of a Vote of said Proprietors passed at their Meeting held on March 31st 1752 duly warned according to Law did Appoint & Authorize us the said Henry Gibbs, William Skinner & Belcher Noyes to execute good & lawfull Deeds to the Setlers in said Topsham of their respective Lotts on behalf of this Propriety as may more fully appear by said Vote on Record in the Proprietors Book reference thereunto being had; for and in Consideration of

the Sum of Eight pounds lawfull Money of said Province to us in hand well and truly paid by the said Adam Hunter in behalf of said Proprietors the receipt whereof we do Acknowledge, and do hereby discharge the said Adam Hunter his heirs, & assigns from any further Demand to be made by the Proprietors of said Topsham, Do by these Presents Convey Confirm & assign unto him the said Adam Hunter his heirs & assigns forever the aforesaid Lotts containing Two hundred Acres of Land within the said Township of Topsham bounded & described as follows; Viz^t fronting Southeast on Pejepscott River so called thereto measure Fifty rods to hold the same Breadth till the Quantity of two hundred Acres be compleated, bounding Northeast on Land of Richard Crain dec'd and Southwest on Land of said Proprietors, so as to comprehend two hundred Acres & no more Together with all & Singular the Privileges, Appurtenances, & Commodities to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining To Have and to Hold the said granted & bargained premisses, with all & Singular the Privileges & Appurtenances thereunto belonging unto him the said Adam Hunter his Heirs and Assigns forever To his and their only proper Use Benefitt & Behoof And we the said Henry Gibbs William Skinner & Belcher Noyes in our Capacity aforesaid by vertue of the above vote of the Proprietors of said Topsham do hereby covenant & agree to Warrant Confirm & defend them in the Possession of the Premises against the lawful Claims of all Persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof We the said Henry Gibbs William Skinner & Belcher Noyes in behalf of said Proprietors have hereunto Sett our hands & Seals this—Tenth Day of November Anno Domini 1753 in the Twenty seventh Year of His Majesty's Reign

Henry Gibbs & a Seal

William Skinner & a Seal

Belcher Noyes & a Seal

Signed Sealed & dd In presence of us.

Jonas Clarke

John Moffatt

Suffolk Ss Boston Nov^r 12th 1753.

Then Henry Gibbs Esq^r Mess^{rs} William Skinner & Belcher Noyes personally appearing Acknowledged this Instrument to be their Voluntary Act & Deed.

Before me

Jonas Clarke Justice Peace.

A True Copy examined & recorded

P Belcher Noyes Prop^r Clerk

Deed to W^m Reed.

Nov^r 13: 1753.

To all People to whom these Presents shall come Henry Gibbs of Newtown in the County of Middlesex, & Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Esquire, William Skinner Esq^r and Belcher Noyes Physician, both of Boston in the County of Suffolk, & Province aforesaid; a Committee of the Proprietors of the Townships of Brunswick & Topsham in the County of York & Province aforesaid.

Send Greeting.

Know yee, That we the said Henry Gibbs, William Skinner, and Belcher Noyes, in pursuance of a Vote passed at a Meeting of the Proprietors of Brunswick and Topsham aforesaid held on March 31 1752, duly warned according to Law, did Appoint and Authorize us the said Henry Gibbs, William Skinner, and Belcher Noyes to execute good & lawfull Deeds to the Setlers in said Topsham of their respective Lotts on behalf of this Propriety as may more fully appear by said Vote on Record in the Proprietor's Book reference

thereunto being had, For and in consideration of the Sum of Twenty one pounds six Shillings & eight pence, lawfull Money of said Province to us in hand well and truly paid by William Reed of said Topsham Yeoman in behalf of said Proprietors the receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge and do hereby discharge the said William Reed his heirs & Assigns from any further Demand to be made by the Proprietors of said Topsham: Do by these Presents convey confirm and assign unto him the said William Reed his heirs & assigns forever Three Lotts of Land within the said Township of Topsham containing in the whole Three hundred Acres bounded and described as follows Viz^t Northeast on Land formerly sold to John Gyles Esq^r being Lott Number One, fronting Southeast on Merrymeeting Bay so called to measure Seventy five rods and to hold the same Breadth so as to compleat the Quantity of said Three hundred Acres & no more, bounded Southwest on Lott Number Five. The said Lotts are known by the Numbers Two, Three, and Four, as formerly laid out by this Propriety Together with all and Singular the Priviledges & Appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining To Have and to Hold the said Three Lotts of Land with all and Singular the Priviledges and Appurtenances thereunto belonging unto him the said William Reed his heirs & Assigns forever. To his and their only proper use Benefitt and Behoof. And we the said Henry Gibbs, William Skinner, and Belcher Noyes in our Capacity aforesaid by Vertue of the above Vote of the Proprietors of said Topsham do hereby covenant and Agree to and with the said William Reed his heirs and Assgins to warrant confirm and defend them in the Possession of the Premisses against the lawfull Claims of all Persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof we the said Henry Gibbs William Skinner & Belcher Noyes have hereunto sett out hands & Seals this thirteenth day of November Anno Domini One

thousand seven hundred fifty three, in the Twenty seventh Year of His Majestys Reign.

Henry Gibbs & a Seal

W^m Skinner & a Seal

Belcher Noyes & a Seal

Signed Sealed & delivered In presence of us.

Jonas Clarke

W^m Maccarty.

Suffolk Ss Boston June 19 1754.

Then Henry Gibbs William Skinner Esq^{rs} & Belcher Noyes personally appeared & acknowledged this Instrument to be their Act & Deed

Before me

Jonas Clarke Justice Peace.

A True Copy examined and recorded.

P Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Deed to R^d Knowles.

May 8, 1755.

(Four penny Stamp.)

To all Persons to whom these Presents shall come Henry Gibbs of Newtown in the County of Middlesex and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Esq^r William Skinner Esq^r and Belcher Noyes Physician both of Boston in the County of Suffolk and Province aforesaid: a Committee of the Proprietors of the Township of Topsham in the County of York & Province aforesaid Send Greeting.—

Know Yee, That we the said Henry Gibbs, William Skinner and Belcher Noyes in pursuance of a Vote passed at a meeting of the Proprietors of said Township of Topsham held at Boston on the Thirty first day of March Anno Domini

one thousand seven hundred fifty two duly warned according to Law did appoint and Authorize us the said Henry Gibbs William Skinner & Belcher Noyes to execute good and Lawfull Deeds to the Setlers in said Topsham of their respective Lotts on hebalf of this Propriety as may more fully Appear by said Vote on Record in the Proprietors Book reference thereunto being had: For and in consideration of the Sum of Twenty six pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence lawfull money of said Province to us in hand well and truly paid by Richard Knowles of said Topsham Yeoman, on behalf of said Proprietors the receit whereof we do hereby acknowledge and accordingly discharge the said Richard Knowles his heirs and assigns from any further Demand to be made by the Proprietors of said Topsham. Do by these presents convey assign and confirm unto him the said Richard Knowles his heirs and assigns forever. Two Lotts of Land within the said Township of Topsham being known by the Numbers Eight and Nine to contain one hundred Acres in each Lott, making in the whole Two hundred Acres, bounded and described as follows Viz^t Northeasterly on Land now belonging to James Beveridge, fronting on Merrymeeting Bay Fifty rods, and Southwesterly on Lott Number Ten belonging to the Proprietors aforesaid to run back and hold the same breadth so as to compleat the Quantity of Two hundred Acres and no more according to the Course of the other Lotts in said Division as formerly projected by order of said Proprietors. Together with all and Singular the Priviledges, Commodities and Appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise Appertaining— To Have and to Hold the said granted and bargained premisses with all and Singular the Priviledges and Appurtenances thereunto belonging unto him the said Richard Knowles his heirs and assigns, To his and their only proper Use Benefitt and Behoof forevermore. And we the said Henry Gibbs, William Skinner and Belcher

Noyes in our capacity aforesaid Do hereby covenant and engage to and with the said Richard Knowles his Heirs and Assigns by Vertue of the aforesaid Vote of the said Proprietors to warrant confirm and defend them in the possession of the said granted Premisses against the lawfull claims and Demands of all Persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof we the said Henry Gibbs William Skinner and Belcher Noyes have hereunto sett our hands and Seals this Twenty eighth day of May anno Domini One thousand seven hundred fifty five; in the Twenty eighth Year of His Majestys Reign.

Henry Gibbs and a Seal.

William Skinner & a Seal.

Belcher Noyes & a Seal.

Signed Sealed & dd In presence of us.

William Maccarty.

John Hurd.

Suffolk Ss Boston June 24, 1755.

Then Henry Gibbs, William Skinner Esq^{rs} and Belcher Noyes, personally appearing acknowledged this Instrument to be their Voluntary Act & Deed

Before me,

Jonas Clarke Justice Peace.

A True Copy examined and recorded

P Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

NB In the Deed executed to William Reed for Lotts numbred Two Three and Four, it was his Desire & choice that he might have his Land together, to take Lott N^o Three in Lieu of Lott Number Eight bought of Robert Temple Esq^r and it was so conceded to by the Committee of the Proprietors; so that said Reed's Claim to Lott Number Eight by Virtue of a Grant signed by Joseph Heath is Null & void by

his Acceptance of the abovesaid Lott Number Three in Exchange, it being his own Desire: this being omitted in his Deed he has been so unfair as to claim Lott Number Eight now sold to Richard Knowles, a Record is made of this to prevent any Injustice by said Omission

Attest Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk

Lott N^o 11, John Vincent.

Dee^r 1, 1718.

Granted by Order of the Proprietors to John Vincent a certain Lott Number Eleven, Fronting on Ammoscoggin river Southerly, and bounded by Proprietors Land Northerly being Two Mile in Length and Twenty five rod wide throughout, as it is situate Lying and being within the Town of Topsham to consist of One hundred Acres of Land on the Conditions following Viz^t

That the said John Vincent his heirs or assigns pay to the Proprietors or their Order Five pounds in Money on Demand and build a Dwellinghouse thereon within Two Years from the date hereof, and by himself or some meet Person in his Stead inhabitt the said house, and improve the Land for the Space of three Years

Which Conditions being fulfilled the Proprietors oblige themselves and their Heirs, that the said Lott of Land shall be to him the said John Vincent to have and to hold to him his heirs and Assigns forever in Fee Simple. But in Default of performing said Conditions the Land to return to the Proprietors.

A True Copy as entred in the Book of Records of said Town Page ()

Topsham December first (1718)

Anno 1720

Per Joseph Heath, Town Clerk.

Endorsed

Pursuant to a Vote of the Proprietors of Pejepscott at their meeting August 9th 1749.

We the Subscribers being by Vertue of a Vote of the Proprietors impowered and Authorized to receive of those Setlers who are possessed of printed Deeds granted formerly to the Setlers in Topsham signed by—Joseph Heath the Sum mentioned therein; Do hereby Acknowledge to have received of M^r William Vincent the Sum of Four pounds lawfull Money in Consideration of the within Deed to his Father John Vincent being for Lott Number Eleven in Topsham, and he is hereby discharged from any further Demands from the Proprietors of said Topsham for said Lott.

W^m Skinner.

Belcher Noyes.

Boston October y^e 25, 1756.

Entred and Recorded from the Original

P Belcher Noyes Propr^s Clerk

(Endorsed)

Boston July 20, 1758.

Man^d That the Four pounds mentioned above is part of Seventeen pounds six Shillings & eight pence mentioned in a Deed executed this Day to me by the abovenamed W^m Skinner, & Belcher Noyes. Witness my hand.

William Vincent.

NB The above Grant from Joseph Heath is now included in the Deed on the otherside.

Deed to W^m Vincent.

July 20 1758.

To all Persons to whom these Presents shall come William Skinner Esq^r and Belcher Noyes, Physician both of Boston,

in the County of Suffolk and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England; Two of the Committee of the Proprietors of certain Lands known by the Name of Pejepscott, in the County of York & Province aforesaid Send Greeting—Whereas at a Meeting of the Proprietors of said Lands held at Boston aforesaid, the thirty first day of May A D 1757, duly warned according to Law, the following Vote was passed Viz^t Voted, That William Skinner Esq^r Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes, & Samuel Waterhouse, or any Two of them, be a Committee to execute Deeds of any Lands granted by this Propriety, and in particular to the Setlers at Topsham, as may more fully appear, by the Records of said Proprietors, reference thereunto being had.

Know Yee, That we the said William Skinner, & Belcher Noyes, in pursuance of the aforesaid Vote, for and in Consideration of the Sum of Seventeen pounds six Shillings, & eight pence lawfull Money of said Province in hand well & truly paid by William Vincent of Brunswick in the County of York, and Province aforesaid, Yeoman, the receipt whereof We do hereby acknowledge in behalf of said Proprietors, and do hereby discharge the said William Vincent his Heirs and Assigns, from any further Demand to be made by the Proprietors of said Topsham, Do by these Presents Convey, Assign, and Confirm unto him the said William Vincent, his Heirs and Assigns forever Two certain Lotts of Land within the intended Township of Topsham being known by the Numbers Ten and Eleven, to contain One hundred Acres in each Lott, making in the whole, Two hundred Acres, described and bounded as follows; Viz^t Northeastwardly on Land now belonging to Richard Knowles to front on Merry-meeting Bay about Fifty rods to run back holding the same Breadth from said Merrymeeting Bay, according to the Course of the other Lotts in said Division as formerly projected, & laid out by Order of the Proprietors, so as to

compleat said quantity of Two hundred Acres, bounding Southwestwardly on Land taken up by Charles Robinson, under the said Proprietors.

To Have and to Hold the said granted, & bargained Premisses with all and Singular the Priviledges & appurtenances thereunto belonging, unto him the said William Vincent his Heirs and Assigns forever, To his and their only proper Use Benefitt, and Behoof forever. Hereby covenanting in our said Capacity to and with the said William Vincent his Heirs and Assigns by Virtue of the aforesaid Vote of the Proprietors to warrant, Confirm and Defend him and them in the Possession of the said granted Premises against the lawfull Claims and Demands of all Persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof we have hereunto sett our hands & Seals this twentieth day of July anno Domini, 1758, in the 32^d Year of his Majestys Reign.

William Skinner & a Seal
Belcher Noyes & a Seal.

Signed Sealed & dd In presence of us.

Thomas Oxnard

Nath^l Noyes.—

Entred—

P Belcher Noyes prop^{rs} Clerk

Suffolk Ss Boston July 20, 1758.

Then W^m Skinner Esq^r & Belcher personally appeared & acknowledged this Instrument by them executed to be their Act & Deed.

Before me,

John Fayrweather, Just. Peace

Deed to James Mustard.

July 20 (1758.)

To all Persons to whom these Presents shall come, William Skinner Esq^r & Belcher Noyes Physician, both of Boston in

the County of Suffolk & Province of the Massachusetts Bay, in New England; Two of the Committee of the Proprietors of certain Lands known by the Name of Pejepscott in the County of York & Province aforesaid—Send Greeting

Whereas at a meeting of the Proprietors of said Lands, held at Boston aforesaid the 31st day of May A D 1757, duly warned according to Law, the following Vote was passed; Viz^t Voted, That William Skinner Esq^r Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes, & Samuel Waterhouse, or any Two of them be a Committee to execute Deeds of any Lands granted by this Propriety, and in particular to the Setlers at Topsham, as may more fully appear by the Records of said Proprietors reference thereunto being had.

Know Yee, That we the said William Skinner & Belcher Noyes in pursuance of the aforesaid Vote for and in Consideration of the Sum of Twenty six pounds, thirteen Shillings and four pence, lawfull Money of said Province in hand well and truly by James Mustard, of said Topsham, in the County of York and Province aforesaid, Yeoman, the receipt whereof we do hereby Acknowledge in behalf of said Proprietors, and hereby discharge the said James Mustard, his Heirs and Assigns from any further Demand to be made by the Proprietors of said Topsham. Do by these Presents Convey, Assign, and Confirm unto him the said James Mustard his Heirs and Assigns forever, Two certain Lotts of Land within the intended Township of Topsham, each Lott to contain One hundred Acres of Land, making in the whole Two hundred Acres, described and bounded as follows Viz^t Fronting on Pejepscott River so called, there to measure about fifty four rods to run back holding the same Breadth according to the Course of the other Lotts as formerly projected & laid out by order of the Proprietors, so as to compleat said Quantity of Two hundred Acres, bounding Northeastwardly on Land of Adam Hunter and Southwestwardly

on Land of the Proprietors taken up by William Potter reserving out of said Bounds a Road of four rods wide laid out adjoining thereto for the Conveniency of the Inhabitants of said Place.—To Have and to Hold the said granted & bargained Premisses (excepting as above reserved) with all and Singular the Priviledges & Appurtenances thereunto belonging unto him the said James Mustard his Heirs & assigns: To his and their only proper Use, Benefitt, and Behoof forever. Hereby covenanting in our said Capacity to and with the said James Mustard his Heirs and Assigns, by Virtue of the aforesaid Vote of the Proprietors to warrant confirm and defend him, and them in the possession of the said granted premisses against the lawfull Claims & Demands of all persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof we have hereunto sett our hands & Seals this twentieth day of July Anno Domini, 1758, in the 32 Year of his Majesty's Reign.

W^m Skinner & a Seal.

Belcher Noyes & a Seal.

Signed sealed & dd In presence of us.

Thomas Oxnard

Nathⁿ Noyes.

Suffolk Ss. Boston July 20th 1758.—

Then William Skinner Esq^r & D^r Belcher Noyes personally appeared & acknowledged this Instrument by them executed to be their Act & Deed.—

Before me,

John Fayrweather Just Pacis.

Entred

P Belcher Noyes pp^{rs} Clerk.

Indian Deed to James Thomas and Samuel York.

July 22, 1670.

This Indenture made this twenty second of July 1670, Between Derumkin and Daniel and Robin Indian Sagamores of

the One party and James Thomas, and Samuel York Planters of the other Party. Witnesseth That we Derumkin and Daniel and Robin aforesaid Sagamores for and in Consideration of Certain Pay to us in hand paid before the Sealing & Delivery of these Presents wherewith We do Acknowledge our Selves fully satisfied & paid to our Content and thereof and every parcell thereof doth clearly acquitt and discharge the said James Thomas and Samuel York and their Heirs for ever by these Presents Hath given granted bargained and sold and confirmed by these Presents Do absolutely give grant Sell and confirm unto the said James Thomas and Samuel York their Heirs and Assigns forever. All that Tract of Land lying and being belonging unto Amascoggin butting and bounding as followeth. Butting unto the Southwest Bounds of M^r Thomas Gyles his Land and so right over unto Muddy River and there to Butt and from M^r Thomas Gyles his Bounds on the River Side to run up along untill you come to the lower End of the Middle Island that is at the entring in of the Narrows, and from that place of entring in of the Narrows for to run into the woods Northwest Two Miles. So this Tract and Parcell we do Sell unto these aforesaid James Thomas and Samuel York and to their Heirs with all Meadows or Marshes and with all Profitts Commodities or Pasture and Woods Underwoods Timber Trees of what sort soever and with all Priviledges of Fowling and Fishing with all other Priviledges of what Nature or kind soever is or may be contained within the aforementioned Premisses or any part or parcell thereof. To Have and to Hold all and singular the aforementioned Premisses hereby granted & sold with every of the Members and appurtenances unto the only use of them the said James Thomas and Samuel York their Heirs and Assigns forever against us our Heirs or Assigns and all and every other Person or Persons lawfully claiming from or under us, and them, or any of them,

Shall and will Warrant and forever Defend upon these Presents the said Derumkin or Daniel or Robin or either of them shall come and lawfully demand and receive one Peck of Corn on every Five and twentieth Day of December for a due Acknowledgment forever and In Witness of the Truth hereof We Derumkin & Daniel & Robin have hereunto sett our hands & Seals this Two and twentieth day of July, One thousand six hundred and seventy, being the Two and twentieth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King Charles the Second King of England Scotland France and Ireland Defender of the Faith

The Mark of **X** & Seal

The Mark of **X** Daniel & Seal

The Mark of **X** Robin & Seal

Signed Sealed and delivered In the Presence of us

Edward Wolbroke

Thomas Stevens

The Mark of **X** Jaffry

The Mark of **X** Robinhood

The Mark of **X** Waskombamett.

This Bill of Sale for the Land made this 22^d July 1670.
entered 74 by S Phipps Clerk.

Benjamin Thomas's Deed to his Son Benjamin Thomas.

1755 April 18.

Know all men by these Presents That I Benjamin Thomas of the Parish of Northampton in the Province of New Hampshire in New England, Farmer, for and in Consideration of certain Pay to me in hand paid before the Sealing and delivery of these presents, herewith I acknowledge my Self fully satisfied and paid by my Son Benjamin Thomas

of Stonington in the Colony of Connecticutt, in New-England Hattmaker, Have given granted Bargained Sold Aliened Conveyed and Confirmed unto my Son Benjamin Thomas his Heirs and Assigns forever, a Certain Tract or parcell of Land at a place called Amascoggin in the County of York Butting and Bounding as follows; Viz^t Southwest on M^r Thomas Gyles his Land and so right over unto Muddy River, and there to Butt and from M^r Thomas Gyles his Bounds, on the River Side, to Run up along untill they come to the lower End of the Middle Island, that is at the entring in of the Narrows, and from that place to run into the Woods Northwest Two Miles. Said Land being formerly purchased of Three Indian Sagamores, namely, Derumkin, and Daniel, and Robin by James Thomas and Samuel York Joiner. And all my Right and Title to said Lands of James Thomas's Farm deceased, I freely fully and absolutely Give, Grant, Bargain, Sell, Aliene, Convey, and Confirm, unto my Son Benjamin Thomas, his Heirs, and Assigns forever, with all Priviledges and Appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining. To Have and to Hold the abovesaid granted Premisses unto the only Use of my Son Benjamin Thomas his Heirs and Assigns forever without the least Lett, Hindrance, Molestation.or Denyal from me my Heirs, Executors, or Administrators, or any other Person whatsoever, Claiming any Right thereto from, by or under me. In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal this Eighteenth day of April, in the Twenty eighth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second King of Great Brittain &c Annoq: Domini One thousand seven hundred and Fifty five

Benjamin Thomas and a Seal

Signed Sealed & delivered In presence of us.

John Wingate

Joshua Wingate

Province of New Hampshire April 18, 1755.

Then Cap^t Benjamin Thomas abovenamed personally appeared & acknowledged his hand & Seal and the above Instrument to be his Voluntary Act & Deed.

Before me

Joshua Wingate Justice Peace

Entred,

P Belcher Noyes, Proprietors Clerk.

Abigail Leather's Deed to Benjamin Thomas.

1755 April 21:

Know all men by these Presents that I Abigail Leathers of the Town of Durham in the Province of New Hampshire in New England for and in Consideration of Certain Pay to me in Hand paid before the Sealing and Delivery of these Presents, wherewith I acknowledge my self fully satisfied and paid by my Cousin Benjamin Thomas Junior of Stonington in the Colony of Connecticut, in New England, Felt-maker, Have given granted bargained Sold aliened conveyed and confirmed unto the said Benjamin Thomas his Heirs and Assigns forever; all the Right & Title I have to a Certain Tract or Parcell of Land which belonged to my Father James Thomas deceased, at a place called Topsham, which was formerly called Amoscoggin in the County of York. To Have and to Hold the abovesaid granted & bargained Premisses, unto him the said Benjamin Thomas, his Heirs and Assigns forever, without the least Lett, Hindrance, Molestation, or Denyall from me my Heirs Executors or Administrators, or any other Person whatsoever claiming any Right thereto from by or under me. In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal this Twenty first day of

April in the Twenty eighth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second King of Great Brittain &c Annoq Domini One thousand seven hundred and fifty five

Abigail ^{her} **X** Leathers & a Seal.
mark

Signed Sealed & delivered, In presence of us

Joseph Sias.

Abraham Scales.

NB The words [all the Right & Title I have to] between the 8th & 9th Line was interlined before the signing & sealing hereof.

Province of New Hampshire April 21 1755 Then Abigail Leathers owned the above written Instrument to be her free Act & Deed

Before me

W^m Odiorne Justice Peace.

Entred,

P Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Joseph Thomas's Deed to Benjamin Thomas.

1755 April 22^d

Know all men by these Presents That I Joseph Thomas of Durham in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Gentleman for and in Consideration of Ten Shillings in Lawfull Money of this Province to me in hand paid before the Ensealing & Delivery of these presents by my Cousin Benjamin Thomas of Stonington in the Colony of Connecticut in New England Feltnaker, the Receit whereof I do hereby acknowledge and myself therewith to be fully satisfied contented and paid, and have therefor given & granted

and do by these presents fully freely and absolutely give grant—bargain Sell and Convey unto him my said Cousin Benjamin Thomas his Heirs and Assigns forever All my Right Title Interest Challenge Property and Demand that I have had or by any ways or means ought to have of in or unto a Certain Tract or Parcell of Land (which belonged to my Grandfather James Thomas deceased) at a place called Topsham which was formerly called Amonscoggin in the County of York and Province of the Massachusetts Bay, in New England To Have and to Hold the above granted Premisses withall their Appurtenances Priviledges and Commodities to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him the said Benjamin Thomas his Heirs and Assigns, to his and their only proper Use Benefitt and Behoof forever without the least Lett Hindrance Molestation or Denyall from me my Heirs, Executors, or Administrators, or any other Person whatsoever from by or under me. In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal the twenty second day of April Annoq Domini One thousand seven hundred fifty five and in the Twenty eighth Year of the Reign of Sovereign Lord—George the Second by the Grace of God of Great Brittain France and Ireland King &c.

Joseph Thomas. and (a Seal.)

Signed Sealed and delivered In presence of us.

Joseph Young

Thomas Young

Province of New Hampshire April 22^d 1755.

Then Joseph Thomas abovenamed appeared and acknowledged the foregoing Instrument to be his free Act & Deed.

Before me,

Thomas Young Justice of Peace

Entred

P Belcher Noyes Proprietors Clerk

Benjamin Thomas's Deed of Release to the Proprietors.

1758 January 20

To all Persons to whom these Presents shall come Benjamin Thomas now of Falmouth in the County of York and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Felt-maker. Sends Greeting.

Whereas by Virtue of an Indian Deed bearing date July 22^d 1670, duly executed unto my Grandfather James Thomas in conjunction with Samuel Yorke there was conveyed unto them a Certain Tract of Land lying and being and belonging unto Amoscoggin, butting & bounding as follows. Butting unto the Southwest Bounds of M^r Thomas Gyles his Land and so right over unto Muddy-River, and there to butt, and from M^r Thomas Gyles his Bounds on the river side to run up along untill you come to the lower end of the Middle Island that is at the entring in of the Narrows for to run N West into the woods two Miles. And whereas the above-said Tract of Land is included in a Deed from one of the same Indians unto Richard Wharton Esq^r and would interfere with the Settlement of a place called Topsham under which Title the Inhabitants of said Place have been settled above Forty Years by the Proprietors deriving from said Richard Wharton

Therefore for the Accommodating said Claim and the preventing any Dispute that might arise in Consequence thereof, I the said Benjamin Thomas in whom the sole Right and Property to the said Tract of Land is now vested, in Consideration of Nine hundred Acres of Land situate in said Topsham conveyed unto me by William Skinner Esq^r and Belcher Noyes, Physician both of Boston in the County of Suffolk and Province aforesaid two of the Committee of the Proprietors of said Topsham, pursuant to an Agreement made and concluded with said Proprietors Do by these

presents forever release and Quittclaim unto the said William Skinner, and Belcher Noyes, and their Partners the Proprietors of said Topsham; All the Right Title Interest and Property in and unto the said Tract of Land as above described and bounded with all and singular the Priviledges and Appurtenances thereunto belonging or appertaining. To Have and to Hold unto them the said William Skinner & Belcher Noyes and their other Partners Proprietors of said Topsham their Heirs and Assigns forever; free and clear of and from any Claim or Demand to be had or made respecting the released premisses by Virtue of the Said Deed unto James Thomas, or any from by or under him or any of them, Or from by or under me the said Benjamin Thomas my Heirs Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, having in myself all the Right derived unto the said James Thomas by Virtue of the aforesaid Deed

In Witness whereof I the said Benjamin Thomas have hereunto sett my hand & Seal this twentieth day of January Anno Domini, One thousand seven hundred fifty eight, in the thirty first Year of His Majestys Reign.

Benjamin Thomas & a Seal.

Signed Sealed & delivered In presence of us

John Moffatt.

Richard Kimball.

Suffolk Ss Boston April 12, 1758.

Then Mr Benjamin Thomas personally appeared, and acknowledged this Instrument to be his Voluntary act & Deed.

Before me,

John Wendell, Justice peace.

Entred

P Belcher Noyes, Proprietor's Clerk.

Proprietors Deed to Benjamin Thomas.

1758. Jan: 20.

To all Persons unto whom these Presents shall come William Skinner Esq^r & Belcher Noyes Physician both of Boston in the County of Suffolk & Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England; Two of the Committee of the Proprietors of Certain Lands known by the Name of Pejepscott in the County of York & Province aforesaid.

Send Greeting.

Whereas at a Meeting of the Proprietors of said Lands held at Boston the thirty first day of May Anno Domini 1757 duly warned according to Law the following Vote was passed Viz^t Voted That William Skinner Esq^r Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse or any two of them be a Committee to execute Deeds of any Lands granted by this Propriety and in particular to the Setlers at Topsham, as may more fully appear by the Records of said Proprietors reference thereunto being had. In pursuance of the aforesaid Vote, We the said William Skinner & Belcher Noyes in consideration of an Agreement made with Benjamin Thomas now of Falmouth in the County of York, Feltmaker, respecting an Antient Claim derived to him from his Grandfather James Thomas by Virtue of an Indian Deed bearing date July 22, 1670, for Lands in said Topsham, whereby the said Benjamin Thomas engageth to release and Quittclaim all Right and Pretension to the same as described and bounded in the aforesaid Deed under his hand & Seal bearing even date with these Presents. We the said William Skinner and Belcher Noyes by Virtue of the above recited Vote of said Proprietors, Do hereby Assign Convey and Confirm unto him the said Benjamin Thomas his Heirs & Assigns forever Nine hundred Acres of Land, lying in three distinct Divisions Situate in said Topsham described and bounded as

follows; Viz' Two Lotts containing One hundred Acres each, Beginning at the Southerly corner of a Lott in possession of James Work, thence West thirty degrees South Fifty Perch, and to run back upon a Course North thirty degrees West so as to compleat the Quantity of Two hundred Acres. Also Four Lotts containing One hundred Acres each, Beginning at the Southerly Corner of a Lott in possession of James Potter from thence West thirty degrees South, One hundred perch and to run back upon a Course North thirty degrees West, so as to compleat the Quantity of Four hundred Acres, which Lotts front on the River leading into Merrymeeting Bay commonly called Pejepscott River; and are to range as the other Lotts are projected, & laid out on said River. And Three hundred Acres more laid out on Androscoggin River above the Falls at Brunswick-Fort beginning at the Southwest Corner of Land in Possession of Robert Donlap from thence upon a Course North twenty two degrees East six hundred forty perch on said Donlap's Land, thence West twenty two degrees North Seventy five perch, then South twenty two degrees West six hundred forty perch till you come to the River, & thence down said River to the Bounds first mentioned so as to comprehend Three hundred Acres, with all and singular the Priviledges and Appurtenances to the said several Tracts of Land belonging, or in any wise appertaining. To Have and to Hold unto him the said Benjamin Thomas his heirs and Assigns forever in full Satisfaction for said Claim derived from his Grandfather James Thomas according to said Agreement. To His, and their only Benefitt & Behoof. The said several Lotts being free, and clear from any Incumbrance made, or done by the Proprietors of said Topsham, whereby their Right to the same is alienated, untill the ensealing & delivery of these Presents, and the said Benjamin Thomas may enjoy the same without any Lett, or Molestation from the Proprietors of said Tops-

ham their Heirs or Assigns. In Testimony Whereof we the said William Skinner, and Belcher Noyes by Virtue of the above mentioned Vote empowering us hereunto, do sett our hands & Seals this twentieth day of January Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred fifty eight in the Thirty first Year of His Majestys Reign.

William Skinner & a Seal.

Belcher Noyes, & a Seal.

Signed Sealed & delivered In presence of us.

John Moffatt.

Richard Kimball.

Suffolk Ss Boston April 12, 1758.

Then William Skinner Esq^r & D^r Belcher Noyes personally appeared & severally Acknowledged this Instrument to be their Voluntary Act & Deed.

Before me,

John Wendell, Justice Peace

Entred

P Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk

Deed to W^m Malcom.

Nov^r 15 (1758.)—100 Acres

To all Persons to whom these Presents shall come, William Skinner & Belcher Noyes, Esquires, both of Boston in the County of Suffolk & Province of the Massachusetts Bay, in New England, the Committee of the Proprietors of Certain Lands, known by the Name of Pejepscott, in the County of York and Province aforesaid: Send Greeting.

In pursuance of a Vote of said Proprietors passed at their meeting held at Boston aforesaid, the thirty first Day of May A D 1757, duly warned according to Law, appointing us

a Committee to execute Deeds to the Setlers at a place called Topsham; for and in Consideration of the Sum of Five pounds lawfull Money of said Province received by us of William Malcom, of said Topsham, Yeoman, the receipt whereof, We do hereby Acknowledge, in behalf of said Proprietors and do hereby Discharge and Acquitt the said William Malcom his Heirs & Assigns from any further Demand to be made by the Proprietors of said Topsham; Do by these Presents Convey Assign, and Confirm unto the said William Malcom his Heirs and Assigns forever. A Certain Lott of Land situate and being in said Topsham, described, and bounded, as follows Viz^t To front Southeasterly on Merry-meeting Bay, Twenty five rods, Northeastwardly on Land in Possession of Jacob Eaton under said Proprietors, & Southwestwardly on Land belonging to the Heirs of William Malcom deceased, to run back from said Merrymeeting Bay, holding the same Breadth according to the Course of the other Lotts, till the Quantity of One hundred Acres be compleated, which Lott was originally taken up under the Proprietors, by Robert Lithgow, & purchased of said Robert Lithgow by William Malcom, deceased. To Have and to Hold the aforesaid Lott of Land, with all and Singular the Priviledges, & appurtenances, thereunto belonging unto him the said William Malcom (the Eldest Son of William Malcom deceased) his heirs and Assigns forever. To His and their only proper Use Benefitt & Behoof forever Hereby covenanting in our said Capacity to, and with the said William Malcom his Heirs & assigns by Virtue of the aforesaid Vote of the Proprietors, to Warrant, Confirm, and Defend him and them, in the Possession of the said granted & bargained Premisses against the lawfull Claims, and Demands of all Persons whatsoever. In Witness Whereof We the said William Skinner, & Belcher Noyes, have hereunto sett our hands & Seals this Fifteenth Day of November, Anno

Domini One thousand seven hundred & fifty eight, in the
Thirty second Year of His Majestys Reign.

William Skinner. and a Seal

Belcher Noyes. and a Seal

Signed Sealed & delivered In presence of us.
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side being first inserted

Hugh Tarbett.

Thomas Oxnard.

Suffolk Ss Boston Nov^r 17, 1758

Then William Skinner, & Belcher Noyes Esq^{rs} personally
appeared and acknowledged this Instrument by them exe-
cuted to be their act & Deed

Before me,

Richard Dana Just: pacts.

Entred from the Original.

P Belcher Noyes, prop^{rs} Clerk

Deed to Rob^t Donlap.

Nov^r 15 (1758)—120 Acres.

To all Persons to whom these Presents shall come, William
Skinner & Belcher Noyes, Esquires, both of Boston in the
County of Suffolk & Province of the Massachusetts Bay in
New England the Committee of the Proprietors of certain
Lands known by the Name of Pejepscott, in the County of
York & Province aforesaid. Send Greeting.

In pursuance of a Vote of said Proprietors, passed at their
meeting held at Boston aforesaid the thirty first day of May
Anno Domini 1757, duly warned according to Law, appoint-
ing us a Committee in behalf of said Proprietors to execute

Deeds to the Setlers, at a Place called Topsham, for and in Consideration of the Sum of Sixteen pounds lawfull Money of said Province, by us received of Robert Donlap, of said Topsham, Yeoman, the receipt whereof we do hereby Acknowledge, in behalf of said Proprietors, & Do hereby discharge the said Robert Donlap, his Heirs and Assigns from any further Demand to be made by the Proprietors of said Topsham; Do by these Presents Convey, Assign, & Confirm unto the said Robert Donlap, his Heirs and Assigns forever: A Certain Lott of Land situate & being in said Topsham, containing one hundred & twenty Acres, described and bounded, as follows, Viz^t Beginning at a White Oak Tree marked, over against which there is a Ledge of Rocks in the River, about twenty rods below the carryingplace, which comes out above Brunswick Falls, being the Southwest Corner, and from thence to front on Androscoggin River on a straight Line Thirty rods, two White Pines standing directly against the Head of Brunswick Falls, being the other Boundary, at the Northeast Corner from the said Boundary's to run on a Course North twenty one degrees East, holding the same Weadth, till One hundred & twenty Acres be compleated and no more; which said Lott lyeth between Land of Benjamin Thomas & a Lott taken up by John Donlap, under the said Proprietors of Topsham: To Have and to Hold the aforesaid Lott of Land, with all & Singular the Priviledges & Appurtenances thereunto belonging, unto him the said Robert Donlap, his Heirs and Assigns forever. To His and their only proper use Benefitt and Behoof forever. Hereby covenanting in our said Capacity to and with the said Robert Donlap his Heirs and Assigns, by Virtue of the aforesaid Vote of the Proprietors, to Warrant, confirm, and defend him, and them in the Possession of the said granted and bargained Premisses, against the lawfull Claims and Demands of all Persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof We

the said William Skinner, & Belcher Noyes have hereunto sett our hands & Seals this fifteenth day of November, A D 1758, in the Thirty second Year of His Majestys Reign.

William Skinner. and a Seal

Belcher Noyes. and a Seal

Signed Sealed & delivered In presence of us.

Hugh Tarbett.

Thomas Oxnard.

Suffolk Ss Boston Nov^r 17, 1758.

Then William Skinner & Belcher Noyes Esq^{rs} personally appeared & acknowledged this Instrument by them executed to be their Act & Deed.—

Before me,

Richard Dana Just: pacis.

Entred from the Originall—

P Belcher Noyes, prop^{rs} Clerk.

Suffolk Ss Boston June 1st 1757

This may certifie That M^r Belcher Noyes being chosen Clerk of the Pejepscot Company, Personally appeared this day and made Oath that he would faithfully discharge the several duties belonging to said office

Coram

John Phillips Just: Pacis

The Act for calling & regulating Prop^{rs} Meetings.

Georgii Secund: Vicessimo Sexto Anno 1753.

An Act in Addition to an Act intituled, An Act directing how Meetings of Proprietors of Lands lying in Common may be called.

Preamble

Whereas there are sundry Tracts of common & undivided Lands in this Province lying within no Township or Precinct, which are owned by considerable Numbers of Proprietors, and no effectual Provision has as yet been made by Law, either for calling Meetings of the Proprietors of such Lands, or for the raising and collecting Moneys granted for the common Good and Service of such Proprietors, whereby the Settlement and Improvement of such Lands have been much obstructed and delayed:

Method of calling Propr^s Meetings.

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governour, Councill and House of Representatives, That whensoever Five (where there are so many) or the Major Part of the Owners, or Proprietors of such common Lands (where the Number shall be less) shall Judge it expedient to have a Meeting of the Proprietors thereof, and shall thereupon by writing apply by Petition to any Justice of the Peace for the County wherein such their Lands as aforesaid lie, or to a Justice of the Peace thro' this Province to call a Meeting of any Such Proprietors as aforesaid to be had at such Time and Place, and on such Occasions as shall be expressed in such Petition, such Justice so applied unto is hereby authorized and directed to grant and Issue out his Warrant directed to one of the Proprietors desiring such Meeting or to the Clerk of such Propriety (if there be one) requiring him to Notify and warn the other Proprietors of such common Lands to meet and Assemble together at the Time and Place appointed therefor as aforesaid; which Notice and Warning Shall be given by Advertising the same with the Time, Place and Occasions of Meeting in the several Boston Weekly News-Papers forty days at least before the Day Appointed for such Meeting; and such Proprietors may by themselves

or their lawful Attorneys at such Meeting appoint such a Method for calling their Meetings for the future as they shall Judge most convenient which shall always be under the same Regulations as all other Proprietary Meetings are, and may chuse a Clerk, and such other Officers as are usually chosen by other Proprieties then and from time to time as their Occasions shall require, and may transact and Pass upon any other Matters and Affairs for the Benefit of such Propriety which the Proprietors of New Townships or Plantations granted by this Government are by Law enabled to do, provided such Matters be mentioned in the Notifications for such Meetings; and such Clerk being duly sworn as the Clerks of other Proprietors by Law ought to be, shall have the like Power with them.

And be it further enacted That such Proprietors at any of their Meetings pursuant to this Act may be themselves or their lawful Attorneys grant and Order any suitable Sum or Sums of Money to be raised and levied upon their Several Rights in such Lands equally and rateably according to their respective Interests and Shares therein for bringing forward and completing the Settlement of such common Lands, and for the prosecution, or defending any Law suits for or against such Proprietors, and for carrying on and managing any other Affairs for the common Good of such Proprieties; and every such Proprietor as shall neglect to pay to the Collector or Treasurer or Committee of such Propriety such Sum or Sums of Money as shall from time to time be duly granted and voted to be raised, and levied upon his Right and Share in such Lands for the Space of six Months to those who live in the Province, and twelve months to those who live out of the Province, after such Grant and his Proportion thereof shall be published in the several publick Prints as aforesaid, then the Committee of the Proprietors of such common Lands, or the Major Part of such Committee may and are

hereby fully empowered from time to time at a Publick Vendue to sell and convey away so much of such delinquent Proprietors Right, or Share in said common Lands as will be Sufficient to pay and satisfy his Tax, or Proportioin of such Grant, and all reasonable Charges attending such Sale to any Person that will give most for the same; Notice of such Sale being given in the said Prints forty Days at least before hand, and may accordingly execute and give a good Deed, or Deeds of Conveyance of the Lands so sold unto the Purchaser thereof, to hold in Fee Simple.

Proviso.

Provided, nevertheless, that the Proprietor or Proprietors whose Right or Share in such Lands shall be so sold, shall have Liberty to redeem the same in twelve Months after said Sale by Paying the Sum the Land sold for, and Charges, together with the further Sum of Twelve pounds for each Hundred Pounds produced by such Sale, and so pro rata for any less or greater Sum.

Taken from a Printed Copy examined.

P Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Petition for Calling a Prop^{rs} Meeting.

March 14: 1757.

To the Honourable Samuel Danforth Esq^r one of His Majestys Justices of the Peace throughout the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England.

Sir

We the Subscribers with others being Proprietors of a Tract of Land lying, & being, within the County of York and Province aforesaid commonly called & Known by the Name

of the Pejepscott Purchase, in which Tract is comprehended the Township of Topsham & Brunswick & Other Lands derived to us, by Lawfull Purchase, Do hereby desire you would issue out your Warrant according to a Law of this Province entitled, An Act in Addition to an Act Intitled, An Act directing how Meetings of Proprietors of Lands ly- ing in common may be called: made and passed by the Great and General Court, or Assembly of said Province, in the Twenty Sixth Year of His Majestys Reign, for calling a Meeting of the Proprietors of said Lands to be held on Tuesday the Thirty first day of May next at Ten a Clock in the Forenoon, at the Exchange Tavern in King's Street, Boston for the Ends and Purposes hereafter mentioned. Viz^t

- 1 To Choose a Moderator, Proprietors Clerk, Treasurer, and Collector of Taxes.
- 2 To choose a Committee to prosecute & defend all Actions, or Suits, that shall, or may be commenced by the said Proprietors, or against them.
- 3 To agree upon a Method of raising Money by Tax, or otherwise, for the prosecuting and defending all Actions, or Suits that shall be commenced by, or against this Propriety.
- 4 To grant, Sell, or dispose of any Part of said Lands, not yet disposed of, that may be Judged Necessary.
- 5 To agree upon a Method for dividing any part of said Lands yet undivided.
- 6 To appoint some proper Person, or Persons, to execute Deeds of any Land, that may be granted by this Propriety.
- 7 To choose a Committee to settle the Bounds between our Lands, & the Proprietors of the Kennebeck Purchase, & any other abutters, or claimers, and to make any Agreement as the said Committee shall Judge for the Interest of this Propriety, by leaving the same to Reference, or otherwise, which Agreement, & Settlement shall be final.

- 8 To confirm and ratify any Matters or Things transacted by the Proprietors at their past Meetings.
- 9 Lastly, To agree upon a Method of calling Meetings of the Proprietors for the future.

Isaac Royall
 Henry Gibbs.
 Belcher Noyes.
 William Skinner.
 Samuel Waterhouse.

Boston March 14, 1757.

Entred and Recorded from the Original on File.

P Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk

Province of the Mass^a Bay.—S: S:

To Belcher Noyes of Boston in the County of Suffolk,
 Gentleman. Greeting.

Warrant for calling said Meeting.—April 2: 1757.

Whereas Application hath been made to me, Samuel Danforth Esq^r one of His Majestys Justices of the Peace, throughout the Province of the Massachusetts Bay, by Isaac Royall, Henry Gibbs, & William Skinner Esq^{rs} M^r Samuel Waterhouse, and your Self, Five of the Proprietors of a Tract of Land lying and being within the County of York, & Province afores^d commonly called & known by the Name of the Pejepscott Purchase in which Tract is comprehended the Townships of Brunswick, & Topsham and other Lands, derived to them by Lawfull Purchase for calling a Meeting of said Proprietors. These are therefore in His Majestys Name to require you to warn the Proprietors of said Tract of Land, according to a Law of this Province, intituled, An Act in Addition to an Act intituled, An Act directing how meetings of Proprietors of Lands lying in common may be

called: made and passed by the Great and General Court or Assembly of said Province, in the Twenty sixth Year of His Majestys Reign to meet on Tuesday the Thirty first day of May next, at Ten a Clock in the Forenoon, at the Exchange Tavern in King's Street, Boston, for the Ends & Purposes in said Request sett forth. Viz^t

To consider and Act upon the several particulars hereafter mentioned.—

- 1 To Choose a Moderator, Proprietors Clerk, Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.
- 2 To Choose a Committee to prosecute, and defend all Actions, or Suits, that shall, or may be commenced by the said Proprietors, or against them.
- 3 To Agree upon a Method of raising money by Tax, or Otherwise, for the prosecuting and defending all Actions or Suits that shall be commenced by, or against this Propriety.
- 4 To Grant, sell, or dispose of any part of said Lands not yet disposed of, that may be Judged Necessary.
- 5 To agree upon a Method for dividing any part of said Lands, yet undivided.
- 6 To appoint some Proper Person, or Persons to execute Deeds of any Land, that may be granted by this Propriety.
- 7 To Choose a Committee to settle the Bounds between our Lands and the Proprietors of the Kennebeck Purchase, and any other Abutters, or Claimers, and to make any Agreement, as said Committee shall Judge for the Interest of this Propriety, by leaving the same to reference, or Otherwise, which Agreement and Settlement shall be finall.
- 8 To confirm and ratify any Matters or Things transacted by the Proprietors at their past Meetings.
- 9 Lastly, To agree upon a Method of calling Meetings of the Proprietors for the future.

And make due Return of this Warrant, and of your doings therein to the Proprietors before the opening of said Meeting Fail not. Dated this Second day of April 1757, in the Thirtieth Year of His Majesty's Reign

S: Danforth.

Entred & recorded

P B Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk

Return endorsed

Boston May 31, 1757—

By Vertue of the within warrant, to me directed, I have duly warned the Proprietors of the within Tract of Land, known by the Name of Pejepscott, to meet at the time, and Place appointed, therefor, to act upon the Several articles mentioned in said Warrant, by advertising the same, with the Time, Place & Occasions of said Meeting, in the severall Boston Weekly News-Papers Forty days before the Day appointed for said Meeting, as the Law directs.

Belcher Noyes.

Entred & recorded

P B: Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

May 26, 1767. dd a Copy of y^e above Warrant to the Clerk of the Plym^o Prop^{rs} & rec'd 20/

Advertisement.

April 11: 1757. Province of the Massachusetts-Bay

To the Proprietors of a Tract of Land lying and being in the County of York, and Province aforesaid known by the Name of the Pejepscott Purchase, comprehending the Townships of Brunswick and Topsham and Lands Adjacent.

Pursuant to a warrant to me directed by the Honourable

Samuel Danforth Esq^r one of His Majestys Justices of the Peace throughout the said Province, for calling a Meeting of said Proprietors according to a Law of said Province, made and passed in the 26th Year of His Majestys Reign, entitled An Act in Addition to an Act, entitled An Act directing how Meetings of Proprietors of Lands lying in Common may be called; You are hereby warned to meet on Tuesday the Thirty first day of May next at Ten a Clock in the Forenoon, at the Exchange Tavern in Boston then and there to determine, and act upon the Several particulars hereafter mentioned. Viz^t

1. To Choose a Moderator, Proprietor's Clerk, Treasurer, & Collector of Taxes.
2. To Choose a Committee to prosecute, and defend all Actions, or Suits that shall or may be commenced by the said Proprietors or against them.
3. To Agree upon a Method of raising Money by a Tax, or otherwise, for the prosecuting, and defending all Actions or Suits that shall—be commenced by or against this Propriety.
4. To grant Sell, or dispose of any part of said Lands, not yet disposed off that may be Judged necessary.
5. To Agree upon a Method for dividing any part of said Lands, yet undivided.
6. To Appoint some proper Person, or Persons, to execute Deeds of any Lands that may be granted by this Propriety.
7. To Choose a Committee to settle the Bounds between our Lands, and the Proprietors of the Kennebeck Purchase, and any other Abutters, or Claimers, and to make any Agreement as said Committee shall Judge for the Interest of this Propriety, by leaving the same to Reference, or otherwise, which Agreement and Settlement shall be final.

8. To confirm and ratify any Matters or Things transacted by the Proprietors at their past Meetings.
9. Lastly, To agree upon a Method of calling Meetings of the Proprietors for the future.

Of which all Persons concerned are hereby notified to give their Attendance by themselves or Agents, lawfully Authorized at said Time and Place.

Belcher Noyes.

Boston April 11, 1757.

I do hereby certify that the above Advertisement was duly published in the several Boston Weekly News-Papers Forty days before the day appointed for said Meeting, as the Law directs.

P Belcher Noyes Propr^s Clerk.

Entred & recorded.

P B Noyes, Pro: Clerk.

May 31st 1757.

Att a Meeting of the Proprietors of Pejepscott Lands duly warned as the Law directs, at the Exchange Tavern Kings Street Boston on Tuesday May 31 1757.

Moderator

Voted, That William Skinner Esq^r be Moderator of this Meeting. and

Prop^{rs} Clerk

D^r Belcher Noyes was unanimously chosen Clerk of this Propriety and was duly sworn to the faithful Discharge of his Office, by John Phillips Esq^r as certified in this Book.

Adjourned to June 1.

Then the meeting was by Vote adjourned till to morrow at Ten a Clock in the Forenoon to meet at this place

Entred & recorded—

P Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk

June 1, 1757.

Then mett according to Adjournment.

Treasurer & Collector

Voted, That D^r Belcher Noyes be Proprietor's Treasurer, and Collector of Taxes.

Committee to prosecute &c.

Voted That William Skinner Esq^r Mess^{rs} Samuel Waterhouse and Belcher Noyes or any Two of them be a Committee to prosecute and defend all Actions or Suits that shall be commenced by the said Proprietors or against them.

Articles referr'd.

Voted That the Third, Fourth, and Fifth articles, in the warrant—be referred to be acted on hereafter.

Committee for executing Deeds.

Voted That William Skinner Esq^r Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes and Samuel Waterhouse or any Two of them be a Committee to execute Deeds of any Lands granted by this Propriety, and in particular to the Setlers at Topsham.

Committee for Setling Claims.

Voted, That the Hon^{ble} Isaac Royall Esq^r Henry Gibbs & William Skinner Esq^{rs} Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse or the Major Part of them be a Committee to transact & conclude the Agreement with the Proprietors of the Kennebeck Purchase & any other Abutters, or Claimers, and to make any Agreement as the said Committee shall Judge for the Interest of this Propriety by leaving the same to reference or otherwise which Agreement and Settlement shall be final.

Vote of Confirmation.

Voted, That all Matters and things transacted by the Proprietors at their past Meetings be & hereby are ratified & confirmed.

Voted That the meeting be adjourned to this place at Five a Clock in the Afternoon.

(Post Meridiem.)

Acceptance of y^e Plymouth Comp^a Proposals.

Voted, That the Proposals from the Plymouth Company for an Accommodation of the Dispute between them and us, be accepted on our part: Provided, That the release demanded from Mess^{rs} Gibbs & Skinner be limited to Lands granted by the Pejepscott Company to them at Abagadussett only.—

Vote of Equity to the Partners.

Voted, That if any of the Partners by this Accommodation with the Plymouth Company, are deprived of any of their Divisions or Grants of Land heretofore assigned them by this Propriety, it shall be made good to them, so as that no one of the Partners loose more than another. And in particular, its Voted, That a Debt of £203 .. 19 .. 11 old tenor, due to Job Lewis Esq^r deceased for the payment of which certain Lands were Assigned which will by this Accommodation be released, shall be made up to his heirs elsewhere, or paid them in Money.

Adjourned to June 8.

Voted That this Meeting be further adjourned to Wednesday the Eighth of June instant to meet at this place at Five a Clock in the afternoon.

Entred & recorded.

P Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Proposals to the Plymouth Comp^a.

A Proposall for setting the interfering Claims of the Kennebeck and Pejepscott Companys. (on our Part).

1 That the Pejepscott Company should Quittclaim to the Kennebeck Company all the Land within their Claim

Northward of a Line to run from the Mouth of Cathance River West North West till said Line meets with the western Line of the Kennebeck Purchase, as it extends North and South, and also all the Land from Merrymeeting Bay, extending Southerly and lying on the west of Kennebeck River and running down said River to the Mouth thereof where it emptys it self into the Sea or Western Ocean and to run Westerly on the Sea Coast, round to Small Point, then running Northerly on the Sea Shore up to New Meadows Bay on the East Side of great Sebasco-degin Island to the furthest head of said New Meadows Bay, and Creek alias Stevens's River, then to run a West North West Course from the head or Northermost of said Creek to Merrymeeting Bay together with all the Islands in said Kennebeck-river and on the Sea Coast from said Mouth of Kennebeck to the Western Line of the Kennebeck Company's Claim Except the aforementioned Island of Great Sebasco-degin Island and little Damaris-cove Island lying at the south end of Merryconeeg Neck. Provided, That the said Kennebeck Company do engage as follows; (1) That they will in consequence of this Quittclaim do nothing to disturb or Molest Aaron Hinkley Esq^r in the Possession of one half of a mill built on Abagadussett River, and six hundred Acres of Land sold him by Mess^{rs} Gibbs and Skinner. (2) That they also allow and confirm to William Patten and others, six hundred & sixty one Acres of Land hereby included in this Resignation (3) That they confirm to the Heirs of Job Lewis Esq^r Two hundred & fifty Acres of Land on Hunniwell's Neck. (4) That they confirm to Mess^{rs} Gibbs and Noyes Three hundred Acres of Land at Atkins's Bay.

2^d That the Kennebeck Company should Quittclaim to the Pejepscott Company: All the Land lying Southward of the Line aforementioned, Viz^t Beginning at the Mouth of Cathance River, and running a West North West course,

till it meets with the Westerly Line of the Kennebeck Purchase, from the late Colony of New Plymouth as it extends North and South, and which is fifteen Miles from Kennebeck River, and from thence on said Line to run Southerly four miles to the westward of Androscoggin River till it meets with Maquoit Bay, as said Bounds are described in said Pejepscott Company's Deed from Ephraim Savage, then round said Maquoit Bay, Mare point, and Merryconeeg Neck, and so up to the head of New Meadows Bay and Creek to the Northermost head thereof, and from the Northermost part of said Creek to run West Northwest to Merrymeeting Bay, and from thence to run Northerly to the said Line, beginning at the Mouth of Cathance River, being the first mentioned Bounds. In which Bounds are comprehended the Township of Brunswick, Topsham and the Islands in the River of Pejepscott or Androscoggin Together with the Island of Great Sebascodegin, and little Damaris Cove Island lying at the South end of Merryconeeg Neck.

It is also agreed that any Acknowledgments made by any of the Inhabitants within the Bounds relinquished by the Kennebeck Company be delivered up to the Proprietors Clerk of the Pejepscott Company; And if there are any Acknowledgments in the hands of the Pejepscott Company, they are to be given up to the Clerk of the Plymouth Company.

This Agreement to be ratified by both Parties.
Boston March 12th 1757.

Consented to on the Part of the Pejepscott Company;

P Isaac Royall.
Henry Gibbs.
Belcher Noyes.
William Skinner.

Entred on record.—

Samuel Waterhouse.

P Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk

Proposalls from the Plymouth Co.

Proposalls for selling the Interfering Claims of the Kennebeck and Pejepscott Companys. (on the Part of the Plymouth)

1 That the Pejepscott Company Quittclaim to the Kennebeck Company All the Lands within their Claim Northward of a Line to run from the Mouth of Cathance River, West North West without the Variation of the Compass untill said Line meets with the Western Line of the Kennebeck Purchase, as it extends North and South, And also all the Lands from Merrymeeting Bay, extending Southerly, and lying on the West side Kennebeck River and running down said River to the Mouth thereof, where it emptys itself into the Sea, or Western Ocean, and from thence to run Westerly on the Sea Coast, round to small point, then running Northerly, on the Sea Shore up to New Meadows, on the East side of Great Sebasco-degin Island, to the furthest head of said New Meadows Bay, and Creek, alias Stevens's river, then to run a West Northwest Course from the head or Northermost part of said Creek to Merrymeeting Bay. Together with all the Islands in said Kennebeck River and on the Sea Coast from said Mouth of Kennebeck River to the Western Line of the Kennebeck Company's Claim. Except the aforementioned Island of Great Sebasco-degin Island & little Damaris Cove Island lying at the Southward of Merryconceg-Neck. Provided That the said Kennebeck Company do engage as follows, (1) That they will in Consequence of this Quitt claim do nothing to disturb or Molest Aaron Hinkley Esq^r in the Possession of One half of a Mill built on Abagadussett River and six hundred Acres of Land sold him by Mess^{rs} Gibbs and Skinner. (2) That they will allow and confirm to William Patten and Others, the Land sold them, hereby included in this Resignation. (3) That they

confirm to the Heirs of Job Lewis Esq^r Two hundred & fifty acres on Hunniwells Neck. (4) That they confirm to Mess^{rs} Gibbs and Noyes Three hundred Acres at Atkins's Bay.

2^d That the Kennebeck Company should Quitt Claim to the Pejepscott Company All the Land lying Southward of the forementioned Line Viz^t Beginning at the mouth of Cathance River & running a West North West Course, untill it meets with the Westerly Line of the Kennebeck Purchase from the late Colony of New Plymouth as it extends North and South and which is fifteen Miles from Kennebeck River, and from thence to run Southerly, so far on the Kennebeck Company's Line as to terminate at four Miles distance from Sagadehoc, alias Androscoggin River, and from thence to run Easterly, on a Strait Line untill it meets with the Mouth of Bungamunganock Brook, where it emptys it self into Maquoit Bay, as said Bounds are described, by said Pejepscott Company's Deed from Ephraim Savage, then running round said Maquoit Bay, Mare point, Merryconeeg Neck, and so up to the head of New Meadows Bay, and Creek, to the Northermost part thereof, and from the Northermost part of said Creek to run West North West to Merrymeeting Bay and thence to run northerly to the said Line, beginning at the Mouth of Cathance River, being the first mentioned Bounds; in which is comprehended the Township of Topsham, and Brunswick, and the Islands in the River Sagadahock, alias Androscoggin, together with the Islands of great Sebasco degin Island, and little Damaris Cove Island, lying at the End of Merryconeeg Neck. Provided, that—said Mess^{rs} Gibbs and Skinner Quittclaim to the said Kennebeck Comp^a all their Right, Title, and Interest, to any Lands granted to them by the Pejepscott Company at Abagadussett: lying Northward of the first mentioned Line, which runs from the Mouth of Cathance River, a West North West Course, untill

said Line meets with the Western Line of the said Kennebeck Purchase. Also that said Mess^{rs} Gibbs and Skinner, Quittclaim to said Kennebeck Company one half a double Saw Mill erected upon Abagadussett river, with all the Appurtenances thereunto belonging and Appertaining.

Charles Aphthorp.

Thomas Hancock.

Silvester Gardiner.

William Bowdoin.

Benjamin Hallowell

James Bowdoin.

James Pitts.

Consented to on part of the Kennebeck Company.—
Boston March 30, 1757.

It is agreed that any Acknowledgments made by any of the Inhabitants within the bounds relinquished by the Kennebeck Company be delivered up to the Proprietor's Clerk of the Pejepscott Company. And if there are any Acknowledgments in the hands of the Pejepscott Company, they are to be given up to the Clerk of the Plymouth Company.

Entred on Record

P Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

exchanged April 7, 1757.

June 8 1757.

Att a Meeting of the Pejepscott Proprietors att the Exchange Tavern in Boston Wednesday June 8th 1757, by Adjournment.

The following Vote of Agreement with the Plymouth Company was debated and passed. Viz^t

Vote of Agreem^t with the Prop^{rs} of Kennebeck Purchase.

Whereas the Proprietors of certain Lands on Kennebeck-river in the County of York and Province of the Massachu-

setts Bay in New England, which they derived from Mess^{rs} Antipas Boyes, Edward Tyng, Thomas Brattle and John Winslow, which they derived from the late Colony of New Plymouth, which said Colony derived from the Councill at Plymouth in the County of Devon, in Great Brittain, as by said Councill's Pattent to said Conoly bearing date, January 16, 1629, and the Boundarys, and Description of said Lands therein contained may more fully appear; by Vertue of said Title derived as aforesaid; lay claim to certain Lands called the Pejepscott Purchase in the County and Province aforesaid purchased by Mess^{rs} Thomas Hutchinson, John Wentworth, Adam Winthrop, John Watts, David Jeffries, Oliver Noyes, and John Ruck, of Ephraim Savage Administrator to the Estate of Richard Wharton, which said Wharton purchased of John Shapleigh by deed dated July 4 1683. Also of Six Indian Sagamores by deed dated July 7 1684, & others.

In order therefore to prevent any Controversy between said Proprietors and Us touching our said Lands, We have mutually agreed that the first mentioned Proprietors deriving from Antipas Boyes &c called the Kennebeck Company shall release and Quittclaim to us the said Proprietors deriving from said Ephraim Savage & others, called the Pejepscott Company, All the Lands lying Southward of a Line beginning at the Mouth of Cathance River, running a West North west course untill it meets with the Westerly Line of said Kennebeck Purchase as it extends North and South, and which is fifteen Miles from said Kennebeck River, and from thence running Southerly, so far on the said Kennebeck Company's Line as to terminate at four Miles distance from Androscoggin, alias Amoroscoggin River, and from thence to run Easterly untill it meets with the Mouth of Bungamungonock Brook, where it emptys itself into Maquoit Bay, as said Bounds are described in our

Deed from said Ephraim Savage, then running round said Maquoit Bay, Mair point, Middle Bay, Merryconeeg Neck, and so up to the head of New Meadow's Bay, and Creek, alias Stevens's River, to the Northermost part thereof, and from thence to run a West North West Course without allowing for the Variation of the Compass to Merrymeeting Bay, and thence to run Northerly to said Line beginning at the Mouth of Cathance River, the first mentioned Boundary. Together with the Island called great Sebasco-degin and the Island called little Damaris-Cove lying off the lower end of Merryconeeg Neck, and all the Islands in said River of Androscoggin, or Amoro-scoggin and Pejepscott River. And further to release and Quittelaim to Aaron Hinkley Esq^r his heirs and Assigns one half a double Saw Mill built on Abagadussett River, and six hundred Acres of Land thereabouts sold him by Mess^{rs} Gibbs & Skinner, and now in said Hinkley's Possession, the same being part or parell of Twelve hundred acres granted by us to said Gibbs and Skinner, And also to release and Quittelaim, and confirm to William Patten, & others, the Lands sold them at Cathance Point. Also release and confirm to the Heirs of the late Job Lewis Esq^r Two hundred and fifty Acres of Land on Hunniwell's Neck and also confirm to Mess^{rs} Gibbs and Noyes, Three hundred Acres of Land at Atkins's Bay. And give up any Acknowledgments made by any of the Inhabitants within the Bounds relinquished by said Kennebeck Company to our Proprietors Clerk.

In consideration whereof we the said Proprietors of Lands at Pejepscott, at our meeting called and regulated according to Law, held at Boston on Wednesday this Eighth day of June 1757. Do Vote, to release and Quittelaim to the said Kennebeck Company; All our Right, Title, and Interest to all the Lands within our Claim Northward of the aforementioned Line to run from the Mouth of said Cathance River,

West North West without the Variation of the Compass untill said Line meets with the Western Line of the Kennebeck Purchase as it extends North and South; And also all the Lands from Merrymeeting-Bay, extending Southerly, and lying on the West side of Kennebeck River, to the Mouth thereof, where it emptys it self into the Sea or Western Ocean, and from thence to run Westerly on the Sea Coast round to Small Point, then running Northerly on the Sea Shore up to New Meadows Bay and Creek, alias, Stevens's River, then to run a West North West course from the head, or Northermost part of said Creek to Merrymeeting-Bay. Together with our Right Title and Interest to all the Islands in said Kennebeck River, and on the Sea Coast from the said Mouth of Kennebeck River, to the Western Line of the said Kennebeck Company's Claim. Except the aforementioned Island of Great Sebasco-degin, little Damaris Cove Island, and the Islands in the aforenamed Androscoggin, or Amoroscoggin River, and Pejepscott River.

And to the end that the said Kennebeck Company's Title to the Lands Quittclaimed unto them by us the said Pejepscott Company, and the Evidences thereof may be perpetuated: It is further Voted, That Belcher Noyes our Proprietors Clerk, be and is hereby authorized and directed in behalf of said Pejepscott Company, by Deed to release & Quittclaim the above Tracts of Lands, Voted by us, to be released and Quittclaimed, as aforesaid, to the said Kennebeck Company their Heirs, Successors, or Assigns: And that the said Belcher Noyes Sign his Name thereto, Seal, Deliver, and Acknowledge the same, and that said Deed be entred in the Registry of Deeds for the said County of York, and there recorded; and that the said Deed so executed, shall be good and Valid to all Intents and Purposes, as the Act and Deed of this Company.

Voted; That this meeting be further adjourned to Wednesday the Twenty ninth day of June instant to meet at the house of our Partner D^r Belcher Noyes, at Three a Clock in the afternoon.

Entred on Record—

P Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Adjourned to June 29th

June 29, 1757.

The Proprietors mett according to Adjournment, and Voted a further Adjournment of this Meeting, to Wednesday the Sixth day of July to meet at this Place, at three a Clock in the Afternoon.

Attⁿ Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Entred on Record

P Belcher Noyes.

July 6, 1757.

The Proprietors mett according to Adjournment, and Voted a further Adjournment of this Meeting, to Wednesday the third day of August, to meet at this place, at three a Clock in the Afternoon.

Entred on Record;

P Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

August 3^d 1757.

Expences 32/

The Proprietors mett according to Adjournment, and Voted a further Adjournment of this meeting to Wednesday the thirty first of August Instant, to meet at this place, at three a Clock in the afternoon.

Entred on Record,

P Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk.

August 31, 1757.

Expences 40/

The Proprietors mett according to Adjournment, and Voted a further Adjournment of this meeting to Wednesday the twenty eighth of September next to meet at this place at three a Clock in the afternoon.

Entred on Record

P Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk.

The Proprietors met and adjourned on following dates: Sept. 28; Oct. 19; Nov. 16; Dec. 7, 28, 1757. Mar. 1; Apr. 5; May 3, 1758.

June 7, 1758.

Att a meeting of the Proprietors According to Adjournment Wednesday June 7, 1758.

The ninth Article in the Warrant Acted on.

Method for calling Prop^{rs} Meeting.

Voted, That the Method for calling a Meeting of the Proprietors be in manner following: Viz^t The Standing Committee of the Proprietors be and are hereby impowered at any time hereafter for that End and Purpose whenever a Meeting of said Prop^{rs} Shall be Judged necessary to give publick Notice of the time and Place in the News-Paper entitled the Boston Gazette or Country Journall, Twenty one Days, at least before the Time of said Meeting, notifying the Occasion thereof.—

Sale of 200^a to Hugh & Sam^l Wilson confirmed.

That upon the Application of Mess^{rs} Hugh and Samuel Willson two of the Inhabitants of the Township of Topsham, for two Lotts of Land lying up Cathance River, to be disposed of to them, the Committee of the Proprietors Judged it necessary to contract with them for said Lotts according

to a Survey thereof by Stephen Gatchell Surveyor: Voted That the same be confirmed as it may be expected to draw others into the Purchasing of Land there to the Advantage of the Propriety.

Voted, That this meeting be further Adjourned to Wednesday the fifth Day of July next to meet at this place at Eleven aClock in the Forenoon.—

Entred on Record

P Belcher Noyes Propr^s Clerk.

Adjourned to July 5, 1758.

July 5 1758

The Proprietors mett according to Adjournment and Voted a further Adjournment to Wednesday the Second day of August next to meet at this place at Eleven aClock in the forenoon.

Attⁿ Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk

Adjourned to Aug^t 2 1758.

Aug^t 2 1758.

Vote for granting Deeds.

The Proprietors mett according to Adjournment and the following Vote was Agreed to Viz^t

Whereas by the Vote empowering Mess^{rs} William Skinner, Belcher Noyes and Samuel Waterhouse a Committee to execute Deeds to the Setlers at Topsham &c it was expresly mentioned, That any of Two of them were sufficient, but as the said Samuel Waterhouse had not Joined with the others, in the Execution of any Deeds yet given out: Its now agreed; That his Name be Omitted in the reciting the aforesaid Vote, and any Deeds hereafter to be executed be in the Name of Two of said Committee only Viz^t Mess^{rs} William Skinner, & Belcher Noyes, who are hereby fully impowered to execute the same in behalf of the Proprietors.

Voted, That this meeting be further adjourned to Wednesday the sixth day of September next to meet at this place, at Eleven aClock in the forenoon.

Entred on Record

P Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Adjourned to Sept^r 6, 1758.

Sep^t 6 1758.

Then The Proprietors mett according to Adjournment, and Voted a further Adjournment to Wednesday the Fourth day of October next to meet at this place at Eleven aClock in the Forenoon.

Entred on Record

P Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Adjourned to Octob^r 4, 1758.

Oct. 4 met and adjourned to Nov. 1, and then to May 2, 1759.

Deed of Release to the Plymouth Proprietors.

Feb: 20: 1758.

To all Persons to whom these Presents shall come Belcher Noyes of Boston in the County of Suffolk & Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Physician, elected Clerk to the Proprietors of Lands at Pejepscott in the County of York & duly sworn into said Office as the Law directs.

Sends Greeting.

Know Yee, That Whereas the Proprietors of the Kennebeck Purchase the Heirs and Assigns of Antipas Boyes, Edward Tyng, Thomas Brattle, and John Winslow, in order to prevent any Controversy that might arise between them the Proprietors of the said Kennebeck Purchase, and the said

Pejepscott Proprietors touching their respective Claims of Lands have by their Deed duly executed by David Jeffries their Proprietors Clerk especially impowered & Authorized thereunto by the said Proprietors of Kennebeck, released and forever Quittclaimed unto the said Pejepscot Proprietors: All that Tract of Land lying Southward of the Line hereafter mentioned, Viz^t Beginning at the Mouth of Cathance River, which emptys itself into Merrymeeting Bay, said Line to run a West-North-West Course without allowance for the Variation of the Compass, untill it meets with the Westerly Line of said Kennebeck Purchase, as it extends North and South, and which is fifteen Miles from said Kennebeck River, and from thence running Southerly so far on the said Kennebeck Company's Line as to terminate at Four Miles Distance from Androscoggin River, from thence to run Easterly untill it meets with the Mouth of Bungamunganock-Brook, where it emptys it self into Maquoit Bay, as said Bounds are described in said Pejepscot Company's Deed from Ephraim Savage, then running round said Maquoit-Bay, Mare point, Middle Bay, Merryconeeg Neck, and so up New Meadows-Bay alias Stevens's River, untill it meets with Stevens's Carryingplace so called, and from thence to run a West-North-West Course over to Merrymeeting-Bay, without Allowance for Variation of the Compass, and thence to run Northerly to the aforementioned Line at the Mouth of Cathance River, the first mentioned Boundary. To gether with the Island called Great Sebasco-degin and the Island called little Damaris-Cove Island lying off the lower end of Merryconeeg-Neck, and all the Islands in the aforesaid Rivers of Androscoggin, and Pejepscott, comprehended within the aforesaid Limitts.

Now Know Yee, That I the said Belcher Noyes pursuant to a Vote of the said Pejepscott Proprietors passed at their meeting called & regulated according to Law, held at Boston

by Adjournment, on the Eighth day of June A D 1757, being hereunto Specially impowered, & Authorized in the behalf of said Pejepscott Proprietors; for and in Consideration of the Sum of Five Shillings, Sterling received of David Jeffries of Boston aforesaid Gentleman Clerk to the Proprietors of the said Kennebeck Purchase, Do hereby release, and forever Quittclaim unto the said Proprietors of the said Kennebeck Purchase, as derived to them from the late Colony of New Plymouth, their Heirs, Assigns and Successors, All the Right, Title, and Interest in and unto All the Lands lying and being within the said Pejepscott Company's Claim, Northward of the forementioned Line to run from the Mouth of said Cathance River West-North-West without the Variation of the Compass untill said Line meets with the Western Line of the Kennebeck Purchase as it extends North and South: And also all the Lands from Merrymeeting-Bay, extending Southerly, and lying on the West Side of Kennebeck River to the Mouth thereof where it emptys itself into the Sea, or Western Ocean, and from thence to run Westwardly on the Sea Coast round to Small Point, thence running Northerly on the Sea Shore, up to New Meadows-Bay, alias Stevens's River untill it meets with Stevens's carrying place so called, and from thence to run a West-North-West Course, without allowing for the Variation of the Compass over to Merrymeeting Bay. Together with the said Pejepscott Company's Right, Title and Interest to all the Islands in said Kennebeck River, & on the Sea Coast from the said Mouth of Kennebeck River to the Western Line of the said Kennebeck Company's Claim Excepting the forementioned Island of Great Sebasco-degin, little Damaris-Cove Island, and the Islands in the Rivers of Androscoggin, and Pejepscot. To Have and to Hold the above released Tracts of Lands, with all the Privileges & Appurtenances thereunto belonging, & Appertaining, unto

them the said Proprietors of the Kennebeck Purchase, their Heirs, Assigns, and Successors forever, Agreeable to a Mutual Agreement made and concluded by and between the said Parties, in order that a final issue may be putt to any Disputes that might arise in consequence of said Interfering Claims to said Lands.

In Testimony whereof I the said Belcher Noyes, authorized as aforesaid, do hereunto sett my hand, and deliver this Instrument as the Special Act and Deed of the said Pejepscot Proprietors, this Twentieth day of February Anno Domini, One thousand seven hundred fifty eight, in the Thirty first Year of His Majesty's Reign.

Belcher Noyes. and Seal.

Signed Sealed and Delivered, In Presence of us.

John Hunt.

John Mico-Wendell.

Suffolk Ss Boston February 28th 1759.

Then Belcher Noyes Esq^r personally Appeared & Acknowledged this Instrument by him executed to be his Act & Deed.

Before me,

Jacob Wendell Justice Peace.

Entred from the Original—

P Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Deed of Release from the Plym^o Proprietors to the

Pejepscott Prop^{rs}.

Feb: 20 1758

To all Persons to whom these Presents shall come David Jeffries of Boston in the County of Suffolk and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Gentleman, elected

Clerk to the Proprietors of the Kennebeck Purchase from the late Colony of New Plymouth, and duly sworn into said office as the Law directs. Sends Greeting.

Know Yee, That whereas the Pejepscott Company in order to prevent any Controversy that might arise between them the said Pejepscott Company, and the Proprietors of the said Kennebeck Purchase, from the late Colony of New Plymouth, touching their respective Claims of said Lands have by their Deed bearing even date with these Presents duly executed by Belcher Noyes their Proprietors Clerk, especially impowered & Authorized thereunto by the said Pejepscott Company, released and forever Quittelained unto the Proprietors of the said Kennebeck Purchase from the late Colony of New Plymouth: All their the said Pejepscott Company's Right Title and Interest to all the Lands within their Claim lying Northward of a Line to run from the Mouth of Cathance River, West-North-West without the Variation of the Compass, untill the said Line meets with the western Line of the Kennebeck Purchase, as it extends North and South; and Also All the Lands from Merrymeeting Bay extending Southerly and lying on the West side of Kennebeck River to the Mouth thereof where it emptys it self into the Sea, or Western Ocean, and from thence to run Westwardly on the Sea Coast round to Small Point then running Northerly up New Meadows Bay and Creek alias Stevens's River, untill it meets with Stevens's carryingplace so called and from thence to run a West-North-West Course over to said Merrymeeting Bay, without allowing for Variation of the Compass Together with all their Right Title and Interest to all the Islands in Said River Kennebeck & on the Sea-Coast from the said Mouth of Kennebeck River to the Western Line of the said Proprietors of the Kennebeck Purchase, from the late Colony of New Plymouth, their Claim, Except the Island of Great Sebascodegin, little Damaris-

Cove-Island, And the Islands in Androscoggin, alias Sagadahoc River.

Now know Yee That I the said David Jeffries pursuant to the Votes of the Proprietors of the said Kennebeck Purchase from the late Colony of New Plymouth passed at their Meetings called and regulated according to Law, held at Boston, by Adjournment, June 8, 1757, and February the first 1758, being hereunto specially Authorized and directed in the behalf of the Proprietors of said Kennebeck Purchase from the late Colony of New Plymouth for and in consideration of the Sum of Five Shillings Sterling received of Belcher Noyes aforesaid Physician Clerk to the said Pejepscott Company: Do hereby Release and forever Quittclaim unto the said Pejepscott Company their Heirs, Assigns, and Successors: All the Right Title and Interest in and unto all the Lands Lying Southward of a Line beginning at the Mouth of Cathance River, which emptys itself into said Merry-meeting Bay, said Line to run a West-North-West Course untill it meets with the Western Line of the Kennebeck Purchase, as it extends North and South, and which is fifteen miles from Kennebeck River, and from thence running Southerly so far on the said Line of the said Proprietors of the Kennebeck Purchase as to terminate at four Miles Distance from Androscoggin, alias Sagahedoc River, and from thence to run Easterly untill it meets the Mouth of Bungamungonock Brook, where it emptys it self into Maquoit-Bay, as said Bounds are described in said Pejepscott Company's Deed from Ephraim Savage, then running round Maquoit Bay, Mare Point, Middle Bay, Merryconceg Neck, and so up New Meadows Bay, and Creek, alias Stevens's river untill it meets with Stevens's carryingplace so called, and from thence to run a West-North-west Course over to said Merry-meeting Bay without allowing for Variation of the Compass and thence to run Northerly to the aforementioned Line

at the Mouth of Cathance River, the first mentioned Boundary. Together with the Island called Great-Sebasco-Degin, and the Island called little Damaris-Cove-Island lying off the End of Merryconeeg Neck And all the Islands in the said River of Androscoggin alias Sagadehoc. To Have and to Hold the above released & Quittclaimed Tracts of Lands with all the Priviledges & Appurtenances thereunto belonging and Appertaining unto them the said Pejepscoth Company their Heirs Assigns and Successors forever, agreeable to a Mutual Agreement made and concluded between the said Parties in order that a final Issue may be putt to any Disputes that might arise in Consequence of said interfering claims to said Lands. In Testimony whereof I the said David Jeffries, authorized and directed as aforesaid do hereunto sett my hand and Seal and deliver this Instrument as the Special Act & Deed of the Proprietors of the Kennebeck Purchase from the late Colony of New Plymouth this Twentieth day of February, Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and fifty eight, in the thirty first Year of His Majestys Reign.

David Jeffries. and a Seal.

Signed Sealed and Delivered In Presence of us.

William Bowdoin

John Taylor.

Suffolk Ss Boston February 28, 1759.

Then M^r David Jeffries personally Appeared and acknowledged this Instrument by him executed to be his Act & Deed.

Before me

Jacob Wendell Justice Peace

Entred from the Original

P Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Plymouth Prop^{rs} Deed of 300 Acres to Mess^{rs} Gibbs & Noyes.

Jan: 23: 1758.

To All Persons to whom these Presents shall come David Jeffries of Boston in the County of Suffolk & Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Gentleman Clerk to the Proprietors of the Kennebeck Purchase from the late Colony of New Plymouth Sends Greetings

Whereas the said Proprietors of Kennebeck Purchase at their meeting held at Boston by Adjournment June 8 1757 did Vote in manner and form following Viz^t Voted, That Three hundred Acres of Land on Small Point Neck fronting on Atkins's Bay be and hereby is granted to Mess^{rs} Henry Gibbs and Belcher Noyes their Heirs and Assigns in consideration that Oliver Noyes Esq^r was at considerable Expence in bringing forward the Settlement at Small point; as Surveyed and platted by James Scales Surveyor November 1st 1742. And that David Jeffries our Proprietors Clerk be and hereby is Authorized and Impowered to execute a Deed thereof accordingly, And that the Deed so executed be good and Valid to all intents and Purposes as the Act and Deed of this Propriety.

Now Know Yee, That I the said David Jeffries in Consequence of the above Vote of the aforesaid Proprietors of Kennebeck Purchase empowering me hereunto and in Consideration of Five Shillings Sterling by me received of Henry Gibbs of Newtown in the County of Middlesex and Province aforesaid Esquire and Belcher Noyes of Boston aforesaid Physician, Have and Do by these Presents Grant, release Convey and Confirm unto them their Heirs and Assigns forever, the said Three hundred Acres of Land as described and bounded in said Platt taken by said James Scales Surveyor, Viz^t Beginning at the Head of a Creek being the head of the Mill pond commonly so called, thence North-

east across the Land to the head of a Cove running in from Atkins's Bay thence Southwestwardly by the Shore to the head of a Creek running in from said Bay, thence West three degrees South fourteen pole five feet across the Marsh to the head of a Creek running in from a River called Little River being the Bounds of Land belonging to the Heirs of Job Lewis Esq^r Westwardly down said Creek by the Shore to the Main Branch of Little River, thence Northeastwardly by the Shore to the bounds first mentioned containing One hundred and fifty Acres exclusive of Ledges. Also Another Tract of Land bounded as follows Viz^t—Beginning at a Point of Marsh in the Crotch of Little River thence West Forty three degrees South across said River to the upland, thence upon the same course one hundred twenty eight rods to Small Point River, thence Southwestwardly by said River to the End of the Point, upon the Eastward side of said River, thence round said Point Northeastwardly by the Sea Shore or Wall to the Mouth of little River aforesaid thence up said River to the bounds first mentioned containing One hundred and fifty Acres exclusive of Ledges: To Have and to Hold the said Tracts of Land as above described and bounded unto them the said Henry Gibbs and Belcher Noyes their respective Heirs and Assigns in Severalty with all & Singular the Priviledges and Appurtenances thereunto belonging on appertaining. To their only Proper Use Benefitt and Behoof forever Free and Clear from any Claim Challenge or Demand to be had or made on any part of the said granted Premises by any of the Proprietors of the Kennebeck Purchase from the late Colony of New Plymouth their Heirs Successors or Assigns. In Testimony that is to be deemed the Act of the aforesaid Proprietors and shall hereafter be held good and Valid by them at all times I the said David Jeffries in their behalf have hereunto sett my hand and Seal this Twentieth day of January Anno Domini One

thousand seven hundred fifty eight in the Thirty first Year of His Majestys Reign.

David Jeffries. and a Seal.

Signed Sealed & delivered In presence of us.

William Bowdoin

John Taylor.

Suffolk SS Boston February 28th 1759.

Then Mr David Jeffries personally Appeared and Acknowledged this Instrument by him executed to be his Act & Deed.

Before me,

Jacob Wendell, Justice Peace.

Entred from the Originall

P Belcher Noyes, prop^{rs} Clerk

Committee Meet & direct to call a New Meeting of the Prop^s.

Boston July 1st 1761.

At a Conference of the Proprietors of Pejepscott Lands in which is included the District of Topsham. Present: The Hon^{ble} Isaac Royall Esq^r Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes, & Samuel Waterhouse on the part of said Proprietors, and Cap^t Thomas Willson on the part of the Setlers of said place: The State of said Settlement was laid before the said Proprietors, and by them taken into Consideration, and in order to bring forward the said Settlement, and finish the meetinghouse (the Frame of which being raised by the said Inhabitants) according to the Original Agreement of the said Proprietors; the Present Proprietors freely declared their Readiness to conform themselves thereto & to comply with what was formerly engaged by the Original Proprietors to and with

the Setlers of said place; And it was and then & there agreed to call a New Meeting of the Proprietors, as soon as may be, in order to choose a Committee on their part, in the room of those deceased and to vest said Committee with a full & Sufficient power to execute Deeds to those setlers, who had not yet paid for their setling Lotts, & the money arising by the Sale of those Lotts, to be appropriated, & applied towards finishing said meeting house: And on the part of the Setlers it was expected they would comply with the Conditions of Settlement & pay for their Lotts as soon as may be, and endeavour to gett incorporated into a District, & so gett into Town order, for the regular Management of their affairs. So agreed & consented to.

Attest Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Entred

P B Noyes, Clerk.

NB. It was also agreed in case Cap^t Tho^s Willson would endeavour to promote the Interest of the Proprietors & the Setlers, he should be duly considered & allowed some Island or otherwise to his Satisfaction.

Advertisement for a New Meeting of the Pejepscott Proprietors.

August 17: 1761.

Province of the Massachusetts Bay

To the Proprietors of a Tract of Land, lying in the Counties of Cumberland & Lincoln and Province aforesaid, known by the Name of Pejepscott Purchase, including the Townships, of Brunswick, and Topsham, and Lands Adjacent. . . .

Whereas the said Proprietors at their meeting duly warned according to Law, did agree upon the following Method for calling of Meetings, for the future, and did Accordingly vote in manner, and form following: Viz^t That the Committee of the said Proprietors be, and are hereby impowered at any time hereafter, for that end, and Purpose; whenever a Meeting shall be Judged necessary, to give Publick Notice of the Time, and Place, in the News-Paper entitled, The Boston Gazette, or Country Journall; twenty one days at least before the time of said Meeting, notifying the Occasion thereof.

Pursuant to the abovesaid Vote, and at the Desire of the Committee of said Proprietors; you are hereby notified, and warned to meet on Wednesday the sixteenth Day of September next, at ten a clock in the forenoon, at the British-Coffee-House, in Kings Street, Boston, then and there to Act, and determine, upon the Articles hereafter mentioned Viz^t. 1. To Choose a Moderator, and a Committee for managing the prudential affairs of said Propriety, in the room of those deceased. (2.) To Choose a Committee to execute Deeds to the Setlers in Topsham, in order to raise money for the finishing the meeting house, in said Place, (the Frame of which is already raised) agreeable to former Proposals of the Original Proprietors, or otherwise to raise money for that purpose, so that the settlement of said Place may be compleated on the part of the Proprietors. (3) To agree upon a Method for dividing any part of said Lands, not yet divided. (4) To grant, Sell, or dispose, of any part of said Land, not yet disposed of that may be Judged necessary, and to vest the Committee with Power to execute Deeds of the same. (5) To Vest said Committee with Power of prosecuting, and defending any Actions, or Suits, that may be commenced by the said Proprietors, or against them, and to raise money for that purpose, if need be. (6) To Vest the Committee with power of setling, or regulating, the

Boundaries between them, and any other abutters, or claimers. (7) To project a Method for enlarging the Settlements, and to lay out a New Township on Androscoggin River, as proposals of Settlement may offer. Lastly To ratify, and confirm any matters, or things, transacted by the Proprietors, or their Committee, at former Meetings; Of which all persons concerned are hereby Notified, to give their Attendance by themselves, or Agents lawfully Authorised, at said time and place.

By Order of the Proprietors.
Belcher Noyes, Proprietors Clerk.

Boston August 17, 1761.

Entred

P Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk.

I do hereby certify that the within Advertisement has been duly published three several times in the Boston Gazette or Country Journal Viz^t August 17, 24 & 31 Anno Domini 1761, agreeable to the Vote of the Proprietors.

Attest, Belcher Noyes, Proprietors Clerk.

Gov ^r Wentworth	$\frac{1}{8}$	
Isaac Royall Esq	}	
Jos Wadsworth's heirs	{ $\frac{1}{4}$	
M ^r Fayrweathers heirs,	$\frac{1}{8}$	
Belcher Noyes	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{8}$	
Wincholl & Patten	$\frac{1}{8}$	Topsham Proprietors
Sam ^l Waterhouse	$\frac{1}{8}$	
John Merrill,	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{8}$	
Jere ^m Moulton	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{8}$	
Lydia Skinner	$\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{8}$	
Enoch Freeman	$\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{8}$	

Sept^r 16 1761

Att a Meeting of the Pejepscott Proprietors pursuant to the Advertisement published agreeable to the Vote of the Proprietors at the Brittish Coffee House in Boston on Wednesday Sept^r 16, 1761.

Present

Isaac Royall Esq^r $\frac{1}{8}$ & $\frac{2}{3}$. Belcher Noyes $\frac{1}{4}$ & $\frac{1}{3}$ & $\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{8}$. Mr Samuel Waterhouse $\frac{2}{3}$ & $\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{8}$. in all above $\frac{5}{8}$ th—

Article 1 Voted, Isaac Royall Esq^r be Moderator of this Meeting.

Standing Com^{ttee}

2. Voted That Isaac Royall Esq^r Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse, be the Standing Committee for managing the Prudentiall Affairs of the whole Propriety, and also to Grant Sell or dispose of any part of said Lands not yet disposed of, that may by them be Judged necessary for the Interests of said Propriety, and said Committee, or the Major part of them are hereby Vested with full power to execute Deeds of the same.—and said Committee to account with the Proprietors for their proceedings.

Committee for building Meetinghouse in Topsham

3^d Voted That Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes, Enoch Freeman, & John Patten, or any Two of them, be the Committee specially appointed to take care of and finish the Meeting House in Topsham, at the Charge of this Propriety; and all the Accounts of Charge, arising on the same, be laid before the Standing Committee, already Appointed by the Proprietors, who are also empowered to discharge the same, according to the above power given to them.

Committee to prosecute & defend all Actions.

5th Voted That the Standing Committee be and hereby are impowered to prosecute, or defend any Actions, or Suits, in the Law, that may be commenced by the said Proprietors, or against them, and if need be, to raise money for that purpose, according to the above said Vote of the Proprietors with power of Substitution—And also to settle the Boundaries between the Proprietors and any other Claimers or Abutters.

Articles not Acted on referred.

Voted That the Article in the Advertisements for laying out a New Township and any Other Articles not Acted upon be referred to the next Adjournment of this Meeting.

Adjourned to Octob^r 7.

Voted That this meeting be adjourned to Wednesday the seventh day of October next to meet at this place at ten aClock in the Forenoon.

Entered on Record

P B Noyes.

Attest Belcher Noyes, Proprietors Clerk.

Octob^r 7, 1761

Adjourned to the 8th

Then mett according to Adjournment, and the Moderator not being present, it was agreed, that this meeting be further adjourned to morrow morning, to meet at this place at Eleven a Clock.

Attest Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk

Entred on Record

P B Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk

Octob^r 8, 1761

Att a Meeting of the Prop^{rs} as by Adjournment yesterday Octob^r 8, 1761. / Present

Isaac Royall Esq^r $1/8 \ 2/3$ Jeremiah Moulton Esq^r $1/16$.
Enoch Freeman Esq^r $1/24$ Belcher Noyes for $1/4$.
M^r Samuel Waterhouse for almost $1/8$.

Plan of Topsham to be taken.

Voted. That Enoch Freeman Esq^r be desired & is hereby empowered to have a regular Plan taken of the Township of Topsham the Setling Lotts delineated that so it may be known what Land remains yet undisposed of belonging to the Prop^{rs} the Divisional Line between the Plymouth Propriety and us to be the Boundary, and the Land belonging to the Prop^{rs} to be plotted by a Skillfull Surveyor into Lotts of One hundred Acres each as the Land will admitt.

New Township to be laid out.

Voted That Enoch Freeman Esq^r be desired to lay out a New Township on the West side of Androscoggin River Adjacent to the Township of Brunswick, said Township to be about six Miles square if the Land will Admit, the out Lines of said Township to be run, and to be plotted into Lotts and lay the same before the Proprietors at their next meeting.

Relating to the Fort in Brunswick.

Voted That Belcher Noyes Esq^r be, and is hereby Authorised and empowered to execute a Deed of the old stone Fort with the Buildings & Land Adjacent belonging thereto, in the Town of Brunswick in behalf of this Propriety Viz^t The one half to Jeremiah Moulton Esq^r The other half to Cap^t David Duning they paying unto the said Belcher Noyes the Sum of One hundred thirty three pounds six shillings and eight pence lawfull Money, for which sum he is to account with the Proprietors. Also the Priviledge of the Stream at the Falls & its appurtenances.

Setling Lotts in Topsham to be disposed of & Deeds to be
Executed by Belcher Noyes.

Voted That Mess^{rs} Enoch Freeman & Belcher Noyes be
and are hereby impowered to dispose of the Setling Lotts not
yet disposed of in Topsham, and the money arising by the
Sale of said Lotts to be applyed towards the finishing the
meetinghouse in said Topsham, and the said Belcher Noyes
be, and is hereby impowered to execute the Deeds of the same,
to the respective Setlers, and the said Committee to Account
with the Proprietors.—

Accounts discharged

Voted That M^r Samuel Waterhouse be desired to examine
all the accounts of the several Proprietors and see that they
be right Cast and well vouched, and that the same be dis-
charged out of the money arising by the Sale of the Fort in
Brunswick.

Adjournm^t

Voted That this meeting be further adjourned to the First
Thursday in June next to meet at this place at Eleven a
Clock in the Forenoon

Attest. Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk

Expences 42/6

Entred on Record

P Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk

Committee's Power to Mess^{rs} Samuel Wincholl & John Patten

Know all men by these Presents That We Belcher Noyes
Esq^r and Samuel Waterhouse Merchant both of Boston in
the County of Suffolk & Province of the Massachusetts Bay
in New England, being the Major part of the Committee
lately appointed by the Pejepscott Proprietors, for manag-

ing the Prudentiall Affairs of said Propriety, having received due Information of a Number of Persons intending to cutt & destroy the Timber on the Land belonging to the Proprietors in Topsham, in the County of Lincoln, & Province aforesaid, Do hereby Constitute our Trusty, & Well beloved Partners, Mess^{rs} Samuel Wincholl, & John Patten Gentlemen to be our True & Lawfull Attorneys in behalf of the said Proprietors, hereby granting to the said Samuel Wincholl & John Patten, or either of them, full Power and Authority for us the said Proprietors, and in our Names, to prosecute any Person, or Persons whatsoever that shall presume to committ any Tresspass upon any of the Lands as yet undivided, within the Limitts of said intended Township by cutting or carrying off any sort of Lumber from any part of said Lands belonging to us; And if need be to represent us the said Proprietors in any Court or Courts of Justice within the said Province, and there to Defend, or prosecute in the Law all such Persons that shall be found Tresspassing on said Lands unto finall Judgment. Giving unto our said Attorneys power if they see cause to Substitute one or more to Act under them, in any Actions commenced by our said Attorneys. Hereby covenanting & engaging to ratify and confirm whatsoever our said Attorneys shall lawfully do, or cause to be done by Virtue of this Power. In Testimony Whereof We, the said Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse in our Capacity aforesaid have hereunto Sett our hands & Seals this fourteenth day of December A. D. 1761 In the Second year of His Majesty's Reign

Belcher Noyes & a Seal.

Samⁿ Waterhouse, & a Seal.

Signed Sealed & delivered In presence of us

Nathⁿ Noyes.

Rich^d Waterhouse.

Suffolk Ss Decem^r 18 1761.

Then Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes & Sam^l Waterhouse acknowledged the above Instrument to be their Act & Deed.

Before me

John Phillips Just Pacis.

Entred & recorded—

P Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk

June 3^d 1762

Att a Meeting of the Proprietors of Pejepscott Lands as by Adjournment on the Eighth day of October last, at the Brittish Coffee House in Kings-Street, Boston. Present

Jeremiah Moulton Esq^r Belcher Noyes Esq^r &
M^r Sam^l Waterhouse

Stephen Staples's Deed 100^a

Voted That Belcher Noyes Esq^r be impowered to execute a Deed to Stephen Staples of One hundred Acres of Land lying above Cathance Mill, in Topsham, According to a Plan of the Same now presented, said Staples to give Five Shillings & four pence, p Acre, the Money to be Applied towards the Meeting House in said Topsham.

W^m Patten's Deed 66^a

Voted That Belcher Noyes Esq^r be impowered to execute a Deed to William Patten of Sixty Six Acres of Land lying in a Gore of Land on Cathance River being the Remnant of Land laid out to Cathance Mill for as much as he can gett, the money to be applied to the General Interest of the Propriety.

B. Noyes is impowered to go down

Voted That Belcher Noyes Esq^r be desired & impowered to go down to the Eastern Settlements Brunswick & Tops-

ham this Summer if his Business will allow and to Overlook the Affairs of the Propriety in particular the Meetinghouse in said Topsham, and any Other Matter or Thing relating to the Interest, the Expence to be born by this Propriety.

Adjournm^t to August 18, 1762.

Voted That this meeting be further Adjourned to Wednesday the Eighteenth day of August next to meet at this place at Eleven a Clock in the Forenoon.

Entred and Recorded by

Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Adjourned to October 21

1762 August 18.

Att a Meeting of the Proprietors of Pejepscott Lands by Adjournment on the third day of June last at the Brittish Coffee house in King's Street Boston. Present

August 18, 1762.

M^r Samuel Waterhouse being Moderator in the Absence of Isaac Royall Esq^r Belcher Noyes, and M^r Edward Flint, being present expecting an Answer as to the Setling the New Township above Brunswick, it was further referred to our next meeting. And Voted That this meeting be further Adjourned to Thursday October the twenty first next to meet at this place at ten a Clock in the Forenoon.

Attest. Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Octob^r 21, 1762.

Adjourned to meet at Medford.

Att a Meeting of the Proprietors of Pejepscott Lands by Adjournment at the Brittish Coffee House in Boston October 21, 1762.—Present M^r Samuel Waterhouse & Belcher Noyes Att the Desire of Isaac Royall Esq^r he being confined at home by reason of a Cold, this Meeting is Adjourned to Morrow

Morning at Eleven a Clock, to meet at the House of Isaac Royall Esq^r in Medford.

Attest Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Octob^r 22, 1762.

Att a Meeting of the Proprietors of Lands at Pejepscott on Fryday October 22, 1762 at the House of Isaac Royall Esq^r in Medford by Adjournment Yesterday. Present

Isaac Royall Esq^r Jeremiah Moulton Esq^r M^r Samuel Waterhouse and Belcher Noyes.

Vote relating to the Stream at Brunswick Falls.

Whereas at a Meeting of the Proprietors of Lands at Pejepscott duly warned on the Eighth day of October A D 1761, it was Voted That Belcher Noyes Esq^r be and is hereby Authorized & impowered to execute a Deed of the old Stone Fort with the Buildings & Land Adjacent thereto belonging in the Town of Brunswick Viz^t The one half to Jeremiah Moulton Esq^r, the other half to Cap^t David Duning they paying unto the said Belcher Noyes the Sum of One hundred thirty three pounds six Shillings & eight pence lawfull Money for which Sum he is to Account with the Proprietors: Also the Priviledge of the Stream at the Falls and its Appurtenances. In Consequence of which Deeds have been executed to the said Jeremiah Moulton & David Duning their Heirs and Assigns. And Whereas it so happens that the said Stream with the Priviledges and Appurtenances lyes partly in Brunswick in the County of Cumberland and partly in the District of Topsham in the County of Lincoln, which is not so expressed in said Deed although it was so intended to be conveyed unto the said Jeremiah Moulton & David Duning. Therefore to the Intent that Justice may be done unto the said Jeremiah Moulton & David Duning their Heirs and Assigns; Its now Voted That the Sole Priviledge of said Stream with all the Appurtenances and Priviledge of Build-

ing Dams for the erecting Mills at the said Falls in Brunswick as well in that part of the River which is comprehended within the Bounds of the District of Topsham in the County of Lincoln as that part of said Stream which is in the Town of Brunswick in the County of Cumberland be and is hereby confirmed & Granted to the said Jeremiah Moulton & David Duning their Heirs and Assigns. And the said Belcher Noyes be and is hereby impowered to execute a Deed thereof in manner aforesaid, that so the same may be held by the said Jeremiah Moulton & David Duning their respective Heirs & Assigns forever.—

Article 6

Vote relating to the Divisional Line.

It was Voted That the Line between the Plymouth Company & Pejepscott Proprietors be fixed, and that a Committee be appointed for that Purpose.

Committee Appointed

Voted That M^r Samuel Waterhouse & Belcher Noyes be appointed the Committee for that purpose they to be Joined with a Committee of the Plymouth Company, to see this Adjusted in as effectual a Manner as soon as may be.

Article 7.

Name of the New Township

Voted That the New Township laid out above Brunswick on Androscoggin River be called Royallston.

Voted That this Meeting be Adjourned to the first Wednesday in January next to meet at the British Coffee House in Boston at Eleven a Clock in the Forenoon.

Entred and recorded by

Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk

January 5 1763

Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse mett according to Adjournment, and the said meeting was further Adjourned to Wednesday April 13 1763 to meet at the same place at Eleven a Clock in the forenoon.

Attⁿ Belcher Noyes Proprietors Clerk

April 13 1763.

None of the Proprietors attended & the meeting of course dropt.—

Attⁿ Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk

June 18, 1763

Power to Enoch Freeman Esq^r to dispose of Land in the New Township.

To all Persons unto whom these Presents shall come Isaac Royall Esq^r of Medford in the County of Middlesex Belcher Noyes Esq^r & Samuel Waterhouse Merch^t both of Boston in the County of Suffolk & Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England the Committee Appointed by the Proprietors of Lands at Pejepscott for granting Selling or disposing of any part of said Lands not yet disposed of.

Whereas at a meeting of said Proprietors duly warned According to Law held at Boston on Wednesday September 16, 1761 We the abovenamed Isaac Royall Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse were by Vote impowered to Grant, Sell or dispose of any part of said Lands not yet disposed of that may be Judged necessary for the Interest of said Propriety and said Committee or the Major part of them are hereby vested with full power to execute Deeds of the same and to Account with the Proprietors for their Proceedings.

In pursuance of said Vote, to the Intent that the Settlement of the New Township laid out Adjacent to the Township of Brunswick in the County of Cumberland fronting on Androscoggin River, and in Consideration of Sundry Necessary Charges advanced by our Partner Enoch Freeman of Falmouth in the County of Cumberland Esq^r for the bringing forward of the Settlement of said Township called Royallston We the said Isaac Royall Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse the aforesaid Committee Do hereby Grant Convey & Confirm unto him the said Enoch Freeman his Heirs and Assigns forever the Quantity of One Thousand Acres of Land lying within the Bounds of said Township to be by him disposed of to the best Advantage & Benefitt of the said Proprietors towards defraying the Necessary Charges that have or may Arise for bringing forward said Settlement. Provided and it is to be understood, that the said Enoch Freeman conform himself to the General Interest of said Township and Account with the Committee abovenamed for what he may receive for said one Thousand Acres of Land when required. And we the said Isaac Royall Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse do hereby covenant & engage to and with said Enoch Freeman that what Land shall be disposed of by him shall be held good & Valid to the Purchasers so far as the said quantity of One thousand Acres & no more. In Testimony whereof we have hereunto Sett our hands & Seals this Eighteenth day of July Anno Domini 1763, in the Third Year of His Majesty's Reign.

Isaac Royall & a Seal.

Belcher Noyes & a Seal.

Sam^l Waterhouse & a Seal.

Signed Sealed & dd. In presence of us.

Jacob Royall

Sarah Tailer.

A true Copy examined,

P Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk

Suffolk Ss Boston July 18 1763

Then Isaac Royall Belcher Noyes Esq^r & M^r Samuel Waterhouse severally Acknowledged this Instrument to be their Act & Deed.

Before me.

Jacob Royall Justice o' Peace

Power to Enoch Freeman to prosecute Tresspassers.

July 23: 1763.

Know all men by these Presents That We Isaac Royall of Medford in the County of Middlesex Esq^r Belcher Noyes Esq^r and Samuel Waterhouse Merchant both of Boston in the County of Suffolk & Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England the Committee of the Proprietors of Certain Lands at Pejepscott in the Counties of Cumberland & Lincoln.

Whereas at a Meeting of the said Proprietors duly warned according to Law held at Boston on Wednesday the 16 day of September A D 1761 It was Voted in manner and form following Viz^t Voted That Isaac Royall Esq^r Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse be the standing Committee for Managing the Prudentiall Affairs of the whole Propriety. And further It was Voted, That the standing Committee be and hereby are impowered to prosecute, or Defend, any Actions, or Suits, in the Law, that may be commenced by the said Proprietors, or against them, and if need be to raise money for that purpose according to the Power vested in them.

In Consequence of said Trust reposed in us, and from a Regard to the general Interest of said Propriety, We the abovenamed Committee, in our Capacity aforesaid, Do hereby Constituee & appoint our Trusty, and Well beloved Partner Enoch Freeman of Falmouth in the County of Cumberland, Esq^r to be our lawfull Attorney, hereby granting to the said Enoch Freeman full power and Authority in behalf of the said Proprietors, and in their Names to prosecute in the Law any Person, or Persons, whatsoever that shall presume to committ any Tresspass upon any Part of the Lands as yet undivided, either in the Township of Brunswick & Topsham, or in the New Township intended and laid out adjacent to Brunswick on the West side of Androscoggin River either by cutting down the Timber, Wood or any sort of Lumber, also the Meadow within the aforesaid limitts and for carrying said Lumber, or Hay from any part of the Lands aforesaid belonging to the said Propriety. And in particuler to remove and eject of the Lands in said Topsham all and every person who withhold the possession of their Lotts in Defyance to the Proprietors of said Township who placed them there, and Obstinateley refuse to comply with the Conditions on which the said Lotts were taken up by them And if need be for and in behalf of said Proprietors to Appear plead and pursue unto final Judgment and Execution in any Court, or Courts of Justice within said Province in all Causes wherever the said Proprietors are concerned, and especially in an Action now depending wherein Thomas Willson of Topsham so called, in the County of Lincoln Gentⁿ is Plaintiff, & Samuel Staples of said Topsham Yeoman is Defendant, to be tryed at the Inferiour Court of Common pleas to be holden at Pownalborough within & for said County on the Fourth Tuesday in September next Giving unto our said Attorney power to Substitute one or more Attorneys to act under him as Occasion may require. Hereby covenanting & engaging

to ratify & confirm whatsoever our said Attorney or his Substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done respecting the particulars abovementioned by Virtue hereof.

In Testimony whereof We the said Isaac Royall Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse have hereunto sett our hands & Seals this 23 day of July A D 1763. In the Third Year of His Majesty's Reign.

Isaac Royall.	& a Seal.
Belcher Noyes.	& a Seal.
Sam ⁿ Waterhouse.	& a Seal.

Signed Sealed & dd In presence of us.

Richard Dana
Nathⁿ Hatch

Signed Sealed & dd By Isaac Royall Esq^r

In presence of us.
Charles Pelkam
Belcher Noyes Jun^r

Suffolk Ss Boston July 29 1763.

Then Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse Acknowledged the within written Instrument to be their Act & Deed.

Before me
Ri: Dana Justice o' Peace.

Middlesex Ss Medford July 29 1763.

Then Isaac Royall Esq^r Acknowledged the within written Instrument to be his Act & Deed.

Before me.
Stephen Hall Justice o' Peace

A true Copy examined;

P Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

*Proprietors Power to Enoch Freeman to prosecute
Tresspassers.*

Sept^r 2, 1763—

At a Meeting of the Proprietors of certain Lands at Pejepscott in the Counties of Cumberland, & Lincoln, pursuant to the Vote of said Proprietors, being duly published in the Boston Gazette, held at Boston on Wednesday Sept^r 16th 1761—

It was Voted,—Viz^t That Isaac Royall Esq^r Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse be the standing Committee for managing the prudential Affairs of the whole Propriety—Also further Voted That the standing Committee be & hereby are impower'd to prosecute & defend any Actions or Suits in the Law, that may be commenced by the said Proprietors or against them, & if need be to raise Money for that Purpose, according to the above Vote of the Proprietors—

Copy examined—

P Belcher Noyes, Proprietors Clerk

In Pursuance of the above recited Vote; Know all men by these Presents; That We Isaac Royall of Medford in the County of Middlesex Esq^r Belcher Noyes Esq^r & Sam^l Waterhouse Merchant, both of Boston in the County of Suffolk & Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, do hereby constitute and appoint our Partner Enoch Freeman of Falmouth in the County of Cumberland, & Province aforesaid Esq^r to be our true & lawfull Attorney hereby granting to the said Enoch Freeman, full Power & Authority in our Names, & in behalf of the said Proprietors, to prosecute in due Course of Law any Person or Persons whomsoever, that have committed any Tresspass upon any Part of the Lands belonging to the said Propriety; as contained in a Deed duly executed by Ephraim Savage dated Nov^r 5th 1714 which Lands are now comprehended in the Counties of

Cumberland, & Lincoln, in the Province aforesaid, more particularly in the Townships of Brunswick, or Topsham or in the new Township laid out on the West Side of Androscoggin River, adjacent to the Town of Brunswick, either by cutting or destroying any Lumber of any Sort, as Wood & Timber or the Meadow within the said Limitts; & for carrying of the same from any Part of said Lands belonging to the said Propriety. And to amove and eject off the Lands in said Topsham all & every Person or Persons who withhold the Possession of any Lott, or Lotts of Lands in defiance to the Proprietors of said Township, & if need be for, & in behalf of said Proprietors to appear, plead, & pursue unto final Judgement, & Execution, in any Court or Courts of Justice within said Province, in all Causes wherein the said Proprietors are concerned: or if need be to compound & compromise any Matters in Contest, if he shall judge convenient—Giving unto our said Attorney power to substitute one or more Attorneys to act under him as Occasion may require—Hereby covenanting and engaging to ratify & confirm whatsoever our said Attorney or his Substitutes shall lawfully do, or cause to be done, by Virtue hereof. In Testimony whereof, We the said Issac Royall, Belcher Noyes, & Samuel Waterhouse, have hereunto Sett our hands & Seals this Second day of September AD 1763. in the Third Year of His Majesty's Reign.

Belcher Noyes and a Seal.

Samuel Waterhouse and a Seal.

Signed Sealed & dd by
Belcher Noyes & Sam^l Waterhouse

In presence of us
Nath^l Noyes.
Rich^d Waterhouse.

Suffolk Ss Boston Sept^r 3, 1763

Then Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse acknowl-
edged the above written Instrument to be their Act & Deed

Before me,

Joshua Winslow Justice o Peace

Copy examined

P Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Cler.

November 14th 1764. This day Isaac Royall Esq^r & M^r
Samuel Waterhouse came to my house, and signified their
Desire to me, that a New meeting of the Proprietors may be
called, to meet the last Wednesday in January next.

Attest Belcher Noyes Proprietors Clerk.

Accordingly an Advertisement was published in the Boston
Gazette and Country Journall agreeable to the Vote of the
Proprietors.

ADVERTISEMENT.

Province of the Mass. Bay.

To the Proprietors of a Tract of Land lying in the
Counties of Cumberland, & Lincoln, known by the Name of
Pejepscott Purchase, including the Townships of Bruns-
wick, & Topsham, and Land Adjacent.

Whereas the said Proprietors at their meeting duly warned
according to Law did agree upon the following Method for
calling Meetings for the future, and did accordingly vote in
manner and form following: Viz^t That the Committee of the
said Proprietors be, and hereby are impowered at any Time
hereafter for that End and Purpose, whenever a Meeting
shall be Judged Necessary, to give Publick Notice in the
Newspaper entitled: The Boston Gazettee and Country
Journal, twenty one days at least before the Time of said

Meeting, notifying the Occasion thereof. Pursuant therefore to the Desire of the Committee of said Proprietors, you are hereby Notified to meet, on Wednesday the Thirtieth day of January 1765. at Ten a Clock in the Forenoon, at the British Coffee House, in Kings-Street Boston, then and there to act and determine upon the Articles hereafter mentioned: Viz^t

1. To Choose a Moderator.

2. To consult on some Method to put in Execution a Vote of this Propriety, passed June 1, 1757. antecedent to the Agreement, made with the Proprietors, of the Kennebeck Purchase.

3. To project a Method for the dividing the Township of Topsham, or any other part of the Lands belonging to the Propriety, and to lay out some former Grants of this Propriety in said Topsham

4. To choose a Committee for bringing forward the Settlement of the New Township, above Brunswick now called Royalston, and to Appoint some Person or Persons to execute Deeds of any Land to be disposed of for Settlement: Also to prevent any Persons from making Ship and Waste of the Timber in said Township, or else where in said Propriety; and to call those Persons to Account that have been, and are now supposed to be committing Trespasses.

5. To appoint a Committee to receive, and Adjust the Accounts of this Propriety.

6. To render effectual a Vote passed by this Propriety for the Settlement of the Divisional Line, between this Propriety and the Proprietors of the Kennebeck-Purchase, which by mutual Agreement was to be fixed at the Mouth of Cathance River.

7. To project some Method for promoting the general Interest of this propriety: to ratify and confirm any Matters, or Things transacted by the Proprietors, or their Committee.

Of which all concerned are hereby notified to give their Attendance by themselves, or Agents legally authorised, at said Time & Place.

Boston December 31st 1764

By Order of the Committee

Belcher Noyes Proprietors Clerk

Boston Janary 30 1765.

I do hereby certify that the above Advertisement for calling a new Meeting of the Proprietors of Pejepscott, has been duly published in the Boston Gazette, & Country Journall three Several times Viz^t December 31 1764. January 7 & 21 1765 agreeable to the Vote of the Proprietors. Also a pointed Notification sent to most of the partners.

Attest Belcher Noyes, Proprietors Clerk.

January 30th 1765.

At a meeting of the Pejepscott Proprietors as by Advertisement published agreeable to the Vote of the Proprietors

Present

Isaac Royall Esq^r Belcher Noyes Esq^r and M^r Samuel Waterhouse.

Moderator

1. Isaac Royall was chosen Moderator.

Committee to Adjust the Claims.

2. Voted, That our Partners Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse be desired and directed in the Adjournment of this Meeting to adjust and determine the Proportions of Land due to each Partner, and project some Method for laying out the same to the Satisfaction of the Partners; according to the Vote of this Propriety passed June 1, 1757, that so the same may be acted on, at our next meeting.

Committee to bring forward the New Township.

3. Voted, That Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse be & hereby are appointed the Committee for bringing forward the Settlem^t of the New Township above Brunswick now called Royalston, that they may be and hereby are impowered to execute Deeds to the Letters in behalf of this Propriety and also to exchange Land if need be with Jonathan Bagley Esq^r who has a Grant of the Province Land included in said Township, that so the Lotts to be laid out for Settlement, may be accommodated.

New Township to be laid out into Lotts.

4. Voted, That the Land belonging to the Proprietors in said New Township be ascertained and laid out into Lotts of One hundred Acres each, each Lott to be numbered and to be One hundred rods wide and One hundred & sixty rods long, and a Road of four rods wide to be laid out between the Ranges of the Lotts, Out of which Three hundred Acres is to be reserved and Appropriated for the Ministry, where said Committee shall Judge convenient: And said Committee appointed for bringing forward the settlement of said Town are directed to agree with a Surveyor to have all this done and perfected in the most regular manner.

Committee to Adjust Accounts

5. That Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse be the Committee for adjusting all the Accounts of this Propriety.

Committee for managing affairs.

6. Voted That Mess^{rs} Isaac Royall Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse be and hereby are Appointed a Committee to manage the Affairs of the Propriety as heretofore and they are vested with full power and Authority to grant Sell or

dispose of any Lands and to execute Deeds of the same, as shall by them be Judged necessary and for the general Interest of this Propriety. And the said Committee are hereby impowered to prosecute or defend any Action or Actions wherein the said Proprietors are concerned, and to represent the said Proprietors in any Court of Law or Equity, with Power of Substitution if need be.

Adjourn'd to May 23, 1765.

Voted; That this meeting be adjourned to Thursday the twenty third day of May next to meet at this Place at three a Clock in the afternoon.

Attest Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk

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May 23, 1765.

Att a Meeting of the Pejepscott Proprietors by Adjournment May 23, 1765.

Present Isaac Royall Esq^r Jeremiah Moulton Esq^r Belcher Noyes Esq^r Sam^l Waterhouse.

Plan of Brunswick

Voted That M^r John Leach be desired to take a New Plan of the Township of Brunswick with all the Divisions & Lotts as laid down on said Plan, at the Charge of this Propriety.

Claims Adjusted

There are other Divisions of Land derived from this propriety to be Accounted for hereafter

Whereas in Consequence of a Vote of this Propriety there was to be made good to those partners who lost their Divisions

of Land heretofore assigned to them, by the Agreement made and Concluded by this Propriety, with the Proprietors of the Kennebeck Purchase: And the Severall Divisions having been examined by which it appears, as follows,

That the Heirs of Adam Winthrop Esq ^r	have lost	700. Acres
.of Job Lewis Esq ^r	have lost	500. Acres
.of M ^r H: Fayrweather	have lost	665. Acres
That the Assigns of Cap ^t John Watts	have lost	500. Acres
this is made up		

In all	<hr/> 2365 Acres
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Voted That an Equivalent in Lands be assigned unto each of the above named partners out of the unappropriated Lands belonging to this Propriety.

Equivalent Lands proposed

It was proposed that the Equivalent Lands to be assigned to the abovenamed partners in lieu of those Divisions given up by the aforesaid Agreement, be laid out on the East side of Androscoggin River, opposite to the New Township now proposed to be called Royalsborough to Join the rear line of Topsham and to bound on the Divisional Line between the Proprietors of Pejepscott and the Proprietors of the Kennebeck Purchase as the Land will Admitt.

Committee to determine y^e Value

Voted, That in order to ascertain the Just Value of the several Divisions given up by the aforementioned Agreement, the same shall be determined by Mess^{rs} David Duning Samuel Stanwood & Thomas Skolfield of Brunswick, who are to be sworn for that purpose, and to receive their Directions from Belcher Noyes Esq^r Clerk to this propriety.

S Waterhouse to return a plan.

Voted That M^r Samuel Waterhouse be desired to return a plan of the Land assigned to Job Lewis Esq^r on Sagadehoc

River in Discharge of his Debt due from this Propriety, that so the same may be ascertained, & the Consideration of an Equivalent for said Land is referred.

Reply to Freeman's Petition

The Reply to the Petition of Enoch Freeman Esq^r to the Sup^r Court for a partition read & agreed to, and Voted, that the same be committed to the Care of Jeremiah Moulton Esq^r who is desired to employ Council in the affair if need be.

Name of the New Township Altered.

It was agreed that the Name of the New Township now directed to be laid out Adjacent to the Township of Brunswick on the West side of Androscoggin River be Altered from Royalston, to Royalsborough, and be henceforth called by the Name of Royalsborough.

Matters not acted upon referred

Voted That all Matters and things contained in the Notification for this Meeting not acted upon be referred to the Adjournment. Voted

Adjournmt Voted July 23:

That this meeting be adjourned to Tuesday the 23^d day of July next at 3 aClock in the afternoon to meet at this place.

Expences 40/6.

Attest Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

July 23, 1765.

Att a Meeting of the Proprietors of Pejepscott Lands by Adjournment July 23 1765.

Present Belcher Noyes Samⁿ Waterhouse

The Moderator Isaac Royall Esq^r absent.

Adjourned to Sept^r 18, 1765

Voted, That this meeting be further Adjourned to Wednesday the Eighteenth day of September next to meet at this

place at Eleven aClock in the Forenoon and all Matters and Things are referred Accordingly.

No Expences

Attest Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Sept^r 18, 1765.

Att a Meeting of the Proprietors of Land at Pejepscott by Adjournment September 18, 1765.

Present

Isaac Royall Esq^r Jeremiah Moulton Esq^r Belcher Noyes Esq^r & M^r Samuel Waterhouse.

500 Acres allowed to Jer: Moulton Esq^r

Voted, That in consideration of five hundred Acres of Land, due to Jeremiah Moulton Esq^r as by Vote of this Propriety, he be allowed to lay out five hundred Acres of Land, in any part of the Interest, except in the Townships already laid out: To be laid out in one Tract on the East side of Androscoggin River, if it may be, to his Acceptance, if not, then on the West side of said River, in case he accept the same in full of his Demand for Land given up in the Agreement with the Plymouth Company, which Land was originally laid out to John Watts Esq^r: And that he return a Plan of the same, at his Expence, to this Propriety, by the first of May next ensuing the date hereof, for their Acceptance

Vote relating to D^a Marquard Claim.

Voted; Whereas M^r Daniel Marquard has represented to us his Claim under the Right of this Propriety, formerly the Right of John Ruck Esq^r, and the Estate of Benning Wentworth Esq^r which is included in the Resignation made to the Plymouth Proprietors Voted: That there be allowed an Equivalent for said Claim, he making out the Equity of his Claim.

Adjourned to Jan: 15: 1766.

Voted That this meeting be further Adjourned to Wednesday the fifteenth day of January 1766: to meet at this place at five a Clock in the Evening.

Expences 22/6

Attest Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Jan: 15, 1766.

At a meeting of the Proprietors according to Adjournment
Jan 15 1766

Present Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse.

Adjourned to Jan: 30, 1766

It was Voted That this meeting be further adjourned to Thursday the thirtieth Instant to meet at this place at Eleven a Clock in the Forenoon

Attest Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

Adjourned to May 1.

Then mett according to Adjournment Jan: 30 1766.

Present. Belcher Noyes & Samuel Waterhouse.

It was voted; That this Meeting be further Adjourned to Thursday the first day of May next to meet at this place at Eleven a Clock in the forenoon.

Attest. Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk.

1766 May 1.

Adjourned to 29 May

Then Mett according to Adjournment, May 1 1766

Belcher Noyes & Sam^l Waterhouse.

By agreement at our last Meeting: Its now Voted That this Meeting be further Adjourned to Thursday the twenty ninth Instant to meet at this place at Eleven a Clock in the Forenoon.

Attest Belcher Noyes Prop^{rs} Clerk

May 29, 1766

Att a Meeting of the Pejepscoth Proprietors by Adjournment on Thursday May 29, 1766 Present. at the Brittish

Coffeehouse Isaac Royall Esq^r Jonathan Bagly Esq^r Jeremiah Moulton Esq^r Belcher Noyes Esq^r M^r Samuel Waterhouse.

Report of y^e Committee

The Committee appointed the 22 October 1762 to carry into Execution the Settlement of the Divisional Line between this Propriety & the Proprietors of Kennebeck Purchase; reported That they had exchanged Proposals for the Determination of said Line, the same were read and Voted, That the Same be accepted on the part of this Propriety, and Ordered That a Draught of a Vote be prepared against our next Meeting.

Proposals for Setling the Divisional Line as exchanged on our part.—

Proposals for Setling the Line of Partitions with the Prop^{rs} of Kennebeck

Whereas according to the Agreement dated Feb^r 20, 1758, made & executed by & between the Proprietors of the Kennebeck Purchase, and the Proprietors of Lands at Pejepscott, for the Settlement of the Divisional Line between them, in order to prevent any Controversy that might hereafter arise, touching their respective Claims of Land. It was mutually agreed that the said Line of Partition, should commence from the Mouth of Cathance River, to run on a Course West-North-West, without the Variation of the Compass until it meets with the Western Line of said Kennebeck Purchase, as it extends North & South. And Whereas since the aforesaid Agreement there have arisen disputes where to fix the Mouth of said Cathance River, so to have the said Line of Property fixed, & determined: The Committee of the Proprietors of said Kennebeck Purchase, and Mess^{rs} Belcher Noyes, & Samuel Waterhouse the Committee of said Pejepscott Proprietors, have agreed to compromise the matter in Dispute;

in the following Manner. Viz^t That the Southerly of the Township of Bowdoinham as the same has been run by John Mackeehnie Surveyor Viz^t Beginning at the South-Westerly End of an Island in Merrymeeting Bay called Brick-Island; and from thence running West-North-West, till it meets with the aforesaid Western Line of the Kennebeck-Purchase, be, and hereby is agreed & determined to be the fixed Line of Property between the said Proprietors. And in Consequence of this Concession on the part of the Pejepscott Proprietors. the Proprietors of said Kennebeck Purchase do allow & Grant to the said Pejepscott Proprietors, five hundred Acres of Land out of their Claim, as shall be hereafter agreed upon; the Deed of said Five hundred Acres of Land to be executed to the said Belcher Noyes, as Clerk to the said Pejepscott Proprietors & his Successors in said office; in Trust to and for the Benefitt of said Pejepscott Proprietors, their respective heirs, & assigns.—Also allow & Grant One hundred & ninety Acres of Land within the Land granted to James Bowdoin Esq^r by said Kennebeck Proprietors being possessed by John Fulton, being a part of Cathance Point, lying to the Northward of said divisional Line. And according to the former Agreement, that the said Proprietors of Kennebeck do execute a Deed of Release to Mess^{rs} Patten & others for six hundred sixty one Acres of Land, which includes all the Land on said Cathance Point, lying to the Northward of said Divisional Line. And also to M^r Samuel Waterhouse a Deed of the Land on Hunniwells-Neck being Two hundred & fifty Acres.—It is agreed that this Agreement be confirmed by the respective Proprietors, at their next general Meeting, and when confirmed by them, then to be compleated & perfected in due form of Law, so that the same be held good, & Valid by the respective Proprietors forever. In Testimony of our Consent to this Agreement We do hereunto sett our Names in behalf of the Pejepscott Proprietors.

Boston May 1, 1766

Belcher Noyes
Sam^l Waterhouse

Comm^{ttee}

Exchanged May 29 1766.

Received the Counter part signed by

James Bowdoin

in which is erased the word Silu: Gardiner

Concession, & in the room James Pitts

is wrote Agreement.— Benj^a Hallowell

John Hancock

Comm^{ttee}

The above was read and Accepted on our part.

Ordered That a Draught of a Vote be prepared agreable thereto against our next meeting.—

Adjourned June 6.

Voted That this meeting be further Adjourned to Fryday the Sixth Instant to meet at this place at five a Clock in the Evening.

Attest Belcher Noyes, Prop^{rs} Clerk.

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