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VOL. XVII

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PREFACE

THIS volume continues the printing of the Early Records of the Town of Providence, it being the seventeenth volume issued pursuant to authority granted by the joint resolution of the City Council of the City of Providence, approved March 6, 1891, which is as follows :

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“RESOLVED, That Horatio Rogers, George M. Carpenter and Edward Field, are hereby appointed record commissioners, who shall serve without compensation, for the purpose of collecting and printing the early records of the Town of Providence. And said commissioners are hereby authorized to expend the sum of one thousand dollars for collecting and printing said records, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for printing.”

Additional appropriations have been made from time to time to continue the work.

This volume produces in type the contents of Vol. II. of the second series of the “Providence Town Papers,” a full explanation of which was given in the preface to the fifteenth volume of this series of printed records and which is further referred to in the Fourth and Fifth Reports of this commis-

sion. It contains the papers covering the dates from April, 1682, to March, 1722, and numbered 0368 to 0717, with the exception of papers numbered 0380, 0387, 0388, 0397, 0399, 0502, 0504, 0517, 0543, 0605, which are the clerk's memoranda of the proceedings of town meetings, all of which have heretofore been printed in full in these records, as the references to the numbers of these papers will show. The Town papers numbered 0400, 0402 and 0559, on account of their character, have been reproduced in facsimile in this volume, while Town Paper number 0524 has been reproduced both in type and in facsimile.

Like those printed in Vol. XV. of the Early Records of the Town of Providence, these papers are of a miscellaneous character and include nearly every variety of documents of a public nature.

The system in general, used by the Commissioners in printing has been the same as that heretofore followed in other volumes, the only additional point to be observed being the heavy faced type used at the beginning of each document to designate such document. These refer to the number of each paper as now arranged in the volume of Providence Town Papers.

The figures at the top of the pages, and enclosed in brackets, indicate the paging of this present volume.

This mark | shows the beginning and end of interlineations in the original.

Words or letters printed in parentheses are so found in the original.

Brackets enclosing blank space, thus, [] signify that something is missing, or illegible, in the original.

The sign ꝑ is sometimes used to represent a contraction, or double letter, which, in the original, stands for pr, and is used as the representative of syllables containing those letters with a vowel.

Four indexes accompany the volume—an index to subjects, an index to names, a separate index to Indian names, and a miscellaneous index.

HORATIO ROGERS,
EDWARD FIELD,

Record Commissioners.

PROVIDENCE, February 26, 1903.

PROVIDENCE
TOWN PAPERS
VOLUME TWO

[0368] To the town met this 27th of April 82

My Request is that I may Chang 11 Acors of Land which I had of my ffathar John whipple which said aleuin Acors of Land is deuied by A hyeway from the Rest of my Land your neabor.

William Whipple

(*Verso*)

This Bill is Granted by y^e Towne As Atteste

John Whipple jun^r Clerke

[0369] To the Towne mett the 27th: of Aprill 1682.

Forasmuch as I understand that M^r Dexter hath preferred a bill to the Towne concerning some Landes Lieing upon the west river which he maketh claime unto although som prart of the said Land hath by the Towne sirveior benn Laid out unto me, I desire the Towne To Consider what land m^r Dexter there hath, & how it is Bounded; that if the boundes by him can be made apeare, & Layd out by the Towne Order; which if he cannot so doe, then I know no reason why I should be Molested upon that which by the Townes sirveior was Laid out unto me, And no other can shew boundes unto, to make claime by, but only their bare word; neighbours I desire your consideration, upon the matter that so I may not be wrongfully put beside my right.

your neighbour

Jonathan Whipple

(*Verso*)

this Bill is refered to y^e next quarter meeting

[0370] Be it knowne unto all people by these presents that we Sarah Smith (widdow) & Exsecutrix unto the deceased John Smith; and John Smith Exsecutor unto y^e Deceased John Smith, Doe Owne & acknowledge our selves Joyntly & severally to Stand truely & lawfully indebted unto y^e Towne Councill of Providence in y^e Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations, in New England, (unto which said Towne & Colloney we both belong;) unto them & their successors, in y^e full & just sum of one hundred & Eighty pounds Sterling payable upon demaunds, To y^e due performance whereof we doe by these presents formerly bind our selves, our Heirs, our Exsecutors, & Administrators.

The Conditions of this obligation is such y^t if Wee y^e above bounden Sarah Smith, Exsecutrix, & John Smith Exsecutor unto the deceased John Smith, doe duely & truely Execute & performe the last will of y^e deceased John Smith, of y^e aforesaid Towne of providence, made y^e Twenty & second day of februarye in the year one Thousand six hundred Eighty & one, Eighty two; we say duely & truely. Execute & performe y^e said will in all poynts according to y^e true meaning & intent thereof which if we so doe then shall this bond be voyd & of none Effect but if otherwise it shall still stand in full force & vertue; in wittnes whereof we doe hereunto set our handes & seales the second day of June in y^e yeare 1682.

The marke of X Sarah
Smith [L S]

John Smith [L S]

taken by vs in the bee hallfe of the Counsell:

Joseph Jenckes Asistant
Richard Arnold Asistant

[0371] To the Honnou^d: Moderator and ffreemen of the Towne of Providence in the Collony of Rhode Jsland & Provid: Plantati^s. at a Meeting held for y^e Towne aforesaid June 5th: . — 1682. The hum^{ble}: Petition of Benned^t: and Josiah Arnold

Honord: Gentlemen wheras there is a Certain Percell of Land Commonly Called the Indian ffields lying within this Townshipp below Pawtuckett ffalls Bounded on the East by the said ffall River which said Land fformerly Belonged to our ffather Benedict Arnold Esqui^r: Deceased and by his last Will and testame^t was given and Bequeathed to us his Sons | to witt | Benedict and Josiah Arnold Both of Newport on Rhode Jsland aforesaid, But wee not knowing y^e Exact Bounds thereof, doe therefore Request yo^r: ffavo^{rs}: so ffarr as to Order and appoynt some men of your Towne which may have knowledge therin to Order and lay out t[] Bounds according to Equity that wee the owners thereof may have the use and Benefitt of our owne &c. In the accomplishment of which you will Ever Obliege your Petitioners in all Service of Love

The abovesaid land in Quantity is about thirty or fforty Acres: &c as by Informa ^{ti} o	}	Benedict Arnold: And. Signed by us the day and year above Josiah Arnold (<i>Verso</i>)
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A pet[]tion to be present^d at a Towne meeting at Providence June 5th 1682

referred to y^e next | quarter | meeting,
 This Bill is referred to y^e next meeting;

[0372] At A Councill meeting June y^e 12: 1682

Delivered up into y^e hands of y^e Councill by John Whiple jun^r Towne Clarke

Those following wrighting

Item. Samuëll winsors Request to y^e Towne Councill
Dated Aprill | y^e 27th 1680 |

Jt A paper signed & sealed by Arthur ffenner & Roger
williams & Tho Arnold it speaking somthinges | of | y^e Estate
of y^e deceased Resolved waterman.

Jt A Bond to y^e Towne Councill signed Rich Smith &
sealed.

Jt 2 letters of walter Clarkes to y^e Councill

Jt Abraham Hardins Bond, to Execute y^e clauses in a letter
of Administration to him Granted.

Jt The petition of Richard Waterman Dated Aprill y^e 5:
1680:

Jt A presentation of John waterman to y^e Councill.

Jt Woodens paper.

Jt mary preys licence bond for y^e yeare 1681.

Jt Abigall Dexter her letter of Administration.

Jt The Inventarey of Stephen Dexters Estate,

Jt Abigall Dexters bond to y^e Councill.

Jt The Councill Booke with a parchment Cover.

Wee say Received by us y^e Towne Councill, wittnes our
hands.

Arthur ffenner Asistt

Joseph Jenckes Asistant

Richard Arnold Asistant

Tho: Olney jun^r:

Nathaniell Waterman

William Hopkins:

Thomas ffield

John Whipple: Jun^r:

(Verso)

A Coppie of y^e Receite, they | the Covnsell | Gave me
of Such Books and writeings as they received of me June y^e:
22th: 1682:

[0373] Be it knowne unto all people by these presents that I John Whipple (junior) of The Towne of Providence, in y^e Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in New-England, Doe owne & acknowledge my selfe to stand truely, justly and lawfully indebted unto his majesty, our Sovereigne Lord the King in y^e full & just sum of five pounds Sterling to be levied upon my Landes, goods, Chattels, & Cattle. And to y^e due performance whereof I doe by these presents firmly bind my selfe my Heirs, my Exsecutors & Administrators:

The Condition of this Obligation is such, That whereas I the abovebounden John Whipple am Admitted, allowed, & appoynted by y^e Towne Councill of Providence in y^e Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in New England, to keepe a publick house of Entertainment for victualling & Lodging & selling of drinke for the Entertaineing of strangers & Travellers, both people & horses, and what other persons the law allows Entertainment for. And to be for y^e space of one whole yeare next Ensueing y^e date hereof & no longer; in y^e house where I now dwell in y^e aforesaid Towne of Providence, & not Elce where. Jf therefore I the said John Whipple shall not, duering y^e time aforesaid, permitt or suffer, or have any playeing at Dice, Cardes, Tables, or any other unlawfull Game, or Games, in my house, yard, Garden, orchard, or back side; nor shall not Contrarey to y^e Law suffer people (who arenot of my familie) to remaine in my house on y^e first

day of y^e weeke, nor suffer any person to remaine in my house tipling or drinking Contrarey to y^e Law; nor yett to be there tipling or drinking after nine of y^e Clock, in y^e night time; nor buy, nor take to pawne any stolen Goods; nor willingly harbour in my sayd house, or in my Barnes, Stables or other where, any Rougs, vacabonds, Sturdy beggers, masterlese men or other Notorious offenders whatso Ever; Nor suffer any person or persons to sell or utter any sort of drinke or other victualls by deputation or by Colour of my licence; But that I doe at all times duering y^e said terme, keepe good & wholesome diett & Lodging fitt for Travellers, & Good & wholsome beere & other sorts of drinke, the same doe sell & allow by lawfull measure, & at Reasonable Rates; And also duering y^e said terme doe at all times use & maintaine good order & Rule in my said house, Then shall this Bond be void & of none Effect, But if otherwise it shall stand in full force & vertue.

Witnessse my hand & scale the 16th: day of June, in y^e yeare 1682.

John Whipple jun^r: [L S]

Taken in Councill before us

Arthur ffenner Asistant

Joseph Jenckes Asistant

(*Tcrso*)

Joⁿ Whipple^s Bond for Keepeing Entertainem^t

John Whiple Jun^r his Bond for Keeping a house of Entertainment.

[0374] Whereas y^e Generall Treasury is Indebted to me y^e sum of tenn poundes in or as. mony as by an order of y^e Generall Asembly of this | his majestys | Collony Sitting at Newport upon Ajornement the 28th of June 1682 doth Ap-

peare: out of which sayd sum I doe Asigne: Stephen Sabeere
of y^e Towne of Newport | in y^e Collony afosd | or his order to
receive of y^e | Generall | Treasurer Weston Clark forty shil-
lings in or as mony as Wittnes my hand this first of July
1682 the mark

Wittnes us

Eliazur X Whipple

John Whipple jun^r:

of

Edward Smith/

(Verso)

A Coppie of Nelry whipple^s order to Sabeere

Received of nel whipple: one sillin when: I came from
Road-Js-land from Covrt:

[0375] To the Towne mett the: 27th: of July: 1682:

Where as there hath binn a draft of lots severall yeers
since, by the purchasers of this towne, of fifty acres to Each
propiator, and there hath not a divison binn made as yett of
the said lots, (thought there hath binn liberty giveen to some
men to take upon that acount) my Request to the Towne
therefore is that you would be pleased to grant me that favor
as to take up my fifty acres ajoyning to my meddow, att the
Ceder Swamp, neer Wainesocatt hill, and in soe doing you
will Oblige youre frend and neighbor

Richard Arnold

(Verso)

This Bill is refered to y^e next Towne meeting then first to
be Aggetated

this Bill is refered to y^e next meting.

this Bill is Granted acording to y^e Townes Voate

July y^e 27th: 82

[0376] To the Towne | of prouidenc | met this 30th of August | 1682. |

ffrends And neighbours wher as ther hath ben many Complaints Concerning swine by Reason of the Excesciu Damedgs that many of vs haue sustained in our medows and if Ther be no prudent Care takne to preven[t] the same we must Be forct in short time to keep no Cattle which will be greatly to the hinderanc of your petitioners

Samuel winsor
William Hopkins
John Sayles
Edward manto|n|

(*Verso*)

this Bill is refered, to y^e next quarter meeting,
this Bill is Answered

[0377] To y^e Towne Mett upon Ajornement from y^e: 27th of october: 1682 | to this: 10th: of november | I Desire y^t I may lay downe some part of Sixty Acre lott, upon one part of it, and take it up upon the other part of it, Ajoyneing to y^e same, it being no^e Damage to y^e Towne, and in soe doeing y^e will oblige yo^r friend

Larawnce wilkenson

(*Verso*)

this Bill is Granted

[0378] To y^e Towne mett october : y^e 27th : 1682

I Desire yov wovld Grant me liberty to have forty ffoot Square of land above high water marke, against y^e lotts of my Uncle James Aston: and in soe Doeing yov will oblige yo^r freind:

Epenetus Olney

(*Verso*)

This Bill is Granted

[0379] att: A town meting: y^e:

Ordered y^t: all swine with in y^e Liberteyes of this towneship y^t are found upon y^e Comman After y^e Last day of february annually after y^e date here of untill y^e Last day of Nou^r: with out A suffececient yoke & Ring shall be forfeit one halfe to y^e Informer and y^e other halfe to y^e town treasurer for y^e towns yous: 6: feb^y viz^h: & do not do it after one dayes Nottice y^t they are without yokes or Rings, dated Nou^r: 10: 1682

[0380 *is the clerk's memorandum of the proceedings of the town meeting printed in Early Records of the Town of Providence, Vol. 8, page 120.*]

[0381]

To [].

To the Towne of Providence Asembled this 27th of January 16⁸/₈²/₃

Honored Gentlemen this | is | to give you to vnderstand that severall yeares past I made demaund in your Towne meeting of a right of Comonidge & vndevided landes which apertained to that Lot which was graunted and Layd out to my motherinlawe before my father M^r John Greene se^r married her who was at that time called M^{rs} Else Daniell the sayd Lot was layd out next M^r William Harris his Lott at Providence but as yet I haue received no answer whether you intend to lay out such landes as apertain therto or no, therefore my desier is that you would now give a full result what you will doe in the matter, my father sould the sayd Lot to Valentine Whitman without the Comonidge and therefore I expect to jnjoy the same and wait for your answer youre friend & servant

John Greene se^r

(*Verso*)

M^r Greenes Bill to y^e Town

[0382] To y^e Towne mett, January: y^e: 27th: 1682 or 83

I Desire y^t I may Change fower Acors of Land, that I Took up in lew of two Acres of meadow | ariseinge | upon y^e— Acoynt of y^e second Devition, or fifty Acre deuition, that I took up: and take it up Elce where upon the Townes Comon: Allowable to be taken, upon y^t Devition the which will oblige yo^r poore Neighbor and ffreind: Joseph Hernden

(*Verso*)

This Bill is Granted

[0383] Bee it Knowne unto all whome it may Concerne, That I John Sanford of the Towne of Portsmouth on Rhode Island, have Recieved of m^r Richard Arnold | and Capt^m: William Hopkins | ffull and Just Satisfaction and payment of all debts and demands to me due and belonginge from the Towne of Providence And therefore I doe by these | presents | Exonerate acquitt and fully discharge the said Towne of providence from all debts dues demands, actions and Causes of actions and all manner of differences whatsoever, beinge and dependinge between the said Towne and my selfe from the begininge of the world to the present day of the date hereof In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seale the Sixt day of ffebruary Ann^o 168 $\frac{2}{3}$:

Testie

John Sanford Recorder [L S]

John bouden

(*Verso*)

this Disscharge | on y^e other | side was Delivered to y^e Towne in the face of the Towne-meeting febrvary the Eight: 168 $\frac{2}{3}$ to be recorded; As Attest John Whipple jun^r Clerke
this receite is Voated to be recorded

[0384] To y^e Towne mett this 8th day of ffeb: 1683

These are to desire y^e Towne y^t they would be pleased to accomodate me with a portion of Land in this Towneshipp of providence (heare being my birth-right) & I having a desire (heer) to settle to produce a Livelyhood by my Labour: But & | if | you shall not be pleased soe to see cause to accomodate me, I pray y^t my ffather inlaw Daniell Abbott his request to you y^e Last Townemeeting on y^e first of this jnstant ffeb: may be granted me. for y^e w^{ch} I shall be Thankfull vnto you, And remaine

Yo^{rs} to serue you in any of office of Love

Robert Collwell

(*I'erso*)

Robert Collwell his Bill

[0385] ffebruarey y^e 8th: 1682.83.

To y^e Towne of Providence now met

Neighbours I would desire you that you would be pleased to accomedate me with a peece of Ground | the quantetery of | 40 foote Square, at y^e west End of my lot whereon. I now dwell, the which may be, & no highway damnified, so will you Oblidge yo^r servant

Joseph Woodward

(*I'erso*)

This Bill is Granted:

[0386] To the towne | of prouidenc | meeat this 8th of february 1683

Whare as by An Ereguler Act or Rether A Dis order lattly passed in this towne bareing Date the first of this Jnstant month — by sum few persons whoe by voate granted the sale of A purchas right from the fre inhabitanc Concerned in the said towne and for no other Cause but the Defcincy of them selues and

sum others not pay ing ther proportions A Cording to Rate as the Rest of ther neighbours have done) the Consideratione of which being so Absolutely Conterary to Reason and Repugnant to | y^e | former orders of our tow which forbideth any such Act with out the Consent of Euery purchasor or at Lest far Exceeding the number whoe ware but seuen; tow of which had not to Doe to Dispose of the towns Common vnder the pretenc of order which Act leadeth to the Ruing of our Rights and priuiledgis and will be A presedent for others to follow Euen to the inslaucing of our selues and posterities and if it stand it will be as An Euidenc that we haue no Asuranc of what we hold by law Eaquitie and order with out which maintaineing we Can not live for by the same Rule that our land is sold vpon this Account may they sell An other purchas right to pay perticuler debts and the Effect of this will kindle such A fire Among vs that Can not be quickly squench^d) for now the Dore is opne ther is seuerall will Come in for purchas Rights whoe haue ben denied twenty yers senc and by A far better ple may be Acomodated: And Againe Jf we have A majestatterull power for the Regulating of Euery misbehauour vp one Complaint whare is ther power scene in this precedent. Act of opresion nay it is beside ther Jngaugement tacken for the doeing of Eaquall justis &c. for the Cociquene will folow that Euery man may doe what he pleaseth, give away land or pay Rates Jf he be willing and what bennifit haue we of gouernment yea the Effect will produce An Arbretrary power and so Conciquently to Club law: the preventione of which is the dlesire of your ffreind And Neighbour

Samuel Winsor

(*Verbo*)

Sam^l Winsors Bills not Answered:

[0387 is the clerk's memorandum of the proceedings of the town meeting printed in *Early Records of the town of Providence, Vol. 8, page 123.*]

[0388 is the clerk's memorandum of the proceedings of the town meeting printed in *Early Records of the town of Providence, Vol. 8, page 127.*]

[0389] To y^e Towne mett this 14th of ffeb: 168²/₃.

Gentlemen. ffor as much as it hath been often hinted, & pleaded, That this Towne (as a Towne) though Leagally mett; cannot Leagually give, grant, Morgage, or sell away to others by voate, y^e purchassers jnterest of theire Comon (without theire Consent) to pay y^e Town's Debts: And for as much as in justice & reason y^e due Debts of y^e Towne | ought | to be payd, & seeing noe other way is Like to be fovnd out, to conduce to y^e peace of y^e place but by propotion of Rate, I pray that y^e remaineing | part or | parts of y^e Rates | already | Leivied, may be gathered vp, to discharge y^e same.) And although Cap^t: Hopkins, & Rich: Arnold be discharged | therewith | as to Joⁿ: Sanfford, yet I am willing (provided it may soe conduce to y^e peace of our Towne, that our Landes may speedily be Layd out;) y^t Cap^t Hopkins (in referance to his father) | shall | have the prieveidge granted him by y^e purchassers, for feeding of Cattle, & fenceing &c to y^e seaven mile Line, according to his request. But if otherwise; I shall declare against it; for my part, I am not willing y^t my jnterest w^{ch} I have Bought, shall be (by a voate of y^e Towne) sould to pay y^e debts of others. Seeing I could not to this | day | obtaine any jnterest of them | (though | seaver | all | Bills (of petition) Exhibited. Therefore | alsoe | I desire that y^t act | that | part of y^e pur-

chassers acted on y^e first of this jnstant ffeb: be made voyd, in referance to y^t way of paying of Debts. Daniell Abbott.

(*Verso*)

Arthor ffenner;	0 - 10 - 0	Tho ffeild	0 - 10 - 0
Jo ^s williams	0 - 10 - 0	Dan Abbott	0 - 05 - 0
Tho: Harris jun ^r :	0 - 10 - 0	Henery Browne	0 - 05 - 0
Nath waterman	0 - 10 - 0	Tho: Harris	0 - 05 - 0
Ed Smith	0 - 10 - 0	Tho ffenner	0 - 05 - 0
Dan williams	0 - 10 - 0	Ephra pray	0 - 05 - 0

[0390] to the of prouidence mett together this 28th: day of Janewary 168³/₄ my desier is that the towne would be pleased for my Jn Coridgmete for my Re building of my Jyorn woorkes to grant me | or my heiers | the liberty to make vs of any lodgemine that may be any where this day with in this towneshipe of this towne that is not yet layd out vnto any per-tiqueller person and in so dowinge you will obledge your frend and neighbor
Joseph Jenckes

[0391] To the towne meat. this 19th of february | 1683 | we Desire | you | would be pleased to state A high way wher by A Covenant Roade may be maintained for pasing to loake-squissit Along by. Ephram perris land and the land of John willkasson and in so doing you will obleag your pettitionors
John willkason
John pray

(*Verso*)

This Bill is Granted: and Ed Smith, and Ela whipple — are Deptyd to state a highway way through Loaquassvescok, and make there returne to y^e Towne y^e next meeting:

[0392] honore[]lemen/

By vertue of thee severall warrants To mee directed, vnder
y^e [] hand [] Honored Governor, na^e: Pel[]
Sanford Esquire, Governor of his [] maiest[] Collony,
of Rode Island & Pr[]idence Plantations Cr, Dated y^e 26th:
of January Last, Commanding me in the naime of his maies-
tie[] Our Soueraigne [] Charles y^e Second king []
Great Brittain France & Irland, descende[] []f th[]
ffaith Cr/ To give timely notice, to All y^e townes in this Col-
lony, that the []y take []spetiall Care, & Call y^e freemen
of their respective townes together [] & Chuse [] Grand
Jury men & petty Jury men, for to serve & Attend, in y^e next
g[]nerall Court of tryall, which is to be held for this Collony,
Att y^e house of William maize, in Newport, y^e last tusday
in march next /

ffu[]ther-moor I am Comanded in his maiesties name to warne
each res[]e[]tive towne, to Chuse so many men Qualified
Accoring to Law, as by Ch[] & the [] Law of []his
Collony, they Are impowered (To be Deputy members []
[]gen[], by Law to be held y^e day []efore y^e generall elec-
tion in []th[]ouse of William maize in newport, then &
there According to Law [] June where shall be the
[]ected, by Jury of y^e townes, And y^e Af[] s^d[]tow[]e,
to make them free in [] Collony [] Lewis I am Com-
manded in his []aiesties naime to require [] in this Col-
lony t[]t they []ely []epaire []viding []
[] governor, dep[]y governor, & [], & s[]ch the gen-
er[] are to be electe[] for y^e ensuing yeare [] order
the []nto, that g[]n doe either personally, or by []their
proxis Ape[] general election [] held for this []

Collony, y^e first wusday in may next, At y^e house of william maize in [] newport, by nyne of y^e Clocke in y^e []eno[]ne, And Allsoe I doe heareby in his ma[]es[]ties naime Sommon you y^e gen[]ll Assistant: []t live in yo^r Towne, to give, [] Attendance in each of y^e Affore[] []te, hear [] you & each [], Are not to fai[]e/

Given vnder [] y^e third [] february 1602

: 3:

Edmund Calverley generall-Sarg^t/

(*Verso*)

[]towne off []vedence to be delivered to Cap[] ffenner m^r Joseph Jencks or m^r William Arnld Richard Arnold Asistants or to either of them

[0393] Gentlemen Wee haue Received some Lines from you bearinge date february the 26th 168^z Wherein you mention differances which you desire may bee composed so that may most conduce to peace and freindship: as alsoe you Advize that wee should make Choice of some persons fully Impowered to determjne with your selues as may bee Judged conuenient: &c:

Wee Returne you Answer that we doe not remember any differance wee haue had with the towne of Prouidence formerly about Jntrest of Landes borderinge vpon our Purchase, and wee conceiue if any difference hereafter shall arise, you may confide so farr in vs, that we shall bee ready and freely willing to Endeauor together with your selues, freindly and Neighbourly to compose and make a rationall compliance: in the meanetime we know not what power to comit to any wee shall make choice of till wee vnderstand the nature of the

Employment wee send them about; wee hope you doe not reckon differances of perticular persons to our Account, neither do wee Jmpute such matters to your selues, and Except the persons differinge ref[e]r their cause, wee cannot thinke our selues concerned to Entermeddle, but as abouesaid to generall differances, as towne and towne; wee know none, nor wee hope neuer shall vpon the account aforesaid, but if wee haue herein any thinge mistaken wee Craue pardon and Remaine your Loueing ffreinds and Neighbours

Warwicke March the j day 1683

Sighned by order of the said Towne of Warwick

John Potter Clarke

(*Verso*)

To Captⁿ Arthur ffenner to be comunicated to the towne of Providence these present with Care

[0394] To the towne of providence met this fourth of march: 1683

My desire is that you wold bee pleased to grant me libe:rtty to take a lot forty foot Squire | or to the. quantity; of : 40 : foot square | on the South side of my orchard paying as other men haue done in so doing yo[] wiloblige your frend

Thoms paty

[0395] The Complaynt of m^r Joseph Jiencks Asistant, of this Town of providence in y^e Collony of Road-Island and providence plantations; Against Cap^t Andrew. Edmons of y^e Towne and Collony aforesayd, is that y^e aforesayd Edmons Did Charge the aforesayd Jiencks that he was aforsworne person and that he was a person perjured

The Answer of Cap^t: Andrew Edmons to the Complaynt,

of m^r Joseph Jiencks Asistant, is that he Disowneth the above sayd Charge

Taken by us: 25th of Aprill: 1683

Arthur ffenner Asistant
Richard Arnold Asistant

(*Verso*)

Mr Jiencks Complaint against Edmons
Jienck's Comeplaynt of Edmunds

[0396] To y^e Towne Mett this: 27th: day of Aprill 1683: being their quarter day,

Honer^d Gentlemen, wee humbly Conceive: y^t: it is in the power of our Towne, to Regulate all such things. as are Amis in our Towne, That they may prove to y^e best Advantage of y^e Towne and Each person therein Conserved, and what really is tending thereto, And if all such things or just orders as tend thereunto be not in our sayd Townes power to Doe, then for the sayd Towne to petition y^e Gener^l Assembly of our Coll^yny, to order in such Affaires as may tende most to our peace and prosperity, and for y^e Good of Each other, and to maintaine our just priveledgs in all respects that are lawfull whatsoever, And whereas there are Divers persons, (to witt India^{ns}) Come into our Towneshipp: And doe both hunt, and ffish, without any liberty of our Towne, the which is Contrary to a knowne Law of our Towne made upon Matture Consideration, And Whereas wee judge, or at least are willing to Allow all such Indians as have served with y^e English in our Towneshipp, here to Abide, And have y^e same priveledgs in them Respects with uss, But not thereby to harbore any others with them, to Infringe our Rights, Therefore pray of y^e Towne a

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rich for Ex. P. Rangal with the town chier fayer
dame is a yerd out by 20 feet & quior one belonging to the
in being in length South East and north west eight by eight
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Providence
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A. J. B. R.

full order to y^e Contrary, Or Elce wee must provide other Ways for our^s, and the Colloney^s: peace:: Gentlemen Wee y^e subscribers, Humbly pray your Searious Considerations and order therein, or an Answer to the Contrary,: and not Doughting thereof. Subscribe ourselves

Your Loueing: Neighbors: and Townes men:

Joseph Jenckes
Edward Smith
John Whipple: Joun^r
Eleazar whipple
Samuell wilkeson

(Verso)

This Bill is Granted

[0397 *is the clerk's memorandum of the proceedings of the town meeting printed in Early Records of the town of Providence, Vol. 8, page 128.*]

[0398] Aprill y^e 27th 1683

to the t|o|wne now mett neibores j doe Aprehend that
j | am | wonged in being put by that land wich you granted
| to me | there fore j pray your Consideration there in that j
may haue my rite acording to your grant & in so doing you
will oblidge youre freind & nibor Joseph herintom

(Verso)

This Bill is refered to y^e next meetinge

[0399 *is the clerk's memorandum of the proceedings of the town meeting printed in Early Records of the town of Providence, Vol. 8, page 131.*]

[0400] Layed out vnto John Jnman teen Acors of Land which hee Ex Changed with the toun which sayed Land is

Layed out by potukit Riuer and Adgining to it, it being in Length South Est and north west Eighty polles. and in bredth twenty polles, Layed Out this forth day of June i683 by mee
 William Hopkins Surveyor

[The plat of the above "layout" follows this record of the surveyor in the original paper and is contained in the fac-simile reproduction thereof in plate No. 1, herewith.]

(Verso)

returned June: y^e: 4th: 1683

[0401] The: 10th: of: 4th:: month

M^d the seuerall portions of Grass & meadow, which our neighbor Greene; Neighbor Cole, Neighbour Arnold, &: m^r Weston layd out in y^e Townes name unto o^r neighbour James neighbour Olney, neighbour Waterman, neighbour Cole, neighbour Weston, neighbour Carpenter, neighbour Holyman, were Confirmed as their proper Right and Inheritance to them, and theirs, as fully as the former portions Appoynted to o^r neighbour, Throckmorton, neighbour Greene, neighbour Harris, Joshua Verin, neighbour Arnold, and neighbour Williams, were, and are Confirmed to them, & theirs

A True, Coppie, Coppied: June: y^e: tenth: 1683: As Attest John Whipple: Jun^r: Clerke of y^e Towne of providence,

A Coppie of y^e Rights of pautuxett men and providence men Then being all Intrested Alike

[0402] Layed out vn to Samuell Will|kin,sun three Acors of Land which he had of his father Laranc Will|kin,sun which his sd fathar had of this town, which sayed three Acors of Land Lieth on the Est syed of Cruk fall so Called and Adgined

to the same Layed ovt this forth day of june 1683: by mee William Hopkins Survayor

[*The plat of the above "layout" follows this record of the surveyor in the original paper and is contained in the fac-simile reproduction thereof in plate No. 2, herewith.*]

(Verso)

returned: June: y^e: 4th: 1683

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	27.	14.	11 $\frac{3}{4}$
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		1.	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
	14.	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	

[0403] To y^e Towne mett june 12th, 1683:
Gentlemen.

Whereas y^e Towne granted me y^e Exchange of 6 Acars of Land to be Laid in y^e Neck by y^e heather Balies Cove adjoyneing to Hen: Browne^s, Land, By receiveng my change money; And whereas it was deterr'd from y^e Record thereof by y^e meanes of Cap^t Hopkins his Land then (there aboutes) wanteng y^e Bovndes Settling; And for as much | as | o^r Towne Survey^{rs} haveing vewed y^e plott of ground And y^e findeng it prety much short of y^e Quantity: I y^r desired y^e Survey^{rs} to add in a skirt of y^e Cove to make vp y^e Comple^{mt}, or other wayes to add in y^e meer Bank | joying to George Shepperd Land | aboute

y^e sd Coue Leaueing, or Allowing to y^e Townes use a Cart passage when I should have occation to fence in my | Land | by a paire of handdy Barrs to be taken downe vpon occation: I vnderstood y^e Survey^{rs} was willing soe to Lay out y^e sd 6 Aears, if y^e Towne was alsoe willing to y^e same.

Daniell Abbott

(*Verso*)

Daniell Abbots Bill.

This Bill is referred unto y^e next meeting

[0404] Where as at o^r Towne Meeting July: y^e: 27th: 1683: It was ordered by sayd Towne, that I sho^vld receive of John Whipple jun^r late Towne Clerke all such Books, records, writings, and papors what soe Euer: as belong to y^e Towne now in y^e hands of y^e sayd John Whipple: and Deliver them to the now Towne Clerke Thomas Olney: And Whereas the sayd John Whipple haveing this last day of July: 1683: Delivered up all such Books, Records, writetings, papors, and parchments: as belong unto y^e sayd Towne unto mee, and made Engagement before me that there was all of them: And upon the receipt of y^e same, and by order of the aforesayd Towne; I Doe hereby in y^e Townes name and behalfe fully Acquitt, and Absolutely Discharge the sayd John Whipple late Towne Clarke of all such Books, records, and Writetings, papors, and parchments, whatso Euer as belonge to y^e Towne, In Wittnes whereof I doe hereunto sett my hand this Thirty one day of July, one Thousand: Six hundred and Eighty Three:

Joseph Jenckes Assistant

(*Verso*)

A Coppie of my Discharg^e about the Books of Towne
[]livered: July: y^e 31th 1683

Payd out on to Samuel Williston
Amount of £ and 10 shillings had of his
Father Aram with £50 sum which he gave
to the said Williston of the sum which he gave
to the said Williston on the 1st of the said
month of August and Adjourned to the same
day next this for the day of June 1683:2

By William Popkins Surveyor
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TOWN PAPERS

[0405] Newport On Rhode Jsland In his maiesties Colony of rhode [] And providence plantations the 9th day of August 1683 /

To Captaine Arthur ffennor m^r Joseph Jenckes & m^r richard Arn[] Assisstants or to Either of them to be Communicated to the towne o[] providence Cr

Gentlemen /

By vertue of a warrant to me directed, vnder y^e hand of our Honnored Governor; william Coddington Esquire, Governor of this Collony, I doe pray & require you in his maiesties naimе forthwith to Call y^e freemen of yo^r towne together, & ther Chuse, so many Able discreet men, for yo^r deputys, as by our charter, & y^e Law of this Collony, you are impowered, whoc are to sett in a Generall Assembly Att warwicke, the twentieth & 21th: of this instant month of August 1683, ther to Consider off some spetiall & waighty matters, tending much to y^e honor of his maiestie, & the safety of this Collony /, The house of master John Low, is the place, of y^e said Assemblys meeting Att, on y^e sd 20th: &: 21th: of this instant Cr / heare of you may nott fayle Given vnder my hand /

Edmund Calverley: gen^{ll}: sargent

(Verso)

ffor y towne of Providence Thes /

[0406] To y^e towne met y^e 13th of Agust i683:

Neighbours where as there is a peece of meadow land lying at or about y^e place called y^e Keyes, & I haveing a long time benn Endeavouring to have y^e same layd out but the sirveiors not being at leasure, nor yet are I therefore desire you would

be pleased to grant unto me that said peece of meadow to be laid out unto me when the said sirveiors may be at leasure, yo^r ffriend & neighbour

David whipple

(Verso)

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[0407] To the Towne of Prouidence mett the 27th of Nouember 1683: I desier that y^e Towne would lay me out fifty Ackers [] land beyound y^e 7 mile line: which land I bought of William Hakings sener: a bought 2 years A goe. and it is to my greate damage that it is not layd out ffor I haue not land any where else, to setell vpon soe praying that you will take care, that I may haue it layd out be fore winter soe I Rest your ffreend

Peter Place

[0408] To the Towne of Prouidence Asembled the | 8 | of the: 12: mo: the Humble Request of Nathancell watterman is to Consider the seauerall billse and your Promises Con-

searning a grant of land as my former billse hath made mention of and your Petisoner shall be Readey to searue you in what I may

y^e 1682

or: 83

Yours in loue

Nathaniel Waterman

[0409] To The Towne of Prouidenc meet: 14th: of: 12th:
m^o 16 $\frac{8}{8}$ $\frac{2}{3}$

The Humble Request of John Sheldon is that you would be pleased to grant mee an Accomodation of Lands as you haue done vnto others with: on this: 23: years and since at which times you tould me Jf you Did make more Disposall I should bee accomdati|on| which Jf it be now I shalbe thakefull unto you and Redey to searue you

Jn what I may

John Sheldon

[0410] To the Towne of Prouidenc meet: 14th: of: 12th:
m^o 1682 | or: 83 |

I desier tenn Ackers of Swampe or low Land for fwe Ackers of medow

your freind

John Sheldon

(Verso)

This Bill is Granted, according to y^e voate of of y^e Towne

[0411] To y^e Towne mett Jan: y^e: 27th 1684

whereas there was at y^e last Towne meetting an order for my receiveing: y^e: 25^f: rate: these are to signifie to y^e Towne now mett, That upon my further Consideration: see Cawse fully to De Cline the same: and leave it to some other

Yo^{rs} to serve: Joⁿ Whipple: 10[℥]

[0412] To the towne met this 27th of january: i684:
 My Request is that I may haue my Lot Laid out with out
 the seuen mile Line
 your Nabo
 William Hopkins:

[0413] To y^e Towne mett: Janu: y^e: 27th: 1684: my De-
 sire is where as Abraham man of sd Towne: hath ffenced our
 Townes highway and not left it soe wide as y^e Towne order is:
 Yo^r ffreind Tho: Harris
 that order by sd Towne: may or doe order in sd matter,

[0414] To the toune met this 27th of january i684:
 my Request is that I may Lay down A right with out the
 Seuen mil Line and | you | A Com a dat mee with a Right
 with in the Seuen mil. line and I not taking it ner or | to | the
 Toun then wher my brothe[] John Hawkings now dweleth
 and in so doing you will oblige your Nabor
 Edward Hawkings

[0415] To the Toun met this 27th of january i684 my
 Request is that I | may | Chang ffore scor Acors of Land
 which Land was first John fields secondly robord morisis
 thurdly Ananija morisis forthly richard Buloks fifthly Henary
 foulers sixly William Randol, now liing on the plain Commonly
 Coled the Chaluf pastor nere to thomas Clamencis
 your nabor
 William Randol

[0416] January the 27th 1684|5^t Prouidenc
 To the town meet this 27th I Desire the town would graunt
 me liberty to Exchang five Acors of land out of A lott Called
 goarg Shippords. Eleuen Acors lieing on the neck which is
 now in my possession and the half of y^e said 5 Acors I will for

goe vpon the Account of A lot w'ch I took vpon the Account of Resolluid watermans right with the towns Consent I Desir to haue tow Acors And A half of the fue layd out to me wher it is now Common your frend
 Sam^l Winsor

[0417] to the toun meet this 28th of january i683 or 4
 my Request is that you would Giue or Sell mee tow or three ACors of Land and in so douing you will Oblige your frend

Joseph Smith

[0418] To y^e Towne of providence mett at a quarter meeting the: 28th: of this Instant January: 1683: o^r: 84

My request is whereas there is an order formerly made, in this Towne; of a Grant of a purchase right of land to be layd out in this Towne for y^e use and Bennifitt of a Schoole; which hath nott bene yett done, my Humble request is that the same may be fullfilled or accomplished according to the tenour of the sayd order. and in soe doing you will oblige your seruant to Comaund

Joⁿ Whipple Jun^r

[0419] Aprill y^e 28th: 1684.

To y^e Towne met

Neighbours whereas there is a Great, & Continuall want in this Towne, of a pound, to impound Cattell when they are found Trespassing, & this Towne being destitute of a Pound, I desire that the Towne would take some speedy Course that a pound may be made that so such Trespassing Creatures may be Secured.

Tho: Harris Sen^r:

(*Verso*)

Tho Harris his Bill about a Pound

[0420] to the town of Prouidance met this 28th of January 1683 or 84 neighbours and freinds I pray let me haue the quontati of 40 foot square of land or thereabout agineing to the west end of my lot I now drewl one and I shall bee willing soe to alow as others deid that had lots 40 foot square by the water side your to Command

Samuell Comstock

[0421] To Captaine Arthur ffennor, m^r Joseph Jencks, & m^r richar Arnold, Assistants, or to Either of them, Greeting / Gentlemen /

By vertue of three severall warrants to me directed, vnder y^e hand of our honored Goverⁿ william Coddington Esquire Cr

I doe in his maiesties naime, pray & require, that | in | yo^r towne meeting, you will be pleased, to Chuse so many men, qualified According to Law, & as y^e law doeth inioyne you, to serve on y^e grand uiry, & Jury of tryalls, to be held at y^e house of william maze, in newport, y^e last tusday in march next, where I doe hearby warne yo^r towne Clarke, to Cause a returne of yo^r Choise, & Also doe pray you y^e generall Asistants, then & ther, to give yo^r Attendance,

ffurther-moor you Are heareby required, Cr to Chuse in yo^r towne meeting, men qualified According to Law, to be debutys, for yo^r towne, to sett in A generall assembly, to be held in sd newport, y^e day before y^e next generall Election in newport, At y^e house of william maze, for y^e well ordring of y^e sd Election & Also for y^e making freemen of sd Collony. if Any of y^e townes, doe ^hpresent ther naimes, And I doe warne you y^e generall Assistant to make yo^r Appearance on y^e sd day

Lickewise I doe warne yo^r towne to Chuse deputys, Quali-

fied According to Law, And send them to newport, to sitt in y^e generall Assembly, whoe Are to mannage the next generall Election, of governor; deputy Governor, & generall Assistants together with such other generall officers: needfull, for y^e yeare Ensuing, w^{ch} servis is to be f^ormed, Att y^e house of william maze, in sd newport, about nyne of y^e Clocke where I doe heareby warne, you y^e generall Asistants, to give yo^r Attendance, Also I doe warne All yo^r ffreemen of yo^r towne, ther to make their Apearance, Either f^osonally, or by their proxies, As y^e Law of this Collony doeth inioyne, praying a timely retorne of yo^r sd Choise, you make, by yo^r towns Clarke Cr, /
Gentlemen yo^r humble servant /

Edmund Calverley generall sargent / newport y^e 20th off february 168³/₄

(Verso)

ffor y^e towne of providence Thes /

[0422] To y^e Towne mett this 4th of march 168³/₄ []tle-
men.

Whereas there is a bill depending to be Answered touching y^e making vp y^e Complement of my six acors in y^e neck, the w^{ch} if it be not by y^e Towne granted | me | according thereto; I shall desire (seeing I had pitch'd vpon it in y^e next place:) to have y^t peice of Grovnd by Tho: paty, prety neer y^e quantity of an acar. the w^{ch} I Judge cannot fairely be denied me, if y^e sd Complement of my | Lott | be not made vp according to my former bill.

Daniell Abbott

(Verso)

1667 or thereaboute

Memorandum: Tho: Walling Deb^r

Ƴ keeping his son Thomas aboute	£
12 months when he run away with Margrett	04 - 00 - 00
Ƴ helping his wife in his Absence	04 - 12 - 00
Ƴ Margrett walling widdow, Deb ^r : at	
Least aboute	01 - 10 - 00
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	10 - 12 - 00

R^d spinning | one lb | of wool: / & a Litt knob of thread:

[0423] To y^e Towne mett this 5th day of march 168³/₄
Gentlemen.

ffor as much as you are aboute Laying out of y^e Land beyond y^e seaven mile Line, And for as much as my (deceased) father Richard waterman did in his Life time Lend vnto this | Towne | y^e sume of five povnds for y^e Cleareing of y^e sd Land; I doe desire before y^e sd Land be Layd out to y^e Claimers thereof, that I may | have | my money payd me, or that I may have a portion of Land allowed me as may be Esteemed y^e vallue thereof.

Yo^r ffrend Nathaniell waterman

(*Verso*)

Nathaniell waterman his Bill. /

[0424] Here followeth the List of the draught which was made the: 17th of March: 168³/₄ for the division of the Lands on the west side of the Seven Mile Line

Stukley Westcott llll : 1 : +
Th[]mas Angel llll 2 +
Joshua Uearin llll 3
Ezekill Holloma[] 4 +
Uolinti[]e Whiteman[] 15 +

Shadrach Manton lll 6 +
 John Steer lll 9 +
 Thomas Harris sen^r lll 10 +
 Mathew Warler lll 11 +
 Thomas James lll 12 +
 John ffenner lll 13 +
 Henry Browne ll 14 +
 Joshua Winsor lll 15 +
 Thomas olney Junior lll 16 +
 Nicholas Power lll 17 +
 Robert Colwell lll 18 +
 Thomas Suckling lll 19 +
 John Clarke lll 20
 George Way ll 21 +
 Daniel Abbott lll 22 +
 Epenetus olney lll 24 +
 Daniel Comstock 23 +
 Grigory Dexter lll 25 +
 Hugh Bewett 26 +
 Edward Cope lll 27 +
 William Arnold ll 28 +
 Edward Manton lll 29 +
 William Man ll 30 +
 Christiphe[] Smith lll 31 +
 []lkinson lll 32 +
 []mvel []nnet 33 +
 Henry Redock 34 +
 Daniel Williams lll 35 +
 Adam Goodwin lll 36 +
 Edw[]d Jnman lll 37 +

Jam[] Ashton 38 +
 William ffenmer ll 39 +
 William White 40 +
 William Harris lll 41 +
 Daniel Browne lll 42 +
 Chad Browne lll 43 +
 Thomas olney senior lll 44 +
 William []kins se' lll 45 +
 Thomas []kins lll 46 +
 Arthur ffenmer lll 47 +
 Jene Se[]e lll 48 +
 John Jo[] lll 49 +
 John Green J[] 50 +
 Edward Smith [] 51 +
 Benjami[] Smi[] lll [] 52 +
 Thomas Walli[]g lll 53 +
 Richard pray ll 54 +
 John Green Senior lll 55 +
 John Smith Jameco lll 56
 Wil[]m Carpenter lll 57
 Robert West lll 58 +
 John Smith: Ju: miller lll 59 +
 Andrew Harris [] 60
 Richard Waterman lll 61.
 William Rehnolds 62
 Thomas Arnold lll 63 +
 George Palmor lll 64 +
 William Wickenden lll^s 65 +
 Thomas Clemance lll 66 +
 George Shippard lll 67 +

John Smith, mason lll 6.
 Roger Williams lll 7. +

Thomas Roberts 68 +
 Thomas Harris Junr 69. +
 Robert Coles Junr 70 +
 John Clauson Junr 71 +
 Providence Williams 72
 Francis Wickes Junr 73 +
 Francis Weston Junr 74 +
 John Warner Junr 75 +
 Benedict Arnold Junr 76 +
 John Smith Miller Junr 77 +
 Edward Hart Junr 78 +
 John Whipple Senr Junr 79 +
 James Mathuson Junr 80 +
 John Throckmorton Junr 81 +
 Christophor Unthonkes Junr 82 +
 Maturin Belloo 83 +
 Richard Scott 84 +
 Roger Mowrey Junr 85 +
 William Borrowes 86 +
 John Browne Junr 87 +
 Stephen Northup Junr 88 +
 Benjamin Hernten 89 +
 Robert Williams Junr 90 +
 John Field Junr 91 +
 Henry Fowler Junr 92. +
 John Sayles Junr 93 +
 Pardon Tillinghast 94 +
 Henry Neale Junr 95 +
 William Field Junr 96 +
 Robert Pick 97 +

Joane Tilor 98 +
 John Lippet llll 99 +
 Joseph Williams llll 100 +

(*Verso*)

A list of y^e Original Purchasers

[0425] to the town of prouidance met this 17th of march: 1683: or: 84 louing freinds; whereas it apeares that my deseased father John Smith Jn his Life time: was intrusted with a Right of land or lands in this town of prouidance and townships: and hee dying Jntested the said right of lands by Right of inhiartence belongeth | unto | me his heire and whereas the greatest part of my lands lyeth undieueid from the townes Commons my request therefore is that | the | towne would be pleased to ordar maters so that my lands may be layed out and in so doing you will OBli|a|ge him who is yours to Command
 John Smith

(*Verso*)

John Smiths Bill Jamecos Son.

[0426] Thomas Harris Seenour of Prouidence testifieth that upon oCasion hauing Disco|urs| with pardon Tillinghast heard the s^d pardon say that Samuell Winsor of the said Towne Did Desire leaue of him to worke in his sloop as to the making of A Barrill or two, so with leaue the said winsor did Enter upon the said work but Did not finish it, not being Capible to doe it, therefore the s^d winsor Did agre with the said pardon to finish the said work for him as to Cask, and the s^d winsor did worke on other inploiment for the s^d pardon for the payment of his s^d work

Prouidence the 22^d of Mach 16⁸³₃₁ these are the words or words to that purpos

Thomas Harris Seniør

[0427] Gentlemen And Neighbors asembled 28 of Jnst: aprill year 1684

my desiers are that a way may bee laid out through wises farme vp in the Countrey

John Sheldon

Alsoe I am for the Standing of that law made against Swine goeing on the Comons

John Sheldon

(Verso)

John Sheldons Bill for a way to be laid out through wises farme.

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[0428] To Edmond Caluerlye Gen^r Sar[]ia^{nt} of his Mai^{ties} Collonye of Rhoadiseland and Prouidence Plantations his deputye or deputies

In the Name of his Mai^{ties} you are Required to arrest the Bodye of Samuell: Bennet seni^r Chosen insigne of the Towne of est Greenwich in the kings Prouince and him in safe Custodye to keepe vntill hee putt in Sufficient Baile Returnable according to Lawe to anser the Complaint of Bridgett Price single woman nowe inhabittinge at sd Towne of est Greenwich at the next Gen^{rl}, Courte of trialls to bee held for this Collonye the first tuesdaye in September next at neweport in an action of Slander and defamation damage fiftye pound Sterleing. heareof faile not

Giuen vnder my hand, The 19th of June 1684

John Sanford Recorder

A true Coppye attested by mee Thomas Nicolas, Towne Sargant of est Greenwich and deputye Constituted by the generall Sargant on this occation:

Thomas nickoles

(*Verso*)

A Coppie of the Warrant about Bridgett price

A Coppie of y^e Writ

[0429] To Edmond Calverlye: Gen^l: Serjant of his majst^e: Collony of Roade-Js-land and providence plantations, his Deputye or Deputys

In y^e name of his Maj^{ty}: you are required to arest y^e Bodye of Samuell Bennett, sen^r: Chosen insigne of y^e Towne of Est Greenwich in y^e Kings province and him in safe Coustody to keepe untill he put in sufficient Baile Returnable acording to law to Answer the Complaynt of Bridgett prise single Woman: now Jnhabetting at sd Towne of Est Greenwich at y^e next Gen^l: Court of Tryalls to be held for this Collony: y^e first tuesday in September next at newport in an Action of Slander and Defamation Damage ffifty pound sterlig here of fayle not

Given vnder my hand the: 19th: of June: 1684:

Joⁿ: Sanford Recorder

(*Verso*)

a Coppie of y^e writt Benneth

[0430] The Depotion of John Whipple jun^r of providence in his Majestys Collony of Road-Js-land, and providenc[e] plantation, Aged forty fower yeares or there abouts and Daved Whipple, of sayd Towne & Colloⁿy aforesayd, Aged twenty nine yeares or there abouts: being Engaged according to law Testifieth as ffolloweth

That upon y^e first day of June, one Thousand Six | hundred | and Eighty fower: these Deponants Saw and heard Thomas Tery of ffreetowne in his majestys Collony of new plymouth at The hovse of Alixander Bolkom in providence there tender the Delivery of a deed signed | by | Jabesh Cotterell, to Tho King, and Samuell Thrashar Dated June the 18th: 1683: the which Deed was Assigned by y^e sayd King and thraster, over unto Thomas Tery of sayd free Towne upon y^e: 24th of June as by y^e sayd Assignment may Apeare: and there Apeared not any person leagally to receive: this these Depo- nants sayth is Truth and furthe sayth not

Taken vpon Engagement June y^e 20th: 1684 in prouidence:
 ꝑ^r me: Joseph Jenckes Asis^m:

(*Verbo*)

Atest ffor Tho: Terrey
 Tery^s paper or ord Attest

[0431] Cop^{ie}: A Prohibition

Whereas my wife Margrett through her Maddnes of folly & Turbulency of her Currupt will, hath often Threatened to Ruinate my family, Routeing me (as she saith) of horse & ffoot, Destroying me Root & Branch, putting out one of her owne Eyes to putt out Both mine, & sett my house on fire: And is since departed from me takeing away my Children without my Consent. And as I have been Enformed, is now plotting mischeife with some, of her Turbulent Spiritt, that when I am Absent from home to Rifle my house & take away my Goodes, to accomplish her Divilish Resolution against me.

These are therefore, not only to advise, but alsoe to Charge all persons vpon theire ꝑ^rill to for-bare any such jllegiall pro-

ceedings, And alsoe do heareby foreworne, & forbid all persons whatsoever, to forbare Bargaineing with, Contracting of Debts, or Receiveng any part of my Estate of my sd wife Margrett without my approbation.

Published 7th of August 1683. / Daniell Abbott

(*Verso*)

To y^e Towne mett this 28th day of jan: 168³/₄.

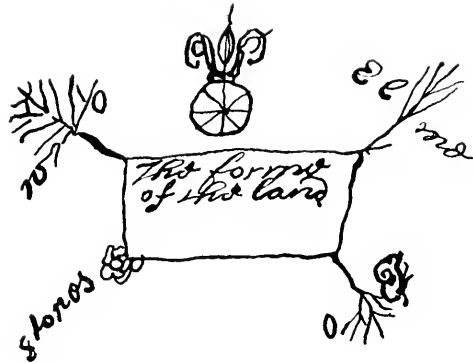
These are to desire y^e Towne, y^t y^e with in written prohibition, may be putt vpon y^e publick record of this Towne. And alsoe published in this Towne metting. Daniell Abbott

[0432] Vpon y^e 14th day of July 1684.

Laid out unto Andrew Harris upon his purchase Right, three acrs of land in lue of halfe a share, & a part of halfe a share of meadow; it lying in y^e Neck & partly on y^e south side of y^e arme of y^e great Swampe which butteth upon y^e head of Benjamin Hearnton his house lot; It bounding on y^e North & be East side with y^e land of y^e Heirs of John Throckmorton, being part of y^e arme of y^e said Swampe, bounding on y^e south & be west side with y^e Comon, The norwesterne Cornner being bounded with a white oake tree, which is the south westerne Corner of y^e said Throckmortons land; bounding on y^e south Easterne Cornner with a small black oake tree; on the south westerne Cornner with a heape of stones; A small Elme tree Ranging on y^e East side to y^e said Throckmortons Land. / Layd out y^e day & yeare abovesaid By me

Tho: Olney Sirveior

The abovesd Returne was by y^e Towne of Providence at their towne meeteing Agust y^e 21: 1684: accepted & allowed: As Attests Tho: Olney Towne Clarke



The abovesaid Returne was Recorded Agust y^e 22nd: 1684
 in y^e Towne of Providence their booke for y^e Entry of deeds
 or land Evidences: N^o: i. in page y^e 69.

By me Tho: Olney Towne Clarke

(Verso)

The Returne of Andrew harris his swampy land layd out. /
 A returne of land to Andrew harris

[0433] Gentlemen,

Our Towne having taken into Consideration the necessitye
 of a Roade way through y^e Countrey for Travellers to passe,
 have Erected & Stated away through our Towneshipp over
 Pautuckett River at the End of the hill on y^e westerne part of
 John Scott his planting ffield a litle up the streame from y^e
 place where M^r Blaxton his house formerly stood at the antient
 R[]ade way the which leadeth to y^e playne on yo^r side []
 y^e River Called y^e Westerne Plaine; wee thought []d to
 signifie so much unto you that you on your [] may doe

the like by which his Majestyes subjects may have free Re-
course without lett or interruption.

By y^e Towne of Providence

August the 21 : 1684: Tho: Olney Towne Clarke

(Verso)

ffor y^e Towne of Rehoboth these

To Will: Carpenter Towne clarke to be Communicated as
above Exprest,

[0434] To y^e Towne Mett August y^e: 21th: 1684

I Desire y^e Towne to Change one Acor and halfe of
swamp lying neere Suckeessercutt old feild, and take [it] up
Elce where upon our Comons Yo^r ffreind:

Andrew Harris

(Verso)

Andrew Harris his Bill. /

This Bill is Gra[]d and fullfilled

[0435] Knowe all men by these presents that I Samuell
Bennett, seni^r nowe Liueing in este Greenwich in the Collo-
nye of Rhoadisland and Prouidence plantations doe ordaine
Constitute: and appoynte my well beloued and trustye ffreind
John whipple Junier of prouidence in sd Collonye, my Lawe-
full atturnye. in and on mye behalfe to Constitute one or more
atturnyes as hee shall see Cause and to appeere at the next
gen^r Courte of tryalls to bee held at newport in sd Collonye the
first tuesdaye in September next insueing the date heareof and
there to anser. the Complainte of bridgett Price plainetiff. in an
action. of slaunder or defamation Commenced against mee the
sd bennett, defendant: And whatsoever my saide atturnye or
atturnyes shall, doe in the same, shall bee deemed and taken

as if I myeselfe ware present, and did act the same, in wittness heareunto I haue sett to my hand and seale this present daye of the date heareof being the twentye seuenth, daye of Agust and in the yeare of our Lord 1684

Samuell bennett [LS]


the aboue wrighten Instrewment was acknowledged by Samuell Benitt the day first aboue wrighten to be his acte and deed as atests

Joseph Jenckes Asis: ¹¹

(*Verso*)

my Letter of Auturny

[0436] To the Honord Gen^l Court of Tryalls held for his Maj^{ties} Collony of Rhode: Jsland and Providence Plantations at Newport the first Tuseday in Septem^r 1684

The Declaration and Complaint of Bridgett Price Single woman, and now Resident at the Towne of East Greenwich in the Kings Province plaintiff against Samuell Bennitt Sen^r Chosen Ensigne of the said Towne of East Greenwich defendant, in an action of Sclaunder and defamation damage fifty pounds Sterll.  writt bearing date the 19th day of June 1684 Sheweth that the said defendat^l Samuel Bennitt on the 27th day of the month of May last past, and afore that time did in most abusive Mallicious and Reproachfull manner in the Said East Greenwich and in the Said defendants house; there charge the Said Plaintiff Bridgett Price: affirminge her to be a whore, a theife, and a Vagabond, and that he was able and would prove it, which most Notorious Reproachfull Charges and falce accusations of the defendant, doe greatly tend to the discredit Selaunder defamation and disquiett of the Plaintiff, and are greatly to the dishonnor and disparragement of the Plaintiff,

for the wise man hath Said a good Name is as Precious Oyntment, and the Civill Law doth forbid such falce and Mallitious accusations as have been mannifested and declared by the defendant against the Said Plaintiff Bridgett Price, whoe hopes for and desires Reliefe from this Honord Court, And therefore hath brought this her action aforesaid of fifty pounds Sterll. damage not doubting justice therein

Bridgett X Price
her marke:

Cop^a: ƒ^l John Sanford Recorder :

(*Verso*)

A Coppie of y^e Declaration

[0437] To y^e Hon^{ll}: Court of Tryalls held at Newport on Roade-Js-land the first Tuesday in September: 1684: for his majestys Collony of Roade-Js-land and providence plantations

Whereas by Bridgett price, Single woman; plaintiff inhabiting at East Greene witch in y^e kings province, an Action of slander & Defamation was Comenet against Samuuell Bennett (sen^r) of sayd East Greenwich Deffendant, Damage fifty poundes sterling ƒ^l: writt Beareing Date June y^e: 19th: 1684: The defendant knoweth not of any Damage he hath done y^e plaintiff; Jts an untrve Charge layd against him, And where as noe Declaration is by y^e plaintiff Entred as to y^e sayd action by which writt y^e Defendant was arested, The Deffendant, Enters his Nonsuite to y^e sayd Action, praying abatement of y^r writt, and Good Cost taxed

By John Whipple Jun^r Attorney in y^e Case

(*Verso*)

the answer to Bridgett price her Declaration against Bennett

[0438] To y^e Towne mett at a Quart^r meeting october 27:
1684

I desire y^t my 6 acars granted by y^e Towne vpon exchange to be Layd adjoyneing to Henry Brownes Land in y^e neck, & already Lay out by Cap^t ffen^r Survey^r, and already y^e exchange money payd; may be settled according to my former bill Concerning it.

Yo^r Neighb^r Dan: Abbott

(*Verso*)

Referred to y^e next Meeting: Abbots Bill

[0439] To the Towne of Providence met at A quarter meeting October the 27th: 1684

Neighbours whereas I doe understand that there is in our Towne booke a Record made of a retorne of land layd out unto Sam^l Winsor, according unto which Record, my land is intrrenched upon, The said Record giveing advantage unto y^e said Samuell Winsor (if in Case at any time he should incline to Cavell, or proove a dishonest man) thereby to make claime unto a part of my land which I now make use of & is inclosed, for if he runn from Cornner to Corner of what was laid out unto him, (which is the Comon way of our Towne) then it so will doe as I have said, & the Record makes not any provision to the Contrarey, but to runn from corner to Corner, Therefore before further Contention arise, my Request to y^e Towne is that y^e said Record may be Rectified; & in the Rectefieing that such order may be taken that I may quietly possesse my owne without being intrrenched upon. /

Yo^r ffriend Thomas Patey.

(*Verso*)

Pateys Bill Referred

[0440] Here followeth a list of a 25^{lb}: Rate levied upon y^e inhabetants of y^e Towne of Providence 22^{lb}: 10^s: being y^e Collonies part thereof, it being assessed upon y^e towne by a Gennerall Assembly held october y^e 29th: 1684: in a 160^{lb} Rate to y^e Colloney the rest is y^e Townes part.

	lb	s	d
William Carpenter & his 2 sons Benjamin & Silas	01	09	00
Stephen Arnold	01	09	00
Joane Reape	00	06	08
James Blackmore	00	01	06
John Sheldon	00	03	06
Timothy Sheldon	00	00	06
Timothy Carpenter	00	07	03
Andrew Harris	00	07	03
The widdow Harris	00	01	03
Howlong y ^e daughter of William Harris	00	04	02
Captaine ffenner	00	19	00
William Randall	00	01	00
William Vinsent	00	04	02
The Heirs of Joseph Wise	00	02	02
John Thornton & his son John	00	03	06
The Widdow Burden	00	02	06
Thomas Harris jun ^r :	00	14	07
Richard Clemence	00	02	00
William Haukins sen ^r : & his son John Haukins	00	04	06
John Steere	00	03	00
Edward Haukins	00	01	06
Peter Playce	00	00	06
Alexander Balkeham	00	01	00
Nathaniell Mawrey	00	04	00

	lb - s - d
Edward Inman sen ^r :	00 - 02 - 00
Edward Inman jun ^r :	00 - 01 - 00
John Mawrey	00 - 04 - 00
Joseph Hearnton	00 - 00 - 06
Benjamin Hearnton jun ^r :	00 - 00 - 06
John Inman	00 - 02 - 00
James Bello	00 - 01 - 03
Thomas Hopkins	00 - 02 - 00
Ephraim Prey	00 - 02 - 00
John Prey	00 - 02 - 00
Eliezer Whipple	00 - 05 - 00
William Whipple	00 - 01 - 04
Vallentine Whittman	00 - 07 - 04
Samuell Willkenson	00 - 02 - 00
Edward Smith	00 - 07 - 04
Richard Arnold	00 - 08 - 04
Eliezer Arnold	00 - 04 - 02
Laurance Wilkenson	00 - 05 - 06
Jonathan Sprauge	00 - 06 - 00
Ephraim Pierce	00 - 06 - 06
John Wilkenson	00 - 01 - 06

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Thomas ffenner	00 - 05 - 00
The Orphans of John Scott	00 - 04 - 00
John Malleverey	00 - 00 - 08
Joseph Jenkes	00 - 06 - 06
David Whipple	00 - 01 - 03
John Angell	00 - 06 - 03
Thomas Walling	00 - 00 - 09

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Jonathan Whipple	00	01	06
Benjamin Whipple	00	01	06
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Joseph Williams	00	07	04
John Sayles	00	07	00
Richard Waterman	00	02	00
William Hopkins	00	02	06
John field & Zachariah his son	00	06	08
Anthony Evernden	00	06	08
The Widdow Mathuson	00	03	06
Thomas Clemence	00	05	06
Estens Thomas & his 2 sons	00	05	06
Stephen Hardin	00	05	06
Abraham Hardin	00	03	09
Gregory dexter, & John his son	00	12	06
Samuell Comstock	00	01	00
Benjamin Hearnton sen ^r :	00	02	11
Joseph Woodward	00	01	06
Samuell Whipple	00	05	00
John Smith mason, & Joseph his son	00	02	06
John Arnold & y ^e Widdow his Mother	00	01	09
The Widdow Belloo	00	01	03
Thomas Arnold	00	05	00
Thomas Olney	00	12	06
The Widdow Smith, & John her son	00	03	06
John Browne	00	05	00
Epenetus Olney	00	05	00
The orphans of James Dexter	00	00	10
Shadrach Manton, & Edward his son	00	07	00
John Whipple sen ^r : & Joseph his son	00	05	00

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John Whipple jun ^r :	00	05	08
The Heirs of John Throckmorton	00	04	02
The Heirs of Richard Scott	00	04	02
James Weakely	00	01	00
Richard Prey	00	02	06
Thomas Angell, & James his Son	00	05	00
Nathaniell Waterman	00	19	00
Daniell Abbott	00	03	06
Thomas ffield	00	15	00
George Sheppard	00	00	09
Thomas Harris sen ^r :	00	02	06
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Abraham Man	00	01	03
John Lappam	00	01	03
Providence Williams	00	04	08
Daniell Williams	00	14	02
The Heire of Nicolas Power	00	04	02
James Clarke	00	00	06
Anne Harris	00	01	08
James Ashton	00	01	03
Pardon Tillinghast	00	10	00
Edward London	00	01	00
Samuell Winsor	00	03	06
Thomas Patey	00	02	00
Daniell Browne	00	01	03
Henry Browne	00	06	03
Andrew Edmunds	00	01	00
Ephraim Carpenter	00	01	00
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If no mistak in making up,
 Levied & finished y^e 24th: of December 1684: by us who
 were chosen there unto by y^e Towne of Providence.

Thomas Olney.
 Nathaniell Waterman.
 Daniell Abbott.
 Thomas Arnold.

Rowland Joanes he was before forgotten - 0 - 1 - 6

Copp^{ed}: Januarey y^e 19th: 168 $\frac{1}{2}$.

ƒ Tho: Olney Towne Clarke of Providence. /

(*Verso*)

A Coppye of A 25^{lb}: Rate: / List. /

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Alexander Balkeham	00	01	00
Nathaniell Mawrey	00	04	00
Edward Jnman, sen ^r :	00	02	00
Edward Jnman jun ^r :	00	01	00
John Mawrey	00	04	00
Joseph Hearnton	00	00	06
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James Belloo	00	01	03
Thomas Hopkins	00	02	00
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John Whipple jun ^r :	00	05	08
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[0442] To y^e Towne mett: October: y^e 27th: 1684: it
 beinge y^e Townes quarter day:

My Request to y^e Towne is, That whereas Samuell Winsor
 of sayd Towne: hath Taken up land of y^e Townes: (not Dve to
 y^e sayd Winsor) in y^e Right of Resolved waterman of sd
 Towne, (Deceased:) by way of Exchange as is sayd, and yett

y^e orphons of y^e sayd Resolved hold'eth the sayd land where of Right it did belong to y^e sd Resolved, and he y^e sd winsor hath taken soe much of y^e Townes Comon for it, y^e which is Contrary to both Good law and Reason, and also hath Taken up y^e quantity of a shaire of meadow: upon y^e Acovnte of Mathew Weston: of or out of y^e Townes Comon: and y^e sd Mathew Weston never had any Right of Comon in sd Towne: nor any shaire of meadow to lay dovne or Change in sayd Towne: And therefore doe Desire y^e sayd land may be layd Dovne againe to Comon as in reason it ought to be

Yo^r ffreind and Neighbor

Thomas Harris

(*Verso*)

Harris his Bill Reffered

[0443] The Depotion of John Whipple of y^e Towne of providence Aged forty five yeares: testifieth as followeth

That upon y^e twenty fowerth day of November: 1684 being in y^e shopp of Thomas Clarke: | pentour | in boston where came in to sayd shopp: one called Mary Brattle, and Demaunded of sayd Clarke y^e key of a house of office and y^e sayd Clarke Denied to Deliver it, to sayd Brattle, where upon sayd mary Brattle gave sayd Clarke very Taunting speeches: where upon sayd Clarke called sayd Brattle prateing hossey: where upon sayd Brattle called sayd Clark Beggars Bratt, and Cheate: and sayd shee kept a better man to wipe her shoees, the sayd Clark speakeing very mildly and patiently all the while: she alsoe Called y^e sayd Clarke | Rascal | , then y^e sayd Clarke bid her gett out of his shopp for yov are a pratteing hossey for you had need to have had a hundred pound^s Bestooed upon you at a boardeing Scoole: | to learne manner & breeding: | then

shce y^c sayd Brattle called y^c sayd Clarke Rouge and soe went out of y^c shopp: This this Deponant. sayth is truth: and further sayth nott

(*Vcrso*)

Joⁿ Whipple^s testimony abovt Tho: Clarke

[0444] To the Honored Maiestrates & gentlemen of the Towne of Providence assembled at a Towne meeteing the 27th of this Instant January 1684; &: 85.

The Humble request of. William Turpin; now schoole-master of the said; Towne; is that; Whereas; there was a percell of Land formerly granted; By the ancestors of the said Towne; & was to bee to the vse & benifit of a schoolemaster as By the records of the Towne Booke will more at large appeare; Which said Order or grant was read to mee; in the presents of severall gentlemen; that were the occasion of | my | setling; at this towne; who promised to bee instrumentall in the performance thereof; Gentlemen My desire is that the aforesaid Land; May bee forthwith layd out according to the said Order or grant; & that the said M^r or his heires may bee invested in the said Land; soe long as hee or any of them; shall maintaine that; worthy art of Learning; Thus leauing it to you gentlemen to giue a speedy answer according as you shall thinke meete I rest yours to comand

William Turpin

[0445] To the towne mett this 27th of January 1684^s gentlemen I Desire you to be pleased to inquire in to the Clame of Epeneatus olny of a peac of swamp intermixt with medow lying on the west side of small brook and by vertu of which he hath made an Juroade vp one my swamp and medow one the

East side of small brook vnder pretenc of right to the said one
the west side of the broke I pray know vp one what Account
he hath the said land by which I Am like to suffer

Samuel Winsor

[0446] Honnored Gentlemen /

In ꝑsuance of sundry warrants to me directed, vnder y^e
hand of our honnored Governor William Coddington Esquire,
Governor of his maiesties Collony, of rhodeJsland And providence
plantations Cr

Thes Are in his maiesties naime, to require you, to Call y^e
free inhabitants of your towne together, And In yo^r towne
meeting, to Chuse & send, so many Able men qualified Accord-
ing to Law, As by our Charter & y^e law of this Collony, you
Are impowered, Too serve on y^e grand Jury: & Jury of tryalls,
to be held ffor said Collony, y^e Last tusday in march next, Att
y^e house wher John davis now liveth, in newport, About nyne
of y^e Clocke of y^e same day, Also, I doe heareby warne you y^e
generall Assistants Liveing in yo^r towne, that you give yo^r
Attendance, As our Charter & Law requireth at y^e time &
place Afforesaid, heareof you may not fayle

Allso I doe in his maiesties naime further require | you |
that you doe in yo^r towne meeting Chuse & send in, so many
Able men, qualified According to Law, as by law of this col-
lony you Are impowered, To be deputys, members of y^e gen-
erall Assembly, by Law to be held, y^e day before y^e next gen-
erall Election in may next, Att y^e house wher John davis now
liveth in newport, Then & their to Conclider of such persons
that may bee ꝑsented Cr And that y^e said Assembly may see
Cause to Admitt, to be made ffreemen of sd Collony; And I
doe heareby warne you y^e generall Asistants, in this towne

(That you) Att y^e time & place abouesd, doe give yo^r Attendance, As our Law requireth /

hearoff you may nott fayle /

Lickewise I further warne you, in his maiesties naime, that you doe prepaire for y^e next generall Election, Off Governor, deputy governor, together with the Generall Assistants, And | other | generall officers of sd Collony, As y^e Law & Charter requireth, for y^e yeare Ensuing, And In order ther-vnto, I doe heareby warne All y^e ffreemen of yo^r towne, to make their p̄sonall Appearance, Or Else send in thir proxis, On or y^e day before, y^e next generall Election, According to Law which is to be held y^e first wensday in may next, At y^e house where John davis now liveth in newport (for y^e Carrying on of said worke / I warne you | y^t | in yo^r towne meeting, To Chuse & send in, so many Able men qualified, According too Law, As by Charter & law, you Are required, To sett As yo^r deputys) members of said Generall Assembly, y^e first wensday in may next, Att y^e time & place aboue said, ther to sett & transactt, in such publique Affairs, as may Appeare nessesary, for y^e good of this Collony, Also I doe heareby warne you y^e generall Assistants in this towne that you give your Attendance, in y^e said generall Court of Election, heareof you may not fayle /

Given vnder my hand y^e. 2^d: day of march 1684⁴

Edmund Calverley generall Sargent /.

To Capt: Arthur ffennor m^r Joseph Jenkes And m^r richard Arnold generall Assistants in providence Or to Either of them Thes deliver /

(Verso)

ffor y^e towne of providence Thes

[0447] providence the. 20th. of march. 1685 :

my desire is th^at you wold be pleased to grant me Liberty
to Chainge three a Crees of land lying at the plase Caled thee
new feeldes the which land was parte of my fathers Right and
tak it up Else wheere and so you wil oblige youer frend

John Below

[0448] To the Towne of Providence mett y^e 20th of March
1684 or 85: Neabours thare was A Rate of 27 pounds leau-
elled in this towne A bout 5 or 6 years a goe: tenn pounds of
it was ffor the Coloney & tenn pounds for M^r John Sanford &
seven pound for the townd: M^r Sanford haue receued his tenn
pound of y^e towne in land, and as I am in formed it is the in-
tente of soum to take vp the holle rate of 27 pound & send
| it | to the generall trashewer of royd Jland: I pray the Towne
to take care to looke after there part before it be sent away:
or else the towne may loose the 17 pounds which doe be longe
to them soe I Rest yours

Thomas ffield

(*Verso*)

To y^e Towne mett March y^e: 20th day 16 $\frac{8}{8}$ $\frac{4}{5}$

I Desire y^t I may have my Equall Right of Lands; and
proportions of land as other persons have in all Respects, that
is to say on this East side of y^e seaven mile line, according to
my Equall Right therein with others:

Y^{or} ffreind Sam Whipple

[0449] To y^e Towne mett, Aprill y^e: 27th 1685: being y^e:
Townes quarter day, my Request to y^e Towne is That whereas
there is a high way Goeth through one Corner of my land: the
which Cutteth off by sd high way: abovte one Acres of my

land there by: Therefore Doe Desire in Consideration there of the Towne wold Change y^e sd persell of land y^t the sayd high way Devideth from y^e Body of y^e sayd land: if y^e sd high way be usefull for sd Towne: the which in soe doeing you will oblige
 Yo^r ffreind,

James Belloe:

(*Verso*)

This Bill is Granted

[0450] To y^e Towne mett this: 27th of Aprill: 1685: I Desire y^t yov wold Grant mee liberty as others have had, that I may have y^e Bovnds of y^e six Acres of land belonging to y^e heires of John Thorckmorton Deceased, revised by y^e Towne serveior or sorveiors: paying y^e Charge::

Yo^{ers} John Whipple in:
 behalfe of John Throckmor|ton| and them Conserved:

(*Verso*)

To y^e Towne Aprill y^e 27th: 1686 ☞ John Whipp^{le}, y^e 5th:
 bill. /

[0451] prouidenc.

To the towne meet this 27 of Aprill 1685
 neibours ther is An Anchant order that Jf Any person haue An intent or be Disposed to sell lands the said person shall first pro pound the same to the town ther fore in order ther vnto my selfe being Disposed to part with A parsel of land I now offer the same to you Att A ReasonAble Rate Jf you will by it other ways I hoope you will not take it Amis Jf I make the best of my markit as it may fall in my way your frend and neighbour Edward Jnman ju^r

[0452] Vpon the 29th day of May in y^e yeare 1685 :

Layd out unto Thomas Patey about one acre & a quarter of land lieing & being within that tract of land Called y^e neck, & is cheifely lieing against the Easterne End of y^e home shares of land which formerly belonged unto y^e deceased Richard Scot, & y^e deceased Roger Williams, & also against y^e Easterne End of y^e home share of land, or house lott belonging to Samuell Wright; & is adjoyneing unto y^e southwesterne part of y^e said Thomas Patey his land: Jt being bounded on y^e westerne part with a highway which lieith betweene y^e said peece of land & y^e aforementiond home shares of land; Bounding on y^e northerne part, with y^e land of the said Thomas Patey; on y^e Easterne part with land laid out by Captaine Arthur ffenner to Samuell Winsor, & on y^e southerne part with land formerly belonging to Daniell Browne but now in the possession of Samuell Winsor; As also allowed unto y^e said Thomas Patey one small peece of land containeing of some few poles; lieing within y^e said Thomas Patey his inclosed land & adjoyneing to y^e south Easterne Cornner & so part of y^e Easterne End of his said land, Bounding on y^e westerne side with y^e said Thomas Patey his land, on y^e Northerne End with y^e land of Epenetus Olney & on y^e Easterne side with y^e said Thomas Patey his fence. The said two percells of land being allowed unto y^e said Thomas Patey to make him satisfaction for a foote way which goeth through his land in y^e neck where he now dwelleth, to begin at y^e southwesterne part thereof & so to goe downe along his land & to goe by y^e westerne End of his house which now is, & so out into y^e Comon at y^e north Easterne part of his land. And also southward of y^e said house a way to turne Eastward out of y^e aforesaid foote way to goe into

y^e highway which lieth Eastward or south Eastward of y^e said Thomas Patey his house & leadeth from thence towards y^e fferry place called y^e Narrow passag'e| The said way through y^e said Thomas Patey his land being for a foote way only; & to be, & all along not to Exceede one pole in breadth,

Layd out y^e day & yeare abovesaid

By me Thomas Olney Sirveior. /

The above written Returne of land is Recorded in y^e towne of Providence their Records, in y^e Booke for y^e Entry of deedes or land Evidences N^o: i. & in page y^e 102:

Recorded July y^e 28th: 1685; by me

Thomas Olney Towne Clarke. /

(*Verso*)

A Returne to y^e Towne of Providence of two small peeces of land laid out to Thomas Patey

This Returne was by the towne of Providence at their towne meeteing of Election the first day of June 1685: Allowed & accepted,

As Attests

Thomas Olney Towne Clarke. /

[0453] To the Towne of Providence met this 1st day of June 1685:

Neighbours my Request is that I may Change 25 acres of land which lieth upon y^e brooke Called Robbins Runn & take it up Elce where on y^e townes Comon, Yo^r: Neighbour

Benjamin Hearnton. Sen^r:

June y^e 1st: 1685.

(*Verso*)

Granted.

[0454] To the Towne mett by adjournment June y^e 8th:
1685

Neighbours My Request is that I may have Thirty acres
of land layd out which is due to me on y^e East side of y^e 7
mile line & papers are already drawne for

Yo^r Neighbour

Eliezer Whipple. /

[0455] to the town of prouidance met this 24th. of y^e 6th
mounth 85 frieds my Request is that you would let me take up
10: ackers of land I hauing land due to me your fried:

Jonathan Whipple

(Verso)

This Bill is Referred

[0456] Newport On rhoade Jsland, in his maiesties Col-
lony of Rhoades Jsland, & providence plantations, y^e 3^d of
August 1685 /

Honored Gentlemen /

By vertue of severall warrants, to me directed, vnder y^e
hand of our honored governor Henery Bull Esquire, I doe in
y^e naime of his maiestie, warne & desire you, to Call y^e ffree-
men of yo^r towne together, & Jn yo^r towne meeting, to Chuse
so many Able discreet men, qualified According to Law, to
serve on y^e Grand Jury, & Jury off Tryalls, & send them to
Attend y^e generall Court of tryalls, to be held ffor this Collony,
the first tusday in September next, Att y^e house where John
davis now liveth, in newport, about nyne of y^e Clocke in y^e
forenoone, where Our honored Governor, deputy Governor,
And y^e rest of his maiesties Justices of y^e peace, doe According
to Law, purpose to Attend / hereof fayle nott / Cr

Lickewise I doe in his maiesties naime, warne you, that you Cause y^c freemen of yo^r towne to meet together, And in yo^r said towne meeting, to Chuse so many Able discreet men of yo^r towne, to be yo^r deputies, As by Law you Are impowered, to sett in y^c generall Assembly of this Collony, Att providence, y^e Last wensday in octobr next, Att y^e house of m^r John whiple, And thos whome you so Chuse you are to Cause them to have warning, that they | give | Attendance for y^e servis abouesaid, where Our honored Governor, deputy Governor, & y^e rest of his maiesties Justices of y^e peace, According to Law, are desired to Appeare, hereof you may nott faile / Signed: ƒ : mee:

Edmund Calverley Generall Sargent: Cr.

To Captaine Arthur fennor m^r Joseph Jenckes And m^r Richard Arnold generall Assistants in providence or to Either of them This /

(*Verso*)

ffor y^c towne of providence

[0457] To the Town of Providence met the 9th of the 9th m. 85.

The request of Thomas Baker is as followeth, viz.

That where,as I formerly have inhabitedt amongst you, and did find then youre loving neighborhood. Now my desire | is | your loving consent that I may reinhabit with you, in your Township

Thomas : Baker

[0458] The InVENTORY of y^c Estate of William Carpenter of pautuxett in y^c Townshipp of providence, in the Collony of Roade-Is-la[] and providence plantations in New-Eng-

land who Deceased September, y^e seaventh: 1685, is as followeth

Jt	Impe, one Carte and old wheels, and Boxes and ladders thereto, and two old shaves and Colters and old plow	} $\begin{matrix} \text{£} & - & \text{s} & - & \text{d} \\ 01 & = & 10 & = & 06 \end{matrix}$
Jt	one logg Chaine, and fower Draught Chaines	} $01 = 00 = 00$
Jt	the Chaine and what belongs to it at y ^e well	$00 = 04 = 00$
Jt	two old narrow Axes and one old Broade Axe	} $00 = 06 = 00$
Jt	one Crosscutt saw, and two tennant saw ^s ,	$00 = 08 = 00$
Jt	two hand saw ^s : tho old, three Cleveses; and two pins	$00 = 05 = 06$
Jt	one slegg: one Iron: Crow	$00 = 07 = 00$
Jt	tenn ogegers Greater, and smaller	$00 = 12 = 00$
Jt	two Broade Chessells and two narrow Ches- sells	$00 = 02 = 06$
Jt	three plaine Irons a wainescutt plow	$00 = 01 = 06$
Jt	two Govges, two dravghin knives: one old Burr	$00 = 05 = 06$
Jt	one spoke shave, and one Ginnitt, and one Ads	$00 = 03 = 06$
Jt	As to Debts Dve from y ^e Testator, not any as wee find	$00 = 00 = 00$
Jt	Asto Debts Dve to y ^e Testator, severall yett fully not knowne; but as sounne as they Can be, shall give a full Accompt thereof	$00 = 00 = 00$
	The Sum Totall Errors Excepted	$05 - 06 - 00$

A faire Apprisell, taken September: y^e: 30th: 1685, of what Did Appere to us to be y^e abovesayd Estate of William Carpenter at his Decase: As Wittnes our hand^s:

(*Verso*)

Carpenter Inventory

[0459] Providence the: 3 of nouember. 1685. being the towns quarter: day by aJarnment forasmuch as there is a deuision of Land is agreed upon by the towne to be Laye[d]: out upon the townes Comon not damnifing any hiwayes I hauing desired the sirueiur to Lay out my part on the Commo where it might not damnif any hiway he saith it is perpetuated Common I desier thearefore that it may be: made apeere by Record which is perpetuatiated Common in so doing you wil oblige your frend

Thomas Arnold

[0460] To y^e towne mett november y^e 3^d: 1685
Neighbours

My Request is that you would Consider y^e Townes bennefi[] in stateing of som Comon Continually so to remaine & also to Confirme all on y^e west sid of Moshausick River which now is Comon from y^e said River westward to the East side the swampe | lieing on y^e west side of y^e north End of y^e hill called Hurltelbery hill | & so to the uper part of Joⁿ: ffields meadow & all y^e plaine Called Joⁿ: ffields playne; & from y^e west side of this playne all Comon south to wanasquatucket River, & from y^e sayd swampe northward to y^e | west River | & also to Remember som Comon over dexters bridge. /

John Whipple,

[0461] To the towne met by aJarnement nouember the: 3: 1685 forasmuch as the Land is taken up And there is no way stated or settled so that I haue no way to pas to and from my land but Through other mens Land I Therefore do desier That the towne wold be plesed to take it in to Consideration and apoynt sum men for the setling of a way so that I may not be depriued of the benefit of my Land and in so doing you wil oblige youer frende and neighber
 John Broun junier

[0462] To y^e towne mett Novemb^r y^e 3^d: 85: Neighbo^{rs}
 I desire to Change 20 acrs of land lieing neere Tho: Clemence sen^r: his now dwelling. / Yo^r Neighbour
 Joseph Whipple. /

[0463] Nouembourg: 3: 1685:
 To y^e towne meett by AJourment|
 Neightbours my desire is y^t you would be plesed to take soume Care of me fore I am not Aable to take Care of my selfe by resun of sites faling of me & in so doing you would oblidge your neighbour
 An haris

[0464] Be it knowne unto all people by these presents That I John Sanford of Portsmouth Gennerall Recorder of this Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in new England, doe owne & acknowledge that I have received of y^e towne of Providence the full & just sum of Thirty shillings, tenn shillings in money, & twenty shillings in boards the which was due unto me from y^e sayd towne; & is all y^e whole sum which from y^e sayd towne is at this day due unto me I say y^e sayd thirty shillings I have received, & doe aquitt & discharg the sayd towne of Providence of y^e same by these pres-

ents, wittnes my hand the Eighteenth day of November in y^e yeare one thousand six hundred Eighty & five. /

John Sanford Recorder.

(*Verso*)

Sanfords Acquittance. /

[0465] Vpon y^e 21 day of November in y^e yeare 1685

Layd out unto Thomas Patey in y^e Right of John Joanes to a quarter part of his Right in an Aditionall devisiion agreed upon & ordred by y^e towne of Providence to be layd out one acre & a halfe & halfe a quarter of land, it lieing and being in that tract of land called y^e neck, it lieing in two percells, about halfe an acre thereof lieing adjoyneing to y^e northerne side of y^e sayd Thomas Patey his land the Easterne End thereof Cometh of at nothing, the westerne End bounding with a highway which lyeth betweene it & y^e townefield the northerne part bounding with y^e land of Thomas Harris jun^r: The other part thereof lieing adjoyneing to y^e land of Henry Browne, and bounding on y^e Easterne part & on y^e northerne part with y^e land of y^e sayd Henry Browne, on y^e westerne part with a highway which leadeth through y^e first opening of y^e great swampe, & on y^e southerne part with a highway which lieth betweene y^e sayd peece of land & other land belonging to y^e sayd Thomas Patey; the sayd laud beareing measure by y^e Eightene foote pole.

Layd out y^e day & yeare abovesd

By me Thomas Olney Sirveior. /

The abovesd Returne is Recorded in Providence Records in y^e booke for Entry of Deeds or land Evidences No: i. & in page 138: Recorded January y^e is^t: 1685.

By me Tho: Olney Towne Clarke

(Verso)

A Returne of land layd out to Thomas Patey.

[0466]Newport Nov^r 30th: 1685

Much Respected, freinds, Neighbours and Gentlemen, Purchasers of the townshipe of Providence; o^r. kinde Respects P^resented &c,

These are to acquaint you that in our Respectiue Capacities, in the behalfe and Rights of William Brenton Esqu^r Deceased, and m^r Bryant; (the which pow^r in its due season you shall, if please, haue good P^robation of) wee Claime as their proper due, the whole Rights and possitions of all the Lands within yo^r townshipp formerly belonging vnto m^r John Throckmorton Late of P^rouidence deceased being neare two whole shares, of which wee respect Equall Rights in deuitions; &c therefore thought it Nessessary, for the preuention of what may accation difference, to Jnform you of their Rights, & Claims, that whensoever you find it Conuenient to order deuitions you will bemindfull of the deuitionall parts, belonging vnto the two shares as afoare specified; wee question not your Equety & Justices herein, haue not Elce at p^resent;

Rest yo^r Lo: freinds and Serv^{ts} in all due Respects

Caleb Carr

Peleg Sanford

(Verso)

To our Much Respected freinds the purchasers of the towne|ship| of providence these deliuer with Care

[0467] To y^e []e by readjournm^t. 2 [] 1685:

These are to desire y^e Towne, that y^e pineplaine or hills, where y^e pine Trees are, that is to say, the Timber thereof that

is between Joⁿ: Haughkins his Dwelling, & y^e wood-land Cuntrey home-ward may be stated to Lie Comon for y^e use of | the | Towne in Generall.

Will: Hopkins

[0468] To y^e Towne mett Janv y^e: 27th 1685: or 6

my Desire is y^t yov wovld Allow me my full Right of land and meadow, according to y^e rest of y^e 25 Acre men y^t came in with a full Right of Comoning according to y^e order of Joⁿ Browne I conciveing I came soe in: and I judge it was soe recorded, or neglected: or Elce it may be Taken away by y^e Indians they haveing y^e Books praying yo^r Consideration: hoping yov will not Deny me my request Yo^{rs} to serve

Benjamin Hernden

[0469] To y^e Towne mett Jan: 27th 1686:

It being y^e Townes Quart^r day.

Gentlemen.

As it is Equitable for me to pay my debts, it is as good reason for you to pay yo^r debts; I having had y^e promise of you for my service in y^e Leivying of Rates, And for Coppies thereof, wth is due to me as followeth

̄p̄ my Service, or share, aboute y ^e 27 [℥] Rate	00 - 04 - 00
̄p̄ 3 Coppies thereof	00 - 04 - 06
̄p̄ Leivying y ^e 4 [℥] Rate, & 7 [℥] Rate	00 - 05 - 00
̄p̄ a Coppie of y ^e 11 [℥] Rate	00 - 01 - 06
̄p̄ 2 Coppies of y ^e 4 [℥] Rate	00 - 03 - 00
̄p̄ 2 Coppies of y ^e 7 [℥] Rate	00 - 03 - 00
̄p̄ one Coppie of y ^e 10 [℥] Rate	00 - 01 - 06
And also was promised, for Coppieing out his } Majesties Lett ^r for you }	00 - 01 - 06

And for my Service aboute y^e 25[℥] Rate, besides }
 my propotion | thereof | answered, due to me } 00 - 01 - 06

* See in y^e 30th page of y^e
 booke, where 40s was promised,
 but none performed.

And as y^e saying is, many can help one,
 better than one can help many: there
 was 3 yeares y^t y^e meettings was kept
 at my dwelling, what will you allow me
 for* that? Considering y^e most was
 kept in y^e winter when firewood burn't
 out apace, which is scace to be had
 where I dwell

The w^{ch} if it by you Considered, & paym^t made wthout much
 further delay, it will be a seasonable acceptance by him who
 have need enough, to make j^mprovem^t of his just Right.

Who am yo^r friend & Nighbour

Daniell Abbott

(Verso)

Cap^t ffen^r | was depended vpon, | to Answer my shares of
 y^e 4[℥] Rate, of y^e 7[℥] Rate, & of y^e 27[℥] Rate. for y^e 10[℥] Rate,
 our Service therein, Answered o^r propotions thereof. for y^e
 25[℥] Rate, as within expressed. Memorand: for y^e 11[℥] Rate, I
 have not yet payd. but rememb^r we had nothing for o^r paines
 | Consider y^t. |

I pray y^t y^e Dividing Line betwixt | Pautuxett | & provi-
 dence may be Run: And seeing there is much muttering
 Among y^e proprietors, for want of their shares; That it may
 be Allow'd them to take vp their sd shares, anywhere, within
 y^e 7 mile Line. W^{ch} I think must be y^e way

Daniell Abbott

[0470] To y^e Towne mett Janv: y^e: 27th 1685: or 6

wheras there was an order for a rate by y^e Collony and Levie of y^e same by y^e Towne, out of which sd rate Eliaz whipple: and Jon Wilkenson was to have tenn pounds P^r man, y^e which sd rate was to have bene payd, in march last past, by order of our Gennerrall Asemby sitting at warwick october last was Twelve months, y^e which is not yet Done nor any part thereof, it being sayd by many that there was not any receiver, to receive y^e same, These are to signifie to y^e Towne mett that the abovesayd Eliazur Whipple, and John Wilkenson or Either of them will receive Each of their shaires therein, or y^e whole of Both, or the whole Rate, haveing satisfaction for their Trovble in Reception of y^e same Yo^{rs}

John Whipple:

[0471] To y^e Towne mett Janv y^e 27th: 85 or 6

I desire that Every purchaser in this Towne may have soe much land layd out to them as y^e 25th Acar men have had more then there sharres on y^e Easterd side of y^e seaven mile line: yo^{rs}

Sam Whipple

[0472] To the Toune met 27th day of january 86

My Request is that you would Gra[]^t mee About: 2: Acors of Land in ConcederAtion of A woulf that I Keled and in so doing you Obliedg your Nabor

Joseph Smith

[0473] To y^e Towne mett y^e 27th of 2nd mo: 1686.

Gentlemen.

I would pray you to grant that y^e 20 Acars of Land (w^{ch} was Robert Williams) wth my husband bovght of Joⁿ Scott y^e

bovndes thereof may be revised, & y^e Complement made vp w^{ch} is wanting aboute 7 Acars; And by y^e encroachment of my Neighbour Clemence I am Like to be deprived of | my | Right in y^e s^d Land, w^{ch} ought to be my due: The w^{ch} I hope you will Consider, & Assist me in that matter, w^{ch} will obleidge me to be thankfull & remaine

Yo^r ffriend & Neighbour

Hannah Mathuson.

(*Verso*)

Hannah Mathuson her Bill to y^e towne. Aprill y^e 27th: 1686.

[0474] To y^e Towne Mett, March y^e: 10th: 168⁶: upon Ajornement, our Request is, That you wovld Grant us that here unto subscribe, and such others of our Towne as are willing; to fence in a part of y^e Comon upon y^e playne above y^e mill and plant and sooe it for three yeers and then lay it Dovne to Comon againe,

Yo^{rs}

Epenetus Olney

James Angell:

(*Verso*)

To March y^e 10th 8⁶/₇

[0475] To y^e Towne mett, upon Ajornement, march: y^e: 10th: 8⁶/₇

I Desire, y^t y^e Towne pay me for my Yeares serjantshipp as in reason they ought to Doe, and promised me and in soe Doing you will obige Yo^r freind

John Wilkenson

(*Verso*)

Joⁿ: Wilkenson's Bill to y^e meeting March y^e 10th: 8⁶/₇

[0476] James Rex

Tru[]ty and welbeloved wee greet you well wheras o^r trusty and welbeloved subjects the Inhabitantes of Rhodee Jsland in America have by their humble petition prayed [] that wee would bee graciously pleased to alowe them liberty of conscience and such other priveledges and jmnities formerly enjoyed by them as may bee consistent with o^r instructions and Comission to you, wee takinge into o^r consideration the duty and afECTION the sayd Inhabitants have expressed to vs by the free surrender of their Charter and by other Tesimonie[] w[] are jnformed they haue given of their Loyaltie particularly since your Arivall in New England have thought fit to condescend to their sayd request, And wee doe accordingly herby signifie the same to you to the end you may give order from time to time that o^r sayd subjects of Rhodee Jsland receive the benefit of these o^r gracious jntentions to them in enjoyinge such Priveledges as you shall judge consistent with o^r service as aforesayd, And so wee bid you farwell, Given at o^r Court at Whitehall the iith day of March i68 $\frac{5}{4}$ in the third yeare of o^r Reighn

By his Majesties Comaund

Superscribed

Sunderland

To o^r Trusty and welbeloved Sir Edmund Androsse Knight Our Cap^t Generall & Governor in chiefe of o^r Territory and Dominion of New England in America & to o^r chiefe Governor & Governors there for the time beinge /

Copia vera /

(*Verso*)

Coppie of his Majesties Letter

[0477] At a meeting of y^e Towne Councill March y^e 22nd:
168⁵/₆

Whereas there is a person one Thomas Waters by Name who some time since made request to o^r towne for their admittance that he might make his Residence amongst them in our towne Either by Buyeing or hireing, but y^e towne Refuses the same & gave no admittance to y^e said Waters; yet not withstanding y^e said Waters hath presumed to Come into our towne, & with him hath brought a woman whome he saith is his wife; And as he hath manifested intendeth in o^r said towne to make his abode; And for as Much as y^e said Thom|as| Waters doth appeare to be a person of Evill fame, & his said wife also of No better Report, & they being likely to be troublesome, & may be Chargeable to y^e Towne; The towne being therefore desireous for their Remooveall & haveing Called upon y^e Councill for y^e same; The Councill haveing Considered y^e matter & find that he hath made his abode in y^e towne of Greenewitch for more than a yeares space, by which he may there by Law be counted an Inhabitant; And where as y^e said Thomas Waters tendereth not bond for securitye to y^e towne to free them from what Charge through his meanes may be brought upon the said towne, although y^e towne Required it of him but he refused; Therefore according as the Law of our Collony doth declare the Councill doe see Cause to warne y^e said Thomas Waters that he doe remoove himselfe & said wife & Child & to depart out of y^e bounds & libertyes of our said towne before the 14th day of Aprill next Ensueing at sun sett. /

The abovesaid Order was this day Read in y^e audience of Thomas Waters;

(*Verso*)

The Councils
warming to Waters
And Anne Waters
her Examination. /

[0478] To y^e Towne mett this: 27th day of Aprill 1686:
my Request, is that yov woold be pleased to Grant me ffree
libberty to Jnhabet or reside in yo^r Towne, desireing to be
obedient to yo^{rs} Ciuell orders, and not in any ways to be
troublesom to y^e Towne, or Chargeable, the which in soe Doe-
ing you will oblige,

yo^r ffreind and servant
Joseph Washburn

(*Verso*)

Joseph Washburns Bill to y^e towne the 27th of Aprill 1686
y^r 3^d bill. /

[0479] To y^e Towne mett: Aprill y^e: 27th: 1686
my request is that yov woold Grant me liberty to take up
y^e six Acres and halfe of land, Dve to mee upon y^e last Devi-
tion: y^e which I may take up neere y^e Towne, to tak it up be-
twene y^e seaven mile line, and y^e fower mile line, y^e which
will not damnif[] any person,: soe prayeth Yo^r ffreind

John Steere

(*Verso*)

Aprill y^e 27th: 1686

4th:

[0480] To y^e Towne mett Aprill: y^e: 27th: 1686
my request is y^t: you woold Grant mee y^e quantety of abovt
20 Acres of low | land | and it being piney, the sayd land
desired lieing neere to y^e place where I now Dwell

Yo^{rs} Joseph Aldreg

(Verso)

To y^e towne Aprill y^e 27th: 1686
 The 5th:

[0481] At a meetinge of the Committee this 26th of July
 i686

Wheras it is knowne that his Majesties Colloney of Rhode
 Jsland & Providence Plantationes hath receaved Quowarranto
 from o^r Gracious Majesty by the hand of Edward Randolph
 Esq: and in order therunto the honored Govor^r gaue warninge
 to the freemen of the severall Townes to meet and give in
 their aprobaton what they would doe concerninge the prem-
 ises the resolve to the sayd Asembly was to leaue the farther
 considerations to their Juditious Consult, vpon which the
 Asembly left the manadgement of that afors^d to a Committee
 for to manadge the good of the whole for that end the Comi-
 tee met and drew vp their Adresse and Submission to his
 Majesty accordinge to Proclamation / But vpon farther &
 more mature Consideration of the sayd premises with some
 rumors of dissatisfaction haue thought fit to desier the free
 Jnhabitanes of this Collony & of the Cheife Townes thereofe
 to meet once more and give vnder their handes their voluntary
 Submission and Surrendringe to his | Gracious | Majestie of
 the Priveledges in their Gracious Charter contained as in their
 former Adresse the Substance therofe appearr /

At a meetinge of the Committee at Providence July the 26th
 i686

By vs of the Committee

Walter Clark Gov^r

Joseph Jenckes Jn | Asis: |

John Greene Asistant

Peleg Tripp

(*Verso*)

Information from a Committee

[0482] To the Towne Mett July the 27th: 1686

my humble Request is, that you would Chang|e| mee 70
Acrees of Land belonging to the first | fifty | Acrees diuision
and grant mee liberty to take it up neer or adJoyneing to the
Pond Called Maswansecott Pond and Jn soe doing you will
oblige him whoe is your ffriend to serve you Jn what I may
Edward Bennet

(*Verso*)

Ed: Bennetts Bill July 27th: 68

[0483] to the town that you would Please forthwith to
Settle & finish that general highway ConCernd in my former
bill giuen in vpon the 18 day of deCember 85 to extend north-
ward on a PeiCe | of | Comon whiCh is betwixt a spott of
swamp that Laurans Wilkason had: & M^r Roger Wilia|m| his
six aCre lott

Daniel Brown

(*Verso*)

Daniell Brownes Bill. / July 27th: 86. /

[0484] Where as thair is a paper presented to the towne
of providence this 27: of July 1686 wher in thair is a Requeste
of the honered gouerner and others of the Comittie Judging it
very Conuenient for the satisfing of som dissatisfied persons
as if the Court and Comitty war about to surrender of the gou-
ernment | of this Colony | vnder the gouernente of yorke we
the subseridbers do her by deClare that our minds ar that ther
be a surrender or prosterating our Charter and the priuiledges

ther in Contained vnto our gracious sourin lord King James
the second and to us other person or gouerment

the subscridberes ar:

Joseph Jenckes
Daniell Abbott
Thomas Arnold
Thomas: Harris
Eliezar Arnold
Samuell Comestock

[0485] To y^e Towne mett upon Ajornement from y^e: 27^t
of Janvary: 168⁶₇: I desire to know if it may be, The Bounds
of y^e Towne of providence southerly, pautuxett Right Excepted,
that I may know how much mony to pay, and how much for a
Towne Right, to defray y^e Charge, to Answer if need Require,
or make out before his Excelency sir: Edmund Andros what if
y^e Townes Claime, and I shall pay my Dve,

Joⁿ Whipple

(*Verso*)

To y^e Towne

[0486] To y^e Towne mett upon Ajornement from the:
27th of January: 168⁶₇ I Desire to know if it may be, the
Bounds of y^e Towne of providence southerly, pautuxett Right.
Excepted, that I may know how much mony to pay, and how
much for a Towne Right, to Defray y^e Charge, to Answer if
need require, or make out before his Excelency S^r: Edmund
Andross: what is y^e Townes Claime, and I shall pay my Due:

Joⁿ Whipple

(*Verso*)

about y^e Towne^s Right

[0487] to the toune meet this 2 [] of january 1686 or 8[]

My Requ[]st is that I may Exchange my 60 ACors of Land which I bought of William Hopkins I paying such | dewes | as may Aris in so deuing you will obLidg your frind
Gorge Keech

[0488] to the toune met this 27th of january 1686

My Request is that the Land Exchanged by Stephen Arnold may Remane Common and in so doing you will oblidg your freind
Joseph Whippel

[0489] These for y^e moderator of y^e Quarter meeting of y^e Towne of providenc[e] held by aJurement the 7th day of Febuarey 1686. or 7.

Where as I vnderstand: that at This Towne meeting there is an intent of an agreement of y^e Towne to laye out y^e lands to y^e westward of the Seauen mile line: now I would aduise you not to laye out any lands | belonging to pautuxet men that are not Consenting there to | for the present beyond y^e seuen mile line: for I fear y^t y^e Towne which haue gon about to Rong. & confine pautuxet men: where in y^e Towne haue allso confined and bounded them selues for thay can goe no further westward then pautuxet men doe goe: the comisiton court did order in deed that a thowart line Should be Runn to pautuxet Riuer: where that providence men haue limeted pautuxett men: Euen So providence will be limeted from y^e Same place to pautuckett Riuer which will bee as great a lost to mee as it will to most men in providence: I perseiue that y^e lands of pautuxet are to goe as farr westward as providence doe for all deeds & Confirmations & Towne Records that I doe knowe or

haue Seene doe Speecfie to y^e Same: as first y^e Combenation made in y^e year 1640 Specefieth that y^e line betwene y^e perticular propriaters of y^e men of pautuxet & y^e Ginorall Comon of y^e Towne of prouidence shall Runn of an euen distance betweene pautuxet Riuer & wanasQuatucket Riuer Secondely CaussuckQuansh & Nenekelah haue Confirmed to the men of prouidenc & y^e men of pautuxet there lands according to their Joynt agreements all y^e lands betweene pautucket & pautuxet Riuers up the | Streams | with out limets: or as farr | as | thay shall thinke fitt

Thirdely CauianiQuanett haue Confirmed all y^e lands betweene patuckett Riuer & pautuxet Riuer to y^e men of prouidenc & y^e men of pautuxet Twentey | miles | from fox hill in to y^e Countrey: fourthely. Scattappe & QueQuaQunnuett haue Established all. y^e land that was Granted to M^r Roger Williams agent for the men of prouidence & y^e men of patuxet all y^e land reaching from pautucket Riuer to pautuxet Riuer: & up those Streames with out limets: y^t their Grandfather. & Cousin had granted to y^e men of prouidence. & y^e men of pautuxet: to whome thay againe Confirmed y^e foresaid lands up y^e Streemes with out limets or as farr as y^e men of prouidence and y^e men of pautuxet Shall Judge Conueanient according to their Joynt agreements

fiftely a vo|a|tt of y^e Towne in y^e yeare 1660 upon a bill that William harris put in to y^e Towne whether y^e Towne would owne y^e line betweene | wanasQuatucket | & patuxett of an Equall distance Twentey miels according to CauianaQanets grant or as farr as y^e men of prouidence: & y^e men of pautuxet See fitt according to y^e Rest of y^e other Sachims: the voat Carried it that thay would so owne it Twentey miles:: Sixly by

an order of y^e Towne and pautuxet mens Consent in | y^e | year. 1663. pautuxet men paid to y^e Confirmations a Quarter part of y^e whoal Sume: & so were to haue a Quarter part of all y^e lands betweene pautucket Riuer and pautuxet Riuer: Seuenthly that in y^e year 1638 M^r Williams Reseuid. 30: pound of y^e inhabitants of prouidenc for y^e land belonging to y^e Towne: and 20 pound he had at y^e Same time of y^e 13 purchesors in perticular for pautuxet lands which is a great deall moar than a Quarter part:: and other writings and Recordes are to be seene that proues pautuxet lands to Reach as farr westward as prouidence doe or Cane doe

(*Verso*)

Now to Conclud me think y^e Towne of prouidence is that thay did but see or hear all y^e writings: and Records of the Towne that Spekes of these things: Shourelly all that were Wisse or Rashonall would not make Such a Controuersey with out any Ground or Reason: to put out their owne eyes to doe other men Rong: So now it would bee better for prouidence men. & pautuxet men to agree to maintain their first and ancent Counants Confirmations and Joynt agreements which may possabely preuent futtuer damedges to our Selues: So now I would desiar y^e Towne Seriously to Consider of those things that it may preuent that which is lickely Enofe to Com | up | on vs:: I Rest

your frind in what I maye

Stephen Arnold

[0490] An aCount of our Estate, ratable as wee vnderstand: 1687: march the 12

bogey and upland medoc necare home: 15 acors or neare

there about: 1 paster land: 26: And 3 of planting land And
 own acor of Salt Mash And 2 of mungerel and fresh More 4
 acors of bogey Medow not fenct 20: Cowes and: 2: hefers: 2
 oxen and 2 Steres hardly oxen More 4 Steres of 3 year and
 uantag: And: 8: Catel of 2 year And uantag. And 6: of year
 and uantags Sheep Aboute a year olde aboute 5i And hors
 kind: 6:

Silas Carpenter
 Beniamin Carpenter

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[0491] This is an account as near as I Can by my indeauer
 according to y^e Sumons Sent out by y^e order of y^e maistrats of
 prouidence first for meaddow I haue about. 27. acers of good &
 bad

- 2. of Ground in tilledg. 3. acers and a Quarter
 - 3. of pastuer Ground nine acers
 - 4. of fenced Ground lately taken in 14 acers
 - 5. for Cattell I haue at present. 4. oxen & 16 Cowes
 - 6 – 3 Stears nere. 4. years old: &. 3 Cattell nere. 3. years old
 - 7 – and Six Cattell nere Two yeres old
 - 8 – I haue at present. 97. Sheep aboute a year old
 - 9 – 2. horses 4 mares &. 3. mares of 2 yeares old
 - 10 – of orchards about. 2. acers or moar which is a Quarter dead
- At patuxet this 14th day of march. 1687 by me

Stephen Arnold

ℓ = s = d
 o = 10 = o9

[0492] To The Towne Councill mett, March 14th: 168^g
 The accovnt of Tho: Walling, his Estate: as followeth
 Three Cowes, & a 4 yeare old steer
 Aboute 4 Acars, of enclosed Land:

Aboute one acar & $\frac{1}{2}$ | there | of Tillable: &: a 3rd part of a share of meadow.

Also y^e accovnt of Joⁿ Walling

Two Cows, a 3 yeare old steer, a 2 yeere old heaffer.

Aboute | 2 | acars of Enclosed Land, aboute $\frac{1}{2}$ an acar thereof Tillable: & a 3rd part of a share of meddow:

5 - 10 - 0	5 - 10 - 0
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7 - 1 - 0	1 - 0 - 0
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John Wollen

[0493] providence 14th of march 168⁶.

To y^e Towne Councill of providence mett, y^e day & yeare abovesd:

Gentlemen. Heare is a List, or an accovnt, of y^e Esteemed Rateable Estate according to form^r Custome & useage, as Towne order enjoyneth Each jnhabitant to give in. w^{ch} is as followeth

A Yoak of oxen, 2 Cows | y^e one farrow, | & 2 steers, neare 3 yeares old.

One horse, & a poore (maim'd) yovng maire.

And five Swine, w^{ch} is all:

Aboute 12 Acars of jmproveable Land, y^t is to say, all {
y^e grovndes of my home Lotts. }

Of w^{ch}, abovte 4 Acars Tillable, abovte 4 Acars Moeable {
swampe, in seasonable yeares }

And a 3rd part of a share of meddow at walsingham, w^{ch} {
is y^e most | of | it but pollopodum-stuffe. }

And for y^e orchard (there | also |) in my Custody, I are not able to keep vp fence (there) for proffitt. therefore voyd.

for in 3 yeares, in all, that I can give acovnt of, was but 12 Bushels & a peck | of Apples. |

Dan: Abbott

(*Verso*)

for my (appeared) fenc'd Land in y^e neck, I had not 2^d: proffitt Last yeare, nor Like to have, except it were better fen'd, w^{ch} I are not Able, nor Like to doe this yeare: .

Memorand: as for my Orchard at home, it is Soe demolished | trees ded & cutt down | & That I have very Little Benifitt of Late yeares:

Also, I am prety much downe y^e winde at p^rsent. And have been disabled this winter, from Labovr for a Livelihood, & yet am Lame in one of my handes: & Like to be.

Daniel Abbott.

[0494] To y^e Towne mett, upon Ajornemen^t, March y^e: 25th: 1687

My humble Request: is that you would be pleased to Grant mee leave to be an Jnhabetant of yo^r Towne, and to sell such Goods and Wares, as I shall produce, and Saleable, according to his Majetys law, Acording to his law, Exstent or y^t may, or shall be in this Towne, and in soe doing yov will oblige him who desires the Welfare of yo^r Towne: Gedion Crawford

[0495] His Majesties gracious declaracon to all his Lov: subjects for liberty of Conscience

It haveing pleas'd almighty god not only to bringe us to y^e Imperial crown of these kingdoms through y^e greatest difficul-ties but to preserue us by amore then ordinary providence

upon y^e throne of o^r Ancestors, there is nothing now that wee so earnestly desire as to establish o^r Govern^t: on such a foundation as may make o^r Subjects happy, & unite them to us by inclination as well as duty, w^{ch} wee thinke can be done by no meanes so effectually as by granting to them y^e free exercise of their religion for y^e time to come, & add that to y^e perfect enjoyment of y^e property w^{ch} has never been in any case invaded by us since o^r coming to y^e Crown w^{ch} being y^e two things men value most shall ever be p^rserved in these kingdom[] during o^r reign over them as y^e truest method of y^r peace & our glory: wee can't but heartily wish as it will []sily be believed y^t all y^e people of o^r d[]minions were members of y^e Catholick Church, yett wee humbly thanke almighty god it is & hath of long time been our constant sence & opinion w^{ch} upon diuers occasions wee haue declared y^t conscience ought not to be constrain'd nor people forc't in matters of meere religion: it has ever been directly contrary to our inclination as wee thinke it is to y^e Interest of Government which it destroys by spoyling trade depopulating Countries & discouraging strang^rs & finally y^t it never obtaind y^e end for w^{ch} it was employ'd & in this wee are y^e more confirm'd by y^e reflections wee haue made upon y^e conduct of y^e four last reigns for after all y^e frequent & pressing endeav^rs that were used in each of them to reduce this kingdom to an exact conformity in religion, its visible y^e success has not answer'd y^e designe, & y^e difficulty is invincible, wee therefore out of o^r princely care & affec[]on unto all o^r loveing subjects y^t they may lue at ease & quiett, & for y^e increase of trade, & encouragem^t: of strang^rs haue thought fitt by virtue of o^r Royall prerogative to issue forth this o^r declaration of Indulgence making no doubt of y^e concurrence

of o^r two houses of parliament when wee shall thinke it convenient for them to meet

In y^e first place wee doe declare that wee will protect & maintaine our Arch Bishops Bishops & Clergy & all other subjects of y^e Church of England in y^e free exercise of y^r religion as by law establish't & in y^e quiet & full enjoym^t of all y^r possessions without any molestation or disturbance w^tsoever

Wee doe likewise declare y^t it is o^r royall will & pleasure y^t from henceforth the execution of all & all manner of penall laws in matters Ecclesiasticall, for not comeing to church or not receiveing y^e Sacram^t: or for any other Nonconformity to y^e religion established or for or by reason of y^e exercise of religion in any manner w^t: soever be immediately suspended & y^e further execution of y^e said penall laws & every of them is hereby suspended. And to y^e end y^t by y^e liberty hereby granted y^e peace & security of o^r Govern^t: in y^e practice thereof may not be indangered, wee have thought fitt & doe hereby straitly charge & command all o^r loveing subjects that as wee doe freely give them leave to meete & serve god after their own way & manner be it in private houses or places purposely hired or built for y^t use so that they take speciall care y^t nothing be preached or taught amonge them w^{ch} may any wayes tend to alienate y^e hearts of o^r people from us or o^r Govern^t: & y^t their meeteings & assemblies be peaceably, openly & publickly held & all persons freely admitted to them & that they doe signifie & make known to some one or more of y^e next Justices of y^e peace what place or places the[] sett apart for these uses. And that all o^r subjects may injoy such their religious assemblies wth greater assurance & protection wee have thought it requisite & doe hereby command y^t no disturb-

ance of any kinde be made or given to them under paine of our displeasure & to be further proceeded against wth y^e uttermost severity: And foras much as wee are desirous to haue y^e benefitt of y^e service of all our Lov: subjects w^{ch} by y^e law of nature is inseparably annext to & inherent in o^r Royall person & y^t none of o^r subjects may | for | y^e future be under any discouragem^t: or disability, who are otherwise well inclin'd & fitt to serve us by reason of some oathes or Test[] y^t have been usually administred on such occasions, wee doe hereby further declare y^t it is o^r Royall will & pleasure y^t y^e oathes commonly called y^e oathes of Allegiance & Supremacy, & also y^e severall Tests & declarations mentioned in y^e acts of Parliament made in y^e 25th & 30th yeares of y^e reigne of o^r late royall brother king Charles y^e Second shall not at any time hereafter be required to be taken declared or subscribed

(*Recto*)

by any person or persons w^{soever} who is or shall be imploy'd in any office or place of trust either Civill or Military under us in o^r Govern^t: & wee doe further declare it to be our pleasure & intention from time to time hereafter to grant o^r Royal dispensacons under our great Seale to all o^r Lov: subjects so to be imploy'd, who shall not take the said Oathes or subscribe & declare y^e said Tests or declarations in the above mentioned acts & every of them. And to y^e end y^t all our Lov: Subjects may receive & enjoy the full benefitt & advantage of o^r Gracious indulgence hereby intended & may be acquitted & discharged from all paines penalties forfeitures & disabilities by them or any of them incurr'd or forfeited, or w^{ch} they shall or may at any time hereafter be lyable to for or by reason of y^r Nonconformity or y^e exercise of their religion & from all suits, troubles

or disturbances for y^e same, wee doe hereby give o^r free & ample pardon unto all Nonconformists. Recusants & other o^r Lov: Subjects for all crimes & things by them committed or done contrary to y^e penall laws formerly made relateing to Religion & y^e profession & exercise thereof hereby declareing that this o^r royall pardon & indemnit[] will be as go[]d & effectual [] all intent [] & purposes as if every individual person had been therein particularly named, or had particular pardons under our great Seale, w^{ch} wee doe likewise declare shall from time to time be granted unto person or persons desireing y^e same, willing & requireing our Judges, Justices & other officers to take notice of & obey o^r Royall will & pleasure herein before declared. And although y^e freedome & assurance wee have hereby given in relation to religion & property might be sufficient to remove from y^e minds of our Lov: Subjects all feares & jealousies in relation to either, yett wee have thought fitt further to declare that wee will maintaine them in all their properties & possessions as well of Church & Abby Lands as in any other their lands & properties whatsoever.

Given at o^r Court at Whitehall y^e 4th day of Aprill 1687 In y^e yeare of o^r reigne By his Majesties speciall command.

(*Verso*)

King James's Declaration.

[0496] from the Prison in boston may 19 1687

M^r Josepf Ginkes senor M^r John whipel senor gentelmen j do hvmbel beseech | yov | will bee so plased to do me that kines to tack sum kar of land | my | land hovsel godes for the good of my Chil by rason of my wif shovld not mack non of them away I do dasir you to kep them til yov do hear from

me again by rason I haf asroud suspichon that she will run away and laf the Child be hind her

Thomas waters

(*Verso*)

This for M^r Jospet Ginkes at Prouidenc Post hast

[0497] ffrom the Prison in boston may 27 1687

M^r Filip Long and yovr wif and Childern my lof remembered vnto you prayin to god for yovr good wellfar you and all your famely and the of yovr naibers for god, doth know whar I shall se yov any of yov any mor j pray be Kind to my wif for she is a por distresed Cratvr and haf in no frindes bvt | whar | god rais hvr | bvt | tharfor j pray you jf in kas you yov hear of my mare or know of hvr j pray you help my wif to hvr or any of spring that be long to hvr and sel them for svh mony or pay as may be Conveanant for hur ned I Pray pay that small mator that is dvto me from you to my wif in that maybe for hvr nacari yovs thvs doin you will obbleg yovr lvfin frind

Thomas weters

(*Verso*)

ffor Filip Long in dadford deliver with kear

[0498] from the prison in boston may 27 1687

Thomas weters my tender and lvfin wif derlo thou hast thou pay for mee with wipin jes and sarofvl harts wich god abof do know wee thare war forst to part at that dolsvm plas abof riton bvt it my prayers for the and my swet bab vpon my benddid nies and to the Lord mosthi I shall for most eaver pray and my swet bab also the Lord prasarf yov both Crist kip yov all so pray for me swet lvf for my protexon and saf arifel kip well

my lvf in stor and til sich times it shall plas god to bringe us
to gather again jf plas god as that j hop he is I do in tend as
sven as j Cvm at that land and dissposed of I do in tend to
send for thee my pravs lvfin wif and my bab all so jf that j Can
find it may be for thy good and Cvmfort abellifin hopin to god
that wee both may laf of thos Grat and wicked sines wee for-
morli haf Cvmmited, the Lord rais the ffrines in this Itack my
laf of the my Lvf j aver shall j trvs in god remain thy Lvfin
hvsband wilst j haf brath to dro adu adu my prashvs Chais

Thomas weters

An weters

I Pray kep this Later until you do heare from mee a Gain

(Verso)

ffor Thomas waters in Providens deliver with kare

[0499] To y^e Constables of y^e towne of providence this
3ith day of may 1687

As Allso you Thomas olney John whiple as grand Jury
men And Thomas ffeild & Nathaniell Waterman | for y^e |
pettey Jury men you & Each of you, I doe here by Order
sommon you, to serve his maiestie in a Generall Court of
tryalls at newport y^e second tusday in June next signed by
me Edmund Calverley gen^{ll}: sargent

(Verso)

f [] y^e towne of provence

[0500] By vertue of the power I haue Reced from the
Honourable John vshe Esq^r Treasurer of his majesties Terri-
tory & dominion of New-England I doe Authorise & appoint
m^r John Whipple to Receiue the whole Excise of all sortes of

Drinke that shall be sould within the Towneshipp of prouidence by Retaile according as y^e Law in that Case is prouided untill the 12th day of June next for w^{ch} doeing this shall be your warrant dated in Prouidence this 8th day July 1687.

Natha:^l Byfield farmer of Excise.

(*Verso*)

m^r Befied. order

[0501] Bee it Knowne vnto all persons; That wee John Whipple Samuell Winsor & Epenetus Olney; All of the Towne of Providence in the County of Rhode Island Kings Province & Providen | ce | Plantations; In his Ma^{ties} Territory & Dominion | in | New England; Doe Recognize our selves to his Ma^{tie} James the seacond his heires & successors; In the full sum of twenty poundes Currant silver money of New England, That is to say; The said John Whipple aforesaid in tenn poundes & the aforesaid Samuell Winsor in fiue poundes & the said Epenetus Olney in fiue poundes to bee payd as his Ma^{ties} Law shall direct to the true performance whereof; wee binde our selves our heires & Executo^{rs}; & subscribe our names & seales to the conditions of the Recognizance vnder written; Dated the sixteenth day of July Annoqr Domini 1687 In the third yeare of his Ma^{ties} Reigne James the seacond King of England &c

The Condition of this Recognizance is such that whereas the aboue bounden John Whipple of the Towne of Providence; Is admitted allowed & Lycenced by Richard Arnold one of his Ma^{ties} Councell & Arthur ffenner Esq^r one of his Ma^{ties} Justices of the peace Both of the Towne of Providence; In his Ma^{ties} Territory & dominion of New England aforesaid;

To keepe a Comon Ale house & victualling house & Entertainem^t for Lodgers & travilers; & horsemeate & for retaileing of wine Brandy Rum beare or Ale; or any other sort of strong drinke whatsoever; By law to bee retailed; For the space of one whole yeare next ensueing the date hereof & noe longer In the house where hee now dwelleth In the County Territory & dominion abouesaid & not Else where in the County afore-said; If therefore the said John Whipple; shall dureing such tyme as hee shall keepe such comon Ale house or house of Entertainem^t & retaileing of strong dringes; To the best of his power shall; not suffer; or allow any misrule or disorder to bee But to doe the best in his power; fully to act according to his said Lycence dureing the terme abouesaid; Then this Recognizance to bee voyd & of noe effect or else to remaine in full force & virtue

Taken before vs the day	John Whipple [L S]
of the date abouesaid	Samuel Winsor [L S]
Richard Arnold of y ^e Councill	Epenetus Olney [L S]
Arthur ffenner Justis of peace	

(Verso)

Joⁿ Whipple: his Bond

[0502 *is the clerk's memorandum of the proceedings of the town meeting printed in Early Records of the town of Providence, Vol. 8, page 171.*]

[0503] The Examination of Anne Waters the 8th day of Agust 1687

Jt being demanded of Anne Waters how shée Came out of England shée answered that M^r Bonner brought her out of England a servant

It being demanded of her who she served her time with all shee answered with M^r Rugles she served 4 yeares & a halfe with him in Boston; It being then demanded of her where she lived all y^e Rest of her time since she was out of her time; she answered at Boston, untill she went to Greenewitch;

It being demanded of her how long shee was at Greene-witch, she answrd about 3 weekes, & then went to Boston againe & there Remained untill she came to Providence,

It being demanded of her how long it was since shee was out of her time she Answered about 9 or 10 yeares

The day & yeare abovesd

Taken before me

Arthur ffenner

Justice of peace

[0504 *is the clerk's memorandum of the proceedings of the town meeting printed in Early Records of the town of Providence, Vol. 8, page 172.*]

[0505] Jⁿ Usher Esq^r Treasuro^r & receiver Gen^l of his Majestys revenu within his Territory & dominion

L. S. in New England, to y^e Constabls & Select men in

y^e Town of providence in y^e County of Rode

Island: Greeting, By Virtue of an act made by

his Excellency the Governo^r & Councill, Jntituled an act for Continuing & Establishing of Severall rates dutys & Jmposts, you the Constabls of y^e s^d Town are hereby Required forth-with upon Receipt hereof, to call together the Jnhabitants of s^d Town, whoe are to choose one of them to be a Comision^r for y^e s^d Town & y^t the Com^r soc chosen with you the Select men doth some time in the Month of Aug^t next ensueing make a list of all the male persons in the same Town

from Sixten years old & upwards, & a true Estimation of all reall & personall Estates, in such man^r & forme, as perticulerly in y^e s^d act is directed, All which persons & Estates, are by y^e s^d Com^r & y^e s^d Select men, to be assesed & rated as followeth vizt (Every person afores^d (except the memb^{rs} of his Majestys Councill) One shill & Eight pence by the head, & all Estates reall & personall att one penny for every twenty shill, According to y^e rates of Cattell in y^e s^d act mentioned, & y^e s^d Com^r is hereby likewise required upon the first wensday in the month of Septemb^r then next following to meett & assemble to the other Com^rs of y^e County att there shire or County Town, & bring with him fairely writte y^e just numb^r of Males listed as a fore s^d & y^e assesm^{ts} of Estates made in y^e s^d Town, where y^e Com^rs being soe assembled, shall duely & carefully examin y^e s^d lists & assesments, & correct & perfect y^ecm according to y^e true Intent of y^e s^d act & y^e same soe perfected y^e s^d Com^{rs} are spedily to transmitt unto me und^r there hands or the hands of y^e Major part of yem, together wth y^e Names of y^e Constables in each respectiue town, thatt ord^{rs} may be given for Collecting & Levying y^e same accordingly Given und^r my hand & Seale att Boston y^e 20th day of July & in the third year of his Majestys Reigne Annoqr Dom 1687

Jn^o Usher Treasuro^r

This warrant came to my hand this 12th of August (near night) 1687: who y^e 15th of this jstant Assembled y^e jnhabitants, & chose a Comision^r to joyne with y^e Selectmen of o^r Towne, to Answer y^e requirm^t | of the Tresuo^r to y^e constables | in y^e warrant

As attest Daniell Abb: Constable

[0506] The accovnt of Tho: wallings Estate: as ffollo-
weth

̄t̄ 3 Cows	9 - 0 0
̄t̄ one 4 yeare & vantage steer	3 - 0 0
̄t̄ 3 yearling steers	3 - 0 0
̄t̄ one Maire three yeare old	3 - 0 0
̄t̄ abovte 2 acars of Tillable Land	1 - 0 0
̄t̄ y ^e 3 rd part of a share of Meddow	1 - 0 0
And y ^e 3 rd part of y ^e farme; containeing abovte 40 acars of Land	} 2 - 0 0
I claime also y ^e Right by allottment, due to me from y ^e Towne, abovte 28 acars:	} }

Memorand: Joⁿ walling, hath also to be noted, (if he hath
ommitted y^e Same in his acc^t to you) the Like propotion
of interest of Land, Equall to h his Bro: Thomas: }

The other 3rd part of theirre fairm, is yet in y^e custody of
Daniell Abbott: But pray sett y^e assessm^t thereof by it
selfe: }

Tho: walling's Right beyond y^e 7. mile Line, was wil'd
vnto his Son Cornealous walling: But place y^e assessm^t
thereof, to Andrew Edmuns, who has y^e Ladd: }

Memorand: James walling (it seem's) hath, 30 acars:

More over. I y^e s^d Abbott, doe claime y^e Right by allottment, due to me from this Towne vpon Divissions of Land agreed, vpon my father's Right, & y^e interest wth I Bought of others: Yet to be Layd out to me for my propotion, (the w^{ch} I omitted in y^e other acc^t given in) aboute y^e Sum of 227 acars, on y^e East side of y^e 7 mile Line.

I alsoe claime as my Right from this Towne, Two Rights beyond y^e 7 Seaven mile Line: Not thinking needfull more to be Esterted: I Remaine yo^r ffriend in what I may
 August 29th. 1687: Daniell Abbott

(Verso)

Tho: walling's acc^t, and others of his Breathen: with an additionall accovnt of Daniel Abbot's, y^t was omitted in y^e other given in:

To Edward Smith Comission^r, and y^e Select men of this Towne of providence: These greeting /

[0507] Att a Towne meeting y^e 15th of August 1687: Cap^t Arthur ffen^r Chosen Moderat^r of y^e Assembly; The w^{ch} was called by virtue of y^e Gen^{ll} Treasur^{rs} warrant to y^e Constables of this Towne of providence, that they vpon receipt thereof, should proceed to a choyce of a Commission^r (being one of o^r inhabitants) to joyne wth y^e Selectmen of o^r Towne for y^e mannageing y^e bissnesse of his Majesties Rate in y^e s^d warrant expressed: The w^{ch} accordingly was done & \mathfrak{P} formed y^e day abovesd, Edward Smith being y^e man chosen y^e Commission^r, & at Length accepted y^e place.

As attest Dan: Abbott Clerke protempory.

[0508] August 29th: 1687;

The accovnt of Dan: Abbott's Estate As ffolloweth

My house & Land at home, & y^t in y^e neck | that seem to
be fenc't, |

And y^e 3^d part of a share of meddow in my Custody, wth }
y^e demolished orchard, of Tho: walling }

̄ 2 Cows, one of them farrow

̄ a ̄ of 3 yeare & vantage Steers

̄ one horse, & one Maire

̄ 5 poor swine

And as for o^r | small | houshold-things, you may be pleased
to vew them yo^r selves

we have but one poor bed of o^r owne:

Saith Daniell Abbott.

M[]orand: A yoak of oxen yet:

(*Vcrso*)

̄ for y^e Land Layd out to me; is, five 50 Acree Divis-
sion's. between y^e 4. & 7 mile Line.

̄ 12 Acars by Balie's-cove

̄ a ̄ cell of | Land | Lieing by y^e heather-most Bailies- }
cove it being in Esteemation, 4 acars & a halfe }

̄ 24 Acars Layd out by Tho: Clemence.

Daniell Abbot's acc^t.

[0509] August 29: 1687: An accovnt of Joⁿ Walling's
Estate

̄ 2 Cows

̄ a tu yeere old hefer and a yerland and a 3 yeere old
mare

And about an aker & hafe of land with in fence planted &
 ꝥ the thurd pat of a share of med | dow |

(Verso)

* These are to Giue | notice | to y^e Townes people, that
 there is a warrant Come for the Callinge of a Towne meet-
 ing, The which is to be on muday next Ensveng, by nine of
 the Clock in y^e forenounge at y^e hovse of Joⁿ Whipple, in order
 to the leaving of a rate upon y^e Inhabetance, for y^e support of
 his majestys Government

ꝥ^r Danell Abbott, Constable,

Providence August the 13th: 1687

[0510] two oxen thre Cows one 3 yer old hifer foure tow
 yer olds Cattle thre yerlings one horr. one mare one two yer
 old hors fue small swine

Eighthtene shepe A yere old.

one hous lott one hows lot more :

Eightty seuen Acors of land in the wilderness A share
 beyond the seuen mile line vnlaid out A swamp Called
 Joshuas swampe 5 or 6 Acors halfe A share of medow Called
 sheperds med About thirty Acors At my hous

thre plowed About 5 or 6 rough pastor of the said thirty :
 this is the best Account that I Can giue the 1^t of september
 Samuel Winsor

one horr more belonging to resoluid | waterman | whoe is
 with me vpon wages

more A leuen Acors of land in the neck that was for gott
 y^t was shepords S W.

* This paragraph is crossed out in the original.

(Verso)

2 oxen. 8 Cows A 3 yer old hifer and A bull 3 two yer olds 5 yerlings And a horr 6 swine) 2 lots belongin to the hows A share of medow 32 Acors of Land

this is the Account of:

James Angill

the i^t of September 1687

A pies of medow yelding a load of hay

[0511] A List of Names of those Rated in Providence
And their parts to pay of their proprietyes

Silas Carpenter & Benjamin Carpenter	1 - 3 - 0
Stephen Arnold	1 - 1 - 10
Joanna Reape	0 - 7 - 0
James Blackmare	0 - 6 - 0
John Sheldon	0 - 4 - 0
Timothy Sheldon	0 - 1 - 3
Timothy Carpenter	0 - 9 - 0
Widdow Mary Harris	0 - 9 - 0
Cap ^t : ffenner & his wife	0 - 15 - 4
William Randall & fowl ^r ,	0 - 05 - 11
William Vinsent	0 - 06 - 1
The Estate of the deceased Joseph wise	0 - 02 - 6
Jo ⁿ Thornton sen ^r :	0 - 08 - 0
Jo ⁿ : Thornton jun ^r :	0 - 02 - 1
Mary Burden	0 - 05 - 5
Solomon Thornton	0 - 02 - 0
Thomas Harris	0 - 14 - 5
Richard Clemence	0 - 05 - 0
William Haukins & Jo ⁿ : Haukins his son	0 - 05 - 0
Jo ⁿ : Steere	0 - 05 - 0

Edward Haukins	0 - 06 - 0
Peter Playce	0 - 02 - 0
Alexander Balkom	0 - 02 - 3
Nathaniell Mawry	0 - 06 - 0
Edw: Jnman sen ^r :	0 - 03 - 6
Edw: Jnman jun ^r :	0 - 03 - 6
John Mawry	0 - 06 - 0
Joseph Hearnton	0 - 02 - 0
John Jnman	0 - 04 - 4
Ben: Hearnton jun ^r :	0 - 03 - 0
James Belloo	0 - 03 - 2
Tho: Hopkins	0 - 04 - 1
Ephraim Prey	0 - 02 - 0
Jo ⁿ : Prey	0 - 03 - 0
Eliezer Whipple	0 - 05 - 3
Will: Whipple	0 - 02 - 3
Vall: Whittman	0 - 08 - 9
Sam: Wilkenson	0 - 04 - 1
Edward Smith	0 - 07 - 0
Eliezer Arnold	0 - 06 - 6
Lawr. Wilkenson	0 - 05 - 6
Jonathan Sprauge	0 - 05 - 3
Ephraim Pierce	0 - 06 - 3
Jo ⁿ : Wilkenson	0 - 04 - 0
Thomas ffenner	0 - 08 - 2
The Estate of y ^e deceased Jo ⁿ : Scott	0 - 02 - 0
John Malavery	0 - 03 - 0
Joseph Jinkes & his two sons Joseph & Nathaniell	0 - 12 - 0
David Whipple	0 - 03 - 0
Jo ⁿ : Angell	0 - 06 - 0

Tho: Walling	0 - 01 - 10
Jonathan Whipple	0 - 02 - 08
Benjamin Whipple	0 - 02 - 06
Will: Haukins jun ^r :	0 - 07 - 00
Joseph Williams	0 - 07 - 10
John Walling	0 - 01 - 10
Jo ⁿ . Sayles	0 - 08 - 07
Richard Waterman	0 - 03 - 07
Zachariah ffield	0 - 06 - 00
The Estate of Anthony Evernden	0 - 08 - 00
Widdow Mathuson	0 - 03 - 02
Thomas Clemence	0 - 05 - 00
Estance Thomas & his two sons Thomas & } Henry	0 - 06 - 01
Stephen Hardin	0 - 05 - 00
Abraham Hardin	0 - 04 - 02
Gregory Dexter & John his son	0 - 12 - 07
Samuell Comstock	0 - 03 - 00
The Estate of y ^e deceased Benjamin Hearnton	0 - 04 - 02
Joseph Woodward	0 - 02 - 01
Samuell Whipple	0 - 09 - 01
The Estate of y ^e deceased Jo ⁿ : Smith (mason) & } Joseph Smith his son	0 - 03 - 01
<i>(Verso)</i>	
John Arnold	00 - 02 - 06
Widdow Arnold	00 - 00 - 06
Widdow Belloo	00 - 00 - 06
Tho: Arnold	00 - 03 - 04
Tho: Olney	00 - 12 - 07
The widdow Sarah Smith & John her son	00 - 11 - 00

John Browne & John his son	00 - 09 - 00
Epe: Olney	00 - 08 - 00
The Orphans of James Dexter or Estate to them belonging	} 00 - 01 - 00
Gidion Cruffurd	00 - 07 - 09
Shadrach Manton	00 - 01 - 01
Edward Manton	00 - 07 - 11
Joseph Whipple	00 - 05 - 07
The Estate of y ^e deceased John throckmorton	00 - 03 - 00
The Estate of y ^e deceased Richard Scot	00 - 02 - 02
Richard Prey	00 - 00 - 09
Tho: Angell & James his son	00 - 05 - 08
Nathaniell Waterman	00 - 19 - 09
Daniell Abbott	00 - 05 - 11
Tho: ffield	00 - 13 - 07
John Keyes, & Anne his wife ;	00 - 00 - 06
The widdow Elizabeth Harris	00 - 01 - 00
Abraham Man with y ^e Estate of Jo ⁿ : Lappham	00 - 02 - 00
Daniell Williams with the Estate of y ^e deceased Nicolas Power	} 0 - 13 - 6
James Clarke	00 - 01 - 09
Anne Harris	00 - 01 - 08
James Ashton	00 - 01 - 01
Pardon Tillinghast	00 - 14 - 00
Samuell Winsor with y ^e Estate of George Shepard	00 - 07 - 00
Thomas Patey	00 - 03 - 09
Daniell Browne	00 - 03 - 00
Henry Browne	00 - 08 - 00
Andrew Edmunds	00 - 01 - 03

The Estate formerly, & still Reputed to belong to Ephraim Carpenter	} 00 - 03 - 10
Rowland Joanes	00 - 01 - 00
Tho: Cooper	00 - 01 - 00
William Hopkins	00 - 07 - 07
William Hearnton	00 - 01 - 03
Richard Bates	00 - 01 - 02
John Sheldon jun ^r :	00 - 00 - 04
Nicolas Sheldon	00 - 00 - 02
George Keetch	00 - 02 - 04
Resolved Waterman	00 - 00 - 05
Tho: Baker	00 - 01 - 07
Joseph Aldridg	00 - 00 - 06
James Walling	00 - 00 - 06
The Estate of William Austin	00 - 00 - 03
Arthur ffenner jun ^r :	00 - 05 - 04
Jeremiah Rhodes	00 - 00 - 09
Henry Browne jun ^r	00 - 02 - 06
Will; Prey	00 - 01 - 06
Alexander Balkcom jun ^r	00 - 01 - 00
Joshua Clarke	00 - 01 - 06
Richard Phillipps	00 - 00 - 08
Jo ⁿ : Belloo	00 - 01 - 00
Peter Belloo	00 - 01 - 01
Sam: Wright	00 - 02 - 00
Jo ⁿ : Whipple	00 - 07 - 06
John Hearnton	00 - 00 - 06
Ephraim Carpenter jun ^r :	00 - 00 - 09
The Estate of y ^e deceased Roger Williams	00 - 01 - 06
The Estate of y ^e deceased Providence Williams	00 - 02 - 09

Will: Burton	0 - 04 - 0
Roger Burlingham	0 - 06 - 0
Edward Searle	0 - 04 - 0
Jo ⁿ : Burlingham	0 - 03 - 0
Tho: Burlingham	0 - 02 - 0
Abell Potter,	0 - 04 - 0
Tho: Relph	0 - 04 - 0
Sam: Relph	0 - 01 - 0
Tho: Hopkins	0 - 03 - 0
Tho Stafford	0 - 03 - 0
Joseph Stafford	0 - 03 - 0
Peter Roberts	0 - 00 - 6
	<hr/>
Totall	33 - 09 - 06
	Errors Excepted

Made & proportioned by y^e Comissioner & select men of Providence at their meeting for that purpose September y^e 1s^t, 1687 in order to a warrant from Joⁿ: Vsher | es o^r | Treasurer dated July y^e 20th: 1687

(*Verso*)

A List of Country Rate proportioned upon the Inhabetants of Providence by their Comissioner & Select Men September y^e 1s^t 1687: the sum totall 33 - 9 - 6, Erors Excepted. /

[0512]

By His Excellency. /

Whereas I have received Information That in the Towne of Providence within his Ma^{ties} Territory and Dominion of New England There is a Small ¶cell of Land and goods | valued att about nine pounds. | w^{ch}: were belonging to one Thomas Waters Late of the said Towne; who was Comdemned for

ffelony And Therevpon In favour of Life transported And that hee hath Left a wife and one Child in the said Towne in a very poore Condition These are Therefore to Authorize and Impower y^e Justices of the Peace and Select men of the said Towne to take an Inventory Or account of the said Lands and goods and to dispose of the same towards the Releife and maintenanc [] of the said Woman and Child Or for their Transportacon to her said Husband if shee Desires the Same And for soe doing this shall be their Warrant Dated att Boston the 20th Day of October 1687.

E Andros

By his Excellency's Comand &c. /
John West. D. Seiry

(*Verso*)

His Excellency his Grant of Tho: Waters land & goods

[0513] To Capt^t Arthur Fenner & Capt^t Randall Holdon; & the other Justices of the peace within Rhode Jsland Kings Province or Providence Plantations or either of them. p^rsent

Boston October 20th 1687

Gentl

His exclency has bin given to vnderstand that John Whipple & William Turpin both of Providence Haue bin thought fit & recommended By Rich^d Arnold Esq^r one of his Ma^{ties} Councill to keepe ordinary or houses of Entertainement within the said Towne; & that they haue the allowance of a Justice of the peace | Likewise | for the same; the doeing of w^{ch} after that manner appears to bee disliked; by some of you; Hee hath therefore for yor further directory in that matter; Ordered mee; to send you the inclosed; Order in Councill; & to Let

you know; It is his pleasure; that the persons keepe Ordinary as now allowed untill the next sessions, And that all proceedings made or intended; to bee made against them on that account Doe cease at w^{ch} Co^{rt} they may apply for renewall of their seuerall Lycences; pursuant to the within order; where new security is Likewise to bee given I remaine

Sirs yo^r freind & serv^t

John West secrey

[0514] Be it knowne unto all people by these presents that I Joseph Woodward of Providence in y^e County of Rhode Jsland | Kings Province | & Providence plantations doe owne that I have Received of y^e Majestrate & select men of Providence aforesd the full & just sum of foure pounds | Eleven | shillings & seven pence in Part of Pay of a bill of tenn pounds signed by Daniell Abbott & William Haukins unto me the sd Joseph woodward; who, were & are the Cunstables of sayd Providence the w^{ch} bill bares date in the month of Septem|ber| last I say Received as aforesaid as wittnes my hand November y^e 21 : 1687

Joseph Woodward

(*Verso*)

A Receipt from woodward

[0515] Newport y^e 22th october 1687
Majo^r. Richard Smith and Cap^t. John Fones

S^{rs} This order of the Governo^r and Councill inclosed is a Copy of what Came to our hands this day and Considering it requires hast, Wee Recommend it to yo^r selves to press forward wth Expedition the performance thereof in the severall Townes on y^e Maine, and to signifie to the severall Justices the

Contents thereof, who ought to be Assisting herein, and wee will take care for this Jsland James Towne and Block Jsland; wee thinke fitt to send our order to y^e Commisioner and selectmen of Each Towne to proportion it, and levy it wth thir rate It amounts to twenty two shillings and two pence to Each Towne. Wee bid you farewell and Remaine

Yo^r. ffriend & serv^{ts}.

Francis Brinley

Peleg Sanford

Caleb Carr

Copia Vera

Cap^t Randall Holden

S^r here is a Copy of what is Communicated and sent to Maj^{or}. Smith & myselfe together wth y^e Gov^r. and Councils order pray be pleased to Communicate the same to Cap^t Arthur ffenner that so the Commissioners & Seleect men both of y^e Townes of warwick & Providence may have Knowledge thereof and to proportion the assessment accordingly

S^r. wee are yo^r. freinds & serv^{ts}

Rich^d. Smith

Jn^o. Fones

(*Verso*)

These To Randall Holden Esq^r one of his Majes^{ts} Justices, of y^e Peace in his majes^{ts} County of Rhode Jsland Kings Province and Providence Plantations for his majes^{ts} servis

[0516] Here followeth y^e list of a Rate made & Proportioned upon the inhabitants of y^e towne of Providence for y^e payeing of Joseph woodward for takeing & bringing up y^e Child of Thomas Waters & to pay for y^e pound & other things.

Silas Carpenter & Benjamin Carpenter	00 - 8 - 10+
Stephen Arnold	00 - 08+ - 03+
Joanna Reape	00 - 02 - 07+
James Blackmare	00 - 02 - 03
John Sheldon	00 - 01 - 06
Timothy Sheldon	00 - 00 - 08+
Timothy Carpenter	00 - 03 - 04
Widdow Mary Harris	00 - 03+ - 04+
Capt ⁿ : ffenner & his wife	00 - 05 - 07+
Will: Randall & Hen: ffowl ^r .	00 - 02 - 03
William Vinsent	00 - 02 - 03
The Estate of Joseph wise	00 - 01 - 03+
John Thornton sen ^r	00 - 03 - 00
John Thornton jun ^r :	00 - 00 - 09
Mary Burden	00 - 02+ - 00+
Solomon Thornton	00 - 00 - 09
Thomas Harris	00 - 05 - 06+
Richard Clemence	00 - 02 - 00+
Will: Haukins & Jo ⁿ : Haukins his son	00 - 02 - 00+
John Steere	00 - 02 - 00+
Edward Haukins	00 - 02 - 00
Peter Place	00 - 01 - 00
Alexander Balkcom	00 - 01 - 00
Nathaniell Mawry	00 - 02+ - 03
Edward Jnman sen ^r :	00 - 01 - 04+
Edward Jnman jun ^r :	00 - 01 - 04+
John Mawry	00 - 02 - 03
Joseph Hearnton	00 - 01 - 00
John Jnman	00 - 01 - 08
Ben: Hearnton	00 - 01 - 02

James Belloo	00 - 01 - 07+
Thomas Hopkins	00 - 01 - 08
Ephraim Prey	00 - 00 - 09
John Prey	00 - 01 - 02
Eliezer Whipple	00 - 03 - 00
Will: Whipple;	00 - 0i - 00+
Vall: Whittman	00 - 03+ - 03
Sam: Wilkenson	00 - 01 - 06
Edward Smith	00 - 02 - 08
Eliczer Arnold	00 - 02 - 06+
Lawr: Wilkenson	00 - 02+ - 06
Jonathan Sprauge	00 - 02+ - 00
Ephraim Pierce	00 - 03 - 04
Jo ⁿ : Wilkenson	00 - 01 - 06
Tho: ffenner	00 - 03 - 00
The Estate of y ^e deceased Jo ⁿ : Scott	00 - 00 - 09
John Malavery	00 - 01 - 00
Joseph Jenckes & his two sons Joseph & Nathaniell	} 00 - 04 - 00
David Whipple	00 - 01+ - 02
Jo ⁿ : Angell	00 - 02+ - 03
Tho Walling	00 - 00 - 09
Jonathan Whipple	00 - 01 - 00
Ben: Whipple	00 - 01 - 00
Will: Haukins jun ^r :	00 - 02 - 06
Joseph Williams	00 - 02 - 10
John Walling	00 - 00 - 09
Jo ⁿ : Sayles	00 - 02 - 09
Rich: Waterman	00 - 01 - 04+
Zachariah ffield	00 - 02+ - 03

The Estate of Anthony Evernden	00 - 03 - 00
The Widdow Mathuson	00 - 01 - 04
Thomas Clemence	00 - 02 - 06+
Estance Thomas & his two sons Tho: & Henry	00 - 03 - 00
Stephen Hardin	00 - 02 - 06+
Abraham Hardin	00 - 01 - 06
Gregory Dexter & Jo ⁿ : his son	00 - 04+ - 06
Sam: Comstock	00 - 01 - 06+
The Estate of y ^e deceas ^d Benjamin Hearnton	00 - 01 - 06
Joseph Woodward	00 - 01 - 00
Samuell Whipple	00 - 03 - 04
The Estate of y ^e deceased John Smith (Mason) & Joseph Smith his son	} 00 - 01 - 02+

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John Arnold	00 - 01 - 03
Widdow Arnold	00 - 00 - 03
Widdow Belloo	00 - 00 - 03+
Tho: Arnold	00 - 01 - 08
Tho: Olney	00 - 04 - 06
The Widdow Sarah Smith & John her son	00 - 04 - 02+
Jo ⁿ : Browne & Jo ⁿ : his son	00 - 03+ - 04
Epenetus Olney	00 - 02 - 03
The Estate of y ^e deceased James Dexter	00 - 00 - 06+
Gidion Cruffard	00 - 03 - 04
Shadrach Manton	00 - 01 - 00+
Edward Manton	00 - 03 - 00
Joseph Whipple	00 - 02 - 00+
The Estate of y ^e deceas ^d John Throckmorton	00 - 01 - 02
The Estate of y ^e deceased Richard Scott	00 - 01 - 02
Richard Prey	00 - 00 - 04+

Thomas Angell & James his son	00 - 02 - 02+
Nathaniell Waterman	00 - 06+ - 08
Daniell Abbott	00 - 02 - 00+
Thomas ffield	00 - 04 - 06+
John Keyes & Anne his wife	00 - 00 - 03
The Estate of y ^e Widdow Elizabeth Harris	00 - 00 - 06+
Abraham Man with y ^e Estate of John Lapham	00 - 01 - 06
Daniell Williams with y ^e Estate of y ^e deceased	} 00 - 04+ - 06+
Nicolas Power	
James Clarke	00 - 00 - 10+
The Estate of Anne Harris	00 - 00 - 10+
James Ashton	00 - 00 - 06+
Pardon Tillinghast	00 - 04 - 08
Samuell Winsor with y ^e Estate of George	} 00 - 02 - 06
Shepard	
Thomas Patey	00 - 01 - 10+
Daniell Browne	00 - 01 - 00+
Henry Browne	00 - 03 - 00
Andrew Edmunds	00 - 00 - 06
The Estate formerly & still Reputed to belong	} 00 - 01 - 05+
to Ephraim Carpenter	
Rowland Joanes	00 - 00 - 06
Tho: Cooper	00 - 00 - 06+
Will: Hopkins	00 - 03+ - 06
Will: Hearnton	00 - 00 - 07+
Richard Bates	00 - 00 - 06
John Sheldon jun ^r :	00 - 00 - 02
Nicolas Sheldon	00 - 00 - 02
George Keetch	00 - 01 - 00
Resolved Waterman	00 - 00 - 02+

Tho: Baker	00 - 00 - 09+
James Walling	00 - 00 - 03+
The Estate of Will: Austin	00 - 00 - 02
Arthur ffen ^r : jun ^r :	00 - 02 - 00+
Jeremiah Rhodes	00 - 00 - 04+
Henry Browne jun ^r :	00 - 01 - 00+
Will: Prey	00 - 00 - 09+
Alexander Balkcom jun ^r :	00 - 00 - 06+
Joshua Clarke	00 - 00 - 09+
Richard Phillips	00 - 00 - 04
John Belloo	00 - 00 - 06+
Peter Belloo:	00 - 00 - 06+
Sam: Wright	00 - 01 - 00
John Whipple	00 - 03 - 09+
John Hearnton	00 - 00 - 03
Ephraim Carpenter jun ^r :	00 - 00 - 04+
The Estate of y ^e Deceased Roger Williams	00 - 00 - 09+
The Estate of y ^e deceased Providence Williams.	00 - 01 - 00
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*William Burton	00 - 02 - 00
Roger Burlingham	00 - 03 - 00
Edward Searle	00 - 02 - 00
John Burlingham	00 - 01+ - 06
Tho: Burlingham	00 - 01 - 00
Abell Potter	00 - 02 - 00
Tho: Relph	00 - 02 - 00
Samuell Relph	00 - 00 - 06+
Tho Hopkins	00 - 01 - 06
Tho: Stafford	00 - 01 - 06+
Joseph Stafford	00 - 01 - 06
Peter Roberts	00 - 00 - 03
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The sum totall	16 - 12 - 02

* The names inclosed in these two lines are crossed out in original.

Errors Excepted

proportioned upon levie October the 31: 1687 according
to towne order

By us Tho: Olney;
John Whipple,
William hawkings

If no mista|ke| in suming up amounts to

12 - 03 - 03
lb - s - d

(*Recto*)

The aforesd Rate is to be payd in Indian Corne at 2^s 7^d
bush^{ll}:

Rye at 2^s - 8^d 7^d Bush^{ll}:
Biefe at 3 halfe^d 7^d pound
Porke 2^d 7^d pound
Butter 6^d 7^d pound

(*Verso*)

A list of a towne Rate for y^e Tinkers child, Pound &c^r:

[**0517** *in the clerk's memorandum of the proceedings of the town meeting printed in Early Records of the town of Providence, Vol. 8, page 174.*]

[**0518**] You are in his Majestyes Name desired & Required with all Convenient speede to summons the freemen of y^e said Towne of Providence to meete together then & there to make choyce of: Authorize & impower so many of y^e said freeman as you shall judge Requissitt, or Needefull to Runn a direct

Line from y^e head of Wanasquatuckett athwart to Pautuxett River, & then to Runn a line Equally betweene said Rivers of Pautuxett & Wanasquatuckett till they Meete with y^e aforesd thwart line according to y^e verdicts of Jury & judgment of Court thereon granted; & for yo^r so doeing this shall be yo^r sufficient warrant, Given under our hands y^e 24th of November 1677.

Simon Line	Thomas Hinkely, President
D: Hinchman	James Cudworth
George Denison	Peleg Sanford
Daniell Wetherill	John Coggeshall

This is a Coppye of y^e Origenall Compared & Examined
By Peleg Sanford

Coppied out of Providence Records October y^e 5th: 1687:

Atteste Thomas Olney Towne Clarke. /

[0519] Whereas the Law J [] that none shall keepe P[] houses of Entertainemen [] But those who shalbee Lyc[] therevnto And you John Whipple of Providence in the [] of Rhode Jsland Kings Province & Providence Plant[] in his Ma^{ties}; Territory & Dominion of New Englan[] Being Deemed capable thereof; & haueing manifeste[] freedom therevnto; Therefore wee Randall Holdon [] Arthur ffenner Esq^{rs}; two of his Ma^{ties} Justices of the peace; Both belonging to the County of Rhode Jsland In his Ma^{ties} Territory & Dominion aforesaid; Doe appoint; you the said John Whipple; to keepe a Publicke house of Entertaiment; in the aforesaid; Towne; At the house where you now dwell; & not elsewhere; For victualling Lodging & Enter-

taineing of straingers & travilers; Both for people & horses; & for what other people the Law allowes entertainement for; The which shalbee for the space of one yeare next ensueing the date hereof & noe longer In order wherevnto; wee Doe by these presents grant vnto the said John Whipple of the afore-said Towne of Providence Lycence & Liberty to victuall Lodge & sell out drinke b[] retaile Either beere ale wine or Rum Or any other sor[] of strong drinke whatsoever In Witnes whereof wee [] herevnto put our handes & seales this thirteenth day [] December; Annoqr Domini 1687 & in the third yeare o[] his Ma^{ties} Reigne James the seacond King of England &[]

Randal Houldon
Arthur ffenner

(*Verso*)

John whipple his licences

[0520] An acount to them Concernd, of Lands and Chattels,

one Bull, and theirtene Cows, 2 oxen, 2: 4 | yeare old steers | 5. 3 yeare olds, 5: 2 yeare olds, 8: last yeares Calues 1 being visited with sicknes, know not the Just age of them, and sune of the others, which wants of the age aboue s^d, which would Cause an Abatement if there agees were known Exactly, as others Doe know theirs; that were Capiable look after their afairs one horse, one maire and yearling if aliuie, not hearing of them all this winter, but one swine at or aboue one yeare old, planting land and meadow, as for my meadow on the othe other side the water I know not the meashure of it but suposing it was one share, therefore your Honours must or ought to

Judge of it, aCording as you Judge of other shars in the like natures, and as for the lot which was my fathers for the present matters are not setled about it for I heare I am threatned to be arested about it, and y^e Lot that wee now liue upon is not mine but James Clarks and mine together, I haue but two | whole | lotts prop|erly|e in my hands at this end of the Town, and too lotts next to Samuells Wrights lott, which being known I need not aquaint you of the number of Acres, these lotts at this end of the Town are short of measure, as I sUpose 2 Acres and halfe which was made | up | in former times at A place Caled the new feilds, which ought to be Considered in this Rate, the lots being far inferiour to those up Town lots,

Daniell Williams

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(*Verso*)

A True aCount so far as know or understand of what herein's inClosed

[0521] Wee whose Names are here Vnder Written his majesties Justices of the Peace of Rhode Jsland Kings Province and Providence Plantations Sitting in Generall Quarter sessions in Rochester the Sixt day of march in the fift year of the Reigne of Our Sovereigne Lord James the Second of England &c King anno — 1688 doe according to Law in this Case made and Provided Lycence Admitt and allow John Whipple of Providence victualler to Keep A common Ale house ordinary or Victaling house in Providence aforesaid for one whole year next Ensueing Provided that the Said John Whipple doe not Suffer any vnlawfull Games to be vsed in his Said House

butt doe Vse and maintaine Good Order and Rule within the Same.

Given Vnder Our hands and Seales the Day and year above Written

Francis Brinley
Richd Smith

[0522] My Love to you Captt William Hopkins: I haue recd a returen from yo' Clerke: uerey unperfitt: maior generall Winthrop our Collonoll returned for yo' Capten & yo' selese returned his Liftenent; you ar[] his Captt Liftenent: & what Coulors you haue is not returned, nor aney List of you' ould men or howe Armed which putt distinckly by themselves: all which doe with all spede & returen to me: without fayle all in a rowle fayerly writen & this shall be yo' warent the aickt excleuds none: under my hand

Rochister 5th maye 1688 Richd Smith

Maior

Whatt Josiph jinkes his name is putt in next to Jnsyn dexter for I knowe not aboute the sergens also insert whether all armes menched fixt or what fixt or not fixt yo' R S

(*Vcrso*)

for Captt william Hopkins att providence These with spede

[0523] Whereas Thomas Peaty formerly made an agreem^t with the towne for a high way from the high way at the towne feild; to goe through the said Peaties Land as far as his Land goes; towards the Land of Henry Browne; for w^{ch} the said Thomas Peaty was to haue one acre & one quarter of Land on the South side of his orchard; w^{ch} was the townes Comon; But

now fenced in by; Samuel Winsor I desire the towne will
make good the agreem^t & soe remaine your Lo freind

Thomas Peatey

Providence 21th May 1688

[0524] John Vsher Esq; Receiver General of His Majesty's Revenues within His Territory and Dominion in New-England, To the Commissioner and Select-Men of the Town of providence in the County of Kings province & Road Jsland Greeting. By Virtue of an Act made by His Excellency the Governovr and Covncil, Entituled An Act for the Continuing and Establishing of Several Rates, Duties and Imposts:

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You are in His Mejesty's Name Required, sometime in the Month of August next ensuing, to make a List of all the male Persons in the same Town, from Sixteen years old and upwards; and a true Estimation of all Real and Personal Estates in such manner and Form as particularly in the said Act is Directed, all which Persons and Estates are by you the Commissioner and Select men to be rated and Assessed as followeth, Viz. Every Person aforesaid (except the Members of His Majesty's Council) one Shilling and eight pence by the Head; and all Estates Real and Personal, at one Penny for every Twenty Shillings, according to the Rates of the Cattel in the said Act mentioned: and the said Commissioner is hereby likewise Required upon the first Wendnesday in the month of September then next following, to Meet and Assemble with the Commissioners of the County, at their Shire or County-Town, and bring with him (fairly written the just

Number of the Male Persons listed as afore-said, and the Assessments of the Estates made in the said Town, where the Commissioners being so Assembled, shall duly and carefully Examine those Lists and Assesments, and Correct and perfect them, according to the true Intent of said Act; and the same so perfected, the said Commissioners are speedily to transmit to the Treasurer for the time being, and under their hands (or the major part of them) together with the Names of the Constables in each respective Town, that Orders may be given for Levying & Collecting the same accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Boston, the 14th of July, in the Fourth Year of His Majesty.'s Reign, Annoq; Domini, 1688.

Jn^o Usher, Treasuro^r

[0525] To y^c Comission^r & y^c Select men of this Towne of providence Assembled this 6th of August i688
Gentlemen.

I gave in an acc^t of my Estate vnto you y^e Last yeare. And according to y^c Rule you went by, My stock is now Less then it was: by A yoak of oxen, one Cow, & 2 Swine, w^{ch} is — 15^d:

But my Last yeare calfe, is become a yearling:

A paire of 4 yeare old steers


one Cow

one horse

Three Swine

And my maim'd maire, if she be Living

Daniell Abbott

 JOHN USHER Esq; RECEIVER General of His MAJESTY's Revenues within His Territory and Dominion in NEW-ENGLAND, To the Commissioner and Select-Men of the Town of *providence* - - in the County of *Kingsprovienc & Road Island* Greeting. By virtue of an Act made by His EXCELLENCY the GOVERNOUR and COUNCIL, Entituled *An Act for the Continuance and Establishing of Several Rates, Duties and Imposts* :

YOU are in His MAJESTY's Name Required, sometime in the Month of *August* next ensuing, to make a List of all the male Persons in the same Town, from Sixteen years old and upwards; and a true Estimation of all Real and Personal Estates in such manner and Form as particularly in the said Act is Directed, all which Persons and Estates are by you the Commissioner and Select men to be rated and Assessed as followeth, *VIZ.* Every Person aforesaid (except the Members of His MAJESTY's COUNCIL) one Shilling and eight pence by the Head; and all Estates Real and Personal, at one Penny for every Twenty Shillings, according to the Rates of the Cattel in the said Act mentioned: and the said Commissioner is hereby likewise Required upon the first Wednesday in the month of September then next following, to Meet and Assemble with the Commissioners of the County, at their Shire or County-Town, and bring with him (fairly written the just Number of the Male Persons listed as aforesaid, and the Assessments of the Estates made in the said Town, where the Commissioners being so Assembled, shall duly and carefully Examine those Lists and Assessments, and Correct and perfect them, according to the true Intent of said Act; and the same so perfected, the said Commissioners are speedily to transmit to the Treasurer for the time being, and under their hands (or the major part of them) together with the Names of the Constables in each respective Town, that Orders may be given for Levying & Collecting the same accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at BOSTON, the *14th* of July, in the *Fourth* Year of His MAJESTY's Reign, *ANN^o DOMINI*, 1688.

PROVIDENCE

0524

TOWN PAPERS

John Usher

(*Vcrso*)

According to y^e Rule you went: the propotion of my Rate,
with pole money enclued, is, 0 - 6 - 6 :

0 - 5 - 0

Dan: Abbott.

[0526] August: 6th: 1688

The Estate of Joseph Jenckes jun^r

3 acres of plantin Land 1 acre orchard

3 Cowes one 2 year old hayfer one mare

The Estate of Nathaniel Jenckes

2 acres plantin Land 1 Cowe 1: 2 year old 1: yeareling:

1: 2 year old horse 1 yeareling Colt

the Estat of Joseph Jenckes senyer

About 6 acors planting land

about 2 acors medow

about 8 acors of sough pastewer land

about 30 acors of willd pastewer

on puchhis Right throw out 2 beyond the 7 mill lin

Cattell

4 oxen 7 Cowes 2 4 yer owld sters 13^s 2^d

on 2 yer hefer on yerlin

on 3 yer oulld swine

my slooppe littell improued

my saw mill Redye to fall without Costom

my fordge

2 maiers on yerlin Coullt

[0527] payd to Tom Indian:: 0 - 7 - 0

November: y^e: 6th, 1688

in partershippe: with m^r Craford: to y^e Indian of Spraug e
in rum 9 pence

The: sumons:

(*Verso*)

[]o Samrell whippell Constabell or Ephram Perce constabells | you or Eather of [] | the town of providence

[] are requiried In his majesties nam to atiche the body []oods of Nichelas brown and bring him befor me [] yr to ansr the Complent of John whippell in ane [] att not exciding fowrttie shillings for so doeing you [] shall be your warrant Given vnder my hand & seal [] providence the 6 day of Sep^t 1688

[0528] the ACount of our estates Ratable

4 Oxen, 20. Cows, 5. 3 year old Catel. one Stear 4 year old own bool. 6 two year old Catel. ten : year old Catel Ten akors of uplald medow: and 4 of bogey. and one of Solt And half a share of bogey medow; About 30 Acores of paster And planting land 5 of it plant[ed] 370 Acors of out land in patuxet: 2: 50: acors lotes by the seven Mile line. and 2 writs beyond the line; in patuxet Neck: 14: acors. About: 60: Sheep: and 5 hoges:

August the: 6th: 1688.

Silas Carpenter

Benimin Carpenter

My one Stock of horses in pertikeler: 4 Mares one hors: and one 2 year old;

Silas Carpenter

Sew Carpenter 250 Acores of land

(*Verso*)

2 mares and one hores one 2 year old

Beniamin Carpenter

[0529] Dated Agust 10th 1688

An Account of the Estate of Arthur ffenner Jmprimis aboute three Hondred Acres of Wood land vnfenced and vnimproved aboute twenti Acres of Jnclosed wild pasture and aboute tenn Acres inclosed of English pasture orchad and all medo three sheare sum of it being veri boggi scarce worth moing aboute fue Acres of planting land two oxen nine Cows fue yeare old Catel six two yeare old Cattell and fue three yeare old Cattell fore Mares owne of them but a yeareling mare owne Horse three swine tenn sheepe this is a Just acount I pray be not vnmindfull of the Golden Rule

(*Verso*)

ffor the select men Jn providence

[0530] This is an aCcount as neare as I Can according to order of my Esstate within the Towne of prouidence
 first of meadow. 27. acers of Good and bad
 2 – Ground in tilledg. 3 acers and a Quarter
 3 – Pastuers of Seuerall kinds | near | 20 Acers
 4 – of deuided land in pautuxet neck all vnfenced 32 acers:
 & lyeing | (in Common |
 5 – 16 Cowes I haue at present
 6 – I haue 4 oxen: &. 2 horses
 7 – I haue. 4. mares young & old
 8 – 87 Sheepe of a year old & upward
 9 – one yong hors aboute a year old
 10 – We haue of drye Cattell. 6. ye|a|rlings: &. 6 of 2. year old: and. 5 of. 3. year | old | and 2 of 4 year old & a bull
 11 – We haue. 5. Swine in a Sty

12 - 2 Sheares & lalf of pautuxet undeuided lands betweene
pachaset Riuer and the Salt water

13 - one Share of Thirteene of vndeuided. lands one | y^e |
west of pachaset Riuer thorrow out weastward to y^e end of y^e
purchase

14 - one Share beyond y^e 7 mile line. So caled

15 - 70 Acres of land I bought of Edward beenet

16 - My Right of land at Wainsoceet. or Wainsokeet

Pautuxet This 10th of augost in y^e year. 1688

Stephen Arnold

[0531] A List of Names of those who were Rated in
Providence to a Country Rate Agust 1688

Silas Carpenter & Benjamin Carpenter	0 - 16 - 9
Stephen Arnold	0 - 17 - 4
Johanna Reape	0 - 5 - 10
James Blackmar	0 - 4 - 6
John Sheldon	0 - 3 - 4
Timothy Sheldon	0 - 1 - 3
Timothy Carpenter	0 - 6 - 8
Mary Harris (Widdow)	0 - 7 - 0
Cap ^t : ffenn ^r : & Howlong his wife	0 - 10 - 0
Will: Vinsent	0 - 2 - 0
The Estate of y ^e deceased Joseph Wise	2 - 0
John Thornton sen ^r :	0 - 6 - 8
John Thornton jun ^r :	0 - 1 - 4
Mary Burden	0 - 3 - 6
Solomon thornton	0 - 1 - 8
Tho: Harris	0 - 12 - 0
Rich: Clemence	0 - 4 - 2

Will: Haukins & John his son:	0 - 4 - 2
John Steere	0 - 4 - 2
Ed: Haukins	0 - 4 - 2
Peter Playce	0 - 2 - 0
Alexander Balkom	0 - 2 - 0
Nath: Mawrey	0 - 4 - 8
Edward Jnman sen ^r :	0 - 2 - 0
Ed: Jnman jun ^r :	0 - 1 - 4
John Mawrey	0 - 4 - 8
Joseph Hearnton	0 - 1 - 2
John Jnman	0 - 3 - 4
Ben: Hearnton	0 - 3 - 0
James Belloo	0 - 3 - 0
Tho: Hopkins	0 - 2 - 10
Eph: Prey	0 - 0 - 6
John Prey	0 - 2 - 0
Eliezer Whipple	0 - 4 - 2
Will: Whipple	0 - 1 - 2
Vall: Whitman	0 - 6 - 8
Sam: Wilkenson	0 - 2 - 10
Ed: Smith	0 - 4 - 6
Elieazer Arnold	0 - 5 - 10
Lawrance Wilkenson & his son Josiah	4 - 8
Jonath Sprauge	0 - 4 - 2
Eph: Pierce	0 - 5 - 4
John Wilkenson	0 - 2 - 10
Tho: ffenner	0 - 5 - 6
The Estate of y ^e deceased John Scott	0 - 1 - 8
Jo ⁿ : Malavery	0 - 3 - 6
Joseph Jenkes	0 - 09 - 0

David Whipple	0 - 2 - 6
Jo ⁿ : Angell	0 - 6 - 06
Tho: Walling	0 - 1 - 2
Jonath: Whipple	0 - 2 - 0
Ben: Whipple	0 - 2 - 0
Will: Haukins jun ^r :	0 - 5 - 6
Joseph Williams	0 - 5 - 6
John Walling	0 - 1 - 4
John Sayles	0 - 5 - 3

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Richard Watterman	0 - 2 - 6
Zacheriah ffeild	0 - 5 - 0
The estate of the deceased Anthony Euernden widow mateson	0 - 6 - 4 0 - 3 - 0
the estate of Thomas Clemenc	0 - 4 - 2
Austin Thomas & his two Sones Thomas & Henry	0 - 3 - 8
Steven Harding	0 - 3 - 4
Abraham Harding	0 - 4 - 2
Gregory Dexter & his Sone John Dexter	0 - 9 - 0
Samuell Comestoke	0 - 2 - 10
The Exsecut ^r : of the deseased Benjamin Hernden	0 - 2 - 6
Joseph Woodward	0 - 2 - 6
Sam: Whipple	0 - 5 - 10
The Estate of y ^e deceased Jo ⁿ : Smith Mason & } Joseph Smith his son }	0 - 2 - 2
Jo ⁿ : Arnold	0 - 1 - 8
Widdow Belloo	0 - 0 - 0
Tho: Arnold	0 - 3 - 6
Tho: Olney	0 - 11 - 3
John Smith miller & Sarah his mother	0 - 11 - 2

John Browne & Jo ⁿ : his son	0 - 7 - 4
Epenetus Olney	0 - 5 - 6
the Estate of y ^e deceased James Dexter	0 - 6 - 0
Gidion Cruffurd	0 - 4 - 6
Shad: Manton	0 - 1 - 3
Ed Manton	0 - 5 - 4
Joseph Whipple	0 - 4 - 10
the Estate of the deceased Jo ⁿ : Throckmorton	2 - 6
the Estate of y ^e decease Richard Scott	0 - 1 - 9
Tho: Angell & James his son	0 - 4 - 9
Nath: Waterm ⁿ	0 - 14 - 2
Daniell Abbott	0 - 3 - 8
Tho: ffield	0 - 9 - 6
Jo ⁿ Keyes & Anne his wife	0 - 0 - 6
Elizabeth Harris (Widdow)	0 - 1 - 0
Abraham Man with y ^e Estate of John Lappham	0 - 1 - 8
Daniell Williams with y ^e Estate of y ^e deceased Nich: power	} 0 - 12 - 0
James Clarke	0 - 1 - 6
Anne Harris	0 - 1 - 4
James Ashton	0 - 0 - 8
Pardon Tillinghast	0 - 8 - 9
Sam: Winsor with y ^e Estate of George Shepard	0 - 5 - 10
Tho: Patey	0 - 2 - 03
Daniell Browne	0 - 2 - 0
Hen: Browne	0 - 6 - 8
Andrew Edmunds	0 - 1 - 0
The Estate formerly, & still reputed to belong to Ephraim Carpenter	} 0 - 1 - 8
Rowland Joanes	0 - 0 - 10

William Hopkins	0 - 5 - 6
Will: Hearnton	0 - 0 - 10
Rich Bates	0 - 1 - 0
John Sheldon jun ^r :	0 - 0 - 6
Nich: Sheldon	0 - 0 - 6
George Keech	0 - 1 - 0
Resolved Waterm ⁿ :	0 - 0 - 6
Joseph Aldridg	0 - 0 - 6

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James Walling	0 - 0 - 6
The Estate of Will Asteen	0 - 0 - 3
Arthur ffen ^r jun ^r :	0 - 4 - 0
Jeremiah Rhodes	0 - 0 - 09
Hen: Browne jun ^r :	0 - 1 - 3
Will Prey	0 - 1 - 0
Alexander Balkom jun ^r :	0 - 1 - 0
Joshua Clarke	0 - 1 - 0
Rich: Phillipps	0 - 0 - 8
Peter Belloo	0 - 1 - 0
Sam Wright	0 - 1 - 6
John Whipple	0 - 5 - 0
Jo ⁿ Hearnton	0 - 1 - 0
Ephraim Carpenter jun ^r	0 - 9
The Estate of y ^e deceased Roger Williams	0 - 1 - 3
The Estate of y ^e deceased Providence Williams	0 - 2 - 3
Joseph Jenkes jun ^r :	0 - 1 - 3
Nathaniell Jenks	0 - 1 - 0
Clement King	0 - 2 - 9

Sum of Estate 23^{lb}: 12^s: 3^d pole money 14^{lb}:

By vertue of a warrant from John Vsher Esq^r Treasurer ;
 Levied upon y^e inhabetants of Providence as to Estates, the
 aforesd Levie; By y^e Comission^r: & select, was made & per-
 formed in Agust Anno: 1688; The sum: (Errors Exceptd)
 Amounts together with the pole money, to 37^{lb}: 12^s: 3^d:

Tho: Olney Comission ^r :	
Pardon Tillinghast	} Select Men
Nathaniell Waterman	
Edward Smith	
Joseph Williams	
John Dexter	

[0532]

William Hopkins	John Wallin
John Dexter	Abraham Mann
Joseph Jynkes Jun ^r	Peter Place
Edward Smith	Daniell Williams
Joseph Williams	Samuel Winsor
Nathaniell Waterman	Richard Waterman
Beniamine Carpender	Henry Browne
Richard Clements	Zachariah ffeild
William Olney	William Vincent
John Sailes	Timothy Carpender
Thomas Hopkins	Silas Carpender
James Angell	Stephen Arnold Jun ^r
Thomas Olney jun ^r :	Eliza Arnold
John Morrey	James Blackmore
Nathaniell Morrey	Edward Hawkins
John Inman	Thomas ffenner
Edward Inman jun ^r :	Arthur ffenner

James Bellew
 Samuell Wilkinson
 Josiah Wilkinson
 Beniamine Hernden
 John Pray
 Eliazer Whipple
 David Whipple
 John Angell
 Eliazer Arnold
 John Wilkinson
 Jonathan Sprague
 Ephraim Peirce
 Alexander Bolcom sen^r
 Alexander Bolcom Jun^r
 Thomas Wallin
 Nathaniel Jynkes
 Thomas Astin
 Henry Astin
 John Hawkins
 William Hernden
 Joseph Hernden
 John Hernden
 Samuel Whipple
 Thomas Harris
 Joseph Smith
 Thomas Arnold
 John Arnold
 Peter Bellew
 John Browne Jun^r
 Edward Manton

Jonathan Whipple
 +John Bullock
 William Whipple
 James Wallin
 Samuell Comestock
 Abraham Harding
 Richard Bates
 Nathaniell Waterman Jun^r
 James Mattison
 Thomas Harris Jun^r
 James Phillipps
 Timothy Sheldon
 John Sheldon
 Nicholas Sheldon
 Richard Arnold Jun
 Richard Sailes
 William Hawkins jun^r
 Joshua Clarke
 John Waterman
 John Whipple Jun^r
 Content Clements
 James Brown
 Joseph Phillipps
 Joseph Smith weaver
 John Hayden
 Richard Burden
 Cornelius Higgins
 Robert Gardner
 Richard Phillipps
 John Mattison

Epenetus Olney	Isaac Hernden
Beniamine Whipple	Valentine Whitman
Joseph Whipple	John Blaxton
John Thornton jun ^r :	Ephraim Carpenter
Thomas Thornton	Jacob Clarke
James Thornton	Pardon Tillinghast jun ^r :
Samuell Right	Samuell Whipple Jun ^r
Daniell Browne	Richard Waterman Jun ^r
Ephraim Pray	Beniamine Smith
Joseph Woodward	Richard Harris
Daniell Abbit	Resolved Waterman
Ebenezer Jinkes	Tho Williams
Edward Smith jun ^r	Eliazer Whipple Jun ^r]
Joseph Smith son of Tho Smith	Tho Angell
Phillipp Tillinghast	John Mallavery sen ^r
Jos Burden	John Yeats
John Steer jun ^r : .	Mired Harris
John Aldridge	John Taber
Gideon Crawford	Beniamine Tillinghast
Solomon Thornton	John Steer, sen ^r :
Issarell Smith	Samuell Aldridge
James Olney	Thomas Olney
John Anold	John Whipple
Joseph Morrey	Thomas ffeild
Nicholas Harris	Sheldrake Manton
Thomas Smith	Andrew Edmunds
Joseph Aldridge	Daniell Abbitt
+Ebenezer Sumner	William Hawkins
Mosis Bartlett	John Smith miellior
Rich Bullock	William tewpin

Beniamine Thornton	Jcacke Lame
Thomas Whipple	Cap: t. Auther ffenner
William Hack	Joseph Jenckes
John Cobb	Stuen Arnold
+William Randall	henere Browne
Thomas ffeild Jun ^r	Thomas patey
Juda Browne	John Shelldon
John Dailey	
Obediah Browne	
William Steer	
William Thornton	

(*Verso*)

Valintine Whitman	62
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By vertue of a warrant from John Vsher Esq^r Treasurer A list made of persons who are Rated by y^e head in providence Taken & made in Providence in y^e Month of Agust Anno 1688 by y^e Comission^r & select men

Tho: Olney Comission^r:
 Pardon Tillinghast
 Nathaniell Waterman
 Edward Smith
 John Dexter
 Joseph Williams

[0533] To y^e Towne of Providence mett this 27th: of Januarey 1684.

Neighbours

My request is that you would be pleased to accomodate me with a quantity of land of about 14, or 15 acrs adjoyneing to my land at the brooke, called Robbins brooke; that so y^e s^d quantitee of land may be part of my nex devisiion of land which y^e Towne hath ordred to be layd out,

Yo^r ffriend & Neighbour

Benjamin Hearnton Sen^r:

[0534] November 24th: 1689

Laid out vnto Thomas pati twenti and fiue Acres of land that the said pati bought twelue Acres and a halfe of John Jones formerly liueing in this towne of providece but now deceased and twelue Acres and a halfe of george Way formerly liueing in this Towne of providence but now deceased which said twenti and ffive Acres lyeth aboute a mile Easterly ffrom the House that William Haukins now delleteth in it being with in the township of providence and it lyeth in length notherle and southerle and in breadth Esterle and Westerle and it lyeth on both sides of a small brooke or run and so runs from Corner too Corner apou a strait line the ffore Corners being heapes of Stones and it was laid out by the Eightene ffoot pole the day and yeare aboue Righten by mee

Arthur ffenner
Survayer

[0535] To the Town of Prouidenc

I desier that I may exchaing my 60 ackers of land which lyeth southward of my dweling house.

yours
Edward Smith

[0536] By Vertue of A Warrant Directed To Mee Thomas ffry Generall Sergant of This Theire Majesties Colony of Rhode Jsland & providence plantations &c dated The 30th of January 16⁸⁹/₉₀ Subscribed by John Coggeshall Deputy Gouvernor

You are By Vertue Thereof in Theire Majesties Name Required to Caus the free Inhabitants of your Town To Assemble Together & make Choyce (& send) soe many able Men, persons well Qualified according To Law To Serue on The grand Jury & Jury of Tryals To Meet at The generall Court of Tryals To be held for The Collony The Last Tuseday in March Next at The hous of William Mays

As alsoe That They make Choyce of (& send) soe many able men Qualified according to Law To Sett in The generall Assembly To be held for The Collony at The Town of Newport The Last Wedensday of ffebruary Next at The hous of William Mays in Newport There to Act & Transact Such Matters as may appeare Nessesary for the good & well Being of This Collony; You are alsoe To giue Nottice To The Assistant or Assistants of This Collony in your Town To giue Their attendance at said Time as you will Answer The Contrary

Newport 31th: January 16⁸⁹/₉₀ Thomas Fry gene^{all} Sairant
(*Verso*)

To the Assistant or Conseruator of The peace in prouidence

[0537] To y^e Towne of providence Assembled this 24th day ffeb: 16⁸⁹/₉₀: according to y^e Adjurnm^t.

Gentle-men,

Whereas there is much muttering by many of y^e proprietors of this Plantation in y^e many have but Little or none of their shares of Land Layd out to them as many | of the rest | have obtained: And whereas it appeares y^e they will be straightned to finde out their s^d shares (behinde) within y^e Limmitts precribed thereto, Jt is adjudged behooffull for y^e Towne to order, That who so Ever of o^r s^d propriet^{rs} who are behinde of their dues, shall have Liberty to take vp their sd shares or parts any where | vpon y^e Comon) | within y^e Seaven-mile Line. And in order thereto, it appeares behooffull for y^e Devideing | Line | to be run between y^e proprieties of pawtuxett, & y^e Gen^l: Comon of this Towne of providence. To y^e end, if possiably obtained, we may Leave o^r Little interest of Landes to o^r posterity, free of Contention. w^{ch} are y^e desires of
Yo^r Neighb^r & ffriend

Daniell Abbott

[0538] to Jonathan Sprague sargant of the towne of providence in the Colony of Rod Jsland and providence plantations thes greeting

you ar her by in thare Ma^{jstis}: names Requiered to giue timly notis vn to all the free inhabitantes of this towne to meet to gether at the dwelling house of M^r John Whippeles at nine of the Cloke in the morning vpon the second day of June being the second day of the weeke then and thar to make Chois of Cunstabelles and town Counsell men and all other towne ofisers and to tranc acte all such other maters as may Consern the well faiers of the towne her of faill not at your perill and this warant shall be your disChardg

datt in providenc: the signed by Joseph Jenckes Asis:^{tn}
27th of may: 1690 John Dexter Asistan

[0539] By Virtue of A Warrant To mee Directed by our honoured Gouvernor John Easton Esquire dated 12th: 1st m^o 16 ^{$\frac{9}{9}$} ₁ To me Directed as Thomas ffry Genera^l Sargent of This Their majesties Collony Requiring mee As soe, in their Majesties Name To informe & order Euery pertiquer Town in This Collony That according To Law, They prepare Jury men for The Court of Tryals in this month March 16 ^{$\frac{9}{9}$} ₁ But Likewise Desires Therein To informe That Becaus of The small pox in This Town There may be Excuse for Jury men & any Concerned in Actiona^{ll} & Criminall Causes Not Then To appeare, Yet They are To be Ready To Attend The Time & place when & where They are informed To appeare as The Generall Councill shall order as To That Time as The Aforesaid Court may be AdJorned, These are Therefore To Desire you To Caus The ffree inhabitants of your Town To be Conuened Together & Chooss Jurymen as Aforesaid To Attend & alsoe by virtue of The same Warrant To prepare for The Generall Assembly & Court of Election Jn May Next According To Law & make Timely Returne heerof, Giuen Vnder my hand in Newport 16th of March 16 ^{$\frac{9}{9}$} ₁

Thomas Fry ge^{all} Sariant

(Verso)

ffo^r The majistrates or Assistants at prouidence

[0540] To y^e Towne | mett | January: y^e: 27: 1691

I deire that I may Change my lott of sixty Acor^s, that Henery ffowler Caused to be layd out at Loquassett, and take up Elce where upon y^e Towne^s Comon:

Yo^r:

Will Randell

(Verso)

William. Randals Bill. /

[0541] By Vertue of A warant derected to me Charles Tilinghest Gen^{ll} Sar^{nt} of Theire mais^{ts} Colony of Rhod island and providence plantations subscribed John Eston Goun^r dated y^e 28 – 11^m 169 $\frac{1}{2}$ by vertue theire of you Are in theire Maistys name Requiered to Cause the free Jnhabitance of yo^r towne to Asemble together and make Choyce of, and send so many Able men, persons well qualifyd according to Law, to serue one Grand, and pety Jury at y^e Gen^{ll} Cort of tryalls, to be held ye Last Tuesday in march next, at y^e Coloⁿys house in newpor^t, As also that they make Choyce, and send, so many able men as y^e Law requiers well qualified according to ye Law, to sit in y^e Gen^{ll} Asembly and Court of Election, to be held for ye Colony in may next, and make make timly Returne as you will Answer: it, subscribed vnder my hand this 4th day of febu^r 169 $\frac{1}{2}$

Charles Tillinghastt

Ginorall Sargant

(Verso)

To The Towne Clarke of y^e Towne of providence

[0542] To the Towne of Providence mett the 27th of Aprill 1691

The request of Eliazer Whipple is that hee may haue a Lott of fforty foote square granted to be taken vp in the comon; desiringe the same priviledge as my other neighbours haue had.
your Lo: freind

Eliazer Whipple

[0543 *is the clerk's memorandum of the proceedings of the town meeting printed in Early Records of the town of Providence, Vol. 8, page 176.*]

[0544] To the Toun Meet this 8th day june i69i

My request is that the nabours in the Loksquesut May haue libarty to driue thare Cattel to the Toune or to the Sallt Water with out beeing put out of the Olde and Comman Road and no just resen Giuen wherefore your nabor

volintine whitman

[0545] To Charels tillenghast Ginorall Cherant or his deutey greeting

you or either of you are |here|by in their maisteis names to ReQuiar you to atache y^e bodey & for want there of the goods of John boorman Some time Resadent in y^e Towne of prouidence in y^e Colony of Rhod Jsland & prouidence plantations: & take bond Returnable according to law to answer M^r daniell Jenckis in an action of debt & damedg to the vallue of Three pound nine Shilens: to be broug|th| to a tryall before | the | maistrats of prouidence this present day being y^e fourth day of July at Tweluc of y^e Cloock. where of fayle not at yor perrell & in so doeing this Shall | be | your discharg: Giuen vnder my hand this | 4th | day of July | 1691 | at y^e hous of John Whippell

Stephen Arnold assistant

[0546] to m^r Charles tillinghast genarall sargant or his deptyic greeting

you or ether of you ar here by in thair Maj^{sts} names Re quiered to atach the body and for want ther of the goods of John borman som tim Resident in prouidence in the Colony of Rod Jsland and prouidence plantations and take bond Re-tornabell aCordng to law to answar Joseph Jenckes Juner in

an action of debt and damages to the valew of twenty fouer shillings: be for the majstratts of prouidence siting this 4th: day of July at the hous of John whippelles at twelue of the Cloke her of faill not as you will answar the Contrary at your pereill and this your warant shall be your sufisant dis Charg
 giuen vnder my hand this 4th of July: 1691
 by me Stephen Arnold assisant

[0547] Charles Tillinghast; There being a warrant to you directed as Gennerall serjant or to your Deputy, to attach y^e body & for want thereof y^e Goods of John Boorman sometime Resident in y^e towne of Providence in y^e Colloney of Rod Jsland & Providence Plantations, And I being towne serjant of Providence (& so by law your Deputy) the warrant was to me delivered the which warrant I have served by attacheing of Certaine Goods belonging to y^e said Boorman, by Reason his body Could not be found; I have therefore in these lines Certefied you thereof, that so you may doe in it as law Requires for th[] Entrye of y^e action.

July y^e 17th: 1691.

John Whipple juner
 Serjant of prouidence

I have here inclosed sent you a Coppye of the warrant. /

(*Verso*)

To Charles Tillinghast of Newport, on Rhode Jsland.
 Gen^l: Serjant these :

[0548] Neighbours of Providence at your quarter meeting July y^e 27th. 1691 :

I desire that I may Change a percell of land

yo^r ffriend Will : Smith :

[0549] To The magistrates or Assistants in The Town of providence

By Virtue of a warrant Rece^d from The Honoured gouernor John Easton Bearing Date The twenty Nineth of fifth month 1691 Directed To mee Charls Tillinghast Generall Sargent of This Their magesties Collony of Rhode Jsland & providence plantations Requiring me in Their magesties Name To giue Information To Each pertiquer Town in This Collony To prepare for the generall Court of Tryals in September Next & generall Assembly in October Next You are Alike Desired To Caus The ffree inhabitants of your Town to be Assembled Together & make Choyce of soe many able men Quallified according to Law to Attend and Serue as grand & petty Jury-men at The generall Court of Tryals To be held for this Colony at Newport The first Tuseday in September Next & Deputys to Sett in the Generall Assembly in October Next; & To giue Nottice That all persons that were Bound to attend The Court of Tryals in march Last are to appeare Now at the Court in September: Cases being Then Referd To This Court Becaus of the Distemper of The Small pox: & you are to order a Timely Returne heerof

dated in Newport 10th: August 1691:

Charles Tillinghast

Ginralle Sargant

(*Verso*)

fo^r providence

[0550] to m^r Charles tillinghast genarall sargant or his depyty of thair majstys Colony of Rod Jsland and providence planttions thes greeting

you or ether of you ar here by in thair Maj:^{stis} names Re-
 quiered to atache the body of John haiden and take bond
 Retornabell aCordinge to law to answar | the Complant of |
 Ephairam pray in an action of debt for a sadell lent debt and
 damadges to the valy of forty shillings: at a Courte of maies-
 tratts helld in prouideince the 28th: day of septembr | instants |
 at njn of the Cloke in the morning at the house of m^r John
 Whippells it being the second day of the weeke here of faill not
 at your periell

giuen vnder our hands
 the 21 of septembr: 1691

Joseph Jenckes Asis:^{tn}
 Edward Smith Asistant

[0551] Whereas there hath been & still is a difference
 fallen out betweene Ephram Pierce & his wife, whereby them-
 selves, family & Estate is like to fall to Ruin & thereby the
 Towne is like to have charge fall upon them as matters at
 presant are Represented; Therefore for the benneffitt of the
 said Ephraim Pierce his wife & family & for the securitye of
 the Towne of Providence the said Ephraim Pierce & the said
 towne of Providence have fully agreed that the said Ephraim
 Pierce shall no wayes Barga|line| sell or any wayes make away
 Either by sale, or mortgage or othewayes untill the twenty &
 seventh day of october next be past wi) his house or any of his
 lands in s^d Providence without the advice & full Consent of
 Cap^t Arthur ffenner, Pardon Tillinghast, & Tho: Olney Jn
 wittnes where of he the said Ephraim Pierce doth here unto
 sett his hand the twenty & seventh day of october in y^e yeare
 one thousand six hundred ninty & one & that what hath already
 benn as to any mortgage of said land or house proceed in to
 be made null & voyde by these presents Ephram perce

Wittnes
Robert dauis
William Smith

(*Verso*)

The Agreeem^t of Eph: Pierce

[0552] The town of providenc being mett 16 octt 1691
The pettittion of hanna perce the wyff of Ephram perce
Wheras my hwsband having sett vp severall bills prohibt-
ting any person to tred w^t me: and also he hess sold the farme
and this morning he hes Locked me owt at door: yowr Cear
and also yowr Wisdom Cownsell is y^t which yowr petitioner
desyres Living all to yow for pro^{tt}

The mark of
Hanna X perce

[0553] The pettittcon | off | John dextter to The town of
providence being mett 27 octt 1691 is that he may have afort-
tie ffoott Lott by the watter syd and in soe doeing yow will
Obligd yowr ffriend

John Dexter

[0554] The pettittcon of Gedion Crawrord to the town of
providence being mett 27 octt 1691 is that ther is abowtt thret-
tie ffoott of grovnd Laying by the watter syd Joynen to the
forttie fott sqr y^t was granted to Cap^t ffenner which threttie
ffott is nov Laying agenest y^t Land y^t I the sd Crawffwrđ pos-
sess if yow will be plised to grant in soe doeing yow will
Obligde yowr ffrind to serve yow

Gedion Crawffwrđ

[0555] to m^r Charles tillinghast generall sargnt of this Colony of Rod Jsland or his depyty thes greeting

you or ether of you ar her by Requiered in thair Ma^{ists} name to atach the body of Edward Jnman senyer and take bond Returnabell aCording to law to answar the Complaint of Arther Ayellworth befor the maistra|t| of prouidence the second of december at ten of the Cloke at the hous of m^r Edward smiths in an action of debt dew by bill debt and damags thirty and too shillings and make Return to som of the majstrats aforsaid fail not at your periell:

giuen vnder my hand
the 30th of nouembr: 1691

Joseph Jenckes
Asis:^{tn}

[0556] Whar as theris Complaint made of on willam Jaratt that is Com in to this towne of prouidence with his famely with out the arabation of said towne

thes ar therfore in thair majs names to Requier you John whippele jurr towne sargant to giue notis and Requier all the Counsell men of said towne: namly thomas olney pardon tillinghast Cap' willam hopkins nathane|l| waterman Joseph wilames benjamen Carpenter to meet to gether at the hous of m^r John whippeles the twenty first day of this Jstant december being the second day of the weeke att tene of the Cloke in the morning to Consider of the aboue said premeses or any other matters proper to said Counsell here of fail not to warn: and said parsons to mett at your seurall perselles

giuen vnder my hand
the 16: of december 1691:

Joseph Jenckes
Asis:^{tn}

[0557] To the Towne mett this: 27th of January: 1691:
or 2:

My Request is that yo^u would be pleased to grant me lib-
er[ty] to Exchange six Acres of land being part of my pur-
chase Right it liing att the little | Riuer | on this side was-
quadomset And to take vp eles wheire.

Richard Arnold

[0558] 27th January 9 $\frac{1}{2}$

To the towne of Providence

Loveing freinds & neighbours our earnest desire & request
is that you will state vs a high way from our dwelling places
to our meadows at amataco|n|ctt not else But Lo: neighbours

Edward Inman

&

Nathaniel Morrey

(*Verso*)

Neighbo^{rs} I desire to Change 12 acrs & halfe of land lieing
neere Caucaun:

Eli: Arnold

[0559]

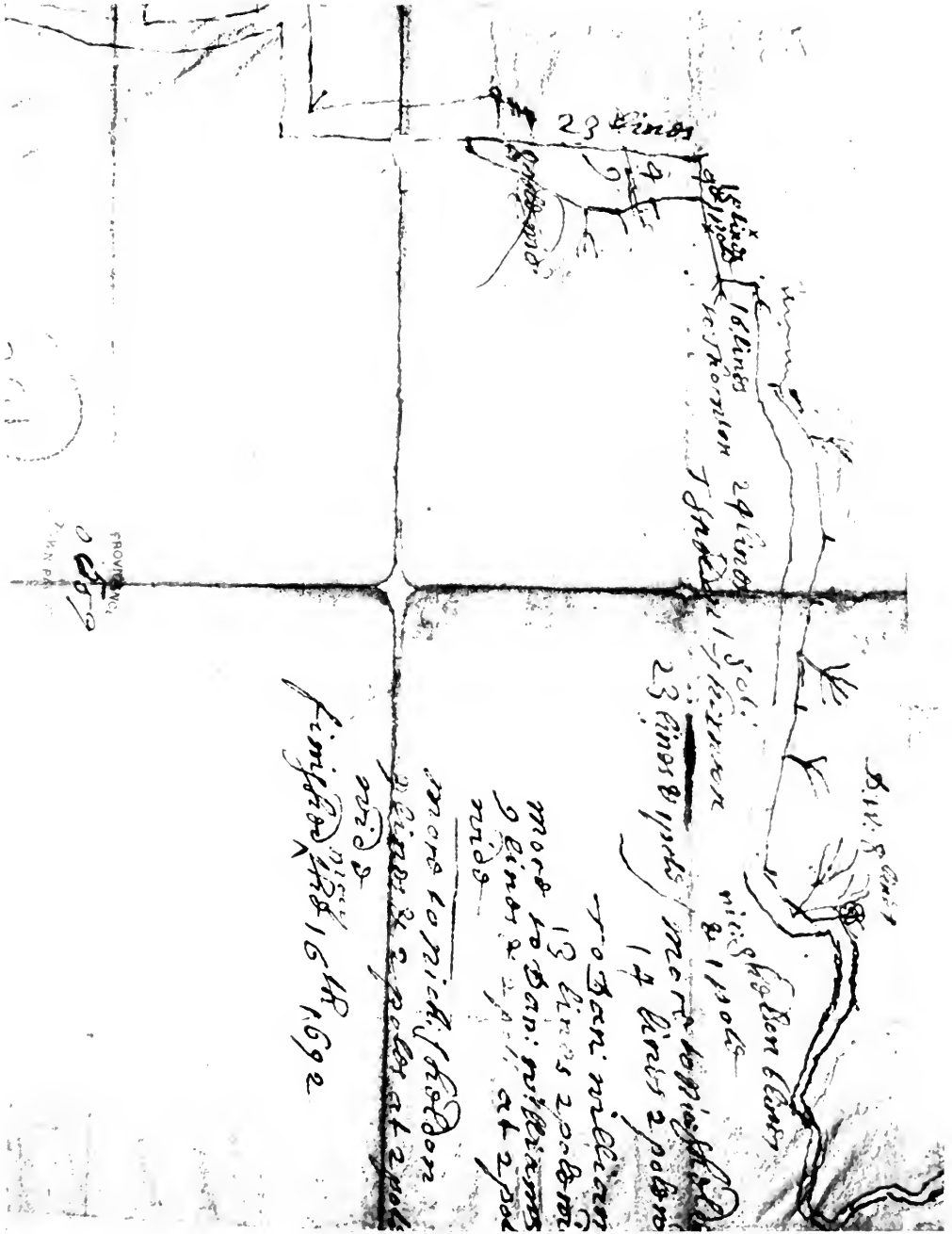
[*This paper is reproduced in plate No. 3.*]

[0560] Att a Towne meeteing August. y^e 10th, 1692, M^r
Stephen Arnold, Chosen Moderator, the meeting Called by
warrant, and settled; The generall Asemblys Acts made upon
Ajornment, Agust y^e: 2^d: 1692 was publickly Read in sayd
meeting:

The Meeting is Disolued,

[0561] at a towne meeting in prouidence Called by war-
ant the 26^t: of august 1692

by voatt Joseph Jenckes was Chosen moderatter



PROVIDENCE,
R.I.
D. B. P.

by vott beniamen Whippele Chosen grant Juery man to sarue at the generall Cort of trialls the first thusday in september: 1692 in newportt

by vott tho fenner and John thornton Chosen to sarue on the pety Jewery at the fore said Courtt

by voatt was Chosen depuytis to
 sarude or sitt in the generall asembly in
 prouidence the lastt wenesday in october:
 1692

thomas Olney
 Cap^t arther fener
 m^r gidian Craford
 m^r thomas feeld

by vott the metting is desolued

what aboute wrighten was the actes of the town atestes.

Joseph Jenckes Asi:tm

(*Verso*)

Towne Order

[0562] To y^e Towne mett this sixth day of march, 1693

The Request of Henery Stacey, is whereas I haue Hired, or taken a farme, That I may haue liberty of y^e Towne, till my sayd lease is out, to Jnhabett by y^e Townes leave till y^e time is Exspred, the which will oblige yo^r aforesayd seruant

Henery Stacey

[0563] To y^e Towne Mett

I desier the towne to take speedy care to prouide som plase or being for Edward London: for he is a poore and decrepit man: which by law care ought to be taken for

Thomas ffield

March y^e 6th 92 or 93

(*Verso*)

to y^e Towne of prouidenc

[0564] Att a Towne meeteing Aprill y^e 12th 1693 m^r Joseph | Jiencks | Chose moderator, y^e meeting settled; Chosen Deputys to serue in y^e Generall Asemblys that is y^e Day before Election as alsoe at y^e Election Asmbly are as followeth

Cap^t, william Hopkins, Joseph Williams Eliazur Whipple, and Samuell Wilkenson

The meeting is Desolved,

[0565] To y^e Towne of providence Mett, Aprill y^e, 27th 1693, my humble Request to y^e Towne is that you would bee pleased to Grant me leaue, and liberty to Jnhabett in yo^r s^d Town^e, soe long as I and my famely shall remajine heere, amongst you, and if you please to Grant me leaue to keepe a Cow or to upon yo^r Comons, and to Cutt frewood for my owne use, the which is you see Caus soe to Doe will oblige him who | is | yo^r ffreind and seruant in what I can,

Robert westgate

[0566] To the Toun Met this 27 of Aparel j693: my request is that the Toun wouuld Giue mee an order to Setel with out the Seuene mile ligne I haueing purchased a right of Land thar; and haue beestoeed Sum time and Labor upon it, thar are Seuerrall Nabors that are in turn beefore mee and neglect the takin up thar rights we deters your pititionor from Seteling

your Nabor

benjamin Thorntun

[0567] Thomas Patey & Epenetus Olney made Exchange of lands Each with other to y^e quantety of each ones part about one acre; The peece of land which Epenetus Olney had of Thomas Patey on the said Exchange lieth in that tract of land

Called the Neck & is bounded on the west with the said Epenetus Olney his land, on the North with a highway on the East & south with the said Thomas Patey his land; The said peece of land lieth quite a cross the said Epenetus Olney his land,

The peece of land which Thomas Patey had of Epenetus Olney on the said Exchange lieth in that tract of land called the Neck, & is bounded on the south with y^e land of Samuell winsor, on the west with the land of the said Thomas Patey on the East & North parts with a high Way.

The abovesaid Two peeces of land, the Exchange thereof was made in the yeare 1689; & was bounded out from each others lands by me Thomas Olney surveior; by the appoyntment & Consent of the abovesd partyes they both being present at y^e same time & gave Each othr possession.

The which said peeces of land according to the sd Exchange was to be unto y^e said partyes their heirs & Assignes for Ever. /

Coppied out of y^e Records of Providence as it there standeth Recorded in the booke called y^e book with brass Claspes, in Page 221; may y^e 15th: 1693, ƒ Tho: Olney Towne Clarke

(*Verso*)

The Coppie of a Record of Tho: Patey & Epe: Olneys Exchange

[0568] To the Town of Providence net the 27 of the 11th m. 92. 93.

The Petition & earnest request of wiliam ashly shewing, that whereas I & my Wife lived lately at Wels, & the great

desolation | by | the Indians was such that we was noved to Boston, & my wife having sone friends in this Town, desired to cone either, & I was willing to renove with her, & coming with my goods in a Cart, Abraham Hardin ꝑmitted ne to unload then at his house, which I took to be a loving-kindnes in o^r distresse & I haue found much loveing respect since.

Now my intreating is to you to ꝑmit me & my Wife & Daughter Leave to abide in your Town stil, & I shal count it a favour from you great

[0569] [] Asembly for preparation for the Election sittinge []ry the 2^d. 1693 these persons followinge of the []dence are presented to bee made freemen of the []

William Turpin
 Robert Weskeeke
 Peter Bellow
 Thomas Man
 Thomas Harris Ju^r
 Richard Harris
 Richard Phillips
 Alexander Baucum
 Timothy Sheldin
 John Shelden
 Nicholas Sheldin
 Arthur ffener Junor
 Thomas thorton
 Elisha Arnold
 Samuell Whipple ju^r
 Philip Tilihast

[0570] To the Right Honorable the Lords of the Committee of Trade & Plantations

May it please your Lordships In obedience to your Lordships commaundes signified to vs by M^r Blathwayt the 2^d of January & third of february last by which wee were to consider the severall Charters of Caniticut & Rhode Jsland & the Graunts of East & west new Jersey & to report o^r opinion vpon the whole mater, what may bee done for the vnitinge the strength of those Collonies & New Yorke vnder a chiefe Comaunder to bee Comissionated by their Majesties for the defence of their Majesties Subjects in those partes against the ffrench & also to consider the anexed Copie of the Petition of the Governor & Company of Caniticut, and to report o^r opinion therupon, Wee have considered the mater to vs refered & doe find that Kinge Charles the 2^d by his Charter dated the 23^d of Aprill in the 14th yeare of his Reighn did jncorporate John Winthrop & severall other persons therein Named and all others who then were or after should bee admited & made free of the Company to bee a Corporation by the Name of y^e Governor & Company of the English Colloney of Caniticut in New England in America with such powers | priveledges | & capacities as are vsually graunted to Corporations of like nature and to have continuance & sukcession forever, and therein the bounds of the Colloney are described & a Graunt therby made to the Corporation of all Landes soyle ground Havens Ports Jurisdiccions Royalties Priveledges ffranchises and Heriditaments within the same or therto belonging: To bee holden to the Corporation & their sukcessors in trust for the benefit of themselves & their Asociated ffreemen of that Colloney their heires & Asighnes of the Kinges of England as of their Maner of

East Greenwich by the 5th part of the Oar of Gold & silver there found with power to the Corporation to make lawes Elect Governor deputy Governor & Asistantes erect Judicatures & Courts And choose officers for the Civill Government and therby also power is graunted to the chiefe Comaunders Governors & officers of the Company & others jnhabitinge there by their leave or direction for their Espetiall defence & safety to Asemble Martiall Aray & put in Warlike posture the Jnhabitanes of the Colloney and to Comission such persons as they should thinke fit to lead & conduct the jnhabitanes & to encounter resist Kill & slay all that should atempt or enterprize the jnvasion or anoyance of the Jnhabitanes or Plantations & to exercise Martiall lawe & take & surprize the Jnvaders or Atemp-tors of the Plantations or hurt of the Company | And |

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Jnhabitanes & on just ocasion to jnvade & destroy the Natives or other enemies of the Colloney:

Wee also find that Kinge Charles the 2^d in the 15th yeare | of | his Reighn did jncorporate divers persons by Name & such others as then were or after should bee admited & free of the Company by the Name of the Governor & company of the English Colloney of Rhode Jsland and Providence Plantations in New England in America & graunted them in Efect the like powers & Authorities both Civill & Millitary as are before mentioned to bee Graunted to Caniticut:

Wee find that the Civill Government in those Plantationes or Collonies Executed the Millitary Powers conferd by the Charters But that their Majesties in the third yeare of their Reighn by their | comission | Constituted Sir William Phips Lieftenant & Comaunder in Chiefe of the Millitia & of the

forces by sea & land within the Collonies of Caniticut Rhode Jsland Providence Plantation Kings Province, & Province of New Hampshire and all fforts & places of strength in the same with severall powers & Authorities, And that their Majesties by their Comission vnder the great seale dated the 10th of June 1693 revoaked so much of Sir William Phips his Comission & the powers as related to the Colloney of Caniticut & by the same Comission constituted Benjamin ffletcher Esq^r their Majesties Captaine Generall & Comaunder in chiefe of New Yorke Pensilvania New Castell & the Territories & Tracts of land depending therupon to bee the Comaunder in Chiefe of the Millitia and of all the forces by sea & Land within the Colony of Caniticut and of all the forts & places of strength within the same with power to Levy arme muster Comaund or jmploy the Millitia of the sayd Colloney and vpon any necessary & vrgent ocasion duringe this war to transfer to the Province of New Yorke & frontiers of the same for resistinge & withstandinge Enemies Pirates & Rebels both at land & sea & defence of that Province & Collony of which Comission and the large powers therin contened as to Caniticut the Colloney of Caniticut by their annexed Petition doe complaine & pray redresse against the exercise of it in such maner over the whole Millitia & therin shew their reasons against it:

Wee have heard Collonell Winthrop & his Councell on the behalfe of the Collony of Caniticut: And M^r Almy and his Councell on the behalfe of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantacon And doctor | Cockes |

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appeared on the behalfe of East and West New jersey & produced some writings shewinge how the same were graunted

out from the Crowne to the Duke of Yorke & by the Duke of Yorke to others but the Doctor not claiminge Title to himselfe, it doth not apeare to vs in whom the estate in lawe of those places or of the Government therofe Civill or Millitary doth now reside nor how y^e same is exercised: But havinge receaved the annexed estimate from M^r Blathwayt wee comunicated the same to the Agents for Caniticut Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations, who declared their readinessé duringe times of danger to provide their respective Quotas therein contained & | in | case of jncrease of danger or other necessary ocasion duringe the continuance therofe their respective Quotas to bee proportionably encreased with other Collonies but as to the remaininge Millitia beyond the Quotas which it seemes in those Countries consists of all Males between i6 & 60 yeares of age they humbly desire that it may remain vnder the ordinary & vsuall Government & comaund of the Collonyes acordinge to their Charters and not to bee comaunded out vnlesse in times of actuall jnvasion or jminent danger for the necessary preservation of some of the Collonies at such time onely when such of the Collonies wherout the fforces shalbee drawn are not in danger and that at all times a sufficient power of the Millitia may bee alwayes kept in each Collony vnder the power of the Government of it for the safety & necessary preservation therofe;

Wee are humbly of opinion that the Charters & Graunts of those Collonies doe give the ordinary power of the Millitia to the respective Goverments therofe, But doe also conceive that their Majesties may constitute a chiefe comaunder who may have Authority at all times to comaund or order such proportion of the forces of each Collony or Plantation as their Majes-

ties shall thinke fit and farther in time of danger & aproach of the Enemie with the advice & Asistance of the Governors of the Collonies to conduct & comaund the rest of the forces for the preservation & defence of such of those Collonies as shall most stand in need therofe not leavinge the rest vnprovided of a competent force for their defence & safety But in time of peace when the danger is over the Millitia within each of the sayd Provinces ought as wee humbly conceave to bee vnder the Government & disposition of the Respective Governors of the sayd Collonies acordinge to their Charters

All which Neverthesse is most humbly submitted to your Lordships great wisdome: 2^d Aprill 1694 Edward Ward
Tho. Sievert

[0571] This writeing signifieth to all persons y^t wi^{ll}: Hearnton of y^e towne of Providence hath taken up a stray Maare & Coult. The mare of a Red Roane Colour, a small starr in the forehead, the Coult a white stripp downe y^e face. They were taken up y^e 21 Instant, Dated December y^e 27th: 1693

Tho: Olney Towne Clarke

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(*Verso*)

Robert Corbett

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 south; East highway or Roade; on y^e west with Arthur
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Joⁿ Browne Gives his Bro: Obadiah Browne his 60 acres
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 sion & also one Right beyond y^e 7 mile line the w^{ch} was Chad
 brownes my Grandfathers; with the ap^{pt} tenances

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To Recording a ddeede 2^s - 6^d

Constock & P: Tilling debtor to making of 2 indentures - 2^s

Ben: Carp & Si: Smith debt^r to Recording E: Chu will
 - 2^s 6^d

To Recording the Jnventarey 2^s - 6^d

The Bond & letter of Administratio writeing - 2^s

The copy of y^e letter of administration & fileing it - 1^s

The writeing of all the Testemonyes to y^e will & Envent-
 arey & Entring the probatio: of the will with what other
 writeing appertained to it 3^s

in all 10^s - 6^d

Receivg of Eph: Carpent^r 8^s: 6^d

[0572] At a Generall Asembly of their Majesties Colloney of Rhode Island & Providence Plantationes sitinge by adjournment in the Collony house in Newport July the 2^d 1695 vpon information that Some Gentlemen were apointed by the Government of Caniticut to meet with some Gentlemen apointed by the Government of the Province of the Massachusets Bay to treat about runing the North Line of the Collony of Caniticut which line this their Majesties Collony abovesayd are concerned in and in order therunto made choice of you M^r Thomas Olney Cap^t Arthur ffener & M^r Richard Arnold to run the North line of this Colloney acordinge to the best of your vnderstandinge acordinge to the boundes of the Paten if the Gentlemen Comissionated from Caniticut & you can agree with the men comissionated from the Province of the Massachusets Bay and the sayd Asembly further ordered that if either of you should faile or bee sicke the Governor or deputy Governor might | put | men in your roome but you havinge accepted Therefore this is in their Majesties name to Comissionate & jmpower you to repayer to the Towne of Maidfield the the twenty 4th jnstant and to act & doe to all jntents & purposes acordinge to the sayd Generall Asemblies order, Given vnder my hand in Providence July the 20th 1695

John Greene Dep^t Governor

[0573] Sir the Generall Asembly made choice of Cap^t ffene[]owr selfe and Richard Arnold to meet with Caniticut men & the Bay men about runinge or where to begin the dividnt line b[]twixt each Collony Caniticut haue []on Collonell Allin & Major ffrech to meet with the Bay men about that afayer since I came fro[] Court I received a

leter signifyng the same & that the 24th of July jnstant is the time & the place at Maydfield hee further writee y^t the Bay Gentlemen have sent men downe downe southward to the sea to take observation and if they can make their notions suite hee thinkes they will take in Providence, I hope you that are chosen will not faile to goe if any cannot I should haue notis that myselfe with the Majestrates may put in others I haue herin jnclosed sent you a copie of the Queens Leter & report of the Aturney & solicitor G[]nerall which you may haue ocasion to pervse and afterwardes return them I thinke M^r Whiple hath a Copy of the Charter n[]t else but rest your friend & servant

Warwicke the 13th
of July 1695

John Greene Dep^t Governor

(*Verso*)

This for M^r Thomas Olney at his house in Providence

[0574] Vpon y^e 19th day of Agust 1695; Tho: Patey went from his owne house about 9 in y^e morning to goe to Mary Edmunds to borrow & make sure of a boate or a Cannoo, to use y^e next day to goe | over | to his salt marsh to mow & make hay; as his wife declared; To mary Edmunds he went, & Coming there desired mary Edmunds to lend him her Cannoo to goe over to his salt marsh to see how it was growne, for (he said) he intended to have it mowne shortly; but sitting a little while, he said he would not then goe over to the marsh but would goe | over | to Sam: Masons & gitt his shoes mended; & asked of mary Edmunds to lend him her Cannoo to goe | over | the fferrey, shee lent it to him, & a while after

he went away (as shee thought) to goe over the fferrey; Some time after it Came in her mind to looke where abouts the said Patey had landed her Cannoo on the other side, shee looked out but Could not see the Cannoo neither in one place or another, then shee thought hee might be Gone Either to his marsh or Else Up to Rehoboth with it; but about 2 houres after, there came in an indian Called Sam: (who dwelleth at y^e new fields) into mary Edmunds house & brought a hat in his hand & asked mary Edmunds if shee knew that hatt, shee looked upon it & said it was Tho: Pateys hat, & asked Sam: where he had it, he answered that he tooke it up adrift in the River against y^e lower bailyes Cove; & also that alittle above the upper Bailyes Cove hee had taken up her Cannoo | adrift, | & gott it to shoare & seized it, for hee was Coming downe y^e River to goe to gitt Oysters & so mett with them; This the widdow mary Edmunds declareth: /

Tho: Patey Could no more be heard of untill the 24th day of y^e said Agust, & then was found dead floateing on

(*Recto*)

| on | the water, before the bearer [] south Eastward of foxes hill alittle below y^e mouth of Seaconke River, An Jndian Called Tho: Bradford Crossing y^e water from Rehoboth side unto the Towne of Providence, discovered him, & Presently went to Providence & informed y^e inhabitants there who went (some of them) Emediatly back with y^e Jndian & tooke him | the said Patey | out of the water; A Coroners Jnquest was impanielled went upon him by inquirey after his death & found that his death was accidentall ocasioned by y^e water, after verdict he was buried. /

[0575] I Present & indict Joseph Latham, Robert Kilton, William Harris, Richard Harris, Eliezer Whipple jun^r; Samuel Bartlet, & Cornelius Walling, all of the Towne of Providence, in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England, for Comiting of an outrage at the house of John Whipple of said Providence upon the Eleventh of September in the yeare 1695 in the Night time, by cutting a Hatt, & a Shoo, & a paire of Stockins belonging to one Joseph Bugben of Woodstock, who that night Lodged at the house of the said John Whipple; which act of theirs is Contrarey to the peace of our Sovereigne Lord the King, & against his Crowne & Dignity.

John Whipple

(*Verso*)

the Indictment

[0576] an acte of a genarall assimbey held att new portt may the: 1st: 1695

[]ott whar as the law of England hath provided that thar shall be Constabells in eury towne for the kepng of the kings peace and thar being the sam Resons for thar majsts peace to be kept in this thar majsts Colony and whar as thar is a law of the Colony that eury towne shall Chous Constabells for the endes before said and that Constabells being so Chosen and shall Refus to sarue shall pay a fine to the king of three pounds six shilling and eight penc for such Refusall: and thar being no law of said Colony extent how said fine shall be taken it is thair fore ordred by this Courtt and the athoraty thar of that from this time forward in each towne of this Colony whar Constabell or Constabells shall be so Chosen as the law hath prouided and if any Constabell or Cnstabells shall Refuse to

sarue in said office that in such cas or Cases it shall be lawfull for any tow asistantes or more or for any tow Consaruators of the peace or mor then present att such Choys of Constabell. or Constablls Refusing to sarue as before said then forth with by warantt vnder the hand of such asistant or asistantes or Consaruator or Consaruators to sease vpon the estattes of any such Constabell as shall so Refuse to sarue as before said the full som of three pounds six shillings and | eight | pence in mony as a fine to our souarin lord and lady the king and quene with out wadger of law: which fine shall be deliured to the tresuaror of each towne and an a Countt thar of be deliured to the genarall tresueror of this Colony, and further it shall be in the power of any asistant or Consaruator present att any such Choys of Constabells who making aleygations to said asistant or Consaruator to Judge of the validity thar of and to determine the sam a trew Coppy

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Bee it known vnto all men by thes presence that wee william haris and thomas haris and all of prouidence in the Colony of Road jsland and prouidence plantations do by thes presenc acknoledg our sellur Joyntly and seurally to be indebted vnto his Majsty his hairs and suckesesars the full and Just som of tenn poundes lawfull mony of new england to be leuied vpon vs or ether of vss our goods Cattell or Chatells to which wee bind our sellus our hairs and suckseser[] fermly by thes presence in wittnes her vnto wee haue putt to our hands and sealles the eight day of october 1695 and in the 7th: yeare of his Majsts Rain

the Condition of this oblygation is such that if I William haris abousaid do make my parsonall aperance att the next

Court of goall deliury to be helld att newportt on Road Jsland the lastt thusday in march next Coming and shall then and thar answar and abid the sentance of Courtt to such bill or bills of indictmentes as shall be framed against me said haris for that thar is strong suspition that I did vpon the Eleunth of septembar: 1695 latt in the night in the hoous of m^r John whipples Comitt an out Radg by Cutting a hatte and a shoo: and a pair of stokings of on Joseph bugbues and allso to be of a peaceabell and good behauer in the mene tim then this oblygation to be voyd and of non efectt or other wais to stand in full force powr and vartew in the law

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Be it knowne vnto all men by thes presence that wee Richard haris and thomas haris and _____ all of prouidence in the Colony of Road Jsland and prouidence plantations husbandmen do herby acknoledg our sellues Joyntly and seurally to be indebted vnto his Maj^{sty} his haire and sucksesars the full and Just som of tenn pounds lallfull mony of new England to be leuied vpon vs or ether of vs our goods Cattell or Chattell to which wee bind vss our hairs and sucksesars fermly by thes presence. in wittnes whar vnto we haue putt to our hands and sealls the eight day of october 1695 and in the 7th: yere of his Majstys Rain;

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[0577] In the dwelling house

All money that was laid out upon the funerall wearing Apparrill	} 08 - 05 - 00
A New Saddle cloath	00 - 03 - 00
A Remn ^t : of home made cloath	00 - 12 - 00
5 yards of Course blanketing	00 - 10 - 00
4 Coverlidds	05 - 12 - 00
3 P of Blankets	04 - 10 - 00
i P of old blanketts	00 - 15 - 00
A Remn ^t : of Coverlid stuff	00 - 01 - 00
A Remn ^t : of woolen Cloath	02 - 10 - 00
A Remn ^t : of woolen cloath	02 - 00 - 00
A Bedd 2 bolster & a set of Curtaines & valians all very old & much worne	} 03 - 00 - 00
i Bedstudd	00 - 10 - 00
i Blankett old	00 - 07 - 06
i P of old sheetes	00 - 10 - 00
6 Chaires	00 - 12 - 00
Jt A Silke Grass Bedd & a small fether Bolster & Pillow, all very old & Exeeding much worne	} 00 - 16 - 00
Jt i P Blankets	00 - 15 - 00
Jt i P of sheetes	00 - 10 - 00

i Small Bedd steed	00 - 02 - 06
Indian Corne & Rye wooll	02 - 09 - 00 02 - 15 - 00
i ⚔ of Plankets	00 - 15 - 00
linnen yarne	00 - 18 - 00
woollen yarne	1 - 00 - 00
Hempe	00 - 05 - 00
11 ^{lb} & 3 quart ^{rs} Cotten [] woll	00 - 17 - 00
1 ⚔ of wood [] & some old barrills & } other old lumber	00 - 0 []

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This Indenture made the Ninet[] thousand six hundred ninty & fiv[] Resident in y^e Towne of Providence [] plantations in New England on y^e o[] Olney of y^e Towne & Colloney afor[] That the said John Olney hath [] the said Epenetus Olney put h[] Joseph Goldsmith for y^e full [] Twenty & fourth day of October [] the said Joseph Goldsmith well [] of Apparrill; And of y^e said Josep[] of a Blacksmith; Duering th[] Olney shall doe & performe [] Service, his masters Goods he sh[] shall Endeavour the same to prev[] likely to accrew unto his said ma[] thereof; & alwayes shall duerin[] Trustey about his sd masters buiss[] his masters lawfull Comands [] he shall not Comitt, neither sha[] dureing y^e sd terme of time; Taver[] Except it be about his said master [] vnlawfull Games; but shall a [] tice []

[0578] To Tho: Olney & William Olney his son their parts of a Rate levied upon y^e inhabitants of y^e Towne of Providence Of a peny in y^e pound by order of Gen^l: Assembly

October y^e 3^d: 1695 Their parts both being together six shillings & a penney, The said six shillings & a penney is by me James Belloo Constable Received of y^e s^d Tho: Olney & by him payd this 3^d day of Januarey 169⁵

Ɔ me

James Ballov constaball

[0579] prouidence octob^r 28th 1696

Gentellmen

Wareas thare was by An Act of y^e Assembly of this Collony in May Last of one penny on the pound on Each Mans Estate And by y^e Setting of Assembly by Adjournment Conuened by y^e Gen^r Warrant y^e 1th Day of July 1696 An Agumentation of one penny on y^e pound more for the Defraying y^e Collonies Charges & paying the Collonies Debts which sd Rate was to be Assesed And payd to y^e Gen^{ll} treasuar by the Last of Septemb^r Last past but Seuerall towns haue Omitted & neglected to p^rforme y^e sd Act thare fore wee Desire that wee may haue A true Accou^t of this house of Representiues y^e Reasons of y^e Omission of paying y^e psented Rates as Aforesd that his Maj^{ty} Jntrest May be Maintaind & y^e Collonies Debts Duly Descharged & y^e sd Acts truly p^rformed & that some Expidition be proposed & Settled for y^e p^rformance of y^e Act Afore Recited

passed to y^e hous of Deputies by Order of Corte

Wes^t Clarke Recd^r

(*Verso*)

whereas Reasons from the house of deputyes is called for by y^e Court, or house of Majestrates why severall Townes of this Colloney have not yet assesed their Rates The house of

Deputyes desire to be informed what Townes the be, who are under Neglect

By y^e house of Deputyes Order

Wee are fully Informed that all y^e towns in the Collony Exsept providence & Kingstown haue p^rformed y^e act or Are in A progase to p^rforme y^e same

[0580] To the honored | Gennerall Assembly | now sitting in the town of providence in the Collin^ye of Rhod Jland the Last wenesday in octt i696;

The humbell petition of Aither ffenner and William Randall bothe of vsse Inhabitanes of the towne of providenc[] of thiss hiss majesties Colliney of Rhod Jsland kings province and providence plantationess in the Narogansett bay in New Eingland, that yowr petisioners were bound in abound of tenn poundess ffor Robeart Kelton of the towne of providenc we the forsd Condess men in order according to the contentss of our bond that he should meak his personall apeereance the Last wensday in March Last past in yeire 1695 ffor to ansr to such bill or bills ass showld be Comenced agernst him wee yowr peticinerss did deliwer Robeart Kelton acording to our bond at the town of newportt on Rhod Jsland in open Courtt and wee demaned our bondss, becauss the Grand jury ffownd the beill igromanness soe we demanded owr bond butt the Courtt towld vsse that our bond was fforffitt & soe we are Lickly to becom sufferess, ass we so posse Contray to Law yrffor we humbly pray this | Gennerall Assembly | to Give vsse what relieffe the Law affordss vss in thiss Casse yowr pettconerss desyring the Good of all men

Arthur ffenner

William Randall

*(Verso)*To y^e hous of Deputies

Whereas A presentation is made to vs from you About Cap^t Vennars petition &c wee see no Reason to make Afull Assent | [] | y^e same in as much | as | the bond is not heare nor sentance of Corte thare for No grounds to make Any Reflection on y^e Cort whome we suppose Acted According to Law

Wes^t Clarke Red^rTo y^e Court or house of Magestrats

This petition hath been Considered by y^e house of Deputyes; wee have with the best information wee can git Considered it; we find that y^e person who was prissoner there was no bill found against him, & therefore how the bond is forfitt wee doe not clearly see; your selves have better knowledg of y^e Matter then wee have

Wee present yo^r honnors with y^e petition. /By order of y^e house of Deputyes

Tho: Olney Clarke

The petitioner q^r Arthur ffenner and William Randall

[0581] Whereas there hath Bin a late inCurtion & invation made vpon some of Our English plantations: by the Cruel and Barborous Indian Enemies: whose tender mercies are Cruel: and Considering the dainger of manie of our Neighbours who Liue Remote from our Town Wee the Council of war for the Town of providence Haue thought fitt: in his Majes^{ties}: Name to Nominate and Appoynt you

1 Richard Arnold: 2 John Angel: 3 Edward Smith
4 Samuel Whipple: 5 Tho: Olney Jun^r: 6 Tho ffenner
7 Joseph Stafford: 8 James Brown: 9 James Angell: 10 Tho

Hopkins: 11: Benjamin Carpenter: 12: Joseph Williams
 13 Nathⁿ: Watterman jun^r: 14: Nathⁿ: Watterman sen^r:
 15 John Smith: 16: John Brown: 17: Samuel Comstocke:
 18 Eleazer Whipple: 19: Tho: Olney: 20 Samuel Wilkis-
 son Roger Burlingham

and Euery of you to take the Comand and Conduct of Ten
 men as they are seuerally Named in your seuerall Lists: and
 with them to Rainge beyound the outmost of our plantations
 Each of you two Daies at a time or more as Need shall Re-
 quire: to serch after the Enemies: and Vpon Discouery of
 anie of them you are according to the best of your skill: to
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 the best of y^our Jndeouour but in Cace you judge them to be
 two strong for you: you are to alarem as manie of our inhabit-
 tants as in yo^r wisdom y^u Can or may: you are allsoe to ob-
 serue such Directions and instructions as shall be from tim to
 tim Giuen you by the Counciel of war aforesd: and in Case
 anie of your Company should Neglect or Refuse to goe vpon
 sd seruice: haueing had sufficient Notis thereof you are: im-
 powered to Take as a fine three shillings for Euery days Neg-
 lect| and in soe doing this Comission shall be your warent and
 Discharge: Signed by order of the Counciell of war for the
 town of prouidence: this 24th of April: 1697

Joseph Jenckes Asis:^{unc} [L S]

William Hopkins Cap' [L S]

John Dexter Lib [L S]

Joseph Jenckes Ensign [L S]

(*Verso*)

To the Comanders of the seuerall Companys for scouting
 who are within Commission Nated: You are Each of you

vpon your Return from Scoutting to hand this Commission
to him that next takes his turn: Which Must be as thay
| are | Named successiuely in the sd Commission

[0582]

	lb	s	d
Nicolas Harris	0	8	6
Thomas fenner	1	14	2
Jonathan knight	0	12	3
Cap ^m fenner	1	1	0
Jonathan knight jun ^r	0	1	0
Edward Serles	0	12	8
Thomas Burlingham	0	10	3
Benjamin Serles	0	1	0
William Whore	0	1	0
James Brigges	0	4	5
William Burton	1	6	8
John Burton	0	1	0
Roger Burlingham	0	15	5
Peter Burlingham	0	1	0
John Burlingham	0	11	6
Roger Burlingham jun ^r	0	14	5
John Potter	0	11	1
Content Potter	0	1	0
Thomas Staffard	0	12	8
Joseph Staffard	0	10	8
Benjamin Green	1	13	0
Abel potter	0	1	0
Widow potter	0	5	3
Benjamin potter	0	1	0
George Potter	0	4	8

	lb	s	d
Peter Roberts	0	2	6
Thomas Barnes	0	12	3
Samuel Relph	0	7	10
John fowler	0	5	2
Peter Stone	0	3	4
Jacob Clerke	0	9	3
Joseph Burden & Mercy Burden & their mother	0	16	6
Henry Brown jun ^r	0	7	3
Richard Burden	0	8	9
Arthur fenner jun ^r	0	10	10
George keech	0	5	0
John keech	0	1	0
Benjamin wight	0	5	4
& the farm he liues on	0	8	3
Andrew harris & his mother	1	8	0
William Randall	1	2	0
William Randal ju ^r	0	5	6
Joseph Lathum	0	8	2
Benjamin Carpenter	1	11	2
Widdow Carpenter	1	8	0
John Wheaton	0	2	2
John Shelden and Nehemiah	0	8	11
Robert Dauice	0	4	0
Timothy Carpenter	1	2	6
William Carpenter	0	1	0
Peleg Roades	1	4	8
Mr Arnold & his Son Stephen	2	9	9
Elisha Arnold	0	12	0
John Mattison	0	1	0

	lb	s	d
Joseph Williams	1	4	7
Thomas Williams	0	1	0
Joseph Williams jun ^r	0	1	0
James Williams	0	1	0
Richard Waterman	0	17	0
Nathanael Waterman Jun ^r	0	19	6
John Sailes	1	4	7
William Pray	0	4	9
Joseph Daly	0	1	0
William hopkins	0	19	0
Benjamin Thornton	0	1	0
Widow feild	0	3	0
John Gurney	0	3	1
Nicolas power	0	10	0
Samuel Winsor	1	4	0
Samuel Winsor jun ^r	0	1	0
Joshua Winsor	0	1	0
Nathanael Waterman and his Son Richard	1	11	0
John Arnold	0	5	7
John Smith	0	19	9
M ^{rs} kilton	0	1	6
<i>(Verso)</i>			
	lb	s	d
Joseph Tucker	0	2	6
Robert Tucker	0	1	0
John Stacy	0	1	0
Moses Hutson	0	1	0
Daniel Williams	2	0	5
Roger Williams	0	1	0
M ^r Thomas Olney	00	12	1

	lb	s	d
Experience Mitchell	0	2	2
Thomas Mattison	6	3	3
Zachariah Mattison	0	6	0
Robert Gould	0	1	0
James Bucklen	0	1	0
Sam the Indian	0	1	2
Tom Indian	0	1	2
James Blackamore	0	19	2
John feilds place	0	5	1
the Estate that was Josiah Wilkinsons	0	7	0
Joseph Aldrich junr	0	9	0
John Lapums place	0	1	10
Samuel Wright	0	3	9
Jame y ^e Indian	0	6	0
Moses furman	0	1	2
Widow hopkins	0	5	8
Nathanael Goue	0	3	8

Errors Excepted

The Sum total of this

Rate is 128 pound

This Rate was finished January: 3: 1698 by us

William Hopkins

Pardon Tillinghast

Ebenezer Jenckes

Nathaniell Watermans mortgage bond; Recorded.

[0583] Whereas at a Gennerall Assembly held for y^e Colony at Newport March y^e 1st: 166 $\frac{3}{4}$. It was Ordred that two Courts of Trialls should be holden Annually upon y^e Maine (to witt) the second Tuesday in September annually at Provi-

dence, & y^e second Tuesday | in march | annually, at warwick, for the Triall of any Actionall Matters to the value of, & under Tenn Poundes Principle debt or damage; And whereas John Rice (Senior) inhabitant of this Towne of Warwick in his Majestyes Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations &c: desiereth a writt to arrest the bodyes of Gabish Greene, & of David Greene, & of Phillip ffitaplace for a Trespase to him done (as hee saith);

These are therefore in his Majestyes name William y^e third, King of Great Brittain ffrance & Ireland &c: to require you Samuell Wickham Towne Serjant of Warwick in his majestyes Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations &c: to arrest the body of Gabish Greene & the body of David Greene, (both y^e sons of James Greene of Potaomitt) in said Warwick Towneshipp; & also the body of Phillip ffitaplace who Resideth in sd Warwick Towneshipp & them in safe Custody to keepe untill they put in Bayle Returneable according to law to make their appearance at a Court of Tryalls to be holden upon the maine at Warwick aforsd, then & there to answere the Complaynt of John Rice (Sen^r) of sd Warwick in an action of Trespass for takeing up & detaineing from him Severall Swine, whereof they are to answere at said Court which is to be holden & sit as aforsd the second Tuesday in March Next; Damage by sd Trespass is Eighteene pounds sterling, and hereof you are not to fayle at yo^r perrill.

Samuell Gorton Clark of the towne of

January 26 16⁹⁷/₉₃

Warwick

(*Verso*)

The within Writt wase Seru: d vpon Jabez Greene & Phil-

lip feetaplace: y^e: 31th: of January: 169⁷/₈ and vpon Dauid
Greene The: 16th: of february: 169⁷/₈

Ɔ^r me Sam^{ll} Wickham Town Serg^{nt}

[0584] The: Depocition of Henry matison of Est Green-
wich Ageed: 26: years. or theare about being ingageed Ac-
cording to Law testifieth that hee being at the hous of philip
Sweets in warwick on the: 17 day of Desember last past that
Jabez Greene Came to the Afore s^d hous and said that hee
had found A Sow and: two Shoats of his fathers in the woods
and that the Sow was nuly marked upon the: right ere and
that shee had: his ffathers: mark upon the left ere before
wheareupon Jabez Greene did desire: mee the deponant to
take notis what marke the Sow Afore s^d had upon her Erese
which was A Crop of the left eare which semeed to bee A
former Crop and the uper part of the right eare was off and
the eare bloody and this Deponant Saith that the Shoats
Afore s^d had now mark but Jabez Greene said that hee did
conclude that they came of the Sow Aforesaid and funder
saith not

Taken vpon ingadgment this 28th of ffebr: 169⁷/₈;

Before me Sam^{ll} Gorton Justice

Samuell Potter of Warwick aged about 25 yeares being in-
gadged according to Law testifieth to the truth of all aboue
written,

Taken vpon ingadgment this 28th of ffeb^r: 169⁷/₈

Before me Sam^{ll} Gorton Justice

Samuell Potter of Warwick aged about 25 yeares being in-
gadged according to Law testifieth to the truth of all aboue
written,

Taken vpon ingadgment this 28th. of ffebr: 169 $\frac{3}{4}$
 Before me Sam^{ll} Gorton Justice

(*Verso*)

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[0585] To the Honrd: y^e Court of Tryalls sitting at Warwick for the mayne | the second Tuesday in march 169 $\frac{3}{4}$. / | by vertue of an act of Gennerall Assembly held for his Majestyes Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations &c: at Newport, March y^e 1st: 166 $\frac{3}{4}$. /

The Decleration & Complaynt of John Rice | (senior) | Inhabitant of the Towne of Warwick in y^e Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations &c: Plaintiff against Gabish Greene, & David Greene (the sons of James Greene of Potomitt) in sd Warwick Towneshipp and Phillipp ffittaplace who Resideth in sd Warwick Towneshipp; Defendant, sheweth & Complayneith, That they the said defendant, upon the sevententh | day of December 1697 did in the woods take up severall swine belonging to the Plaintiff & which were the Plaintiffs Proper Right & them drove away; they being to the Number of foure swine; The which said swine; all of them the Defendant hath detained, & yet doth detaine from the Plaintiff to the Plaintiffs Damage Eighteene pounds sterling; Whereupon the Plaintiff is forced bring this his action of Tresspass to this Honnored Court for justice. /

John Rice

[0586] Robert Potter aged about 32 yeares vpon his ingadgment testifieth that some time the last winter | the yeare 96, | Saw a Swine neare the house of John Rice, told the said

Rice that his vnclē Greene would claime that Swine and reiterated the Same diuers times Said Rice answered it was nothing but a mistake in marking and Since this deponant being at Potaomet Saw the Same Swine there to the best of his knowledge, and further saith not, only that the Swine then had a contrary mark,

Taken vpon ingadgment this 4th of March 169⁷/₈
before me Sam^{ll} Gorton Justice,

[0587] Samuell Gorton being about 25 yeares of age, and is the Son of John Gorton Seni^r being ingadged according to law testifieth and Saith that last Summer was twelue moneth the Swine of John Rice haunted about his house wherby he had ocaation to take notice of them and perceiuing one of them was marked on the contrary eare told the Said Rice of it who answered he had mistaken in marking of it and Said it was no absolute crop but hollow, and Since being desired by John Rice to goe to Potaomet to See the Swine doth iudge to his best vnderstanding that it was the Same Swine now in difference, only the marke doth Seeme more like a crop then it did before and further Saith not;

Taken vpon ingadgment this 4th of March 169⁷/₈
Before me Sam^{ll} Gorton Justice;

[0588] These lines testifie An Agreement, Betwixt Samell Winsor and Pardon tilinghast philup Tillinghast, on the one party, and daniell Williams of the other party, for peace Sake and loue that I haue to my Neibours, Doe Agree and promus that the fence shall stand where it Doth now stand, six years, and you whose names are aboue Rittin, haue the liberty to joine your fence unto it, upon these Coditions as

foloweth, that this our Agreement shall make up all the Diference betwixt us Relating to fenceing, and furd|er| that all things let them be of what nature so euer, acted and Done in the time of our Diference and b|e|fore the Diference that hath Reference to these our Affaires as to fencing shall be made null and voide and of none Effect, that if we liue, we may liue in peace untill the time Expired Agreed unto & Signed this Second of May in the yeare 1698

by | us |
 Pardon Tillinghast
 Phillip Tillinghast

[0589] To the towne of Providence Met june y^e 6th: 1698
 Neighbours, Whereas I am Accused with takeing in & improoveing that which is the townes Comon, in that land which I have fenced in, in y^e Neck; the which if I have so done I am Jgnorant off; I therefore pray the Towne that they would order the surveior to goe unto the sd land & take a vew thereof & give his judgem^t thereon, & what is amiss (if any thing be) the same to Rectifie; & I will Satisfie the Surveior for his paines;

Yo^r Neighbour

Sam: Whipple. /

[0590] The deposition of Hennery Matteson. aged twenty seuen yeares or there abouts. Being ingaged according to Law the deponant testifieth and saith. that hee being at the House of phillipp. Swe|e|te in Coesett with Samuell. potter vppon the. 17.th day of december Last past. Jabiz. Greene Came in to sd House. and Called the deponant and sd Samuell. potter to see and Looke vppon a sowe then in a penn neare to sd house and desired vs to take notice of sd sowe and wee disserned it to bee

newly marked with a forke on the Right eare. and further saith not.

Taken. Agust. y^e. 21^t. 1698.

Before mee John. Heath. Conseruater
(*Vcrso*)

Papers Concerning the Case betweene John Rice & Gabish Greene Tryed at Providence. /

[0591] Warwick this 7th day of September 1698

John Nickols being aged twenty years or thereabouts living in Warwick in Coloney of Rhod island and providence planttations being Jngaged testifieth as falloeth that last fall was twelue months or thereabouts, | my | brother William and my self being in the woods looking for a bore which was run away from my father came to the house of John Riss where his son Randall now dwelleth and near the dore we saw a parcel of young swine and one of them being marked vpon the contrary Eare to, | the | rest the sd | Riss sd his sone | Randall being at home he and we were spakeing concerning sd swine wher[e] vpon my brother william asked Randall Riss the reson why that swine was marked contrary to the rest sd Randall Riss answered that they marking there swine through a mistake did set the marke vpon the wroung Eare

Taken before me in Warwick the day and year abouesd
Randall Holdon Justice

[0592] Wheras wee John Greene deputy gouerner Joseph Juincks asistan[t] Stephen Arnold asistant & Beniamin asistant being met this 5th of Nouember 1697 at the house of Cap^t peter Greene in warwick vpon information positieue by m^r John warner that hee is credibly informed that zerubabell westCote is endeauoring to take out Execution notwithstanding the apeale

made to the honored Generall asembly which should haue been the 27th of october last past| 1697 by m^r John warner aturney to Abraham Lockwood of warwick| defendant in answer to zerubabell westcote plantiffe concerng| A six aker Lot wheron the said abraham Lockwood dwelt as thee Records will more at large declare & the sayd John warner acordingly did atend in our knowledg to prosecute sayd apeale at the time & place apointed at warwick but so it was that when the sayd asembly was rated there apeared onely Captain Nathaneell Codington & Cap^t Joseph Sheifeild asistants of the maiestrates besides ourselues abouesayd which in all was but six whic^h not being the number apointed by the kinges majestie in our Charter his sayd majesties generall asembly fell therfore our opinion is that forasmuch as sayd Court failed through some asistants disapearing which is not onely preajudiciall to the abouesayd apeale but also greatly to his majesties interest and for as much as bond was giueen by the defendants aturney & nothing done therin Therfore this is in his majesties name william the third of England Scotland france & Ireland kinge &^c to prohibit all jnferior officers & ministers of Justice either the shreife or deput^y shreife of this his majesties Coloney or such others to execute ther on as they will answer the Contrary at their perill untill there bee A legall determination of sayd apeale: giuen vnder our handes & seals the day & yeare abouesayd & therfore doe hereby authorize & jmpower in his majesties name m^r John Carder Constable of warwicke if oca-sion bee as aforesayd to publish thee same & see that his majesties peace bee kept

John Greene deputy gouerner	L. S.
Joseph juincks asistant	L. S.
Stephen arnold asistant	L. S.
Benjamin Smith asistant	L. S.

[0593] This 6th of Desember 1698 it beeing the day opoynted for Toun Council meting

The Council is in beeing William Hopkins Choseun Clark for the time presnt

this day Sarah Hopkins hath presented the Last will and testement of her husband Thomas Hopkins desesed to Gether with An inventory of the Estate of the aforesayed Thomas Hopkins: and hath made oath before the Council it was the Last will and Testement of her desesed husband Thomas Hopkins and Likwyes that shee had brought before the Apri-zors all the whole Estat that shee knows of: Joseph Staford and Abel poter Came beefore the Council and made Oath as witnesis to the saied will Roger burlingam and Joseph Staford hath made oath as witnesis to the jnventary Moses furman hath this day made Oath that he saw Thomas Hopkins of mashantatick signn and sel the aforesaid will and that the said Hopkins was in his parfict senc and memory when hee signed the same

(*Verso*)

desember the 6th. 1698 The Council of war beeing sum-oned Are met and in beeing whar as Mr Joseph williams John Sales and Gorge potter haue Complayned to the Council of war consarning four Guns being takun and with held from them for aboue a twelue month []ontrary to Law by Thomas burlingam: The matter hauing bin by both parts spred before the Council: and the Council fiending the guns to be Law-fully taken from the Indians in whose hands the guns were found: The Council Doth order that the owners of the guns do pay into the hands of the Council five shillings for Eac|h| gun thre shillings of Each fine to be paied to Thomas Burling-

ham for his trouble in taking of the guns the other two to be disposed of by the aforsd Council of war as thay se Cause and the guns to be Returned to the owners thereof

Voted by the Council by me William Hopkins Clark I do protest aGainst the aboue said Act as beeing Contrary to Law
William Hopkins: major:

Benjamin Carpinter duth protest hee beeing on of the Coun|cill| Against the said Act as beeing Contrary to Law

M^r Joseph Williams and John Sales haue Apeled to the jenerall Council the meting is Ajorned to the third of january next

The meeting of the Council of warr is againe in beeing
Januarey y^e 3^d: 169⁸₉

(*Verso*)

The Council of Warr their Order. / about Gunns

[0594] Aprill y^e 27th 1699

To the Towne of Prouidence | mett | one the quater day
wee desier the Towne to Chouse som man or men to Re-
seue the 30^{lb} of the Constables which is the Towns money and
to keep it for the towns vse so we Rest your nabors & ffreends

Nathaniell Waterman

Thomas ffield:

Thomas harris

Samuel winsor

[0595] John Brooker of Water towne Gave in an account
to be Entred on Record that he hath brought to our Towne
of Providence to sell of a percell of Goodes to the value of
10^{lb}: the sd Goods being Hatts, stuffs, & silkes, & some other
small Matters as Needles &^c;

May y^e 10th: 1699.

John Brooke^r

[0596] to the town of providence met at the house of John Whipples ganuary the 27 - 1700

the humble petition of your freind Samuel Winsor is that you would let him lay down within the comon on the west side of moshock riuer an acre of land and tacke it up within the same so i remain your freind

Samuel Winsor

(*Verso*)

Granted But no damage to high & Cart ways

[0597] To Mercy Burden Serjant of Providence

These are to Require you in his Majestys Name William the Third ouer England &cr King, To Arrest the body of Thomas ffeild Jun^r: of this Towne of providence in the Colony of Rhoad jsland and Providence Plantations in New England & him in Safe Custodye to Keep untill he put in Baile Returnable according to Law, to make his appearance at the next Court of Trialls to be houlden at said Providence the second Tuesday in September next for Providence and Warwick; then & there to Answer the Complaint of John Hawse of said Providence in an action of the Case for Vndue molestation and Damage Done to the said Hawse by sueing and Comencing and trying of an action with the said John Hawse for Detaineing of a mare Branded with F on the neare Buttuck; whereby the said ffeild put the said Hawse to great Charge and Expencc, the which is not yet by the said Thomas ffeild Discharged, but by him still Detained from the said Hawse; where upon the Damage is Tenn Poundes Currant siluer money, and hercof you are not to faile. /

Giuen under my hand May the 30th: 1700

Thomas Olney Towne Clerk of Providence. /

[0598] To the Towne of Providence met the 3^d of february | 170^o₁ by adjournm^t: from the 27th of January last;

Neighbours my desire & Request is that you would be pleased to grant me leave to take up 40 acres of land on the west side of y^e 7 mile line in halfe a Right which my father gave to me; for I doe now want a place to settle on, & cannot obtaine lands other where. /

Yo^r Neighb^r: Sam^l: Steere. /

[0599] To James Dexter towne sarjeant shirrif as deputy grriteing

You are in her majestys name anne queen ouer England &c: Required to Arest the body of Jacob Clarke of prouidence in the Collony of Rhoad Jisland & him in safe Custety keepe Vntill he giue in bond acording to Law to answer the Cumplaine of Jorge Right now Residing in prouidence befoure the majestrats of sd towne on the twenty fift of jnstant july at the hows of John whipples about teen a Clock in an action of debt thirty shillings for that: sd Right Cumplaineth & saith that he wrought with sd Clarke A month & thre days in march about the yeare 1700 or 1701 | & yet not payed | herof ffaile you not

giuen Vnder my hand
& seale this 22^d: of july | 1704 |
Joseph williams Asistant :

[0600] Prouidunc Aporel the. 28.th 1701

The towne being met at the house of | Mr William Turpine | I make, request unto you as foloeth; Gentlemen, the prouidenc of God hath cast mee hetherr among you, and I desier. not to be chargable to aney. my humble request unto

you is, to be admitted a townes man, and if your honors Will grant mee this my request, you Will ablige your Saruant

John Kelly

[0601] To the Towne of Providence met this 27th of October 1701.

ffriends,

I being a Stranger Come in amongst you, & haveing obtained some lands to make settlement upon within your Towneshipp, doe desire of you that I may have your leave to inhabit amongst you; I hope you shall alwayes find me of a civill & peaceable demeanure; & doe also hope I shall no wayes ocation any Charge to your Towne: The which request if you please to grant I shall thankfully accept, & Remaine your humble serv^t.

John Mitchell;

[0602] Whereas there is a Rate Assessed upon the inhabitants of this Collon[] And the Towne of Providence their part of the sd Rate is 32^{lb}: & 10^s: the which is speedely to be paid into the Gennerall Treasury; And whereas the sd Towne of Providence hath omitted to make Choyce of Persons to proportion their sd part of sd Rate on sd inhabitants of sd Towne, whereupon the Majestrates were put upon it to appoynt persons to proportion the the sd Towns part of sd Rate by vertue of an order from the Gennerall Council of sd Colloney; And the sd majestrates by vertue of the sd order haveing appoynted & Prest Tho: ffield sen^r: Elisha Arnold, and Tho: Olney sen^r: the sd Rate to proportion as aforesd: And the said three persons being desireous to have the knowledge of what Each mans Estate is that so they may make as

Equall a levie as may be, Doe hereby give Notice to all the inhabitants of this Towne of Providence to bring in writing, a true, full, & Exact account Each Man in Writing of all his Cattle, Milch Cowes, Oxen, & other sorts of Neate Cattle, of above one yeare old, & of all horses, Maares, & sheepe, & swine & what Cattle Else of above a yeare old, together with all improved landes both planting lands, meadowes, Pastures, Orchards, both as to English Meadowes & Pastures, & what is the Number of Acres of Ea[] both English & wild; with what Else may be their Estates, Rateable; And to bring the same in to the said three men at the house of John Whipple upon thirsday the sixt day of Agust next about tenn or Eleven of the Clock in the day; But where there is a failure, the sd persons must Make a Guess of their Estates;

Dated, July the 27th: 1702. /

Tho: Olney sen^r:
in the behalfe of all the afore-
mentioned, Proportioners

[0603] Whereas there hath formerly been an agreement betwen seuerall persons of y^e 13^{en} propriators of Patuxit land as in a writing baring Date y^e 27th Day of Nouember 1682 Doth appeare: And some of y^e propriators of Patuxit will not Condesend nor agree to any Deuision of patuxit lands but by or according to an arbitration in y^e yeare 1657 neare 27 years agoe w^{ch} they them selues haue neglected Conterary to their bonds besides. 5 men of y^e 13 neuer ware bound nor Conserved in y^e sd Arbitration besides may other surcomstances therein Contained Contrary to & against law which makes it all void. Therefoare we whose names are here | in | vnder writen & haue set our hands | & haue | subscribed our names & fixed

our seales Doe all of vs here firmly bind our selues our heirs Executors Administrators & Asignes all both joyntly & seuerally by these presents in a bond of 150^{lb} sterling to be payable vpon Demand vnto y^e greued or molested perty or persons of vs that haue bound our selues each to y^e other by this foar sd bond: That is to say payable by vs or any one or more of vs y^t may or shall refuse or Deine or neglect to helpe or Defend & succour any one of these our pertners y^t haue subscribed to this bond & to be at Euquall Charges in all tryals & shutes of law trubles molestations or jncomberances: That is to be at Equall Charge according to Euery mans Right or proportion y^t he haue or Doe Claim in y^e sd patuxit lands: That is to help to Defend & sucor one y^e other against any person or persons what soeuer that shall not or will not take notice of our Deuision or Deuiding of patuxit lands nor agree with vs in pretence of y^e foaresaid Arbetration but yet they will intrude & mack vse of any lands & will fall or Cut Down trees wood or timber vpon any of our lands after it is Deuided or layd out by vs or by our | order & | Consent according to our agreement in y^e yeare 1682. now to Confirm this our bond that we haue made Eah one to other according to y^e true intent & meaning of these foaresaid bonds we Doe both joyntly & seuerly set our hands & fix our seales this 12th Day of May in y^e year of our lord 1686

Signed Sealed & Confirmed in presents of us (viz)

Joseph Wasborn

St'en Arnold

L. S.

joseph Smith.

Joseph Williams

L. S.

Nathaniel Waterman

L. S.

This jnstrument is Recorded in

Thomas ffield

L. S.

Prouidence Records in y^e book

Timothy Carpenter

L. S.

of Entry of Deeds or land Euedi-	Silas Carpenter	L. S.
dences no 1 & in page y ^e 128 & 129	Beniamin Carpenter	L. S.
by Tho Olney Town	y ^e mark of X mary haris widow	L. S.
Clark ast	Arthur ffenner	L. S.
	Peleg Roades	L. S.

This is a Trew Copy of the Oridgeenall Compared thes Twenty and Nineth day of August 1702 by mee William Hopkins Asistant

(*Verso*)

This writing witteneseth vnto all persons to whome it may Conserne

That we whose names are vnder writen haue layd out & Deuided all y^e land that once | Did | belong vnto y^e Thairteen ancient Purchers of Patuxit lands which lieth between patuxit Riuer & the bounds of Prouidence town & from y^e Salt water on y^e East vnto Pac|e|hset Riuer on y^e west: And we haue layd it out as neare as we Could Do it according vnto our Couenant & agrement that we made & signed & sealed on y^e 27 Day of Nouembe|r| in y^e yeare 1682 y^e which sd Deuision will plainly appeare by all y^e maps Drawn forth vpon y^e Compas table when y^e foare sd lands ware layd out & Deuided by Capta^m William Hopkins our suruaior who Did it by our order in y^e yeare 1688. And so now to Confirme this our Deuision. so far as it Doe agree with our agreement & Couenant made in y^e yeare 1682: in witness thereof we Doe herevnto set our hands & seales

Signed & Sealed & Confirmed	by vs Arthur ffenner	L. S.
y ^e 4 th of May. 1689	St'en Arnold	L. S.
in presents of (viz)	Joseph Williams	L. S.
Joseph jencks Asistant:	Silas Carpenter	L. S.

Gideon Crafford	Nathaniel Waterman	L. S.
Andrew Edmons	Beniamin Carpenter	L. S.
	Timothy Carpenter	L. S.
John Sheldon	Steephen Arnold Juner	L. S.
	Mary Haris widow	L. S.
	Peleg Roades	L. S.

Peleg Roades signed & sealed in presents of Jonathan Spreague justice.

This instrument is Recorded in Providence Records in y^e Booke Called y^e Booke with bras Clasps & in Page. 242 P me.
 Tho. Olney Town Clerk

This is a Trew Copy of the Oridgenall Compared this Twenty and Nineth day of August 1702. by mee

William Hopkins Asistant:

A Copey of a bond of Patuxit men in y^e

[0604] []now all men by these presants that wee m^r Geidion Crafford Samuel winsor and nicholas powre all of the Towne []f providence in the Collony of Rhoad Jsland and providence plantation doe Acknowledge oure selues joyntly and seauer Ally to be in debted to her majesty her heirs and succesers the just sum of: twenty pounds Curant mony of [] England to be leuid upon us our heires and succesors payment to be well and truly made to the which we bind our selues []u heires and succesors firmly by these []nts

the A Boue Ritten Obligation js Such that if wee the Ab'ol'u'e] Condants shall well and truly in be half of her majgsty Ansur the Cumplant of Danill williams of the towne and Col- lony afoare said at the Collony hows in newport the Last tuse- day in march next jnsuing for sd williams hath Charged you

for a forceable Entery with others upon the Lands of Danill Williams on the 18th of febearary 1703 and to Abide Judgement of sd Court then this oblegation shall be null and uoyd other wies to stand Jn full force and uerty against us in the Law in witnes of this oure Reiall act and deed wee haue this day this day set tow our hands and seals this 19th of february. 1703

James Loborey

Edward Hawkns junior

Gidon Craford

Samuel Winsor

Nicholas powe[]

A true Copie

Atest Joseph williams Assistant

[0605 *is the original Inventory of Estate of Henry Browne of Providence, printed in Early Records of the town of Providence, Vol. 6, page 221.*]

[0606] To John olney towne Sarjeant thes are to Require you in her majestys name anne ouer England queene &c. to giue ntice to all y^e free men in the township of prouiden^c to mete together on the 27th of this jnstant july at the hows of John whipples about teen a Clock in the foure nune it being the towns quarter day & allso to Chues three well quolified men to leuie our towns part of the fiue hundered poun^ds Rate leuied on the Collony & allso to take Care of anne waters ther being (great Cmplaint made Consaring her & to doe any other buisness as may be for the benifit of this towne her of faile youe not

giuen Vnder my hand & Seale this 13th of july 1703

L. S.

Joseph williams Asistant:

[0607] L. S. To Cap^t. Fran. Pope sherriff of her Maj^{ty} collony of Rhoad Island & providence Plantations or to his Lawfull Deputy Greeting

You are hearby in her Maj^{ty}: name Ann by the Grace of God Queen of England &c Required to Giue Timely notice To the Assistants, Justices, Conservato^{rs}, & Wardens of Each Respective Towne in this Collony that I haue appointed a Generall Assembly to be held for s^d. Collony at the Collony house In Newport the First Tuesday in Jan^{ry}. next it being the 4th. Day of s^d. m^o. and that in Order there vnto they do cause the freemen of there s^d. Towns to meet to Geather and make Choice of such & so many Well quallified men for Deputys to sitt in s^d assembly as the Law Doth Direct and the Dep^{ty}. Gov^r. & assistants with the Rest of the Generall officers & Deputys. so Chosen are Required to Giue there attendance at the time & place aforementioned in Order to hold a Generall assembly as is afore p^mised to act & do all such Things as may be thought Expedienc for her Maj^{ty}. servis and the Intrest and Safty of the Collony and more perticular for the Raiseing of such Sume & Sumes of mony as may be thought Proper for the Carring on the Affairs of the Govern^t. & the Finishing the fort and putting of it, in a Suitable Way of Defence against The Common Enemy heareof y^e. are not to faile as y^u. Will answare the Contrary

Giuen under My hand & Seal the in Newport this Eight Day of Decemb^r. in the Second Year of her Maj^{ty}. reigne annoq^r Dom. 1703

Sam Cranston Gov^r.

You are to giue Notice to the Assistants &c. that they Sumons all the Late & p^rsent Cunstables of there towns (that

haue ben Concerned for the Collecting the Late 300 £ rate for the fort and the 500 £ rate) to make there Appearance at s^d. Assembly to Giue an acco^t. of There Proseedings

Gent^m. the Aboue is the Coppy of the Gov^r. warrant To me Directed by Virtue of wch I doe hereby Summons y^u. to appear at time & place appointed and to act according to s^d. Summons or Warrant

Gent^m. Yo^r Servant

9^o. xb^r. 1703 Newport

Fran. Pope Sherriff

(*Verso*)

To Maj^r. William Hopkins and M^r Joseph Williams her Maj^{ts} assist^{ts}. for The Towne of Providence

[0608] To the Towne now met upon ajurnment y^e 3^d Day of february 1703 or 4

Gentlemen

Considering the many bills that are and may bee Presented to the Towne for forty foot Lots; it is Prayed that it may be ordred that no person may take a Lot that may dam-nifie Creators Pasing ouer the Riuer at wayboyset: which may be by Reason of the streame; from a Rock that Lieth upon the shore against Thomas ffeilds | house | to the | North side of Tho: Olneys house lot where on his father dwelt; | tree that stands against James Angles

The Request of your ffrinds

Nathaniell Waterman

Thomas ffield

(*Verso*)

Tho: ffield, & watermans Bill to prevent waare house lotts

[0609] Thomas Mathuson beeing of full Age and Deposed According to Law testeefieth as falloeth that on the fifth day of july in the year 1704, that Benjaman Daly Came where I was and said that Thomas Harrs Came to him in the medoe with a Company and a paper of the Deuiels wrighting and wee hitt him two or three slaps and further this Depona|nt| saieth not taken vpon ingagement this tenth day of july 1704. beefore mee

William Hopkins Asistant

wee haucing wayed and Considered the Euidenceis Against you Joseph Dayly Concerning your Abous and Contempt of her Majesties Athority our centence is that you pay A fine | to the queen | of twenty shillings in mony forth with or bee Con-
vayed to her Majesties Goale in prouidence and there kept till the Eleuenth day of this instant july 1704. Att Eight of the Clock in the morning then to bee stript naked from the wast vpward and tied to the Corner of the Cage and whiped fifteen Lashis

wee hauing wayed all sur Cumstances and Euidences Against you Benjaman Dayly and our sentence is that you pay As a fine to her majestie twelue shillings in mony forthwith or bee sent to her majesties Goal in prouidence and there to bee kept till the Eleuenth day of this instant july 1704. Att Eight of the Clock in the morning and then to bee stript from the wast vpward and tied to the Corner of the Cage and whipt Eight Lashes

[0610] To James Dexter Town Sarjant Greeting There Are in her Majesties name Anne Ouer England Queen &c To will and requier You to Arest the body of Benjaman Dayly of

this Town of prouidence and him in safe Custety to keep vnteel hee putt in baiel returnabl Acording to Law to make his personall Aperance beefore A Court of Majestrats held for her Majestie Att the hous of John whipple the 14th. day of this instant july then and their to Answer the sute of Joseph Latham for six shillings Debt and all Dew damidges thare on Arising and and Make return of your proceeding to said Court here of fail not Giuen vnder My hand and seal this 4th. day of july 1704 and third year of her Majesties Raigh Anne by the Grace of God ouer England Queen &^c

William Hopkins Asistant

To James Dexter Town sarjant Greting These Are in her majesties Name Anne | of England | Queen &^c To will and requier you To summons Ensign Thomas Harris and Nicholas Harris Zachariah jones and his wife to make there personall Aperance Att the Afore said Court to Giue Euidence in said Cace Giuen vnder my hand and seal the day and year afore said

William Hopkins Asistant

[0611] To James Dexter Town sarjant Greeting These Are in her Majesties Name Anne by the Grace of God ouer England Queen &^c To will and Requier you on sight here of to Goe and Arest the body of one Tom chese and him in safe Custety to keep vntill hee put in baiel Returnable Acording to Law to make his personall Aperance Att A Court of Majestrats To bee held for her Majestie Att the hous of John whipple in prouidence on Tusday the 25th day of this instant july 1704 and third yere of her Majesties Raigh then and ther to Answer the Complaint of Joseph whipple in An Action of Debt twelue shillings and teen pence and all soe to Answer for suspicion

of steling A silluer Cup here of fail not Giuen vnder my hand
and seal this 21th day of july in this year 1704.

William Hopkins Asistant

[0612] July | th 14th | then Receued of Affter fenner
twelue shillings in

Samuell Relfe being of full age testifieth & saith

William Randoll junjor being jngaged acording to Law
testifieth & saith that Jorge Right wrought with Jacob Ckark
about four yeares sence aboute as bout a month & furder saith
not

Engaged befour me this 25th [] July 1704)

Joseph williams As[]

the Case being Called betwix plantiue & defendant in the
Cas betwixt Jorge Righte plantiue & Jacob Clark defendant
the defendant Answereth not therf wee Enter a niall discit
acording to Law): wee hauing wayed the matter brought befour
Vss this day betwixt Jorge Right plantif & Jacob Clark de-
fendant in an action of debt thenty seuen shillings the defend-
a[] was silent & answered not therfore our sentence is that
the defendant shall pay Vnto the plantif the 27 shilling^s sued
for and Coste of Count the Cost of Court is 0^l - 11^s - 6^d

[0613] To the Town Mett vpon adjvrn^{mt} y^e 3rd of feb:
| 170³/₄ |

Gentlemen

These are to desire you to be pleased to Grant me the
Quantity of 40 foot square on y^e side of y^e Bank against y^e
frount of my | fathers | Lott by y^e water side; though y^e place
there, may not allow of aboue ten foot deep on y^e sd Banck:

with y^e priuiledg of wharffage &c as hath been usually Granted
to others for y^e which I shall be Thankfull unto you,

And Remaine yours to sarue

Daniel Abbot | j^{unr} |

(*Verso*)

To y^e Towne mett this 27th of july | 1704 |

Gentlemen.

These are to desiar you to be pleasd to order that there
may be no lot nor lots granted on wayboset side from mudey
bridge to y^e pint of wayboset but that it may bee stated
Com|on| for Euer

Joseph Whipple

This Bill is Granted;

[0614] To the Towne Mett. this 27th of july 1704

Gentlemen

These are to desiar you to be pleased to grant me y^e quan-
tety of 40 foot | of ground | on y^e side of y^e bank, aganst y^e
frount of my fathers lot and y^e priuelige be longing thare un-
tow, and in so doing you would oblidge your freind

Daniel Abbot jun^r

[0615] []

To the Towne of Providence met July y^e 27th: 1704.

Neighbours,

My Request to you is that you would be Pleased to Grant
me leave to Exchange about 7 or 8 acres of the land of my
ffarme on which I Dwell, takeing it off from one part of my
said farme, & to lay it adjoyneing to another part of the sd
ffarme, if you will please so to doe, you will greatly pleasure, &
Engage him who is your ffriend & Neighbour,

John Malavery. /

(Verso)

John meleuery his bill
This Bill is granted. /

[0616] Quarter day July 27th 1704. /

Whereas by severall persons of this Towne it was this day proposed to the Towne by bill that the Towne would Make choyce of two persons to inquire of y^e inhabitants of Providence, as also of other persons in y^e Country to see what they will Contribute to the building of a Bridge from the Towne side of y^e salt Water in Providence Towne, begining against y^e West End of y^e lott whereon Daniell Abbott his dwelling house standeth & so Cross y^e Water unto y^e hill Called Wayboysett; ffor that service the Towne have Nominated Gideon Cruffurd & Joseph Whipple (if they see cause to accept it) & to make returne unto y^e Towne of their success at y^e Quarter day in January next;

Copp^{ed}: ꝛ Tho: Olney Towne Clerk: /

There was once an ancient

[0617] To the purchisors of prouidence met upon the 27th of July 1704

Gentlemen | wee | suppose that | wee | need not to tel you of the great wont of grass there is amoungst us at this time and wee haue all Ready seene sum disorderly proceding upon our out medows by mowing of them before the day apoynted and the Encrochment made by forinors upon us as is Reported

our Request is | therefore | to the purchisors of said prouidence that there be sum speddi Care taken about our grass that is neere home as namely the thach that there be a more perfect order made Conocerning the mowing there of that Each

propriator may peaceably enjoy his part and not to be thrust out by a great Company and sum of them haue litel or no Right which may Cause great trubele at this time if not Ceare fully preuented

Joseph williams Asistant
 Thomas ffenner Justice
 Samuel Wilkinson
 Gedion Crauffurd

[0618] Ensign Thomas Harris beeing of ful age and in Gaged Acording to Law testefieth As falloeth that some Time in the winter in the yeare one thousand seuen hundered and three hee herde Benjaman Daily say that hee the said Daily was in Depted to Joseph Latham six shillings and further this Deponant saieth not Taken in Court Nicholas Harris beeing of full age and inGaged Acording to Law testefieth as falloeth that hee being Att hame Att his own hous the Last spring and Benjaman Daily Came thether and I askeed said Daily whether hee the said Daly was inDebted to Joseph Latham six shillings or not and hee said he was inDebted six shillings to said Latham wee haueing wayed | the matter | brought befour Vss this day

wee see Caues to AJoyrne this Court Vntill the 25th of this jnstant at the hows of John whipples

The Court is in being

Gorge wright plantiue Jacob Clark Defendant

Joseph Whipple plantiue AGainst one tom chees Defendant the said tom Chees hath Confesed jugement As to the Debt

Wher as tom Chess was brought before Vss this day in an

action | of dep^t | twelue shillings | 10^d | which the plantiue m
 Josph whiple Chargeth him with all the sd defendand Confesed
 the Charge therfour our sentence is that the defendand shall
 pay Vnto the plan|itue the 12^s | 10^d | & the Cost of Court

(*Recto*)

Att A Court of Majestrats held for her majestie this 14th.
 day of iuly. 1704. Att the hous of John Whipple in prouidence
 present att said Court

Joseph williames } Asistant
 william Hopkins }
 Thomas ffenner justice

Joseph Latham plantiue Against Benjeman Dayly Defend-
 ent in An action of Debt six shillings with all Dew damidgeis

Thomas | Harris jun^r | plaintiue in An action of Debt on
 the balance of a Coumpt one pound four shillings Samuel
 Dayly Defendant

wee fiend for the plantiue the balence & Coste of Court the
 plantiue prouided the Defendant will pay to the plaintiue one
 pound and three shillings and Eight peence by the 24th. day of
 this instant july 1704. then Exequcion shall bee stoped

Joseph Williames Asistant
 William Hopkins Asistant
 Thomas ffenner justice

Samuell daly being Conuicted by Law to pay twenty four
 shilling but on Compliance said daly is to pay Cost of Court
 and to all att a Cort of majestrats

[0619] prouidence 31. of august 1704.

To on agrement Betuin James dexter Inhabitant of this
 Tovn, and Muturin Alerd Inhabitant of oxford in New Eng-

land for a p. s of a land called the dibles hol. belong the s^d James dexter consisting in three places, and in all six scors acres ther about. the conditions of the agrement are these.

1^o that the s^d James dexter give the said land to maturin Alard and executers, &c. fo fourtin year withuut ani benefit.

2^o that the s^d Alard shall have the libertie to breck ani place of the s^d land, and clearet and to cote any wood | that | he want for h.s own use without destroyng any timber.

3^o that the s^d James dexter shall bild upon the s^d land a Celer twenty foot long and fourtin w.de w.th a chemoly upon his charges. w.th a floer.

4^o that after the s^d Time of fourtin year the s^d land shall retorne to the s^d James dexter his Executors &c:

this not is only memorandum, to serve us till we passe a larger instrument acording to law. and this shall have valu pay which, we declare to be bound one to on other till the s^d larger instrument witnes our hand

James Dexter
the marck X of maturin
alard

(*Vcrso*)

James Angell being of full age testifieth & saith that he heard Richard Scott of providence at severall times, say that he bought of Joshuah Verin his home Lot e; & his salt medo of him

taken on jngagement this 28th of may 1705 before me
Joseph williams Asistant

[0620] At a Court of majestrats held for her majesty at the hows of John whipples in providence this 7th. of jstant September 1704 Joseph trumball Cumplainiunt Against nehe-

miah shildon defendant for selling of strong Drinck by Retaile
Conteray to Law on the third of this jnstant a night: present
at sd Court :

william hopk[ins] Asistant :

Joseph williams Asistan[t]

Thomas ffenner Justice

wee hauen wayed the Euidenceis and surcumstanceis of the
mater by Law Comited vs our centence is that Neamiah Shel-
don shall paye as a fine to the Quen twenty and four shillings
in mony and that hee remain in Custety till the mony is payed

William Hopkins Asistant

Joseph williams Asistant

Thomas ffenner justice

John olney being of Lawfull age testefieth As falloeth hee
being ingaged Acording to Law that hee being Att warwick
on the 3^d of this instant I stoped att Nehamyah Sheldons in
Company with Joseph trombel and drink part of a pot of bere
which Joseph trombel said hee Called for and I Drink a dram
which was filed out of a gill pott

John whipple being of ful age and ingageed acording to
Law testefieth and saith that hee beeing in Company with Jo-
seph trombel and John Olney att Nehamiah Sheldons hous
and I asked said Sheldon for a giell of rum and said Shelldon
brought it to mee and I payed him for it and I payed for a pot
of bere for Joseph troball to the said Neamyah Sheldon

Joseph Tromball being of ful age and ingaged acording to
Law testefieth and saith that hee being att Neamiah Shell-
dons in Company with John Whipple and John olney and I
Called for a pot of bere and John whipple Called for a gill of
rum and Neamiah Sheldon brought both the rum and the beer
and John whipple payed for them both

[0621] We whos names are here under writen being by the Commonors of prouidence Chosen as a Committe to Consider of a more perfet and Equall way for the mowing of | the | thach

We haueing waied the matter and we do find it to bee uery defucalt to make it aney wayes Equall in this ginarall way of mowing we haueing had the opinions of maney of the Commonors and finding them most for a deuersion so that Each propriator may take his one when it will best sute his ocations — for this Seson

We therefore do order that none but Commonors Shall mow thach for their own | use | upon the Common thach beads — and that | none | Shall begin to mow before it is Low water or nere Low water and wee do further order there Shall but one man mow upon a Right and if aney man Shall mow or Cause to be mowed Contorary to this order Shall forfeit all the thach so mowed

we therefore do Conceu that the most Equal and peaceable way is to deuide the thach beads to Each propriator his part with all Conueniant Speed — and allso wee do order that the day for the mowing of the thach Shall bee upon the day for moreley apoynted by the Commonors that is to say upon the first Tuseday in September After Sun Rise

John Dexter
Joseph williams
Thomas ffenner

(*Verso*)

Granted
The meeting is desolved

[0622] whereas There Is A great need for the building & Erecting a bridge ouer prouidence Riuer and there hath been by the Town many debates concerning the great benifit as will ensue in Generall both to the said town and Country and for that end that there may be said thing effected and money gathered for said Concerne M^r Gideon Crafford & M^r Joseph Whipple are desired to take an acco^t of each person within said township what they will giue towards the same Its concluded as ffolloweth that said Bridge is to be Erected and set up where the Bridge formerly was and that each person that subscribes to the same doe it as a Just debt for said Concerne faithfully to be paid in to y^e person Impowred and Requested to see whom will subscribe to the same at two Equall payment to be as followeth one halfe paid down at or by the last of Aprill next ensueing the date hereof and the last payment allso well and truly to be paid at or by the last of September next ensueing Dated Prouid^e the twelueth of January 1704/5

Gedion Crauffurd	06 - 00 - 00
William haukness	01 - 10 - 00
John Whipple	02 - 10 - 00
Joseph Trumbull	01 - 00 - 00
George right	00 - 10 - 00
Pardon Tillinghast sener	00 - 12 - 00
Phillip Tillinghast	01 - 00 - 00
Nicolas Power	03 - 00 - 00
James Olney	01 - 00 - 00
William Harris	01 - 00 - 00
Beniamin Carpenter	01 - 00 - 00
Samuell Winsor junr	00 - 12 - 00

(Verso)

James Dexter
Peleg Rhodes

00 - 15 - 00
01 - 00 - 00

[0623] Agreements with warwick Pautuxet &c Westen-
adgue and several Grants viz in the northen wods

[0624] To mary whipple the daughter of John whipple
you are in her majestys name Required to Cum befoure the
majestrats of providence forth with to giue Euedence as to
whot you know Consaring ann Calums discorse with Mehet-
ebel yats the Last night: her of faille you not)

giuen vnder my hand this 14th of march 170⁵

Joseph williams Asistant:

John whipple the sun of Joseph whipple being of full age
testifi|eth| & saith that he heard James Labore say on munday
Last the 12th jstant that he & ann Calum whippt mehethebel
yats taken on jngagement this 14th of march 170⁵ by me

Joseph williams Asistant:

[0625] Whereas there hath for a long time been a differ-
ence betweene the Purchassers & Proprietors of the Towne of
Providence, in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence
Plantations in New England, & the Purchassers & Proprietors
of the Towne of Warwick in said Colloney concerning a de-
videing bound betweene their two Plantations as to Title of
land: And both the Purchassers & Proprietors of the Planta-
tion of said Providence, & the Purchassers & Proprietors of
the Plantation of s^d Warwick haveing (both Partyes) Well
Weighed the Circumstances, as to what the Consequence of
such difference might be (if not timely prevented) have thought

good to put a Period thereunto by an Amicable agreement betweene themselves, that so a Mutuall Correspondency with each other May be held, & all Alination & Animosityes may be Extingushed unto Posteritye; Jn Order thereunto the Purchassers & Proprietors of the Towne of Providence made choyce of ffive Persons (viz) M^r Joseph Williams, Major John Dexter, Leift^{nt}: Samuells Wilkeson, M^r Gideon Cruffurd & Cap^m: Tho: ffenner, ordering & impowering of those ffive Persons (on their behalfe) to settle Matters as to the southerne Extent of s^d Plantation of Providence, as to what lieth on the west side of the line in s^d Plantation called the seven Mile line; And the Purchassers & Proprietors of the Towne of Warwick, in like Manner made Choyce of three Persons (viz) M^r Benjamin Barton, M^r Job Greene, & M^r John Waterman, ordering & impowering of those three Persons (on their behalfe) to settle Matters as to the Northerne Extent of s^d Plantation of Warwick, begining so farr Westward as Providence seven Mile line; & so goe forward Westward to the Westernne Extent of Warwick Plantation; The which was by both Partyes accordingly Performed & done; begining at a White Oake tree marked & stones laid about its Roote standing a little way Northward from that Branch of Pautuxet River which Jssueth out of the Pond called Punhungansett Pond, the which branch is Called Punhunganset branch; And so from the s^d White Oake tree Rangeing away on a line west unto the Northerne Extent of s^d Warwick Plantation: The which s^d line Crosseth the s^d branch of the River ffive times in about one mile & a halfes way from the s^d White Oake tree; And in the said Range about ffoure miles from the s^d white Oake tree there being a Remarkeable Ridge of a little Hill of Rocks

with a heape of stones laid on it for a Range Marke, & from thence about three Miles forward in the Range to a Beaver Damm at the south End of a Piece of Meaddow & a Pine Swampe, & from thence about a Mile to the Southerne part of a hill neare to the ffoote of the s^d Hill, & from said hill about a Mile & a halfe to a lone Rock standing upon a hill, & so about a Mile from s^d Rock to a River called Mosops River, there being trees Marked in the Range on both sides of s^d River; & from s^d River in the line still to Range about halfe a mile farther to a small tree Marked, the which tree is in the Collony line, & also is a bound Marke betweene the s^d two Plantations of s^d Providence & Warwick; Jn the which s^d line are severall trees marked for Range trees, Each tree being Marked on foure sides, on the North side with the letter, P, for Providence, on the south side with the letter, W, for Warwick, & on the East & West sides with the letter, R, for Range trees; And that the lands lieing & being on the North side of the s^d line with all & Every the appurtenances, Wee the abovesd Benjamin Barton, Job Greene & John Waterman Have Remised, Released, & forever Quittclaime, And by these Presents, for, & on the behalfe of the Purchassers & Proprietors of s^d Plantations of s^d Warwick Doe fully Clearly & Absolutely Remise, Release, and forever Quittclaime (by vertue of any Claime as Purchassers & Proprietors of s^d Warwick) unto the Purchassers & Proprietors of s^d Providence & their Heirs & Assignes forever; And that the lands lieing & being on the south side of the said line, wee the abouesd Joseph Williams, John Dexter, Samuell Wilkeson, Thomas ffenner, & Gideon Cruffurd, Have with all & Every the Appurtenances, Remised, Released, & forever Quittclaime, And by

these presents for, & on the behalfe of the Purchassers & Proprietors of s^d Plantation of s^d Providence Doe fully, Clearely, & Absolutely Remise, Release, & forever Quittclaime (by vertue of any Claime as Purchassers & Proprietors of s^d Providence) unto the Purchassers & Proprietors of s^d Warwick & their Heirs & Assignes forever; But as for what of both the s^d Plantations is lieing & being on the East side of the s^d seven mile line, or in the Course of it Running southward, what is before Exprest hath no Relation thereunto: This being the Conclusion, Determination, & full & joynt Agreement of both Partyes, for & on the behalfe of the Purchassers & Proprietors of the Plantation of s^d Providence, & for & on the behalfe of the Purchassers & Proprietors of the Plantation of s^d Warwick, In wittnes thereof both Partyes have hereunto set their hands & seales this 20th of march 170⁴/₅ & in the 4th year of her majestys Reigne

Signed & Sealed & deleverd in presents of Vss

Wittness William Hopkins

John warner

Joseph Williams [L. S.] Benjamin Barton [L. S.]

John Dexter [L. S.] Job Greene [L. S.]

Samuel Wilkinson [L. S.] John Waterman [L. S.]

Gedion Crauffurd [L. S.]

Thomas ffenner [L. S.]

All the persons that Signed and Seled this Aboue written instrement Acknowledged the Same to bee thier Reall Act and deed beefore mee the day and year Aboue written

william Hopkins Asistant

[0626] at a meeting of the purchesers this 13th of ffeb-
wary| 170²/₃ it is ordered & agreed to chuse three men to

treat with some of providence to indeuor an Agreement with them & for that purpos haue chosen Benjamen Barton Job Greene & John waterman and do comit full power to them to make an absolute. Agreement if they see cause with | those | of providence that shall| bee apointed

At a town meetinge held in warwick march. 6.th. 170 $\frac{3}{5}$ m^r
Randall Holdon moderator

Voted that the town do giue full power to the same persons that ware lately chosen by the purchesers to act as they shall see cause for the jssuinge of aney deferance that may appeare with the men of providence

True copies taken out of the Records March. 10. 170 $\frac{3}{5}$
atests Samuell Gorton Clark to town & pucces|ers|

march the 16th 170 $\frac{4}{5}$ A trew Copie of our Comision under our hands

Benjamin Barton
Job Greene
John Waterman:

[0627] To James Dexter Town sarjant Greting These Are in her Majesties name Anne by the Grace of God ouer England Queen &^c To will and reequier you to warn All the purchesers and proprietiers of the Lands on the west side of the seuen Mile Lign to meet to Geether Att the hous of John whipple in this Town of providence on tusday the third day of Aperil 1705 by teen of the Clock in the morning then and there to reseue An A Count of there Commitionars or trustees implied by said proprietiers to treet with the Gentlemen of warwick Concerning the sutharn Lign of our plantation and you are all so to warn all the ffreemen of providence to meet to

Gether at the time and place Aforesaid to Act and do Such thing or things As may bee for the prudencshall Afares of the Town hereof faile not Giuen vnder my hand and sele this 26th day of March 1705

William Hopkins Asistant

[0628] To the worshipfull Moderator Asistants and Gentlemen the freemen of the Town of Prouidence Convenied together at a Town meeting at the House of John Whipple in s^d: Prouidence y^e: 27th: day of Aprill 1705 The Exhibition & humble Petetion of Richard Phillips of sd: Town Exhibiteth and sheweth

That he the sd Petetioner hauing Purchased a Messuage and Certain Tract of Land at Moshopogue in the Township aforesd: of John sailes of sd Town as Referance being had to the Deede upon Record bearing Date the 23^d: of Jan^y: 170³ will more Plaine appeare in w^{ch}: said Deede amongst other the Jmmunitys the said sailes did Jncert under his hand and seale that before the sale thereof he was the True Owner thereof and of Euery of the Bargained Premises which Caused your Petetioner to think it was Clear and free from all Jncumbrances whatso Euer, But since that M^r: Joseph williams Asis^{ts} and M^r: Nathanael Waterman did Preferr a Bill to the Town in Order for Propegating a Highway Cross the Land Lying on the East side Moshopogue Pond which John sailes sold to your Petetioner wherupon the Town did order that a Highway should be Laid out Cleare Cross the Land of your Petetioner which is Like to be a Very Greate Charge and also Loss to your Petetioner: for the Town hath Ordered | it | by Vertue of their Own Power Jmmediate and not from any for-

mer act or Provision that there was made; that ther should be a High way Layd out through that Land whilst it was John sailes his land; but Only Ordereth it now; had the Order bin foanded upon a former Act or Provision your Petitioner might haue had Remidy otherwhere; But now the Town hath Done it Exathoritate so that your Petitioner hath no other Redress but from the Town: The Town hauing Ordered said way hath Confirmed the Rest of the land in sd: Deede unto your Petitioner his heirs and Asigns for Euer, now your Petitioner humbly Concieues that if the Town hath Power to Lay out a high|way| through a mans land without any former Provision then they haue Power to Confirme the Rest of the Land, and if Power to Confirm; then they haue Power to Destroy or make Voide any mans Properiaty. But this by the way — Your Petitioner thinks it but Reason and Just that M^r: Williams and M^r: Waterman should haue all their Right Priuileges and Imunitys and that it would be wronge to Barr them of any Perticular of the same — But at the same | time | he is of the Opinion, and is Very sensible that it falls Very hard upon himself to haue a High way by open through his Land four Rods wide and half a mile Longe — Especijally when he knew nothing of it when he Bought it; w^{ch} High way must of Necessity be fenced on Both sids w^{ch} you are sensible is a Very greate Charge and Incumbrance as well as Loss of Land

Wherefore it is the Hu|m|ble Petetion of your supplicant that you would be Pleased to take the same into your Candid Considerations and would be Graciously Pleased to Allow unto your supplicant so much Lands out of the Towns Commons as you in your wisdoms shall think will be sufficient to Answer

(Recto)

Answer your Petitioners Loss of Land and Charge of maintaining so much fence all w^{ch} is humbly Prayed the Rather for that your suplicant hath heard that you haue Allowed some Persons (who haue had Highways Lay out by the Town through their Lands.) Lands out of the Towns Comons— Which if you will Grant it will Cause your humble supplicant to Rest and for Euer Obleige him to be your Humble saruant to Comand

Richard Phillips

(Verso)

Richard Phillips his Petetion

[0629] Samuell Whipple of providence beeing of full age testifieth & saith that his Brother John whipple he vnder stood had A Letter of Aturny from Joshua Verin to Challenge his whole wright & he s^d whipple being Consarined About it this deponant Asked Richard scott of sd towne whether he had bought all sd Verins Righte in Comon sd scott answered that he had bought his home Lote & his shere of salt medoe & funder this deponant saith that sad scott said that he thought he had bought all sd Verins Right in providence but vpon search of his deed he found he had bought no more then his hows Lote & his medoe & Clamed no more than his deed mentioned

taken on jngaged this 28th of may 1705)

Joseph williams Asistan[]

[0630] [L. S.] To John olney Town sarjant Greeting These Are in her Majesties name Anne by th[] Grace of God ouer England Queen &^c to will and requier You to warn the

Town Counsel of providence to meet to Gether Att the hous of John whipple on tusday the 12th day of this instant june by teen of the Clock in the Morning in order to proue the Last will of Joseph allderedge desesed and to Act and doe such other thing or things As may bee thought needfule relating the Estate of the said allderedge prouideing for the widow and Childerin hereof fail not Giuen vnder my hand and seal this 9th day of june 1705

William Hopkins Asistant

[0631] To Richard Waterman Henry Harris & Josep Mory Constables for the Towne of Providence within hir Majsts Coloney of Rhoad island &c^t Greeting

These are to Require you in hir Majsts name Ann Quene of England &c^t to go to y^e persons whose names are in y^e Rate bill or list which I haue here with sent you & Demand of Each person the sum of money that is set to there Respectiue names by y^e Rate makers of y^e Towne aboue sd: and Receue y^e same and if any Person Refuse or niglect to pay his or there prepor- tion of sd Rate when demanded then you are here by Em- powered & Required to distrain on y^e Estats of such Persons so Refuseing or niglecting y^e vallue of his or there prepor- tion of sd Rate with a nough to pay y^e Charge that doth accrew by the distreaint; you are here by further Required to geathor one halfe of Euory mans prepor- tion of y^e Rate which amounts to 80^{lb} & bring it into my self Gene^{ll} Treaso^r at newport or to my sucesor in sd offis at or before y^e 20th day of Nouember next Ensueing y^e date here of & y^e other halfe which is 80^{lb} at or before y^e 20th day of jenary next Ensueing y^e date here of you are also Required to follow y^e instructions here after men-

tioned Here of you are not to faile on the pennielty of paying
y^e whole sum your selues as y^e Law directs Giuen under my
hand & seal at newport on Rhoad island this 2^d day of Oct^r
1705

Nathaniel Sheffield Gen^r Tre^{or}

you are to take no other pay but the same sort y^t was to be
paid in y^e Last 500^{lb} Rate & at y^e same prise & you are not to
pay nor discount of pon no account what soeuer out of y^e first
80^{lb} but must bring it whole into y^e Tresuo^{ry} & out of y^e
Last 80^{lb} you are [] Deduct your gathoring ffees for y^e
gathoring y^e whole & to take Deputies bills & to pay y^e Rate
makers [] 10^s Each & pay Mr Tho Olney 6^s for wrighting &
pay for killing of woulues & to Nicholas Power for a Load of
wood which he hath y^e Gou^r order for; And this is your order
from

Nath^l Sheffield, Gen^r Treaso^r

To Richard Waterman Henry Harris & Joseph Mory Con-
stable for y^e Towne of Prouidence within hir Majs^{ts} Coloney
of Rhoad island &c^t Greeting

These are to authorise & Jmpower you or Eithor of you in
hir Majs^{ts} name Ann Queene of England &c^t Jf neede Require
to take with you sofitiant aide to assist you in distraining on
y^e Estats of shuch persons y^t Refuse or niglect to pay there
por|po|tion of a Rate y^t you haue a warrant to geathor under
my hand and seal bareing date Oct^r y^e 2^d 1705: and all persons
with in y^e aboute sd Towne are here by Required to giue Obe-
diance to you in y^e Execution of your offis as they will answer
y^e Contrary as Conte[]pt of athority:

Giuen Vnder my hand & seale this 4th day of Oct^r 1705 at
newport on Rhoad island

Nathaniel Sheffield Gen^r Treaso^r

These Copies ware taken out of of y^e O Riginal by mee.

Richard Waterman Constable

(*Verso*)

Sara Carpinter widow	×	00 - 15 - 04
Nathaniel Waterman junr	×	01 - 01 - 00
Zachariah Rhoads	×	00 - 04 - 00
Beniamin Smith	×	00 - × 14 - 00
The Estate of John ffeild	×	00 - 08 - 00
William Wood		00 - 07 - 00
Joseph Pits	×	00 - 07 - 00
Samuel Jorns	×	00 - 04 - 00
Phillip Vallit	× ×	00 - 04 - 00
Samuel ffisk	×	00 × 05 - 00
Matlin Alard /		00 - 04 - 00
John Stacy	× ×	00 - 06 - 00
Epenetus Olney	× ×	00 - 10 - 06
Elisha × Arnold	×	01 - × 01 - 06
Ruth Wipple widow	×	00 - × 08 - 00
Thomas Wails	×	00 - 06 - 04
William Edmonds	×	00 - × 05 - 00
Andrew Edmonds	× ×	00 - 04 - 00
Edward Atwod		00 - 04 - 00
John Wheaton	×	00 - 04 - 00
Sam Jndian	× ×	00 - 04 - 00
Tom Jndian	× ×	00 - 03 - 00
Sam Cheese		00 - 01 - 00
d Sam Jndian junr	×	00 - 01 - 00
3 Eliezer Arnold junr	×	00 - 06 - 06
o Daniel Sweete		00 - 08 - 00
Jonathan Willard		00 - 04 - 00

Jonathan Smith	×	00 - 07 - 00
Thomas Hopk ^l ins paid		00 - 10 - 02
& Josiah Owen		00 - 03 - 06
Joseph Mawry dt ^r for Carriing the Rate to the Island		00 - 12 - 5
I Received 1 ^s - 7 ^d - of Sam ^l Right		
Total		66 - 02 - 08
Wheat att	3 ^s - 8 ^d	} 7 ^r bushel
Ry att	2 - 6	
Indian Corn att	2 - 0	
Barly att	1 - 8	
Oats att	1 - 0	
Sheeps woll att	9 ^d - 7 ^r pound	
<i>(Recto)</i>		
Richard Browne & Joseph	× ×	01 - 08 - 06
d Daniel Browne & Hosannah	×	00 - 13 - 06
9 Jabis Browne	×	00 - 06 - 04
u Juda × Browne	×	00 - × 06 - 04
Benjamin Beers & y ^e Estate of	} ×	00 - × 09 - 00
Thomas Paty		
John Bullook	×	× 00 - 09 - 06
Joseph Jincks	× ×	00 - 06 - 00
Joseph Jincks jun ^r	× ×	00 - 11 - 06
Nathaniel Jincks	×	00 - 11 - 06
Ebenezer Jincks	× ×	00 - 06 - 04
William Jincks	× ×	00 - 11 - 06
Samuel × Whipple jun ^r		00 × 14 - 06
Richard Coman	/	00 - 05 - 00
Jeames Applebee	× ×	00 - 04 - 00
Gabril Burnoone	× ×	00 - 08 - 06

1 ^s 1/2 ^d	John Yeats × ×	00 - 06 - 06
	Joseph Trumbal × ×	00 - 04 - 00
	Thomas Whipple ×	00 - 06 - 04
	Saluenus Scott × ×	00 - 18 - 06
	Joseph Tucker ×	00 - 08 - 00
	Joseph Bagly ×	00 - 04 - 00
	Jonathan Sprague & his Son Jonathan ×	01 × 00 - 00
	Mary Darling & Tho her son	00 - 14 - 00
	Elizer Arnold & Joseph his Son ×	01 × 07 - 06
	William Olney ×	× 00 - 14 - 00
	Elisha Smith × ×	00 - 10 - 00
	Joseph Smith weauer ×	00 - 13 - 06
	Jonathan Whipple ×	00 - 12 - 06
	Thomas Olney jun ^r ×	00 - 12 - 06
4 ^s - 10 1/2 ^d	William Hawkings & his 2 Sons } ×	01 × 06 - 06
	William & Stephen × }	
	Zachariah Mathuson × ×	01 - 08 - 00
	John Gurney	00 08 - 00
maor	William Hopkins & his Son ×	00 - 18 - 06
	Richard Waterman /	00 - 15 - 06
	Richard Phillips ×	00 - 13 - 06
mo	Joseph Williams & his Son James ×	00 × - 18 - 00
1 ^s	Joseph Williams jun ^r /	00 - 10 - 00
	George Keech & his Son /	00 - 12 - 00
	Timothy Carpinter & his Son ×	01 - × 02 - 00
	Thomas ffeild jun ^r ×	00 - 12 - 00
	Peleg Rhoads ×	01 - 03 - 00
	John Sheldon & his Son; Nehemiah	00 - 15 - 06
	Benjamin Carpinter × ×	01 - 01 - 06
	Stephen Arnold & his Mother	01 - 13 - 00

	Pardon Tillinghast	× ×	00 - 18 - 06
	Phillip Tillinghast	×	00 - 10 - 06
	Benjamin Tillinghast	×	00 - 10 - 00
	Joseph Tillinghast	×	00 - 08 - 08
	Daniel Williams & his Peleg & Roger	×	02 × 00 - 00
	Nicholas Power	× ×	00 - 16 - 06
	The Estate of John Lapem		00 - 04 - 00
	Gidian Crawffurd	×	01 - 04 - 00
3 ^d	Thomas ffeild & his Son William	×	00 - 19 - 06
o	Nathaniel Waterman and his Son	} ×	01 - 14 - 06
	Richard		
	James Angel & his Son James	×	01 - 08 - 06
	William Pray	×	00 - 07 - 00
	Samuel Right	×	00 - 07 - 00
	The Estate of Richard Scott	×	00 × 14 - 06
	John Whipple & y ^e Estate of Deliu-	} ×	00 - 11 - 06
	erance Arnold; & Dortihy Rhoads		
	Joseph Whipple	× ×	01 14 06
1 ^s - 10 ^d	John Smith millor	× ×	00 - 14 06
mr	Thomas Olney	× ×	00 - 15 - 06
	John Olney	× ×	00 - 06 - 06
	James Dexter	× ×	00 - 09 - 06
	James Olney	×	00 × 15 - 06
	James Browne	×	00 × 18 - 06
	William Turpin	× ×	00 - 06 - 04
11 ^d	John Arnold	× ×	00 - 06 - 04
	William Harris	×	00 × 14 - 00
	Joseph Smith Joy ^r	× ×	00 - 08 - 00
	Samuel Whipple	× × ×	00 - 13 - 06
	Henry Addoms	/	00 - 05 - 06

maor John Dexter	×	01 × 15 - 06
Archibauld Walker	×	00 - 08 - 00
Moses Bartolit	×	00 - 10 - 00
Samuel Aldrig & y ^e Estate of Abra- ham Harding	} ×	00 - 16 - 06
Henry Estin		
Thomas Estin	×	00 - 08 - 06
7 ^s 9 ^d Samuel Winsor & Joshua		01 × 15 06

(Verso)

The 1000^{lb} Tax liued on y^e Colony the 28th of August 1705

It is to be understood y^t they y^t payed halfe there Rate haue but one dash a Cross the stroak y^t Leads from there names to y^e sum & they that haue paid all haue two dashes with y^e pen which makes a Crass

Receued of Samuel Winsor upon y ^e account of y ^e Last payment	00 ^{lb} - 10 ^s - 0 ^d
Receued of Joshua Winsor	00 - 04 - 0
There Remains behind	00 - 03 - 9

[0632] At a Towne meeteing 27th of Januarey 1672. M^r Arthur ffenner Moderator;

Voated, That the Bill Presented to the Towne by Edward Smith shall be put upon the Records of this Towne; and that Each Mans land according to the desire made manifest in that Bill, be Recorded in the Towne booke as their Lawfull Right & Inheritance to them & their Heirs forever.

Providence this 27th of the 11th Month 1672. /

A Reasonable seasonable & Ready Way of inCouragement | to Planters | in their labours in that our Plantation of Providence, Presented to the Towne Met. /

Neighbours, Whereas there hath been, & yet is vncomfortable difference in this Towne about a New devision of lands, which you all sufficiently know; And in the time of this difference both sides have laid out 50 acres to divers Men, and some of those lands are knowne to be Relaid, & more feared, which proveth a great discouragement to Labourous men; for the inCouragement therefore to the industerouse, doe you my Neighbours Resolve detirmine these two things; ffirst, That all those severall shares of lands laid out in the New devision to Planters by both sides shall stand; which shares Consisting of ffifty acres, less or more, not Exceeding sixty; And that Planter on both sides to whome the said 50 acres was first laid out, that land shall be his Proper Right whether the said Relaying by Either side was willfully or ignorantly or vnder what Pretence soever done, any former act or Acts, thing or things, Record or Records made to the Contrarey Notwithstanding.

Secondly, That provision be Made for Recording the said 50 acres shares in the Towns booke to those Men to whome they were first laid out; so may much of the fforrest be suddainly subdued by the labourious & become a ffruitfull ffield; which is the desire of your Neighbour;

Edward Smith. /

Extracted out of Providence Records as there it stands Recorded in the booke called the booke with brass classps, in Page 119. /

Coppied Januarey y^e 4th: 170⁵/₆ 7th me Tho: Olney Towne Clerk. /

(Vcrso)

ffor Daniell Abbott

[0633] Whereas we Arthur ffen^r William Wickenden, & Tho: Hopkins were Chosen and appoynted by y^e Towne of providence to meet with three men of Pautuxett to runn y^e Line betwixt this Towne & y^e men of Pautuxet, according to y^e agreement in y^e Combination: This is therefore o^r Report, That we have mett with William Arnold, William Harris & Zachariah Rhoades one day, and have Runn y^e Line from y^e fresh spring at y^e head of Saxifrage Cove to y^e markt tree neer mashapage feild, which Line may be knowne by y^e Range Trees.

The next time we mett with William Arnold, William Carpent^r, and Zachariah Rhoades, And we Ran from y^e sd mark't Tree northward to a centre betwixt y^e two Rivers vpon an Equall distanc neer vnto a great Rock; & from thence westerly vpon a straight Line, neare vnto pauchassett River. /

Pautuxett this 29th of this 11th month 68. /

Arthur ffenner

William Wickenden

Tho: Hopkins his mark X

Willia Arnold

William Carpent^r.

This is a true Coppie of a writing w^{ch} is in y^e office, Copied this first of Aprill 1679: ☞ Daniel Abbot Clerk of y^e Towne.

And this | is | a Copa of y^e abovesd Coppie, as saith Daniel Abbot this p'sent day feb: 14th. 170⁵/₈:

[0634] To the Towne meet

Gen^l: I suppose you may Remember that on our Quarter Day in January Last I presented a bill to the Towne wherein

I requested a liberty to Exchange a piece of Land, the which I Judged would (be (if obtained) greatly benifiscial to me, in Regard it would saue me the makeing of a great deale of fence. the Towne Redily granted my bill, the which I took very kindly. But I am informed that vpon the next Towne meeting day there was an other bill put in for the same Piece of Land to Remaine as stated Common, or as a stated high-way the which Bill was Likewise granted. Now Gen^l: the man that wrot the bill Last mentioned was presant when I presented my bill and made No objection against it, he was also knowing that I had a Dependance upon it, and that it would be greatly preageditial to me to be hindred of it. In the time when the farme which is Now mine was in my father inlaw Whipple his hands the same man was then about to take up this small bitt of Land but when My father Whipple had Discoursed with him and inform^{ed} him what a damage it would be to the farme he was so kinde as to forgoe it, and I hope he will also be as kinde Now.

I haue No design to hinder the Landing of Boards in that place It is only for the Securing of my meddow and planting Land which Lieth in the vally, which occasions me to Endeavour the ataining of that small bitt of Land, which I cannot do Else where without making abundance of fence New Ever year: Therefore my Humble Request is that you would please to take y^e Premisses in to your Consideration and yeld me Releife so fer as may be Cosistant with Reason — Which will Oblige me to serue you in what I may whilst that I am

Silvanus Scott

Aprill: 27th 1706

(Verso)

Silvanus Scotts Bill Referred

[0635] To W^m Coddington Sheriff of her Maj^{ty}s Collony of Rhoad Jsland & Prouidence plantations Or to her Deputy Greeting

Whereas we are Informed from Seuerall parts; of the Threatning & Eminent danger this Collony is in as wel as the rest of her Maj^{ties}. prouince, on this Continent of being assaulted & Jnuaded by the Common Enemy w^h. is hourly Expected; and if Great Charge the Collony Is at Like to be at in maintaining forces at Block Jsland, and y^e Great Expence in Maintaining the French prisoners as wel as the Pressing Necessaty there is for the Collony to make Prouition for y^e Defence and Saifety of the same, y^e Consideration of w^h. doth Require y^e Spedy Calling a Gen^l. assembly that such methods may be Taken as Necessaty doth Call for

These are therefor by and with y^e aduice of y^e Gen^l Councel in her Maj^{ty}s. name ann Queen of England &c; To Require you to giue Notice To y^e assistants Justices and Wardens & Conseruat^{rs} of y^e Respective Towns in this Collony That they Cause the freemen of these Towns To meet Togeathere and make Choice of Such and Soe many wel Quallified men for Deputys as the Law doth Require to sit in Gen^l assembly at y^e Collony house in Newport the first weddensday In July Next then and there to Leuy and Raise such sum Or sums of money as there wil be accaction for; for the Eues aboues^d you are also to giue Notice To the Deputy Genera^l assistants and Gen^l Record^r y^t they giue there attendence at y^e Time and place afores^d To sit in Gen^l Assembly as is promisd Newport
12 June 1706

Sam^l Cranston Gour^r

Coppy ̄ W^m: Coddington Sherriff

(Verso)

For her Maj^{ty}s Service To y^e assis^{ts} & Justices Prouidence

[0636] To James Dexter towne Sarjeant grreiteing | &c^t |
 you are her by in her majestys name anne quenne ouer
 | England | Required to giue notice to all the freemen of this
 towne to mette togeathar on tusday next it being y^e 25th of this
 instant At the hows of m^r william terpines about teen of y^e
 Clock then & | ther | to make Ch|a|ose of fore weell quallified
 deputys to set in generall Asembly the first wensday in July
 next at the Collony howse in n|e|wport to Raise mony to by
 Amonition & Arms to defend the Collony Against th Common
 Enemy her of faile not giuen vnder my hand & seale this 19th
 of June 1706

[L. S.]

Joseph williams Asistant

[0637] To the town of providence meet this twenty Seu-
 enth Day of July 1706 it being the towns quarters Day

friends I humbely petetion and Desier that you would be
 pleased to grant me free Liberty to be an inhabeten in your
 town to by Land if I See Cause or hier and to make youse of
 which if you Do So Do you will much Ablige me And I hope
 not Disablige your Seules

And So I Rest in hopes you will take your humbell pete-
 teionrs petetion in Consideration And grante me my Request
 which if you So Do you will Ablige

Your friend and Seruent

William Parsheon

[0638] [L. S.] To James Dexter Town sarjant Greeting
 These Are in her Majesties name Anne ouer England Queen
 &c To will and Requier | you | To Giue timeLy notice to the

ffree men of this Town of prouidence that saterday the 27th day of this instant july is the Towne Quarter day and that they meet by teen of the Clock in the morning on said day Att the hous of M^r William Turpin to Act such things As may bee for the prudential Afares of the Town and you Are Allso to Giue Notice to the propriitors of the thach beds that they meet together Att the time and place Aboue said to reseue an Account of the deuition of the said beads here of fail not Giuen vnder my hand and sele this 15th day of july in this year 1706.
William Hopkins Asistant

[0639] The return of y^e Thach beed in y^e Loer beles coue Which contains fore shers and belongeth To These Origenol rights as foloeth The right of Henare BroWne and y^e right of John Fenor and y^e right of Danel Abut and half Thomas Hopkinses right and half William Arnold[s] right bearing det July y^e 27th 1706

(Verso)

The Rights of Thatch Bedd in y^e lower Bailys Cove. /

[0640] To the Towne mett the. 27. July 1706

Gen^l: we Whose names are here unto Subscribed being by the Town Chosen and apointed to take Survey of all the Common thach beds belonging to the Town of Providence, And to make Such Equill Diuision there of that Each proprietor may know his Certain proportion there in; And in order there unto we haue according to the best of our Judgements both taken a Survey and Made Division of the same (as will more at Large appear by o^r Return) But we finding such Disproportion in the Qualaty of the beds, that an Equil Quantaty would in no Respect Make an Equill diuision; were there fore forced to act

More by our Judgments than by Rule, and so we cannot be Certain that the Divisions are Just. And there fore our opinions are that it may be Convenient for the town to Continue us Impowred in the busines untill such tim as there may be some trial had of our worke. or Else to appoint some other Persons in our steed to Make such alteration as may be thought Needfull for the more Effectual Accomplishmet of an Equallaty in the Diuision.

And Gen^l: we must yet begg leue further to inform you y^t we are also of opinion that there is one thing more which will be very Esencial to the Copleating of a full Equallaty in this afaire. And that is that the towne at this meeting do take Care that we may be paid for our trouble and labour in the aboue sd business Which will oblige us who are your friends and Neighbours.

William Hopkins

Joseph Jenckes jun^r

Thomas Olney jun^{er}

James Browne

James Olney

(*Verso*)

A Returne about the Thatch Bedds

[0641] To the Towne Quarter Meeting met This 27: of January 170³

fr|e|ndes & Neighbors praye be so kind as to Grant me Leauē to Take vp A Litell stripe of Land Lying be low the Towne street A Gainst my one Lootes Jentell men I hope you would be so kinde as to Grant me my Request|t| seing sūme Others in this Towne haue Bin: A Comodated in the same kind in so Doing you would Very Much. obleag your frind to serue you

Nicholas Power

(Verso)

Nicholas Powers Bill. /

[0642] To the Towne met, January: 27.th 170^o It being a quarter meeting day

Gen^l: men, we the Subscribers hereunto being a committee Chosen & Appoynted by the Purchasers and proprietor of this Towne of Providence for the Runing of the Lines and settling of | the | Boundarys of our plantation Do find that there are many Endeououring to bring our Purchasse to the Narrow Confinement of a very Small tract, Cliping us short of what Js our Just Right on seuerall parts of ou Towne shippe some by pretended Purchasses, others petending to Court grants of other Colonys, haue made Inroad upon us and haue Layd out several farmes, some Miles within our Towneshippe, which Proues a great Discouagement as well as hindrance unto many of our proprietors in Laying []t their Lots (which otherwise to their great Advantage they Could haue don) in such parts of our Towneshippe, But most principally in that part wher Mendon coms in upon us. we were in some hopes there would haue been an End of that Differance betwixt mendon and our Towne, and that with Little Charge; when we heard that y^e Gen^l: Assembly of y^e Prouince had past an Act for the settling of the bounds between the two Colonys, and that they sent to the Government of our Colony to Choose men to Joyne wth a committee of theirs alredy Chosen for the runing of the Diuiding Line &c: But since we are informed that the aforesaid Act of the Province is only for the Renewing of a Line formerly Run, but by what order who Can tell — We conceiue that if the matter be so, as it is Reported, it will be

Necessary for our Towne (they being Principaly Concerned in the property of those Lands Bordering upon the Masachusets) to Look well to their business and see that the Colony do not to fer Comply with the Province Act in Renewing that so unjust and Irregular Line

Gen^l: men we further offer to your Consideration whither or Noe it may Not be Expedient, Considering how Matters are Circumstanced between Mendon and our towne, forthwith to finJsh the runing of our Boundary Lines, And to order the Surveyors to Lay out three or foure Lots of Equell Quantaty with those without the seuen Mile Line; within that part of our Purchase which Mendon Claimes, and to giue them unto such of the Jnhabittants of our towne as will Defend the Title thereof at their owne Charge. Which Js all that offers at present from your friends and Neighbours

Joseph williams Asistant:

Samuel Wilkinson

Gedion Crauffurd

Thomas Fenner

Joseph Jenckes juni^r

(*Verso*)

Referred to y^e Purchassers,

[0643] To James Dexter Sarjent of the town of prouidence Greeeteing

you are here by Required in her maj^{ties}: name anne Queene ouer England &^c. Required to giue notise to all the free men of this town of Prouidence that thay meete together the Eleuenth Day of this instant feberuary 170⁹ att the house of mr. william torpins att teen of the Clock in the fore noone in order

to Chose foure well Quolified men for Debities to Set at the Coleny house in Newport the twenty fifth Day of this instant abouesaid here of fail you not giuin under my hand and Seall this third Day of february 170⁶/₇

[] Joseph Williams Asistan|t

[0644] To the Gentlemen the Properiators of Prouidence Conuenied at the house of M^r William Turpin at Prouidence in the Colony of Road Jsland and Prouidence Plantations the 22^d: of February 170⁶/₇

Gentlemen we whose names are herunto subscribed Being A Comittee of the Properiators of Westquodniuk being Informed that some of you haue begun to Lay out Land on the southern side of the Northern Branch of Pautuxit Riuer that Cometh out of Punhanganset Pond and lying on the northern side of warwick north Bounds w^{ch}: land is the Propriaty of us the subscribers and the Rest of Our Partners we do therfore in our Own behalfs and also in the behalf of the Rest of our Pertners forewarn and forbid you or any of you to make any Improuement of sd land as hauing no Right therunto as witness our hands this 21st: of February 170⁶/₇

Sam^l Cranston
Wes^t Clarke
Rob^t: Gardiner
John Rhodes
Simon Smith

(*Verso*)

To the Gentlemen the Properiators of Prouidence Conuenied at the house of M^r: William Turpin at sd Prouidence the 22^d: of February 170⁶/₇

[0645] Whereas there is a percell of land lieing & being within the Township of Providence & adjoyneing to the north-earterne part of that Tract of land which the Towne of Providence made over unto Edward Inman and his Associates, And lieth betweene Pautuckett River & a Percell of land which is a part of the aforesd Tract of land by sd Towne Made over unto sd Edward Inman & his Associates, & was laid out upon the Hill Called Wansokutt Hill; And whereas the said Percell of land so lieing betweene sd Pautuckett river & sd Edward Inman & his Associates their land hath not yet been disposed of by the Purchassers & Proprietors of sd Providence to any Person; And Captⁿ: Richard Arnold & | Ensigne | Samuell Comestock both of sd Providence haveing some yeares made some improvement of said land by building & settling thereon, with other Manufactions on said land; And haveing Made requ[est] unto the Purchasers & Proprietors of sd Towne of Providence for a Grant of the sd Percell of land unto them the said Richard Arnold & | sd | Samuell Comestock; The Purchasers & Proprietors of the lands & Plantation of the sd Towne of Providence haveing taken the matter into their Consideration, & haveing well Weighed the Circumstances, considering the said Richard Arnold & the sd Samuell Comestock haveing made a settlement there, by placeing severall families on sd land, the w^{ch} to Remove off from sd land would be to them very detremental & greatly to their Damage; And the sd Richard Arnold & sd Samuell Comestock & those others by them there settled being now in their way by Propegating of a Saw Mill & other improvements | of their time | which they may Exercise themselves in, which may be for their owne advantage, & also the benefitt of said Towne, whereupon the Purchassers & Proprietors of sd Providence Doe now

Grant unto the said Richard Arnold & Samuell Comestock that said Percell of land so lying as aforesaid betweene sd Pautucket River & sd land of Edward Jnman & Associates, to be unto the said Richard Arnold & Samuell Comestock, their Heirs & Assignes for Ever, Alwayes Provided, that the sd Richard Arnold & Samuell Comestock, their Heirs & Assignes doe Claime & hold sd land at all times by a Title from the Purchasers & Proprietors of sd Providence, And if that at any time any intrusion shall be made by any Persons upon sd land; Then that the sd Richard Arnold & Samuell Comestock their Heirs & Assignes to defend the Title thereof at their owne Proper Cost & Charge. / The which sd Percell of land so Granted, is bounded on the Easterne & Northeasterne Parts with sd Pautucket River, on the Westerne Part with sd Jnmans | aforesd | land on Wansokutt hill, & on the southerne & southwesterne parts, Partly with sd Jnman & Associates land & Partly with land which sd Richard Arnold | formerly | tooke up upon a Right in sd Providence; & on the Northerne Part bounding with that River which Runneth by the North part or End of said Wansokutt Hill & so falleth into Pautucket River. /

This above written is by the Purchassers & Proprietors of Providence Granted at their meeting Aprill the 14th: 1707. /

This above written is Recorded in Providence Records in the | booke | for Entry of Deeds or land Evidences Number two, & in Page 74.

Recorded Aprill tho 25th; 1707: ꝑ Tho: Olney; Clerk. /

(Verso)

Captⁿ: Arnold & Ensiⁿ: Comestocks Grant of land at Wansokutt; / Recorded,

[0646] Whereas Co^{ll}: Dudly Gov^r of the Masathusett Bay in New England hath signified to this Collony Now Assembled that their Gen^l: Assembly at Boston sitting 6th of November 1706, upon the Complaynt of some of Mendom against some of Providence, that upon Pretence of Title of lands lieing Within their Province, & perticularly those that are signed to y^e Towne of Mendom, & have desired him to appoynt that Certaine Comissioners may be sent to renew the Antient line of their Province settled sixty foure yeares since by sworne & approved surveiors, And accordingly Nath^l, Byfield & Nath^l: Paine Esq^{rs}: M^r Nath^l Blagrove Maj^r: Sam^l Tharcher & Cap^t: John Wares or any three of them are appoynted & impowred in answer to sd act of Gen^l Assembly in Boston beareing date as aforesd.

Be it Enacted by this Assembly & y^e Authority hereof, & it is hereby Enacted that Comissioners shall be Chosen out of our Government, to take an inspection into what said Comissioners shall doe on y^t survey, And if sd Comissioners take their departure Right, then to Runn with them, that so a peace may be Continued betweene them & us; But if other Wise to forwarne & forbid them, & Cause them to desist; And in speciall if they shall run their line across the River that is Called Pautucket or Blackstons River & so to Enter on y^e lands of Providence Townshipp which they hold of or from this Collony; And also to Runn our North line betweene them & us from Pautuckett ffalls to mete with the south line of the Masathusett; Wee therefore appoynt & Authorise M^r Thomas Olney Cap^t: Joseph Jenckes Cap^t Rich^d: Arnold, M^r Jonathan Sprague, Major Randall Holding & Cap^t: James Carder, or the Major part of them. /

Copp^{ed}: Aprill y^e 28th: 1707; ⁷ Tho: Olney Towne Clerk. /

[0647] To M^r Joseph Williams Assistant & Cap^t: Thomas ffenner justice of y^e peace in Providence in y^e Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations,

Whereas information & Complaint hath been given & Made unto us by M^r Rich^d, Greene Assistant & Captⁿ Simon Smith Attorney Gennerall & justice of y^e Peace, that they with some others, by order of y^e Proprietors of Westquad Nauge persuant to an Act of y^e Gennerall Assembly of this Collony (Granting a Townshipp of sd Propriety) was Orderly & Peaceably Endeavouring to make an Exact survey of sd Proprietye & Purchass | so | as not to intrench upon any other Townshipp or Purchass before Granted by Act of Assembly. but was by you under Pretence of aforce Apprehended as delinquents and Comitted Prisoners into your Towne serjants Custody &c.

Gentlemen, Wee thinke it very Eregular in you to Proceed in that Nature under Colour of Authoritye against two of y^e Gennerall officers of said Collony, for had they in their survey intrenched upon your Purchase or Townshipp, you ought to have laid y^e same before y^e Gennerall Assembly from whome they had their Power, that̄ they Might have Rectified what Might have appeared amiss, or have taken a legall Course of law, if they had Trespassed against you, or upon you.

The Premisses Considered, & upon y^e Request of said Greene & Smith, wee Can doe No less than Cite you & doe hereby order you to appeare before y^e next Gennerall Assembly at y^e Election to Answer said Complaint, & to shew Reasons, if any you have, for your vnwarrantable Procedure (as it doth appeare unto us) & that in y^e meanetime you acquitt & discharge the sd Greene & Smith & others from their Confinement & other Obligations. /

Given under our hands & seales in Newport this 1st of May
1707. /

[L. S.]

Samu^l Cranston Go^r:

[L. S.]

Walter Clarke d^pt Gou^r:

(*Verso*)

A Coppye of y^e Gou^{rn}: & Deputy their summons. /

[0648] Whereas there is an Expectation that by some Persons there will be some intrusion made upon the lands of our Towne of Providence in the Northerne Part of our Plantation, therefore in Order for a Preventing of the same the Purchassers & Proprietors of the lands of sd Towne of Providence Doe Grant unto Major William Hopkins, Captⁿ: Richard Arnold, M^r Jonathan Sprague, M^r Joseph Whipple, & Ensigne Samuell Comestock to have one Thousand acres of land laid out unto them in the Northerne Part of our Towneshipp, all of them to be Equall sharers in the same, & the same to hold by vertue of a Title from the Purchassers & Proprietors of said Providence, And to vindicate said Title at their owne Proper Cost & Charge against all intruders whatsoever, & the same to defend by all lawfull Wayes & Meanes; Endeavouring to the best of their vnderstandings, so farr forth as they Can, or May, to Prevent any intrenchment upon, or inroade to be by any Person or Persons whatsoever intrudeing made into any Place of the Northerne part of sd Providence Plantatio[n] And that the sd Thousand acres of land shall be laid out Northward from that River which Runneth downe by the Northerne End of Wansokutt Hill And no Nearer southward towards the salt Water Harbour in sd Providence Towne than the Place where sd Samuell Comestock once on the Northerne side of sd River fenced in a yard, or to say inclosed a small Piece of

ground, And from sd spott of Ground or yard a line to be drawne to lead away West, & sd Thousand Acres of land all to be laid out North from said line; And that of the sd thousand Acres of land, there shall Not be less than Two hundred acres laid out in one Percell; And that Captⁿ: Thomas ffenner and Captⁿ: Samuell Wilkinson (Surveiors) are by y^e Purchassors & Proprietors of sd Providence appoynted & ordred to lay out said land unto sd Persons; And that the said Persons shall stand to the Matter & opose all intruders who shall attempt to breake in upon the northerne part of sd Plantation of sd Providence in any place thereof, & by all wayes & meanes lawfull to Maintaine & defend the Title thereof for & to the vse of the Purchassers & Proprietors of sd Providence, & the matter to persue to Effect so farr forth as they Can or may; But if they shall moete with such discouragements, & obstructions whereby they shall see Cause to decline the matter & desist from further prossecuton therein, then all the aforesd land so granted shall returne againe & be unto the unto the Purchassers & Proprietors of sd Providence as it was before sd Grant was made; But if they shall Persue the matter & Prossecute | the same | to | a | full Period as Premised; Then all the sd Thousand Acres of land shall be unto the said five persons to them their Heirs & Assignes for Ever.

At a Towne Meeteing may y^e 19th 1707 the above written Instrumēt is by the Purchassers & Proprietors of Providence Granted, and is by the abovesd five Grantees accepted Before us

Joseph williams Assistant

Thomas Fenne^r Assistnt

(Verso)

The Northern Grant to y^e 5 Persons. /

[0649] To y^e proprietors mett this 4th day of y^e 6th mo:
1707:

Gentlemen,

Whereas this old Divideing Line of Contention, w^{ch} hath been heild in hand aboute 66 yeares in suspension; [thereby accruing dammages & Charges | to | many, already:] The w^{ch} by y^e acc^t of some, is Like to be suspended so much Longer time, before it be finned: The one reason for it is; y^t Though it is readily granted y^t y^e Centre of y^e 7 mile is, & must be yeilded to be pitch't, or sett, due west from foxes hill; And so Consequentially from thence to be runn due north vnto wanasquatuckett River, for y^e divideing Line to be made. But yet y^e Query is, from y^e sd Centre of 7 mile from foxes hill; vpon w^t poynt of y^e Compass must they steer to, to Come to | the | southermost extent of o^r plantation; whether it be meant south-east & by south as some pretends; or south-west & by south, as others doe say; or due south from y^e sd Centre of 7 mile. since it is apparent y^t a due south Line (from y^e sd Centre of 7 mile) will not come within a mile | so high | as punhuggansett Brook. And whether then y^e measureing due south from y^e sd Centre to y^e first Brook they Come to, w^{ch} will be y^e Branch y^t comes out of Mushasacutt pond (though made bigger (there,) by other Brooks & sinks y^t comes into it,) must be deemed to be y^e souther-most Extent of o^r plantation; thereby Answering y^e Ancient Agreement made with pautuxett men in y^e Combination.

Since y^e Conclusion of all sides is, That neither y^e form^t, nor y^e Co-laterall Committees, did ever take vpon them (in any of there Transactions) to make voyd y^t Ancient standing Agreem^t, The w^{ch} hath been accounted, to be of force & virtue among vs, aboute 66 yeares.

And since it hath been useall with vs (as from y^e beginning wth vs,) to have five men to be o^r Trustees for y^e ordering such Affaries: And also since, y^e Late Committee have (in soe Long a time) Effectted nothing (yet,) in y^e Trust reposed in y^t Affaire: It is thought fitt y^t two men more be added vnto those 3 all-ready Chosen, to goe thorow wth y^e buissnes in hand (y^t hath been so Long a time suspended) & see it accomplished, according to y^t (Ancient) Agreement made with pautuxett men, in y^e | sd | Combination.

And furthermore we humbly conceive, That since there is no mention made by y^e Committee in their Agreem^t wth pautuxett men vpon w^t poynt of y^e Compass they was to steer, in running y^e Line (at y^e head of y^e 7 mile (& no further) to the Extent of o^r plantation southerly; It yet remains in y^e power of y^e proprietors to decide, by a Casting vote, how it should be determined, & where to runn y^e head Line.

Remembering w^t y^e Constitution, & Resignation of m^r williams | his | purchase was, | (to witt) | That y^e major part of those y^t should be Admitted into y^e fellowshippe of voateing, | &c: had pow^r to ord^r & | dispose | y^e same.

And also not forgetting, That so farr as y^e pautuxett men doth Claime a p^{ar}ticular proprietie (to them selves) to be divided from y^e Gen^l Common of y^e Towne; so farr y^e pautuxett River was, & is to be deemed, y^e Souther-most Extent of o^r plantation to divide wth y^m. According to y^e first Article in y^e Combination . w^{ch} saith, And so to divide beyond y^e Towne of Mashapauge between y^e two Rivers pautuxett and wanasqauttucket of an Even distance.

Joseph williams
 Thomas Fenner
 William Randall
 Joseph Whipple

[0650] To y^e proprietors mett this 4 day of y^e 6th mo: 1707: Gentlemen.

Whereas this Long suspendant Line of pautuxett, (w^{ch} was form^{ly} begun to be run, & sett 7 mile,) yet still remains vnfinished vnto this day; And in y^e vacancy of w^{ch} time of suspendancy, Landes have been Layd out vnto divers persons Concerned: though (doubtles) Aymeing to have such regard, as not to entrench (any wayes) besides y^e due extent of 7 mile from foxes hill: Agreeing to form^r order Concerning it. But yet since y^e suspendancy hath been soe Long Continued, before finishing y^e same, through great neglect Concerning it so Long a time: And y^t Least therevpon, any variation should happen to be (to y^e damage of any Concerned) in y^e further progress to be made in y^e Buissness, (w^{ch} is sd to be, near at hand) now approaching

It is thought ffit, (therefore) for y^e Avoydng of further (future,) Contention; y^t it may be determined (before further progress be made in y^e finishing work now in hand :) y^t w^t Landes have been Layd out (form^{ly}) to any, on y^e East side of y^e 7 mile, shall stand good to them & theirs for Ever — notwithstanding.

And y^t y^e Line intimated, is vnderstood to be, a due north & south Line, to be run, at y^e head of full 7 mile sett from foxes hill.

The want of w^{ch} p^rformance Long agoe; some | persons | hath been (accounted) to be in jeopardy of Looseing their Landes, though Quietly possessed, aboute 10, 20, 30, 40, or 50 yeares wth | out | any Lawfull molestation.

[0651] To M^r Nicholas Lange Sheriff of her maj^{ties} Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations, his Lawfull Deputy or Deputyes. /

You are hereby in her Maj^{ty} Name Ann, Queene of England &c: Required to summons Joseph Williams of the Towne of Providence in y^e Collony abovesaid, Esq^r; to make his lawfull appearance at y^e next Gen^l Court of Trialls to be holden for this Collony at Newport the first Tuesday in September next Ensueing y^e date hereof, to answere y^e Complaynt of Richard Greene Esq^r & Captⁿ Simon Smith, yeoman, both of y^e Towne of Warwick, in y^e Collony abovesd, Trustees for y^e Proprietors of Westquodniuk in sd Collony, in an Action of y^e Case for vnjust Molestation as will at large be set forth by declaration to be fild in Court; Damage two hundred Pounds Current Money of New England; hereof faile not, & make a true Returne of this summons; Given vnd^r my hand at Newport y^e tenth day of June in y^e sixth yeare of her Maj^{ty} Reigne Annoq^e Domj 1707. /

Wes Clarke Reed^t.

I doe hereby Constitute James Dexter Towne serjant of Providence to serve this summons & make Returne according to law; June 14th 1707

Nicho^s Lange Sheriff

A true Coppye, 7^t Attest by me James Dexter Deputy Shrieff

(*Verso*)

A Coppye of a Summons.

[0652] providence July 28th 1707 to the pyrchisers and propriatores of the landes in thiee towne shipe. Whare as there is vacant landes in the northerne partes of this towne shipe vnlayd ovit, my desire is that yov would be pleased to give me leave to Take vpe of the same two hvndread acres to imeprove for my vce and in so doing I remaine yovres to sarve

Eliezer Arnold

[0653] [L. S.] where as there is great ocation for the purchasors and propriators of prouidence to met together to Concoider of some orderly way for the Raiseing of Such Summ or Summs of money as shall be thought sofitiant to Defray the Charg that hath allready bin and such further Charg as is now uery likely to be Incresed upon us: as allso for the more Speedy Setting forward of that line allready agreed upon by the purchasors of said prouidence and same: men of pautuxett in partting of their land

These are therefore In Her Majesties Name Anne Queen ouer England &c to Requier you James Dexter Town Serjant forthwith on Sight hereof to warn all the purchasors and propriators of Said prouidence to met to geather at the now Dwelling House of william Turpaines in prouidence on the first munday in Agust next Cuming after the Date Hereof which will bee on the 4th day of the munth then and there to order about the aboue Resighted busenis

Giuen under our hands and Seales this 28th day of July —
1707

Joseph Williams Assistant
Thomas Fenner Assistant

[0654] To James Dexter towne Serjeant grreteing / you are her by in her majestys name Anne queene ouer England &c^t Required to giue all the free men of this towne notice to mete to gethar on the 27th of this justant August at the howse of m^r william terpeins about teen a clock in the fore noone to Chose two pety jury men & one grand jury man to set in the genarall Court of tryials the first tusday in September next At the Collony howse in Newport her of fail you not /

Giuen vnder my hand & seale the 7th of August 1707)
 Joseph williams
 Asistant

[0655] At a quarter Court Aprill y^e 27th 1660. /

Ordred that six men shall be chosen to goe nex second day come seven Nights & set the bounds of our Plantation Twenty Miles from ffoxes hill Westward up in the Countrey. /

Thomas Walling, Henry Browne, William Harris, William Wickedon, John ffenner, & Thomas Roberts are the men Chosen to set the boundes of the Plantation as aforesaid. & shall be paid out of y^e Common Charge foure shillings a piece ̄ day for every day they are out; And that they shall hire one Indian for a guide on y^e Townes Charge. /

Coppied out of Providence Records, August y^e 28th: 1707,
 ̄ Tho: Olney Towne Clerk. /

(*Verso*)

An order to set y^e bounds of y^e plantation 20 Miles

[0656] To James Dexter towne sarjvant / | greteing | you are her by in her majestys name Anne quene of grate Britan Required to giue; notice to all the free men of this towne of providence to mete together on munday next ate the hows of M^r william terpines about teen a Clock it being the towns quarter day the 20th: 7 of this jstant to act & doe such things as may be: for this towns benifit her of faile you not giuen vnder my hand & seale this 2i day of october 1707

[L. S.]

Joseph Williams Asistant

[0657] To the worshipfull Moderater and the Rest of y^e proprietors of the Town of Prouidence Conuenied at M^r William Turpins this 7th of Nouemb^r: 1707

Worthy Gentlemen we humbly Concieue that you are sensible of the long and troublesom Controuersy that hath bin betwixt your Propriety and Pautuxit mens in settling the Lines betwixt them the want of which hath already Cost both Partys an Intolarabl Cost and aduantage to those that wish the wellfare of Nither And for as much as we who are the Comitte for the Proprietors of Pautuxit whose hands are hereunto subscribed are sensible of the good InClination amongst both Partys of their Willingness to agree for stating and settling sd: lines there being Diuers Proposition Pro Et Contra to the same Effect the w^{ch} we Cannot Perform nor boldly | utter | our minds in untill we know who are the men you haue Impowered and if you haue not Empowered Any as yet we Pray that you would now appoynt them and we shall be Ready to Treat and Do not Doubt but you shall find that we shall be Reasonable upon all accounts and we Assure you that we are the Comitte appoynted by Pautuxit men and haue full Power so we subscrib your saruants to Command

Beniamin Carpenter
Peleg Rhoades

[0658] Know all men by these Presents that I Josiah Owen Jun^r of Prouidence in the Colony of Rhoad island & Prouidence plantations, am holden & firmly do stand bound vnto the Majestrat^s of said towne in the full sum of twenty pounds of Good and Lawfull siluor money of New England to be paid vnto the said Majestrat^s their sucessors or Certaine Attorney for the vse of the towne of Prouidence aforesaid To the which Payment well & truly to be made & don I bind ouer & Lay to morgage a Certaine percell of Land Lyeing on the

west side of the seauen mile Line Containeing seauentye five
acress & also halfe a share of meadow of the first deuision the
which Lands & meadow I had of my father in Law Thomas
Etance Jn witness where of I do heere vnto set my hand &
seale this first day of December in the yeare one thousand
seauen hundred & seauen

The Condition of this Obligation is shuch that if the aboue
bound Josiah Owen his Executors or Administrators shall pay
& Cleare all Charges that shall or may arise so as to keepe the
towne of Prouidence aforesaid in dammified from all Charges
or trouble as shall or may accrew by Reason of one Marcy
Eastance daughter of Thomas Eastance aforesaid or the Childe
that shee now goes with vntill the said Childe be boarn &
Plast ou[] to sum place as the said majestrat shall aproue of
& for shuc[] time as they shall think fit then this Obligation
shall be void Elce the same to stand & Remaine in full forec.
Effect & vertue.

The marke of Josiah X Owen | jun^r | [L. S.]

Signed sealed & deliuored Jn the presence of vss

Daniell Williams

Nicholas Power

Know all men

(*Verso*)

Josiah Owen Jun^rs Bond

[0659] [L. S.] To James Dexter town Sarjent of prouidence
Greeteing

You Are here by in her majst name Anne Queene ouer
great britan | &c | Required to giue all the free men of this
town Notyce that thay meete together at the house of mr

william turpins on tuesday next the twenty Seuenth Day of this instant to meete at ten of the Clock in the forenoone it being the towns Quarters Day then and there to Do Such business as may be a benefitt for this town And for the making of A town Raite to Defray town Charges hereof fail you not

Giuen under my hand and Seall this twenty first Day of January 170 $\frac{7}{8}$

Joseph williams Asistant

[0660] To y^e Towne of Providence met Aprill y^e 27th 1708

Neighbours I have laid out a percell of land which I desire y^e Returne may be Recorded, but daniell Abbot seemes to make Clayme unto it, som say he hath no Right to it & I cannot git any through information from him one wayes nor another I Pray y^e Towne to inspect y^e matter & so order if it may be y^t it may be knowne whether y^e land be his or mine that so I may (if it be mine have it Recorded

Yo^r Neighbour Timothy Carpenter

[0661] To y^e Towne met Januarey y^e 27th 170 $\frac{7}{8}$

My request to y^e Towne is that they would grant me leave to Exchange about 12 - acres of land of y^t Tract on which my house stands, & to lay it downe on one side of my land, & take it upon the other side of sd land, adjoyneing to it;

Yo^r Neighbour

Tho: Angell.

(Verso)

This bill is Granted Provided a high way be left betweene y^e Changd land & y^e former land

[0662] To the purchasors of prouidence, met together this - 25 - of may - 1708 - upon A Jurnment under Concid-eration of a ffull Determination about the Laying out of the - 40 - foot lots our opinions is that The purchasors best way will be to Chouse a Committe to order the whole mater about the - 40 - foot lots and thereby the purchasors will be much Eased of truble and the busines much beter Elected

Tho ffenner
 Samuel wilkinson
 Joseph Jenckes Ju^r
 Silvanus Scott
 John Browne
 Phillip Tillinghast
 Thomas man

[0663] To the towne of providence Mett, June 21 1708

Gent^l men foras much as we whose Names are hereunto Subscribed are senceable that we made a great mistake in m^r Timothy Carpenters Rate haueing rated him & his Son 1 pound 9 shillings & 3 pence to the town rate and it should haue been but 1 pound & 7 pence And knowing that we made the town rate bigger than our Order was Our Request now is that y^e sd M^r Carpenter may haue the Sum of 8 shillings & 8 pence paid him again out of the towns mony

Ebenezer Jenckes.
 William Harris.

datted June 21, 1708

[0664] Whereas at a Meeteing of y^e Purchassers & Proprietors of this our Towne of Providence on y^e 18th of May 1708 some Proposition was made as Concerning a Treaty with

Sam^{ll} Cranston, weston Clark, Robert Gardiner, John Roades Richard Greene & Simon Smith | with | some others who make Claime to some lands lieing & being within our Townshipp of sd Providence; The Purchassers & Proprietors | considering the matter; | that in Case the aforesd Persons & their Associates were inclineable to such a thing & did propegate the Choyce of a Comittee to Treat & agree the Matter in difference, (if it so might be brought too) in order thereunto did Nominate & appoynt five persons for their Comittee (namely) Major Joseph Jenckes, Captⁿ Thomas ffenner, Major will^m Hopkins, Captⁿ Sam^{ll} Wilkinson & Tho: Olney sen^r: And whereas at the Towne meeteing of Election in sd Providence June y^e 21, 1708 held by Adjornem^t: there was some lines presented signed Simon Smith which gave an account that y^e abovesd Persons (to weet, Sam^{ll} Cranston, Weston Clark & C,) & their Associates, in order to y^e Premisses had made Choyce of their Comittee, & Nominated y^e Time & place for Meeteing; Wee the Purchassers & Proprietors of sd Providence who now being Present at y^e aforesd meeteing of Election, Doe now Rattifie & Confirme the aforesd Choyce of y^e aforementioned five Persons nominated & appoynted a Comittee for y^e Purchassers & Proprietors of sd Providence; hereby Investing & empowering of them the sd five Persons, or y^e major Part of them; Their aforesd oppositts, & their Comittee to Treat, Adjetate, discourse & the s^d Difference (if they shall see Cause) to Compromise, detirmin & agree; and therein, in all perticulars to act according as their understandings shall them direct; And what our sd Comittee, or y^e Major Part of them shall doe & Performe as to y^e Premisses shall be & stand good & Effectuall as the act of y^e Purchassers & Proprietors of Providence

Coppied July y^e 9th: 1708. ¶ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

*(Verso)*A Coppy for y^e Comittee to act for an Agreement,

[0665] Whereas it is in the Towne of Providence booke with a Parchment Cover, the bo[] of their Towne acts & orders which began in y^e yeare 1677, inserted in page y^e 68,¹ It is Granted unto John Whipple jun^r that he shall have forty foote square of land above high water marke, & the breadth of y^e sd land to y^e Channell against the Lott which y^e sd John Whipple liveth upon, not damnificing y^e Townes Highway; And whereas the Now John Whipple son & heir of y^e aforesd John Whipple maketh & layith a Claime to y^e sd forty foote square of lands & y^e same breadth of y^e said land to y^e Channill as in sd booke is inserted; (the which he Challengeth by vertue of what in sd booke is Exprest; Although y^e Towne surveior only laid out unto his ffather a Piece of land forty foote square; & there being Considerable land betweene it & y^e River Channell, the which for any perticular Person to aproprate would be greatly detrementall to the Towne, by Reason that it would there Obstruct all Passage over y^e River for herds of Cattell & for landing any thing transported by Water & C: The Towne Weighing all Circumstances Relateing to y^e Matter, both as to what they found in said booke written, as also to what the Consequence Would be, declined to accept the surveiors Returne as to y^e laying out so much as he did (to say) the Piece forty foote square, where upon a difference arose betweene the now John Whipple & y^e Towne; but after some adjetation of y^e matter, the sd John Whipple & y^e Towne came to this agreement, (viz) That the said John Whipple should for himselfe & his Heirs & Assignes for Ever wholly Release

& Quitt claime unto y^e Towne & to their successors all his Right, Jntrest, or Colour of Claime & Title that doth or might any Wayes to him belong by vertue of what is in sd booke Express as aforesd, in all the land lieing betweene y^e aforesd Piece of land forty foote square laid out by y^e Towne surveior, & the Channiell of y^e River; And that the sd John Whipple shall Retaine & have both to him, his Heirs & Assignes for Ever the sd piece of land forty foote square as aforesd laid out by y^e Towne surveior in y^e Place where it lieth; And in Consideration of y^e aforesd Release or Relinquishment the Towne doe Allow unto y^e sd John Whipple to be unto him, his Heirs & Assignes for Ever so much land More adjoyneing to y^e aforesd Piece of land already laid out as will make forty foote square of land, (if laid square;) & so to be laid out as not to damnifie any Passage or high Way; this agreement was fully, freely & Absolutely made done Concluded and Performed betweene both partyes as aforesd in open Towne Meeteing nemene Contradicent. /

The above Written Order & agreem^t: was Made at a quarter day meeting January y^e 27th: 170³/₄.

Coppied July y^e 15th: 1708: ☞ Tho: Olney, Clerk. /

[0666] John Whipple of Providence (jun^r) upon y^e 4th day of December Anno, 1663, was Lawfully Married unto Mary Olney of Providence, they being first Published according to Law, then Lawfully married Each to Other; by William ffield, Assis^t:

Coppied out of Providence Records August y^e 23th: 1708

☞ Tho: Olney, Clerk. /

John Whipple, son unto John Whipple jun^r;, & Mary his

wife, was borne at Providence upon the 2nd day of October, it being the 3th day of y^e weeke, & in y^e yeare 1666.

Coppied out of Providence Records August y^e 23rd: 1708

Thō: Olney Clerk. /

(*Verso*)

ffor Jo:ⁿ whipple,

[0667] Newport Sc.

To y^e hon^d Court of tryalls sitting Newport with in & for her majsts Collony of Rhoad Jsland & prouidence plan^{ts}: y^e first tusday in Sept^r 1708

The declaration & Complaint of John Whipple of prouidence in y^e Collony Aboue sd Eldest son & heire of John Whipple of sd prouidence in y^e Collony Aboue sd Deceased & Grandson & heire of John Whipple father of his sd father of sd prouidence Deceased pla^t Against Ruth Whipple Inhabitant of prouidence in y^e Collony Aboue sd Widdow & Relict of Benj Whipple of sd prouidence in y^e Collony Aboue sd Deceased Def^t in An Action of trespas & Ejectment| as Appears p^r writt baring date y^e sixteenth day of July in y^e seuenth year of her Maj^{sty} Reigne Ann Queen of Greatt Brittain &c Annq^e [] Nostri 1708 Damage fo[]e hundred pounds Currant Mony of New England &c Humbly sheweth y^t y^e Deft wrongfully with holdeth from y^e pla^t: y^e possession of A Certaine tract or p^{re}cell of Land Lying within y^e township of sd prouidence in y^e Collony Aboue sd it being vpland Low Land Arabell Land meadow & Orchard Containing by Estamation twelue Acres be y^e same more or Less with y^e Manton hous fences & Edifices thare vpon y^e Land being butted And bounded on y^e North End with A Chestnutt tree And

from thence Runing vpon A straight Line southerly to Another Chestnut tree & y^e southern side is bounded with A fence & so is Allso y^e Easterly side Bounded with A fence w^{ch} fence Continueth bounding it on y^e Northerne side vntill it Coms to y^e first mentioned Chestnutt tree which Land & premices is part of A right of Land which m^r John Whipple Aboue sd Grand father of y^e pla^t Gaue to his son Benjamin Whipple Abouesd Deceased by his Last will And testament baring date y^e Eight day of May 1682 y^e sd right of Land was Giuen vnto him sd Benj Whipple & not to his heires so y^t Now y^e sd Benj Whipple is Dead According to Law y^e Land reuertes to y^e Doner, & his heires Now y^e pla^t saith y^t hee is y^e true & vn-doubted heire of y^e sd Doner or Giuer being y^e Eldest son & heire of y^e Aforesd John Whipple Deceased who was y^e Eldest sone & heire of sd Doner. whereby y^e Land, & premices sued for is fell in | y^e | right | Line | Decendant to him y^e sd Pla^t who is y^e right heire thareof as by y^e seuerall manuscripts & Wrighting, to be produced in Court will more plaine Appeare Now y^e plan^t in fact saith y^t y^e Del^t Wrongfully []ithholdes y^e possession of y^e Aboue sd premices from him sd Pla^t to his Damage foure hundred pounds Currant Mony of New England as Layd in y^e writt which fforseth him to bring this his Action praying for Justis in y^e Case

John Whipple Pla^t

Coppy vera

Wes^t Clarke Recd^r

(Verso)

Joⁿ Whipples Decleration.

[0668] To the purchasors and propriators of prouidence mett together this 20th day of September 1708

Gentlemen it is Like that it will not be newes to Sum of you to tell you that there was a Line agreed vpon by the aboue Sd purchasors and propriators of prouidence and Sum men of pautuxot for partting of Sum Lands from y^e genarall Comons of prouidence, to begin at Saxefracks Coue and then to Run to a tree at mashapogue and then to Run westward vpon an Euen disistance betwene pawtuxet Riuer and wonasquetucket Riuer which Line was formerly Carreyed to mashapogue and then from mashapogue neere vnto pachaset Riuer; then | in | y^e year 65 Sum time in y^e month of march men was Chosen for to Carry y^e Sd Line as far westward as Hipses Rock: and y^e men that was Chosen was william wickenden Henry Brown and John Brown who were Expresly ordred by y^e purchasors to goe forward with the work by y^e 10th of next April Ensueing, I Can not Larne that Euer they gaue any Account to y^e purchasors of any thing that y^a had done Concerning y^e aforsd Line then againe Sumtime on or about y^e year | 82 | men were again Chosen to Carry y^e Sd Line as far west as Seuen miles from foxes hill who were Tho: olney and Arther ffenner Edward Smith Richard Arnold and william Hopkins and as yet I haue not known of any Account y^t these Last mentioned fwe men haue giuen to y^e purchasors, and now two of y^e fwe men are Deseed: and m^r olney is now grown to be full of years So that Tho feild by a bill Exhibeted to y^e purchas desired y^t m^r olney mought be dismissed: So that it is now Jmpossible that y^e work Can be done by those that are not now Liueing and such as are dis Able of Body,

my Request is that y^e purchasors this day would be pleased once more to Chewes a number of fwe men and Jmpower them, to perfit Sd Line for Such Long and tedious Delayes of a

work of So great a Concernment hath bin very hurtfull to Sum persons and if not yet timely Done may farther proue to their unspakeable Dammage

Tho ffenner

[0669] [L. S.] To James Dexter Town Sarjnt of prouidnce Greete[]

You Are in her maj^{ty}: name Anne Queene ouer great britian &c: Required to giue all the free men of this town notice that they meet to gether on thursday the Last Day of this instant to meet at ten of the Clock in the forenoone at the house of m^r: william turpins in ord^r: to Chose foure well Quolified men for Deputies to Set in Genrall Asembly in this town of prouidence the Last wednsday in october next Ensueing: here of fail you not. Giuen under my hand and Seall this 20th Day of Sep^r: 1708

Tho ffenner Assistant

[0670] To y^e proprieto^{rs}: mett vpon Adjurnem^t this 29th day of Novemb^r 1708.

Gentlemen.

Whereas this Long suspendant Line of pautuxett w^{ch} was form^{ly} begun to be sett 7 mile west from foxes hill & (yet) remains vnfinnish'd vnto this day; And y^t in y^e vacancy of w^{ch} Tedious time of suspendency Landes have been Layd out vnto divers men, though (doubtlesly,) Aimeing to have regard so, as not to entrech (any wayes) besides y^e due extent of 7 mile west from y^e sd foxes hill: for y^e divideing Line to be made according to y^e first Article in y^e Combination: w^{ch} saith, & from y^e Towne of Massapague &c. To divide furthur between pautuxett & wanasquuttckett of an Equeall (or) Even

distant|ce| for, it is to be vnderstood, that so farr as pautuxett men does Claime a ¶ticular propriety to themselues to be divided from y^e Gen^rall Common of y^e Towne; so farr, y^e sd pautuxett River, is, to be deemed y^e southermost Extent of o^r plantation.

And now for as much as further progress is now approaching for y^e finnishng y^e Line, or Lines of so Long suspensity And y^t in case any variation should happen in y^e work by Cutting off men's Landes Contrary to there Expectations, the w^{ch} they (perhaps) have Quietly possessed [being Layd out by y^e Survey^r vnto them] some aboute 30, 40, 50, or 60 yeares without any Lawfull Mollestation. Remembering y^t in y^e yeare 1672: That an Act of y^e | towne | was, that both sides Laying out should stand good to them & their heires for Ever.

And therefore it is thought fitt, that before any further progress be made in y^e finnishng y^e sd Lines: That an Act of y^e proprietors be, for y^e Establishing | them | in their so Long possessions, on y^e East side of y^e 7 mile, for the Avoyding of future Cavillings Concerneing it: And in case pautuxett want their due, to Lett them have it Layd out (in y^e Lue thereof,) on y^e west side of y^e 7 mile Line in a Tract of Land together where it may be found Common, not Layd out to any man.

This is y^e most Effectuall way to steer in, y^t I can propose, To end this old perversness | or Controversy | in peace.

Daniell Abbott

It is (also) to be vnderstood, as I have been enform'd y^e though y^e greatest vengeance is (by y^e Roacher's) against Abbot, yet their designe hath been to Extend their dividing Line to Cutt off poor Randol, Vincent, Lapham, Thornton, young;

(& divers others y^t might be named,) as well as y^e ffenn's
| housen | and poor Abbot's.

(*Verso*)

Daniel Abbot's bill to the Proprietors, relateing to the Long, & Tedious divideing Line: some, or part of w^{ch}, hath been in hand a doeing, aboute 67 yeares. And haveing been soe many winters in y^e Cold, is neer perrished.

[0671] To the Purchassers & Proprietors of Providence met by Adjornem^t DeCember y^e 13th: 1708.

Neighbours,

My Request to you is, that you would be pleased to accomedate me with a small Piece of land about | the | qua[n]-tety of a Warehouse lot lieing against y^e High Way which is betweene my ffather William his land & mine; & for it I will Engage perpetually to make | & maintaine | the High way good & passable betweene it & y^e Warehouse lott whereon Providence Williams his warehouse stands; that is to say to maintaine y^e Streete Current & passable at that place; the which will be a pretty deale of Cost in that place to make it passable, besides y^e Charge of maintaineing it; it being so much foundered away, & y^e water there haveing its Course; The piece of land which I desire is that which I have fenced & improved for a Cow yard; The which if you please to Grant, you will very much Engage your ffriend & Neighbour;

Nicholas Power. /

(*Verso*)

Those who have warehouse lotts already taken up, and to have no draught; Pawtuxet line to be finished by y^e last of March

The Meeting adjorned to this day fortnight. /

Granted only y^e quanty|tye| of one ware house lott,

[0672] We the Subscribers being Senceable that y^e bill y^t was presented this day being January y^e 3rd 170^s — by Cap^t Tho: ffenner is well worth our Serious Concideration Seeing y^e highwayes are Likely to bee So Largely Extended upon us, yet we are hopefull that y^e power of y^e Towne Towne Councils order about y^e highwaye Cannot be abbateed by perticuler persons marking out wayes or their pretended highwayes should hinder y^e orderly Laying out of a Conueniant highway to Leade from Towne to Towne which we Conceue to be of []aty and of good use — But neuer y^e Les wee doe Acknowledge our Selues thankfull unto Cap^t: ffenner for laying y^e matter before us; and shewing unto us y^e Euil y^t may Cum upon us by makeing or Suffering to be made more highwayes then are needfull or any wayes profitable unto us we doe therefore giue our opinions y^t the two new marked waies y^t they be forth with Condemned and Declared as none Lest y^t for time to Come these may be Clamed as allowed wayes and wee be forced to grant y^m and to maintain y^m it will not be done with a Smoll Charge to make and maintaine a waye Sixteene or Seunteene miles a Cross our Towneship from Benjamin wights to John Bartlits and we are further of oppinion that if any person or persons do here after marke or Cause to be marked any highway through our Towneship not hauing first a grant from y^e purchasors for y^e Same shall Suffer the penaltie of y^e Dammage that shall accrew thereby

Joseph williams

James Olney

Joseph whipple

Thomas feild jun^r

John whipple

Arther fenner

[0673] To the purchesors of this towne of prouidunc ienuary the 3rd 170^s at the hous of William Turpine

There haueing bin sum time spent about the forty foot lots in the towne street: and it being not yet settled: Wee therefore propose as folo^e|th that for as much as Justes Tilinghest supposing that there had bin a lot duto him upon Henore Reducs right | &c | and therefore built his shop upon one of the lots on that acount but wee finding that there is no lot duto him on that right it being taken up before. therefore in considoration that hee hath set his shop upon it allrede: that hee haue it for his labor of laying out the lots being one of the townes comite and in full satisfaction for his lebor in that commite and that the draft in Henore reduces right that has bin all|redy dran shall stand for nothing.

and that the rest of the commite haue each of them half a lot for their lebor in that commite

and that it bee uoted that upon the twenty first day of march next: each purcho^s|or come and take poseson of his lot by a free choyce according to his draft: and according to the former custom of this towne: and wee that are of the comite ether som or all of us do purpos that day to tend upon that work.

Richard Arnold
Joseph Whipple
James Olney
James Browne

(*Verso*)

The Comittees Returne about ware house lotts; Jt is by voate allowed of & accepted. /

[0674] To the Town meet this 24th day of January 1708^y
 my request is that you will Giue mee a forty fut Lot in the
 Town Streat Against my Lot in the Town in Concideration
 of my Laber for that I was twice inplyed to Lay out the
 Lots in Streat and for that I was inplyed Aleuen days for
 which I neuer Reseued to the valy of one peny and if you will
 Grant my Request you will Greatly oblidge your naighbor

William Hopkins

(*Verso*)

To the Porchessters & proprieters mett this 24 of January:
 1708 or 9: I haue two porches rits & haffe in the Towne: I
 pray y^t you will giue me lefe to: lay my hafe right of my 40th
 ffootte lote to my other lots: which | will | be no damage to
 the Towne soe I Rest your ffreend

Thomas ffield

major Hopkins & m^r ffields Bills

[0675] Prouedonce: ienewery: 31: 170⁸₉

Taken up by daniel Comstock a stray maire of a brite
 bay colur brandid on the rite shoul|der| and a marke on the
 rite ere and docked: Prised at: 25: shilings by: Thomas
 Arnold: aud Richard Arnold june^r both of prouedonce

[0676] There is 91 acres & halfe an acre of land which
 hath some time since been laid out to John Whipple which he
 hath sold unto Joseph whipple, which y^e Records doe also
 make Mention of; But for as much as it was not by y^e surveior
 destinguished, but only said, in the Right of John Throck-
 morton & in y^e Right of Joshue verrin, I could not tell how to
 place any certaine quantety of sd land to M^r Throckmorton ffor

ought that I know there might be 90 acres of it on m^r throcmortons Right, or there might not, it is uncertaine ;

But haveing now done with what I can yet find by y^e Records ; I shall mind something as to what fame reports as Concerning M^r Throckmortons Right of lands, the | which | is also well knowne & hath by y^e Antcient neighbours been well knowne as well as the Report of only fame, that m^r throcmorton had a house lott being 5 acres which Sam: wright dwells on, & one share of | salt | meadow neare to waybossett, & Two pi'eces of salt marsh more for another share of Meadow ; The one piece lieing upon wanasquatucket River & the other piece adjoynd to m^r Williams his Meaddow, which sd two pieces both made one share, The which said lot & Meaddow Henry wright bought ;, There is also 20 acres of land which Sam: wright sold unto M^r Crufrd, which was also M^r Throckmortons, otherwise Sam: Wright Could not have had it to have sold. There is also a house lott which was Edward Copes on which Will^m Austin some time dwelt :

There is also, one share of Meaddow upon the north side of Moshausuck River, by Dexters bridge.

So that of y^e first devisions to both Throckmortons Rights they doe by Record & the knowledg of People appeare how, & in what state they lye in,

ffor the first devision consisted of severall lottments, (viz) a house lott ; 2 shares of Meadow, a 6 acre lott, a 5 acre lott, a 20 acre lot, & a 60 acre lot | to one Right | ; & it doth appeare that as to the first devision, to m^r Throckmortons two Rights, there is | the | 4 shares of Meadow, there is the 2 house lotts, there is one of y^e 5 acre lotts, there is one of y^e six acre lotts, there is one of the 20 acre lotts, & one of the sixty acre lotts ;

so that of y^e first devisiōn there is only wanting a 60 acre lott & a 20 acre lot, & a 6 acre lott & a 5 acre lott; And fame hath strongly Reported that there was land of M^r Throckmortons liēing in y^e neck in that arme of y^e great swampe where Daniell Browne his land lieth;

And as for y^e other devisiōns on y^e East side of y^e 7 mile line, There was to be a sixty acre devisiōn, & 5 acres of meadow or 10 acres of other land in stead of meadow; which was called a second devisiōn, then after that there was | an | order to lay out a fifty acre share to Each purchaser, Called a 50 acre devisiōn And after that it was ordered to lay out a 6 acre & halfe percell of land, Called an Additionall devisiōn. /

And as to the first of these devisiōns belonging to M^r Throckmorton as to both his Rights Dan: Abbott hath taken both them up; & one of the 50 acre devisiō[] major Dexter tooke up;

And how much of y^e Rest John Whipple hath taken up, as I said before, there is not any account given.

(*Verso*)

To y^e Tow[]et Aprill y^e 27th 1709.

Whereas on y^e behalfe of y^e widdow Alice Dexter & y^e []eirs of y^e deceased Major Dexter, it was unto y^e Towne proposed; That the Towne Records might be searched to find what account they Can give as Concerning the lands of John Throckmorton formerly of Providence; William Crawffurd haveing also of the Towne Clerk desired y^e same thing; And I Tho: Olney Towne Clerk (in order thereunto) haveing bestowed a great deale of time in searching, & made a diligent search as to y^e matter premissed; & what I have found is as

followeth. (viz) sixty acres of land which m^r Throckmorton sold to M^r Carpenter; bounding on y^e East partly with Tongue Pond, & Partly with Benedicts Bond, & partly with land which william Carpenter bought of Robert West; And on y^e west with land which Wi^m: Carpenter bought of Steven Northup, & on y^e south with land of Edward Jnman, & on y^e North with y^e Comon. /

Also 5 acres Neare wayboysett & boundes the north side of a 5 acre lott which Valentine Whittman sold to Henry fowler. /

Also six acres in y^e Neck which Benedict Arnold bought of M^r Cope, Now in y^e Possession of Joseph Whipple. /

Also, one share of Meaddow in y^e great Meaddow;

I also find find that there is sixty acres of land which did belong unto Tho: Slow lieing along the side of y^e long pond & Extendeth north one Cornner thereof towards Benedicts mead: bounded on y^e south with y^e way towards Mashapague, on y^e East with Joⁿ: Throckmorton. /

It is not said how much land M^r Throckmorton had there, whether 60 or 80 acres, but it must be some quantity of land to bound the East side of 60 acres; but I have mentioned Concerning what y^e secords mention: /

Also two Rights of y^e Second devision in y^e Possession of Daniell Abbott which Containes 140 acres; The place where y^e land lyes & how Bounded is Expressed in y^e surveiors Returne on Record;

Also 50 acres of land being | in | one of y^e Rights of John Throckmorton in a 50, acre devision laid out to Major Dexter:

All the persells of land above mentioned, are all signified by y^e Records; but as to that land which is said to bound y^e

Easterne side of Slows 60 acres, the quantity is uncertaine; but those percells whose quantetys are Express, amounts to 264 acres

[0677] To the purchers met this: 29: day of August:
1709

Neighbors: it is much discorsed of and Credetebly beliuiced by many of the purchers: that there is great disorder with respect to the making of sum lots of land on the west side of the seuen mile line near as large again as they of right ought to be: which thing if trew may proue of uery il Conciquence in many respects: if not timel[ly] preuented: therefore we reques for the preuent[ing] of such great damiges as other wise may arise therein: that the purchers do order:

1^{ly}: that if any of the suruayers already hath or hereafter shall: giue any allowence to any lot or lots of land: on the west side of the seuen mile line: that all such suruayers: shall mention in the return of the same lot of land in which he gaue the allowence: the full number of Acres: which he alloweth and the reason why he Alloweth it: or else all such allowences shall be uoid and of none effect

secondly if any of the hundred and fifty Acre deuissino: or lots of land: on the west side of the seuen mile line: that is already layed out: or shall hereafter be layed out: shall at any time from this day forward: be found to exceed the number of a hundred and sixty Acres: besides the allowence according to the method aboue mentioned: that all such ouer plush that exceeds the number of a hundred and sixty Acres: shall return to the abouesaid purchers to dispose of as they shall think fit: and so according to the trew propotion and form: which is

mentioned about the abouesaid hundred and fifty Acres: shall be the method and form: according to the trew propotion therein Contained: for any lot or lots of land either greater or smaler that is or shall be layed out on the west side of the seuen mile line

Arthur ffenner
 Peleg Rhoades
 Joseph Wilkinson
 Resolued waterman
 Ebenezer Sprague
 Joseph williams

(*Verso*)

Whereas the meeting of y^e Purchassers & Proprietors munday y^e 29th: 1709, the meeting | was | adjorned adjorned to y^e 2n^d Munday in october 1709; & accordingly are met & settled but there not appeareing such a number of y^e purchassers as was Expected & desired for y^e propegateing the matter premised The which is & was intended for the ordering as Concerning y^e lands of y^e westerne part of our Plantation how matters shall be Concerning it, intrusion being likely to be made upon it

And for want of such number of Purchers as was Expected & desired the purchassers doe now adjorne this meeting unto y^e s^d munday in november next & then for the purchassers all to Meete for the propegateing & Effecting y^e work premised or in Case they shall not all appeare then for soe many of them as doe appeare to goe forward with y^e aforesd buisness & what those who doe appeare | or major part | at sd meeteing doe act & order as to y^e premisses to stand good & Authentick not withstanding others opposeing;

And that be y^e serjant or by his order all the purchassers may have notice of sd meeting. /

[0678] To y^e Purchisers of Prouidence mee this: 11th of July 1709

Wee the subscribers being a Committy for the Proprietors of Pautuxet Do desire that you would be pleased to Chose a Committy and fully Impower them to Compleate those Lines according to our agreement for the deuideing and parting the Lands of Pautuxet and Lands of Prouidence that Each may know there part the which being don wee hope may Cause a vnity betwixt vss; which att this time Considering the Circumstances of this Towne may be profitable to boath parties; And wee hope wee shall be Ready to attend the business

Andrew Harris

Peleg Rhoades

Benjamin Carpenter

(*Verso*)

Pautuxett Mens Bill

[0679] To the purchasors and propriators met to geather this — 29 —th day of Agust — 1709 — Gentlemen my Request is that the purchasors would Chouse two men to uiew all the Returns of Land: Layed out on the west side of the seven mile Line for to see how much Land doth appeare to be Layed out on Each Right for I am sencable that sum of the Rights on the west side of the Line haue pased throw maney hands and sum Rights much deuided into parts: and sum Rights in Controuerci: and most men willing to get as much as thay Can layed out and there being foure surueiors: so that one surueior doth scarcely know what the other doth: but

deliuer the Returns according to the order of the Town but notwithstanding there may be double Layings out on | one | Right and the surueiors not to blame now to preuent Recording of more land then doth beloung to Each Right the two men aboue said should take the Care of

Tho: ffenner

(*Verso*)

Cap: ffenners Bill

[0680] To the purchassers and proprietors of the Towne of Providence met this 29th August 1709

Gentlemen we are now to inform you of a mistake which hath hapned in the laying out, and so in the Return of one of our lots on the weast side the seven mile line: The which we humbly Desire your Advice and Assistance in the Regulating thereof — The Mistake is this, and was thus occasioned; some Time before the former Indian war: Our Hon'd father bought two Rights of Common on the weste side the seven mile line: | of the widow morey | the which Rightes were by the Towne Counsell of Providence ordred to be at her Dispose for the Raiseing of money to pay her Deceased husbands Debts, but the sd widow morey when shee sould these Rights unto our sd hon'd ffather: Culd not inform him who the originall proprietor of sd Rights were but Referd him to the Inventory of her husbands Estate for further Jnformation; and with all told him that shee thought originally those two Rights Did belong unto Daniell Comstocke; and henry neale but she was not certaine of it; But when our sd father Came to make serch for a ferther Jnformation by the Inventory the Inventory Culd not be found, nor is it yet to be heard of: but when the deuison of land on the weast sid the seven mile line was agreed on and

the severall proprietors came to draw: | their lots | our sd father did venter to Draw on the aforesd Rights of Comstock & Neale but sence the lots haue been layd out and the Returns giuen in it doth appere that Neales Right was sould by Roger Morey in his life time to william Carpenter: so that it Doth now appear that Neales Right was Not one of the two Rights ordred to the wido mory by the Town Councill to be Disposd of. by her for the purpose aforesd: But it is Evident that two Rights were ordred her to dispose of: for that part of the two, lieing with in the seven mille line were sould to Samuell whiple and allowed of by the Town Councill; and the other two parts Lying on the west sid the seven mile line: as hath been sd were sould to our sd father: Now Gen^l men we hope you will be as kind unto us as you haue been to m^r Whipple & put us jinto a way how to bring in such a return as may be proper and as that the Town will accept of; we desire Nothing but what may appeare to be Just and hones; we haue hither to payd our full proporcion of moneys with other purchasers to Defend the Towns Jnterest and are yet ready to do y^e like Gen^l: we are y^e friends and Neighbours:

Nathanael: Jenckes
 Ebenezer Jenckes
 William Jenckes

(*Verso*)

Captⁿ Jencks &c their Petition

[0681] [L. S.] To Samuell Whipple these Greeting
 whereas Comeplaint hath this Day been made unto me by serjeant William Harris, & Archabe[] Walker, that there Js an Jnfamos Report published about this towne of Providence,

as though the sd Harris: and Charles Walker: son: of the sd Archabell Walker were seen on the 29: of the last moneth in a suspiccous manner of felonious acting with sheep by the side of Moshawset River: and the sd Infamy has first been occasioned by the mentioning of the first leters of the names, of the sd serjeant Harris and the sd Charles Walker; And the Complainants are Apprehensice that y^e selfe with Henry Adams haue been the principall cause of the sd Infamous Report— These are therefore in her Majestys Name Anne Queen of Great Brittan: &c^t to Require you to make your personall Appearance before a court of magistraits, to be holdon on munday the 5th: of September Nex At the house John Whipple: by 12: of the Clock Then and there to Answer to the aforesaid Complaint which the sd persons haue upon suspicion Entered against you: hereof faile not: Given under my hand and seale this: 31th August 1709

Joseph Jenckes Assistant

[0682] To the Honer^d Gen^l Court of tryalls Sitting at newpor [] for her majes^{ts} Colony of Rhod Jsland & Prouidence Plan[] the first tuesday in September 1709

The Declaration and Complaint of Roger Burlingham Jun^r Of the town of Prouidence in the Colony Above^{sd} husbanman Against John Whipple of the town And Colony Abovesaid Now or Late Vintner in an Action of Debt by one Bond obligatoriey as \mathfrak{P} writ Beararing Date 18th Day of May in the Eighth Year of hes Majes^{ts} Reign Anno Domin: 1709 Dept and Dammage Six Pounds Currant Siluer Money at Eight Shillings \mathfrak{P} ounce Now the Plaintiff Complaineth that the Above named Defenda[] Did on the nineteenth Day of

march: 170 $\frac{7}{8}$ isgne seal and Diliver To the Plaintiff one obligation for the full and Just sum of six Pounds of Currant Silver money of new England at fifteen penney weight with Condition their Vnder written to Pay or Caus to be the Plaintiff the Sum of three Pounds of Like money on or before the first Day of Nouember, next Jnsuing the Date of the said obligation Now the Plaintiff in fs't saith that the Deffendant hath wowholy neglected or Refuse to Pay the Above said three pounds Although often Requested therunto and Doth still neglect or Refuse to Pay the same whith foreseth the Plaintiff to Bring this his Action of Debt for the Resouery of the Whole obligation as Justly forfeited And Prays this Honred Court And Genⁿmen of the Jurey for Justise and Relieff in the Case

Roger Burlingham Ju | Plaintiff |

Coppy vera 7^d

Wes^t Clarke Recd^r

[0683] Be it Known unto all men by these presents that I John whipple of the town of providence and in the Colony of Rhoad island and providence plantations in new England Do Stand bound and Abliged unto Nicholas Lange Shrieff of this her maj^{ty}s Colony of Rhoad island Jn the full and Just Sum of twelue pounds in Currant Siluer money of new England to be paid upone Demand unto Said Sherieff or to his Successers. and for the Dew performance hereof I Do bind my goods and Chattells to performe the Same fermely by these presents Sealled with my Seall the 1709 And in the Eighth year of her maj^{ty} Reigne anne Queen ouer Great Britan &^c:

The Condition of this obligation is Shuch that if the aboue boundand John whipple or his Lawfull attorney Doth make his Lawfull Apparnce at the Colony house Jn newport the first tusday in September next Ensuing at A Court of trialls there to be held and there to Abid and Answer to the Complaint of Roger Burlinggame: J^{ur}: Resedent of the town of prouid^e: and Colony Aboue Said or to his Attorney Jn an action of the Case which will then and there apeare by writ bareing Date the 18th Day of may 1709 that then the aboue written obligation Shall be made uoid and be of no Effect or if other weies to Remaine in full forse and uartey According to Law. Jn witness I here unto Set my hand and Seall

[0684] ffebruary y^e 13th & 14th: 170⁹/₁₀

Layd out y^e Roade way by order of y^e Towne from Captⁿ: ffenners & so westward to Punhungansett Riuer at Benjamin Wights; & Bounded as followeth begining at twoo heapes of Stons by Captⁿ: ffeners fence a little westward from his House y^e Roade being four poles wide & more where neede Requires & from S^d: Stone heaps to Range west ten Degrees north: 26 poles to a Chesnutt Tree marked & against it one y^e other side of y^e Roade a Black oke, Thence west 15 Deg^r: north to a white Tree being 30 poles & one y^e other side to Answer it a wallnutt Tree, Thence west 24 poles to a wallnutt Tree & one y^e other side against it a Black oke, & from thenc^e Still west 34 poles to a Black oke Tree & one y^e other side a Black oke Thence west 11 Deg^r: South 44 poles to a white oke Tree & one y^e other side a black oke Thence west 22 Deg^r: South 26 poles to a Chesnutt Tree & one y^e other side a Black oke, Thence west 88 Poles to a white oke Tree & one y^e other

side a heape of Stones, Thence west 6 Deg^r: South to a white oke Tree being 18 poles & one y^e other side a Walnut Tree, Thence west 2 Deg^r: north 32 poles to a white oke Tree & one y^e other side Stons layd one a Small Rock Thence west 6 Deg^r: north 44 poles to a white oke Tree & to Answer one y^e other side a small heape of Stones, Thence west 12 Deg^r North 74 poles to a Black oke Tree & one y^e other side a white oke, Thence west 24 Deg^r: north 150 poles to a green oke Tree, & one y^e other side a green oke, Thence west 34 Degrees north 190 poles to a white oke Tree. & to Answer one y^e other side a heape of stons, Thence west 48 poles to a small Rock a little west from Abbotts House & one y^e other side a Small heape of Stons by Abbotts well, Thence west 14 Deg^r north to a heape of stons being 16 poles & one y^e other side a Great stone, Thence west 26 poles to a Beech Tree & one y^e other side a heape of Stones, Thence west 7 Deg^r: south to a Black oke Tree & one y^e other side a white oke Bush this sett is 44 poles, thence west 3 Deg^r: north 108 poles to a white oke Tree & one y^e other side a white oke Thence west 13 Degrees South 98 poles to a heap of stones & one y^e other side a heap of stones, Thence west 2 Deg^r: South to a white oke Tree being 50 poles & one y^e other side a Black oke Thence west 17 Deg^r north 24 poles to a wallnutt Tree & one y^e other side a white oke Thence west 6 Deg^r: north 28 poles to a Rock with stones layd one it & one y^e other side a white oke Tree, Thence west 36 Deg^r South 12 poles to a Black oke Tree & one y^e other side a Black oke, Thence west 23 Deg^r: South 22 poles to a white oke Tree & one y^e other side a white oke Thence west 35 Deg^r: South 42 poles to a white oke Tree & one y^e other side a white oke being six poles wide at y^t place

Thence west 3 Deg^r: South 22 poles to a white oke Tree & one y^e other side a little green oke Thence west 90 poles to a white oke Tree & one y^e other side a white oke, Thence west 10 Deg^r South 38 poles to a heap of Stones & one y^e other side a heap of stones Thence west 2 Deg^r: South 50 poles to a Rock & one y^e other side a white oke Tree Thence west 11 Deg^r South 104 poles to a Rock & one y^e other side a Black oke Tree Thence west 25 Degre|e|s: South 20 poles to a Black oke Tree & one y^e other side a wallnut Tree, Thence west 20 Degrees south 12 poles to a Pine Tree & one y^e other side a Black oke thence west 10 Degrees north 18 poles to a Pine Tree & one y^e other side a Pine thence north 2 Degree^s: East 24 poles to a Pine Tree & one y^e other side a Pine Thence north 22 Deg^r: west 32 poles to a Pine Tree & one y^e other side a Pine Thence west 6 Deg^r: north 38 poles to a green oke Tree & one y^e other side a white oke, Thence west 26 Deg^r north 90 poles to a Red oke Tree & one y^e other side a white oke Thence west 5 Deg^r South 31 poles to a Chesnut Tree & one y^e other side a heap of stons

(*Verso*)

Thence west 14 Degr south 14 poles to a Rock with Stons one it & one y^e other side side a Rock with stones one it, Thence west 5 Deg^r: north 40 poles to a Rocky place & a heape of Stones, & one y^e other side a heape of Stones Thence west 16 Degrees: South 36 poles to a white oke Tree, & one y^e other side a Black oke (being seauen poles wide) Thence west 17 Deg^r: South 58 poles to a heape of Stones & one y^e other side a white oke Stump Thence west 36 Deg^r: North 16 poles to a heape of Stones & one y^e other side a white oke Tree Thence west 5 Deg^r: north 34 poles

to a Red oke Bush & Stones layd one it & one y^e other side a heap of stons, Thence west 25 Deg^r: South 26 poles to a Black oke Tree & a heap of stons, & one y^e other side a Rock being 6 poles wide Thence west 28 Deg^r: north 12 poles to a Rock & one y^e other side a white oke Tree being 6 poles wide, Thence west 12 Deg^r: north 14 poles to a white oke Tree & one y^e other side a white oke, Thence west 1 Degree South 17 poles to a white oke Tree, & one y^e other side a white oke being six poles wide, Thence west 25 Deg^r: South 15 poles to a Rock & one y^e other side a heape of Stones, Thence West 21 Deg^r: South 10 poles to a white oke Tree & one y^e other a Rock; Thence west 15 Deg^r: South 38 poles to a heap of Stones by Ben: Wights House, & one y^e other side a heap of Stones; Thence west 20 Deg^r: South 18 poles to an Ash Stump, & one y^e other side a stump Thence South 25 Deg^r: West 10 poles to a heape of Stones, & one y^e other side a heap of stons, Thence west 20 Deg^r: South to a white oke Tree being 12 poles & one y^e other side a heape of Stones Thence west 2 Deg^r north 14 poles to a white oke Tree & one y^e other side a white oke Thence South 22 Deg^r west 20 poles to a heap of stons & one y^e other side a heap of stons, Thence south 7 Deg^r: west 20 poles to a heape of Stones; & one y^e other side a heap of Stones Thence South 40 Deg^r: west to a heape of stons: & to answer [] heap of Stones being in y^e Range of y^e west side of y^e land y^t was layd out to Ben: wight & Tho: Barnes all y^e afore mentioned Bound Trees being marked

Layd out y^e dayes month & yeare afores^d:

By us

William Hopkins Surveior

Tho: Olney jun^r: Surveior

The Returne in this Paper Written was by the Towne of Providence at their quarter day Meeting Aprill y^e 27th; 1710 accepted & Allowed of, & by them Ordered to be kept in their office amongst their Records;

Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /

A Returne of y^e high Way from Capt^m ffenners, To Ben: wights. /¹

[0685] Rhoad Jsland Ss

To y^e Hon^d Gen^r Court of Tryalls to be holden att Newport wth: in & for y^e Collony of Rhoad Jsland & providence plantations &c on y^e last tuesday in March 1710

The Declaration & Compe^t: of an Indian Squa Called Nan Albrow late of Portsmouth in y^e Collony aforsd Against Samson Baly an Indian man belonging to y^e town of Portsmouth aforsd in y^e Custody of y^e Sheriff In An Action of Debt y^t he render unto y^e sd Nan Allbro twenty four pounds siluer Money of New Engeland w^{ch}: he from her Vnjustly detaines (for y^e to wit) y^t whereas y^e Aforsd Sampson Baly on y^e second day of March 170³/₄ by his certain bond or writting Obligatory under his hand & seall here in Court ready to be produced y^e date whereof is y^e day & Year aforsd did acknowledge himself to owe & Justly stand in Debted unto an Indian Squa called Nan Allbro afor^{sd} y^e true & Just sum of fore & twenty pounds siluer money of New England wth Condition Subsequent that if Moses Bayle his heirs Executors &c shall pay or Caus to be p^t: y^e abousd Indian Nan her heirs &c y^e true & Just sum of twelve pounds in or as New Engaland siluer Money on or before y^e second day of September w^{ch} will be in y^e Year of our Lord

¹ This is now called the Plainfield Pike, and includes that portion between Thornton and South Scituate.

one Thousand seven hundred & six y^l is to say three pounds one half in Money & y^e other half as mony ouer before y^e Last day of this Instant March to witt) y^e year 170³/₄) & so all y^e rest of y^e payment to be one half in Money & y^e other half as Mony y^e second payment to be on y^e 29 day of September Next after s^d date forty shillings and y^e third payment three pounds on or before may day w^{ch}: was in y^e Year 1705: & y^e fourth payment forty shillings on or before y^e Nin & twentieth day September 1705 & y^e fifth payment: y^e Last forty shillings to be paid on or before y^e second day of September 1706 at or Near y^e Place of y^e now dwelling hous of John Albro Jun^r setuate in ports-mouth aforsd as by s^d bond referance thereunto being had well fully appear Yett y^e aforsd Moses Baly or any other p^rson y^e sd Sume of twelue pounds on dayes aforsd or at any other time hath not payd But y^e same to an | render is pay hath refused tho often demanded whereby | Action Acerneth to y^e sd Nan Albro to recouer of y^e s^d: Sampson Baly y^e sum of twenty four pounds Justly forfeited y^e none payment of Wich sum is to y^e damage of y^e p^l: twenty four pounds Currant Mony Debt & damage as Layd Layd in y^e Writt da[]d y^e forteenth day of January

(Verso)

Jn y^e Eight Year of her Mas^{tes} Reign Annoq^e Domini: 170⁹/₁₀ & thereupon he bringeth his sute &c
Nathaniel Blag^{tee} attorney p^r

Vera Copia

Wes^t Clarke Recd^r

fld in y^e Office y^e 8th of March 170⁹/₁₀

For y^e Town of Prouidence

Bagley & Nan Albro

[0686] To Mr Daniel Abbott surueig[]r of highways

You are hereby In her Majest^s name Anne Queene of Greate Brittan: &c: Required to Come before a Coart of Magestrats to be held at y^e House of M^r John Whipple in Prouidence the first munday in April next Cuming; And Giue your Reasons why you haue not Caused the highway on the west side of newticonkonut hill to be mended; hereof faile not

Giuen vnder my hand and seale this 22^d day of March 170^o₁₇

[L. S.]

Richard Waterman Justice

(*Verso*)

To M^r Daniel Abbott att Prouidence
present

[0687] To M^r James Dexter Town Se[] Greeting

These are in her Majestys Name, Anne Queen of great Brittain, to Require you forth with, to warn all the freemen, Inhabitting with in the Townshipe of Providence, to meet together on the 27th: Instant by ten of the Clock, of the Same Day, at the house of Anna Turpin, widdow, then & there to make Choice of four Able, well Quallified men for Deputys to Sitt in the Gen^l: Assembly of Election, at the Colony house | in Newport | the first wednesday in May Next, as also on the tuesday next before said wednesDay, in order to Make preperation for the Election, you are further to giue warning to sd freemen, to bring in their Proxeys for Generall officers for the Colony, for the Ensuing year; Given under my hand this 13th April 1710

Joseph Jenckes Assistant

[0688] [L. S.] To you James Dexter Deputy Sherif for This Town of prouidence In Her majesties Colony of Road

Jnsland Jn new england These Are Jn Her said majesties name Anne Queene of England &c to Requier | you | to warne the Town Councill of said providence to meet to geather on the — 27 — th day of this Instant Aprill which will be thursday next at the House of Annah Turpains in providence by — 9 — of the Clock in the forenoon on said day then and there to Concider of sum proper and efecttuall way for the placing of mary Aldrich widdow to the Late deceased Joseph Aldrich junor: william Steere is not willing to entertaine the said mary Aldrich no longer then the — 27 — day of this Instant April Hereof faile you not Giuen under my Hand and Seal Jn providence this — 24 — day of April — 1710

Tho: ffenner Assistant

[0689] To y^e Towne Now meet this 27th of April 1710
Gentlemen

My Request is that you would be so kind as to Grant me the Libertey to Exchange twenty Acres of Land which was formerly taken up by my Honrd Grandfather Thomas Harris (decesed) vpon the plaine on the south side of wonasquotucket Riuer and vpon his owne Right And you will much oblige your ffrind

William Harris

(*Verso*)

52 acrs & a qua[] in page 125. / 3th Granted

[0690] To the Town mett, this 27th: Aprill 1710, it | being a | Quarter Day &c

Gen^{tt}: men my Request is, that you would be pleased to grant me Liberty to Exchaing a piece of Land, the Land which I would lay Down is lyeing between my Dwelling house

& the great Meadow hollow, and is in Quntety about Nine Acres; the Doing of which will greatly oblige him who is Gen^l:men your friend & Neighbour

Henry Eustance

(*Verso*)

2nd Granted

[0691] To y^e Towne mett this 27th of Aprill 1710

Gentelmen y^e Humble Request &nd Desire of your petitioner is that you would be pleased to Exchange about Eight or not about Ten Acers of land with me which if you please to Grant; I would lay it downe one y^e hill Eastward from my House and take it up again ajoyning to another peice of land about halfe a mile of from home and not Damnifie any high way and I hope will be no Damage to y^e Towne

you^{rs}: to serue

Dan^l: Angell

(*Verso*)

Dan^l: Angels Bill 5th Granted

[0692] To y^e Towne mett y^e 22^d: | of may | 1710

Gentlemen our Request is y^t you would be pleased to giue order that the place Called y^e Cowpen Poynt may be layd open so y^t y^e neibours which liue Westward of y^e Towne may haue y^e Benifit of y^e sault water which at presant is so shut up by fencing y^t there is no Coming; and there being but little Coming to y^e water other where & it is Counted y^t place belongeth to y^e Towne & is at presant much wanted and will in likelyhood be more wanted

Thomas Harris jvnior
Nicolas Shaldon
Resolued waterman

[0693] Woodstock July 8th 1710

Gent

In Behalfe of our Town | & Mashamoquet & Kellingley | Wee address you for the Laying out a Countrey Road thro' your Township that may Lead to these parts, Wee have great Ocasion to Come to your Town and in an Ordinary way shall have more and more, and it is in pursuance of a voat of o^r people that we make this signification to you of the necessaty of a Road both for horsemen and Carts; and We desire John Aldridge may be Jmproved in laying out s^d Road betwen his Plantation and Kellingley, having a very considerable Knowledge of the Woods, and where it may be most probable to Lay out a fearable way; We also desire the Road may be laid over Snake hill and at the north End of Mswonsecut Pond by John Mattisson's house which we conceive will be the best and Nerest.

Wee are Gent — your humble Servants

Benjamin Sabin	John Chandler
Philemon Chandler	Edward Morris
Sam ^{ll} Rice	John Sabin
James Horsmar	John Holmes
Jonathan Payton	Sam ^{ll} Paine
Eben ^r Sabin	Sam ^{ll} Pain Jun ^r
Jonathan Peak	Matthew Davis
Peter Aspinwall	Eben ^r Morris
Joseph Cady	John Johnson
Joseph Leavens	David Church

In Behalfe of The Rest

(*Verso*)

To m^r Joseph Whipple by him to be Communicated to The Town Councill att Providence

[0694] To y^e Towne Mett this 27th of July 1710 it being y^e Towns quarter Meeting

Gentelmen It seemes at present very likely that there must of nesesity be a Roade way layd out from y^e Towne of Providence so Westward to Woodstock Killingsworth and other places which lieth in that part of y^e Countrey, and there being no Roade yett layd, it is thought by the people y^t haue layd their lands cheifly in that part part of y^e Towneship and by other people y^t Trauel that way that it would be as Conueniant or most Conueniant to be layd from Maswaticutt to Chepattsett Riuer neare about where it is already Beat there being as good sound land, and already passable & ffordable as it is likely Can be found any other where, And the persons that haue layd their land^s haue so layd it that there is a Conueniant Road way left they haueing had Consideration in laying of s^d: lands for the Best aduantage for a Roade, All things considered is thought most best where it is now Beat. And | it | is the Humble Request of you^r: supscribers that you would be pleased to order a Roade way to be layd as soon as Conveniently may be, which it is likely may be Done with less Charge then to suspend it longer people being at more sertainty will y^e better know how to lay their lands which yett to lay

James Browne
 James Olney
 zachariah Eddy
 Samuell Winsor
 ObaDiah Browne
 Joh Whipple
 Tho: Olney jun^r:

(Verso)

The Bill about y^e high Way to New Rexbery. /

[0695] To all them that Deem themseulues Purchasers in the Town of prouidence if they bee Reall purchasers I would haue them make it so apear

Gentlemen I thought Good in short to present you with these few lines Concerning the Bounds of prouidence, & I haue put forth seuerall querijes to seuerall men in the Township to be answered, but haue not any answer from any of them, and | as | I Judge Dotht not Care to haue any Discourc About it, therefore Now I speake to you all, Desiring your Honers will bee pleased to Consider of the matter and to answer mee to one | or two | querys that is whether you haue any thing under my fathers hand to proue the boundls of this Town afore those Twente men were Concernd, or whether my Father Disposed of any of the Township to any other persons sence the Twente men were first in Rower & if my ffather had Disposed or sould this whole Towⁿ ship, and them he sould it to, hath under his haⁿd to proue the sale, although it was but for one peny God forbid that Euer I should open my mouth about it & it is Euident that This Township was my Fathers and it is held in his Name against | all | un Just Claimers & Can you find such another now Aliue in this age he gaue away his lands and other Estate to them that he thoght was most in want untill he gaue away all, so that hee had nothing to help himselfe, so that he being not in A way to get for his suply and being anchant, it must needs pinch hard somewhere I Do not Desire to say what I haue Done for both father and Mother I Judge they wanted nothing that was Convenient for anchant

People, & what my father gaue I beleieue he had A good intent in it and thought God would prouide for his family, he neuer gaue me but about three Acres of land and but A litle afore he Deceased it Looks hard that out of so much at his Disposing that I should haue so litle and he so litle for the Rest & I Did not think to bee so large so Refering your Honers to them querys you haue Amongst you,

your freind and nebour

daniell Williams

prouidence the 24th of August 1710.

if A Couetios man had that opertunity as he had, most of this Town would haue bene his tenents I beleue

D W

[0696] To y^e Purchissers of y^e Towne of Prouidence meet this 28th of August 1710

Gentlemen

Where as there was an Agrement made betwixt you and vss bareing date y^e: 16th. of jenuary i682 or 83 Concerning the deuideing of our Lands; the which agreement was that the Lands of Pautuxet should Extend as far westward as the seauen mile line already sett by the Towne of Prouidence and after wards Cap^m ffenner (decesed) who was one that sett the | : sd : | seauen mile line and som others of your Towne and some of y^e propriaters of Pautuxet went and took there departure from a Certain place knowne by the: s^d: Cap^m ffenner as he said to be a Raing in said seauen mile line and from thence Ran south to Pautuxet Riuer and where the: sd: line Ran is plaine to be seene by the trees that was then marked; And also it is said in the | : sd : | agreement that the middle

way be by measure found betwene Wonasquotucket Riuer at the place where the said seauen mile Line Crasseth it & the souther most Exstent of y^e aforesaid plantation in which middle way a Land marke shall be fixed; &c: now it doth plainly appeare by these words (viz) where the said seauen mile line Crasseth it. as well as by Cap^m ffenner^s Confirmation in seeeking one of the Raing trees of the: sd: seauen mile line to take theire departure from where the line was Run to pautuxet Riuer; that our agreement was Certain to your seauen mile line yet niuer the Less it seemes as if sum would take aduantage by these words (viz) seauen miles from ffoxes hill and no further, the which words are no argument at all by Reason that you sett the Line your selues; now had wee sett it sumthing might abin said, but wee were Content to take your word; be it more or less boath you and wee are bound to stand to it; Except the agreement be made voide; Now wee do not Look at the agreement to be so noble on our side as to be fond of it; but wee are not willing to be instremental of Remoueing our nighbours ansiant land mark &c: Gentlemen wee haue presented you with seuoral bills but they seeme to auaille little as to Effect any thing; as to settleing our deforance; And while wee are thus held in debate; sum of our Lands are Laid out in your deuisions and built vpon and som Jmproued; whereby wee Adjudg our selues Grate sufferers Now our Request is that you would be pleased; to weightely Consider the matter and Jf you think good to settle or Compleate the boundres betwixt our: sd: Lands according to the said agreement: You would Chose so many well qualified men as in your wisdoms you think fit for that purpos and fully Jmpower them; and wee hoope wee shall Readily attend the business; so praying and

Expecting your speedy answer we subscribe our selues your
ffreinds and Nighbours

Andrew Harris
Nathaniell Waterman
Benjamin Carpenter
Thomas ffield
Peleg Rhoades

[0697] To y^e Towne meet this 27th day of January 17¹¹₁₁
Gentlemen

Not with standing the many Laws and orders
that hath bin formerly made for the prohibeting hoggs going
at liberty vpon the Common; yet niuer the less many persons
haue and do Contrary to said Laws and orders keepe heards of
swine vpon the Commons which proues gratefully to the damage
of our Commons and other Lands; and also destructiue to our
meadows; and Causes grate Contriuarceyes and Contentions
amongst nighbours

Therefore it is prayed that the Towne would be pleased for
the Remeding of the aforesaid damages and Contentions;
Either Reuiue sum former order; or make sum new order as
in their wisdoms they shall think fit; for y^e benifet of the pub-
lique; and Genearal aduantage of the Towne

Joseph williams

Richard Waterman Junr
The marke of X Richard Clemance
Samuell Winsor
James Olney
William Field
William Olney
Andrew Harris

[0698] To y^e Towne mett this 27th of Janury | 1711^o |

Gentlemen our Request is y^t you would be pleased to order y^t a Covenant Road may be laied out to Chapoymiscok, leading from our Town of Providⁿce which may be very Covenant for a Considerable number of Lots which | are | layd there and in so doing you will oblidge your freinds to serue you in what we may

Joseph Wilkinson
William Hopkins jun^r

(*Verso*)

y^e last Munday in ffebra purchas Meeting adjorned to q^u^r metting adjorn^d unto y^e 1st Tuesday in ffebru:

[0699] To y^e Towne meet this 27th of January 1711^o

Gentlemen

I haue had money due to mee Euer since I was Constable for persons going away out of Towne that was Rated; I Came to y^e former Committey they said to late for any help of them; I pray the towne would not let me Remaine a sufferer ; for my niglect then; for it hath bin no aduantage to mee nor Rong to them; so I pray you would be pleased to let me haue my money in this Rate

Roger Burlinggame

[0700] To y^e Towne mett this 27th of Jan 1711^o it being y^e Towns quarter meeting

Gentelmen

wee the subscribers heare unto haueing understood that there is a Bridg building or at | least | some progress made in order thereunto, ouer y^e passege at wayBossett

& Considering all ought to haue y^e Benefitt thereof it may be thought most Best y^t you^r: selues would take it into Consideration for y^e most Best & most proffittable way to performe y^e same that it may be most best for all that are therein Concerned

Jonathan Whipple
 John Smith
 John Browne
 William Olney
 William Smith
 Epenetvs
 Olney
 Tho: olney jun^{er}:
 James Mathuson

[0701] To y^e Towne meett this 27th of Januar 17th 17th
 Gentlemen

Where as wee were Chosen by your selues to inspect Into what debts was Charged to the Towne And there being Communicated to vss three bills for money for seruis don for the Towne In Laying out a highway or highways toward Plainfield; (viz) A bill from Mao^r William Hopkins and also one from Cap^m Thomas Olney for Laying out a high way from Cap^m Thomas fenners to Benjamin Wights; And also a Bill from Cap^m Thomas ffenner; for the Towne to pay a Jury of twelue men; for Laying out a highway toward plainfield signifeing they ware vpon the seruis two days; Now wee not being knowing of what order the Towne hath giuen for such proceedings; wee desire to be Excused for giueing any Judg-

ment in that matter; and that you would be pleased to order it your selues

Jonathan Sprague:
 Samuel Wilkinson
 Richard Waterman Jun^r

[0702] number: y^e: 21: y^t: 1711

euer onered brother and sister after my loue presented to you hoping that you are in good halth all as we are at this present writng Sr your Son John: Whipple hath a mind to com and se you all the next crismis | that is a coming | and your brother if you will send down a hors for your son | mu- come | by any of our town peple the wek before crismis or too dayes be for it will dow and in so you will ablige your euer dutful|| son John Wth. so no mor at present but i rest your Louing brother

dunki maucom

[0703] To y^e Town of prouid^{ce}: mett to Gather this: 28th: of Janawary 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ it being the towns quarter Day

Gentlemen you are not on|sen|sible, | wee | beleue, y^t y^e Coue, Called, and known by y^e name, of wigingtons Coue is and hath ben y^e summer Last past, fenced in, so that wee of y^e town and neck, are much damnefeied there by: by y^e Reson y^t we haue not our preuiledge there, for our Cattle horses and shepe, to fede as wee youse to haue, and being sensible, y^t it is or ought to bey Coman, do Reckon and Judge wee are much Abused y^t: A peticular person should kepe y^e preuillidge and benefits of y^t which belongs to the whole propriaty

There fore Gentlemen our Request is that you would take y^e premises: into Consideration, and order some way whereby

wee may: obtain our former preuiledges, and not be hendred of them as Aboute Exprest, from your frind and neighbours:

Will^m Crawford

Joseph Browne

(*Verso*)

Referred to y^e Next purchassers meeteing

This bill at a purchassers Meeting ffebruary munday y^e 25th 17¹¹/₁₂, ~~is~~ adjornm^t; is by y^e purchassers Comitted to the Committee for deviding y^e Thatch bedds for them to do as they shall see Cause Concerning that part of thatch bedd in Wickendens Cove, or Mile end Cove. /

[0704] Where as the Purchassers and Proprietors of the Town Shipe of Providence haue in Some Measure been Made Senseable that our honoured father for about thirty years ago or upwards Did buy of the Widow Mary Maurey a Purchass Right, of Lands Lying on the west side of the Seven mile line and has for about thirty years time been in the possession of the Same by Drawing a lott upon that Right when Said Purchassors agreed upon the first Deuision of those Lands, and also haucing Ever Since paid all Dutys that hath any manner of ways arisen or been leyd on Sd Lands Equill with any other purchasser, & that our Said honrd: father hath by his will in writeing given the aforesd Purchass Right unto us the Subscribers, But when we came to take up land by vertue of Said Right we could not find upon what originall Right our our Lott was Drawn, by Reason our Deed was Lost, Neither Could we find that the Said Widow maurey Ever had Such a Right to make sale of: But the Said Purchassers and proprietors, taking in to their Serious Consideration what is aboute

mentioned, and fearing that if they Should hinder us of En Joying those Lands which we Claimed by vertue of Said, Right, they might do us much wrong therein, Not with Standing that we Could not Legally make it to appear that we had Such a Right, or that Ever there was Such a Right Due to any person: Haue allowed us Certain Lands on the west Sid of the Sd Seven Mile Line as by their Records will more at Large appear Referance thereunto being had: Now for as much as the Said Purchassers and Proprietors haue Shewed them Selues So Kind unto us in granting us Such Lands as afore Sd: We do for our Selues, our Heirs, Executors, and Administrators Promis and Engage That Jn Case any person or persons Deriving any Right Title power or Athoraty from our Said Honrd: father; or from the Said Widdow Maurey, Shall at any time here after, by Law Recover the afore Said Righ of Land, of the Said Purchassers and Proprietors of the Town of Providence; That then wee our Heirs Executors and Administrators, Shall and will yeald up and Surrender unto the Sd Purchassers all Such Lands as we then Shall haue taken up or do hold by vertue of what is allowed us as afore Sd by the Purchassers and Proprietors; Jn Wittnes where of we do hereunto Set our hands and Seals this 25th: february in the year 17¹/₂

wittness us

Jonathan Sprague

Richard Bowen

Nathanael Jenckes [L. S.]

Ebenezer Jenckes [L. S.]

William Jenckes [L. S.]

This above Written Engagement is Recorded in Providence Records, in y^e booke for Entry of deeds or land Evidences, Number two, & in Page 211: Recorded ffebruary y^e 29th: 17¹/₂: 7 Tho: Olney, Clerk.

(Verso)

Nath^l: Jencks, Ebenezer Jencks & Wi^m Jenckes their bond to y^e Purchassers.

[0705] Whereas there was an Agreement made between the Purchassers & Proprietors of Prouidence and and the Proprietors of Pautuxit for the Diuiding of their Lands or to say the setting of a Certain Bounds between Each Propriete In the yeare of Our Lord 168²/₃ And so the matter hath Laine many yeares & Nothing Effected as to the setting of the Bounds as aforesd and seueral of the Committe Chosen by the Purchassers and Proprietors of sd Prouidence are now Deceased so that there is a Differance still Remains betweene the two Proprietees about the true (or to say) the Right meaning of some words in the before Recited Agreement. The Purchassers and Proprietors of sd Prouidence hath againe Chosen Us Joseph Williams Samuel Wilkinson and Thomas Fenner to meet with a Committe of sd Pautuxit to Endeavour to Reconcile the sd Differance We accordingly meet wth: the Comitte and Proprietors of Pautuxit the 30th. of December 1710 Att the House of M^r: Nehemiah Sheldon in Pautuxit And it is agreed by us the Comitte of Prouidence and the Comitte of Pautuxit whose hands and seales are hereunto subscribed for a full and Total Jssue and End of all Controversys Concerning the Bounds betwixt the Proprietors of Prouidence and the Proprietors of Pautuxit for them selues their Heires and Assigns for Euer is as followeth, Viz, To begin at the stone at Moshapogue a known and stated bound between the two Proprietees abouesd and then Run a Line West fourteen Degrees Northerly without Respect to Variation Untill it

Comes to a stake with a heape of stones Laide about it, which is in or neare the Range of the north & south Line which is Raised from seuen miles west from the Hill Called fox-Hill The which sd line is also Called the seuen-mile-line Then from sd stake to Run a Due Magnal south line Untill it Comes to Warwick line or North Bounds And the lands On the Northerly side of the Westerly line And on the Westerly side of the south line is to belonge to the Proprietors of Prouidence And the lands on the southerly side of the sd westerly line and on the East side of the sd south line is to belonge to the Proprietors of Pautuxit Onely Excepting the lands which was taken Up Vpon Prouidence account beforesd agreement

And it is also Joyntly freely and firmly agreed that all lands which Can be made appeare were Lawfully Laide Out before the making of that sd Agreement Dated January the 16th 168²/₃ within those lands that are now agreed to belonge to the Proprietors of Pautuxit and On the Purchasers of Prouidence their Rights shall stand Good to the Owners thereof their Heires and Asigns for Euer

And the Proprietors of Pautuxit shall haue in full satisfaction for the same so many Acres in Quantity as neare as may be within the Proprietors of Prouidence their Common lands On the East side of the afore mentioned seuen mile line to themselues their Heires and Asigns for Euer And to be taken vp as soon as they se Cause Moreouer we signify that On or about the fourteenth day of may Last Past We Thomas ffenner Joseph Williames Samuel Wilkinson Andrew Harris and Peleg Roades Run all the Lines according to the aboue Writen agreement and make this as a Return to the Town | Proprietors | of Our Transaction i[] sd Work for Admittance of the same

We also haue agreed that Once in three yeares for Euer hereafter Each Party their Heires and assigns shall View and maintain the bounds abouesd that they may not be forgotten by the Posterity and to be Done at the Equal Charge of both Partys Jn Wittness wherof We haue here Unto set Our hands and seales this Eleuenth Day of February in the tenth yeare of her majestys Reign Anne Queen of Great Brittain &c: Annoq^e: Domini Nostri 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ or 12

Signed Sealed & finished	{	Joseph Williams	[L. S.]
in the Presence of Us)	Andrew Harris	[L. S.]
Dan ^{ll} : Abbot		Tho: ffenner	[L. S.]
John Corpe		Peleg Rhoades	[L. S.]
Hope Corpe		Samuel Wilkinson	[L. S.]
		Thomas ffield	[L. S.]

This above Written Instrument of Agreement is Recorded in Providence Records, in the booke for Entry of deeds or land Evidences Number two, & in Page 211 & 212.

Recorded March y^e 3rd, 17 $\frac{1}{2}$: $\overline{\text{P}}$ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

(*Verso*)

Acceppte^d by y^e Purchassers

The Agreem^t: betwne y^e Comittee for y^e purchassers of Providence, & the Comittee for y^e Proprietors of Pautuxett. /

[0706] To m^r John Angel, weauer, deputy Sheriff of Providence in the Colony of Rhoad Jsland & Providence Plantations these Greeting

you are hereby in her majesties name Anne Queen of Great Brittain &c: Required to Arrest the body of Solomon Thornton of sd Providence & him in Safe Custody keep untill he giue in bond Returnable according to law to make his

appearance before a Court of magistrats to be Holden at the house of william Turpin in Prouidence afore Said, on the first munday in July next after the date hereof at 12 of the Clock of Said, | day | then & there to answer to the Complaint of william Hammon, of Prouidence afore Said. in an action of tresspass for that the Sd Solomon Thornton did Enter upon a certain tract of land, Situate in Prouidence, afore Sd which | is in the possession of | the afore sd william Hammon on the Eighth day of this jnstant june, & did Cart away a percel of timber, which the Sd william Hammon had cleft out to make shingles & Clabboards, which is to the damage of Said Hammon, thirty nine shillings of Currant money of new england, as at Said Court will further, be made to appear

here of fail you not, Giuen under my hand & Seal in Prouidence this 20th day of june, Anno domini 1713.

Richard Browne, Justice of Peace

(*Verso*)

This Writ was sarued y^e 22 day of June by me

John Angell debety sheriff

[0707] To all Christian People vnto whome these presents shall or may come Nathan Place of providence In the Collony of Rhod Jsland and providence plantat.[] In New England Husbandman Sendeth Greeting Know yee: that the sd nathan place for and in Consideration of the Sum of four pounds Currunt mony unto him in hand paid before the Ensealing and Delivery of these presents by william steere of providence aforesaid husbandman the Receipt Whereof to full Content and satisfaction he the sd nathan place doth by these presents acknowlidg and thereof and of

Every part therof for him Self his heirs Executors and administrators doth acquit Exonerate and discharg the sd william Steere his heirs Executors and administrators and Every of them by these presents : and for Divers other Good Causes and Consideratio|ns him hereunto moving he the said nathan place Hath Given granted bargained and Sold Aliened Enfeofed Conveyed and Confirmed and by these prsents Doth fully freely Clearly & absolutly give grant bargain & sell Alien Enfeof Convey and confir|m| unto the sd william and unto his heirs and assigns for Ever a Ceartain tract of land | & | by Estcemation fourteen Acres be it more or less Scittuate : lying and being Jn providence : aforsd and on the | west side | Seven mile line by Esteemation about a mile East from Chepatchick River near to a hill Comonly Called Snake hill : on the south west side of sd hill : and is bounded as followeth the South west Corner is a white oak tree marked & Stones laid about it thence Rangeth South Easterly to a walnut tree marked and Stones laid about it being a south East Corner thence Rangeth north Easterly to a Chesnut tree marked and Stones laid about it & is the noth East Corner thence Rangeth norwesterly to a Stake and Stones laid about it being the norwest Corner thence vpon a strait line to the first mentioned bound Together with all the wood timber trees stones water and water Courses wayes Conveniencies Advantages appurtenances and Herriddittaments whatsoever vpon and with in the Same together with the Reversions & Remainders therof and all the Estate Right title Jntrest Jnheritance property Possession Claim and demand Whatso Ever of him the sd nathan place of in and to the Same and Every part thereof : To have and to hold all the above grante|d premises with all and Singuler the appurte-

nances therof unto the sd william Steere his heirs and assigns and to his and there own Sole and proper use bennifit & behoof from hence forth for Ever and the said nathan place for him Self his heirs Executors & administrators doth Covenant promise Grant and agree to and with the sd william Steere his heirs and assigns in manner and form as followeth (that is to say) that at the time of this bargain and Sale & untill the En-sealing and delivery of these presents he the sd nathan place is the tru Sole and Lawfull owner and stands lawfully Seised therof in his own proper Right of a good free Clear perfect and absolute Estate of Jnheritance Jn fee simple having in him | self | good Right full power and lawfull Authority to Sell and dispose of the premises and Every part of them as is aboue said: and that the sd william Steere his heirs and assigns Shall and may hence forth forever Peaceably | & | Quietly have hold possess and injoy the above Granted premises with the appurtenances therof free & Clear & Clearly acquitted and discharged of and from all other and former gifts Grants bargains Sales leases Mortgages and of and from all other titles troubles Charges Encumbrances or Jntanglements that might in any measure or degree annihilate Contradict or obstruct this present deed and the Said nathan place doth Covenant promise bind and oblidg him self his heirs Executors & administrators from hence forth and for Ever here after to warrant and defend all the above Granted premises and the appurtenances therof unto the sd william Steere his heirs and assigns against the lawfull Claimes and demmands of all and Every person or persons Whom so Ever

Jn witness whereof the said nathan place hath herunto sett his hand & Seale this teenty forth of May jn the Year of our Lord one thousand seuen and fourteen

Signed Seled and Deliuered jn presents of Vs Daniel Sweet Timothy Carpenter Ju ^r	}	Nathan place [L. S.] Jn Prouidence y ^e 13 th of December ann Dom 1715 — The aboue named Na- than Place acknowledged y ^e aboue written to be his free & voluntary act and Deede before me Richard Waterman Justice of Peace
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[0708] Know all men by these presents that where as M^r Gidia[] Crawfford of Prouidence in the Colony of Rhoad Jsland & Prou[]dence Plantations Jn New England: Did in his Last Will and Testament: Giue and Bequeath vnto his two sons William Crawfford and John Crawfford boath of Prouidence aforesaid: All his Lands that he was Possessed of Jn New England aforesaid: | therefore: in obediance to y^e s^d will the s^d William Crawfford & John Crawford therefore in obed | to be Equally deuded betwixt them his aforesaid two sons William Crawfford and John Crawfford: did on the 23^d day of January, 17 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{5}{8}$ Make pertition of all the said Lands Jn manner and form following; Excepting only one hundred acres that was Purchisd of []ajor James ffitch

1st William Crawfford Js to h[] all the Lands which aper-
 tained betwixt them: in | sd | Prouidence Neck with half a
 Right in the thach beds: and in Lue thereof John Crawfford
 is to haue that part of the house Lott which there father Pur-
 chised of William Pray in Prouidence afores^d: Lieing in the
 Town and twenty acres of Land he Purchised of Samuel

Wright Lieing by the small Ponds on Waybauset side and also sixty acres and an half of Land Lieing adjoyning on the East side of Moswansicut Pond all within the Township of s^d Providence

2^{ly} Jn Lue of the homestead in s^d Providence Towne that William Crawfford Js Possessed with and the warehouse Lotts on the west side of the Towne streete oppisate against s^d home stead, John Crawfford Js to haue all the Lands and meadows []n Moshantatack that belonged betwixt them Excepting only one share Lieing in Peteconset bottam the which still Remaineth vnto William Crawfford: and also John Crawfford is to haue that farme att the Place Called socesicut in s^d Providence neere to the dwelling house of Cap^t Thomas Harris and all that Land or farm Lieing att the place Called secotunconug in Providence aforesaid

3^{ly} William Crawfford Js to haue all the Lands which belongeth betwixt them att warwick in the Colony about s^d and half a share of Meadow Lieing in the Meadow Calld the Greate meadow by Moshasuck Riuer in Providence aforesaid: and twenty five acres of Land Lieing att a place Called Paskhoage in s^d Providence And in Lue there of John Crawfford is to haue all that Land which was Purchised of Daniel ffuller and Cap^t Joseph [] the which Land Lieth att a Place Called Wachomoquut in Rehobath in the County of Bristoll in the Prouiance of the Masachusets bay

4^{thly}: William Crawfford Js to haue the seauenty five acres of Land Lieing on the West side of the seauen mile Line in Providence afore s^d Neere to John Aldriches: And Jn Lue there of John Crawfford Js to haue ore hundred acres of Land which was Purchised of Major James ffitch Lieing att the

Little Riuer in Killingsly in the Colony of Coniecticut and half a Right in the Commons on the East side of the seauen mile Line in s^d Prouidence

(*Verso*)

5^{thly} William Crawfford Js to haue half a Right in the Commons on the West side of the seauen mile Line in Prouidence aforesaid: And Jn Lue there of John Crawfford is to haue all that Land which belonged betwixt them att Quaupague in the

And Wee the said William Crawfford and John Crawfford do by these presents Acknowledg and declare our full satisfaction and Content in the aboue Recited Pertition or deuision of said Lands: And there fore do for our selues our Heirs Executors Administrators and A[]signs Exonerate acquitt and fully discharge Vnto Each []er there perticulior parts and Percells of said Lands according to this our aboue mentioned deuision with all the Preuiledges profets benefets and appurtinanses to the said parts and percells belonging to be free and Cleare for Euer: And not to disturb nor molest Each other Jn there full Jnjoyment and Jmprouement of the same

[0709] Wee Richard Browne & Richard Waterma being att a Quarter meeting held att Prouidence Oct^r y^e 27th anno Dom 1716

Chosen a Committee to Jnspect Jnto the Towne debts and make Report to y^e Towns Quarter meeting Jn January — 171⁶/₇

Where vpon wee haue drawn the following account

The Towne of Prouidence dt^r To seuoral Persons as they haue Charged in there seuoral accounts: to y^e Releife of Samuel Meeds

	ℓ	s	d	
To Resolved Waterman	07	09	04	
To Richard Clemance for: 17: weekes board	}	03	08	00
att 4 ^s 7 ^r weeke				
To Doct ^r John Jenckes for y ^e Cure of his Greate too	}	00	15	00
To Richard Browne for his Entertainement Jn the time of his Lameness				
To William Edmunds for keeping of Samuel meeds	}	04	14	06
Allowed To Joshua winsor				
To serueing two warrants in warning Persons out of Towne	}	00	04	00
To Henry Mawrey for seruis don in moueing straingers and sum of our own Poore				
An Account delioured by m ^r James Dexter one of the ouer seers of the Poore				
due To John King weauor for Keepeing Mary Aldrich two years & 2 months	}	20	12	06
due To William Lawrance for Keeping Mary Aldrich one yeare				
due To Edward Hawkings for Keeping Sarah Aldrich one yeare wee allow	}	03	00	00
due To m ^r James Dexter for going to James Thorntons to view his famoly				
To time y ^t s ^d dexter Exspended about Hannah jarrott	}	00	03	00
<i>(Verso)</i>				
due To John Angel: weauer for serueing in the Place of Town sarjant: in y ^e yeare 1713	}	04	00	00
due To Joseph Angel next June for three years seruing Towne sarjant				

money due to Killing wolues

due To Daniel Angel and Company	}	03 - 00 - 00
To: 3 wolues		
To Zachariah Eddy for one wolfs head		01 - 00 - 00
To John Brown son of John Browne		01 - 00 - 00

(Recto)

Charges in Laying of [] highways

Jn Laying out the highway to y^e narrow passage

To Major Thomas ffenner	£	s	d
	00	06	00
To Richard Waterman Jun ^r	00	03	00

An account brought by Cap^t William Crawfford Jn behalf of him self and Jury Jmplied in saruis | a | Laying a high way from y^e Greate Pond to y^e greate meadow hallow.

first To him self for his 2 days attendance Jn s ^d aruis	}	£	s	d

To y ^e Jury: 10: men: [] days Each: 3 ^s ̄ ^r day	£	s	d
	03	00	00

To: 7: men: 1: [] day Each 3 ^s ̄ ^r day	01	01	[]
	01	01	00

due to Richard Waterman Jun^r Clerke

To Giueing or granting a warrant Jn behalf of the Councill: & Also Recording the Returns of s ^d highway	}	00	02	00

To sarjant Joseph Angel for summoning the Jury and Attendance: 3: days in s ^d saruis	}	00	12	00

Allowed to Daniel Abbott for Labour don vpon y ^e high way in Plainffeild Road	}	01	08	0

Allowed To Richard Waterman Towne Clerke for two Books he bought for y^e Towns vse

Viz one for y ^e Towne Councill and one To Enter Marriages and Childrens Births in	}	00	17	0

To Benjamin Whipple for keeping Samuel Meeds, his horse thirteen weeks, in the winter of the year 1715 or 16.

00 - 13 - 00

To our one Charge in our seruis | don | Jn: Jnspecting into the Towns debbts

00 - 1 [] - 00

Richard Browne

Richard W[]erman

(Verso)

Major Thomas ffenner Charges: Jn behalf of himself and Jury for seruis don in Laying a highway from Prouidence toward Plainfield by order of a Town Councill held att Prouidence y^e 17th of August 1706

viz: To: 12: men 3|2| days att

3^s 7^d day

℥ 03 - 1 [] - 00

To him self: 3: days att: 5^s: 7^d day

00 - 15 - 00

Cap^t Thomas Harris Charges: 12^s: for his saruis don with Major Hopkins and Cap^t Olney in Laying a highway toward Plainfield: 3: days

00 - 12 - 00

[0710] Aprill y^e 22^d - 1718

Jonathan Wade being att y^e Request of Josiah owen Examined Concerning his Trauell and where he spent his time the Last first day:

The Lad said he went from young Jonathan Whipples to John Hawkingses with an Jntent to go to the said owenis but Joseph Hawkings a Little boy told him that owens is famoly Was all gon to meeting and there Was no body att home: so he went no further that way but went down to William Hawkings: is: and was there about the middle [] the after noone: and from thence went s[]reight to s^d Jonathan Whip-

pl[]^s a[]d got home there before sun sett: and when he
 Came home he told s^d Jonathan Whipple that he had not bin
 att Josiah owens for he heard there was no body att home and
 so he did not goo

[0711] To the Towne Quarter Meeting met this 27th Day
 of January Ano Domini 17¹/₈

Louing frindes and Neighbours our Humble Request is
 unto you that you Would be pleased to Grant us the Liberty
 to fence in the High waies With Our Land at the Lower end
 of the Neck for five years More as it hath bin for five years
 Last Past and in So doing you Would Oblige the Subscribers
 Who are your Most Louing frindes and Neighbours to Serue

Nicholas Power
 Benjamin Tillinghast
 Samuell Winsor
 Joseph Whipple
 Joseph ffenner
 Richard ffenner
 Richard Browne

(*Verso*)

The within bill is granted provided the petisinors or there
 partners | make & | maintaine a Cupple of Carte Gates for the
 Conueniency of Publick passag in y^e high way Voated and
 past

Richard Waterman Clerke

[0712] To m^r Stephen Dexter Constable of Providence
 Jn the Colony of Rhoad Island and providence plantations Jn
 new england: These Greecing

You are hereby in his majesty's name George King of Great Britton, &c Required upon sight hereof: To take into your Custody the body of Jonathan Browne of providence aboves^d Cooper and him in Custody Keepe and Convey and safely deliver vnto the Keeper of his majesty's Goole att newport in s^d Colony, and you are also hereby Impowered to take sufficient aide, and appress a boate for the Executeing this warrant hereof faile you not. And this shall be your sufficient warrant and discharge: Given vnder my hand and seale this: 10th day of Aprill In the fifth yeare of his s^d majesty's Reign: anno Dom. — 1719 — Joseph Jenckes Dep^t Gou^r

The above written is a true Copie Compared with the original this 18th day of April 1719: by me

[0713] To the Town Met January the 27th 171²/₁₃

Gen^t:men I Suppose it is not unknown to many of you that my Grandfather M^r: Gregory Dexter was one of the original proprietors of the Lands of this Town of Providence, & had a lot of 80 acres of Land laid out at Scoakanoxit, The which he gave to my hon^r:^d father & Settled him there on: & Since my fathers Decease the sd Lot descended to me his only heir & is the Land I now live upon; & was the first lot that was layd out in y^t part of our Town Shipe, but Since the laying out thereof, other people have laid out Land adjoining on three Sides of it, & all the Land adjoining on the fourth Side is claimed; quite home to mine: & the way which I have used this Six & Twenty years to go off my Land in to the Road which leads to the Town is Now Stopped up, So that I cannot possible come at any Road That Leads Either to mill or market with my Team: nor yet on foot nor on horseback,

but as I have | leve | of Jonathan Sprague to pass through his meadow & gen^t:men, I am humbly of opinion that this (if it be allowed of) will be y^e first precedent that Ever was Set in New England, That after a man has laid out Land & built upon it, for other men to lay out Land Round his, & thereby Compell him to buy a high way to pass off his own land to get into a comon Roade: & gen^t:men, you cannot but be Senseable that it has been the general practice in this Town that in Laying out of Lands good care has been taken to Leave Sufficient highways: & in all parts of the Town Shipe where there has been any omission on that foot, upon the Inhabitants making Request To the Town, conveyant highways have forthwith been laid out, & my Interest, both as I am a proprietor & one of the Kings Subjects, being Equall with my Neighbours, ought in Justice to obtaine the Like Regard, as I hope it will, & therefore pray that you will please So to consider the premisses as to lay out a convenient high way for me & mine to pass in, from my own Land to the Road which comes out of our Northern woods into the Town & in So doing you will much oblige, gen^{tt}:men your friend & neighbour

John Dexter

(Verso)

Mr John Dexters Bill
y^e first bill

[0714] To Robert Curre Town Sergeant of Providence in the Colony of Rhode JsLand &c: Greeting

These are in his Majesties name George King of Great Brittain &c to Require you to give timely notice to all the members of the Town Councill of this Town of Providence to

meet together at y^e: hovse of Cap^t: James Olney in s^d: Providence on Saturday next y^e: 2^d: day of December 1721: at: 12: of y^e: Clock in y^e: day in order for Granting Administration on y^e: Estate of Cap^t: Josiah Westcote who as I am Informed Dyed Intestate and also to order an Inventory to be taken of y^e: s^d: Estate &c: and also to do any other business that shall present before them proper & necessary for them to do: hereof fail not Giuen under my hand & Seal the: 27:th day of november in y^e: Eighth year of his s^d: Majeste[] Reign: Annoque Domini: 1721:

[L. S.]

Andrew Harris Assis^t:

[0715] Att a Town Councill Called by warrant held att providence this 26th day of february anno 172¹/₂

Upon the Petision of M^r Eliezer Arnold Cap^{tn} Samuel Comstock M^r Edward Smith and twenty nine others It is Voated and ordred that: there shall be a Convenient High way Layed out by a Jury of twelve men or more according to the Law of this Colony through that Tract of Land Called Jnmans Purchase and to be Layed near the Rhode that hath Vsally gon by the house of Henrey Mowrey and John Balcom and so along threwh the Lane near by Samuel Aldrich Jun^{rs} House and that Richard Brown Esq^r shall grant a Summons to the Town serjaint to Summons a Jury as soone as Conveniently may be and Jngage them according to Law for that purpose and that M^r Brown and the Dep^{ty} sheriff go with the s^d Jury and se the work be fully Compleated and make return to this Councill for there acceptance and allowance of the same

a True Copie attest 7^r Richard Waterman Towne Clerke

[0716] To Samuel Gorten Constable of Providence in the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence plantations in New England these Greeting

that whereas Complaint hath bin this Day made unto me by Edward Serles of Masshantuck in said Providence that his son in Law William Seleuant hath absented him self from his family for four or five months Last past: whereupon his wife | Rachel | hath removed her self out of our Township of said Providence: and hath Left three small Children of said Seleuants in a very poor Condition: and the said Rachel doth intend with all expedition to Carrey away all the said Seleuants household goods from his said Children as the Complainant saith: which thing is Contrary to both Law and equity

these are therefore in his Majesties Name George king of Great Brittan &c: To require you the said Constable to seize the said household goods if you Can find them within your presence and them in your safe Custody keep untill further order be taken about the same: and make Return of your proceedings herein

Given under my hand and seal this fift Day of march in the eighth year of his said Majesties Reign Anno Domini: 1721 or 22

[L. S.]

Arthur ffenner Assistant

(*Verso*)

This Warrant was Executed according to the Contents there of th mee

Samuel Gorton Constabl[]

[0717] Att A Towne Councill held att Providence March y^e 10th 172¹/₂

Vpon the Petision of Peter Ballau Jun^r Concerning His
Keepeing of Benjamin Beers: vpon Mature and Weighty
Consideration It is ordered and Enacted that m^r Richard
Browne shall pay vnto the s^d Peter Ballaeu the sum of five
pounds out of the profets and Rents of the Reail Esstate that
was in the possession of Benjamin Beers, deceased: toward
the satisfieing the said Peter Ballaeu for the Charge he hath
bin att in Keepeing the said surviveing Benjamin Beers

A True Copie Attest ꝑ^r mee

Richard Waterman Clerk of y^e Councill

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