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RECORDS

OF THE

First Church at Dorchester

IN NEW ENGLAND

1636-1734

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NOTE.

At a meeting of the First Church, Dorchester, held July, 1888, it was voted to print the first manuscript volume of the Church Records, 1636–1734. The pastor (Rev. C. R. Eliot), Rev. S. J. Barrows, William B. Trask, and the deacons (Henry Humphreys, Hiram Clapp, and Richard C. Humphreys), were appointed a Committee upon editing. The work of transcribing the Records was intrusted to Rev. Charles H. Pope, that of writing the Introduction to Rev. S. J. Barrows and Mr. William B. Trask.



INTRODUCTION.

The First Church of Dorchester was formed in England by the great historic forces which sowed the seed of Puritanism on the shores of Massachusetts Bay. The "Mary and John" which brought the first company of our Dorchester settlers was the second of the seventeen ships which sailed from England to America in 1629-30. The one hundred and forty * emigrants who embarked on this vessel at Plymouth March 20, 1629-30,† were gathered for the most part from Devon, Dorset, and Somersetshire. Before setting sail from England, a church organization was formed with due solemnity, and ministers were chosen. This event is thus described by one of their number, Mr. Roger Clap, in the memoir left for his children:—

"There came many Godly Families in that Ship: We were of Passengers many in number (besides Sea-men) of good Rank: Two of our Magistrates came with us, viz. Mr. Rossiter and Mr. Ludlow. These Godly People resolved to live together; and therefore as they had made choice of those two Revd. Servants of God, Mr. John Warham and Mr. John Maverick to be their Ministers, so they kept a solemn Day of Fasting in the New Hospital in Plymouth in England, spending it in Preaching and Praying: where that worthy Man of God, Mr. John White of Dorchester in Dorset was present, and preached unto us the Word of God, in the fore-part of the Day, and in the latter part of the Day as the people did solemnly make Choice of, and call those godly Ministers to be their Officers, so also the Revd. Mr. Warham and Mr. Maverick did accept thereof, and expressed the same. So we came, by the good Hand of the Lord, through the Deeps comfortably; having Preaching or Expounding of the Word of God every Day for Ten Weeks together, by our Ministers." (Memoirs of Roger Clap, p. 39.)

^{*}John White says: "There passed away about 140 persons out of the western parts from Plimmouth." (Force's Tracts: Vol. II. John White's "Planter's Plea," p. 35.) Winthrop, writing to his wife from aboard the "Arbella," March 28, 1630, says, "The ship which went from Plimouth carried about 140 persons." (Savage's "Winthrop," 1st Ed. 1825. p. 368.)

[†] The dates throughout are given in old style.

The "Mary and John" arrived at Nantasket May 30, 1630. A few days later the passengers had effected a settlement at Dorchester, being thus about a month earlier than the rest of the Winthrop Colony. On June 6, the first Sunday after the landing, services of gratitude and praise were held under the open sky.* And this day, which commemorates the planting in the wilderness of the church organized in Plymouth, England, is coincident also with the settlement of the town.

It is not possible to make a complete list of the passengers of the "Mary and John." Nor is it possible to give the names of those who constituted the first membership of the church on its organization in England or on its establishment in Dorchester. Prior to 1636 no records of the church are extant. Such names of the first church members as can be discovered must be gathered from other sources.

The records of the town begin Jan. 16, 1632-33.† Two miss. ing leaves probably contained its proceedings from 1630. A list of the male settlers of the town, whose names appear scattered through its pages prior to Aug. 23, 1636, comprises one hundred and forty-five names. Of these many came in 1633 on a ship from Weymouth, England, which brought about eighty passengers, who, Winthrop ‡ says, settled at Dorchester. It is not easy always to distinguish the settlers of 1630 mentioned on the town records from those of 1633 or later dates, nor is it possible to say with absolute certainty who of these were church members. The date of application for freemanship is a partial guide, since, after May 18, 1631, persons who became freemen of Massachusetts Bay Colony were required to be members of a church. The order requiring this was passed at a General Court held at Boston on the date above and reads "& to the end the body of the comons may be p'served of honest & good men, it was likewise ordered and agreed that for time to come noe man shalbe admitted to the freedome of this body polliticke, but such as are members of some of the churches within the lymitts of the same."

Among the first group of men who applied for this privilege Oct. 19, 1630, seven months before the passage of this order, are

^{*}Discourse of Rev. Thaddeus Mason Harris, D.D., July 4, 1830, p. 8.

[†] There are three earlier entries, one dated January 21. It is uncertain whether this is 1631-2 or 1632-3.

[‡] Savage's "Winthrop," 1st Ed. p. 105.

thirteen names of Dorchester people. Five of these names — John Crabb, Christopher Gibson, Mr. Ralph Glover, Mr. Richard Southcoate, and Mr. Thomas Southcoate — are not entered subsequently as having taken the oath, but the name of Gibson occurs later on the church records. After the passage of the order referred to, it is safe and, indeed, necessary to assume that all those made freemen were members of the church.

LIST OF THOSE MADE FREEMEN FROM MAY 18, 1631, TO DATE OF CHURCH RECORDS, Aug. 23, 1636.

Benham, John	Gunn, Thomas	Phillips, John
Branker, Mr. John	Hart, Edmund	Pomeroy, Eltweed
Capen, Bernard	Hatch, Thomas	Pope, John
Capen, John	Hathorne, William	Randall, Philip
Carter, Joshua	Hayden, John	Rawlins, Thomas
Clap, Roger	Holcomb, Thomas	Read, William
Clarke, Joseph	Hosford, William	Rockwell, William
· · · · · ·	Hoskins, John	Rossiter, Bray
Cogan, Mr. John	Hoyt, Simon	Sension, Matthias or Matthew
Collacott, Richard	Hulbert, William	Smith, John
Cooke, Aaron	Hull, George	Smith, Henry
Deeble, Robert	Hull, John	Southcoate, Capt.
Denslow, Nicholas	Jeffrey, Thomas	Stoughton, Mr. Israel
Dewey, Thomas	Leavitt, John	Stoughton, Thomas
Dimmock, Thomas	Lumbert, Thomas	Strange, George
Duncan, Nathaniel	Marshall, Thomas	Swift, Thomas
Dyer, George	Mason, Capt. John	Terry, Stephen
Eales, John	Maverick, Mr. John	Thornton, Thomas
Eggleston, Bagot	Maverick, Moses	Tilley, John
Feakes or Fookes, Henry	Minot, George	Twitchell, Joseph
Filer, Walter	Moore, John	Upsall, Nicholas
Ford, Thomas	Newbery, Mr. Thomas	Warham, Mr. John
French, Stephen	Newton, John	Wilkins, Bray
Gaylord, William	Parker, James	Williams, Roger
Gibbs, Giles	Parkman, Elias	Wilton, David
Gillet, Jonathan	Pierce, John	Witchfield, John
Grant, Matthew	Phelps, William	Wolcot, Henry
Grenaway, John	Phillips, George	Wright, Henry
Total,		84

^{*}There are two of these names, John Hoskins, 1631 and 1634, and Thomas Rawlins, 1631 and 1635-36. There is a strong probability that they both belong to Dorchester; but we cannot be certain.

[†] This was not the more famous man who bore the same name.

In those days migrations and transmigrations were common. Dorchester took and gave with the rest. We have seen that the membership of the church was swelled by arrivals subsequent to that of the "Mary and John." Exchanges were also made between the towns. The names of some of the early settlers can be traced in the records of other towns to which they soon after removed. It was not to be expected that the dauntless enterprise which had brought the Puritans to these shores would permit them to remain on the fringe of the coast. The "Westward Ho" spirit early showed itself in organized as well as individual migration. One of the earliest, largest, and most important of these migrations from Dorchester occurred in 1635-36, when a large portion of the population removed to Connecticut and settled at Windsor. This colonial swarming reduced the original hive, a goodly number of the church members going with the junior pastor, Mr. Warham, to Windsor, and becoming the nucleus of another church in that place.

The depletion caused by the migration to Connecticut, as well as the influx of new colonists in 1635, led to the reorganization of the Dorchester Church, when Richard Mather was called to its pastorate in 1636, and the covenant with which this volume begins was adopted.

As many of the first members who came in the "Mary and John" went to Windsor, the question has been raised whether the church in Dorchester or the First Church in Windsor, Conn., is the proper heir of the church gathered in Plymouth, England. Since it is beyond doubt that both churches were essentially derived from the same historical root, both may rightfully and fraternally claim to be children of the same parentage. The question of ecclesiastical primogeniture is not here intrinsically important. Any facts, however, which show the original relation of the two churches to each other and to the parent church organized in England are interesting and valuable. More light is needed on various points. Dogmatism must be dismissed. The early settlers hardly imagined how much every scrap of information concerning their doings would be prized in later days, or they would have taken pains to anticipate our doubts and questionings.

Three questions are naturally suggested by the emigration to Windsor of so large a number of the Dorchester plantation. First, did the church go to Windsor by an official act as a church

organization? Second, what proportion of the church membership went? Third, what was meant by a "new church" in Dorchester?

I. Did the church go to Windsor by an official act as a church organization?

The only conclusive evidence on this point would be the records of the church previous to 1635. These, as has been said, are not extant. What action the church took, or whether it took any, is therefore not known. The subject of the emigration to Connecticut excited heated and prolonged debate in the colonial government.* Urgently advocated on one side, it was vehemently opposed on the other. The division most probably extended to the Dorchester church also. At least it is suggested by the fact that the church membership did not go as a unit. A part went to Windsor, a part remained in Dorchester.

In examining the question, care must be taken to distinguish between the church acting as a church organization and the simple body of church members acting individually or fraternally. The distinction was not carefully made by the early New England historians. This has led to misconception and misapplication of their words by later writers. Winthrop, Thomas Shepard, and Richard Mather were contemporaries of the first settlers. Winthrop, in his Journal, vol. i. 183, 1636, says, "Mr. Mather and others of Dorchester, intending to begin a new church there (a great part of . the old one being gone to Connecticut), desired the approbation of the other churches and of the magistrates." It is clear from Winthrop's statement that a new church organization was formed in Dorchester. He does not say, however, that the Dorchester church, as a church, had gone to Connecticut. His language, "a great part of the old one being gone to Connecticut," refers apparently to the colony of church members. Had the church taken formal action and gone as an organization, we should suppose that Winthrop would have mentioned it. His reticence gives color to the probability already assumed, that the controversy about the emigration shattered and divided the original organization.

Rev. Thomas Shepard, of Newtown, now Cambridge, was also present at the council in Dorchester, April 1, 1636, mentioned by

Winthrop. He was one of those who were not satisfied with the qualifications of some who presented themselves for approval at that gathering. He publicly expressed his dissent. After returning home, he wrote a letter to Richard Mather, for whom he had a strong personal friendship, endeavoring to console him upon his failure to secure the approbation of the magistrates and the neighboring churches. There is nothing in this letter which throws light on the question whether the Windsor emigrants went forth as an organized church or not, unless it be the assumption of the need of a new church in Dorchester, and the use of the expression a "foundation for a church," as if it were wholly a new structure. (Albro's Life of Shepard, p. 215, et seq. Original in library of Massachusetts Historical Society.)

In his reply to this letter, Richard Mather, with warm affection and deep humility, reciprocates the kindly feeling of Mr. Shepard. He regrets the bringing of "stones so unhammered and unhewn," evidently referring to the new immigrants. Only one passage in his letter has significance with reference to the point we are considering. It is the following: "But you will say, Why, then, did you present yourself with the people before the Lord and the churches? I will tell you the truth therein. They pressed me into it with much importunity, and so did others also, till I was ashamed to deny any longer, and laid it on me as a thing to which I was bound in conscience to assent; because, if I yielded not to join, there would be, said they, no church at all in this place, and so a tribe, as it were, should perish out of Israel, and all through my default." (Albro's Life of Shepard, p. 219. Original in library of Massachusetts Historical Society.) While Shepard treats the matter as if it were a new foundation, Mr. Mather's words seem to imply that a church or tribe already existing would perish unless he yielded to their importunities to come to them. A large portion of the church membership had gone to Windsor with one of its pastors. The pastor remaining in Dorchester had died. The flock was scattered and without a shepherd. These may have been strong arguments in the importunity which induced Mr. Mather to vield.*

*It is interesting to note that between the leaves of the letter of Thomas Shepard to Richard Mather of April 2, 1636, in the library of the Massachusetts Historical Society, and what is apparently a copy by Mr. Shepard of Mr.

Increase Mather, in the life of his father, Richard, referring to the same event, says, "The church which was first planted in that place, being removed with the Reverend Mr. Warham to Connecticut, there was an Essay towards Gathering a church April 1. 1636." (Life and Death of Rev. Richard Mather, edition of 1850, p. 73.) The natural assumption from Increase Mather's words is that the church went as a church. Yet we cannot be sure that he did not mean simply the body of church members. William Hubbard, 1682, says: "The first attempt of gathering any church in the year 1636 was at Dorchester on the first of April, when the former pastor and most of the old church being removed to Connecticut, Mr. Richard Mather, with several Christians that came along with him out of Lancashire, having settled their habitations there, and intending to begin a new church, desired the approbation of the magistrates, and of the neighboring churches," etc. (General History of New England, p. 273.) Hubbard, like Winthrop, is explicit in the expression "most of the old church being removed to Connecticut." He evidently refers to the body of church members. If the church took any organic action, it is not alluded to.

Cotton Mather in 1702 simply follows his father Increase, saying, "The church formerly planted there being transplanted with Mr. Warham to Connecticut, another church was now gathered here Aug. 23, 1636, by whose choice Mr. Mather was now become their teacher." (Magnalia, vol. i. p. 450, Life of Richard Mather, Hartford Edition, 1853.)

Mather's reply, are found two pages of memoranda, possibly the outline of a sermon; and between these, without word or comment, are written the following twenty-one names: Mr. [Nathaniel] Duncan; John Grenaway; Richard Callacott; William Rockwell; John Holman; Bernard Capen; Richard Wade; Thomas Dimmock; Robert Deeble; John Pope; John Phillips; John Benham; William Hannum; John Capen; Nicholas Upsall; Thomas Swift; Thomas Deeble; Thomas Millett; Augustine Clement; Thomas Twitchell; John Holland. Nearly all of these names, as will be seen by comparison with the lists herein, are of people then in Dorchester; and most of them had come before Mr. Mather. Others were later arrivals. Two of these names, those of John Holman and Thomas Dimmock, had a line drawn through them. It is impossible to tell just what this memorandum was made for. It may be the names of those who importuned Mr. Mather to settle in Dorchester. Twelve of these names are afterwards found on the church records. It is worth while noticing also that three of these persons (William Rockwell, William Hannum, and Thomas Deeble) afterwards went to Windsor. Did they intend to go when this memorandum was written?

Mr. James Blake, Jr., born April 30, 1688, one of the most accurate and trustworthy of the local historians of Dorchester, says: "Mr. Warham and about a half of the church removed to Windsor in Connecticut Colony, and M1. Mather and his people came and joined with Mr. Maverick and that half of the church that were left, and from these people so united are the greatest part of the present inhabitants descended." (Annals of Dorchester, 1750, p. 14.) The natural inference from his language is that the church did not go to Connecticut as an organization, but rather that the emigration divided the original society.

In strange contrast to Blake's are the words of Governor Hutchinson in 1764: "Mr. Warham, their minister, and the whole church followed the next year." (History of Massachusetts, vol. i. p. 96, edition of 1795.) Hutchinson is thus unquestionably wide of the mark; and many of the later historians have copied his misleading statement, which a reference to Winthrop would have corrected.

Important in its bearing on this subject is the manuscript titlepage of this the first and oldest volume of the Dorchester church records. It reads: "Records of the Second church in Dorchester which was gathered after the First Church Removed and settled themselves at Windsor. Beginning August 23 Anno Domini, 1636." It must be carefully noted, however, that this title-page is not a part of the original records, but a later addition made some eighty years thereafter, probably by Rev. John Danforth. who appears to have taken charge of the book on the death of Deacon Daniel Preston in 1695. Here, again, the question arises, Does Mr. Danforth refer to the church membership as removed and settled at Windsor or to the church as an organization? Probably on the title-page no attempt is made to state all the facts, but simply to indicate that the new or Second Church was numerically the successor of the first. Yet the wording of the title-page, though written by a later hand, gives strong color and support to the yet unverified surmise that the church went to Windsor as a church organization.

As will be seen, however, from previous quotations, so loosely is the word "church" used by writers of the time, and so often without any distinction between the church as an organization and the church as a congregation of individual worshippers, that it would not be safe to adopt one signification as wholly exclusive of the other.

The question, therefore, as to whether the church at Windsor went as a church organization can be decisively answered, it would seem, only by recovering its original records. There is little hope of finding these ancient records either in Windsor or in Dorchester. On the one hand, it is assumed that they were taken by Mr. Warham to Connecticut; on the other, that they remained with the senior pastor of the church, Mr. Maverick, in Dorchester. It is not impossible, however, since manuscripts vastly older have been by good fortune exhumed from obscurity, that the missing records may some day be brought to light. Should this good fortune occur, on no point will they be examined with more interest than on this one concerning what action, if any, the church took in the heated controversy relating to the emigration. Until such decisive evidence is produced, we may accept the judgment of a former editor of the Puritan Recorder, now Congregationalist (presumably Rev. Parsons Cooke, D.D., of Lynn, Mass.), who said, in 1855, "Whether the Windsor church removing from Dorchester, removed in an organized capacity, that it voted in church meeting to remove as a church, and carried with them their church records, formally dismissing those left behind, and continuing to keep their records as the same church, more light is required. As to the evidence produced by Mr. Jabez H. Hayden, in his very acceptable article, it proves clearly that another church was organized at Dorchester. Of this we were well aware; but the expression 'a large part of the old one being gone to Connecticut' would seem to indicate that the church itself did not go. The difficulty about all the documents relating to this subject is that the writers seem to have treated the question as to the preservation of the original organization as a matter of little consequence; while they state the fact of the removal, and so use expressions which may be construed either way." (Stiles's History of Windsor, 864.) Whether that portion of the church which went to Windsor was formally reorganized or not after settlement there is not known.

II. What proportion of the membership went to Windsor?

From the quotations already given from early historians, it will be seen that their language was sometimes misleading on this subject. Thus Hutchinson says, "The whole church went to Con-

necticut"; and the same might be inferred by a modern reader unacquainted with the facts from the language of Increase Mather and Cotton Mather, his son. They give no indication that even a part of the old church remained in Dorchester. Nor does the manuscript title of this volume of the church records already quoted and ascribed to Rev. John Danforth give any intimation that a part of the old church remained in Dorchester. Even Dr. Thaddeus Mason Harris, one of the most honored and learned of the pastors in the Dorchester succession, in an early article on the history of the First Church, failed to make this distinction. Dr. Harris said, "Their whole church and most of the congregation determined upon going." (Massachusetts Historical Society Collections, First Series, vol. ix. p. 153.) This mistake may have been derived from Hutchinson. However that may be, twentysix years afterwards, Dr. Harris took pains to correct his error. In a sermon delivered on the celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the church, held July 4, 1830, he says, "Some of the first comers still remained here," and again, "A number of church members remained," thus materially qualifying his previous language and referring to the remainder as the nucleus of the reorganized church.

Of the older historians, Hubbard and Winthrop are more accurate, the former saying "most of the old church being removed to Connecticut," and the latter saying "a great part of the old one being gone." James Blake, Jr., is also careful and explicit on this point.

Fortunately, we are not dependent wholly upon surmises or loose statements, either ancient or modern, concerning the proportion of the Dorchester people who went to Windsor. A study of the early town records throws some light on the question.

The first emigration to Windsor took place October, 1635. It was continued in the spring of 1636. We have already given a list of those who were made freemen and who were therefore necessarily church members from the passage of the law imposing this requirement May 18, 1631, to Aug. 23, 1636, the date at which the church records begin. We now present the same list of freemen, arranged chronologically with reference to their date of admission to freemanship, and giving also the date on which their names last appeared in the town records. Of those who remained subsequent to 1640 it is so stated.

LIST OF FREEMEN ADMITTED BEFORE AUG. 23, 1636, THE OPENING DATE OF THE PRESENT CHURCH RECORDS.

1630.

[John Crabb, Christopher Gibson, Mr. Ralph Glover, Mr. Richard Southcoate, and Mr. Thomas Southcoate, before referred to, are among the names of those who desired to be made freemen Oct. 19, 1630, from Dorchester, but are not entered subsequently as having taken the oath.]

May 18, 1631.

Mr. John Maverick		LAST MENTIONED IN
Rev. John Warham		DORCHESTER.
Capt. Southcoate		
Thomas Stoughton		June 27, 1636.
Bray Rossiter		
Bagot Eggleston		Feb. 10, 1634-5.
Stephen Terry		Feb. 10, 1634-5.
John Benham		Feb. 13, 1638–9.
George Phillips		Jan. 18, 1635–6.
Roger Williams		Jan. 16, 1636–7.
John Moore		April 23, 1638.
John Hoskins		May 24, 1634.
Matthew Grant		Nov. 2, 1635.
Simon Hoyt		Feb. 10, 1634-5.
Henry Smith		Dec. 29, 1634.
Thomas Ford		June 27, 1636.
Nicholas Upsall		after 1640.
John Pierce		af ter 1640.
Thomas Rawlins		Nov. 22, 1634.
George Dyer		after 1640.
William Rockwell		Jan. 2, 1637–8.
John Grenaway		after 1640.
Thomas Lumbert		March 18, 1637-8.
William Gaylord		March 18, 1637-8.
William Phelps	~	July 5, 1635.
	April 3, 1632.	
William Hulbert		after 1640.
	Aug. 7, 1632.	
John Phillips	3 ., 3	July 5, 1636.
John Hull		after 1640.

Nov. 6, 1632.

Mr. John Branker

Sept. 10, 1637.

March 4, 1632-3.

George Hull
Eltweed Pomeroy
Nicholas Denslow
Giles Gibbs
John Newton
Richard Collacott
John Smith

June 27, 1636. March 1, 1635-6. July 5, 1636. after Feb. 1, 1635-6. Nov. 22, 1634. after 1640. after 1640.

June 11, 1633.

David Wilton John Witchfield Jan. 6, 1633-4. April 17, 1635.

Nov. 5, 1633.

Mr. Israel Stoughton Mr. John Cogan after 1640. Aug. 5, 1633.

April 1, 1634.

George Minot Henry Wolcot William Hosford after 1640. April 17, 1635. April 17, 1635.

May 14, 1634.

Roger Clap Joshua Carter Joseph Tuchell (Twitchell) after 1640. Nov. 2, 1635. after 1640.

Thomas Hatch, sold house and land to

John Phillips at or before Bray Wilkins

Oct. 31, 1639. after 1640.

John Eales, sold his land in Dorchester Oct. 28, 1640. Philip Randall April 17, 1635.

Thomas Holcomb, sold homestead to

Richard Jones

Aug. 12, 1635.

Thomas Dewey, sold homestead, same date as above, conveyed to Richard Jones.

Thomas Jeffrey
James Parker
Walter Filer
John Hayden
Edmund Hart
William Hathorne
Stephen French
John Capen

April 17, 1635. April 23, 1638. June 27, 1636. March 18, 1637-8. Feb. 1, 1635-6. Oct. 2, 1636. Dec. 1, 1634.

after 1640.

Sept. 3, 1634.

Moses Maverick Jan. 6, 1633-4. Mr. Thomas Newbery, inventory of his

 estate made
 Jan. 28, 1636.

 John Pope
 after 1640.

 Thomas Thornton
 Feb. 18, 1635-6.

 Matthias or Matthew Sension
 March 18, 1637-8.

March 4, 1634-5.

 Capt. John Mason
 Feb. 10, 1634-5.

 Joseph Clarke
 Nov. 22, 1634.

 John Tilley
 Jan. 2, 1637-8.

May 6, 1635.

Thomas Swift after 1640. George Strange Nov. 22, 1634. Nathaniel Duncan after 1640. Thomas Marshall Feb. 10, 1634-5. Henry Wright after 1640. Ionathan Gillet July 5, 1636. Thomas Gunn Feb. 10, 1634-5. Robert Deeble after 1640. Henry Feakes or Fookes Jan. 4, 1635-6. Elias Parkman July 5, 1636. Aaron Cooke July 5, 1636.

Sept. 2, 1635.

William Read

March 18, 1637-8.

March 3, 1635-6.
John Leavitt

Nov. 2, 1635.

May 25, 1636.

Bernard Capen after 1640.

Augustine Clement after 1640.

Thomas Dimmock March 18, 1637-8.

This list comprises 84 names. So many, at least, we may assume were members of the church. We cannot say that they were the only members. Undoubtedly there were some who joined the church who are not recorded as freemen. Thus, taking the names of church members entered on the church records previous to Nov. 4, 1639, we find that, out of 60 names, 17 of them were not freemen at that time. Of these, 7 were subsequently admitted to freemanship; but 10 are not

found on the lists of freemen. It is not improbable that they may have been sworn in, and no record made of the fact. We may therefore assume that there were other church members previous to 1636 who were not recorded as freemen; but how large a number we cannot tell. The 84 names we have given, however, are not a matter of conjecture, but of record. Turning again to the town records, we find that out of these 84 names, all of whom must be regarded as church members, 35 were in Dorchester up to the 1st of January, 1637-38. The following are the 35 names derived from the list above: -

NAMES OF FREEMEN FOUND IN DORCHESTER TOWN RECORDS ON OR AFTER JAN. 1, 1637.

Such as signed or owned the covenant of the church reconstituted Aug. 23, 1636, are indicated by a *.

Richard Collacott

John Smith

1637-8; removed, says Savage, to New Haven, 1640, and died 1661. * Nicholas Upsall Israel Stoughton died Boston Aug. 20, 1666. John Pierce died Boston Sept. 17, 1661. * George Dyer died Dorchester 1672. William Rockwell went to Windsor soon after Jan. 2, 1637-8; died there May 15, 1640. * John Grenaway living in Dorchester Nov. 12, 1649. Thomas Lumbert in Dorchester March 18, 1637-8; Barnstable 1639; died, says Otis, about 1667. William Gaylord went to Windsor; last men-tioned in Dorchester March 18, 1637-8. William Hulburt in Dorchester Dec. 1, 1634; went to Windsor and Northampton; died, says went to Weymo Savage, 1694. John Hull was in Dorchester May 20, 1639, and perhaps later. Giles Gibbs

went to Windsor previous to March 1, 1635-6; died May

21, 1641.

John Benham

Dorchester, March

died in England 1644 or 1645. * George Minot died Dorchester Dec. 24, 1671. John Moore in Dorchester April 23, 1638; went to Windsor. Roger Clap died Boston Feb. 2, 1690-91. Joseph Tuchell in Dorchester 23 Feb., 1646. Thomas Hatch made sale Oct. 31, 1639, to * Robert Deeble John Phillips. * Bray Wilkins last mentioned in Dorchester Feb. 23, 1646-7; went to Salem. John Eales went to Hingham, sold land in Dorchester Oct. 28, 1640. went to Weymouth; in Dorchester perhaps 1638. John Hayden probably in Dorchester March 18, 1637-8, and of Braintree 1640. * John Capen died Dorchester April 4, 1692; deacon 33 years.

* John Pope in Dorchester May 13, 1667, died Dorchester Oct. 18, 1686. died Boston July 7, 1686. Matthias Sension Dorchester March 1637-8; went to Windsor, died Dorchester 1676 or 1678. thence to Norwalk, where he died in 1669. John Tilly name last appears in Dor-chester Jan. 2, 1637-8. * Thomas Swift died Dorchester May 4, 1675 [Town Record]. * Nathaniel Duncan in Dorchester March 14, 1645-6; in Boston after * Henry Wright last mentioned Feb. 7, 1641. in Dorchester Feb. 7, 1641. * William Read sold land and house to Thomas Clarke Aug. 26, Bernard Capen died Dorchester Nov. 8, 1638. Augustine Clement died Dorchester 1674. Thomas Dimmock last mentioned March 18, 1637-8.

Such action, if any, as was taken by the church must have been taken between the fall of 1635 and the spring of 1636, when the larger body of colonists went. Of these 35 persons, 7 are supposed to have gone to Windsor between 1637 and 1640. It would be unsafe to assume that they decided to go to Windsor when the larger body of colonists went. They may have gone as individuals, to join the colonists who had preceded them. Nor can we assume that all those persons whose names are not found on the town records later than 1634–35 went to Windsor. Some of them are known to have gone to other places. Of others nothing is known, except that they disappeared at an early date. We must guard, therefore, against concluding that all those who left Dorchester between 1634 and 1637, went to Windsor. Matthew Grant mentions but 15 names as having come up with the church from Dorchester.

Laying aside conjecture and appealing to the records, we find that of 145 male inhabitants mentioned on the town records prior to Aug. 23, 1636, the date of the reorganization of the church, 35 of that number appear on the records on or after Jan. 1, 1637–38. These 35 are recorded as freemen, and must have been members of the church. In other words, when the church was reorganized under Richard Mather in 1636, there were, as far as can be ascertained in Dorchester, about 35 persons who were church members at that time, 7 of whom afterwards went to Windsor. Of the 28 persons remaining, all but 4 were admitted to freemanship before the arrival of Richard Mather, Aug. 17, 1635, and were thus members of the church before its reorganization. In the list above only male names appear, because only males were admitted to freemanship. It would be difficult to compile a list of the women who went or remained.

Thus it will be seen that the whole church membership did not go to Connecticut or elsewhere, and that there was a sufficient, number of members in Dorchester to preserve the continuity of the church life.

Of the 28 persons enumerated, 19 are found on these records as members of the reorganized church. Three of these signed the covenant in 1636. Others owned the covenant on dates between 1636 and 1639; one in 1640, one in 1644. Roger Clap and Richard Collacott are recognized as members, but are not recorded as owning or signing the covenant.

The question how many of the original members of the church formed at Plymouth, England, and who came over in the "Mary and John," went to Windsor cannot be definitely answered. It is a question of subordinate interest, because the membership of the church was re-enforced by arrivals from England up to the year 1635. Deacon Ebenezer Clapp, for twenty-five years a deacon of the First Church, and an industrious and indefatigable student of the history of the church and town, undertook before his death in 1881 investigations on this point. Unfortunately, however, we have no complete or trustworthy record of the names of all the passengers who came in the "Mary and John," nor can we say, except in certain cases, who of them were church members. such list must be hypothetical. It will be of interest, however, to mention the conclusions reached by Deacon Clapp, although he did not present them as authoritative or final. His list of supposed passengers by the "Mary and John" comprised 59 names. The number of emigrants whom he traced to Windsor was 50. Of these, 30, he supposed, came over in the "Mary and John," and 20 were later arrivals. Subtracting the 30 identified as going to Windsor, we have 29 names remaining, or about one-half of the original number of male passengers, according to this hypothetical list. Of these 29 who did not join the Windsor company, 11 died or removed to other places or returned to England, leaving 18 of the original company in Dorchester. But, as we have remarked above, the important question is not how many of those who went to Windsor came over in the "Mary and John," but rather how many of the enlarged roll of church members in 1635-36 emigrated or remained. On this point the names and figures we have given from the town records furnish the most reliable data.

III. WHAT WAS MEANT BY A NEW CHURCH IN DORCHESTER?

Reverting to the authorities already quoted, we are struck by the diversity of expression in regard to the reorganized church. Winthrop says "a new church was gathered." Increase Mather says "a church was constituted." Hubbard, following Winthrop, though he mistakes the date, says "another church"; while Blake simply says that, when "these two companies of people were thus united, they made one church." The difference of expression shows that accurate and technical definition was not

intended by these writers. The circumstances attending the formation of this "new church" were peculiar. When we examine them, we see that the "new church" designated by Winthrop could not mean a new church in the sense in which that term applies to such churches as have never had any previous existence. From the language of Winthrop, three things are at once evident: first, that there had been a church in Dorchester; second, that a part of it had gone to Windsor; third, that it was necessary to reconstitute or amalgamate the old and the new material which remained.

The adoption of the new covenant was a new epoch, but it is not in itself a conclusive sign of an entirely new organization. The Dorchester church made a new covenant in 1842, but this marked only another epoch in its existence.

Another important fact must not be forgotten: it was not the going away of the Windsor emigrants alone that rendered reorganization necessary. The coming in of a fresh element and the selection of a new pastor were important factors. If no new element had arrived while the Windsor emigration was going on, it is doubtful if the church would have needed reorganization. in those days only a church member could become a freeman. It was necessary that church order should be closely observed. The rise of Antinomianism about this time, of which Shepard (who did much to produce the stay of proceedings April, 1636) was a determined opponent, excited new vigilance and caution. The general disturbance produced by the influx and efflux of settlers also unsettled the Dorchester plantation, and made church reorganization necessary. This was the view taken, after mature study, by Dr. Harris, who said: "As a number of church members remained, and the place of those that had left had been in a good degree supplied by new emigrants, they agreed to call an ecclesiastical council to assist in constituting them in church order, with proper officers. It convened on the 1st of April, 1636; but, 'the messengers of the churches not being satisfied concerning the qualifications of some that were proposed as members, the work was deferred.' On the 23d of August following, a church was reorganized, 'with the approbation of the elders and magistrates." *

^{*}Discourse of Rev. Thaddeus Mason Harris, D.D., delivered July 4, 1830, p. 14.

This is also the view of a former editor of the Boston Recorder, who said: "It is true that both here and at Cambridge, after the removal of some of the first settlers to Connecticut with their ministers, another organization of the church was had. For new emigrants had come in and purchased the houses and lands of those emigrants to Connecticut; and so great was the change of people that there would be occasion for the reconstruction of the church, whether the people who left went in an organized body or were organized anew in their new field."

One point must not be overlooked. There is no indication that by the Windsor emigration religious services were suspended in Dorchester. The emigrants to Windsor did not go all at once. The first party went in October, 1635, others not until the spring of 1636, while others did not go until two or three years after the reorganization of the church. But how small a gap there was between the corporate life of the old church and that of the reorganized church is seen when we compare dates. It must not be overlooked that the senior pastor of the church, Mr. Maverick, did not go to Windsor. Whether he had any intention of doing sc is not known; but, at any rate, he died on the 3d of February, 1635-36. Mather, importuned to come to Dorchester, must have consented as early as March, though the council was not called until April, and he was not finally settled until August. Blake says, "Mr. Mather and his people came and joined with Mr. Maverick." So far as the blending of the people is concerned, he is right. If we are to understand from these words that Maverick and Mather were contemporaneous pastors of the renewed church, he is wrong. But, if Blake meant that Maverick and Mather had both ministered to the amalgamated congregation before the ecclesiastical council, it is very probable. Although the council was not held until April, Mather had come from England with his party nine months before. Many of his people immediately took the places of those who went to Windsor. Mather's arrival was six months before Maverick's death. It is therefore probable that he preached some time for the Dorchester people during the continuance of Mr. Maverick's pastorate. But, leaving out probabilities, one fact is conclusive: that the gap between Maverick's death in February and the calling of the council and reorganization of the church under Mather in April was only two months, and to the final reorganization

seven months. During this time the meeting-house was, no doubt, opened every Sunday for religious service; and the continuity of the church service probably remained unbroken. though the ordinances may not have been administered.

Some of those who signed the new covenant were undoubtedly passengers in the "Mary and John." Were they all members of the original church? This we cannot positively say. Not all who came in the "Mary and John" joined the church before sailing. Roger Clap, for instance, did not join it until after it was established in Dorchester; and it is worthy of note that he did not sign the new church covenant. Nevertheless, he was recognized as a member of the church of Dorchester for many years after the reorganization. Blake says, "He continued a member of this church for the space of sixty years." Another case is that of Richard Collacott. He was admitted to freemanship March 4, 1632-33, and was thus one of the early residents and church members before the Windsor emigration began. There is no record of his ever having owned the covenant of the reorganized church or of having been formally admitted. But the proof of his membership appears on the church records Jan. 13, 1660, when we read that Richard Collacott and his wife were dismissed to join the new church at Boston. Thus it seems that the early membership of these persons was not abrogated by the Connecticut emigration and did not need to be renewed. If this was the case with Roger Clap and Richard Collacott, it was possibly the case with others of the first members, though most preferred to own the new covenant. Among those who did this prior to 1630 was Nicholas Clapp, who came to Dorchester in 1633, and may have been a member of the church before the reorganization, though he is not found among the list of freemen. were possibly others, as has been suggested, who may have been members and not freemen, and whose names would swell the list we have made.

The oldest religious societies in Massachusetts, the Dorchester church among them, are dual organizations, consisting of church and parish. The discussion concerning the continuity of the church does not affect in any way the continuity of the parish. It is worth while to note that, under Massachusetts law as it is at present interpreted, the body of church members who went to Windsor ceased to be a church when they separated from the

Dorchester parish. The decision in the famous Dedham case is familiar. "It was laid down that a church separating from a parish for any cause loses its existence, and that never in Massachusetts had a church a legal existence apart from the parish." It is not necessary to review or discuss the justice of this decision. There is no occasion to appeal to it in this case. It is simply sufficient to say that, according to Massachusetts law as at present interpreted, the party that remained with the church in Dorchester in 1636 became, through its connection with the parish, successors to all property, rights, and titles of the original church.

Conclusion.

The following points may be deduced from the above examination:—

- 1. That the whole church membership did not go to Windsor, but only a part of it. This is supported by the testimony of Winthrop, Blake, Hubbard, and a careful study of early records as to the number of those who left and those who remained.
- 2. Whether the Windsor party went as a church organization or simply as a colony of fellow church members is not known. Both views have been maintained: the decisive evidence is lacking. The editor of the Boston Recorder truly says: "The difficulty about all the documents relating to this subject is that the writers seem to have treated the question as to the preservation of the original organization as a matter of little consequence, while they state the fact of the removal, and so use expressions which may be construed either way."
- 3. The new church in Dorchester was an amalgamation of old and new elements, partly due to the departure of early members and partly to the arrival of new material. The probability is that the church was much broken up by the ebb and flow of emigration. This transition period was so serious that reorganization was desirable.
- 4. The question of continuity does not affect the continuity of the parish. According to Massachusetts law, the First Church and Parish of Dorchester has a clear title for two hundred and sixty years.
- 5. The historic connection of the Dorchester church with the church formed at Plymouth, England, is direct and unbroken. It

is maintained by genetic lines of membership. Some streams of blood from the heart of the Plymouth (England) church still flow in the membership of the church at Dorchester. The present church owes its existence to that immigration; not merely through a parish continuity, but through a continuity of membership and Sabbath meetings and Christian life and work; that is to say, through its life as a church.

6. The churches at Dorchester and Windsor are thus both heirs of the same parentage.

All that has been attempted in this introduction has been to bring together such facts as are now available concerning the period in the history of the church preceding the date of these records, in the hope that future investigators may be able to supplement the facts, and to verify or correct the conclusions.

No analysis of the present volume of records has been attempted. Its publication places it within the range of all students of New England history; and the notes made by the faithful transcriber, Rev. Charles H. Pope, who has shown a deep interest in the work, furnish all the detail necessary for those who have not access to the original manuscript.

The events recorded in this, the oldest existing volume of records, have been the subject of comment and review in sermons preached at Dorchester, by Rev. John Pierce, D.D., of Brookline, Mass., June 17, 1830; by Rev. Thaddeus Mason Harris, D.D., on the 200th anniversary of the church, July 4, 1830; by Rev. Nathaniel Hall, on the 240th anniversary, June 19, 1870; and in the Proceeding of the 250th Anniversary [Boston: Geo. H. Ellis. 1880]. Much interesting and useful matter concerning the church has been published in the History of Dorchester [Boston. 1851]. The story of town and church has also been briefly told in the "Memorial History of Boston."

Samuel J. Barrows. William B. Trask.



NOTES OF THE COPYIST.

WHILE the reader is put in possession of the identical spelling and punctuation of the original records, there are a few particulars, which could only be gleaned from close study of the old volume, that ought to be definitely mentioned for the benefit of all who may study this transcription.

First, there are two sets of entries: those beginning with the title-page, and continuing with the Covenant, list of members, and records of meetings; then an altogether separate series, begun at the end of the book, which was turned upside down, wherein baptisms were recorded and afterward a variety of other items. One who is poring over the book for any special purpose needs to take these two sets of entries as, in effect, two parallel books.

Before making this copy, the original was paged continuously through the two parts, so that pages 4 and 169 are contemporaneous, and so on.

Second, it is possible to say pretty nearly when these records were begun. The first dated entry, properly speaking, is that which registers the baptism of Rebecca Wiswall, April 6th, 1639, p. 171, the statements on pp. 169 and 170 being avowed recollections. From this time the baptisms are constantly dated, while the admissions to the church are dated from Nov. 4, 1639 (p. 6). The names of those who signed the Covenant are all in one handwriting, easily identified as that of the "teacher," Mr. Mather, who speaks of himself under that title on p. 173. He is clearly the penman of the chief part of the records for some years; but another hand appears from time to time, - namely, that of Deacon John Wiswall, who gradually took the whole work in charge. His autograph is to be seen on p. 258, disfigured by an altogether different penman's addition of the word "Dea.," which was not transcribed, of course. In 1657-58 Deacon John Capen began to record; but "ffeb 91/2" another person made affectionate memorandum that he had "ended his work" (p. 136). Next Deacon Preston's marked chirography follows until Oct. 22, 1695. From that point the facile pen of the Rev. John Danforth carries on both parts of the record, till some person not identified completes the volume.

Third, we have a most important succession of annotations on the earliest records, made by one who had excellent opportunities of knowing whereof he wrote. From the beginning of the baptismal entries (p. 169) Mr. Danforth interpolated remarks upon the persons mentioned in the records. These often contain matter of the highest historic-genealogical value. We have printed them in parenthesis, as they are easily distinguished from the few parenthetical remarks of the clerks themselves. It is certain that Mr. Danforth wrote these, both from the writing itself and from several particular entries. Note specially a father's remark on his child's baptism, p. 233; the initials "I. D." after the date 1716 on p. 238; the reference to the "last words in the pastor's hearing," p. 11; and notably the kind and thankful remarks upon the ordination of his colleague on p. 167, where "the aged pastor" breathes such noble thoughts in forms so classical. Mr. Danforth also copied from the town book into the margin of this record the dates of birth of many of the children baptized in the church, his general accuracy in which attests the value of his annotations.

The title-page of the ancient volume was evidently written by Mr. Danforth, probably soon after 1695, when he took charge of the book.

Elder Topliff's list of the localities where the founders of the town had resided (p. 25), made not far from 1700, is a document of great value.

No one who studies this record closely can fail to be impressed with the pure devotion and lofty standards of the Dorchester pilgrims.

CHARLES HENRY POPE.

DORCHESTER CHURCH RECORDS.

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Dorchester. the 23th day of the 6th moneth. Anno. 1636.

Wee whose names are subscribed being called of God to joyne o'selves together in Church Comunion, from o' hearts acknowledging or owne unworthines of such a priviledge or of the least of Gods mercyes, & likewise acknowledging or disability to keepe covent wth God or to p'fourme any spirituall duty wen hee calleth us unto, unlesse the Lord Jesus do enable us thereunto by his spirit dwelling in us, Doe in the name of Cht Jesus or Lord and in trust and confidence of his free grace assisting us freely Covent & bind ourselves solemnely in the presence of God himselfe, his holy Angells and all his I. servants here present that wee will by his grace assisting us endevour constantly to walke togeather as a right ordered Congregacon of Cht. according to all the holy rules of a church-body rightly established, so farre as wee do already know it to bee or duty or shall further undr-2. stand it out of Gods holy word: Promising first & above all to cleave unto him as o' chiefe & onley good, and to or Lord Jesus Cht as or onely spirituall husband and 3. Lord, & or onely high priest & Prophet and King. for the furthering of us to keepe this blessed Comunion wth God and wth his sonne Jesus Cht and to grow up more fully therein, wee do likewise promise by his grace assisting us, to endevour the establishing amongst or selves of all his holy ordinances weh hee hath appointed for his churches here on earth, and to observe all and every of them in such sort as shall bee most agreeable to his will; opposing to the utmost of or power, whatsoever is contrary thereunto, & bewayling fro o' hearts o' owne neglect

thereof in former tyme, and our polluting o'selves therein

wth any sinfull inventions of men.

4. And lastly wee do hereby Covent & p'mise to further to o' utmost power, the best [3] spirituall good of each other, and of all and every one that may become members of this Congregacon, by mutuall Instruction reprehension, exhortacon, consolacon, and spirituall watchfulnes over one another for good; and to bee subject in and for the Lord to all the Administracons and Censures of the Congregacon, so farre as the same shall bee guided according to the rules of Gods most holy word.

Of the integrity of o' heartes herein wee call God the searcher of all hearts to witnesse; beseeching him so to blesse us in this and all o' Enterprises, as wee shall sincerely endevour by the assistance of his grace to observe this holy Coven' and all the braunches of it inviolably for ever; and where wee shall fayle there to wayte upon the Lord Jesus for pardon and for acceptance and healing for his names sake.

RICHARD MATHER: NATH: DUNCAN: GEORGE MINOT: HENRY WITHINGTON THOMAS JONES JOHN POPE JOHN KINGESLEY.

[4] The names of such as since the constituting or gathering of the church at dorchester have been added to the church and joyned thereunto as members of the same body, by profession of faith and Repentance and taking hould of the Covent before the Congregacon; viz.

mr Israel Stoughton: (Esq)
John Gloover: (Esq)
James Bate
Humfrey Atherton (Esq)
John Holland
John Pierce
Christopher Gibson
John Phillips
William Sumner
John Greeneway
Barnabas ffawer
nathaneel wales
Thomas millett

mris Elizabeth Stoughton Katharin Mather Elizabeth withington Martha minott Anne Glover Elizabeth Duncan Marie Gibson Joanna Phillips

× Marie Sumner× Mary Greeneway

X Susan walesX mary millet

John Smith Raph Tomkins Richard Hawes George Dyer (Deacon) Edward Clappe nicholas Clapp nicholas Upshall Edward white Augustine Clement Alexander miller (m^r) Oliver Purchase william Clarke (Eld') John wiswall Thomas wiswall Gabriel Meade . Thomas Dickerman

Robert Deeble Thomas Swifte Joseph ffarneworth william Reede Joseph wilson Jeffrey Turner John Rigbie John Gornehill william Robinson Richard withington Henry Condliffe nathaneel Houlder John maudesley E mr william Tompson mr George moxon mr Samuel Newman Michael willyes william Blake

Thomas Lewis

dorothy Smith
 Judith Holland

X Anne HawesX Abigail Dyer

× Prudence Clappe

× Sarah Clappe

× Dorothie upsall

× Martha white

× Elizabeth Clement

× Sarah Purchase

× Sarah Clarke

× margret wiswall

× Elizabeth wiswall

× Joanna Meade Elizabeth Kingesley

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Purnell Pierce

× Elizabeth Swifte

× Elizabeth ffarneworth

m^{ris} Knight Isabell Gill

Isabell Rigbie
 Margret Styth
 Rebecca vener
 ffaith withington
 Lydia Horrockes
 Abigail Cogan

Barbara Clappe

Anne moxon

× Sybill Newman Joane willyes

X Agnes Blake
Alice Bate
Lydia Bate
mary Bate
Elizabeth Condliffe
Alice Rickdall
mary Preston
Ales Kimberley
Ales North
Agnes Lane
Mary Lovett

Thomas Clarke

x mary Knight
 M^{ris} Trowbridge
 Hannah wilkins
 Elizabeth Tilestone
 Judith Smeade
 Susanna Starre
 Constant Starre
 Rachel Bigge
 Patience ffoster

Nicholas Butler

X Joyce Butler
Elizabeth Pitts
Ursula Greener

Ursula Greeneway Joane Martine ffrances Hill

Andrewes
Sarah Topley
Dorothy Barker
Joane Capin
Radigan Capin
Jane Pope
Ellen Jones
Susanna Lyon

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John Capinne

Edward Brecke Joseph Jewet George Aldridge Thomas Hawkins Hopestill ffoster

Richard williams Tho' Touleman Henry woodward

4 da: 9th mo: 1639

Henry Kebby Jonas Humphrey Richard Baker

Richard Sykes m' Nehemiah Bourne George Procto' × Mary Jewet

Catharin Aldridge mary — Hawkins Anne Bishopp Thomassin Beton Anne Bayly

ffrances williams
 Elizabeth williams

Elizabeth ffarnham

m™ Holman Humphrey

Dinah ffawer mary Waterhouse m^{re} Hannah Bourne: Proctor 21 da: 10th mo 1639

m^r Jonathan Burre: George Wickes m^{rs} Earwinge: m^{rs} ffrances Burre Jane Wickes

Decimo 4º 12 mo 1639:

m' Robert Hawoorth m' (Tho) waterhouse m' John Holman Jeremiah Houchin Clement Topley

Decimo 9^{no}: 4 mo: 1640

Braue wilkins Robert Peerce Robert ffuller Rodger Billindge

20 of 9 mo 1640

David Seleeke
John Gill
Tho miller
Tho Leike
Tho Davenport
Sarah Collen
margaret Bate
goodwife maudsley
goodwife Bird
Henry wright:

16 of 2^d mo 1641

Andrew Pitcher
Mary Brecke
Widow Jones
Henry Bridgram
Dorcas ye blackmore
Goody Munninges
Goody Lippincot
Elizabeth Craine

× m[™] waterhouse

× Houchin m^{rs} Cooper Rebecca Burre:

X Elizabeth Drake
 X Anne Peerce
 Phebe Sykes
 margaret Anglesey
 mary Cooke
 margaret Levver

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goodwife Gill

29 of 8 mo: 1641.

Goodwife George m" Patten Goodwife willeyes Elizabeth Gallet Goodwife Whipple

28 of 12 mo 1641.

William Pond nathaniell Howard goodman Newton: x goody Pondx goody Howardgoody Deeblemary withington

27 of 11 mo 42

Tho Burd
John Pratt
William Triscott
William Turner
John ffrench

Goodman Ware

2 mo Decimo 7to 43

Richard Eavins

5: 3 mo 43

Henry Waye Richard Waye

goody Pratt goody wright Goody Eavens

8 I mo 1644

Joseph Twichell Richard Hall Tho Trott Jasp Rush Nicholas Boulton Goody Billindge mary Davenport

[8]

1646.

about
10 May 1646. Baptised, Samuel Topliff
(son of Clement Topliff)
who was ordained Ruling Elder
ffeb. 3. 1701-2:

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1647

The Kev^d m^r John Wilson jun^r
He was Coadjutor to the Rev^d m^r Mather two Years;
& then dismissed, that so Medfield might have a Pastor &
He was Pastor of Medfield 40 years.

10: 47: Baptised Hopestill (ye son of Capt. Roger Clap)
who was born Dec. 6. 47.
(Sam! son of william Trescot born whose wife was
George Diers daughter)

1648

1649

1650

[10] At a church meetinge 19. (10) 53 where was p'sent theise bretheren

mr mather
Elder withingto
Richard Baker
Richard Leeds
John Gornhill
Henry Cundliffe
Lawrance Smith
william Triscot
Thomas Swift

Captaine Atherton Ensigne ffoster Robt Howard Thomas wiswall Joseph ffarnwoorth william ware Thomas Burd John wiswall

the vote was whether they were all willinge that Dorcas was to be Redeemed & that Ensigne ffoster & the 2 deacons, should goe to Boston to inquire ffirst what the magest could doe by power & after to goe & Compound wth Liuetennant Cooke or any other ffor her Redemptio & to ingage an oxe and a Cow in mt Howard handes for pt of payement. & in case ytters ingage for the Rest the bretheren above named doe ptmise to Laye downe for the present amonge ythe sume untill it can be had againe from the whole church by Contribution or otherwayes: the vote was affirmative & the ptmise ffull her Redemptio was to be ffree.

(1649 The Reverend M' John Wilson was Ordained Pastor of the Church in Dorchester as a Coadjutor to the Revo

The Rev'd m^r Wilson Removed from Dorchester to Medfield to take the Pastoral Care of y^e Church at Medfield.)

[11] The 15 September 1680 about 10 of y^e Clock in y^e night m^r fflint departed this life y^e day before there was a fast keept for him he was ordained pastor to this Church y^e 27 10 71

The 28 4 82 m⁷ John Danforth was ordained pastor to this Church at Dorchester

The 12 3 86 Elder James Humphrey dep'ted this lif in ye morning about break of day being ye day of Election for that yeer & buryed ye 14 3 86 being ye day yt Randolf came to new England

(having been Deacon 2 years & an half & Ruling Elder 17 years & 4 moneths.

April 4th 1692. Deacon John Capen deceased having been Deacon, 33, years, & almost 2^{mo}.

June 28. 1700. at 2 or 3 h. P.M.—Elder James Blake departed this Life, in ye 77th Year of His Age & 14th year of his Eldership compleat & 19 days over: some of His Last Words in the Pastors Hearing were these: "Amen. Even so come Lord Jesus."

He was Deacon also 14 years, wanting a fortnight.)

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19 (2.) 54

we the deacons of dorchester were wth edward Breck & Received ffrom him one oxe. & an heffer prized at 9 pound therteene shillinges 4 pence by william Clerke & John Smith ffor the use of the Children of John Rigby. their markes under our handes are the oxe beinge at m^r mather muche beffore, we cropt the tage of the nearer eare & ffor the heffer she beinge cut of the nearer eare beffore we cut the hither corner of & Cropt the ffurther a Little ffurther we Receaved 3 pound 16° 8d 13° of it upon accompt about 2 Cowes at Nashawaye w^{ch} the Childrens mother bought wth 10th that was had ffrom Robt Badcocke both are dead &

only a small yearlinge Liveinge upo that accompt & 3¹¹ 3¹⁵ 8^d is in Edward Clap hands the same daye we gave a Receipt fo^r 74 pound upo accompt & did demand security ffor 24 pound yet in his handes:

both oxe & heffer are all blacke

17th (12) 54

Sould unto Henry Merrifeild an heffer ffor weh he is to paye seaven Poundes by 35° a yeare in ffower yeares: ffor weh he hath signed 4 bills weh are in bro Clap handes ffor the use of John Rigby children

also sould unto John Plumbe an oxe at 6 powndes whereof is paid 30° in Indian Corne & the Rest is secured by bro Clerke 30° & by goodman Sanders 3th next yeare at harvest.

9 (2) 55

Delivered unto Ed Clap 10 bus one pecke of Indian corne upo accompt of Rigby children w^{ch} I Receaved ffrom John Plumbe — 1 — 10 — 9

p me Jo wiswall

[13] The 13th of ye 12 Mo 58 was John Capen ordained

Deacon to ye Church of Dorchester.

(¶. The 4th of Aprill 1692 Deacon John Capen a military officer 50 years at length a Capt: & Deacon of ye chh 34 years in His fourscoreth Year Rested from His Labors &

Slept in ye Lord.)

The 8th day of ye Eleventh Month 1664 being Saboth day deacon Edward Clap departed this lif & now resteth with the lord ther to keepe an eternal Saboth wth god & Christ in heaven. after ythe had faithfully served in ye office of a deacon for the space of about five or six and twenty yeers; and being the first Church officer of this church that was taken away by death since the first Joyning together in Covenant which is now 28 yeers fower months and odd days

The 3d of ye 4th mo 1666 was James Humphrey ordained

Deacon to yo Church of Dorchester.

The 2 of y° (12th) 66 Elder henery Withington departed this lif on y° last day of y° weeke towards night after he had faithfully served in y' office of a Rulling elder about 29 or 30 yers in this Church at Dorchester being y° 2^d Church officer y' was taken away by death

The 13 (11) 68 was James Humphry ordained a rulling

Elder

The 23 of ye (2) 69 Mr Mather ye teacher of this Church

departed this lif about 10 of ye Clock on ye evening before being ye first teaching officer yt have been taken away by death since ye first gathering of ye Church weh is now 32 yeers & 8 months Compleate

The 24 10th Mo 1671 Mr George Minot Elder of ye Church he dyed one the Lords day about ye latter pt of ye day being

ye 4th Church officer yt was taken away by death

The 30 4 72 James Blake was ordained a deakon to yo Church of dorchester look now of this one leaf back

[14] Dismissions of members of this church unto other churches we have been since John Capen was ordained Deacon: Colected & put together being untill this 16 of ye (1) 6\frac{1}{3} scattered up and downe in severall places of this Booke

[We omit all these entries, which are given in loco.]

The 14 (3) 65 was Edward Blake dismissed to Joyne to yo

new Church at Boston:

The 28 (3) 65 was Joseph Leeds dismissed to ye Church at Northampton Thankfull Baker (whose name was formerly ffoster) was dismissed to Joyne unto ye new Church at Boston ye II (4) 1665 The 3 (4) 66 Elizabeth ffrey (being marryed to a man at Water-towne) was dismissed to Joyn to ye Church Mary How also (who marryed to one Underwood of watter-towne) was the same day dismissed to Joyn to that church at watertowne The 17 4 66 was ye wife of Tho: mekins dismissed to Joyn to the Church at hadly at Qeenectecot

The 8th (7) 66 John Modesly ye Sone of John Modesly was dismissed to Joyne to ye church at Winsor although not in full Communion with us but by vertue of his fathers being

in Covenant wth ye Church at Dorchester

The 17 (12) 66 Sarah ye daughter of Gabrill mead being maryed to a man at Cambridg was dismissed to Joyn to that-Church though she was not [17] a member in full communion but by vertue of her fathers Covenant

ye wife of Gamalliell Beaman dismissed to ye

Church at Lanchaster ye 24 (3) 68

Mr Robt Howard & his wife dismissed to Joyne to y.

first church at Boston ye 16 of August 1668

Mary y° Daughter of Sister Smith being marryed to Captin Johnsons Sonne at Rocksbery, she was dismissed to that church y° 3 (11) 68 she being noe member in full Comunion BoT by vertue of fathers Covenant

The 7th (1) 6% prais-ever Turner though not yet in full Comunion was dismissed to Joyne to ye Church at Northampton

The 6 (4) 69 ye two yonger daughters of Henery Woodward was dismissed to Joyne to ye Church at Northampton

though neither of them are yet in full Communion

The 25 5 69 Mary ye daughter of William Trescot who marryed unto John Hemaway and Johana ye daughter of Richard Euens who maryed wth Joshua Hemaway weer both dismissed to Joyne to ye Church at Rocksbery though neither of them are yet in full Comunion

The 6 (1) \$% Sister Agnes Blake (ye wife of Willm Blake deceased) she haveing removed her dwelling to Boston was

dismissed to Joyne to ye theird Church in Boston

The 27 (1) 70 Deacon Jnº Wiswall was dismissed yº first Church at Boston The 29 (3) 70 Henery Mason & his wif

weer dismissed to Joyne to ye first Church at boston

The 25 7 70 patience ye wif of Nathaniell Homes & daughter to Clement Toplif was dismissed to Joyn to ye Church of Rocksbery though not yet in full Comunion with this Church

[18] The 9 (8) 70. a dafter of Sister Picher who marryed one bugbee of Rocksbery was dismissed to Joyne to ye

Church at Rocksbery she was not in full comunion

The 12 I 1679 John Holbrook was dismissed to Joyne to ye Church at Rocksbery he was not in full Communion some there weer weh did not act in this vote

18 12 71 Bathshuah ye daughter of Thomas Tilstone who marryed wth Jno Pason was dismissed to Joyne to ye Church

at Rocksbery she was not in full Comunion as yet

Alsoe ye same day was John Blake dismissed to Joyne to ye third Church in Boston Also Hannah grndafter of ye Widdow Hill wif to one ffisher dismissed to Joyne to ye Church at Tanton & another of her daughters was dismissed ye same time but whether she was in full Comunion I doe not yett know: neither her name but since I understand ye her name is Rebeckah who is marryed to a man at Tanton & ye she was in full Comunion.

Ann Legar of Boston who was ye daughter of William

Blak sent dismissed ye 21: 2: 72 to Joyne to the

Church in Boston

The wife of Tho Meakins was dismissed to Joyne to yo

Church at Hat-feild ye 2 4 72

ffrancis Hill that was; but now francis Asten was dismissed to Joyne ye Church at Tanton ye 28 4: 74 -

John Gils dafter ye wife of Joseph belcher was dismissed to Joyne to ye Church at brantree 6 (7) 74 she was not in full Comunion

old m¹⁸ Mather & Sister Clements was dismissed to y

therd Church in Boston ye 10th 11 74

M^{rs} Taylor who was y^e dafter of m^r Stoughton dismissed to ye 3d Church in boston though not in full Communion

1675

[19] in y 6 m 1676 The daughter of Nathaniell Glover now wif unto Mr Rawson of Boston she was dismissed to ye 3d Church in Boston though not in full Communion but by fathers Covenant

Dorcas ye neger being formerly a member of this Church was dismissed to joyn to ye first Church at boston ye 27 6 76

Hanah ye dafter of Isack Joanes dismissed to ye 3d Church in Boston though not in full Communion ye 25 Aprill 80

Elizabeth Baker ye wif of Prat of Waymoth not in full Comunion dismissed to Joyn to you August 81 Church at Waymoth and Jnº Beaman not in full Communion dismissed to ye Church at Tanton.

The 18 7 81 weer dismissed

And about a moneth after (Thomas Swifts wif were Dismissed together wth yr Children — Eben^r Claps Wife George Lyons Wife James Tuckers wife George Sumers wife

Anthony Newtons wif Tho Holmans wif y widdow Salsbery & Ed Vose his wif all in full Comunion to Joyn to ye Church at Melton both they & their (Children

\ Incres Turnear not in full Comunion was dismissed to Jcine to ye Church at Northampton Voted & granted in ye 4th m° 82

The 2 (1) 8\frac{3}{4} Richard Hall Jun though not in full Comunion was dismissed to Joyn to ye Church at Rocksbery 5 4 84 Hanah ye daughter of William Chaplin & now ye

wife of Joseph Goad not in full Comunion was dismissed to Joyne to yo Church at Rocksbery

yº first of yº 4 82 was dismissed mr Joseph Capen to Joyne to yo Church at Topsfeild in order to his ordaination of a pastor to that Church web was accomplished ye II 4 84

ye 7 9 86 was dismissed ye wif of Johnathan Hill to Joyn to ye Church at Bridgwater

ye 7 of August 87 was dismissed Samuell Trescott to Joyn o ye Church at melton

The 2 7 88 was dismissed y wife of Edward Vos to Joyne o y Church at melton & her dafter though not in full Comunion

[20] The 23 Sep 88 was dismissed the Children of Γhomas Vose of melton Thomas & Henery Vose not in full Comunion but by mothers Covenant

The 25 of No 88 Ezra Clap was dismissed to Joyn to ye

Church at Melton

The same day was John Bolton dismissed to Joyn ye

Church at Bridgwater

The 15 4 90 was Atherton Mather dismissed to Joyn to ye Church at Winsor in Quenectecot though not in full Comunion

ocktober ye.20 95 was m'er Joseph Lord and Increase Sumner and william pratt wer dismissed for ye gathering of A

church for ye South corelina.

[21] A list of ye names of thos who weer adult & have p'sonally in publique Submited them selves to ye Government of Christ in ye Church & have assented to ye doctrin of faith & given Satisfaction before ye Elders Concerning their knowlidg & afterward being p'posed to ye Church for their Satisfaction as to their Conversation & regular walking some time before their calling forth to owne ye Covenant

The 29 5 77 thes p'sons under named weer called uppon

in ye publique & owned ye Covenant

Mr Timothy Mather Thomas Andrews John Breck & his wife Thomas Trot & his wife mr Nathaniell Glover Samuell Trescot Samuell Maxfeild & his wife Charles Davenport Hopestill Humphry Isack Humphry John Blackman Ebenezer Withington James Baker Richard Hall Samuell Hall Iohnathan Hall John Trescot John Blake

Comfort & Standfast ffoster Elhanan Lyon John Smith Preserved Capen Ann Davenport Susanna ye wif of hope Clap Mary ye wife of Eb Withington ye wife of Samuell Hix Elizabeth Blake Hester Clap Mary Hewens Anna Withington M^{rs} Glover Nehemiah Clap Richard Euens Matthias Euens.

[22] The 22 8 82 thes following had y Covenant declared to them or the substance of it for their owning of it being y first in Mr. Danforth time

Samuell Rigbys wif Samuell Peltons wif Joshu Henshaws wif & Joseph Birch his wife

y° last of thes y° Elder said y' her father had been sent unto to own y° Covenant & he said he was willing to doe w' was needfull—but as yet he had not don it but his daughter did as y° rest owne y° Covenant, her fathers name is Timothy Wales the son of goodman Wales her grandfather he was a member but not her Immediat parent.

83 Elizabeth ye wife of Watching Atherton & dafter to Sam Rigbe & Mehittabell ye dafter of Sam Rigby being

adult owned ye Covenant

10 4 83 James & Mary Smith being adult owned ye Covenant being ye children of Jno Smith deceased ther mother in full Comunion

24 4 83 Patience ye wife of Ed Blake owned ye Covenant

in o' Church though her husband a member at Melton

Some time this year 84 ye wif of one Nile of Brantry ye daughter of Roger Belleng owned ye Covenant

14 4 85 Ebenezer Davenport son of Tho Davenport owned

y° Covenant

The 29 of May 87 Robt Spur Jun' owned ye Covenant & had his Child baptized

The 11 of Sep 87 Mary goodall who is ye dafter of Tho Modesly owned ye Covenant & her Child baptized same day The 8 of 11 8% Sarah & hanah ye grand daughters of Sister Merryfeild owned ye Covenant & weer both baptized same day

& ye wif of Ebenezer Joans Goodman Chaplins daughter

he owned ye Covenant ye same time

The 20 3 88 John Brown owned ye Covenant & had his Child baptized same day

Merriam ye wife of John Glover & dafter of Jno Smith

deceased owned ye Covenant ye 24 march 88

Susana ye dafter of Sam Rigby owned ye Covenant & was baptized same day 9 of february 89 or 90

[23] mr mils owned ye Covenant ye 29 4 90

Joseph Mather owned ye Covenant the 13 5 90 & had his child baptized same day

John & Israell Minot owned ye Covenant ye 19 aprill 91

ye children of John Minot deceased

May ye 15: 92 the wife of John Brown owned the covenant.

July y° 10 92 John Stiles ye wife of Joseph Bird; and Sarah leach. owned ye covenant John Stiles and Sarah leache wer batised ye 17 July 92 and widow content mason was cast out of ye church the same day for her great wickednes Runing A way from her fathers house with peetter wood which was Another womans husbond: and for stealing of her fathers mony and other goods which shee caryed

Awaye with her

July 3 92 wher as malachi holloway being A child of this church and living att Tanton was by A vote of this church Recomendd to the church of Tanton but he Refused to be ander the wach of that church. excleming Aganst them. as being covenant Breakers and being no church of christ and so forth: the church of Tanton made complaint of him to the church of Dorchester of his contemptous carige declaring allso that he was other wise scandolus the church of Dorchester upon debatte of the mater (on May 1" 91) desiered the Elders to send to him to speak with him and deall with him about thes matters but the they Sent once and Againe [24] all though he came thorow yo town of Dorchester yett he wold not com att the elders to speak with them now this 3 July 92 the Elders declaring this to yo church and ye church wotted for to send to him to come before them

The Elders discoursed him at Tanton & dealt with Him

& upon what He spake to them the matter was deferred, on hopes that He might be recovered.

July. 21. 95. Mary march Admited to Enter ye CovenanT

in order to her Baptisme

Agust ye 4 95 Damaris ye wife of James haws entred y covenant

[25] Information of Elder Topliff

Major Bourn by John Andrews, on yo oth side of yo way Mr Ludloes sold to m' Hull & H. Leveret at last to m' Stoughton

Mr Rossiter mr Howards

Mr Bates

Mr Eells dwelt at Fox point: sold His Land to mr Patten

Major Clark in mr Jones's Lane Mr Mathers Sold to E. Williams.

Mr Bur Jones

Mr Wilson in mr Leeds Lane

Mr Phillips in mr Leeds Lane Sold to mr Garnsey.

Mr Garnsey in Leeds lane Sold to mr Stoughton

Capt. Hawkins dwellt on Southwest side of Fox point

M' Holland

field

Mr Patten at Fox Point

M' Gibson — by Father ways

M' Houghton in old m' wm Blakes house Sold to mr Capen M' Beaumont bought & built on part of m' Isaac Jones

Dr Memory By Fathr Maudsleys

M' Sellick with m' Gibson by Father Ways

Mr Collicot - Lieutenant Halls

M' Flints bought of m' Clark - now L' wiswells

M^r Purchase J Capens

M' Millet Town Records in part burnt in His House.

Mr Procters - sold to David Jones

M' Shepard Fath' Hixes old house & orchard

M Meads where Capt Fosters malthouse is.

Mr Lake

M' Davis — where y' minestry house now stands

M' Bullock dwelld at Fox Point

Mr Pattens at Fox Point over against Capt: Hawkins.

Mr Gurnet John Mason on ye right hand going to Fox Point

M' Clements — Sold to m' Humfrey — near m' Capens John Popes — in Desire Claps Land in y' way to Roxbury

Soil XXVI and

Mr Pooles — wr Francis Price lives.

Major Tings bought Last by Col. Tailer, or mr Stoughton. Malrgery Lever

Gelorge Procter — His House sold to David Jones then to J. Baliton

M[#] Plimbles sold to Col. Spur.

R'obert Stanton — in y' y' is now m' Lions East orchard Benj. Merrifields in ye Country Rode - sold to wiat &

W^m Rones — wr m^r Isaac Royal lives

Bray Wilkins by old m' Math's or y' same now Eb. Williams

Father Greenows Ursula Battens Jos. Bird lived there

Birst. Cane a free Negro, wr Fath Woods lived. Smiths.

Mr Howards — wr Jon Jones lives & His orchd sold to mr Stoughton

Mr Way wr Capt Brecks Cider mill is.

Mr Georges — by Nathan Bradley

Mr Lawrance both near y wharf

Saml Peltons near my Glovers

MI Rigbey of m' Holman Elder Prats & now Hopestil Carlens.

Hather Sanders — Fr. Bacons by moth Georges.

H'ath' Bartholomew. ov' agst m' Mathe's or williams's.

Mr Bates He built first ye Mill going to ye Neck. Fath Dier — m' Trescots now Eb. Maudslys Jun't.

[26]

5 March 7%

pir fflints exhortation to the Children of ye Church taken braifly as he spake it by J C

To ye seed of ye Church first Consider that you are by yo' beirth taken in to y' Church as being ye seed of ye Church 17 genesis I will be the'm god & ye god of their seed after them in their generation's hence ye apostles doe aply that in ye 2 acts 36 ye p'mise is 70 you & to yo' seed &c soe y' it is y' faithfull & their se d & their Children y' are called: that is thos that are soe vi .bly soe, & upon this they weer baptized & after y' they w er in comunion with y' Church

I Cor 7 14 ye unbeleveing husband is sanctified &c yt is

with federal hollynes, therefore all ye children of ye faithful they are borne in ye Covenant, and this is ye great prvelledg of ye godly, & by this they are distinguished from parons & heathen

Consider y' you have been p'veledged with y' means of grace upon this being in ye Covenant to you belon ve p'misses & you have had saboths & teachings 59 Esa l'vs. my spirit shall not depart &c yt is they shall have ye means of grace. and you have enjoyed all this under a Cdvenant, this have been yo' great p'veledg. therfore beware of shewing any unbeseeming fram of sperit 3 Rom 6 what advantageth ye Jew &c and if you have been unprofitable under it ye fault is yours

Consider y' you have been baptized; & soe have made a vow & given up yo' selves unto ye lord I Cor 12 13 therfore Consider how sollemly you ther engaged to owne yor union with ye body of Christ which is his Church

Consider how great and sollemne p'fession you are Called upon to make this day, he y' cannot say that he will not be a shebolith [27] will be noe benjamite this day god requiers y' you should heer him, & submite yo'selves unto him, beware therfor of Casting off yor subjection to vo lord Jesus christ. god will receave it in heaven & will Charge it upon such as shall reject it, but I hope better things of you I Cor 12 13 noe man calleth Jesus lord but by ye sperit, therfore thos y' will not call Christ their lord he have not ye sperit, let none Count it a small matter to disowne ye lord Jesus Christ

Lastly be sure to be sencear doe not put of yo lord Jesus with a meere formall p'fession, but say it in ye sperit be not Children 18 Psal latter end, it was said of david yt his Children should ly unto him, but god calls for other things 63 Esa 9 therfore look up to god in ye feare of god for ye help of his sperit y what you profess with with yor tongue you may own it sensearly who your harts

March 4 79

Dorchesters Covenant for Reformation

Uppon serious search into o' owne hart & ways in this | av of divine Rebuk finding or selves guilty of many hainous VIOlations of o' holly Covenant by omissions of duty & Com missions of Iniquitie Wee doe Judge & Condemn our selves for ye same, & doe Joyntly & severaly Renew our said hally

Covenant with god & one with another ffurther p'ticularly & sollemnly promising in the name & by ye grace of o' Lord **Jesus**

ffirst to Reforme our owne harts, by endeavoring to recove: ye sperit life & power of godlines, with our first love faith zeale & integritie: laboring by ye sperite to mortefie ye deeds of ye flesh, and to have & maintayn a most impartiall zeale against sin, & to waite on o' lord Jesus for ye fresh Communication of ye sperit of grace & life

Secondly to Reforme of famelys, Engageing our selves to a Concientious Care to set up & maintaine the [28] Worship of god in them and to walk in o' houses with perfect harts in a faithfull discharge of all Domestick dutys: Educating Instructing & Charging our Children and our households, to keepe ye ways of ye lord; Restraining them as much as in us lyeth, from all evil & especially ye Sins of ye times and watching over them in y' lord

Thirdly to Reforme (according to our place & power) the ginerall growing evill of this time; as prid appearing in gaudy apparell or otherwise and prophanesses, and prophanation of gods holly Saboth taking gods holy name in vaine all irreverance in ye ordinances & worship of god, disobedience to Superiors, in family, town, Church or Common Whalth, drunknes, Idlenes, Vaine Company keeping, Unri hteous dealling between man & man, lasciviousnes. Uncleanness, false speaking, Slandering, Coveting, with all

other Violations of gods holy law

flowerthly to Reforme our Church, to lay aside all Envy, waath, Evill Surmises, Jelousies, Respect of p'sons, Undue de signings, sidings, Contentions, & what ever is Contrary To sound love & Charitie; to owne & obay them y' are over us in y' lord To uphold, maintaine, encourage, cleave to & stand by a godly able painfull faithfull powerfull ministry in this Church & Congregation; and to o' power to Encurrag Cleave to & stand by one another, in times of p'secution, to labour to recover (in a Joint Concurrance with ye ministeriall authoritie which Christ hath appointed in his Church) the Vizorous, studious & impartiall Adminestration of discipline. to uphold ye due administration of all gods holy ordinances, to be very serious & solimn in or preparations unto, and attendance uppon god in all divine Worship & Sabbaths, fasts, Sacraments, that we may obtaine ye saveing good of them & gods presence and blessing in & by them, & that y^e lord Jesus may grant us a regular and beautifull disposition according to ye laws & rules of ye gosple in all things

[29] ffifthly To Reforme our defects and neglects of duty toward ye Children of ye Covenant, humbly & from or harts accknowlidging & bewailling or sin heerin, beseeching & waiting upon god in or lord Jesus for pardon & healling by his name.

unto ye p'formance of thes things wee doe in ye name of or lord Jesus Christ Engage of selves unto god taking this holy Covenant by a renewed act of Confederation uppon of selves Sollemly with full purpos of hart in ye strength of Christ to stand to it in all ye parts of it, and in the full obligation & extent of it. beging of god guidance grace & healling for his nams sake Amen

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1651

25 (2) 52

James Blake et uxor William Sumner Jr & uxor William Blake Isaac Jones John Holland

3 (8) 52

Edward Blake, mary Lawrance Nathaniell Glover Henry Layeland 22 (3) 53

14 (8) 55

Richard Waye fformerly a member upō his Removall neake unto Salem was dismissed thither & joyned there but upo' his Returne unto Dorchester he was haveinge his dismission there Received unto the church of Dorchester whout any Relatio only standinge fforth and owninge & assentinge to the Covenant breiffly Repeated unto him: the same day was Admitted his wiffe Hester Waye 14 (8) 55 & Hannah Billinge

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18 (3) 1656

The day abovsaid was admitted into church ffellowshipe theise p'sons ünderwritten upō occasiō of different exp'sions used in y' p'poundinge of them, at ffirst unto the churches Consideratio viz that some were in some degr. of member shipe more then other Edw Breke at their admissiō asked y' quē ffirst whether one of y' he named was a member

heinge ansrd negatively he Replyed he could not act in a waye of sepratio: wh word was taken offensively, but he ffered to maintaine his present speech & fformer 11 (3) 56: Effurther said he beleived and owned her p member.

Ammiell Weekes et uxor ejus uxor william Weekes 18 (3) 1656

Since then Roger Sumner & his brother were Admitted
Hester Mason
goody et Beaman 1 (12) 56

[**32**] 1658 1659 Admitions

Daved Joanes
M' Pelletyah Glover & 26 (7) 58
M' Eliazer Mather
Enoch Wiswell
Samuell Clap
Thomas Moadesley

The same day Mⁿ Mather & her Daughter Mary Cotton weer dismissed from y^e Church at Boston & upon making their relation of y^e work of faith was admitted into y^e Church

The same day alsoe Clement Maxfeild & Mary his wife being formerly members of this Church & remouving to Fanton for some time weer dismissed thether & upon their retorn againe to this Church weer admitted only upon ther renewing their Covenant

The same day also was John Capen ordained Deacon

Nathaniell Clap, Thankfull ffoster admitted y^e Prudence Clapp 20^d (12) 58 Sarah Clap & Elizabeth Clap Jacob Hewens & Mary the wife of Rodger Sumner Abraham Staple 20d (I) 5ª Joseph Benjamen & Leeds & Hannah Mary ye wife of Jacob Hewens John Blackman & Sarah his wife & Elizabeth & / ffry being dismissed from ye Church of Mary Waymouth viz: the two latter p'sons

they wer all admitted you 10d (5) 59

[33]

Admitions 1660 1661 1662

Hanah ye wife of Henery Garnesy admitted ye 22 of ye (2) 6c The day above said hanah ye daughter of Thomas Andrews desired letters of dismittion to Joyn to ye Church of Rocks bery allthough she was not statted member but by vertue of her parents Covenant: & it was granted only be Breck (a presbyterian &) ffoster (an Independ') & Mead would not act wth ye Church. The same Day Me Mary Glover who lattly Marryed to Mr Hinkly about Sandidg desired letters of dismittion to ye Church ther but weer not at that time granted: it being soe suddently after her removall thither & they not being in a Capaccety for ye injoyment of ye ordinances haveing noe officers for to dispense ye same

The 27 (8) 61

The day abovesaid m' Increase Mather was admitted into the Church

The 9th (1) 6½ was admitted unto full Communion wth ye Church James White and Margaret ye wife of James Trobridg and Hanah Hill

Hannah ye wife of James Minot and Mary Atherton admitted to full Communion the 13 (5) 62

John Gill admitted the 21 (7) 62

Mary y° wife of Thomas Moadesly admitted the 8 (12) 62 M' Increas Mather & his wife wer dismissed to Joyn to the new church at Boston the 12 (2) 63.

Goodwife Dickerman dismissed to ye Church at Meadfeild

wheer her husband doe live ye 14th (4) 63

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1663 1664 the 25 (8) 63

1665

Nathaniell Clark ye sonne of william Clarke who was NoT in full Communion wth ye Church was dismissed for to Joyne to ye Church his father was formerly dismissed & Joyned

The 3 of ye 2d Mo 64

The wife of Roger Sumner was dismissed to Joyne unto

ye Church at Lanchaster

Alsoe ye same time was Joane the wife of John Ellice of Meadfeild (who formerly was ye wife of John Clapp) dismissed to Joyn to the Church at Meadfeild

The 11 (7) 64

The day above said ther was admitted to ye Church the wife of William Chapman & Mary ye Daughter of goodman How

The same day was dismissed the wife of Tho Wiswall & y wife of goo: Kimwright weh was ye wife of John Hollond & Margaret ye wif of James Trowbridg all of them to Joyn to ye Church latly gathered at Cambridg Villedg called Nonantom wher Mr John Elliot is pastor (since Newtown)

The 25 (7) 64 ther was dismissed M^{rs} Dummer who was formerly ye wife of m^r Burr to Joyne to the Church at Rowly

The 12th of ye (12) moneth 64 ther was admitted into ye Church True-cross ye wife of Stephen Minot & Rebeckah ye daughter of ye Widdow Hill

Ebenezer Clap was admitted into full Communion wth ye

Church the 21 of y^e (3) 65

The 27 (6) 65 ther was admitted into ye Church thes p'sons
Thomas pearce { Ruth ye wife of
Timothy Tilston { Timothy ffoster

[35]

1665 66 67 68

And Sarah ye wife of Timothy Tilston who was alsoe Baptized ye same time alsoe being not baptized before

The 26 (9) 65 was admitted into full Communion

Obediah Haawes John Capen Jun' Nicholas George Robbert Spur &

Rebeckah ye wif of Samuell Sumner

The 4 (1) 6 5-6 admitted
John Minot
Sarah ye wif of david Joans
Mary Euens (since Bradley)

The 21. of ye (2) 67 was Susanna ye daughter of William daniell admitted to full Communion

Mary ye wife of James Humphrey & Sarah ye wife of

Increas Sumner weer both admitted ye 8 (7) 1667

Judeth ye wife of Jasper Rush & Mary ye wife of Obediah Haws & Sarah ye wife of John Homes admitted ye 3 (9) 67.

Deborah ye wife of Robt Searl admitted ye 8 (1) 1667-8 Henery Leadbetter & Sarah his wife and George Lyan & Hanah his wif all admitted ye 5 (2d) 1668 Mr William Stoughton and Mr Josiah fflint admitted the

12 of ye 9 mo 1671

The 31 (1) 72 weer admited m' William pole & his wif & m'' Withington all members of y' Church at Tanton & being dismissed weer receaved without relation, only entering into Covenant

The same time admitted Susanna the wif of John Capen Jun^r and Elizabeth y^e wife of John Bird & Mary Capen y^e daughter of John Capen sen^r

[36]

ye wife of Henery More Admitted ye 21 5 72

The 4 11 72 weer admitted

Obadiah Swift

Joseph weeks John Bird

Eliazer Hawes

Sarah ye wife of James whit Mary ye wife of James Bird

Elizabeth y wife of Nathaniell Clap James ffoster admited the 16 (1) 7 2-3

Samuell Toplif & his wife and John Withington admitted

y* 27 2 73

Elizabeth ye wife of John Tolman admitted ye 17 6 73 being dismissed or recommended unto this Church by ye Church at Lin though not in full Comunion but by her relation was receaved

ye wife of Georg Sumner Admitted ye 12 8 73

Samuell Capen Admited the 4th 11 73

The wife of James Robinson admitted ye 15 12 73

Thomas Tolman Jun' & his wife admitted y' 17 3 74

Israell mead & his wife admitted ye 16 6 74

Barnard Capen admitted the 8 9 74

John Tolman admited Henery withington &

Increas Sumner—

Hope Clap

Desier Clap & Sarah Clap admitted

Danell preston Jun & his wife Jn° Baker & preserved his wife & y° wife of Samuell Robinson all admitted y° 2 11 76 at m′ flints hous Thanfull Baker widdow formerly a member of this Church & dismissed to y° 2⁴ Church in Boston was readmitted againe y° 15 2 77 being dismissed from y' Church

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The 7 May 1677 ther was admitted into full Communion Thes p'sons following

James Blake Jun'

Thomas Holman & Abigall his wif

ye widdow Salsbery

Waite: ye wif of Tho Vose

ye wife of Edward Vose

Susanna y' wife of Samuell Capen Mary y' wife of Samuell paule

Martha ye wife of Eeben: Williams

ye wife of Roger willice

John Wales Sen'

The 5 6 77 ther was admitted

Samuell Hix &

ye wife of James Tucker the daughter of Tho Tolman Sent The 2 8 77 was admitted

Ephraim & Tucker

Nathaniell Glover preserved Capen.

ye wife of Ebenezer Clap ye wife of William Ryall

Sarah Davenport

The 4 9 77 admitted James Tucker &

Mary ye wife of Samuell Maxfeld

William Ryall admited ye & ye wife of Richard Butt—

The 26 3 78 was admitted the wife of Thomas Andrews Susana ye wif of Hopestill Clap & the wif of ffrances Ball admitted ye 17 No 78 being ye first day of meeting at ye New meeting hous

Joseph Leeds &

Elizabeth ye wife of Jno Withington admitted the 12 8 79

The 28 March 80 admitted

Inº pason

Israell How

Barnard Capen wif

Joseph Skiltons wif

Hanah Capen admitted y 8 (6) 80 m Joseph Capen admitted y 19 12 81

m' John Danforth admitted y 19 12 81

thes two last weer admitted before wee had a teaching officer

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The 20 6 82 there was admited to full Comunion thes yt follow

Goodman Heauen

Nehemiah Clap & his wife who was dismissed from Hingham

John Trescot &

Samuell Trescots wife these weer ye first y' weer admitted since m' Danforth was ordained.

The 12 9 82 admitted to full Comunion Merriam ye wift of Ellis wood

The 28 II 82 admitted to full Comunion Roger Belleng Jun' & Ebenezer Williams

The 18 1 83 Charles Davenport & his wif & Tho Bird's

wife admitted to full Comunion

The 2 10 83 Timothy ffoster wife being dismissed from the Church at Charlstowne was admitted to full Comunion wth us

The 23 10 83 The wife of Henry Roberts was admitted to full Comunion

The 17 12 83 was admitted mary Taylor ye dafter of Willⁿ Chaplin to full Comunion

The 30 (1) 83 was admitted to full Comunion Samuell pason & ye wife of James Barbor & Constance Withington

The 22 4 84 was Joseph Leeds his wife admitted to full Comunion

The 3 6 84 admitted to full Comunion Sarah y Widdow of Elisha ffoster & Mary y wife of preserved Capen

The 26 October 84 was admitted to full Comunion

Samuell &

Susana Capen ye Sone & dafter of John Capen Jun' & ye same day he had a dafter baptized whos name is Hannah borne ye 21 8 84 in ye Morning

The 11 of ye 11 Mo 84 weer admitted to full Comunion

Ephraim pason & Katteron his wife

The 12 2 85 admited to full Communion M^{rs} fflint & Elizabeth weibb & Mary y^e dafter of Tho peirce

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The 16 6 85 was admitted to full Comunion John Bolton
Thankfull weeks &
Sarah Trescot

The 21 (1) 8_6^6 : Noah Beaman & Ebenezer Weeks admitted to full Communion

The 25 5 86 was ye widdow Lawranc ye wif of Nicholas Lawrance admitted to full Comunion

The 3 8 86 was Henry Garnesy admitted to full Comunion (Notwithstanding His opinion for Prelacy)

John Blake &

Elizabeth his sister weer both admitted to full Comunion ye 26 10 86

The 15 3 87 weer admitted to full Communion

John Breck & his wife Ebenezer Bellenge and

· Hanah ye wife of James Blake Jung

The 6 of November 87 was admited to full Comunion ye wif of William Trescot & ye wif of Henery Withington & Ebenezer Lyon

Mr Nathaniell Clap & Thomas Trot Jun admitted ye 10

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peter Lyon Jun admited 2 4 89

Standfast ffoster & his wif admited to full Comunion ye 16 No 89

Thankfull &

daughters of Jnº Capen Jun'

Sarah ye

admitted to full Comunion

y 16 12 890

March 30 90 David Jones Jun^r: Eb: Jones wife y^e wif of John pason (viz)

Hanna (Payson) & Johana his dafter admited to full Com-

y^e 3 of August 90

ye wife of peter lyon and mehittabell Lion admitted to full Comunion

ye 21 10 90

ye wife of Hope Humphrey admitted 22 1 91 The 15 June 91 was admitted to full Comunion

Mary y' wife of Samuell pason & anna y' wife of James ffoster & Elizabeth y' dafter of Thomas Modesly

The 2^d of August Admitted to Full Comunion

Mary The wife of Samuel Wales.

Samuel Wales himself admitted to full Comunion ye 13
Sep 01

John ye son of Thomas peirce admitted ye 7 1 92

8: 12, 90 Tim. Tileston Robt Spurs wife & Ruth Foster

4. 8. 91. Sam. Trot: Miriam Triscot ownd Covent

5. 1. 92. John Pierce own yo Covent

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Maye ye 15 widow pope was Admited Into ye church. September ye 11 92 Elias wood being A member of ye church of Deadam now living In Dorchester was dismised from them: and was Admited Into ye church

March ye 19 93 william prat and his wife wer dismised from ye church of waymouth to ye church of Dorchester and

wer Admited Into ye church ye sam day

Aprill y° 30 93 Jeams Bishop and John clape wer Admited Into ye church.

may ye 1 93 Thomas Andrews was Admited to full Con-

muon

June ye 18 93 philip withington and his wife: Joseph weeks and his wife: Johnathan Clap and his sister Elizeb ye son and daughter of nathaniell Clape wer Admitted to full comunion

. June ye 25 93 Joshuah story and Ebenezar Billings wife wer Admited Into ye church

July ye 30 93 Dorothy capen daughter of John capen was

Admited to full comunion

July ye 15 94 the wife of Thomas Tollman Jun was admited to full comunion. the same day ye wife of Thomas moadsly (Jun) was also admited

September y 2^d 94 m^r lord our scoole master was admitted

to full comunion

(21. 6. 92 M^{rs} Wiswall was admitted into full Com:)

october yº 14:94 Joseph hewens was admited to full comunion

January y° 13 95 Samuell paul was admited to full comunion

february y° 24 95 Thomas Euens was admited to full com-

Aprill ye 7 95 mr henery flint was admitted to ful comunion febr 23^d Rebecca wife of Jonathan Jones (1695-6 admitted to full Comunion

April 5. 96 Eliz: Wife of Jonathan Hall was taken into

full communion)

Nov. 1. 96. Mr Danforth—

mercy Trot wife of S. Trot
Susanna Bradley—

were
accepted
to full Com:

Febr. 14. 96: deliverance wife of Jos. Withington admitted to full Comunion. Sarah Pearse Daught of Tho Pearse accepted to Comunion

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(The wife of Benj. Leeds admitted to full Comunion Jemima Blackman)

febr. 26. 98 Mr Josiah Flint admitted to full Comunion

April. 2. 99. Mary the Wife of John Minot & Mary the wife of John Browne were admitted unto full Comunion.

April. 9th 99. Ebenezer Clap son of Broth Nath: Clap &

Sarah wife of Peter Hix admitted to full Comunion

May. 7th. 99. Ebenezer Maudsley & Miriam ye wife of James Bird Junior were admitted unto full Comunion.

May. 21: 99. Samuel Clap junior & Patience wife of Noah

Beamon were admitted unto full Communion.

August. 20. 99. Sarah ye wife of Desire Clap was admitted unto full Comunion.

October. 15. 99. mr John Robinson admitted to full Com-

November 26. 99. Humfry Atherton admitted to full Cominion.

January. 14. 99. John Tolman jun & Susannah His wife

admitted to full Comunion.

April the 7th 1700. Johanna The wife of Joseph Bird Abigaile ye wife of John Pearse & Mary wife of Samuel Paul admitted to full Comunion

July. 14. 1700. Elizabeth Daughter of Tho' Pearse was

admitted to full Comunion.

J'nuary 12: 1700. Hopestill & Isaac & Ruth Humfrys ad . tted to full Comunion.

1 Jan. & Febr. 1701. were admitted to full Comunion.

I isign James Bird

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! hn Blackman

seph Leeds & His wife

7 homas Lion

Smith Woodward

Samuel Claps wife

Humfry Athertons wife

10. Oliver Wiswall & His wife

March. 1. 1702: Benj. Blackman admitted.

Leb. 7. 1703 Ebenezer withington & His wife admitted to ful Comunion

Nov. 7. 1703 Abigail wife of Obadiah Swift admitted to full Communion

.Febr. 25. 1704. Mr Samuel Wiswall or schoolmaster was admitted into full Comunion.

July. 8. 1705: Mary daughter of John Blake was admitted irto Full comunion.

August. 19. 1705. Hannah Daughter of mr John Capen was admitted unto full Comunion.

March. 2. 170 Hannah & Elizabeth Glover Admitted. April. 13. 1707 James Trott was admitted to full Comⁿ May. 25. 1707. Ebenezer Withington Junior was admitted

to full Comunion.

Dec. 28. 1707. John Withington & His Cousen Samuel Withington & Samuel Hall were admitted to Full Comunion.

March. 21. 170% These 5 were admitted to full Com: viz

Irijah Wales & His wife Jabez Searle & His wife

& wid: Hall

Joseph Maudsley & His wife admitted to full Samuel Tolman & Comunion & His wife

January. 16. Eliz. wife of Jonathan Hall

1708 & Daughter of Deacon Clap admitted to full Comunion

Feb! 20. Lidia wife of Ebenezer Jones

(Here follow thirty-nine blank leaves: then we find records of much earlier date, which should be connected with pages [12] and [190])

The 15th of ye (4) 59 ther was a ginerall day of Humiliation in all ye Churches of this Jurisdiction for thes Reasons v.

In ye behalfe of or Native Cuntry ye feares of Comotion

trouble breaking forth in Cuntry & parlament

ye erreperable rents & devissions in many Churche this Cuntry espesally Hartford

ye hand of god gon out against us in ye unseasonable vett

& raigne this last spring

ye sad face of things in regard of ye rising generattion m' pelletiah Glover preached in ye fore noone from ye 2 Cron: 7 14: 15: 16 mr Mather preacht in ye Afternoone from y 6 Hosea 1

The 5 of ye (5) 59

This day the Teaching & rulling elders of o' Church as messengers of ye Church mett at Rocksbery, wth ye messen gers of other Churches, for to heare the Indeans make a relation, of the worke of God upon ther soull: at wentime ther weer six made ther relation in the Indian tongue, & repeated by mr Eliat in Englesh wittnessed unto ye truth of his translation, by m^r pearson of long Island, & Goodman ffordgier [Folger] of Martins Vinyard: & m^r Eliats owne sone: & because y^e time would not p'mit for y^e other two Indians to make ther relation at that time, therefore y^e relation w^{eh} they had made y^e day before unto m^r pearson in privat it was declared by m^r pearson: & many questions put to y^e Indians in point of knowledg to y^e great rejoising of y^e hearers & soe it was left in y^e Closs of y^e day to y^e Counsell of y^e messengers of y^e churches what was next to be done

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The 3 of ye (5) 59

This day letters were read in ye Curch from ye ginerall Court at Quenectecot, & from ye Church at Hartford ye substance wherof was y' ye church of dorchester would send Mr Mather wth other Elders of other Churches to meet at hartford uppon ye 19 of ye 6 month next for to heer & give Counsell about ye dissiding of ye differences in y' Church & ye desenting p'ty: ye matter was taken into Consideration untill another time

The 10 of ye (15) 59 a letter is read and agreed on by ye church for to be sent to ye place above mentioned for to excus y' Churches not sending of M' Mather according to ther request, in regard of y' diffeculty of ye Jorney unto his adged body wth intemations yt if they should appoint ye place of meeting to some wheer in ye bay, ye Church would

afford them any help they Could

The 14th of ye (6) 59 Motion was made from severall of ye elders of ye bay unto ye Church of Dorchester whether it weer not meete yt those nine Churches to whom ye Church at Hartford had formerly sent should not vollentarely by ther messengers appoint a Councell to be assembled some wheer in ye bay for ye hearing of those differences we weere in that Church & notice to be given unto both p'tys if they would come unto it being looked at as ye last remedy yt would be offed for ye healling therof: ye Church Consented & made choys of Mr Mather or Teacher

The 23 (8) 59 Mr Mather (who was ye Churches messenger for yt bussynes of Hartford) did make a retorne of that Messadge by publeshing in wrighting ye determination & sentance of ye Councell, & the loveing & Comfortable acceptance therof in both p'tys wth ther readynes to accknowledg & make Confession of ye faillings of each to ye other. for wth we ought to give god ye praise: ye expences of

this meetting was discharged by those severall churches who sent ther messengers it Amounted unto Ili 8° 7d for each man

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The 9° (8) 59 Was Mahalaleel Munings dismissed unto y° New Church at Boston: he dyed y° 27 of y° (12) 59 being

drowned in ye mill Creeke at Boston in ye night

The 13th (9) 59 it was declared unto ye Church & Commended unto them from ye generall Court for to have a publique day of thanksgiveing to be observed by all the Churches whin this Jurisdiction: in humble and thankfull acknowledging the mercy of god to New england Viz in the Continuation of or peace & for ye gracious retorne of or prayers put up unto him in ye wett spring by giveing us a seassonable seedtime & harvest; & for gods giveing his people a Joynt Consent for to winstand & suppress ye blaspheamers of his truth & gosple & other p'ticulers then mentioned & ye day appointed is to be the 8th day of ye (10) 59

The 5 of ye (12) 59 it was p'possed by o' Teacher unto ye Church from some of ye elders hearabouts whether it weer not Convenient yt the Churches (as many of them as Could) should Joyntly set apart a day of humilliation on ye behalf of or native Cuntry they being at this time in such an unsettled way of government being wthout p'tector & wthout parlament only ye power remaining in ye army & they alsoe being devided: whether (I say) god doe not call us to doe some thing more than ordinary for them in earnest prayer to god for them: ye day p'possed is the 22 of this Instant: to ye weh this church did Joyntly consent

The 19th of ye (12) 59 was Jeremi Haaws ye servant of Mr patten and Thomas Lake ye servant & kinsman of or Brother Tho: Lake called forth publiquely & reproved for mis-behav-

ing in ye assembly in ye

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former p't of this day it being ye saboth before ye day of humiliation for Ingland, it being shewed to us this day ye reformation of sinnes is requiered in those yt come to humble ther soulls before ve lord:

The 25 of ye (1) 1660

The day above said was report made by Mr Mather unto the Congregation, of a sad accident y' was fallen out at Hartford, namly of a yong man named Abraham Warner, about ye adge of 20 years (who being left of god & prevailled wth by satan) drowned himself in ye watter, leaveing behind him in his brothers pocket a writting to his father wherein he doe advis his father to look to ye ways & walkings of his Brother.

M^r Mather uppon this occasion gave an exortation first unto Children to take heed of refusing instruction from ther parents & not to pleass themselves wth this that they weer y^e Children of godly parents as it seems this yong man was And 2 alsoe unto parents to looke to y^e ways & walkings of ther Children & ffamelys aleaging y^e example of Elly &c:

The 13 (3) 1650

This day M^r Mather after the evening exercise desiered to speake a word or two unto y^e Church the substance therof was this viz

first he desiered ye Church & ye members of it to take notice: that (as it was a whill since Concluded namly yt ye Children of such as are members of the Church are to be lookt at as members alsoe, though as it they have not been receaved to ye lords supper) soe both himselfe & ye other elders doe still look at them

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soe to be & therfore not to be thought by any y' it is forgotten or their minds Changed but doe look at such Children whose parents on or both who are in Covenant wth y' Church y' ther Children are members alsoe:

2 Secondly his exortation was unto the breatheren & sisters of the Church that they would mind it & make Conscience of p'forming y' duty of watchfulnes & exortation or Consolation or rep'hention unto such Children according as ther adge & Capassety did requier or would admite off

3 Thirdly his exortation was unto such Children of ye Church that they would soe look at themselves as to expect ye benifite & piveledge of Church watchfulnes & that they would soe Carry themselves as such as must give an account in casse of defect according as ther adge or Capassety would pimitt

after he had ended his spech then both ye rulling elders stood up first thone & then ye other & seconded what Mr Mather had said: & said y' it was ther mind alsoe & that they did not dissent from any thing y' o' teacher had at this time spoken.

The 10th of ye (4) 60

This day it was commended to o' Church amongst ye others of this Jurisdiction from the ginerall Court of a publike day of Humilliation to be keept by all ye Congregations in this Collony in ye behalfe of o' Native Cuntry ye great fears of troubles breaking forth ther & ye destractions yt are amongst them as also in regard of o' selves for the rissing gineration the day to be keept is the 21 of this instant

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June on wth day M' pelletiah Glover preached in the fore-noon out of the 1 Zackery 3

& Mr Mather in ye afternoon out of the 21 Ezekell 27

The 15 of ye (5) 60 at ye motion of ye Church of Tanton by ther letter ther was Chosen Mr Mather & Mr Withington (as messengers of this church) for to goe to Tanton together wth ye messengers of ye Church of Boston & Waymouth for to heer ye difference yt is between them & Mr Street & to help them by ther Counsell & advise: ye day of meeting to be ye 25 of this Instant

Alsoe ye day above said ye Church was put in mind (by ye elders) of ther slacknes in coming to ye Contribution & dis-

charging ther nots to ye Deakons

The 29 (5) 60 Mr Mather & Mr Withington who wear your Churches messengers to Tanton retorned their emessadge namly your offences beetween both potys weer heard and discussed a comfortable essew obtained through you blessing of god: and thanks was retorned unto this Church for sending help unto them

The 26 (6) 60

Rogger Sumner was this day dismissed from this church yt he might wth other Christians at Langehester Joyde together for ye beginning of a Church ther:

The 9 (7) 60

This day after the evening exersis ye Church being desired to stay Mr Mather made report to ye Church of ye greate desier of the wife of James Minot to have her Children baptized though as yet

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they neither she nor her husband weer Judged meet to Come to ye lords table; to we end they had both of them p'mised m' Mather y' they would publikly owne and take hold of ther fathers Covenant

To this divers of ye Church shewed their Consent but some weer unsatisfied & therfore it was deferred untell ye next lords day being

16 (7) 60 the 16 of this instant; but yet ye same breatheren

weer unsatisfied & deferred until

30 (7): 60 a fortnight after & then ye question was more

fully discoursed but not concluded

7 (8) 60 The 7th of ye 8th Mo 1660 after ye exercis Elder withington stood up before ye Assembly was dismised & said that some breatheren had been wth them that weeke & told them yt they apthended mt Mathers Arguments for baptizing of such children formerly spoken off was not it [yet] answered & therfore desired yt it might be now spoken unto at this time: on of ye arguments being thus framed

Arguments for ye baptizing of such Children whos parents are not yet admited to full communion at ye lords table but yet are Judged members & have taken hold of ther fathers Covenant

They y' weer once members of y' Church & weer never Cut off; they remaine members still: and soe it is wth thos parents who doe desier baptizme for ther Children they weer once members when they weer infants, else they should not have been baptized, and they weer never cut off, for if they be cut off it must be either by death, or excommunication, or if y' Church doe sease to be a Church, then a member surviving cannot remaine to be a member because the Church is extinct & is not in being: And some doe add this that they may loos ther

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membership by apostasy & wilfull rending themselves off from ye Church but none of thes have cut off thes from being members weh doe desier baptizme for ther Children, and therfore being members they should have baptisme for ther Children to be a seal unto ye Covenant

Another Argument

If such parents weer members of ye Church in ye old testament, & ther Children weer cercomsised then such parents are members of ye Church in ye new testament & ther Children should be baptized

Another Argument

If yo Church in yo old & new testament, for essence & substance be yo same, & if all yo alterations be for yo bet-

ter, then it remaines as have ben said but ye Church then & now is for kind the same ye gentells are fellow ayers of ye

same body & they are grafted upon ye same olive:

And for alterations ther are many but still for ye better as in heb: 7 & 8 Chapters a better Covenant as for instance then they must be Cercomsised weh was both shamefull & painefull, but baptisme is neither.

againe cercomsission was only on ye malls, but baptisme

is for women alsoe

they weer limetted to ye 8th day but wth us any day

And soe for ye passover it was but once a year but or lords supper is very often: againe ye pasover was upon a prsize day but we are not tyed to that:

they had many shaddows & tips & burdens, but thes are

removed my yoke is essy saith christ:

ther shaddows weer dark & obscure but now ye vaille is removed.

then it was to on people only but now to all nations

then all must goe to Jerusalem but now on Congregation have supremasy of Jurisdiction wthin it selfe: so y^t all is for y^e better

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but if then they may be cercomsized but now must not be

baptized then it is for ye worse

Thes things & such like weer discursed that evening ye 7 of ye 8 Mo: 60: but nothing fully concluded: though thes arguments unto some weer not answered to ther aprhention: & some weer still unsatisfied:

The 4th of ye (9) 60 was old Mr Glover & Habbukkock her Sonne dismissed unto ye old Church at Boston, as alsoe Nathaniell Walls and Susan his wife weer dismissed at ye

same time to y' same Church

The 9th of ye (10) 60 Mr Mather made a motion to ye Church and Congregation of keeping a day of humilliation on ye behalfe of or selves & or native Cuntry viz to repent of or sinne weh may provide ye lord to take a way or to deny us those libertys & providedges weh we have injoyed thes many years in Church & Common wealth And for or native Cuntry the king being retorned againe in pease wehout ye effusion of blod: for weh peace of theirs as we have cause to bless god for it, soe we should pray ye there peace may be continued & ye hurtfull sword may not be awakened againe if it be his will: Alsoe we should pray on ye behalf of thos that are in place of rull & government ther in ye land ye ye lord would

rull & sway ther harts yt they may favour ye Cause of Christ & p'mote ye gosple: the day thought upon was the next lectuer day weh is ye 11th of this instant to ye weh ye Church & asemby consented by ther silence

The former p't of ye day Mr Mather did pray & preach out

of ye 1 Tim 2: 1:2:

The latter p't of ye day spent by m' Eliot out of ye 3 of Job 25

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The first of y° (11) 60 ther was also a fast keept at Rocksbery on their lectuer day:

The 6 of ye (11) 60 Mr Holway was dismissed from this

Church for to Joyn unto the old Church at Boston:

The 20 (11) 60 after the evening exercis motion was made unto ye Church that they would meet together upon the sixt day next we would be ye 25 of this instant to consider something about contribution; at we meeting after many agetations it was agreed by a vote that each Communicant should in a months time bring unto the deacons a peck of wheat for bread & wine: And for weekly contribution motion was then made yt M Mather would take occasion to preach uppon that subject which accordingly he did upon the 3 of ye (12) 60 from 1 Cor 16 1

The 27 (11) 60 prudence Clap (who marryed wth Simon

peck) was dismissed unto the Church of Hingham

The 3 (12) 60 Aron way and his wife & William Ireland

weer dismissed unto ye new Church at Boston

The 10 (12) 60 M^t Mather acquainted the Church & Congregation y^t y^e elders had latly a meeting to Consider of something y^t they thought god called us unto in thes times & ther conclussion was y^t they would p'pose it to ther severall congregations whether it weer not meet to keep a sollemne day of humilliation unto y^e lord in all the Churches heer abouts the grounds of it weer such as thes viz

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ffirst ye ginerall sickneses yt have been latly amongst us & yet are in some places 2 to intreat ye lord for ye Continuance of ot peace & libertys in Church & Common wealth and yt thos addresses which have been latly made by ye ginerall Court unto the higher powers in Ingland that they may find acceptance: the day mentioned was the last 4th day of this instant weh would be ye 27th day of ye month it was consented unto by ot Congregation

Mr Mather exercized both p'ts of the day out of ye 14 Jer

7:8:9:

Hester ye daughter of Tho: Wiswall who maryed wth Captin Johnsons sonne was this 24 (1) 61 dismissed to Joyn unto ye Church of Woo-burne

The 28 (2) 61

The day above said was dismissed M' Eliazer Mather William Clark Henery Cunlife & Henery Woodward for to Joyne wth sume other for the gathering of a Church at Northampton

The 9 (4) 61 was deakon Edward Clap & M^r peletiah Glover now at Springfield & Tho Tilstone chosen as messengers of y^e church to goe to Northampton to y^e gathering of y^e Church ther w^{eh} is to be don upon y^e 18th of this instant

The 23 of ye (4) 61 the messengers of ye Church web weer sent unto Northampton made report of what was ther done namly that upon ye day appointed ther was a Church gathered in that place & that Mr Eliazer Mather was then ordained pastor to that Church the same day

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The 30th (4) 61

The day above said a paper was read weh Came from yeginerall Court wherin they did commend unto ye Churches a day of Sollemne thanksgiveing to be kept to god for mercys receaved from him Viz answer of prayers upon ot late addresse or petition made unto ye King, his graciouse acceptance & favourable answer: alsoe for ye continuance of ot libertys in Church & Commonwealth, The seasonablenes of ye spring: ffreedome from such contagious & mortall sicknesses weh we have sometimes had: And the continuance of ye lives of such as are anchient & godly both in church & Commonwealth: ye day apointed is ye toth of ye (5) 61

Mr Mather exercised both p'ts of ye day from ye 50

psalm 14:

The 1 (7) 61

The day abovesaid was dismissed thes p'sons: Viz: Sarah ye wife of William Clark: Elizabeth ye wif of Hen: Woodward & Susana ye wife of Hen Cunlife: for to Joyne to ye Church at Northampton

The 13 of y° (8) 61 Mr pellatiah Glover was dismissed unto the Church at Springfeild they intending shortly to

Call & ordaine him to be officer ther

The 17 (9) 61

The day abovesaid it was agreed unto in ye Church yt letters should be sent to ye breatheren & sisters at Boston & soe els wher for to advise them to Joyne to ye Churches wher they did inhabit or to shew ther Reasons to ye Contrary

The same day also it was p'posed in ye Church (from ye elders being lately meet together) whether god did not call us to fast & pray in ye behalfe of or selves in regard of ye sicknesses ye had been among

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us of late & y^e fears of the looseing o' libertys in Church & Common wealth: and in regard of o' Native cuntry to pray y^t y^e blessing of god may be upon them & that supstition & popery & pphannes may not two fare abound in that land; y^e day intended is y^e 4^{th} day of y^e tenth M^o to this y^e Church Consented

Mr Mather preached & prayed the former p't of ye day: from 63 Esai 18 and Mr Increas Mather ye other p't of ye

day from 122 psa 6

The 22 of ye (10) 61

The day abovesaid it was declared unto ye Church & Congregation yt ye ginerall Court did call upon ye severall Churches of this Jurisdiction for to set apart a day to fast & pray both in regard of ye many sins yt weer found in ye Cuntry and likwis in ye behalf of or native Cuntry: ye day appointed is ye 2 of ye (11) 61

Mr Mather did exercis both p'ts of ye day in prayer & preaching from ye 1 of ye Lament: 7 Jerusalem remembered in ye days of her affliction all her pleasant things wen once

she injoyed &c

The 23 (12) 61 notice was given to ye Church yt ye ginerall Court did requier all the Churches in this Jurisdiction for to send of ther elders or messengers unto Boston upon ye 11 of ye (1) 62 for a Senod to be held, to Consider of some questions, relateing to Church order Viz: first What is ye subject of baptisme: of Consosiation of Churches, wth maner how: for weh Mr Mather & Mr Increase his sonne was Chosen

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The 25 (3) 62

The day abovesaid notice was given yt ye ginerall Court did call upon all ye Churches for to fast & pray in ye behalfe

of this Cuntry because of gods hand goeing out in an unusuall maner in regard of sicknesses & disseases & mortallety more than formerly & ye great drowth over ye Cuntry Mr. Broadstreet also in regard of thos that went to England Mr. Norton for to negociate on ye behalfe of ye Cuntry that god would bless them in that worke ye day apointed is ye 5 day of ye 4 Mo being ye 5 day of ye weeke

Mr Mather did pray & preach the former part of ye day from ye 2 Cron 7 13 14 v: & Mr Tory ye latter p't of ye day

The 10 (6) 62

The day abovesaid the Church and Congregation together did unanimously agree & vote that the elders & some of ye breatheren should give Mr William Stoughton an invitation for to bestow his labours in preaching ye word amongst us in a Constant way: & the next saboth being ye 17 Instant they returned ther answer of his loveing acceptation of ther message for to take it into consideration & at ye same time M Stoughton himselfe did manifest his willingness to ye motion preented to him

The 28 (7) 62

The day above said Mr Mather (who was on of ye Churches messengers sent unto the senod) did give a breife account of what was ther concluded on: Viz: that after the theird meeting of ye messengers the first being in ye first month the 2d in ye 4th month & the 3d in ye (7) Moneth the Senod had agreed upon thos two questions p'pounded & Mr Mather did at that time read over the heads of thos things then

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Concluded on & soe dismissed the assembly:

The 26 (8) 62

The day abovesaid notice was given that the ginerall Court did call uppon the Churches for to keep a publique day of thanksgiveing to god for thes Reassons: Viz for giveing unto us such a portion of ye fruts of ye earth in or late harvest notwithstanding the greate drouth ye we had this Summer: 2 ye saffe & speedy retorne of or publique messengers from England: 3 the libertys of ye gospell we we doe yet in Joy: the day appointed is ye 5 of November being ye 4th day of ye weeke

M' Mather preached ye fore p't of ye day from ye 30 Esai

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M' Stoughton ye latter p't of ye day from ye 147 psa: 10 11

Ther was also at ye same time notice given yt the ginerall Court did also thinke it meet to Call uppon ye Churches to keepe a publike day of humiliation for thes Causes Viz: first the sad & low Condition of the Churches of god abroad in other p'ts 2 ye prvalency of Ante Christ 3 some publicke rebuke of god p'vedence towards this Cuntry: the day appointed is to be the 3 day of Desem: being ye 4th day of ye weeke

Mr Mather preached y fore p't of y day from psal: 25:22 Mr Stoughton y latter p of y day from 1 pett 4 17

Mr Increas Mather & his wife weer boath of them dismissed upon ye 12 (2) 63 to Joyne to the new Church at Boston

The same time Mr. Mather did give notice to ye Church that uppon ye second day of ye week before

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being ye day after Mr Norton dyed the elders met together & at that meeting they concluded to acquaint the severall Churches in this Jurisdiction that they thought god called us to humble or soulls by fasting & prayer p'tly for that god by his p'vedences had shortened us of ye fruts of the earth by reason of ye drouth ye last sommer & the cold & unseassonable approaching of ye spring at p'sent: and alsoe that god would Continue or peace both Sivell & ecclesiasticall & to p'vent ye fears & rumors of trouble ye next Court of election: and alsoe for ye rising gineration: and for ye people of god in Ingland & those p'ts: ye day thought on was the 22 of ye (2) 63 being ye 4th day of ye week: unto weh motion ye Church consented

Mr Mather preached the fore p't of y' day from the 122 psa 6: pray for y' peace of Jerusalem &c

Mr Stoughton preached the later p't from 14 Jer 8 9

The 2 of ye (6) 63

The day abovesaid after the evening exersiz ther was prented & read a leatter web Came from severall of ye majestrats directed to severall of ye minesters mett latly at boston wherin they made a motion unto them & by them to be communicated unto thes six ajacent Towns Viz boston Rocksbery Dorchester, Charlstowne, Cambridg & watertowne: whether it weer not meete yet ther should be more

than ordinary seeking to god by fasting & prayer in the behalfe of ye people of god & the Churches abroad in other p'ts of ye world & to y' end did p'pos whether it weer not best for to turne the lectures of thes severall towns into days of

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humilliation as the like was done about ye begining of the trouble in England about the year 42 & 43 and that it should begin wth ye Church at Dorchester on our lectuer we is in Cours to be uppon ye 18th of this Instant to this ye Church & Congregation did agree theerunto

Mr Mather did pray & preach the former p't of ye day from 1: Tim 2: 1:2 & Mr Stoughton ye latter p't of ye day

from ye o Zack 11 vers

y° next weeke y° fast was keept at Charls towne on y° 28 (6) 63

y° next week at Cambridg y° 2 (7) 63 y° next week at Rocksbery y° 8 (7) 63

ye next week at ye new Church at Boston ye 18 (7) 63

ye nex weeke at Watertowne ye 23 (7) 63

y° next weeke at Boston y° old Church the 2 of y° 8 M° 63 y° next weeke at Deadham y° (7th) day of y° 8 M° 63

y next weeke at Brantry y 14 (8) 63

The 22 (9) 1663

The day above said M^{*} Mather informed y^{*} Church y^{*} y^{*} Elders meeting together at Boston y^{*} last weeke they thought good to put y^{*} severall Churches heer about in mind of keeping a day of sollemne thankgiveing unto god as for other mercys vouchsafed to us soe in speciall for his mercy to this Cuntry in y^{*} Continuance of peace & libertys wthout restraint both in Church & Civell government the day thought on to be y^{*} 2 of y^{*} (10) being the fowerth day of y^{*} weeke: Also they thought good that the sollemne days of humilliation should be Continued in thes Churches heer abouts after y^{*} day of thanksgiveing is over to all this the Church & Congregation did assent

M' Mather & M' Stoughton did exersis that day being

a cold day

The fasting days goeing on againe in Especiall maner for England It began at Boston yo old Church on the 30 day of desem 1663 being yo fowerth day of yo weeke

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The 5 (12) 63

Ther was a fast keept at ye new Church at Boston

The 26 (12) 63

Ther was a fast keept at Charlsstown

The 29 March 64

Ther was a fast keept at dorchester M^r Mather did pray & preach the former p^t of y^e day from 62 Esa 6:7 & M^r

Increas Mather in ye afternoone from ye 2 Zeph 3

The 3 (2) 64 M^r Mather after y^e evening exersis did declare that M^r Stoughton did intend y^e next lords day to preach againe at y^e motion of y^e messengers of y^e Church although he had not preached publikly full 14 saboths before only reserveing liberty to himself as well as y^e Church to accept of any other motion that might be made unto him

Ther was a fast at Rocksbery the 17 of aprill 1664 Also at Cambridg 11 of May 64

The 22 (3) 64

The day above said ther was a letter read sent to you Church from you last gathered Church at Boston wherin was manifested & declared ther purpos for to p'ceed to ordaine Mr Increase Mather to you office of a teacher unto that Church, also ether desier is you Church of dorchester would send some messengers for to assist & be p'sent at that work you day appointed was the 21 of this Instant for work end you Church Chose of Teaching & Rulling Elders

The 5 of y° (4) 64

The day a bovesaid Thomas Wiswall was dismissed for the beginning of a Church at that place neer wher he liveth at Cambridg village wher M^r John Eliote doe preach

The same day was published an order from ye Ginerall Court appointing a ginerall day of Humilliation on ye behalfe

of y' sad condition of y' Church & Peoples

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of god in this Cuntry & other pt of y world y day to be the 15th day of this instant June being y 4th day of y weeke

M' Mather did pray & preach in ye fore p' of ye day from 62 Esai 6: 7: & M' Stoughton ye latter p' from: amos 6: 1

The 17 (5) 64

The day above said ther was a letter read to ye Church from ye breatheren dwelling at Nonandom or Cambridg villadg who (intending to gather a Church) desiered messengers to be sent from this Church to help & asist therin. The wen was granted & ther was Chose for yt work ye teaching & rulling Elders. ye day appointed was ye 20th of this instant, at wen time they ordained Mr John Eliot for a pastor & Thomas Wiswall, formerly a member of this Church, to be a rulling Elder

The 21 (6) 64

The day abovesaid an order was read from ye ginerall Court (who latly was called together upon the Coming of ye Comissioners from England) wherin ye Court did Commend unto the Churches the first of the next month to be keept as a publick fast in this Collony p'ly for England & Espesally in behalfe of this Cuntry in regard of ye frowns of god uppon us in ye ginerall blasting of our wheate as alsoe in regard of other troubles feared; ye god ould grant us or libertys in Church & state. and or fears of gods withdrawing his Sheepardly care over his people

mr mather exersized ye former pt of ye day from Zack 11: 9 & Mr stoughton ye latter pt of ye day from Hosa: 14: 1.

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The 11 (7) 64

ye day above said ther was dismissed ye wife of Tho Wiswall & ye wife of goodman kimwright weh was ye wife of John Hotton & Margerit ye wife of James Trobridg to Joyn to ye Church latly gathered at Cambridge Villedg called Nonandum wher Mr John Elliot is pastor:

The 23 (8) 64 Mr Hinckly (who was formerly y wife of Mr Nathaniell Glover whose maiden name was Mary Smith)

was dismissed to Joyne unto the Church at Bastable

The 30 (8) 64

The day above said it was publickly declared an order from ye ginerall Court who appointed a day of humilliation to be keept upon the 16th of November being the 4th day of ye weeke, both in regard of ye Church of god in other parts as alsoe amongst ourselves

The 5 (12) 64

The day above said ther was a letter read weh was sent from ye Church at way mouth wherin they did empart to this Church ther intention namly to ordaine a teaching officer amongst them: ther former officer Mr Thecher being removed. Ther request to this Church was that they would send some Mesengers to asist them therin ye day appointed is ye 14th of this Instant The Church made Choice of ther Teacher Mr Mather & ther Deacon John Capen

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The 12th of ye 12 Mo: 64

The day above said after ye evening exersiz the Church was desiered to stay ye Reason was (as ye Elder did declare) because ther weer severall yong men in the Towne who would be willing to Joyne to ye Church if they might have ther Confession taken in privat by wrighting & declared publickly to ye Church, they standing forth & owneing what was declared, and ther engageing themselves in ye Covenant. upon this ther was some debate & divers did declare themselves willing that it should be soe practized but on or two of ye breatheren declared themselves to ye Contrary. in Conclusion the matter was left to a farther Consideration & then to be spoken too againe.

The 19 of ye (12) 64

Mr Mather gave an account of what was done at Waymouth uppon you 14 of this Instant viz you you fore point of you day was spent in praying & preaching by Mr Torry in you latter point you day mr Thecher did pray & afterward (with you Consent of that Church and you messengers with came thither) Mr Torry accepting therof he was ordained pastor unto that Church Mr Wilson of Boston & Mr Thecher & ther rulling elder laying on ther hands & afterward Mr Wilson in you name of you rest of you churches gave unto him the right hand of ffellowship & did owne him & acknowlige Mr Torry to be pastor to that Church at Waymouth:

The 19 (1) 6_5^4

a letter was read from y° Court wherin they did commend unto y° Churches of this Jurisdiction y° 22 Instant March to be keept a day of publick humilliation: but y° recorder heerof being sick was not then p'sent nor a month before

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The 26 (1) 65

The day abovesaid at the motion of Mr Mather ther was a Contribution for M^r Thomson at Brantry unto which ther was given y^e same time in money Six pounds & nine pence besids notes for Corne & other things a bove thirty shillings: and some more money was added afterward to y^e vallew of $8^e - 3^d$

The 2 (2) 65

The day above said it was p'posed to ye Church whether ther should not be another deacon Chosen in ye roome of

Deacon Ed Clap

unto this motion some made answer y' we had two deacons already namely John Wiswell & Jn° Capen: but to y' answer was made y' deacon Wiswall did not attend on y' service of y' Church. therfore y' Conclusion at that time was to deferre y' bussines about another deacon untill another time & y' deacon wiswall should be spoken too y' next lords day to know whether he would attend upon his office according to y' rull of y' apostle or else to lay down his office

The day above said it was alsoe p'posed to ye Church ye 2d time whether they would be willing y' men as well as women should be receaved into ye Church by ther private relation being taken in writting & publickly read before ye Church: after some adjetation ye Conclusion & vote of ye Church was yt it should be left too ye Elders namely that they might heer ther relations in privat & if ther voyce weer soe low in private yt Mr Mather could not heer them soe as to write it from ther mouths yt then ye pt might wright it himself & p'sent it to ye Elders & they to compare it wth what he had formerly declared by word of mouth & when they Judged them fitt then to read it to ye Church publickly: only if they judged any

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man able to make a publick relation by his owne mouth they

should endeavor to p'swad him soe to doe

Alsoe ye same day Mr Withington did declare to ye Church yt (he being formerly appointed (wth ye other elders) for to seat people in ye seats of ye meetting hous) he was not willing to doe yt worke any longer but was resolved to lay it down ye other elders not acting in that thing wth himself but left it to him only

The 9 (2) 65 Deacon Wiswall being p'sent, ye question was p'posed to him by ye Elder whether hee would or Could attend uppon his office of a Deacon or whether he would leave ye office unto another whom ye Church should Chouse: his answer was that hee was called to that office, off god & by ye Church & therfore if ye Church did see cause to displace him they might but for his resigning ye office he did not see Cause soe to doe & soe ye matter was left at ye time after some more agetations

The 11 (4) 65

The day above said ther was a letter read web Came from ye ginerall Court assembled at Boston ye 3 of may wherin they did Commend unto ye severall Churches & Congregations of this Jurisdiction ye 22 of this instant June to be keept in publique fasting & prayer for severall Causes respecting of selves & also ye bleeding & dying condition of ye p'testant Intrest all ye world over & ye Judgment of god threatening ye removeall of his Candlestick from amongst us & his afflicting p'vedence in respect of ye Catterpiller & ye palmer worme & other Causes ther mentioned Mr Mather did pray & preach ye former pt of ye day from

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The 3 lamentation 39 40 41 and Mr Stoughton ye latter pt of ye day from ye 1 Habbuk: 12

The 30 (5) 65

The day above said Elder withington accquainted y Church y (for some nattuerall infermetie in y rulling elders to read y psalmes in the publique assembly) they had therfore

desiered Deacon Capen to read ye psalmes

Alsoe ye same day ther was a letter read we was sent from ye breatheren of ye Church of Tanton wherin they doe declare ther sad Condition in regard of differences ye amongst them & therfore desiers ye Church of Dorchester to send them some help for Counsell & advice & for ther healling if it be ye will of god:

Mr Mather was then p'posed to be sent but not fully Con-

cluded on but left tell ye next lords day

Also ye same day ye assembly was called on to send in ye names of thos who they would have to be Cattechized ye next lords day

The 6 (6) 65

The day above said M^r Mather declared his unabillety of Body for y^e Jorney to Tanton wheerupon M^r Stoughton was desiered by y^e Church to attend that service but he granted it not but would Consider of it tell y^e next lords day at w^{eh} time being y^e 13th (6) 65 he consented therunto & besids him ther was Chosen Liftenant floster to be another messenger for to goe to Tanton

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The 20 (6) 65

The day above said y° messengers w°h weer sent to Tanton returned an answer to y° Church Viz: y° by y° blessing of god uppon y° Counsell & advice of those w°h weer mett together they came to a Comfortable agreement w¹h a purpos y° on y° 13 (7) 65 they would humble themselves before y° lord for ther sins & renew ther Covenant & admitt those into ther Church ffellowship w°h are quallefied for it

The 29 (8) 65

The day above said a letter was read from y Generall Court unto y Church wherin they did Call upon the Churches to keepe a day of thanksgiveing for thes Causes viz the seasonable showers y we had this Summer wherby ther is soe much of y harvest reserved to us as may be a supply for us & o famelys:

alsoe for diverting a Squadron of Duch ships which threatened ye envasion of or Coasts alsoe for ye peace & liberty web we doe yet enjoy, through web many favors from god are confer'd uppon us ye day appointed is the 8th day of November

M' Mather preached out of the 12 Rom 1 ther beinge but one exerciz that day by Reason of y' shortness of y' days

The same day also notice was given from ye same Court, requiering ye Churches to keepe a publike day of humilliation, partly because of ye many frowns of god uppon

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our selves and alsoe in regard of ye rageing of ye pestelence in London & many other places in or Native Cuntry, & other Causes, ye day appointed is the 22 of ye 9th mo next

Alsoe ye same day ther was read a letter from Tanton wherin they did declare to this Church ther intention to Call Mr Shoue to ye office of a pastor to that Church and

did desier y^t messengers might be sent to them from this Church to assist them therin. for which end the Church made Choice of Liftenant ffoster and deacon Capen: the time to be y^e 15th of Novem: 65

The 17th of y° (9) 65 the messengers sent to Tanton returned ther messadg: Viz that upon y° 15 (9) 65 the Church at Tanton & y° towne wth y° messengers of y° Churches being assembled together at that place ther was ordained Mr Shoue to y° office of a pastor to y' Church

The 10 (10) 65 after ye evening exersiz it was p'posed to ye Church whether Mr Stoughton should be invited to accept of office in ye Church to we ye most of ye Church consented by Vote though some declared ye they did not act but would

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not oppose ye Church

at ye same time ye Elders and select men weer appointed

to speake to him about it:

The same day motion was made to ye Church (upon occasion of Robert Spurs being latly admitted a member) whether his two elder daughters (ye on being marryed & ye other grown in yeers) might not be baptized as well as ye other yonger Children? against this some breatheren objected yt they ap'hended yt seeing they weer adult they viz ye two elder daughters should manifest faith & repentance before they should be baptized upon this objecting: ye resolution of ye question was deferred till ye next lords day

The 17 (10) 65 ye Elders made report to ye Church Mr Stoughtons answer weh was yt he had some objections whin himself against ye motion but yet he would not hold ye Church in long Suspence but would give them a full answer

in a weeke or two

ye same time ye former motion about baptizing Robt Spurs Children Viz thos we weer adult it was discussed againe ye major part of ye Church was for ther baptisme but some breatheren weer unsatisfied but yet would not oppos ye thing if Mr Mather did baptiz them; he Judging it his duty soe to doe; & to that end Robt Spur was appointed to bring out his Children ye next lords day

The 31 of ye (10) 65 ye Elders reported to ye Church Mr Stoughtons answer Which was that he Could not accept of ye motion made unto him for to be an officer to ye Church but did thankfully accknowlige ye Churches love & respect

to him therin

At the same time some of the

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breatheren p'posed to ye Church whether it weer not fitt to make motion to $M^{\rm r}$ Stoughton the Second time & to that end ye same p'sons weer desiered to make theer adress to

him againe

The 7th (11) 65 ye Elders reported to ye Church againe Mr Stoughtons answer namly that he Could not as yet be willing to accept of office but should be willing to Continue preaching as he have formerly done; alsoe yt he did thankfully accknowlige ye love of ye Church though (for some reasons within himself) he could not accept of office

The 21 (11) 65 notice was given of a fast to be kept at

Boston ye next fift day being 25 (11) 65

Another fast was kept at Rocksbery y 6 (12) 65 Another fast was kept at Cambridg y 14 (12) 65

Another fast was kept at dorchester ye 27 12 65 mr Mather did pray & preach ye fore pt of ye day from ye 79 pla: 9 & mr Stoughton ye latter pt of ye day out of ye 26 Esa

Another fast at Brantry ye 21 (1) 66

Another fast at Charles Towne about ye latter end of ye (1) Mo 66

The 5 of y° (2) 66 ther was a ginerall day of humilliation

kept in this jurisdiction

M' Mather did pray & preach y' former p' of y' day from

ye 36 Ezek 37 verse & Mr Stoughton from psa 90 10

The 20 (3) 66 Bro^r James Humphry was elected Deacon to ye Church at Dorchester & ye 3 (4) 66 he was ordained

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The 17 4 66

The day abovesaid after the evening exerciz m^r Mather did declare unto y^e Church y^t the Elders being together at Boston (some time y^e weeke before) they did Consider among themselves what god Called us in this Cuntry to doe at this time Considering y^e troubles that weer amongst y^e nations (o^e owne & others) as alsoe y^e fears of enemies coming against our selves. the conclusion was that they thought god called on us for seriouse & sollemne fasting & prayer & therfore did p'pose to y^e Severall Churches heerabouts to keepe y^e next fift day being y^e 21 of June in humilliation & y^e rather because of great drouth y^t is at this

time on ye wholl Contry unto the hazard of ye loss of ye fruts of ye earth both Corne & grass: but the Church of Rocksbery Conceaveing ye extremety of ye Drouth soe great was willing to keepe ye day on ye third day of ye weeke being ye 19th day of this Instant

Mr Mather did pray & preach in ye fore-noone from 2 Cron: 7: 13: 14 & Mr Stoughton ye afternoone from 1

Habbuk: 12

The 29 of ye (5) 66 ther was a Colection for poore distressed Christians in England at which Contribution ther was given thirty fower pounds & 13° 10°12 in money & about 5 pounds in bils on that day but more was added afterward in money 20° & p't of ye bills also Came in in money Viz 24° ye whole sum did afterward amount unto 40° 13° 9°12

The 19 6 66 ye Church & Congregation Nomenated Mr Stoughton & Liftenant Hopstill ffoster & deacon John Capen for to endeavor to p'cuer bills for England for the Colection

y' was gathered to be sent thither

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The 30th (7) 66

The day abovesaid ye Elders made report to ye Church of Some offence yt lay upon Mt Clark ye wif of Captin Thomas Clarke of Boston Viz her reprochfull & Slanderous tongue against ye Honored Gover Mt Rich: Bellengham & other lying expression against ye generall Court & for absenting herself from ye publique ordinances & other miscaredges for we'n ye Church thought meet to call her before them to give Satisfaction therin but she not appearing, ye Church did forbear further p'ceedeing till another time to see if she would p'sonally appear to make answer ther unto:

The 14th (8) 66

The day abovesaid Mr Clarke ye wife of Captine Tho: Clarke of Boston was Called before ye Church (she being yet a member of this Church tho dismised long ago but yet never Joyned) she was I say called before ye Church for some offence committed for Slanderous & lying expressions of her tongue but she manifesting noe repentance for ye same was solemnly admoneshed before ye Church

The 28 (8) 66

The day abovesaid ther was a letter read web came from ye ginerall Court wherin they did Commend to ye severall

Churches in this Jurisdiction to keep ye 8th Day of November as a publique day of thanksgiveing to god for ye continuance of or liberty in Church & Common weale & for giveing us such a portion of ye Fruts of ye earth notwithstanding his threats by ye drouth this summer & blastings & meldews & worms & for prevation from enemys

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The 17 (1) 6°_{7} Mr Mather published an order web Came from the Councell held at Boston ye 9th of this Instant wheerin they did call upon all ye Churches in this Jurisdiction to keepe a day of publik humilliation some of ye Cheif grounds of it weer that amazing pvedenc of god in burning ye greatest p't of ye city of London, ye raging of ye pestilence in many places in England, ye distresses of ye people of god all ye world over, ye warrs continued with france & holland ye enemys pevailing in ye Kereby Islands ye takeing of many of or English vessells: ye sicknesses ye have been amongst us ye blasting of ye labour of ye husbandman, ye sins of Securety & sensuallety & unp'fitableness under ye means of grace, ye differences ye are amongst breatheren & the like.

the day appointed is ye 21 of this Instant being ye fift day

of ye weeke

M^r Mather did pray & preach y^e fore p^t of y^e day from Zeph 3: 7 & m^r Stoughton y^e latter p^t of the day from habbuk 3 p^t of y^e 2 vers

The 7 (2) 67

The day abovesaid ther was a contribution for ye distressed people at Capeford [?] at weh contribution was colected in money 3¹¹ 9. II. and in bils 4¹¹ 15—0

The 13 (2) 67

M^{rs} Clark was Called before y^e Church (being formerly admoneshed) but she manifesting noe repentance for her sin of an ungoverned tongue was excomunicated & cast out of y^e Church

The day abovesaid ther was a Contribution for ye Kings fleet at ye Kereby Islands at we time ther was gathered between 19 & twenty pounds accounting peas at 4 p bl of we in money 31 5 5 5 12

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The 27 (8) 67

The day abovesaid an order of ye Generall Court was read requiering ye Churches in this Jurisdiction to keep a generall day of thanksgiving to god for his mercy to this Contry in keeping off ye Common Enemy of o' Nation from enfesting of o' Coasts & for his mercy in ye plentifull fruts of ye earth this yeeare ye day apointed is ye 5 of November being ye third day of ye weeke

M' Mather did preach out of psalm 50 23 & M' Stoughton

Hosea 3 latter pt of vers 5 both at one meeteing

The 24 of ye (9) Mo 1667 ther was a Contribution for John Merifeild who latly lost his house by fier at weh time ther was Colected 40s want 4d in money & in Corne at 2s 8d p bl together wth other bills to ye Sume of 6ll 15s more and this was by ye Select men Committed into ye hands of Deacon Humphry & John Minot to dispos for the supply of his necessety

The same day ther was an order from ye generall Court read requiering ye Churches & inhabitants of this Jurisdiction to keep a day of humilliation in ye behalf of ye Church of god in or Native Cuntry & elswhere & ye distresses of ye people of or nation at ye Keriby Islands & ye frowns of god against or selves in ye many losses of or ships & vessells at sea by ye Common enemy & storms ye day appointed is ye 4th of desember next

The ninth of ffeb 1667 M^r Mather p'posed to y^e Church whether wee should not Elect & Chous some rulling Elders for y^e Church & y^e next Saboth y^e Church concluded to keep a fast to seek unto god for direction therin y^e day appointed was y^e 25 (12) 67 being o^r lectuer day

M' Mather did pray & preach ye fore pt of ye day from: John & M' Stoughton ye afternoon from: Revela 2: vers 1

M' Eliot & M' Chancey did also pray ye same day

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The 8 of ye (1) 166% ther was an order from ye Councell published requiering a publique day of humilliation to be keept in this Jurisdiction on behalf of this Contry & England & ye people of god in other pt of ye world ye day appointed is ye 26 of this Instant

M' Mather & M' Stoughton carryed on y' work of y' day The 15 of y' (1) 166% y' Church had some adjetation about Chousing ruling elders at web time it was Voted that one ruling elder should be Chosen by votes ye next lords day & in ye meane time ye Church Voted yt Mr Stoughton should be once more sent unto by messengers from ye Church to see if he would yet accept of ye office of a teaching elder ye messengers weer Mr Mather Mr Minot Deacon Humfry Bror Leeds & Bror Rich Baker

The 22 of (1) 6_8^7 M' Mather gave an account of ther Messadg to M' Stoughton we was negative he did not se meete

to accept of office

The same day Votes weer brought in for one ruleing elder & deacon John Wiswall had ye Major Vote ye 5 (2) 68 ye Church by a Vote did Nominate ye Deacons Jno Capen & James Humphry to be ther Messengers to acquaint Deacon Jno Wiswell of ye Churches calling him to ye office of a rulling Elder & to desier his presence p'sonally ye next lords day to declare his acceptation of ye Churches Choice

The 12 (2) 68 a letter was read from Deacon Jn° Wiswell declaring some reasons of his non acceptation to y° office of a rulling Elder for y° p'sent y° Church tooke it into Consideration what to doe in y' Case, at last concluded to respit y°

matter one fortnight longer

The 3 of y^e (3) 68 Deacon Jn^o Wiswall gave his full answer of his non acceptation of y^e Churches Vote to y^e office of a ruling Elder

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The 2 of ye (6) 1668 ther was a letter read sent from ye old Church at Boston wherin they did desier yt ye Church of dorchester would send ther Elders & messengers the 4th day of this week being ye 5 of this Instant for to give ther Counsell & advise in a matter Concerning some difference yt was amongst them about ye Calling of Mr Davenport to be an officer amongst them ye Church nominated & voted for ye Elders Mr Mather & Mr Minot Captaine Clap & Captin ffoster should be sent & they desiered Mr Stoughton also

The 9 of ye (6) 68 M. Mather gave an account of ther messadg concerning went they weer sent to ye Church at Boston Viz in breife yt ye Church might p'ceed in Calling of M. Davenport & ye dissenting breatheren might gather themselves into another Church. but it was more largly exprest

in wrighting at that time

The 13 (7) 68 ye Church was caused to stay & they weer enformed by M' Mather yt two of o' breatheren at Melton had taken offense against Robt Badcock & weer yet unsatisfied for weh Cause the Church was appointed to Com together ye 4th day of this week being ye 16 of this Instant to heer ye Case at weh time ye Case being before ye Church it did not appear yt ther was such offence given as was apthended

The 20th (7) 68 Mr Mather acquainted ye Church wth a motion made to him & ye Church by M^{rs} Stoughton & her daughter Taylor

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namly that her Children might be baptized she being a member of this Church by parents Covenant and after much adjetation ye Issue was y' Mr Mather should speake wth Mr Taylor to see if she would joyne in full Comunion wth ye Church & soe come to lords Supp alsoe.

The 24 (8) 68 M^r Mather declared to ye Church yt he haveing spoken wth M^{rs} Taylor as aforesaid, her answer was yt she did not Judge her self worthy or as yet fitt for ye lords supp & therfore durst not adventure ther uppon but yet did desier baptizme for her Children but ye Church could not fully or comfortably agree about it & soe it rested.

The 15 (9) 68 the Church made Choice of Deacon James

Humphrey for a rulling elder

The same time ye Church did by Vote appoint ye Mr Stoughton should be yet againe Invited to accept of office in ye Church & to ye end some weer appointed Viz Captin foster & ye two deacons to goe to Mr Stoughtons ye same night & acquaint him we Churches motion & that they did expect his answer to ye whole Church at some Convenient time: but ye next lords day Mr Mather being not able to be abroad through some bodyly infermety, his answer was not then called for

The 6th (10) 68 ye Church was Caused to stay & likwise Mr Stoughton for to give his answer to ye Church Concerning accepting of office but he would not stay but said he had noe other answer but what he gave ye messengers of ye Church web was sent unto him; who being demanded what answer they had receaved it was

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answered by one of y^e Deacons that M^r Stoughton was not willing to accept of office, but thought y^t it weer fitter for him to give over preaching alsoe: but of the twaine he could more essily grant that, then y^e former.

The same day ye Church did agree by a vote ye ther should be another rulling Elder Chosen becaus brof Humphry would not accept of his place we untother to be Joyned with him at we tim it was agreed ye next lords day men should bring in ther votes; & becaus it was lik ye ther would be seaverall men voated for it was agreed ye those two men we had ye most voats should be men nominated & ye next Voate should be we of those men it should be

The 13 (10) 68. voats weer brought in for a rulling elder & the two breatheren weh had most Voats weer Richard Baker & Deacon John Capen & ye next lords day Vots weer to be brought in which of those two should be a rulling Elder

The 6 (10) 68 a letter was read from ye Church of Boston who desiered yt ye Elders & some messengers might be sent to them one ye 9 of this Instant to ye ordination of Mr Davenport & Mr Allen: ye Elders being not well able to goe, ye Church appointed Captin Clap, Captin ffoster, & ye two Deacons Viz Deacon Humfry & Deacon Capen who on that day aforesaid did meet together at Boston & Mr Davenport was ordained pastor to yt Church & Mr Allen Teacher.

The 20 10th 68 ther was a Contribution for Samuell Hill whos Estate was low & needed some prent releif & ye more by reason his house had been latly broken up & goods taken from him: at this time ther was gathered about 2th 12° in

money & about 10' in Corne & it was

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Committed into ye hands of Jno Minot & Thomas Tilstone

to disburse for there supply

The same day voats weer brought in for a rulling Elder Viz one of those two men formerly Nominated ye Major Voate was for Richard Baker who at that time p'fest his unwillingnes to accept of ye Call, but left to his further consideration.

The same time ther was appointed a day of humiliation together wth some more of y^e Churches heer abouts in y^e behalf of y^e Church of god in other p'ts of y^e world & in this Contry: y^e day agreed on is y^e 23 of this Instant being y^e 4th day of this weeke

The 27 10th 68 ye Church called upon Richard Baker for his acceptance of the office of a rulling Elder but he being unwilling to take ye office upon him did give a negative

answer; wherupon ye Church p'ceeded in ther determination

to ordaine bro Humphry alone in Convenient time.

The 3 (11) after ye morning exerciz Mr Mather p'pounded to ye Church for the Chousing of another Deacon in Brother Humphrys roome or place & that if they weer soe minded yt they would bring in Voats after ye Evening exersiz for whom they would have to we Church by ther silence did agree: ye reason of chousing soe sudently was becaus ye Elder & Deacon might be both ordained together on ye day of humilliation we was intended shortly to be keept

After y° Evening exersiz Votes weer brought in, it being agreed on before y' if ther weer Variety of men nominated soe y' he y' had y° most Vots had not y° major Vote of y° wholl Church then those two y' had y° most Vots should y° next lords day be put to y° Vote againe, w° of thos two it should be & y° two y' had most Vots weer Samuell Clap &

James Blake

The same time ye Church agreed y' ye 4th day Seavennight after being ye 13 of this Instant ye Church would ordaine ye officers y' are & should be Chosen.

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The same time Mary ye daughter of Sister Smith was dismist to ye Church at Rocksbery though she was not a member heer in full Comunion

The 10 (11) 68 when as Votes should have been brought in for a deacon, one of ye men formerly nominated was not at meeting, therefore ye Election at that time was omitted till another Convenient time only it was agreed on ye Elder Humfry should be ordained alone on ye next 4th day being ye 13 (11) 68 weh was done on that day Mr Mather praying & preaching in ye fore part of ye day & Mr Stoughton & Mr Eliot praying in ye after p't of ye day and then Mr Mather & Mr Eliot layd on ther hands: mr Minot being absent

The 31 (11) 68 Voats weer brought in for a Deacon of one of you men formerly Nominated & Samuel Clap had you

Major Voate

The 28 (12) 68 it was declared y' Samuell Clap in regard he had not y' Major Voat of y' whol Church he Could not be willing to accept of y' place wheerupon y' Church did agree y' y' next lords day they would bring in Voats againe for a deacon

The 7^d (1) 6⁸₉ Voats being brought in for a Deacon; Richard Withington & James Blake weer y^e men that had most

Voats though neither of them had ye Major Voat of ye wholl Church, but it was appointed y' ye next lords day Voats

should be brought in for one of thos two

The same day Robt Badcock did both by word & wrighting make some accknowlidgment of his two forwardnes in takeing up & devulging some reports went tended to yo blemeshing of Mr Emerson

The 14th (1) 68 Votes weer brought in for a Deacon &

Rich Withington had 33 Voates & James Blake 29.

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The 21 (1) 6_9^8 an order was published from ye Councell requiering all ye Churches in this Jurisdiction to keepe a day of humilliation in regard of this Contry & ye Church of god in other pt of ye world ye day is the 25 of this Instant

Mr Mather exersised ye fore pt of ye day from Lament: 3

40 & Mr Stoughton ye latter pt from Jer 185:6

The 28 (1) 69 Richard Withington being formerly Chosen

to yo office of a deacon declared his acceptance.

The 4 (2) 69 an order was published from y° Counsell requiering all y° Elders in this Collony to take espesall care (by themselves and such as they shall take to them) to Catechize y° yunger people & to enquier after ther p'fitting by y° publique means & whether ther Conversation be answerable in any measuer therunto, & this not only Church members but all in generall & not only in y° publique but from house to house as they are able: y° maner of doeing this was left to farther consideration

The 11th of ye (2) 69 a letter was read directed to ye Church from ye desenting breatheren of ye Church at Boston (Viz ye old Church) wheerin they did express ther desier to this Church to send ther Elders & messengers to Boston on ye 13th of this Instant to give them Counsell what may be ye mind of god yt they should doe in referrance to ye difference yt was between ye Church ther & them: this Church after long adjetation (some expressing themselves as not willing to send any, seeing ye Church at Boston did not send) yet at length ye Major pt of ye Church did by Vote Nominate & appoint Mr Mather & Eldr Humphry Captaine Clap & Captin ffoster & requested Mr Stoughton to Joyne with them

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(The Revd m^r Richard Mather Teacher of the Ch^h at Dorchester Rested from His Labours.)

The 2 of ye (3) 69 ye Church appointed some to goe to me Stoughton to desier him to Continue his labour in preaching not only one pe of ye lords day but all ye day untill we could

be otherwise p'vided for the which he granted

The same day it was agreed unto by ye Church y'a day of humilliation should be kept to humble or souls before god & to seeke his direction for a supply of teaching officers to this Church ye day appointed was the 14 of this Instant May at weh time Mr Stoughton did first pray and then Mr Increas Mather did pray & preach in ye fore p' of ye day and Mr Eliot did pray & then Mr Thecher did pray & preach in ye after p' of ye day

The same day or ye day before being ye 25 of ye (2) 69 ye result of ye Counsell (meet at Boston in ye case of ye desenting breatheren) was read to ye Church as also a letter sent by ye Elders of Boston unto this Church in reference to ye

same Casse

The 16 (3) 69 ye Church nominated some to goe to Mt Stoughton and acquaint him yt ye Church did desier him to Joyne to this Church & yt he would accept of office to be a teaching officer to this Church & yt he would take it into serious Consideration & in Convenient time to give his answer unto ye whole Church all which was ye same evening declared unto him

The 4 (5) 69 ye Church Nominated some to goe to Mt Stoughton againe to renew ther motion unto him to accept

of office ye wen was the same day don

The 19 (7) 69 it was p'posed in ye Church by ye Elders whether M' Stoughton should not be called on for his answer whether he would accept of office, ye Conclusion was y' first ye Church should set a p' a day to seek god by fasting and prayer y' god would be pleased

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to direct both ye Church & him in ye matter, ye day appointed was the 29 of this Instant we was p'formed by ye breatheren

in prayer only

The 10 (8) 69 ye Church by a Vote agreed yt Mt Stoughton should be desiered to give his answer either ye next lords day or very shortly & yt to be done before ye wholl Church if he please, & some appointed to give him notice of it before

The 30th (8) 69 ye Church understanding ye mr Stoughton was inclined to give a negative answer (if he weer called on) did by Voate desier ye Elder & two of ye Breatheren to

desier ye Elders of other Churches at ther meeting at Boston in some Convenient time to p'suad & encuredg M' Stoughton to accept of a call when he should be to give his finall answer

The same day Notice was given of a publique day of thanksgiving to be keept being enjoyned by ye Generall Court for ye lords mercy in hearing of prayers & staying ye exceeding great wett & raine weh was this sommer weh did threaten ye spoiling of all sorts of corne & fresh hay: and for giving a competent increas of ye fruts of ye earth ye day appointed was ye 17 (9) next the day was carryed on by me Stoughton both pts of ye day from Deutrenomy 16 last pt of ye 15 vers

The 2 (II) 69 ye Church being stayed after ye evening exersiz, Consideration then was had whether mt Stoughton should not be desiered to give his full answer whether he would accept of office, the Conclusion was yt ye Elder & Deacon should goe to him & receave his answer ye wen they did, his answer was negative yt he was not willing to accept

The same time also a Church meeting was appointed yonext day to consider whether (if m' Stoughton should refus) we should not

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send for some man or men from England, a ship being ready

to goe

At weh meeting being ye 3 11 69 after much adgetation ye Church did not incline for ye p'sent to send to Ingland not as a Church act but ye Conclusion by a Vote was yt it should be left wth Mr Stoughton & ye Elder & Captin Clap & Captin ffoster for to Consider together & to advise wth one another & wth other Elders if they see meet whether ther may not be a supply had in this Contry and they to Nominate two as they may think fitt & the Church to consider & to determin whether one of thos two should be ye man or neither of them

The same time also it was p'posed to ye Consideration of ye Church yt seeing ther have been of late a great slacknes in ye breatherens Coming to ye Contribution on ye lords day, whether it should be continued or not, divers exprest themselves willing it should be continued, but ye Conclusion was by a ginerall assent (though not by Vote) that for a time ye Deacon might forbeare calling for Contribution on ye lords day untill we should have Sacraments againe or till the Church had occasion for it

The Same day it was agreed unto by a Vote yt ther should be ten pounds disbursted out of the Church Stock to wards y° expenses of m' Mathers funerall & the errecting of a piller on his grave (ther being ten pounds more alowed out of the Towne Rate for that end) alsoe at that time y° Church appointed bror Clement & bror Jn° Smith to git y° worke done about y° grave & to receave soe much into ther hands as will defray that Charge & M' Timothy Mather to have y° remainder

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The 9 (11) 69 after y° evening exersiz y° Church was desierd to stay on this account Viz Some of thos breatheren who wer latly appointed to look out for a fitt man for to be a teaching officer in y° Church thought y¹ (seeing y° ship was not yet gon) yit would be best to send to England for one: others thought not soe fitt but y° question was whether y° Church would stay at that time to agetate y¹ matter y° Vote was negative

The 30 (11) 69 a letter was read we came from ye first Church at Boston we was, to understand whether it would be offensive to of Church if they should Call deacon Wiswall to ye office of a ruling Elder, ye we was left to Consider off

till yo next lords day

The 13 12 69 discours ther was in y° Church Conserning Deacon Wiswall in Conclusion Two breatheren weer appointed to desier deacon Wiswall to come & speake wth y° Church himself

The 20 12 69 Deacon Wiswall being prent it was desirred of him to declare his mind whether he would Continue at boston or remove to us againe. after long adjetation he did declare yt he thought god Called him to Continue ther yet yt Church did not Conclud of an answer to yt Church of boston but deferred it tell an other weeke to consider of it

The 27 12 69 It was concluded by a Vote in ye Church yt a letter should be sent to ye first Church at Boston to declare to them yt it should not be offensive to ye Church if they did look after deacon Wiswall for to be a rulling elder amongst them

The same time Sister Blake y° old Widdow desiered her dismition to y° 3^d Church at Boston ye Church at y° motion of 2 or 3 of y° breathen did take it into Consideration till y° next lords day

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The 6 of y° (1) % The matter Concerning Sister Blaks dismimtion to y° third Church in Boston was proposed againe, & divers exprest themselves for it & divers would have it

waved untill a further time at length it was put to ye Vote whether ye Church would Isue ye matter at that time. ther weer 18 or 19 for it & 12 or 13 against it then her dismission was put to ye Vote & ther was ye lik number for it & against it then it was spoken too by some yt ther weer some yt weer Newter & they should be counted Negatives soe yt at lenth ye Vote was put by parting of Companys & of thos yt weer present ther wer 22 for her dismition & 19 against it & some yt had been Newters before went away & would not Vote any way but Deacon Wiswall web was against it in ye former Vote was gone before ye latter Vote

The 24 (2) 70 a letter Came to o' Church from ye first Church at Boston wherin they did desier o' Church to send ther messengers to ye ordaining of M' Oxenbridg for a pastor & M' John Wiswall for a Ruling Elder to y' Church ye day

apointed is ye 4th (3) 70

The Church desiered M' Stoughton to goe for one & they apointed Captin Clap Captin floster Elder Humfry & Deacon

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The 5 (4) 70 an order was read web came from ye generall Court wherin they did appoint a day of humilliation to be kept one ye 16th this Instant June M' Stoughton exersized ye former pt of ye day from Eay 57 17 pt 18 & M' Atherton ye latter pt from Lament 3 11: & ye Elder did pray in ye Conclusion of ye day

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The 12 (4) 70 a letter was read web Came from yo Church at Brantry wherin they did desier of Church to send some help in way of Councell in regard of yo differences yo weer amongst them in respect of teaching officers: yo Church did desier Mr Stoughton for one & appointed Elder Humphry & Capt ffoster yo day appointed is yo 20 June 70

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Wheras y° Church at a former meeting nominated M' Stoughton Elder Humphry Capt Clap & Capt: ffoster to Consider & look out for a man for a teaching officer & they to p'pos two or three and then y° Church to declare by Voat wen of thos they would Invite for p'bation: now after a pretty long time of Consideration they have upon this 21 (6) 70 p'pounded three for y° Church to Consider off Viz M' fflint of Brantry M' Benjamen Eliot of Rocksbery & m' Butler in old England y° Church was to Consider of it & y° next lords day to bring in Voats which they would Invite &

thos two wen have the most Voats should ye next lords day after be Voated againe

The 28 of ye (6) 70 ye Church brought in ther Voats & mr fflint & mr Eliot had ye most Voats ye Church was to Consider of it till ye next lords day & then to bring in Voats for one of thos two

The 4 (7) 70 Voats weer brought in as was formerly appointed and m^r fflint had y^e Major Voate afterward y^e Elder put it to Voate to y^e whole Church whether any member had anything against it or whether they did all consent to what was Voated y^e Voat was in y^e affermative. At y^e same time y^e Church did Nominat seaverall breatheren to be ther messengers to acquaint m^r fflint wth y^e motion Viz M^r Stoughton (whom y^e Church desiered) and Elder Humphry Capt Clap: Capten ffoster & Deacon Capen

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The II (7) 70 ther was a letter read to ye Church weh Came from Hull expressing ther intent to enter into Church state & ordaining (the Rev^d mr Whitman &) some officer or officers besides as also ther desier that or Church would send some messengers to assist & hold out ye right hand of ffellowship unto them ye day appointed is ye I3th this Instant: ye Church desiered Mr Stoughton to be one and Elder Humphry for ye other.

The same time there was an order read web Came from ye Counsell requiering a publique fast to be keept in this Jurisdiction In regard of ye distresses of ye people of god abroad & espessally as it is feared in or Native Contry yeday appointed is ye 22 this Instant being ye fift day of

y weeke .

The 18 7 70 after ye Evening exersiz ye Elder declared to ye Church ye return of ther messadg to Hull Viz that ther was a Church gathered & a teaching officer & a rulling elder ordained & eleven p'sons in all entered into Covenant at that time

The 6 (9) 70 an order Came from y' Gen' Court requiering a day to be keept of thanksgiving for y' peace y' we yet enjoy & other generall mercys; y' day is y' 24 this Instant

The 25 10 70 ther was a contribution in money p'ly for a recompence to m' fflint for his labour in preaching & p'ly for other nessesary uses at we'h time ther was Collected two pound 17° 3° 12 of we'h M' fflint had 40° ye' next day

The 1 11 70 y' Comittee y' was appointed (or messengers)

to Invite m^r fflint (in y^e name of y^e Church) to Come to us & preach to us in a constant way for p'bation to a further call delivered his answer (after seaverall addresses unto him) w^{ch} was an answer of acceptance of y^e Churches call soe farre

The same time ye Church by Voate did nominate & appoint ye Elder & Deakon wth ye select men & Capt Clap & Brog Sumner for to speak wth mg Stoughton & desier yt ye Church may Enjoy his labour alsoe as a help unto mg fflint for some time

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The 12 (12) 1670 Notice was given by ye Elder that ye Elders meeting together at Boston lately did Conceave yt it was needfull for ye Churches & people heer abouts to keep a day of fasting & prayer to god for thes reasons viz: ye sad condition of the people of god in Our Native Contry & ye places adjacent being under great restraints & affliction as also in regard of ye great p'valeing & increas of sine & wickednes amongst o' selves ye day appointed was ye first of March next: to this motion ye Congregation consented

The 12 1 1670 it was agreed unto by a Vote in yo Church yo Stoughton & yo Elder & bro Sumner together wth yo Select men should speake wth mr fflint & desier him to Come & take up his residence amongst us & Joyne to o' Church

in order to o' further p'ceeding to call him to office:

The same day Jnº Holbrook was dismissed unto ye Church

at Rocksbery though he was not in full Comunion

The 7 (3) 71 a letter was read in ye Church web Came from ye County Court in web they did sterr up our Church together whye Church at ye north end of Boston & deadham & Waymouth; for to send by ther messengers for to enquier into ye reason of (the Church at Braintry) ther great difference & slownes in p'viding a minester of ye word unto them; ye Church at ye same time Nominated & desiered mr Stoughton for one & the rulling elder: Capt Clap & Capt ffoster

The 16 (5) 71 ye Church was desired to stay to consider whether we should not send to mr fflint againe to sterr him up to hasten his remove to dorchester & to Joyne to ye Church in order to office relation: ye Church did apoint ye Elder & deakon Captin ffoster & some more to doe it: & Augustin Clement & Jno Smith to consider about finishing

his hous

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Y° 23 5 71 y° messengers y' weer sent to M' flint returned his answer that he thought it not convenient for to Joyne

to ye Church untill he was setled heer in towne but as soone

as his hous is ready he did purpos to Come away

The 30th 5 71 ye Elder after ye evening exercis read a declaration of what they did when they went to brantry which he could not doe before becaus it was not drawne up in wrighting, as alsoe it was therin declared what advis & counsell they left with them: The same time it was thought fitt that ye same Churches should goe to them againe by their messengers to know what effect their Counsell had taken with them to which ye Church agreed & apointed ye former messengers

The 24 7 71 ther was a letter read y' came from y' Councell who appointed a publique day of thanksgivinge to be kept in this Jurisdiction for y' Continuance of peace & libertys in Church & state & for y' fruts of y' earth y' day

appointed is y° 19871

The 12 9 71 Mr Stoughton & Mr fflint weer admitted members of this Church without makeing any relation but ther dismission being made known & entering into Covenant

The 26 9 71 the Church did Elect m' fflint to be a teach-

ing officer to this Church

The 3 of ye 10th 71 Mr fflint gave in his answer unto the Church of his acceptance unto ye office of a pastor unto the

which ye Church had before elected him

The same time it was Concluded by the Church y' ye 27th of this Instant should be the day of ordaination and that ye Churches at Boston & Cambridg Charlstowne Rocksbery & Waymoth should be sent unto to desier them to send their Elders & messengers to Asist in that worke

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The 10th of ye 10th 71

The Major pt of ye Church did agree by a Vote that Mr Eliot of Rocksbery should be desiered to manedge ye worke of Ordaination & giveing the Charge, though some of the breatheren weer not soe free ther unto but would have had it p'formed by ye Church alone but ye ruling Elder desiered to be spared therin.

The 24th 10 71 ye ruling Elder p'posed to ye Church ye some other breatheren or brother might be appointed to lay on hands at ye time of ordaination or els some other Elders but ye Church appointed only Deacon Capen to be added to

m' Eliot & y' ruling Elder

The 27th 10 71 the worke of ordaination was Solemnized

for y° ordaining of m' Josiah fflent to be a pastor unto this Church of dorchester and it was approved off by y° Elders & messengers of y° Churches formerly sent unto; and m' Chancy was appointed in y° name of all y° Churches to give y° right hand of ffellowship

The 7 11 71 We had y's acrament of y's lords Super admin-

estered by Mr fflint

The 5 3 72 Votes weer brought in for a Deacon & James Blak & Jn° Gornell had most Votes & then they two being put to y° vote againe James Blake had 34 Vots & y° other 19 but his answer of acceptance was deferred till y° next lords day

The 26 3 72 James Blake was called upon to give his answer at which time he did manifest his acceptation of his

call to y office of a deacon

The same time it was spoken unto & p'posed by ye Church whether we should not have a Contribution once a month or evey lords day for p'sons to bring in pt of ther p'portion to ye maintenance of ye minestry in money to be keept upon an account as pt of ther p'portion ye which was Concluded that it should

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be p'posed to ye whole assembly the next lords day alsoe something was said Concerning Cattechising but not concluded in what manner

alsoe y's same time it was Concluded that we should have a lectuer once a month to be on ye fowerth day of the week, y's which day m' fflint Nominated & to begin as soone as m' fflint did see fitt & Convenient with respect unto himself

The 9 4 72 It was p'posed by the elder that ther should be a Contribution every lords day cheifly in money each man putting in his paper with his name in it & how much money he have therin put w^{ch} should be keept on account by y^{ch} deacon & at y^{ch} end of y^{ch} yeer it should be accounted as soe much of his p'portion towards y^{ch} maintenance of y^{ch} minestry only y^{ch} Sacrament days that Contribution should be for y^{ch} p'vission for ye lords table but this was not put to y^{ch} Vote yet afterwards practized.

The same day notice was given of a publick day of humilliation to be keept on the 13 of this month the grounds was not declared but in generall in regard of the troubls of yourch of Christ in or native Cuntry & elce wheer & the devissions amongst our selves yo former poor of your day was

spent by m' Atherton & ye latter by M' fflint

The 23 4 72 ye Church & some of ye Congregation began

Contribution to ye maintenance of ye minestry

The same day M^r fflint desiered the Church & Congregation to send in the names of all children & servants y^t weer under any famely government in order to catechising or

some other way of instruction

The 25 6 72 a letter was read weh came from ye Church at Brantry wherin they did desier ye Elders & messengers of this Church to be sent to them on ye 11th Sep for to ther ordaination of me fisk to be an officer amongst them, at weh time ther was appointed of Teaching & rulling elders me Stoughton Captin floster & deacon Capen & Deacon Blake

At weh time m' ffisk was ordained a pastor to ye Church at Brantry

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The 3 9 72 an order was read weh Came from ye generall Court weh appointed ye 20 of this Instant to be keept as a day of thanksgiving & ye 24th of ye (10) 72 a day of humilliation

The 10 9th 72 It was made known to ye Church yt ther weer some yong men would Joyne to ye Church if they might have ther relation read in wrighting & though some spake against it at first; yet when it was made knowne to Church yt in ye second month 65 such a thing was by Vote granted on such Condition as is ther registered ye Church did again Consent to it by a Vote put by ye silence of ye Church against we none replyed after it

The same day yo Church appointed yo two Deacons to Returne thanks unto Mr Thatcher of Boston for her gift to yo Church wen was a silver Cupp for yo Sacrament & a greene

Cushin for ye Desk

The 18 4 73 ther was a day of Humilliation keept in o' Church p'ly w'h respect to y' state of y' Churches of Christ in other p' of y' world & y' Commotions of o' nation w'h other nations & w'h respect to o' owne Condition in this Contry & alsoe being intended y' begining of setting up y' monthly lectuers: The day was spent by M' fflint in y' forenoone & M' Alen praying in y' afternoon & M' Tory preaching & docter Hore concluding by prayer

The 13 5 73 notice was given y' y' next wednesday being

ye 16 instant July ye monthly lectuer was to begin

The 17 6 73 ther was notice given of a generall day of humilliation to be keept in this Collony on ye 28 of this

Instant being ye 5t day of ye week p'ly by reason of the duch or enemys being soe neer us they haveing taken ye Manados & p'ly in regard of ye Comotions of ye Nations in Europ &c: mr fflint did pray & preach out of Ezekell 44 13 & ye Elder prayed once

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The 2 9 73 An order from ye Generall Court was published Appointing a publik day of thanks giveing to be keept in Consideration of ye returne of or prayers this last Summer wheras all ye fruts of ye earth was likly to be lost in regard of ye wett & coldnes of ye season god sending some warme weather for some weeks: As alsoe for or peace notwithstanding ye prvailing enemy approaching soe neer or Coasts as at New York: ye day appointed is ye 20 9 73

The 23 9 73 a letter was read w^{ch} came from Deadham desiering y^e Church to sent ther elders & messengers to asist in y^e ordaining of M^r William Adames to be a pastor to their Church y^e day appointed is y^e 3 desemb 73 The Church

Chos ye Elders & m' Stoughton & Captin ffoster

The 31 9 73 a letter was read web came from ye Counsell Requiering a publique day of humilliation to be keept in ye regard of ye trouble are like to come on the Contry by reason of goeing to warre web ye duch ye day appointed is ye 11th

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The 15 (1) 7_4^3 a letter was read w^{ch} came from y^{ch} Gen^{roll} Court who appointed a day of humilliation to be keept on y^{ch} 26 (1) 74 on y^{ch} behalf of y^{ch} Churches abroad & troubls at home & y^{ch} outbreakings of gross sins among us & the difference in some Sosieties as also in regard of y^{ch} shortnes of y^{ch} last harvest for Corne & by reason of o^{ch} setting out of ships of warre to defend o^{ch} Navigation by sea

The 13 7 74 an order from ye Counsell was read who appointed a publique day of thanksgiveing unto god p'ly for y' his blessing on ye fruts of ye earth & p'ly for ye Continuance of or peace & liberty & for ye ceasing of ye warre

between o' nation & Holland y' day to be y' 24 7 74

(The 19 9 74 The Reverend Mr Samuel Danforth Pastor of Roxt-Chh aged 47 years rested in ye Lord.)

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The 14 (1) 7_5^4 an order was published from y° Counsell requiering a publique fast to be keept one y° 25 of this instant p'ly for ye people of god in ginerall & p'ly in regard

of ye prvailing & increase of grose sines amongst us & ye languishing state of ye Collidg & ye Cold backwardnes of ye spring & for a blessing one ye labor of ye husbandman ye ensewing yeere

The 27th 4 75 ther was noe meeting on ye Lords day in or

towne m' fflint being sick

The 29 4 75 ther was a publike day of humiliation (appointed some days before by ye Counsell) in regard of ye warre wth phillip ye Sachem against whom ye Souldiers weer gon forth ye 26 5 75 but there was noe publik meeting that day (in this Town) neither but people went abroad (to other meetings)

The 14th 5 75 being one of our lectuer days it was keept

as a fast by or towne

The 18th 5 75 Jn° Capen Jun came before ye Church &

gave satisfaction for some ofence weh he lay under

The 11 5 75 there was a Contribution for M^r Corlet for his labour in preaching at w^{ch} time was Colected 3^{li}—18^s—3^d

The 5. 7. 75. William Sumner appeared before ye Church before the Sacrament to give Satisfaction for offencive speches uttered against ye Comittee of ye Milicia

The 7. 8. 75. ther was a publique fast in ye whole Collony The 29 10 75 being one of our lectuer days it was kept a

fast in regard of yo warr.

The 13 11 75 ther was a publick fast over all this Collony

The 2 March 76 a publik fast

The 16 2 76 & two Saboth afore Isack Joans was before y' Church p'secuted by y' Elders for some miscaredg to M' Stoughton

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The 9 3 76 ther was a fast kept at y generall Court by y Court & Elders only

The 29 4th 76 ther was a publique day of thanksgiveing by

ye whole Collony

The 24 Sep 76 ther was a Contrebution for Daniell Elders at w^{ch} time ther was given in money I—18—11^d & in Corne I—18 0 & dlevered to deacon Blake; the corne was p'mised by Severall persons of w^{ch} hee took account of them

The 7 10th 76 ther was a publique day of humilliation in all y Churches in this Collony p'ly in respect of o' messen-

gers sent to England Viz Mr Stoughton & Mr Buckly

The 20 10 76 ther was a fast keept by ye whole Church at Mr fflints hous wth respect to the messengers sent to England.

The 29 11 76 ther was a Church meeting at Mr fflints hous

to Consider what may be ye p'voking sines yt may p'voke god against his people & in order to or renewall of or Covenant at went time it was Judged yt we fell short of or former Covenant engagment in waching over one another and in famely instruction & Church dissepline & publique Catechizing therfore it wes Concluded at ye same time first yt in matters agetated & voted yt the major Vote should Isue bussineses put to ye Vote

2 Voted that ye Children of those yt are in full Comunion

are members & soe to be looked at

3 for Catechizing it was left to be furder considered off by

m' fflint & ye rulling Elder & ye Select men

4 yt ye Children of Church members being adult should be watched over & discepline exercized to them as need requier

5 It was Voted y' ye Children of ye Church (though not in full Comunion) being quallefied as in ye fift p'posission of ye Senod & taking hold of ye Covenant may be baptized to this last ye Vote was ginerall all but one man some weer not

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soe cleer in it yet would not make any distubance & soe farre y' meeting p'ceeded & appointed another meeting

The 7 12 76 ther was another Church meeting at m' fflints hous at we'h time ther was a free discoursing & laying open one to another thos Sines we'h weer most p'vokeing to god to come forth against us, that soe ther might an humble & free Confession of them before god when we should Come together to renew o' Covenant & in ye Close of ye day it was concluded that m' fflint should draw up & p'sent it to ye Church at o' next meeting for app'bation or adding to or detracting from it

The 18 12 76 being Sacrament day Robt Spur was called forth before ye Church to make his accknowlidgment of ye offence we he lay under in giveing entertainement in his hous of loos & vaine p'sons espesally Joseph Belcher his frequent Coming to his daughter Contrary to the admonition of ye Court we was greatly to ye offence of ye said Bel-

chers neerest relations and divers others

The same day after the evening exerciz ther was an Order read weh Came from ye Councell appointing & requiering a publique day of humilliation in this Jurisdiction to be kept upon ye first day of March next and becaus it was moe then usually was wont to be I have heer inserted ye Coppi of it weh is as followeth

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At a Councell held at Boston the 12 ffeb 1676

As we must hold o' selves ever obliged to an humble & harty accknowledgment of ye many mercyfull & Marvellous outgoeings of god for us, his undeserveing people, inhabetting this wildernes, and more especially of his late Signall appearances on our side against bloddy & barbarous men that rose up against us; wherin he hath out acted or faith and Expectation: soe we are noe less in duty bound to reflect win shame & sorrow upon or unbecoming deportments toward yo lord and ill requitals of him, after all his kindnesses. the prid, you worldlynes, the sensualletie of many p'fessors, the contempt of ye gosple, the defection and appostacy of some from ye truth to pinicious heresies, the decay of brotherly love, yo unthankfulnes for mercys, the deafnes to y' rod of divine appointment, the abus of p'cious peace & libertie, and the too generall unsubdewednes of you harts of men to the will of god, with such like evels, found among us (beside the gross ignorance & growing p'fanes of too many p'sons under rich means of knowledg & reformation) doe proclaime aloud our litle profitting & p'ficciency under gods hand and breeding, our unfrutfulnes under the variouse instructing dispensations of god; yea, and sadly testefie to or faces, y' we have not been throughly melted, and won by mercies, nor kindly affected with, & reformed by ye Judgments of ye lord: and that, (what ever our vows have been, in ye day of or distress, yet,) our old tast in great measure remains in us, & our sent is litle Changed; though we have been emptied from vessell to vessell, and changes & warr have ben against us. well may we fear another storme of wrath, and that yo Just & holy god will punesh us seaven times for our many & grevious p'vokations: unles we prpare our selves to meet our god with humilliation, supplication, & reformation; and timously make or peace wth him through yo blood of or lord Jesus Christ. Moreover, as we have had experience of ye Lords heering or prayers, & being a prsent, ready help to us (though most unworthy) in all our troubles: Soe it cannot be denyed or doubted, but that we have as much need of his help & grace now as ever, and that it is or wisdom & duty at this day, to set o' selves to seek ye lord, and to become humble petitioners at yo throwne of grace to

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the father of mercys, that he would graciously pleas to pardon & purge away our sins, and avert the judgments we have deserved, for his names sake; that he would Continue peace & truth with all the preciouse & pleasant things of Jerusalem unto us, and give us one hart & way to feare him for the good of or selves & Children after us; that he would Vouchsafe his gracious presence with his servants that are entrusted with the management of publick affaires, and p'ticulerly, with thos worthy p'sons, our messengers, in their Negotiations, that they may find favor with the kings Majestie, and prosper in that important undertakeing: that he would infattuate ye Counsels, defeate ye designes, and Restraine the remainder of ye Cursed & cruell wrath of ye heathen, that are yet in hostillety with us; that hee would goe along with our forces in the present expedition; that he would build the wast places, Repaire the breaches made upon us, and settle a suer & lasting peace in or borders; that he would smile upon the labours of his servants, bless ye springing & fruts of ye earth, and Crowne the yere with his goodnes; that he would Cause Zebulon to rejoyce in his goeing out, & Isachar in his tents; that he would be a wale of fier about us, & ye glory in ye midst of us, that he would save & bless his Churches abroad, support & enlarge the intrest of Christ in the world

It is therfore ordered by ye Governour & Councell of this Jurisdiction that thursday; the first day of March next ensewing, be set apart for a day of humilliation, fasting & prayer, throughout this Collony: and all p'sons in ther severall Capacceties are requiered to forbeare ye works of their ordinary Callings, & apply themselves to ye Relidgiouse & Sollemn observation of that day, that it may be indeed a day of Attonement, & not of new & further provokation

By y Councell Ed Rawson Secretary

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The 25 12 76 ye Church had another meeting at mr fflints hous wher & at which time, that weh mr fflint had drawn up for ye Church to engage in it was read ye Substance of which was a sevenfold instance from ye Scriptuer of renewall of Corpain Covenant, & after a repetition of ye Churches first Covenant, & then some further engagments aded two large heer to ensert, but it may be in due time upon this ther was some debate & ajetation & at last voted in ye affermative by ye Major pt though some was not

soe Cleer as to the extent of baptisme, at this time it was Concluded this engagment should be read publikly ye next Saboth unto all ye Congregation & in ye meane time a Cattalog of ye nams of all ye Children of ye Church above ye age of Sixteen yeers should be gathered up ye they may be called uppon to give their p'ticular Consent to Submitt to ye Government of Christ in & by his Church

The 4th of March 75 being Saboth day ye Engagment or Covenant was publickly read & the next day being monday ye 5 March they weer appointed to Come together both ye

Church & ye Children of ye Church

At which time after ye Casse was Commended to god by prayer, mr fflint gave a serious exortation unto ye seed of ye Church laid downe in fower or five priculer Considerations

not heer inserted (but in ye beging of ye book)

Then ye Elder made a short spech to ye Children of ye Church that they should take notice yt they weer not (by this ther assenting to what should be piposed to them) to be admitted to ye Lords table, nor Voteing in ye Church but to declare ther willingnes & subjection to ye government & discepline of Christ in & by his Church

The names of thos y' did y' same day p'sonally give their assent

Timothy Mather Thomas Bird James Bird Tho: Andrews John Breck Nathanell Glover Samuell Hill Johnathan Hill

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Tho Trott Jun'
Samuell Sumner
John Garnesy
Rich Evens
Mathias Evens
John Merifeild
Ebenez: Withington
John Spur
Nathaniell Wiet
Consider Atherton
John Beaman
"opestill Humphry
ck Humphry
cob Hewens Jun'
hn Blake

Hanah Joanes
Mary Weeks
Renew Weeks
Thankfull Baker
Elizabeth Baker
Mary Wales
Elizabeth Hale
Waite Smith
Hanah Davenport
Hanah Withington
Mary Hewen
Mary Lyon
Susan Lyon
Mary pelton
Content Wales

Inº Blackman James Blake Nehemiah Clap Elisha ffoster Comfort ffoster Richard Mather Inº Trescot James Baker preserved Capen Samuell Hale Richard Hale Charles Davenport Jnº Smith Jr Ebenezer Hill George Minot Samuell Sumner Jung Mary Lawrance patience Lawrance Mary Beaman Judeth pond deliverance Smith patience Trescot Martha Trescot Mary Chaplin Mahittabell Hill Sarah Leadbetter Martha Minot

of Melton

Thomas Holman Ephraim Newton Thomas Swift Jun^r Samuell Blake Nathaniell Blake Tho Holmans wife Waitstill Vose Mary Blake \ Ja: Tuckers wif Teags wif

divers others weer at ye same time Called but desiered

18(1) 7e

Eb Belleng & wife
Johana Belleng
Roger Belleng
Patience Atherton
Data Dann

The I Ith of March 7e

Called but desiered
time to Consider of it ye same time a fast was
appointed in order heerunto to be keept the 2I
of march being or lectuer day
The I Ith of March 7e

The I Ith of March 7e

patience Atherton
Joseph Capen
Samuell farnworth
Nathaniell Wales
look for more in or
at ye year 1682

The 11th of March
Ebenez: Williams
Samuell Trescot
John Weeks

John Wales Sent Samuell Rigby John Mason Nathaniell Lyon John Brown John pelton Jun^r Sarah Beaman

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The 18 (1) 7⁶₇ Consented
Ebenezer Bilenge & his wife
Johnathan & bellenge
Roger bellenge
Joseph Capen
Samuell ffarnworth
Nathaniell Wales
patience Atherton

The same day ther was a Contribution for M' Hubbard web Came from Black-point by ye distresse of ye Indians

The 25 March 77 Consented John Minot

Ap 1: 77 James Minot Jun' Ap 8 77 Theophelus poole

The 8 Aprill 77 ther was appointed a day of Humilliation to be kept on our next lectuer day for ye Consummating of o' renewing ye Covenant being the 18 Aprill 77 but some of the breatheren weer not soe Cleer

as to ye extent of baptisme

The 18 Aprill 77 ye sollemn day of fast was observed & after ye morning exersiz ye Covenant was againe publickly read & the Vote put forth or Called for & the Vote was in the affermative noe man speaking against it. only Bro' William Sumner went out of ye meeting when it was goeing to be read & Came not againe in ye afternoone

M' fflint preached y' former p' of y' day from 15 John 5

with out me ye can doe nothing

& M^r Tory in y^e after noone from Jer 3 22 behold we com unto thee for thou art y^e lord of God

The 22 2 1677 Consented

James Minot y° Scholmaster & Samuell pelton

The 1 5 77 was notice given of a publique day of humilliation to be keept y 5 day Instant Jully.

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The 5 6 77 Samuell Rigby being related to ye Church was called forth to answer for his sin of Cursing & excessive drinking & neglect of attendance one ye publik ordinances for weh (he not giveing Satisfaction to ye Church) was ye same time laid under the sentance of admonition

The 2 7 77 ther was a Contribution for ye meeting hous at Rehoboth at weh time ther was given 3 10-8 also a contribution for deacon Coopper at ye same place at weh time ther was given for him 5 5 9 besids Thomas bird in shows 3° & John withington 1° in a note & William pond in Corne 1°-6° weh afterward he brought 1° in money & Tho Modesly in shows 2°

The 29 8 77 ye Church appointed to keep a fast on ye 31 8 77 being o' lectuer day on ye behalf of o' Messengers in England & for a good Essew of that affaire wth ye king & for Converting grace one ye Rising generation

The 15 No 77 ther was a publick day of thanksgiveing in this jurisdiction p'ly for that peace weh we doe enjoy after soe much trouble & warr & p'ly for ye lords blessing us wh a plentiouse harvest & p'ly for good Success y' we hav by ye blessing of god on o' messengers y' was sent to England

The same day was read a letter from ye therd Church in Boston desiering this Church to send ther Elders & messengers to a Councell Conserning Mr Willard whether they may call him to office being not dismissed from ye Church at Groaton, but ye Church scattered abroad by reason of ye warrs. The Church appointed ye Elders and Deacon Capen & William Sumner

The 25 9 77 ye result of ye Councill was published ye Substance of it was yt the Counsell did Judg from ye word of god yt mr Willard was at libertie to Joyne

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in memberly fellowship with & unto ye theird Church in Boston ye arguments from ye Scriptuer weer 7 or eight not heer inserted & heer unto all ye Counsell of eight Churches

consented & Subscribed except one man

The same day John Merrifeild (though not in full Comunion) was called forth before ye Church to answer for his sine of drunknes and also for Contempt & slighting ye power of Christ in his Church in not appearing formerly though often called upon & sent unto: but he made some excus for his drunknes in yt being not well at Boston hee took a little strong water & comeing out in ye ayre did distemp him & for ye other offence he did acknowlidg his fault therin

The first Saboth in January 1677 we began to Contribut weekly for yo maintenance of yo minestry according to yo

Vote of ye towne ye 27 10 77

The 27 II 77 ther was an order from ye Councell read wherin they had appointed a day of humilliation to be observed ye 2I ffeb next p'ly in ye regard of ye enemies endeavors against us not yet fully quieted & p'ly ye hand of god gon out against us in removeing by death many of his p'cious servants as of late M' Shepard of Charlstowne who dyed in ye small pox & p'ly by reason of ye distemper p'vailling soe much in that town as also in Boston & also in regard of our messengers we are negotiating of affaires yet in England

The 31 of (1) 78 a letter was read coming from the third Church in Boston desiering ye Church to send ther Elders

& messengers to ye ordaining of Mr Willard to office in ther Church on ye 10 of Aprill & besids ye Elders ther was appointed & Voted Capt Clap & Deacon Capen

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The 24 2 78 ther was a Church gathered by some of or breatheren y' live at Milton it was done in o' meeting hous at dorchester becaus of some opposission y' did appeare; ye Churches went they sent unto weer the Elders & messengers of ye three Churches in Boston & waymoth Brantree & deadham ye Majestrats weer accquainted with it but only ye governor was heer by reason of ye wett & Snow season. Allen did first pray & then Mr fflint did preach from ye & then prayed, afterward ye breatheren weer Called on one after another to declare ye work of grace y' god had wrought on them to ye number of seaven, but before they began it was put to the whole assembly both messengers & others whether any had any Just reason against their p'ceeding but all weer silent after they had made their relations a confession of faith was read by or Elder unto weh they all Consented by lifting up of hands, then thos seaven breatheren weer Called downe into ye body of ye assembly and a Covenant was read unto them unto which they all Consented by lifting up of hands. ye breatheren yt entered into this Covenant & made publique relation weer thes:

Robt Tucker member of waymoth

Anthony Newton William Blake Thomas Swift Georg Sumner

Members of Dorchester Church

member of y° 2 Church Edward Blake in Boston

Ebenezer Clap

After this was done ther weer more of o' Breatheren y' did at y' same time enter into y' same Covenant with y' former namly

Thomas Holman
George Lyon
Ephram
Manasses & Tucker

And then M' Tory was appointed to give y' right hand of ffellowship & M' Mather prayed & a psalme sung & y' assembly dismissed

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The 24 3 78 being ye sixt day of ye week ther was a Church meeting at which time it was Voted by ye major part & a petition drawn before hand & read at that time we should be pesented to ye Court against ordinarys ye have not a suffient gard over them to keepe good order and some other matters then discussed

The 26 3; 8 was read an order from ye ginerall Court requiering a publique day of humilliation to be keept on thursday the 6 of June some of ye grounds of it was gods hand goeing out against us in taking away such & soe many emenent men in Church & Comonweale & ye prelancy of ye Smale pox both in Boston & Charlestowne to ye cutting off of many by death alsoe in regard of ye abounding of sine & wickednes amongst us & for or Agents in England that they may have good Success & a saff returne, & other matters

The 6 of June on ye day above said ther was a letter read yt Came from ye Govt & majestrats wherin they did recommend to ye Churches in this Jurisdiction that ther might be a Contrybution for ye releif of ye Captives we weer taken from hatfeild they being brought soe farre as ye fort Albana at we time after ye evening exersiz ther was a Contribution of eight pound five Shillings two pence in money for ye end aforesaid

The 7th August 78 ther was a fast keept by o' Church being wednesday o' lectuer day y' same day ther was a Contribution for M' Emerson of Concord being low in his Estate at wth time was Colected 5th - 14th - 2 y' same day ther was a fast at brantree & y' next day at boston the first Church

The same time o' weekly lectuer was Changed that it should not be in y' same week y' Rocksbery lecter is keept but contrary & see to continue monthly

but contrary & soe to continue monthly

The 17 No 78 (being ye first day of or meeting in ye New meeting hous) a letter was read we came from ye Church at hingham desiering ye church to send their Elders & messengers to ye ordaination of Mr Norton to be a teaching officer unto them on ye 27 No 78 at which

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time ye church appointed Deacon Capen & Deacon Blake to Joyne wth or Elders for yt service

The same time ye Court order was read who had ordered a

publick fast in ye whole Jurisdiction to Joyne wth ye other Collonies on ye same day being recommend to ye Court by ye Comissioners of ye Collonies ye day to be on thursday ye

21 No 78

The first of December 1678 m' fflint p'posed to ye Church for a day of thanksgiveing to be keept by ye Church ye grounds of it weer an ingagment that was made to god if he should heer prayers & restore Captin Clap to helth againe being sick about a yeer & half agoe also in regard of M' Stoughton weh all though he be not yet returned yet yt god have p'served his p'son & soe fare blessed their endeavors for ye publick also becaus god have soe much p'served o' town from & under that contagious distemp of ye small pox when he have soe sadly visseted other places as Charlston boston & other places, as also for ye pease we injoy in this town notwithstanding ye great fears of a disquietment in regard of some publik transactions about o' meeting hous & other mercys the day mentioned was on our next lectuer day being the 18 Decemb: to this motion ye Church agreed

The 12 of ye 11 M° 78 It was p'posed to ye Church whether ther should be a Church meeting appointed for to Call forth some of ye members of ye Church not yet in full Comunion to give an acce or answer for their obstinancy in refusing to Come before ye Elders & some anchent breathren (whom ye Church had formerly apointed to Joyne with ye Elders in privat) but they standing off & giveing ille languedg &

behavior ye Church

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Closed with y^e p'posission and appointed wednesday y^e 22 Instant at one a Clock to Come to gether & in y^e meane time thos anchent breatheren or tithing men should warne such

p'sons as ye Elders should appoint

one ye day fore mentioned ye Church mett & Robt Spur Sen' was called forth to give satisfaction for his withdrawing & not p'takeing in ye Sacrament upon some p'jedice he had taken against o' pastor but could not mak it out but a misaprehention of him but he did not com up to Satisfaction: also John Spur was then called forth to give Satisfaction for his contemptious caredg & refusing to give an acct of his knowlidg unto ye Elders & thos breatheren in privat: also Nathaniell Wiett for not coming to ye Elders but refusing as Spur had done: but now gave satisfaction & ther for at ye motion of some breatheren the matter was respitted till another meeting about a month after

Also Samuell Rigby was ye same time called forth to give Satisfaction for his former offence for weh he had been formerly admonished by ye Church but came not up to Satisfaction: others ther weer ye should have been called forth as Joshua Georg Daniell Ellen, Nathaniell Mather &

others but ye time & season of Cold would not p'mitt

The 19 12 78 ye Church mett againe & Samuell Rigbe was called forth againe & he gave soe much satisfaction ythis sensuer of admonition was ordered to be respitted for a while & on his good demeanor if it did appear for some time then ye sensuer to be taken off ye same time Robt Spur Sentwas called on to give satisfaction but he came not up to full Satisfaction therfore it was voted that he should be admoneshed Also Nathanell Wiett John Spur Daniell Ellen and Joshua Georg for their contempt off & neglecting & refusing to com to give an acct of their knowlidg to ye Elders or Church was therfore Votted to be excommunicated

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The same day Nathanell Mather was Called forth to give Satisfaction for his slighting & negligence in Coming up to ye Order of ye Church at which time he did give some account publikly of his knowlidg out of a Cattechisme but falling short of what he should have attained unto, & he p'missing to doe his best to attaine more, he was dismissed & was appointed to Come to ye Elders againe about a fortnight after

The 25 12 78 ther was a Church meeting at weh time your Churches Engagment by way of renewall of Covenant was read over to consider wherin your Church fell short of your piticulers therein exprest alsoe at that time it was Concluded you ther should be a day of humilliation kept on or next lectuer day weh is your 12 March next to humble or souls before god in respect of our Covenant Engagment & also for your presence & blessing of god on the Children of your Court as also for your appeasing of his anger manifested in your Contagious distemp of your Small pox of work soe many are dead & more vissited

The 3 (1) 7_9^8 ther was a Church meeting at w^{ch} time ther was enquiery what may be thought to be the sins of this time for w^{ch} gods anger was gon forth against his people heer in thes pth to w^{ch} after long silence some spake one thing & another another thing &c and at y^{ch} same time the Church was Call^d on by o^{ch} rulling Elder to Consider how m^{ch}

Thecher should be satisfied for his labor in supplying m^r fflints work for one month which he p'cuered in his place whill he went to Quenectecot alsoe m^r fflint then p'pounded that y^e Church should looke out to p'vid one in his rome if any on in his famely should be visseted with y^e pox as also to supply his place when he should take a Jorney to Rehoboth & that an other teaching officer might be thought on to help him & other discourses at that time not Convenient heer to be inserted

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one the day before Viz ye 2 (1) 79 being Saboth day after ye evening exercis it was p'pounded to ye Church by ye Elder whether Robt Spur his admonition may not be Suspended a while & he have liberty once more to speak to ye Church by way of accknowledgment of his sin ye we was granted by ye Church

The 9 (1) 79 Robt Spur Sen was called forth to acknowlidg his offenc but came not up to satisfaction

The 30 (1) 78 Robt Spur had ye sentance of Admonishion

adminestred to him

The 3 3 79 after y° evening exerciz y° Church was stayed & did discours about Abigall y° daughter of Henery Merrifeild what should be done towards her for her sin of fornecation. It had been Voted the Saboth before by y° Major Vote of y° Church (that for that sin & for her refusing to come before the Church) that she should be excommunicated. but becaus y° whole Church did not Vote it was Considered what was to be done because some thought that excomunication did not belong to such in her Cappassetie therefore it was p'posed whether y° whole Church could agree according to that in Matthew that she should be rejected & to be as an heathen &c the Vote was in y° affermative

The same time report was made Concerning Samuell Rigbe who was sent unto by yo Church to come before them to answer for his late sin of drunknes & quarelling but his answer was yo he would be gon & not come againe in a 12

month

The Sabothday before Elizabeth Weeks was mentioned to ye Church whether she should not be Cast out for her sin of fornecation before marridg: ye Conclusion was that if any of her relations would send to her to see if she would come before ye Church in p'son & manifest her repentance the sentance should be respitted a while

The 23 3 79 ther was a Church meeting uppon occasion of

M^r fflint his desier of help in y^e minestry either by another teaching officer

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or by some other Supply, at weh Conferrance ye Church did not think they weer in a Capaccetie of maintaining another officer but it was p'posed by ye Elder whether ye Congregation should not agment Mr fflints wages to one hundred pounds Sixty pounds in money & 40 pounds in Contry pay & then he to p'vid such help as he saw meet & satisfie such as did help him out of ye 100 pound. The Church then p'sent did not seeme to Close with yt p'posission but p'pounded 50 pounds money & 50 pounds Contry pay weh did seem to be ye major Vote of those yt did Vote. others yt Voted neither way p'pounded yt ye Church and towne together should adjetate ye matter weh did occasion the deferring ye matter till ye next Second day being a training day for to discours ye matter. At weh time it was discursed yt Mr James minot should be spoken unto to see whether he would help once in a fortnight & a Comittee chosen

The Comittee appointed as a bove said was ye Elder &

two Deacons & John Breck

The same time M^r fflint p'posed whether we should not keepe o^r next lectuer day which will be y^e 4th of may as a fast in regard of y^e state of y^e people of god in old England & y^e nations adjacent w^{eh} seemes to be very sad & in respect of our selves y^e face of things looking sad in regard of y^e loss of soe many emenent p'sons both in y^e Majestracy & minestry & in towns & also in respect of o^r agents abroad; y^e vote of y^e Church was affermative

The 30 4 79 an order was published from ye generall Court who appointed a publik day of humiliation to be keept p'ly in regard of ye sad face of things one ye Churches & people of god both abroad & at home & in respect of o' afaiers in England & alsoe in respect of ye intended Sinod to be keept

in September next ye day is ye 10 5 79

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The 6 of y° 5 M° 79 the Church Called for Joshua Georg Daniell Ellen Jn° Spur & Nathanell Wiet & abigall Merrifeild haveing sent to them before by messengers to warne them to appeare, but only Nathanell Wiet & Jn° Spur did appear who did not manifest any repentance for ther former miscarridg but carryed it very dissatisfactorily before y°

Church: who weer all excommunicated from ye Church that day all of them & Abigall Merrifeild for her sin of fornication & Contempt of ye Church was Cast out also ye same

day

The 10 6 79 ther was a Contrybution to put into y° deacons hands for y° releif of y° poor espesally with respect to bror W^m Turner at w° time ther was given in money 3^{li} 6^s 5^d besids some notes for Corne as is in my book set down y° p'ticulers

The same day ye Elders weer voated for to be sent to meet in ye Senod weh is to Convene next September but noe messengers Concluded to be sent but left to Consideration

till ye next Saboth

The 17 6: 79 y° Church made Choice of William Sumner & Richard Baker to be messengers to y° Senod wch is to begin y° second wednesday in Sept' being y° 10th day of y° month & ye deacons weer desired to take Care for their entertainment at Boston on y° Church acct

The 5 8 79 ye Church Concluded by Voate yt or next lectuer day (being ye 22 Instant) should be turned into a day of thanksgivinge to god for heering of prayers & abateing ye

distemp of ye pox

The same day it was Voted yt Samuell Rigby should be Cast out of yt Church for his former miscaredges & he at this time did not appear before yt Church though appointed soe to doe

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The 28 8 79 Samuell Blake ye Sonne of William Blake now of ye Church at Melton was called before ye Church to make Confession of his sin of fornecation before marredg at weh time he did owne the fact & made some kind of accknowledgment but his voice was soe low ye scarce any herd ye litle weh he spake except a few weh stood Clos by him

The 2 9 79 Samuell Rigbee was excommunicated for thos sins for w^{ch} he was formerly admoneshed & for Contempt in not appearing before y^c Church being called therunto:

The 7 9 79 ther was a Church meeting for to read ye platforme of Church dissepline to see how farre ye Church did agree with it in their practice at which time ther weer 8 or nine Chapters read over & ye rest left till another time

Mē y° 6 of January 1679 Henery Leadbetter Executor to y° Estate of Tho Lake delivered two silver Cups or small beakers w°h was given by Tho Lake unto ye Church:

Also Mⁿ Thecher of Boston gave y° Church formerly a Silver Cup with two ears

Also ye Widdow Clements of Boston gave another silver

cup to ye Church ye 17 Novem 1678

The II II 79 ther was an order read from y° Counsell requiering a publique day off thanksgiving to be kept the 22 Instant for y° returne of o' agents from England after they have been absent three yers & aboutt two months

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The 15 12 79 Robt Spur was Called before y° Church to heer what efect y° ordinance of admonition had taken on Him but some weer not satisfied at that time therfore it was respitted till that day fortnight

The last of ffeburary 79 Robt Spur was Called before ye Church & hee did by wrighting declare what he had to say & ye Church by a silent Vote did manifest ther satisfac-

tion soe as to have ye sentence removed

The 21 March 80 Robt Spur was taken into y° Church again his sentence of Admonission taken off

The 15 Aprill 80 was a ginerall fast

The 25 Aprill Hanah ye dafter of Isack Joanes was dismissed to ye third Church in Boston being not in full Comunion

The 15 September 80 ther was a fast keept in regard of M' fflint & he dyed ye night following about 10 of ye Clock

& buryed ye 17th day

The 25 of November 80 wee kept a publick day of thanks-giveing being ordered soe to doe by the generall Court for y° Continuance of o' Liberties & p'veledges both Sacred & Sivell for y° plentie of y° fruits of y° Earth this yeer & for removeing of Contagious sickneses & diseases y° day was carryed one by M' Minot & M' Capen

The same Court also ordered a publick day of humilliation

to be kept on y° 16 decem 80

The 27 12 80 ther was a Contribution for Goody Leichfeild and Mitchell of Malden at weh tim ther was Colected & ye next day sent in to ye Sume of 11 17—9 of weh about 7 pound in p'ticuler for leichfeld & ye rest to be devided

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The 2 (1) 80 was a day of humiliation keept by ye Church & town to seek to god for direction in looking out for a minester for or Church ye day was carryed on by Mr Tory & Mr Adams

The 20 (1) $^{80}_{81}$ after ye evening exercis ye Church was stayed to Consider of a man to be on tryall for ye work of ye minestry & it was Voted ye each man should bring in his Vote in wrighting & thos two ye had ye most Votes should be put to Vote againe ye next Saboth and ye Votes being brought in Mr John danforth of Rocksbery had 40 & Mr Cushen of

Hingham had 13 Votes

The 27 (1) 81 Votes wer Called for againe for on of ye two weh had most Votes ye last Saboth & ther weer 37 Votes for Mr Danforth & 22 Votes for Mr Cushen: at the same time John Breck who was not in full Comunion intruded himself in & put in a Vote though not in full Comunion; weh was very offensive to ye Church but his Vote was taken out & he commanded by Mr Stoughton to goe out of ye meeting hous when ye Church had been tryed by a Vote to know whether they did approve of his acting weh being declared in ye Negative then ye Contrary Vote was called for but none held up ther hand but only Henery Leadbetter who thought ye such as had Submitted to ye government of Christ in ye Church & had owned ye Covenant should have libertie to Vote in such a Case; but it was declared to ye Contrary

The same time ye Church appointed a Comittee Viz Mr Stoughton ye Elder & deakons, William Sumne Rich Baker Rich Withington and Capt Clap: to invite Mr Danforth to

come & preach more constantly with us upon tryall

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The 3 2 81 y° Elder declared to y° Church y' he had spoken wth John Breck about his putting in a voat y° last day to y° offence of many, & y' he had given him satisfaction & was sorry y' he had acted soe as he did in y' maner & y' if any elce weer unsatisfied if they would speake to him hee

hoped hee should satisfie them

The 10 2 81 an order was read from y' Generall Court requiering a publique fast in respect of sad face of things Concerning y' Church of god abroad in other p' & in England & amongst o'selves & y' hand of god gon out against us this last yeer in respect of y' great flood at Quenectecot & y' blast spoilling much of y' fruts of y' earth & in respect of o' agents y' are to goe for England y' day appointed is y' 21 Instant & in regard of y' great losses at sea & y' sudden deaths of many: M' Capen & M' Danforth preched y' day & M' Minot prayed in y' morning

The 1 3 81 ye Elder accquainted ye Assembly how farr we

had p'ceeded wth M^r Danforth & y^t as yet he had not given his answer therfore if any p'son though not of y^e Church (in full Communion) had any thing to aleadg to the contrary they had libertie to speak but non spake any thing, then y^e Elder said y^t he would take their silence for Consent but none spake

The 22 3 81 a letter was read y' came from ye Church at Melton wherin they desiered to send messengers to ye ordaining of Mr Thecher to be a teaching officer to their Church on ye first of June next in answer therunto (besids the Elder) ye Church made Choice of Mr Stoughton & Dea-

con Capen & Deacon Blake

The 5 of June 81 y° Elder declared to y° Church y' y° Church at Melton had ordained M' peter Thecher to be a pastor in y' Church: M' Thecher did first pray & preach then M' Encres Mather put it to Vote first to y° Church (whos Vote was afermative & then to y° messengers w° did concur: also It was p'pounded to y° whole assembly whether any

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p'son had ought against it but none appeared; then it was p'pounded to M' Thecher whether he did accept of ye Call to office which he declared yt he did: then M' Tory gave ye Charg & m' Tory M' Mather M' Eliot & M' Willard laid on hands & lastly M' Willard gave ye right hand of fellowship in the name of ye rest of ye Churches

The 26 June 81 an order was read from ye ginerall Court requiering a publique fast to be kept ye 7th of July next

The 3 5 & 1 y° Elder declared to y° Church that bro' Thomas Davenport was under some offence about y° exchange of some land wth Robt Stiles in not standing to his engagement wth Stils but disposing it to another man & yt some breatheren had delt with him about it but could git noe satisfaction, he thought yt y° Church might goe to bro' Danfords hous (he not being able to com to y° Church) to heer y° Case, but y° Church Concluded by a Vote to send y° Elder & deacons & bro' Sumner bro' Leeds Richard Baker Ensigne Hale bro' Trot Isak Joanes bro' Tolman Sen' Daniell preston & desiered Bro' Edward pason to be ther also and as many as would or Could besids to heer y° Case' & returne to y° Church how they found it

The 10 5 81 ye Elder did (in ye name of ye p'sons above deputed) declare to ye Church yt they had been wth brother Davenport & after long agetations they brought it to this

conclusion y' bro' Davenport & Stiles Chose out some men each of them to Consider of y' matter & they did engag each to y' other in a bond of 30 pounds to stand to their determination

weh afterward was don & Stiles had his land confeirmed unto him

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The 14 6 81 ther was a Contribution for Mr Swan & others at Rocksbery who had their houses burnt, at w^{ch} time ther was Colected six pound pence in money & it was delivered to Elder Humphry who was to Conveigh it to y^c deacons of Rocksbery who together wth Mr Dudlee & Mr Elliot weer to devid it as they Judged meet

The 25 10 81 M^r John Danforth gave his answer publikly before y^e whole assembly of his acceptance of his call to be

with us to preach & pray amongst us

The 5 12 81 Mary ye daughter of Thomas Modesly was called before ye Church (though not in full Comunion but (under gt Obligations) by her submitting to ye Government of Christ in his Church) she was Called to answer for her sine of fornication. She did appeare but being put to it to speak by way of accknowledgment of ye sin, she gave noe answer but weept whether for ye shame or ye sin yt was not known, & ye Church was dismissed for yt time

The 19 12 81 Mr John Danforth Joyned to ye Church

being dismissed from Rocksbery.

The same day ther was appointed a day of fast to be kept yo first of March in order to of further preeding with Month Danforth to office relation

The 16 (1) 82 Mary Modesly was called before ye Church againe who did by wrighting make Confession of her Sin &

she was dismissed by Silence of ye Church

The 2 (2) 82 y° Church was stayed & by a unanimous Vote M' John Danforth was Chosen pastor to y° Church in Dorchester but his acceptation of it was not then called for, he being not p'sent at that time but y° next day or next Saboth he accepted y° Call

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The 30 Aprill 82

The Church stayed to appoint a time of Ordaining M^r Danforth w^{ch} by a Vote was Concluded to be the last wednesday in June next being the 28 June 82 alsoe it was Voted that ther should be sent unto eight Churches for their Elders

& Messengers Viz 3 Churches in Boston & Rocksbery Deadham Melton Brantry & Waymoth & meadfeild And it was Voted y' there should be two meetings that day & that M' Incres Mather should be desiered to take one part of y' day & y' m' Eliot should be desiered to give y' Charge.

The 22 4 82 ther was a publique day of Humilliation

Cheifly for our Agents gon for England.

The 28 4 82 Mr Danforth was ordained pastor to ye Church of Dorchester. (& preached on that Text 2 Kings. 2. 14.

where is y' Lord God of Elijah.)

The 6 6 82 Isack Ryalls wife who was Wait Spur brought her child to be baptized & her self to enter into Covenant but ye Vote being put to ye Church it was denyed her becaus

it was not p'posed to ye Church afore.

The 20. 6:82 Joseph Leeds was before ye Church for some miscaredg towards his wife; Mr Danforth made mention of ye matter to ye Church & found it was not as bad as was reported & or bror Leeds had made some accknowledgment of his fault: but yt did not satisfie ye Church becaus he did not with his owne mouth make accknowlidgment (now), therfor it was deferred to a fortnight after for him to Consider more of it & therfore he was advertized to forbear coming to ye Sacrament ye next lords day

The 3 7 82 Joseph Leeds was called before ye Church againe to make Confession of his sin in thrusting his wife out of Doare & fetching blood at her mouth ye which he would excuse, though ther weer two did testifie yt he had owned such acting to them, but his answer was yt either they did mistake him or he did mistake himselfe: but many weer dissatisfied & therfore it was deferred at p'sent untill

fortnight after

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Joseph Leeds was called before ye Church & wholl assembly to answer for his offence in his Carredg towards his wife who at this time gave more satisfaction than before by his accknowledgment & by his promis to carry it more loveing to her for time to Come ye Church did accept of his Confession

The same day ye Case of Johnathan Blackman was Considered & he was expected to make his Confession of his sin in stealling horses & lying for web he was convicted before ye Court & had Corporall punishment, but he refusing to come before ye Church he running away out of ye Jurisdiction was at this time rejected & disowned from his

Church relation & excomunicated though not delivered up to satan as those in full Communion but yet to be looked at as an heathen & a publican & familier & societie with him forbiden unless (to His Relations) natureall & civell yt he may be ashamed:

The 22 November 82 there was a publik day of thanksgiveing apointed by ye ginerall Court for ye Continuance of or Libertie Sacred & Civell for ye plentifull harvest this yeer

& for ye safe arivall of or messengers in England

The 24 10 82 patience Blake ye wife of Edward Blake of Melton who had formerly (when called ther unto) refused to owne ye Covenant & Submit to ye Government of Christ in his Church, she did make confession & acknowledgment of her great sin in soe doeing & this she did Vollentarily to ye satisfaction of ye Church in that thing & was then p'pounded to owne ye Covenant when called therunto if none had any thing against it

The 14 11 82 notice was given & y° Church Consented therunto of a day of humilliation to be keept on y° last of instant being wednesday in regard of y° distres yt y° people of god weer in in or native Contry & also in other pt of y° world [120] (82) & to pray for y° Continuance of or peace & liberties & for or agents in England & for gods guidance of y° generall Court which is Called to Conveene y° first wednesday in feburary being y° 7 day of yt month

The 25 (1) 78 thes following publikly owned ye Covenant

John Minot
Aprill 1 77
James Minot Jun
Aprill 8 77
Theophelus poole

22. 2. 77. James Minot Schoolmast, Sam Pelton

22 8 82

Samuell Rigby
Samuell peltons wife
Joshua Henshaws wif
Joseph Birch his wife

The last of thes y° Elder said her father had been sent unto to owne y° Covenant & he said he was willing to doe what was nedfull but as yet had not don it, but his dafter did as others owne y° Covenant. her fathers name is Timothy Wales the sonne of old goodman Wales his grandfather he was a member in full Communion but not her emediat father

18 March 83 Owned ye Covenant Elizabeth ye wife of Watching Atherton & Mahittabell her sister, both of them ye Children of Samuell Rigbey

The 29 2 83 John Minot came forth Vollentaryly & accknowlidged his sine in being overtaken too much in drinking

on ye day of Major Clarks funerall

The same day ye Elder declared a publick day of Humilliation to be keept on ye 10th of May next being a week before

ye Election

The 29 5 83 ther was a Contribution for Captives Viz M^r Graves ship M^r & one Robinson. Contributed 12 pound 10^s 10^d to be devided between them

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About y° beging of Sep 83 y° Church was Caused to stay to know ther minds Concerning patience Blake whether she should (as she desiered) be p'posed to Joyn to this Church divers spake & thought it weer more Convenient for her to joyn to Melton Church wher she lived & it was put to y° Vote y' if any weer otherwis minded they should speak, but none did speak & soe it rested for y' time

The I Ith of November a wrighting read concerning patience Blake shewing her Reasons why she Could not joyn to Melton Church ye same day an order was read of ye generall Court who appointed a publique fast to be keept ye 22 of No 83 in regard of ye sad condition we weer in respecting ye danger of loosing or liberties both Sivell & Sacret or

Charter being Called for

The 30 10 83 ther was a Contribution for a Captive Viz y^o Son of a woman liveing at pescattoway at w^{ch} time ther was Contrebuted 4¹¹—14^o—1^d and Comitted to Elder Humphry

for to deliver it to ye woman

The same day ye Church was desiered to stay to advis together about patience Blak whether she should be dealt with all for some offense y' Georg Lyon of Melton had against her but ther being but one witnes against her Viz John Spur who is now at Tanton though more might be said yet ye advice was to lett her alone till John Spur did Come down & not to p'ceed to sentance her as yet

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The 20 of January 1683 Consider Atherton (who had fallen into ye sine of Drunknes both formerly & now againe of late) was called forth before the Church (though not in full Comunion) to make his accknowlidgment of his sin, ye which he did by writing being read unto ye Church & he owned it

The 17 12 83 phillip Withington owned ye Covenant in

order to ye baptizing his child

The same Day John Weeks was called forth to acknowlig his sine in stealling a Chees from a man at y° Ordinary but spake never a word but what was read in wrighting & y°

Vote was put by silence

The 9 (1) 84 ther was an accknowledgment read of Ebenezer Lyons who was latly p'pounded to Joyne in full Comunion but John Blackman & some others had taken some offence for words spoken by him but could hardly bring him to confess it but at last he did by wrighting but he himself was not p'sent to owne ye wrighting, soe he was defered to see what his after conversation might be

The 23 of March 83 Ebenezer Lyon was called forth againe to make Confession of some other offence in denying of p' of ye wrighting read by Mr Danforth a fortnight afore & saying y' he did not know of such a passedg ther in & this he denyed stifly untill at lenth ther weer two possetive witneses to prove it & then he confessed it but ye Church thought it not fitt at p'sent to admit of him but to waite

further to see his life & Conversation

The 30 March $8\frac{3}{4}$ ther weer two p'sons Viz Timothy Crohore & An Crohore y° sone & dafter of y° dafter of Robt Spur (who had as some did afferme formerly owned y° Covenant in M' Mathers time) thes two p'sons being adult (& had declared ther knowlige in y° principle of Religion before y° Elders) did p'sonally owne y° Covenant in order to their baptizme

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The 24 2 84 ther was a publique day of humiliation in this Collony in respect of y° troubles & sad estate of y° p'testant Intrest in other p¹ of y° world & in o¹ native Contry & y° great fears Concerning o¹ selves y° same day ther was a Contribution made to be put into y° deacons hands for a supply unto y° poore as need requiereth at which time was Colected 2¹¹—1°—0 & a bill of 3° corne by S Capen

Me 10° of ye money was Comitted to me & 11 — 11° unto deacon Blake

The 5 4 84 ther was a publique day of Humilliation in this Collony on ye same acct with ye former, at weh time ther was a Contribution for ye poore espessaly wth respect of goodman heauen at weh time was Colected I i — I = 9d in money & a bill of a bl Corne from Ensign Clap & half a bl from

Me this was Comitted into ye hands of Deacon Blake

wholly

The 22 4 84 Sister George was called againe before ye Church who at this time made Confession of her sin of letting some have drinke weh made them drunke & of her denying of it & of her goeing from ye Church in such a disorderly maner

The 20 7 84 ther was a Contrebution for mosses Ayers being Captive at w^{eh} time was Contrebuted $6^{li}-2^{s}-8^{d}$ & dlevered y^{e} same time unto Thomas Tilston who together w^{th} Thomas peirs weer by y^{e} Congregation appointed to manedg y^{e} bussines of convaying into safe hands for the efecting of y^{e} redemption of him & to enquier what was

wanting

Also wheeras ther was formerly a Contrebution for y° Widdow Robenson her son of Six pound 4°—8° being a Captive with a p'mis y' if it weer not made use off it should be returned againe it appeared afterward y' he got home without y° redemption money therfore it was y° day above said p'posed to y° Congregation whether it should be called for againe, & by a Vote it was concluded y' it should be called for & Voted y' deacon Capen should cale for it, & it was then spoken too y' if y° above said Contribution did not reach y° end y' may be added to it

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The 28 7 84 ther was an order read Come from ye generall Court requiering a day of thanksgiveinge in this Collony to be keept for ye mercys of god in staying ye abundance of raine in ye spring & blessing ye fruts of ye earth soe ye we have a good harvest & for continueing or peace & liberties as yet we have formerly enjoyed ye time appointed is ye 9 of October next

The 8 of March 8\frac{4}{5} ther was mention made of a ginerall publique fast appointed by y ginerall Court respecting y distresses of y people of god abroad & soe in England & Scotland & y great fears of sad times among our selves y end.

hazard of o' liberties both Sacred & Sivell y' day appointed is y' 12 of this Instant march & ther was appointed to be a contrebution at y' time to be put into y' hands of y' deacons to be disposed at their discretion at w' time was contrebuted 33° 9: of w' 17° deacon blake had & 16° 9d I had

The same time It was appointed y' wee should have a monthly lectuer to begin y' next wednesday after the fast weh will be y' 18 instant March M' Danforth haveing granted

it soe to be

The 5 aprill 85 was a Contribution for a boy y' had y' stone at w'h time was Contributed I' — II 7 & a peice of Spanish money 7^d ½ & all left in my hand

The 12 aprill 84 was Contribution for a Captive whos name is Gold at went time was Contributed 311 — 10 11 left in

deacon blaks hand

The 26 2 85 was a letter read from y° North Church in Boston desiering y° Elders & messengers of o' Church to be sent to y° ordaining of (M') Cotton Mather on y° 13 2 85 at w° time y° Church apointed m' Stoughton Deacon Capen & deacon Blake as ther messengers with M' Danforth o' pastor

Y's same day ther was read y's Conclusion of y's Senod formerly agreed on as y's p'voking sines y's we stood guilty off &

to be Humbled for

The 3 3 85 was read a pap from y governor & Councell to excit y Elders & minester to take Care of their flocks by goeing from hous to hous & see how y people p'fitting by y word & that instructing y youth may goe forward at y same time y Elder p'posed y

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tow of ye tithing mens Squadrons at a time appointed should come together to some place for yt end from 8 to 16 yeers of age to be Catechized & from 16 to 24 ye yong p'sons should come together to be discoursed with all ye maids by themselves & ye men by themselves & yt ye tithing men should give notice to them of ye time & place &c:

The 7 4 85 ther was a Contrebution for Goo Bowens of rocksbery Brother who is a Captive with ye turks at which time was Colected two pounds fowerteen shilling & left in my

hands for the p'son Conserned

The 28 4 85 an order was read from ye Court who appointed a day of humilliation for all ye Collony to be on ye 16 July in regard of ye great & ginerall Feavor & Ague amongst us & ye dry season & ye trouble & low estate of ye people of god abroad in ye world: one this day ther was a Contrebution

for y^e poor to be put into y^e deacons hands but notice was not given of it afore therfore ther was but 15°—4d colected of web deacon Blake had 8°—4 & I had 7° & it was ye same time desiered by ye elder y' on such times & thanks giveing days ther might be some Contrebution for ye poore

The 9685 was a Contrebution for one tucker of Boston a Captive at went time was contrebuted 311—11-6 money & left in my hand to be delivered to ye mans wife who gave

a receipt

The 8 Novem 85 ther was a Contribution for peter Talbut at w^{ch} time was Contrebuted 40° 11^d & left in my hands and dl to him y^c 11 9 85 who gave a receipt

The 15 9 85 notice was given to ye Church yt ye minesters meeting together at Boston concluded of a day of thanksgive-

ing to be keept on ye 3d day of ye next month

The same day ther was a Contrebution for ffrances Balle at w^{ch} time was colected 33⁵—10^d & two half bl Corne on from Jn° Withington & one from William Trescot left in my hands dl to ffrances Baall y° 7 10 85 & he gave a receipt (to me John Capen.)

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Y° 14 12 85 Elder Humphrey moved to y° Church y' they would look out & p'vid themself another Elder becaus he had been long lame & did look at himself neer his dep'uer out of this world

Me ye 7 (1) 85 Votes weer brought in for a rulling Elder & Deacon Blake had 46 votes & 15 or 16 for other p'sons & left to his consideration till another time

left to his consideration till another time

y° same day was an order read from y° ginerall Court requiering a day of Humilliation p'ly y' god ould continue of liberties Sacret & Sivell as also in regard of y° pox w°h threaten & was at y° Eastword as also gods frowns uppon us in y° hardnes of y° winter both for man & beast y° day appointed is y° 25 Instant to be a publick fast

The 4 of Aprill 86 Deacon James Blake was called to give his answer to the vote of ye Church, but he p'posed his unfitnes for such a work p'ly because of his thicknes of heering & p'ly ye diffeculty of ye worke & soe it was left to his

further consideration

Me y° 25 of Aprill 86 Deacon Blake being called on did

accept of ye voate of ye Church to be an Elder.

Me ye 2 of May 86 ther weer votes put in for a deacon in Deacon Blaks room & those two yt had most Votes weer to be put in to Vote againe the next Saboth for to have one of them, & Danell preston & Enock Wiswell were ye two yt had most vots

The 9 may 86 those two weer put to Vote againe & Danell preston Sen^r had y^e Major Vote w^{ch} was 46 & the other had eleven: his acceptance was called for at y^e same time, but he desiered a little time to Consider of it

The 23 May 86 Daniell preston manifested his acceptance

of ye office of a deacon

The same time it was agreed that o' next lectuer day should be appointed for Ordaination of Elder & Deacon and y' m' Eliot should be desiered to joyne in y' laying on of hands w' wil be y' 9 of June next which was accomplished that day. (Elder Humphreys being newly deceased.)

Me ye 27 June 86 ye Elder proposed to ye Congregation after ye evening exerciz ye it was Judged meet ye ther should

be a day of humilliation keept in regard

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of ye great want of raine and in regard of ye spreding distemp of ye Small pox in Boston & some other places it was agreed by a voat to be ye next wednesday being ye 30th Instant June

The 11 5 86 an order was read y' Came from ye p'sedent Counsell requiering a day of humilliation to be kept ye 14 Instant to pray for his Majestie & for a blessing upon o' Change of Goverment & in regard of o' great want of raine & on ye behalf of ye people of god in other p' of ye world Espesally in England & becaus of ye great p'cecution of ye protestants in france

Me ye 17 Octo 86 Mr Nathaniell Glover did vollentaryly accknowledg his sin of being at unawares overtaken wth drink

The 14 9 86 an order was read y' Came from y' p'sedent & Counsell requiering a day of thanksgiving for y' blessing of god upon y' fruts of y' earth notwithstanding y' great fears through y' drowth also for his majesties indulgances towards us in matters of religion &c y' day to be keept is y' 25 Novem 86

The 31 5 87 ye Elder p'posed to ye Congregation yt ther might be a day of fast keept on o' lectuer day being ye therd of August 87 on ye behalf of ye people of god under sad p'secution abroad in ye world as in france & Scotland and other pt of ye world & also in England & in regard of o'selves for ye destroying wormes yt have devowered soe much grass though now through ye mercy of god they are much abated as alsoe with respect to ye government wen is now set up & yt god would p'serve to us ye appointed weeks of harvest: this was agreed unto by a silent Vote

Me ye 21 6 87 Bror John Wales did Vollentaryly make Confession of his sin of being overtaken in drinking to excess on a training day at John Brecks house being ye day yt he (sd Breck) did accept of his Comission to be Captin

Me this is ye therd p'son y' have made ConfesRo: Spurjung sion of such a sin Viz John Minot M' Nathaniell
Mary Goodall Sarah & Glover & now John Wales

Sarah & Hannah Merrifeild owned ye Covenant.

Me ye 27 9 87 was read an order from ye Governor & Counsell requiering a day of thanksgiving to be observed ye 1 of ye 10 m 87 at we time ther

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was a Contrebution for ye poor in money was Contrebuted $I^{1i}-14-5$ besids a peice of eight we was appointed I think by M' Danforth for John Weeks for his wif to buy wool

of y° I^{II} — 14° — 5° deacon preston had 17° — 3° & I had 17° — 2°

and in Nots Timothy Tilston - 0-1-6

Daniell preston jun' a bl Corn Isack Joans on bl of Corn

William Trescot 2 pecks Corn

Timothy ffoster on bl Corn Samuell paul on bl of Corn

Jnº Withington on bl of Corne 0 - 3 - 0

Jnº Tolman half a bl Corne on demand

Obediah Haws half a bl Corne

Tho Modesly half a bl Corne - 0 - 1 - 6

this was given to fr baal

The 8 of January 87 was Sister Hix called forth before ye Church to make confession of her sine of drunkennes being often taken in y' sin, her confession was read in wrighting &

ye Vote was called for, & past by silence

The 3 of May 88 ther was fast in o' towne it is said a publik fast but few towns had notice of it nor had wee but by M' Stoughtons enforming y' y' Counsell had determined it ther was none at Rocksbery nor Cambridg nor watertown nor at boston but at y' first Church ther y' Saboth John Brown before they say was apointed a thanksgiveing day for y' queens being wth child: our Saboth was kept as at other times being Sacrament day

The 27 of May 88 Consider atherton was called upon to make Confession of his sine of drunkennes but he did not

appeare

The 10 of June he was called upon againe & although

hardly brought to it he had delivered to ye Elders a day or two before in wrighting some generall Confession but it did not sattesfie ye Church m Danforth p'posed to him whether he did hate y' sine & abhor it to we he would make noe answer but semed to excus himself though he was found asleep in ye high way under ye wall beyond hawkins brook & could not be awakened by thos y' found him ther

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he had been abroad all y' night at W. Chaplins wth other Company y' Church was not satisfied but y' matter was put of till another time

The 24 4 88 Consider Atherton was called forth againe but did not give Satisfaction to ye Church but the matter was Suspended till another time to see his lif & Conversation what it would be

The 8 5 Consider Atherton was called upon againe to answer for his drunkennes this last week ye second day & ye therd day & ye fift day of this last week ye 3d day Elder Blake found him lying on ye ground fast asleep with his hat off & hors feeding in ye way but he could hardly wake him & when he was wakened Could not give a Rationall answer he was soe drunk & reelled & staggered as he went: but he did not appear before ye Church though he was warned soe to doe: therfore ye Church put it off till another

also ther weer three women of Boston & Sister Blackman weer witnesses with ye Elder of his lying drunk & goodman Andrews saw him first reell & then fall off from his hors & Judged yt he lay ther an hower before ye Elder Came to him; he told ye Elders that he had been at Boston & Rocksbery at ye ordinarys & at one ordinary wheer ther was fight-

ing as he told one of them

The 15 5 88 Consider Atherton was called before ye Church againe but did not appear wherfore ye Case being againe declared to ye Church & his frequent drunkennes & Idlenes & breach of former p'mises to ye Church ye horrible refractorynes to & Contempt of & rebellion against ye Church being Considered they first by a unanimos Vote as was Esteemed by all they Judged & declared (ye evedences p'dussed) to be sufficient & Judged & declared

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in ye name of Christ yt ye said Consider Atherton to be an obstinat ofendor & an incoridgable drunkard & accordingly

to be delt withall And wheras some p'pounded to have him Cast out others to have him admonished; ye mind of ye Church was tryed both ways by a duble Vote by lifting up of hands & ye Major Vote by farr was for an admonition to be adminestered to him by ye Elders in prence of one or more of ye breatheren in privat ye said Consider declining to

apeare in publick (which was afterwards done.)

The 29 5 88 ye Elder did declare to ye Church yt according to ye Vote of the Church they with some breathen went to ye hous of Consider Atherton on the 19 of this Instant & found him at home & or pastor declared to him ye mind of ye Church y' he should be admonished, but they told him if he would appear ye next Saboth before ye Church they would Suspend it till then but he would make noe answer to it, & soe he was admonished

The 9 7 88 It was p'posed to the Church weth thos yt weer grown up & had not submited to ye Goverment of Christ in ye Church should not be called on soe to doe; It

was voted in ye afermative.

Alsoe yo same time it was p'posed to yo yt all or absent mem. Church yt seeing ther are many yt did forbers setled in other towns should be recommended & yt you church would have this Church but are now removed to some noe more to doe with other towns; whether thos should not be recthem or others recomended except in ommended to ye wach of ye Churches where case they fall into they live: ye Vote was in ye affermative nemathey live; ye Vote was in ye affermative nemine contradicente.

The 7 of October was read a letter y' came from ye Church at Rocksbery desiering ye Church to send ther Elders & messengers to ye ordaining of Mr Walters on ye 17 Instant the Church appointed ye Elders & deacon Capen & deacon

preston for yt worke

The 25 No 88 notice was given to ye Congregation of turning o' next lectuer day being ye 27 Instant into a day of fasting & prayer for o'selves & ye Churches & Christians in other pt of ye world & for or men yt are gon out to ware & ye rising generation Mr Danforth & Mr Thecher carryed on ye work of y' day

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9, 7^m, 88 Voted alsoe y' all o' absent members setled in other towns should be recommended & yt yo Church would have noe more to doe with them or others recomended except in Case they fall into Scandall

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Md y^e 6 of 11 88 It was p'posed to y^e Church whether Experience Hellier (w^{eh} is y^e daughter of Lift Hale) w^{eh} Comitted y^e sin of fornecation & doe live at Charlstown whether if she did accknowledg her sin to the satisfaction of that Church, it would satisfie y^e Church heer, the Vote was taken in y^e affermative

The 16 3 89 was a publik fast appointed it being about ye time of settling ye Ginerall Court we was chosen in ye yeer 86 this 16 3 89 ye same day a fier brak out in Boston at ye North end of

ye town web prvented Mr Mather morning exerciz

The 21 Jully 89 an order from the Counsell & rep'sentatives was read who appointed a publique fast to be keept ye 25 of this month in ye behalf of ye troubls & unsetlednes of ye government & in regard of ye Indians ploting against us & doeing mischeif in some pt of ye Cuntry killing & plundering & in behalf of or Native Cuntry yt god would bless or new king & queen & nobles & ye Church of god in other pt of ye world

The 19 September 89 our lectuer day was turned to a

fasting day

The 16 No 89 ther was a Contrebution for Goodman Hinsdall of Meadfeild at y Motion of M Wilson (formerly the Pastor of this Church—but now of Medfeild) at which time was Contrebuted two pound 8 & 8 which was delivered unto M Danforth to be conveighed to him (& was sent accordingly.)

The 8 10 89 ther was a generall Contrebution for ye poore in Dorchester at ye motion of ye Select men, at which time ther was Contrebuted in money six pound 7°-8d (& some

Bills)

bils y' weer put in was by y' Select men & deakons appointed to Severall p'sons as they thought needed as followeth

for frances Baall

Mr Danforth 4 bl of Rey Georg Minot on bl of Corn Samuell paul 1 bl of Corn Richard Butt on bl of Corn Thomas Modsly on bl of Corne

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for Robt Stanton

Isack Humphry on bl of Corn Desier Clap on bl of Rey Ephraim pason 2 pecks of Rey Samuell pason 2 pecks of Rey Thomas Lyon 2 pecks of Corn John Minot Six shillings

for frances Bakon

phillip Withington on bl of Corne Daved Joans 3 pecks of Corne

for Christian potter

Samuell Toplif on bl of Corne Thomas Trot Jun' 3 shillings preserved Capen on shilling as money Obadiah Haws 2 pecks of Rey

for ye Widdow Rider

Isack Joans 2 bl Corn & 2 pecks of Rey Richard Leeds on bl of Corne Ebenezer Lyon 2 Shillings Srg^{at} Swift 2 pecks of Corn

for Samuell Hill

Thomas Trot Sen' on bl Corn & on bl Rey Thomas Robenson on peck of Rey

for Ebenezer Davenport

Samuell Capen 3 shillings Ebenezer Withington 3 shillings

for Thomas Ewens
James Bird 3 shillings

for Joseph Birch

Ebenezer Williams 3 shillings

The whol Sume of y° bills come to about 4 pound ten shillings y° money was disposed as y° Select ment thought most meet only their was about 40° left for other nesessity left in deacon prestons hand

The 15 10 89 y° Elder did declar y° order of y° Ginerall Court requiering a publick & ginerall day of humilliation to be kept by all y° Churches in this Collony y° day apointed

was y° 19 10 89

9, 12, 89 Susanna Rigby laid hold on ye Covent

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The 12 of ye 11th mo 80 ther was a Contrebution moved by ye Counsell for ye Widdow Pese whos husband was slaine in takeing ye pirats web did doe mischeif to vessels on ye Coast at web time 39 shillings & 7d Colected & left in ye hands of Deacon preston to be Convayed to Major Wintrop or Adam Wintrop who weer apointed to dispos it for ye widdow as they saw meet

The 23 of ffeb 89 or 90 ye Elder did declare yt ye ginerall Court did requier all ye Collony for to keepe a day of fasting & prayer in regard of ye troubls yt we are in & ye wars & small pox & ffeaver in divers places & in regard of ot agents yt are gon to England and divers other matters; ye day to

be kept is ye 6 of March next

The 23 of March 90 ye Elder did declare ye order of ye generall Court Conserning p'voking evells ye care & inspec-

tion may be taken for ye prvention therof

The 6 of July 90 ye Elder did declare y' ye ginerall Court did requier a ginerall fast to be keept in all the Collony on ye 10 Instant in regard of ye troubls y' weer upon us and ye wars with french & Indians and ye sicknes y' weer amongst us as ye feavor & small pox of weh many dyed at Boston

The 24 6 90 was an order read y' came from y' Governor & Counsell requiering a publick fast in y' wholl Collony in regard of y' fleet y' was gon out against y' french * & y' sicknes of y' Smal pox of w' many dyed in boston & some in o' town & other towns & y' feavor & ague in divers places & also for o' agents gon to England to emplead thos y' are sent as Governor Andrews & y' rest y' day to be June, 29, kept is y' 28 Instant & also y' troubls of y' Church of god in England & Irland unto which king William owned y' is gon

Me y° 28 of Octob 90 was o' lectuer day turned to

a fast

Me ye 4 II 90 was declared y' ye Councell requiered a publick fast in all ye Collony to be kept ye 15 II 90

Me yº 26 12 yº Councell requiered a publik day of thanks-

giveing

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The 19 of aprill 91 after ye evening exerciz ther was a letter read web Came from ye Church at Waymoth desiering of Church to send their Elders & messengers to give their Counsel in matters of difference amongst them; ye Church

made Choice of ye two Deacons & Captin Clap to be aded to

or pastor ye day appointed is ye 22 Instant

Me ye 5 of aprill 91 Joseph Blak who maried ye dafter of John Bird; he was called before ye Church to acknowledg his sin of fornecation before marridg ye which he did to ye satisfaction of ye Church: Me this should have been

entered before ye former

The 26 aprill 91 Mr Danforth gave an acct of the metting at Waymoth by ye Elders & messengers Viz yt it was about some difference yt was amongst them by reason of some offence given by one amongst them: Mr Torry begane with prayer y' god would dyrect & blesse them therin, & then ye man was called on who was the occasion of ye meeting & after much agetation on both sids ye man was convinced of his sin & made confession & ye Church & messgers weer satisfied ther with & ye meeting was ended with thanks giveing to god for blessing them therin The same day or pastor recommended to or Church to Consider whether god did not call on us in more than ordary to humble or souls & to Consider his hand yt is gon out against us in regard of ye more then ordinary siknes & death of many of late with ye Small pox & therfor p'posed to ye Church yt ther might be a meeting together to Consider of ye p'voking sins y' should p'vok god against us ye Church Consented heerunto & ye day apointed was ye next sixt day being ye first day of May 91 ye former pt of ye day to be spent in prayer & ye other pt in discoursing

The 3 of May 91 an order was read web came from ye

Counsell requiering a publick day of fasting & prayer

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to be observed in all y^e Collony in regard of y^e troubls of y^e people of god all y^e world over & ye great sicknes in this towne & all thes parts of y^e Contry & deaths of many in this towne of ye pox & for or agents gon for Ingland & divers other Causes y^e day to be keept is thursday y^e 7^{th} of May 91

Me ye 10 of May 91 Abigail Baal ye dafter of ffrances Baall was Caled forth to accknowlidg her sine of fornecation

Me y° 30 of May 91 Captin Robert Badcock was before y° Church to confesse his sin of drunkennes of which ther was plaine evidence & y° Church was satisfied by a silent Vote.

The 23 of August 91 ye Elder did declare ye it was thought necessary ye or next lectuer should be turned into a day of humilliation which will be ye first day of September by

reason of ye great sicknees of ye feavor in most towns farr & neer & many other Causes moving therunto, ye Congre-

gation Consented ther unto by a Vote:

The 6 of Sep 91 ther was a Contrebution for ye poore espessally Goodman Burge at weh time was Colected in money five pound 3°—4d & in nots 2 bl of Corne this was Comitted into ye hands of Deacon preston ye Corn was Sam Toplif on bl & old bror Leed ½ a bl & phillip withington ½ a bl

The 13 10 91 M^r Nathaniell Glover was before y^e Church to accknowledg his sin of being drunk y^e week before but y^e Church was not satisfied wth his Confession but it was deferred till another time: this is y^e second time that he have Comited this sin

The 27 10 91 Mr Glover was called forth to make Confession of his great sin of drunkennes ye we'n he did & ye major pt of ye Church weer satisfied & he was dismissed

The same day an order was read y' came from y' Councell

requiering a publique day of humilliation

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to be observed in all ye Collony ye day appointed is ye 14 of

January next

Md y° 14 of ffeb 169½ ther was a Contrebution for y° redemption of y° Captivs taken by y° Indians from york at w°h time ther was Contrebuted eighteen pound eighteen shillings & seaven pence & Comitted into y° hands of Deacon preston to carry to boston: all in money

Md ye 21 ffeb 92 Smith Woodward & his wif Confest their

Sine of fornecation before marredge

Here Deacon John Capen ended his work and it pleased God to Remove him hence by death ye fourth of Aprell 1692 when he had served the Church as ye covent deacon moer then three and thirty years and Now he Resteth from his Labors and his works follow him

Maye ye first 92 ther was a letter sent to ouer church from portsmouth for to send mesengers for counsele consarning M' modey settelling or Removeing from his church att Strawbery Banck: and it was Read In the chruch: and ye church did consent to send sum: and m' Stoughton and m' Danforth, Elder Black.

Captin clap deacon preston were chosen for that worke

March ye 20 92 Abigall Wood ye wife of peter wood had her dismision granted to Joyne to ye north church in Boston

Maye ye: 8: 92 ther was A contribution for A poore woman that had bene tacken captive by ye Indians 2 years and was now Redemed and ther was contributed two pound and thertene shilling, comited into ye hand of Deacon preston to be disposed of: which was by him given to ye woman

Maye y° 11 ore 12 92 the counsell mett att Boston att m' Modeyes house and did all unanimally Agree that it was his Duty to Returne Againe speedyly to his church and congery-

gacon att Porthmouth

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May the 15: 92: ther was an order sent from the counsell and was Read In ye church for a publick fast to be kept ye 26 day of may: which day was observed and kept Mr Danforth ouer pastuer In ye fornon out of Jonah 3, 5 and Mr Samuell Danforth in ye Afternon: out of ye 119 psalme 60

July y° 3 92 ther was an order sent from th governer and counsell for A publick day of thanksgiveing: for the saufe Returne of sur William phips and mr Mather from Ingland and by them the Settling our government: and that the Lord had given ouer enimis a great foile att wels: and that the lord had ABated ouer Sicknes and y° hopfull coming one of a fruitfull Season of y° fruits of y° earth y° day Apointed is y° 14 of July 92: which day was observed and kept Acording to order and mr Danforth preached y° whole day

July y° 17 92 being ouer sacrament day Deacon preston propounded to y° church y° nesity of chousing (of) another decon Deacon Capen being Removed by death and It was Agreed upon By y° church for to chuse (two Deacons.)

July ye 24 92 the church brought In ther votts for too deacons: and ye Votts fell upon Samuel Toplife and: hopstill clape: who did desier sum tim to consider of it befor ye gave ther Answer

Agust ye: 7: 92: Samuel Toplif and hopstill clape wer

ordeined Deacons.

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Agust y° 25 1692 then Recieved of widow Capen thes vessels and other things that wear y° churches for y° use of y° Sacriment of the lords Super. and wear comited Into the hand of Deacon Toplif 4 flagons: 3 silvar Bools 3. sillvar Beakers: 4 pewter cups 1 pewter pint pott 4 pewter platters. 3 small tableclothes: 2 Baskets. 2 bottels thes were received by us Deacon preston and deacon clape—

Agust ye 21 92 the elder did declare to ye church that the counsell did desier that ouer lecktur might be kept as a fast. to humbel ouerselfes Before god. becase of his hand gone out aganst us In regard of ye sicknes that was then Amongs us: and A great drought which was upon us And for ouer Army that was then gone out: and ye great A Bominable evells that wer Brock out Amongs us; as witch-craft—and pride and drunkenes and other ABominable evels: which daye was kept it was ye 30 of Agust 92

September ye 25 92 the elder read A letter that was sent from the church of Canton which did declare that ye did desier that sum mesengers might be sent to them from our church for counsell because of sum diference that was Amongs them which could not be healed Among themselves and ther was chosen for that work m Danforth elder Blacke Deacon preston and enock wiswall and ye day

Apointed was ye 5th october

october ye 18 ye elders and mesengers of 3 churches meet together att ye place Apointed In Canton to give ther advise In ye matter that was committed to them ye chose m Willard moderator one ye 3 day of ye week In A publick Assembly at the meeting house

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After mr willard had bene at prayr unto god for his Asistance and direkcon therin that person yt had by his sinfull carige Justly offended his Brethren in many perticulars: which yer charged him withall which ye did distinctly read unto him: he had free liberty to Ansewer for himselfe and produce Any wittnes y' might help him in his case: and After ye matter was fuly debated in publick ye Assembly was dismissed: and then ye counsel mett together: and having distinckly and seriously considered of every perticular which he was charged withall yes did uninimosly Agree in it that hee was giulty of many moral evels which he ought to confes as sinfull which was clearly demonstratt^d by suficient wittnes his owne confession and sscriptuer evidence and that his evels wer such as did desarve a present suspension from communion until furder hearing on which ye church then agreed unto.

febuary y° 12 1693 ther was an order sent which y° elder read from y° governor And counsell for the keeping of a Publick day of thanksgiving to god for many marcyes which we had Receved from god as puting a stope to y° former sicknes And giving a good mesuer of health in ouer Borders

and A present stop to ye Rage of ye enimy: and ye good sucksesse our Gratte king william hath had over or enemies the franch and many other marcyes: which day was keept the 23 febuary 1603.

marche ye 19 93 Thomas Bird was called before the churche to make his confession of ye sinne of drunkenes of whiche

sinne he was highly guilty, & he being now convicted,

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did make his Acknowlidgment of his sinne so far that it

was Accepted of ye churche

march ye 26 93 Ebenezar withington and his wife were caled before the church to make ther confession of the sinne of fornication before marige: which yev did: and it was Accepted with ye churche. ye same daye was Benjamin Blackman and Jemima Breck called befor ye church for to confess ye same sinne of fornication before marige which yes did to ye Satisfaction of ye churche.

Aprill ye 23 ABigall merifeild having bene caste out of ye church for ye sine of fornicacon shee now being upon ye bed of sicknes is now under great convickcon of her sinne therin did send A letter of her confestion to the church: shee not being Able to com by reason of weaknes of her Body which letter was read by ye elder and Acepted by ye church so far as to releas her from her Bonds and receve

her Againe

July ye 20 ther was A publick day of humiliacon kept in all ye Collony being Appinted by ye governor and the counsell for to humble ourselves before god: becase of ye great drought we had; and ye Abominabell sinns yt did break out Amongs us and for yo preventing of great sicknes, yo was then coming Amongs us by reason of yo West India fleet y' was now com hether which brought the sicknes with them and yt the lord Blese ye kings majesty and prosper his desines: and put a stop to ouer enimis rage

July 21, 95, Mary Marsh owned ye Covent Augst. 5, poor and ther was contributed: 3 pound and James Haws wife Jos. 6 shillings 9 pence

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november ye 19 93 ther was A letter sent from ye church of Deadham to ouer church to send messengers to them for ye ordening of mr Joseph Bellchar for ther pastuer and it was granted and ther was chosen m' Danforth and Elder

Black decon preston deacon Toplif decon clap: ye day Apinted was the 29 of novembr which day was kept and was messengers sent from 6: churches: mr Bellchar he did begine by p[r]ayer: and preaching. and did mack A very exelent sarmon: his text was in ye 4 Exodous 11. 12 then after mr Tory mr hubard mr danforth layed ther hands upon his head. and mr Tory prayed: and mr fisk gave him ye Right hand of felowship: and soe he was ordeined pastuer of y' church.

December ye 21 93 was A publick day of thanksgiving Apinted by ye governor and ye counsell to be kept in all ouer jurydickcons for many marcyes we had receved from god for crowning the year with his goodnes and blesing ye fruit of ouer labors farr beyond our Expecktacons and giving health in ouer Borders and A present peas with ye Indians and A many other marcyes: the same day was A contrybucon for the pore in ouer twone and ther was given fouer pound and fouer shillings and comitted into the hand of deacon hopstill clape

January ye 28 93 ther was A generalle contribucon for some that are in captivety in turkey: peres Savage and Thomas Thecher and was given in Dorchester six pound ten shilings ten pence and it was delivered into ye hands of deacon Toplif to deliver it to mr Samuell Sewell esqr

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Aprill y° 19 94 ther was a publick day of humiliacon Apinted by the Governer and counsell to be kept in all our collones for to seeke god in the behalf of ouer selfes and god people A Broad and that the lord would B[1]ese the kings majesty and prosper his great undertaking this year: and y' y° lord crown this year with his Blesing and for the Rising genaracon that god power forth his spiritt upon them and y' he wold continue ouer present pease

June y° 17 was A contribucon given in ouer congregacon for onne Robert carver that is in slavery in Salley and ther was given fouer pound ninteene shillings and was put in to y° hand of deacon preston to be delivered into y° hand of m¹ John hawthron but he not meeting him att Boston did deliver into the hand of m¹ Bartelemew gidney he promising him to deliver into y° hands of m¹ hawthrone as his Receitt will make it Apear

September ye 13 then layed out by Daniell preston

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october y° 7 was A letter sent from woodstock to desier messengers sent thether for y° ordening of mr Diwte to be ther minster and ther wer chosen nathaniell clape and Jeames whitte to goe with y° rest of y° church officers that were capable to goe

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October ye 31d mr Josiah dwitt was ordenied pastuer of ye church of wodstocke Acording to ye order of the gospell.

and ye custum of the chruches of new Ingland

november ye 29 94 ther was A publick day of thankgiving Apinted by the governor and ye counsel In all ouer juridickcon for many marcyes which we have receved for crowning this year allso with his Blessing and restoring ouer health and restrening ye malis of ye Indians and prospering ouer kings undertakings in france and ther was A contribucon for ye poore and ther was given three pound and 11 shilling.

December ye 13 94 ther was a publick day of humiliacon Appointed by ye Governer and the counsell in all this juridickon for those manifold sinns that Break out Amongs us: and that god wold power out his holy Spiritt upon ye Rising generacon and ye lord Blese ouer Kings majesty and prosper his great undertacking and that ye lord Blese ouer Governer in his undertacking he being gone for old Ingland now at

this time

Aprill. y.° 7. 95 an order read from our deputy governer and consell. to keep y° 25 day of this month a day of humiliacon in all ouer collonys which day was keept and in ouer church was A contrybucon for y° poore and ther was given three pound 13 shillings six pence and it was comited Into y° hands of ouer selecktmen

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July ye 2 95 ther was A day sett Apart which was our lectuer day for ye Rising generacon (to pray for ye Conversion)

Agust yº 11 95 was A great contribuco in many churches

for sume parsons y wer in slavery Amonge y turks and in ouer congreacon was given 9 pound six shillings & nine

pence

ocktober ye 22 being ouer lecktuer day was sett Apart for the ordening of m Joseph lord for to be pastuer to A church gathered that day for to goe to South Coralina. to settell the gospell ther and the names of ye men are thes

Joshua Brooks
nathaniell Billings
william norman
william Adams
Increase Sumner
william pratt
George foxe — Reading
Simon Daken — concord

thes with m' Joseph lord did enter into A most solem Covenant to sett up the ordinances of Jesus christ ther if the lord caryed them saufly thither Acordinto gospell truth

withe a very large profeson of ther faithe.

ther being severall messengers from other churches that day from Boston Rocksbury nonandon: millton: Dorchester: (charlestown): thes messengers did meett togather and did cary on that work withe great sollemnyty that day m' lord frist praying and then preaching out the 5 mathew 13 verse ye are the salt of the earth. after this ye minsters laying ther hands upon him m' morton did give him A very sollem charge and m' Hobert give him ye Right hand of fellowship

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and for yo help of bareing yo expences of yo day ther was A coleckcon in ouer congeragacon wherin was given 5

pounds 8 shillings

(Two days after ye ordination was ye publick ffast kept.) 22. 10. 95. An order for a Thanksgiving from ye leif: Gov: Councell & Assembly was read in ye Church To be kept ye 16th of January next on account of ye Kings Successes against ye French in Taking Namur: &c—& on account of so much health & freedom from Indian & ffrench Invasion as we have had the Last Sum & for that though Much of ye harvest was diminished Yet a Competency remained to Us. Mr Danforth preached from ye 136 psalm & ye was gathered for ye Poor 3th 13. 8d.

Decemb^r 5th 1695. The Church for Carolina set saile from Boston Dec. 14th at night the skiff was neer run und Water y Stormy wind being so boisterous. they kept a day of

pray' on board: & safely Landed at Carolina Decemb' ye 20th. ye oth' vessells had a Moneths Passage, this but about

14 days

Febr: 2^d: Then was y^e first Sacrament of y^e Lords Supper that ever was Celebrated in Carolina, Eight persons recieved besides Such as were of y^e Church by virtue of Comunion of Churches, and there was Great Joy among y^e Good People of Carolina & many Thanksgivings to y^e Lord.

The Good LORD prosper their Undertakings for His own Glory & the Good of Souls, for the Lord Jesus Christs

Sake. Amen.

March. 22. The Church was acquainted with an Ordr from the Honble ye Leiftenant Governor & Commander in Chief, Councill & Representatives or Assembly Sollemnly to Set apart Aprill ye second for prayr with fasting before ye God of Heaven to bewayle or Iniquitys & to Implore His Mercys to pray that He would direct prserve & succeed ye King in His hazzardous Enterprises, Defeat enemys, Smile on all or publick interests & Changes, blesse our husbandry, become or Defence & advance the Kingdom of Christ throughout ye World.

The Same 22^d of March was read a Lett' from ye Chh of Medfeild desiring Elders & Messengre to assist in Councill there on Aprill ye Seaventh next, to Endeavor to hear & heal some differences among them occasioned by the Aversion of some of ye Children of ye Church headed by 2 or 3 brethren to ye Proceedings of ye Church in Calling m' Baxter

to be their Pastor.

The Church consented that Capt. Clap should assist as a Messeng' in that service wth y' Pastor.

1696 Aprill 2 was kept as was Appointed & there was

contributed for the Poor 31i.

Aprill. 12. The Church were acquainted that their messeng¹⁸ met together with those of 2 Churches more and after a full hearing on both sides found of all y^e Inhabitants y^t voted viz^t 60 in all—fifty & odde of them to have voted for m^t Baxter—& of the Church being but 25 Brethren 20 or 21 of them to have been & still to be for m^t Baxter.

That y° Church had acted very leizurely & Condescendingly The opposing party very preposterously and their reasons for y° removall of m' Baxter Some of them Silly & unreasonable & some of them Ungodly & Pernicious & accordingly the Councill bore Testimony against them from

ye word of God.

M. one reason was y' He was but a young man another was that He had not so loud a voice as some others (Yet it could be heard in most congregations—

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another reason was because some that had turnd away m^r Thomson deserved to be requited with the turning away of m^r Baxter (wretched revenge!) & another Reason was because two or three (or four at most) of the Church at the head of a Small number of y^e Inhabitants of the Town said they were dissatisfyed with his Guifts and Could rather take up with Some other Person and therefore appeared without any cogent reasons but their own wills to oppose y^e Church & Towne & m^r Baxter — A very ill president to oth^r Churches.

For the light of nature shows that the majority Should Sway Acts. 27. 11, 12. And the Apostles settled Elders in Churches by the major votes of such Churches (manifested by lifting up of hands (keirotonesen) e i in the presence & by

the order of the Apostles) Acts. 14. 23.

And to head a party against the Church is Criminall Rom.

16. 17. Gal. 5. 12. Heb. 12. 15. James 3. 14-16.

And what have they to doe to discern the Guifts & Spirits of Ministers & prophets [(subject rather to ye Prophets I Cor. 14. 32 The Guifts being given to ye Church)] that pretend not to be able to examine & prove themselves & discern the Lords body, nor have been approved of the Church, to be of age, wisdom & grace sufficient to qualify them to Vote, for even the Child, thoh an heir differs not in this Point from a Servant while under age, to allude to ye Apostles words.

In hearing the Case the Councill determined also that a Single honest Man—or a Party of men might be allowed as Witnesses sometimes in their own Case—according to Matt. 18. 16. Se also Joh. 8. 13, 14, 17, 18 for ye taking one

or two more mak 2 or 3 witnisses.

June y° 5th. 1696. The Church met on y° 6th day of y° week as was appointed before. And after Sollemn Invocation of y° Name of God — & sufficient debates they Voted Clearly & fully & as far as we could sc: unanimously

1. To Comply with the Advice of yo Assembly of yo Generallty of yo Ministers mett at yo late Anniversary of yo Election & yo day aftr it, To See to it yo Intervalls of Publick Exercises at Noons on yo Lords days be not profaned but well Improved in Pray readings repeatings &c, by Such as

Stay in ye Meetinghouse. Voted by Lifting up of hands unanimously and that such as go not to Godly homes attend

here dilligently.

2. That Deacon Topliffe, Deacon Clap, Capt. Clap, Leift. Tilestone, Serjeant Wiswall, Broth Peirce, Brother White Broth Leeds Bro Leadbett Br : Eph : & Samuel Payson Broth Dan: Preston, Bror: James Blake, Broth Roger Billinge, with oth Brethren, be Desired to take y Turns & be directed by ye Ruling Elder what Turns to take in this Good work. Voted by Silence.

3. That Such as Lye und Church Censure be written

m. John Spur Dan: Church, That their Crimes may be laid open & Content Masn are under Excomunication.

unto by ye Elders in ye behalf of ye Whole Church, That their Crimes may be laid open them for their furth Conviction, and an Inquiry made what Effect ye ordinance

of Excomunication hath had upon Them &c. & y' Report

of their Answ's be made to y' Church

4 That yo Elders Should Signify, to yo Generall Court or Assembly, & to ye County Court yt this Church apprehends one Tav'n besides m' Billinges & m' Whites to be Enough for Dorchest^r, & to Advise y^m with Arguments, y^t we may be Stinted accordingly & yt none but prsons of approved Integrity may be licensed.

M The County Court graunted yo Petition next term

The Same Day Sistr Patten formerly Lawrence Made Confession of Slandring Broth Hix for Perjury & Lyes: casting contempt on ye ordinance of private Dealing by the sd Hix & ye 2 brethren, & Reflecting words & writings, to ye Elders & Her often indulging ye Corruptions & passions of Her Evill heart & ye Evill Language of Her hasty tongue &c — & it was to Satisfaction of ye Church.

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Item ye Same day Sistr Chaplain was called before ye Church, & Questioned for ye Sin of Lying again & again & off taking a false Oath before Justice Saffin. The Summe of y° Case was thus laid before y° Chh. One John Green alias Mores Glasseland Lent ym 6 pounds, & quickly after went to Rehoboth & Dyed. Tho. Way a Boaston (or Boatswain) ye Execut of His Will brings ym before Justice Saffin on Examination about this 6th:

(witnesse Tho: Birch Constable) Item Justice Saffin Himself

They purge y^m selves of all moneys & Estate of s^d Greens given or lent y^m or Theirs, by oath,—

(witnesse ye Copy of ye oath — attested)

Two witnesses Coming in against Them viz W^m Behoe & Stephen Squire, Swearing y' Said Chaplain bid y^m bear witnesse He had [borrowed] s^d 6^{li} or 20 pieces of Eight, of Said Green pointing to y^e Man, Said Chaplain was Indicted or brought before y^e Grand Jury for Perjury.

The Grandjury find IGNORAMUS. (witnesse ye Copys

of ye Evidences & Court Records.)

Ensign Tho: Woodcock Testifys He was there at ye Same Time with ye other witnesses & heard Wm Chaplain bid ym bear witnesse y' He had borrowd sd 6ll of Said Green pointing to ye Man. Item y' ye said woodcock discoursing with Sister Chaplin about it in Aprill 1695. She Said to Him y' Upon Her Complaints to said Green — & Her opportunity of a bargain of wines — He offered to lend ym Monys — & Let ym have 6 pounds, &c —

(See ye Testimony itself)

Sister Chaplain affirmed before ye Church ye she knew (within 24 hours ye Mony was deposited) (long before She took ye oath) ye Said Six pound was freely Given by Said Green to Her daughter Mehetabell. That 'Twas a Guift to Mehetabel. She also had from Time to time affirmed unto Deacon Samuel Fish of Rentham Thomas Skinn Senior, (Witnesse ye Testimonys)

But that 'twas given to Sister Chaplin herself She affirmed to Benjamin Palm' of Rhode Island & at one time to Ensign Tho': Woodcock & His wife, & at times to Ebenezer Billinge—& to His Wife—(witnesse y' Sev'all Testimonys which expresse different Reasons of its being given Her &c)

Sister Chaplin Said She Remembred not that she Said such things to Palm', Woodcocke, Billinge—&, as for y' Oath, when M' Saffin putt it upon Her She added [& more mony,] (intimating y' some mony was given to Mehetabell but not expressing)

It was Proposed to ye Chh & Congregation & to mr Kent of Swanzy one of ye afforesd Grandjury particularly, yt if they had ought to Object Why ye Church Should not believe & take & proceed upon the abovenamed Evidences, that they should speak.

No Objection being then offered but a great Silence: (& some of y° Brethren speaking well of Some of y° witnesses y' were known to Them,) The Church Voted that they believed those witnesses to speak true & would take

their Evidence. Again they Voted & publickly Unanimously Manifested that they Judged Sister Chaplin to have been guilty of much falsehood & lying in Her Narratives & ye accounts she has given to one & to anoth of this matt, & also of ye Sin of perjury or taking a false Oath. And she still persisting in Her way notwithstanding what was spoken for Her Conviction—The Church voted yt she should be Admonished in order to Excomunication which was instantly done accordingly.

June 7th 1696. Nath. Searls of Little Compton Laid hold

upon The Covenant.

Item An order was read for a Thanksgiving for ye Kings prservation from Assassination & ye Land from Insurrection

& Invasion & for ye Detection of ye Conspirators.

Appointed by ye Honble Lt Gov: Councill & Representatives to be kept Throughout ye Province this next thursday Sennight viz June 18.

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June. 18, 1696. Thanksgiving day. M^r Welds the Pastor of Dunstable assisted our pastor here in y^e aft^rnoon — (when was Collected for y^e poor 3¹¹. 5⁴¹. 4.)

July 23. 96. A publick fast to implore pardon of or many & great Transgressions & Sins, to beg our dayly bread & peace &c: Famine & War threatning of us. Appointed by

ye Honble mr Stoughton & ye Councill.

Sept. 8. 96. Mr Benjamin Wadsworth was Ordeyned a Pastor of ye first Church in Boston: To which ordination this Church Sent (as was requested of ym by that Church) (togeth with their Pastor Ruling elder and Deacons) Capt: Clap & Leiftenant Tilestone.

Octob^r. 11. 96. One was dismissed to assist in y^e Gathering of a Church at Cambridge Farms neer Concord where m^r Benj Estabrook is to be ordeyned 21. 8 96. if God

please.

Nov. 1. 1696. Deacon Sumn's wife & family & His Broth' Samuel Sumn' with His Wife & family with Peter O Kellys wife & Six Children Dismissed to to ye Church of Christ neer Newington in South Carolina (since called Dorchester.) M'' How (formerly Clap) & M'' Barrett (form'ly Woodland) Dismissed to Sudbury The Lett's bore date ye 9th of Nov. 96.

Since August last unto this Instant Decemb 1696 These following persons (having been proved & approved by the Pastor & Ruling Elder as to Knowledge & Experience & by

ye Congregation as to Conversation) publickly took hold of ye Covenant.

Young Nath: Glover Samuel Pauls Wife

John Minots Wife oliv Wiswalls Wife Peter Hixes Wife Mr Sunderlands Wife

Humfrey Atherton:

Obadiah Swift Samuel Clap

John Baker

Peter O Kellys Wife Young Robert Searles Wife Young Goodman Peirces Wife

Eliz: Breck Susanna Breck Christian Pelton Silence Rigby

Young Tho Maudsly

Mary Glover Susan Wiswall Mary Wiswall Sarah Clap Hannah Clap Mindwell Weeks

Joshua George

Repent Weeks Hannah Bird Unice Bird Mehetabel Jones Abigail Ball Mary Ball

Praiseev^r Jones

Eliz: Davenport James Trott Thankfull Baker Hannah Paul

Margaret O Kelly Mehetabel O Kelly Hannah O Kelly

Joseph Hall

John Blackman's Wife

Item. January, 17. 96. Dennis Maroh Bernard Capen Jabez Searle Irijah Wales Isaac How John Payson Hopestill Clap

Eliz Clap sen Elizabeth Clap jun Thankf. Topleff Eliz: Topleff. Sarah Capen Mary Capen Mehet: Maxfield Alice Pope Anne Jones Eliz Hix Silence Foster

Mary Evans:

Item. Jan^{ry}: 17. 96.

John Spur, making an humble Confession, was absolved from the sentance of Excommunication which had been passed upon Him for His petulant carriage when the R^d M^r Flint & Elder Humfrey Sent for Him to examine Him of His Knowledge & Experience, in ord^r to His laying hold of y^e Covenant — & when before the Church. & upon His Request was Dismissed to y^e Church of CHRIST at Tanton.

on ye 13th of ye Said Moneth was a Generall Fast by order of ye Generall Court wherein we were Directed to pray for ye convertion of ye Indians & for Pardon for Sins in The Time of the Witchcraft.

Then Collected for ye poor [11] 10*h 00.

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febr: 4. A Generall Thanksgiving for Generall health & many oth Publick mercys

Memorandum

Goodman Plum (admitted to full Comunion in Rehoboth) Goodman Hill

& old Goodwife Wales (= but she sickned & Died)

Stand Proposed in order unto full Comunion.

Febr. 21. 1696. Collected for y° Propagation of y° Gospell by virtue of a Breif from Authority y° Summe of to be putt into y° hands of Edwd Bromfeild Esq: as in said Breif is Directed.

To Pensylvania
To Narraganset

To Narraganset

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March. 21st 22d & 23d. 1697. Then Sat at Watertown a Council of 5 Churches whereof the Pastor of Dorchester with Leift: Tilestone & Deacon Hopestill Clap were members. The Councill Advized that there be one Church, 2 ordeynd Ministers, yo new meeting house to be for Church and Town, the old one to be Moved to yo Eastern Brethren for publick worsh: so long as 4: 9th or one third & upwds of yo Inhabitant-Freeholders continue to desire yo Same & yo ordination to hold accord: to appointm' (if they should aggree to it)

They aggreed to it publickly both Brethren & Inhabitants. March 22 at Night, to Witt as many as were present weh were yo Most of yo Whole (excepting 2 or 3 yt dissented apparently) But finding they differd yo day following the councill advized to putt off yo ordination untill both aggreed, & in

case, to Call anoth' Councill to be indifferently chosen by both partys.

This Report was made to Chh on behalf of y' messeng's

by the Pastor on ye Lords day March. 27th 1697.

Aprill. 21. 97. Dorchest Church upon request from medfield having chosen & Sent y' Pastor, Ruling Elder Capt. Clap & Deacon Topliffe to Sit in Councill with ye messeng's of 7 oth Churches to advize & assist abt ye ordination of Rd mr Jos. Baxter; on said day - they went accordingly & mr Baxter was Ordained their Pastor, no publick opposition being made, mr Fisk gave ye Charge, Mr Thacher gave ye Right hand of Fellowship &c: & the Dissenters having in a Paper Highly reflected on ye last councill in medfeild yt sat a 12 moneth agoe as well as on ye Chh & on mr Baxter, & on ye present Counsell, declining to answ before ym, the Councill advized the Chh in Medfield to attend ye Rules of Christ in a way of Church-dealing for ye Recovery of both Brethren & also ye Upgrown Children of ye Church that had appeared so Criminal = Also y Church sollemnly renewed y Covent adding many Articles of particular Engagem's for Reformation.

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March. 17. 98 A publick Fast after a very Long, sore,

Sharp Winter.

Dec. 15. 98. A Publick Thanksgiving for a plentifull Harvest, (after years of Great Scarcity) Health, Civill & Sacred Libertys continued, Peace with ye French restored after long war, Indian Rage check'd: The King's Proclamation for and Encouragem' to reformation: As Per (Proclamation) ord of General Court.

Then Collected for ye Poor

March. 23. 98. A publick fast by Proclamation ordered by ye Lt Gov': & Council.

May. 7. 99. The Elder Proposed the Pastors desire of Help in ye work of ye Ministry. & Some time before that, He Proposed for the Choice of anoth Ruling Elder or Eld's.

(But both Motions dropped)

May. 7. 99. The widow of Henry Mayr (was) dismisssed to yo North Chh Boston - & Mary Paine daughter of Broth Pearse dismissed to ye Church of Brantry:

Since o' Pastors Sicknesse in y' End of January last He hath had twenty & two Sermons of help without the cost of

the Town to yo month of August

Nov¹. 23. 99. A thanksgiving for Peace Health & Plenty &c: by order of Authority. Then Collected for m^r Man minister of Wrentham who lost his substance by fire—

10^{li} 1^{sh} 4^d (besides some gifts privately Sent Him.)

January y^e 7^{th} $^{1609}_{1700}$ The widow Mary Goodale made a publick confession of Her Sin of fornication now a z^d Time Comitted & a profession of Repentance, that was accepted.

August 18, 1700. A letter was read from Boston South Church, desiring Elder & Messengers to assist in ye ordination of mr Pemberton ye 28th Instant The Deacons & capt. Clap were voted to accompany The Pastor to that Service.

Memorandum. Fasting & Prayers at Braintry, Dedham & Boston having been graciously answered by Rain (after a sore Drouth) the last week Gods Goodnesse in Christ to

Us therein was this day, particularly acknowledged.

Sept. 1. 1700. Report was made to ye Church ye memberton was ordained to ye office of a Pastor on ye Day appointed, ye Elders & Messeng's concurring & giving ye Right Hand of fellowship.

Sept. 8. Hannah Dean, daughter of our Broth John Bird,

took hold on ye Covenant.

Sept. 22. Hannah Bartlet took hold on ye Covent as also

did Unice Bird daught of James Bird.

Octob^r 13. 1700. The Chh sent y^r Pastor and Brother Nath. Clap, Serjeant Leadbetter & Deacon Hopestill Clap. who were with (the R^d m^r Thacher &) y^e Pastor & one messeng^r of Milton, viz m^r Blake, 3 weeks abroad, at Newport & Compton, where Such as were Examined & Approved & Proposed for y^e Discovery of y^r Life laid hold on y^e Coven^t & they & theirs (y^t were not baptised before) many of y^m) were then Baptized. These laid hold on y^e Covenant at Newport & were baptised. Capt. N. Coddington Esq^r M^{re} Joanne Brightman m^{re} Rob. Pocock. m^{re} Sarah Creek: m^{re} Hannah Clark — Sarah Timberlake Jane Dill

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others yt laid hold on ye Covent at Newport were Mr Calender mrs Calender, Elisabeth Caparon, Susanna Willet, mr Richd Clark, mr Mamford, mrs Magewick,

But mr Wackman & mrs Coggeshall only renewd yr

Covent.

The Children Baptised were Patience, Thomas, Freegift, Sarah, Elisabeth, William, Mary, & Nathaniel children of m' Freegift Coggeshall.

John & Margaret Caparon Susanna & Alice Willet

Abigaile, Elisabeth, Mercy, Mary, & William children of m' Magewick.

Mary daugh of m Wackman

Steven Memford. Jonathan Alice & Hannah Children of m⁷ Richard Clark. 27. 8^m. 1700

At Compton there Laid hold on ye Covenant and were Baptised those that follow, viz L' John Wood m' Edward Richmond & His wife & Daughter Abigail, m' Silvest' Richmd M' John Palmer & His Wife, Joseph Church's wife, Nath: House, Mercy Rouse, Joseph Seabury, & Martha Seabury.

Others y' laid hold on y' Coven' having been baptised formerly were, m' Fobes & His Wife M' Thomas Gray, L' Wood's wife m' Samuel Crandoll's wife, m' John Church, m' Samuel Gray's wife, Nath: Searle's Wife & James Ben-

nett's Wife.

Others that were then (viz Nov^r 3. 1700) baptised, were, m^r Fobes' Children, Elisabeth constant, mercy, & Mary:

m' wood's Children, John Mary Sarah Deborah Abigail Margaret Elisabeth

mr Grays Children, Thomas and Edward.

m' Richmonds Children Edw': Anne: Elizabeth Ame: Benjamin: Mary

m' Jos. Church's Children, Joseph Nathan Alice Deborah,

Elisabeth

m' Palmer's Chn: John Sarah: Elisabth Edwd Job Aaron, Anne

Jonath: Davenports Children Jonathan Hannah Simon

Ebenez': John Joseph Benjamin

Benj. Blackman's Children Benjamin, Ichabod Sarah Rebecca Elisha

mr John Churches Child, Elisabeth

m' Hilliard's, Abigail & Sarah.

m^r Woodworths, David & Grace. m^r Crandolls, Samuel & Mary.

Nath. Searles, John & Sarah.

At Newport & Compton Baptised 95 persons. wherof 64

at Compton.

Nov. 10. 1700. Then was a Proclamation Read for a Thanksgiving on ye 21th of Nov. instant: from ye Honble Lt Govrnor Stoughton & Councill; for ye Kings life, & favor, peace from Indians & Disappointm of y plotts & for

Health & Rain in answ to pray, & a Comfortable Harvest; Esp's for y Gospel yet continued.

Nov. 21. 1700, then Collected for o' Poor.

Jan. 12. 1700. Francis Price laid hold on ye Covent: 15.1^{mo}. 1701. Thomas Tillstone laid hold on ye Covent April. 24. 1701. A publick Fast. (ye Governor being de-

ceased) & ye Lt Governor ill.

May. 18. 1701. John Maudsley laid hold on ye Covent Aug. 31. 1701. Proposed to Elect 2 Ruling Elders.

Sept. 7. 1701. Capt: Clap & Deacon Topliff Chosen Elders & a Proclamation from ye Council for a fast on account of ye Honble mr Stoughtons Death &c.

To be kept ye 18th of this Instant Septembr S. D. p. which

was observed accordingly:

October. 19. 1701. An Account was given to ye Chh by y' Pastor y' 14 more were admitted to lay hold of ye Covent

at Newport & 24 Baptised.

m' Thacher & m' Danforth (the messengers of ye Chh' not being then so well able to go with ym, & ye Councill being put under a Prorogation) went to Newport & preached one Sabbath & a Fast to m' Claps Congregation Examined & Approved divers that Presented ymselves, & proposed ym, whereupon (m' Thacher going to narragansett) ye next Sabath (which was October 12, 1701) m' John Miles & Hannah Perdue laid hold on ye Covenant: & those yt follow both laid hold on ye Covenant & were baptised Divina Gratia in Christo viz Mm Mary & Mm Rebecca Coggeshall, mm Bridget Sanford, Henry Butler, Mm Content Coddington, William Wilcox, Thomas Miles, Sarah Hoar, Mary Brightman, Content Norton, Catharine Hampton & Mary Loc. Besides these wer baptised, John & Daniel Miles: Mary Norton: Bridget & Elisabeth Pocock: Edw. Momford: Sarah Daddy: John Wackman Mary [xxxx] John Walke[r] Joseph Chanterlin.

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Nov. 9. 1701. Dan¹. Preston Jun¹ was Chosen Deacon. Nov. 20. 1701. was a Publick Thanksgiving day throughout this Province.

Decr 14. 1701. Voted y' y' Full Comunicants renew y' Chh coven' on y' Ordenation—fast day intended to be shortly if God please = & y' y' Children of y' Chh y' have laid hold on y' Coven' renew y' Coven' togeth' on y' same day. The Coven' being Read they are to stand up & manifest y' Assent: Also y' oth's be Examined Exhorted Pre-

pared & Propounded in order to y' joying wth oth's in Professing y' assent & adherence to y' Covn' of Grace, & submitting to Chh watch & Goverm' here, while they continue in capacity for y' same.

Febr. 3. 170½ Then was Kept by ye Favor of the Lord A sollemn Day of Humiliation & Pray & In ye Close of ye Afternoon Exercise

1. The Full Comunicants Renewed y' Covenant according to y' Printed fform, & some oth; lately admitted then Entred into Covenant

2. The Children of ye Church Renewed Covenant & Near One hundred Newly Examined & Propounded Entred into

or Laid hold on ye Covent togeth wth ym

3. m^r Samuel Clap & m^r Samuel Topliff were ordained Ruling Elders or Helps in Governm^t of y^e Church & m^r Daniel Preston Junior was ordained a Deacon of y^e Chh, y^e R^d m^r Thacher Assisting y^e Pastor of y^e Chh y^t Day as in Preaching so in Laying on of hands.

4. His Majestys Proclamation against Imorality & Pro-

fanenesse was Sollemnly Read to ye Congregation

The Names of Such as were Examined allowed & propounded (before) for laying hold of ye Covenant on ye same Day y' oth's renewed ye Coven' (and on other days) were these

22, 12, 1701

Hannah Atherton Hannah Alcock
Sarah Atherton Mercy Bird
Edward Breck Jos. Butt Mary Bird
Roger Billinge John Bradley Sarah Beamont

Elis. & Bebe Bird John Billinge Benj Ball Mary Butt Anne Baiton

Hannah Brown
Nathanael But (Ioseph But) Mary Blake Elis, Bak

Nathanael But (Joseph But) Mary Blake Elis. Baker Joseph Billinge Patience Bird Katharine Bird Jonathan Chandler Experience Clap. (Edward Clap 22. 12. 1701) Sarah Clap

John Capen jun. Huldah Chandler Ruth Clap

(Elijah Danforth 22. 12. 1701) Elis. & Hañah Capen Martha Cheyny Sarah Davenport Anna Foster

(Richard Hawes) Prudence & Silence Foster
Nath: Glovers wife & Elis. Glover

John Henshaw Hannah Glover & Sarah or Elisabeth Glover Abraham John James & Samuel How Bathsheba Hall (Israel Hill 22, 12, 1701) Mary Humfrey Benjamin Jordan Mary Jinkins Samuel Leeds Margaret Lord Nath. Leeds Rebecca Leeds (Hezekiah Maroh 22. 12. 1701) Nehemiah Maroh Ebenez. Maudslys wife Sarah Moseman Sarah Mason Robert Pelton's wife John Preston Mary Preston Remember Preston Margaret Preston Deliverance Preston Ebenezer Paul Elisabeth Paul Jacob Royal John Robinson Sarah Payson Mary Payson (Abigail Swift 22. 12. 1701) William Trescott (April. 17. 1708 | Waitstill Royal Rebecca Trescot Sarah Zachary Trescot \(M^n \) Horton Mary Trott Henry Tollman Mary Williams Anne Tilestone
Daniel Tolman Daught of W. Pond Timothy Tilestones Samuel Tolman Thomas Tilestones wife Elijah or Irijah Wales Elisabeth Wales Edward White Thankfull Withington Richard withington Sarah Watkins

Josiah & Eben: Williams (Hannah Withington 22. 12. 1701)
Richard White.

Hannah Weeks.
Sarah Withington

(In 1702 abt Aprill & Abt July 1702 Joseph Bird owned ye Covent:) Elis. Long.

At a Meeting of the Elders & Deacons.

March. 6. 1702. Elder Topliff gave up an account of His Nine (or eight) years Deaconship & He Remains Debtor to y° Church for Church Rents &c 10¹⁶ & 6^d & to y° Poor for mony given for y^t Use & putt into His hands y° Sume of 3¹⁶ 4¹⁶ & 1^d. Deacon Clap also gave account y^t he hath yet in his hands

Due to ye Poor 11b. 14. 8 & to ye Chh 2. 01. 2.

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Aprill. 2. 1702. Then was Celebrated & Observed a Publick Fast by Proclamation & Order from ye Honble Councill to implore Pardon & Mercy for o'Selves & a Continuance & Settlem' of our Libertys, Chh' Colledge, o' Peace, Plenty, Health & Defence & Conduct for the Kings Majesty, Success to His Counsel, Parliam', Armys & Navys. A blessing on ye Year, & Smiles on ye Protestant Interest, & to Obtain ye hastning of ye Gospellizing of all Nations, & ye Accomplishm' of ye Great things promised.

July. 21. A Church fast. (R1) mr Walter helped ye

Pastor in ye Forenoon.

Aug. 9. Samuel Butt & Sarah Butt His wife & Patience Lawrence appeared before ye Church & penitently Confessed ye Sins of Fornication to ye Satisfaction of ye Church.

Aug. 30. 1702 A Contribution for Israel Hill who lay long ill of a Broken Bone & is still Lame. Then was

Collected -

(The mortality at New York is Sore & Dreadfull.)

Oct. 22. 1702 A General Fast on account of ye war & Sicknesse at New York & Here

Me-in ab't 12 month ye Deaths at Boston amount to 500 or y'abouts.

Nov. 1. 1702 A Contribution for Obed: Hawes

Nov. 8. 1702. The Chh. at Duxborough's Letter was read, w'rin they requested m' Robinsons Dismission to y'', & our Assistance in His Ordination or Sollemn Inauguration into His office of a Pastor, by Fasting Pray', & the hands of y' Presbytery. Elder Topliff was Voted to accompany the Pastor to y' work on y' 18th Instant which was performed then, together with y' Renewing of Covenant, & so many Men then Joyned, as doubled y' number of y' Fraternity.

Dec. 10. 1702. A Publick Thanksgiving & then was col-

lected for ye Poor.

Febr. 18. 1703. A publick fast (Sicknesse still continuing & warre impending.)

March 14. Daughter of Walter Everinden & —— who lives at Sam¹ Capen jun¹ house

Laid hold on y' Covenant

March 21 wife of Everinden laid hold on ye Covenant.

April. 8. 1703. A publ: Generall Thanksgiving for Her Majestys Successes by Sea & Land against y' French & Spaniards in Europe & America, many Ships, much Treasure & many Towns being taken.

Then Contributed for Goodwife Birch.

M^{III} John Earl of Marlborough is Capt. General of y' Land forces James Duke of Ormond is General of y' Fleet forces & S' George Rook is Admiral of y' Fleet; und' o' Soveraign Queen Anne who came to y' Throne March. 8. 1702. But before y' Late King William y' 3' of Glorious Memory died, there were Sundry Societys Sett up for Reformation of Manne's, & behold y' Smiles of Heaven, upon y' Same, o' Nation being on a Suddain filld with plenty of Grain & plenty of Silver, (y' Plate Fleet being taken,) & plenty of Hono' & Victory, So that y' Queen has Invited Her Subjects in y' plantations in America to Rejoyce with Her & so Return Thanks to God.

Aug. 17. 1703 Our Lecture day: Kept for a day of Prayer in this Town & Church to implore Converting Grace for the Unconverted, & particularly for the Rising Generation; & to implore deliverance from our French & Indian Enemys who have lately made a great Slaughter, & Taken many Captives at ye Eastward, & to beg Raine from Heaven.

Min: God sent a plentifull Raine; Item Diverse of our Enemys have fallen into our hands.

8. 7". 1703.

Sept. 23. 1703. Kept for fasting & pray' (a Proclamation from his Excellency Joseph Dudley Esq &c Governo' being Read before, appointing ye Same, Especially for to implore ye Divine mercy for The Queens Majesty the Protestant Interests in Europe, our forces now advancing against ye Enemy, & o' Fronteirs exposed.)

Nov. 7. 1703, John Maxfield laid hold on y' Coven'.

Dec. 9. 1703. A publick Thanksgiving for Removal of Sicknesse, Continuance of Health, a plentifull harvest, y's Safe Arrival of many of our vessels from Engl: &c. restraint upon Enemys &c. Then was Collected for y's Poor 3". 5. 3. & 2h½ Corn

Febr. 1703 Captivated from Deerfield, the Rev^d m^r John Williams; & 96 more but killed by y^c French & Indians

52 wrof mⁿ Williams one & some of y^r Children & Eleven Souldiers some y^r were sent to y^r Garison oth^r (viz 5) y^r came in upon y^r Alarum & 14 men more Diverse houses burnt about 50 french & Indians kilitr as Col. Patricks Lett shows.

March 5. 1704. Jonathan Chandler Made publick Confession of y" Sin of fornication, to acceptance

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May 18 1704 A Province Fast by Proclamation & there was a slaughter & captivation of People at Northampton six days before. We Read a Declaration for Reformation.

June 18. 1704 Experience Birch laid hold on yo Covent & a little before Anna the Daughter of Nath: Lion Laid hold

on y' Covenant.

July 18, 1704. Our Lecture was turned into a Day of humiliation & Pray'—To Ask Converting Grace & to ask Rain in a Time of Drouth & wars—& oth' mercys. The Pastor being sick, M' Thacher & M' Walters Preached & Prayed & m' Cotton Mather helped in prayer. Mercifull showers followed. & in Diverse Churches hereabouts & as Convenient y' wheel of pray' has been & is now going, Audiat Dominus Amen.

Octobr. 22. 1704. We read a Lett' from the Church in Marlborow Requesting us to send our Elders & Messengers to assist in the Ordination of m' Robert Brick y' Pastor. The Chh officers, so many as could attend it were Sent.

Oct. 29. 1704. Account was given to y' Chh that Our Pastor with Elder Clap & Deacon Preston jun', went & mct in Council with M' Easterbrooks m' Clark & m' Rawson the Pastors of Concord, Chelmsford & Mendon & with the Brethren that attended them & m' Breck was admitted into y' Church on y' 24th day, Ordained on y' 25th, The Presbytery laying on Hands M'. Easterbrooks giving y' Charge m' Clark giving the Right hand of fellowship, Our Pastor giving the Charge to y' Chh to doe y' Duty to y' Pastor & m' Rawson Calling for the Suffrages & votes &c. No man Opposing, & God in Christ most graciously Assisting.

M On ye 25th day at Night, M' Gardin' Minister of Lancaster was killed, one of the watch shooting Him by Mis-

.take.

Nov. 23. 1704. A publick Thanksgiving for Defeat of Enemys at home & in Europe, disapointm' of y' Expeditions against us, by Sea & Land y' many of them are delivered

by a storm on y^m by sea, & by o' surpizing y^m by Land into o' hands, y' a good harvest has been graunted notwithstanding y' Drouth, with Health & y' priviledges of o' holy Religion — Then was Collected for y' poor — 3 —

M"-10.10". 1704. The Decease of ye Revd m' Clark of Chelmsford was publickly Lamented in a Sermon on Acts

20. 25, 37, 38.

Item the Revd m' Williams of Dearfield is still in Captivity, & Dunstable not yet supplyed with a Pastor. Thus in y' frontier Towns are tokens of the Anger of y' Lord, from Deerfield to Dunstable.

March. 1. 1705 A Publick Fast by Proclamation.

March. 11. 1705. Upon ye Request of 46 men of Woburn (10) of we're were in full Comunion the Church Chose Their 3 Elders & Deacon Clap to Assist at a Council there to be Held, Volente Deo, on April 24th next.

April 12 1705 A publick Thanksgiving for the Queens Victory with y' Confederates & y' Governo's Deliverances, & o' Late Exemption from molestations by o' Enemys.

April. 24. 1705. The Elders of Billerica, Concord Dorchester, Cambridge Farms, & Andover met (& m' Pierpoint of Reading & m' Woodbridge of Medford but Left us again) & y' were oth' messeng's from Billerica Dorchester & Concord who Advised y'' to forbear undue Reflections at Woburn & Directed y'' to Restore m' Wyman if He owned His Rashnesse, after y' having an Opportunity, He did not make out His Charge against Maj'. Converse.

May. 10. 1705. The Messeng's of o' Chh went to y' Ordination of the Reverend m' T. Bridge a Pastor or

Teacher to ye first Chh in Boston.

May. 22. 1705 The messeng's of o' Chh went to a Council at Sudbury who advized y' Silencing of m' Sherman upon Probation of His Good behaviour for a Time a few weeks only.

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June 1, 1705. The Elders & Deacons were Chosen by the Church to attend & conjoyn ye messengers of 5 oth Churches as a Council at Meadford on July y 10th.

June 5, 1705. The Sudbury-council met again (not at

June 5, 1705. The Sudbury-council met again (not at Sudbury but Boston) & voted to advise the Chh at Sudbury to depose y' Pastor, & forbid Him y' Sacrament.

June 8th, 1705. Ruth Kenny laid hold on the Covenant.
July 10 & 11 The Council at Meadford upon hearing of both partys Detected faults in both, Advised Confession,
A Trial for Reconciliation in y first place, & it it proved vain, then that m' Woodbridge & They doe lovingly Part.

M' Woodbridge (since y',) has made Confession, & y' Trial Goes on.

(Sept. 11. 1705. A meeting of ye Delegates of ye Associations at Boston.)

Sept. 13. The Sudbury-Council met in Boston at m' Wadsworths & voted to withdraw y' right hand of fellowship from m' Sherman, & not to acknowledge Him any longer as a Minister of y' Gospel & y' m' Angier publish it at Sudbury on some Sabbath day.

The Same Day, The Delegates or Representatives of the ministers of y' Associations in y' Province — y' came to Boston, agreed Sundry Things about Stated Councills, to be

Comunicated to y' Churches (& Pastors.)

Sept. 23. 1705. Mary Daughter of Richard Butt & wife of Eben^r: Lawrance made a Penitent Confession of y^e sin of Fornication with said Lawrance before marriage. & it was accepted by y^e Church.

Sept. 30. 1705. Then was Read a Proclamation for a Thanksgiving for y' Queens life & victorys, Restraint of enemys from y' Injurys & outrages upon us, for Fruits of Harvest & Health & all Publick Interests & Enjoyments to be Observed on y' 18th of October next, volente Deo.

Oct. 21. 1705. The Widow Chaplain upon Her penitent Confession was released from the Censure of Admonition.

Nov. 11. 1705. Ebenezer Lawrance made a Penitent Confession of His Sin of Fornication with Mary Butt (before

marriage) Committed, wen was to Acceptation.

Jan' 13. 1705-6. Then was Read a Proclamation from ye Governo' & Council & a Command of ye Queen for a Thanksgiving throh ye Provinces of Massachusets Bay & New Hampshire for Her Majestys Victorys over ye French: ye Duke of Marlborough vid my Lord Chhhill being General of ye forces in ye Netherlands. ye Day appointed is Jan' ye 25th.

Feb. 25. 1705-6. Elder Topliff Paid to Deacon Clap of y' Churches mony that was in His hands Seven pounds

Seventeen shillings & Nine Pence.

March ye 1st. 170%. Elder Topliff Paid to Deacon Preston twenty Seven sh: & 11d in Mony & p Discount for monys laid out for ye Church 14sh & 10d—In full of all Church accounts. Item The same day Was paid to ye Said Deacon m' Preston with m' Sam' Capen In Mony 45th & 1d: & p Discount for w' He laid out for ye Poor of ye Town 19th.—p Elder Topliff.

April. 7. 1706. Edw. Foster laid hold on ye Coven' &

Then was Read a Proclamation for a fast on ye 18th.

April. 14. 1706. Margaret Cocks made a Publick Confession of Her Shamefull Sin of Fornication which was Accepted.

Aprill. 18. 1706. In ye Evening of ye Publick fast a Contribution for Joseph Hewens Jun of abt 5th wanting 1th. At

noon Old Goodwife Plum was buried.

M" This week a man in Tanton dropt down dead in ye street — & a Child there was drowned.

Samson Walters, a strong young man in Boston was

found dead in ye morning Leaning ov His bed

The Deacons Aged Brother in Watertown on a Lords day bowed to y' Minister coming into y' Meeting-house & sunk down—& so died—& of Late Time we have been alarumed from Heaven with divers suddain Deaths—one was drowned at Sudbury & not 2 foot of Water—At Braintry one Everet a young man was well & fell ill of a fev & died in about 2 or 3 days.

April. 28. 1706. A brief declaring ye Sacking of St Christophers by ye french & y' miserable Condition Call-

ing for ye Charity of Good People

May 5. 1706. Collected for St. Christophers — 10th: 3^{sh}: 10^d.

May. 10. old mother Pelton buryed — Sundry Slain &

taken by y" Enemy at y" Eastward.

News is come y' Nevis is taken by y' French & set at an High Ransom of [....].

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October 13. 1706. Ebenezer Billinge junior laid hold on

ye Covent.

October 17. 1706. A Publick Thanksgiving thro'out this & Pascataway Provinces, for General, Health, Safety, Liberty, Harvest, & other Blessings, At home, for Return of Many Captives, & for Signal Victorys Given to o' Soveraign &c.

October. 29. 1706. The Aged & Pious widow Woods,

Father Maudsly, & Father Pearse deceased lately.

November. 24. 1706 2 Letters one from ye Chh, ye other from ye Dissenting Bretheren in woburn Requesting elders & messengers to be sent to hold a Counsel there on ye 4th of December were Read & our Church Voted that ye Elders & Deacons & mr Samuel Wiswell should Accompany ye Pastor.

Nov. 28. 1706. m'- Enoch Wiswal An Aged Pious & use-

full Person Deceased.

Dec. 8. 1706. An Account of ye Result of ye late Council at Woburn was Given to ye Chh & of ye Effect of it, viz ye Restoration of Jacob Wyman again unto Full Comunion upon His Confession of Some Fault: & It was Declared by ye Council of 8 Churches that none ought to be excomunicated except in very weighty & very Clear Cases, & ye upon ye private Dissatisfactions, Brethren ought not to withdraw from ye Comunion of ye Church. we left ye in Peace by the mercy of the Lord.

Memorandum the Reverend m' John Williams Pastor of Deerfield & many Captives with Him returned from y' french & indian Captivity very lately in Answer to Publ.

Pray's on that behalf: Gloria Deo in Xto.

January 12. 1706-7. A Letter from some Brethren in Meadford or Mistick was Read Requesting Council: The

Chh Chose y' Elders & Deacons to attend y' Service.

Feb. 2. 1706-7. An Account was Given to ye Chh yt the Council of 4 Churches at Medford advised Mr W. (woodbridge) to make a partic: Confession of His offences & His Opposers to Confesse yr offences, & Each Party in ye Town to Confesse yr heats & faults to ye oth Party Or otherwise that mr W: & ye Town part Lovingly according to ye advice of ye former Council. &c.

Feb. 23. 1706-7. Voted y' March ye 4th be kept (at Dorchester) in fasting & Prayer to humble o'selves for o' sins &

to beg for Grace & all Blessings for o'selves & oth's.

March. 4. 1706-7. the Revd m' Fisk & m' Williams (lately returned from Captivity) preached, & m' Walter assisted in Prayer.

April ye 16. 1707. wednesday: Our forces being designed for Portroyal agest ye Enemy A fast in this & ye Next Province was kept by Publ. Proclamation & order (to im-

plore y' mercy of the LORD.)

April ye 21. The Revd- m' Torrey of Weymouth Deceased who had been 50 years in ye ministry an able painfull faithfull minister of Christ Aetatis Anno 76, or 77. He was born some weeks before His Time & was kept in warm Lamb skins till ye full prop' time Came.

May 5. 1707. The Aged Widow m" Mary Maxfield was

buried. Aetatis Anno 86 or 87.

May. 4. 1707. A Letter from ye Chh of Braintrey was read requesting Elders & messengers to Come to Counsel y"; & with ye Elders, ye Chh Sent ye Deacons.

May 7th. The Counsil injoyned a Confession on ye South End Brethren & advized ye Town to raise maintenance for a 2^d minister, & adjourned; Item they advized that when the Second Salary was settled they should be dismissed & allowed to Gather into a Church.

May 16. 1707. mr Nathanael Clap senior a Choice Man

rested in ye Lord: & was Interred, may, 17.

June 2. 1707. The Braintry Council sate again & the South-End Brethren made a Confession.

June. 5. 1707. The Medford Counsil sate again at Boston A formulary of Confession was prescribed for m B. W.

June 8. 1707. Broth' John Capen died. Interred June 10th

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- 15. 4. 1704 Patience Lawrence acknowledged Her sin of fornication: Twas Accepted, as a Token of Repentance.
- 22. 4. 1704 Richard & Sarah Withington acknowledged their sin of fornication before marriage: Twas Accepted as a token & sign of Repentance.
- Aug. 3. 1707. The widow of Henry Mayr was Dismissed to y' North Church in Boston.
- Aug. 31. Sundry Negros, Young Persons, voted to be Baptized, & one of them viz George Bush laid hold on y^e Covenant afterwards.

October 21. 1707 Aged Fath' Wales was buryed.

Nov. 12. 1707 Deacon Preston Senior of like Age viz 86 (or as some aver) 88 years was buryed.

Dec. 11. 1707. A Publick Thanksgiving & a Collection

or Contribution for ye Poor of this Place.

- Nov. 9. 1707. Abigail Appleby formerly Swift Her Publick manifestation of Repentance of Her Sin of Fornication by a Confession was accepted by the Church.
- Nov. 16. 1707. the Church Chose y' Officers with m' wiswal & Brother White to Assist at y' Ordination of m' Peter Thach' Junior to be Pastor of the Church at waymouth Performed Nov. 26. His Rev^d Uncle m' Peter Thacher of Milton giving y' Charge, & y' P. ev^d m' Fisk giving Him y' Right hand of Fellowship. R^d m' Hubbard of New Town

being ye moderator of ye Church & of ye Council, their Ruling Elder Consenting to it.

October. 16. 1708. m' Samuel Clap Ruling Elder Rested in y' Lord, 74 years old Compleat, & some few days over, & near 7 years a Ruling Elder, a very holy, wise, able, upright, faithfull, humble usefull servant of y' Lord all his Days, & one who lived decrased.

Eight days before Oct: 8, 1708. Died His vertuous wife m' Clap with w'' He lived in holy wedlock 49 years wanting

about 3 mo: He sickned & went not to Her fun ral

Oct. 20. 1708. Our Brother m' Preserved Capen (a pious Person,) deceased Oct. 14 Mr Trot of Boston died in Dorchester

Nov. 5. 1708 Aged mother Swift Buried.

Oct. 31. 1708. Humfry Atherton made Confession to

Anno 1721

y' Chli of His Evil in being overtaken win Drink

He made Conat Elder Claps funeral. It was accepted.

Dec: 9. 1708 The Rd m' J. Hig- hiem ye wpf: m'

ginson decd:

January 5th 170% Elder Bridgham of Boston deceased: Dec. 3, 1708 Aged Moth' Ball buryed: Aged 65.

Febr. 3. 170%. m' Stevens of Roxb: Capt: & Deacon

buryed

Febr. 6. 170% m' James Blake & m' Hopestill Humfrys Chosen Deacons, Deacon Clap having accepted of y' Ruling Eldership y' Sabbath before, whereto He was Chosen January 23th.

Febr. 20. 170 mr Blake accepted but mr Humfry — did

not accept of y Deaconship.

It Josh: Levars laid hold on ye Coven!

March. 6. 170% A contribution for Joseph Angier of

Framingham.

March. 24. 170%. A Fusiic Fast. Then were ordeined, m' Hopestill Clap Ruling Elder & m' James Blake, Deacon.

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April. 6. 1709. At a meeting of the Elders & Deacons. Elder Clap lately Deacon gave up an Account of His Distributions of y^e Chh^e mony to the Poor & for the Sacraments, Since His Last Account. & He delivered fourteen Pounds thirteen shillings & 3^d into y^e hands of Deacon James Blake (being mony of the Chh that He had not Distributed) One and twenty shillings & 2^d of which was particularly Contributed for the Poor.

Also Deacon Preston Exhibited His Account & Besides what He hath Distributed to the Poor & for y Sacrament & Chh, He hath in His hands of Mony properly for y poor, the Sume of four Pounds & 2^d & of oth Church Monys Rents of Land & Interest Sixteen pounds & nine shillings & a Penny. Some men also are behind in y Interest mony. & the Principal Summe y y Deacon Letts out to Interest is y Fifty Pound y was given y Chh by the Hon M Stoughton Yett of Chh mony is Due to D Preston 29th 11^d

The Church hath Nine Pieces of Plate for y' Sacrament (2 Given by s' m' Stoughton 2 by m' Thomas Lake, one by m' Thacher one by m' Isaac Jones one by m' Patten one by m' John Gingen one by Anoth' hand all of silver. In pewter the Chh hath 4 flaggons 4 pewt' Dishes one Bason & Tank-

ard & 1 pewter Cup -

Agreed that a Strong Chest be bought to Lock up ye

Churches Plate in

A Church meeting is appointed to be on May 11th 1709 to Impower a Comittee to Run the bounds of the Chh Lands, & to Call Trespassers on said Lands to a Legal Account for y' Trespasses. &c.

May. 1. 1709. Lett's from North-Braintry Chh being Read the Hond officers of the Chh were voted to attend $y^{\rm c}$ ordination at Braintrey On May 18th & Assist $y^{\rm rm}$ as Requested.

Dorch: in NE. May. 11. 1709. At a meeting of the Elders & Brethren of ye Church in Dorch. (A church meeting having been Lawfully warned to be held in ye publick meeting house on ye said Day.) Report being made to ye Church yt some Lotts had been given to yt Chh of Dorch: in N.E, the lines whereof have need to be Run & Settled. & If any persons have mistaken y' into y' own Lotts or any part of em: or if any persons have bought & Sold any part of any of em, or if any person has Cutt any Trees to ye same belonging, That it were Reasonable to have all mistakes Rectifyed, the bounds settled, & the Rights of the Church Asserted, auditted, recovered & Legally Secured, and all Damages - satisfyd y' have been done: On Consideration thereof, the Church then Nominated & Chose, Appointed and Impowered Hond Deacon Preston, Deacon Blake & L' Samuel Paul of Dorchester, All & Every of them or Jointly & Severally, as their Attorneys, Agents & Trustees, to Run said Lines that need to be Run, to settle y" bounds, of all & Every of ye Lotts & Parcels of Land, both upland & meadow, to ye said Church belonging, to Secure y' Rights, To demand sue for, & Recover Damages, or satisfaction for wood, cutt off of said Lands, also to procure writt of Ejection where there shall be need, & to prosecute whosoev' (against y' Law) Shall be found Usurping on or deteining of Any of ye Lands or Rights of ye said Church, And all in ye Name of the said Chh: And also to Authorize Any Attorny or

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Attorneys under Them to prosecute Implead & Carry on, in y' Law & by all Lawfull Ways & means, unto full effect, all actions & things whereby the Lands of the Church & y' Rights may come to be asserted Judged Recovered & secured: & the Church Engage to Warrant & Defend Them in all they shall Lawfully Doe or Cause to be Done in the Premises.

Also we doe Authorize & Impow our said Attorneys to make Sale of all or any of Said Lotts, (that is) the Small ones that Exceed not the number of three acres in a Lott & to graunt Deeds of the Same, In the Churche's Name & Stead; & to purchase for the Use of the Said Church some other Lands, of value Equivalent, & that may be more usefull to ye Chh, with the mony that said small Lotts may be sold for.

Also we the said Church doe Authorize & Impower our said Attorneys, to demand, sue for, & Recover & Recieve to the use of us the said Church & o' Successo's in Said Church, a Certain Legacy of Three Pounds bequeathed by m' Burgesse alias Gurnet to be laid out in a Piece of Plate for the said Church.

Voted & Consented to & Done by the said Church of Dorchester this 11th of May 1709.

As attest J. Danforth. Pastor: Samuel Topliff, & Hopestil Clap R: Elders.

Signed by Us, In the Name of the Chh, At their Request.

Memdum The Aged & Honble James Russel of Charlstown Esqr lately deceased

Item Major Brown of Sudbury Died May 6th or 7th 1709 & was buryed May 9th.

Item News is Come of Her Majestys Intentions to make an Attack upon Canada which ye Lord Succeed to His Glory

& N.E. Safety & Peace for Christs Sake if it be His blessed will. Amen.

May 22. 1721. At a Meeting of y' Eld's. & Deacons. Elder Preston Delivered to Deacon Blake, 3 bonds from Eb. Maudsley for 29th 5th principal mony & from Richard Hall & Henry white & His Heirs for Eleven pound principal Each — Mony Given to y' Church by the Honorable m' Stoughton — to be Improved for the Church

He gave a Large & particular & Exact Account of Ilis Expenses for ye Chh Amounting to -27th. 11th. 2th & He delivered into Deacon Jonathan Claps hand = 30th & 10th = & He Gave Account of Church Rents of Land & Interest of Mony Lett out on Bonds went He had received Amounting to 57th. 13th. & 10th. with other monys formerly in His hand of ye Chh = 16. 09. & 1th So yt He has of ye Churches mony Still in His hand — 16. 01. 09

He Exhibited an account of Contributions & monys for ye poor, & of particular Disbursements upon y''' & there remains in His hand of mony for the poor the summe of 2 16. IQ. I.

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He gave account also of a New Piece of plate given to y Church for the Lords Supper by m Eben: Withington & of 2 little Lotts Sold of y Churches, & that the mony thereof is in Capt. Sam Pauls hands.

Rev^d m^r Hobert of Newtown died. 25. 6^m 1712 Aged 64 = g^{ny} beloved & Lamented. He had an Hon^{ble} funeral. Preached there about 40 years. Ordained 38 years. Vir Doctus Prudens Pacificus.

Deacon Blake at the same time shewd & gave an Account how the mony was disposed of & passed from Him which. He had Received of Elder Clap in April the 6th 1709, & of other monys since Recieved but brought not in a full Account, not having Some of His papers about Him, but Supposes He may have 3 or 4 pounds Contribution-Mony & Church mony in His hands still.

Dec. 19. 1722. Elder Preston delivered to Deacon Clap at the Pastors house, the Summe of Sixteen Pounds in Province Bills & an account of or 11d Expense in Journeying to and Returning from the Council at Abington, & allowed Him for His Expenses on the Poor (formerly) in

His Present Account, the Sume of two pounds & Nineteen

Shillings.

Item He delivered to Deacon Clap eight & twenty shillings rent from Samuel Trescot of Mony belonging to the Church of Dorchester.

The Council for Norton, 29, 8, 1722 putt off unto Nov.

13. 1722. & Then Sat at Norton. And declared

I. That they took it as a good Sign that the LORD designed to Restore to y" the blessing of Peace that both Partys had engaged to be determined by the Judgment & advice of the Council.

2. That madam Leonard & Her Son were not guilty of Lying, in Saying to the Court at Bristol that y Assessors had refused them an abatem' tho' they conditionally said they would make an abatement of their rates putting it off from time to time & not doing it. & that Brother John Skinner was in the wrong in Charging Scandalous Lying upon them, & in renouncing & abstaining from y Comunion of the Chh at Norton about 2 years, & making trouble

among them on that account.

3. That Our Churches being in Peace do usually before they Censure offenders Cite y" to appear before the Chh to show Cause (if they can) why they should not be Censured, which practice is according to rule, & y Contrary is irregular. & That the Church at Norton passed y vote of suspension on Brother Skinn' that Absented from them & declared His Resolution not to return to y Comunion except they would Censure madam Leonard for Lying, which the Church could not se light for: & that this vote was passed without an immediately previous Citation, lest He Appearing with a party to agitate y matt' in a time of Contention it might have Broken the Chh all to pieces.

However if Such a Case Should happen again so Dangerous to set a Church on fire, The Council declared that there advice would be that the Church should not proceed to a Censure without the Presence & Advice of a Council of

Churches.

- 4 The Counsel Comended the Pastor m' Avery for Asking Advice of the Aged Pastor of Taunton & other ministers of the Association.
 - 5. And declared Him innocent

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of the Partiality & oth faults Charged upon Him. that He had been unreasonably and most unworthily reproached & grieved.

6. The Council advized to a Conformity unto y' Rules laid down from Gods holy word in y' Synod that met at Boston Anno Domini 1662, in the Case of Thomas Skinner.

7. The Council Declared against y' prosecuting in y' Law of any Single Evidences y' were called to Testify before y" Council - It tending to revive ye flames of Strife among y": and alledged strong Arguments in y' matter.

8 The Concil declared that the taking of Examinations of Persons desirous to Come to ye Lords Table or to lay hold

on y' Coven' belonged to y' Elders.

9 That Complaint brought to y' Elders twas most Eligible they should be Exhibited in writing: And that if the Pastor thought fit, they might be brought to y' Church, to be there sifted by proper Interrogatorys.

10 They declared in these words viz We think the Pastor & other Elders, or in want of Elders, the Deacons, or other principal members, may have the first Cognizance of Cases:

and that they should Issue such as they find issuable by them, according to Scripture rule: and that they are not bound to give the Church the first hearing of every Case, or of any Case; yea of many Cases not to give them the

- hearing at all.

II The Council Judged that Brot: John Skinnt should humble Himself & repent, & Confesse &c and promise Reformation, & then they advized the Chh to take off ye Censure: And Charged all to live in Love & Peace & to Love, Hono', Pray for, Subsist & labo' to Edify by the Preachings of y' pastor

Item The Council declared in these words und the 3d Article — As for the Silential vote without Lifting up of hands --- "In Sundry Cases we Judge it the best way "of voting, Conducing most to the Glory of God, & the

"peace & Good of the Church.

and The Result of the Council was signed by mr Peter Thacher Pastor of Milton — moderator & m' John Danforth Pastor of Dorchester - & m' Joseph Baxter Pastor of Meadfield - & m' John Swift Pastor of Framingham - & m' Richard Billings Pastor of Little Compton & mr Daniel Preston, a Ruling Elder in Dorchester, & m' Manasseh Tucker a Deacon in Milton, & mr John Wadsworth a Deacon in Milton, & m' Jonathan Gulliver Captain in Milton & m'

Eleazar Wheelock Captain of Medfield & M' Jonathan Clap a Deacon in Dorchester — & M' William Pebody Deacon of Compton & M' Samuel How L' —— of Framingham & M' Isaac Clark L' —— of Framingham & M' George Barber Deacon of Meadfield.

M" m' Skinn' made His Confession & the Chh made Peace together by the blessing of God.

Dec. 11. 1722.

A Council of three Churches at Abington, viz of Milton, Dorchester, & the North part of Braintrey met & after Publick Hearing of the Case, vindicated the Pastor & Church at Abington & Judged W" Hersey jun' & his wife to have been guilty of fornication before marriage, & if they should manifest Repentance, advized ye Pastor viz the Reva mr Brown & the Church to allow 'em to lay hold on the Covenant & the said W" Hersey jun' said that He never would deny that He had the Carnal Knowledge of Her body before that day that they were married together: & by Sundry sworn evidences it was proved that their first Child had a full grown body Ripe for the birth & long hair & hard nails, & Cryd & fed well when it was first born, tho born but five months & nine days from its parents marriage, & the women made oath before Justice Edson & the Council before we went to the Meeting House, that they believed no Child ever attained to such ripenesse & perfections at 5 months & nine days from ye Conception.

Jan's. 30. 1722-23. At South Brantrey A Council of five Churches Justify'd Regular Singing: whereof were ye Elders & messengers of the Church at Dorchester

Feb. 12. 1722: 23

The Council Justifyed the Proceedings of mr Swift the Pastor, & of His Church at Framingham & advised Deacon Hemenway to Confesse His faults & repent & reform.

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Febr. 12. 1722-23.

A Council of 5 Churches at Framingham

Oct. 29. 1724. A Council of Churches at Abington, Directed that m' William Hersey Should have baptisme for His Children in Abington or any other orthodox Chh upon His & His wife Signing & Presenting a Confession approved by the Council, & laying hold on y' Covenant.

memorandum. mr Philip withington & Deacon Hopestill Clap only went to that Council of all those who were Sent from the Church of Dorchester.

Oct. 27. 1724 A Council of Churches at Boston of Nine Churches

The Pastor, Ruling Elders & 3 Deacons & m' Philip withington were present as Messengers from Dorchester Church

The Council on Hearing of the Messengers from Portsmouth & Ipswich Judged it for the Interests of Religion that m' Fitch Pastor of Ipswich should remove to Portsmouth in New Hampshire, & Sent y' Rev' m' Thacher of Milton with Sundry others of the Council to Solicit y' Church of Ipswich to Consent thereunto.

The Said Council met again at D' Mathers upon Adjournm' Nov. 17. 1724. and voted that they advized m' Fitch to ask a Dismission from Ipswich to Portsmouth & advized the Chh of Ipswich to grant it to Him. but if in that way it could not be obtained they declared that it appeared neverthelesse that m' Fitch has a Call in Providence to Portsmouth, to which He ought not to Return a Negative Answ'r.

And y' Council further Adjourned to y' last Tuesday in January Next or to meet Sooner at y' Call of the Moderator.

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May. 4. 1724. Leased out to Samuel Trescot & His Heirs & assigns of Milton Six Acres Saltmarsh — Meadow by m' Wilsons Farm — for Seven Years — for 30th pe. Annum, by Elder Preston, D' Blake & Cap' Paul.

At a Meeting of the first Church in Dorch. N. E. Lawfully warned by y Deacons, & Convened in the Publick Meeting House, May. 18. 1724: (It is Called the First Church to distinguish it from y New Church at Punkapog)

1. That y' Deacons keep y' Contribution-mony for the LORDS Supper & the mony, & revenues appropriated to y' Poor & Necessitous, & the oth' Monys & Revenues of the Church Distinct the one from y' other, & keep distinct accounts of y''.

Voted in the Affirmative.

2. That y' Deacons advize with the Elders, & sometimes with some of y' Principal Brethren also (as formerly has been Done, what Poor Persons they should distribute to, & how much they should Give 'em.

Voted in y' Affirmative.

3. That The Deacons give account (as is Usual) from Time to time of the Church-Plate, of monys & rents they recieve, & of y' Distributions & layings out of monys for the Ends y' they were given to, & what mony or other things belonging to y' Church are in y' Deacons hands: & that the Same be Entred in to the Churches Book of Records.

Voted in y' Affirmative.

4. That the Deacons inform themselves what Lotts & rights of Land do belong to the Church, & that the Same be Entred into ye Church-book of Records.

Voted in the Affirmative.

5. That it be left to y' Deacons Discretion to Let out mony or lands, belonging to y' Church from year to year or for term of years. Voted in y' Affirmative.

6. That y' Deacons Se to y' New running of lines between y' Chhs Lands & y' Lots y' bound upon y'' voted in y' Af-

firmative.

7. That of y^e Churches revenues the Deacon adde so much to ye 40th bequeathed by an Aged Brother (old m^r Williams) deceased, as may produce a midling new silver Cup for y^e Lords Table. voted in y^e Affirmative.

8. That y' Deacons use Legal Means to secure the Churches Rights in that part of the Churches Lot in y' 3 divisions & quarter at y' South End of it which m'

Damons fence incroaches upon.

Voted in y' Affirmative.

9. That y' Deacons shall make Sale of a Small Church-lott in y' first Division, the bounds whereof are lost & the monys that shall be paid for y' same to be kept under Improvement for the Church, & finally to be laid out in purchasing of Land for y' Church.

voted in the Affirmative.

10. That as to the old trees or Trees lying on y' Ground in y' Chh' 30 or 40 acre lot by John Davenports, & in y' Churches lot by m' Damons The Deacons make Sale of y' Shiptimber & other Timber in y'' & make Sale also of w' is left of y' Said old Trees & of trees broken & lying on y' Ground; & that y' monys that they shall recieve for y' Same be kept under Improvement for the use of y' Church.

Voted in the affirmative.

11. That If any one of ye Deacons be ill & absent & attend not in ye Services forementioned, the other two Deacons Shall have Sufficient power to act validly in ye premises. voted in ye Affirmative

12. Forasmuch as Elder Preston Deacon Blake and Capt: Paul Gave an account of y' Running of lines Setling of bounds of Church lots, & Demanding the Church-land y' m' Damon has fenced in, & of their Selling of 3 Small Lotts, one for Eleven pounds & another for Eleven Pounds, & another for ten Pounds, The mony und' Improvm' & the bonds for it in Capt. Pauls hands for y' Chhs use,

That ye Said Elder, Deacon, & Captain be paid for y'

Trouble & Labour.

Voted in the Affirmative.

13. It was left to Consideration whether the Church will give 3 or 4 pounds per Annum to Subsist y Rev m' Moody or some other in preaching at the Town of Providence.

The meeting began & Ended with pray' & blessing.

And the Church Meeting for their Temporal Aff. rs, was adjourned unto the Monday of the week before the Election to be in Year of o' Lord one thousand Seven hundred twenty five if God please.

May 22. 1724. At a meeting of ye Elders & Deacons. Hond Deacon Blake gave an account of mony He had recieved, & of Some taken away by a Burglarer who broke prison at Cambridge—who is said to have dyed since beyond the Seas, and there remained in His hands Siven Pounds Nine shillings & 4d Church-Mony—besides inree pounds three shillings & six pence of Mony for the poor; Item He gave an account of 3 Bonds, one from Eben' Maudsley for 30d & Interest. Another from m' Henry White for Eleven pounds & Interest Another from m' Richd Hall for Eleven pounds & Interest. Item a bill on ye Said bond on ye back side:

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Deacon Blake still keeps the Thirty Pound bond from m' Maudsley aforesaid in His Hand for the Church. The oth two Bonds He delivered to the Other two Deacons for the Church

Item the Three Hon^d Deacons recieved of the Executors of Hon^d Deacon Jonathan Clap forty six pounds Eleven shillings & 8^d lately & seven Shillings for Rent.

Memorandum. Deacon Hopestill Clap & Deacon Nath: Fopliff have Each of y'' of the Chhs Mony in y' hands &

Care — y° Summe of twenty nine pounds Six shillings & 2^d: Total 58. 12*h 6^d besides y° bonds above mentioned.

Item Deacon Blake has a bond of 10 pounds from Isaac Royal with Interest.

Item Deacon Clap has a Bond for Captⁿ-Paul to pay 14^{1b} — 6^{-h} principal with the Interest.

Item Capt. Paul is to Get Security from m^r Talbot for y^e 10th & 7 years Interest in His Hands: The Articles abovewritten, all for the use of the Church.

May 31. 1725 At a Chh Meeting voted

- 1. That Capt. Pauls account of Chh Lands then Read to ye Chh should be recorded in this Book (Except ye of ye twelve Divisions we needs to be further Enquired after) with six acres of Salt meadow in Milton & ye Lotts in ye 25 Divisions & in ye Supplement & in ye Swamps & Meadow Bottoms.
- 2. Voted that ye Deacons should Clear ye part of ye Lot by John Davenports ye is now in fence for pasture or meadow & Lett it out to best advantage, also that they Should Sell ye Timber & oth wood Cleard off from it & improve ye mony for ye Use of ye Chh.

3. voted y' ye Deacons may lett an acre of ye Chh Lot at

m' Damons, & not sell it at present, unto m' Damon.

4. Voted that ye Deacon sell 3 Small Lots viz. One near Col. Spurs & 2 at Dorchester neck.

& keep y' mony und' improvement for y' Chhs use.

5. Voted y' y' printed proposals now read for an Evangelical Chh Treasury [&c]—Esp—to subsist preaching at Providence be Comunicated to y' Congregation.

6. voted that y' Deacons represent y' Chh in Making Subdivisions, & running bounds of Chh Lands in y' 25 Divisions

& Supplement & Swamps & Meadow bottom.

7. Voted that y' Deacons recon 13th in publick bills instead of an ounce of Silver mony in bonds & that they take y' interest of 5 per Cent.

8. voted & Granted ten pounds for y' Rebuilding of y' Revd m' Richard Math', minister of Dorchester His Tomb — of Stone. The Deacons to do it.

9. A proposal for Pray with fasting for pardon of all o' Sins & for ye pouring out of ye Holy Spirit & Concerning

Renewing o' Chh Covenant for Reformation & for bringing all o' People y' we can into Engagem's against particular Evils — Made = & refered to furth' Consideration.

The following is a true Copie from Dorch. Town Records that is an Extract as attests Samuel Paul Town Clerk.

1. In the Neck of Land called Dorchest' Neck.

David Price 2 acres 2 quarters 12 rods.

2. In the First Division

Lot 61. David Price 2 acres 2 quarters 12 rods

3. In ye Second Division

Lot Number 32 David Price 2 acres 2 quarters 12 rods.

4. In the 3d Division

Lot Number 22. David Price 2 acres 2 quarters 12 rods

5. In the Six Divisions April. 13. 1660.

Numb 65, present possessor David Price 2 acres, 2 qrs, 12 r. Church Lot m Tilly 4 acres, 0 qrs, 30 r. total 40 acr 1 12 r.

6. In ye 3 Divisions & quarter. (Apr. 13. 1660.)

present possessor { David Price Single Divis: 2 acr. 21, 12r. Numb. 41 Church Lot { Mn Tilly Single Divis: 4 acr. 30 r. Total } \$\frac{1}{4}\$. 36r.

7. In y' Meadow

David Price 2 acr $\frac{1}{2}$. 12 r. Present Possessor Chh Lot Mr Tilly 4 acr 30 r. = 2. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$

8. In Purgatory Swamp.

Church Lot (1.) Two acres three qr. 37 rod.

9. In y 12 Divisions.

Number 18. Price & Tilly.

To the abovewritten are to be Added

10. In ye 25 Divisions of Upland in Dorch. New Grant marked with ye Lett' C

Price & Tilly 75 — o — oo 125. laid out in ye 23d

William Daniel 50 — o — oo Range of Lots near wrentham

11. In Meadow Bottom one Division & an half — Price & Tilly 3 acres in a single Division. John Holbrook, Tho. Holman, John Fenno, Price & Tille, w^m Chaplain Sam. Wadsworth W^m Daniel Jasper Rush W^m Clark. 20 acr. 1 et They take up all Governo's Meadow.

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Oct. 13. 1725. A council of three Churches at Dorchester village advized them to prepare themselves, & to hasten the administration of y Lords Supper among y But Elhanan Lion not appearing advized y Church to give Him liberty to call in 3 oth Churches of His own Choice, to Join with this Council—in Council about His Matter on

Nov. 3 next at Dorchester old meeting house.

Nov. 3. 1725. The Council of Churches (sent for by the Church at Dorchester village) met according to adjournment at Dorchester old Meeting house & tho they could not obtain the presence of ye Dissenting Brethren of ye Church of said village nor would Elhanan Lion (thoh He had Liberty given) adde three other churches of His own choice) yet their Revd Pastor m Morse made such an acknowledgment & publick Declaration as that ye Said Council Judged it a sufficient Ground (on His Part) of Satisfaction & Reconciliation: & Recomended it as Such to ye Chh of ye said village advizing ym to peace, love & mutual forgivenesse & to bury all former faults & animositys and to keep a day of pray & Also anoth Paper was Signed wherein Matt's of order were declared and matt's of Disorder Testifyed against.

Nov. 24. 1725. The Rev^d m^r Ezra Carpenter was ordained

the 2d Pastor of the Church in Hull.

March 13, 17% A proclamation was Read for a publick

fast to be March 24.

And Printed Proposals were read for an Evangelical Treasury for propagating of y Gospel to Ungospellized Plantations, & a Contribution voted by y Congregation to be made March 24 for m' Modey to subsist Him in preaching at Providence.

Oct. 16. 1726. A Letter from Some Brethren in Sandwich Requesting the Church to Send Pastor & Messengers thither to sit in Council in Nov'= But the Church inclined

to Send none.

Oct. 23. 1726. A letter from the north Chh in Braintrey to this Church to Send Pastor & Messengers to their Ordination of m' John Hancock on Nov. 2. The Chh voted the officers of the Chh to goe accordingly.

And y' Ordination was Sollemnly accomplished on y' Said

Day.

April. 12. 1728. Friday—at a Church Meeting Then Voted y' y' Chh impower y' Deacons

I. To Let out still to y' Dammons or any others y' Land y' old m' Dammon hired of y' Church, & a piece of Upland near to it.

2 Item Voted that yt Church do Impowr yt Deacons for

ye Subdividing of y' Lots in ye 12 & 25 Divisions.

3. Item Voted that y' Chh do Impower y' Deacons to Sell y' wood y' is blown down in y' Chh Lot near blew Hills on ye right Side of ye way, & keep ye mony und Improvem' for y' Churches Use.

4. Item Voted y' y' Church Impower y' Deacons to Use all prof means in y' Law for Recovering y' mony y' was

Let out Richard Hall.

5. Item. y Church voted that they would not abate of 13 sh per Ounce Difference between Publ. Bills of Credit & Silver mony = as to y^e bond given y^m by Henry White.

Jan 28. 1728-29 At a Church Meeting after Lecture Declared y' ye Loons have received & put under improvement for y' Churches Use Fifty four pounds & nineteen shillings for wood Sold in the Churches Lot by y' blew

voted y' they would not take lesse yn 13 sh. publ. bills in lieu of an Ounce of Silver & So pro rata — for y' bond y' is to be paid by Josiah White. Item voted to Sell m' Damon half an acre of meadow which He has fenced & cleared.

& voted that they would not let y' Lot in y' 12 Divisions

nor purchase any Land adjoining to it.

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At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dorchester March. 3. 1728-29: Legaly Warned:

The Question was put whether the Town were willing that there should be another Minister called & setled as a Collegue with our Reverend Pastor m' John Danforth, in such Manner as ye word of God, & the Province Law doth direct?

It Passed in the Affirmative.

A true Copy from Dorchester Records — Attest — James Blake Junior Town-Clerk.

March. 9. 1728-9 — Lords Day.

The abovewritten Record was Read to the Church in Dorchester.

And then the following Questions were put

I. whether the Church be willing that there should be

another Minister called & settled as a Collegue with their Pastor, in such manner as the word of GoD & the Province Law directs?

It was Voted in the Affirmative.

2. whether the Church be willing, that on the Publick Fast Now near approaching. In the Publick Prayers, this Matter should be one special Article, And that the Eternal Fath' and y' Eternal Son (y' Glorious Head of y' Chh) and y' Eternal Spirit (the God of all Grace) be earnestly sought unto. Graciously to bestow the Blessing Desired, & to give the Church a Discerning of Spirits, & a Special Divine Guidance in all the steps that they are to take in their Endeavours after another Minister.

It Passed in the Affirmative.

3. Whether the Church be willing, in the Close of the Fast Service (after they have most solemnly Sought to GOD for Guidance) to bring in their Votes for a First Man (a Preacher) whom they would take into Consideration, and make further Trial & Probation of By Hearing Him again & again? A Second & Third Person to be Distinctly Voted for, on the Lords Day following?

Voted in v. Affirmative.

March: 20. 1728-29. Publick Fast. In the forenoon the Pastor preached on Psal. 68. 18, 19, 20; as Interpreted & Applyed by y' Apostle in Eph. 4, 7-12. Suitably to the occasion of Election of a Person to be put upon Probation for a minister. And after the blessing was given in the afternoon, the Church Stayed & the votes brought in were

For m' Wadsworth — one
For m' Stimson — one
For m' Eliot — two
For m' Byles — eight
For m' Payson — twelve

For m' Bowman — forty and one.

So m' Bowman was declared to be the first in Nomination for Probation.

March 23, 1728-29: The Church stayed & brought their votes for ye 2d Man to be put upon probation. And the votes that were brought in were

For m' Coolidge — one
For m' Champney — onc
For m' Bowes — two
For m' Eliot — four
For m' Byles — fifteen
For m' Payson — thirty five

So m' Payson was declared to be chosen to be the Second Preacher in Nomination for Probation.

Then they brought their votes for a 3^d Person; And the Number of votes was

For m' Pearse — one
For m' Wadsworth — one
For m' Chamney — one
For m' Powes — four
For m' Eliot — eight
For m' Coolidg — eight

For m' Byles — twenty one or twenty two, one name

badly spelled.

And twas declared to the Church that m' Biles was highest in y' votes—& had but 22 votes, yet if they would Consent that He should be the 3^d Person in Nomination, twas desired that they would Manifest it by lifting up of hands, and

It Passed in the Affirmative.

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March 30 & April 6. M' Byles Preached here April 13 & 20th m' Bowman preached here.

April. 22. A fast in Dorchester to intreat Gods mercy about a new Minister.

April 27 & May 4. m' Payson Preached here.

May 4. 1729. The Church voted speedily to proceed to y' Choice of a Colleague Pastor, & were ordered to bring in y' votes y' next Lords Day P.M.

May. 11. 1729. On Lords Day P.M.

The Church stayed according to appointment & voted for a Colleague Pastor By written Paper votes.

& m' Payson had twelve votes. & m' Byles had fourteen votes.

& m' Bowman had fifty one votes.

And the 3 Tellers of y' votes were y' Hond & Aged m' Capen, the Hond m' Phillip Withington & the Hond m' John Pearse.

And after that the Pastor had Declared that m' Jonathan Bowman was by a great Majority of Votes Chosen a Colleague Pastor in this Church: He Proposed that the Honoured Persons abovenamed (who were the 3 Tellers of y' votes) together with the Hond Deacons should be by y' Church, appointed, in y' Name of the Church to lay this

Matter before y' Hond Select Men & y' Town according to the Laws, & the Church manifested their Consent to it by a very General lifting up of hands.

May. 28. 1729 Election day. At a Lawfull Town Meeting The Town voted y' Concurrence with y' Church in the Choice of m' Bowman to be y' minister.

June 2. 1729 The Call from Chh & Town Signed by y' Pastor & Clerk was Carryed to m' Bowman by y' 2 Deacons old m' Capen, old m' withington Capt. Wiswell, Doctor Danforth — m' Jos. Hall, m' Jos. Basse & Lieutenant Sevars.

Oct. 19. 1729. The church voted y' y' first wednesday in november be for y' ordination of mr Bowman, & that the churches following be sent to, to assist by y' Elders & messeng's viz y' chh of Lexington, y' old Church of Roxbury M' Eells Chh of Scittuate, y' 2 Churches of Braintrey The Chhes of milton & Stoughton.

Then voted y' y' be a Contribution & w' is wanting for y' Charges of Entertainm' to be made up out of y' Churches monys in y' hands of y' Deacons; & y' old m' withington with y' Deacons take Care of y' Entertainmt of y' Elders & messeng's & oth's y' Come.

Nov. 5. 1729. The Elders & Messengers of y' Said Churches came & Chose m' Walter to be y' Moderator & to give y' Right Hand of fellowship (& He did so) & old m' Hancock preached—on those words of Paul... there comes upon me daily y' Care of all the Churches. The Aged Pastor prayd & gave the Charge by y' Divine Help; & He & m' Hancock, & m' Walter, & m' Eells, & m' Niles laid on Hands, on y' Reverend m' Jonathan Bowman & He was Sollemnly Ordained a minister of y' Gospel & a Pastor of the Church in Dorchester May He Continue Him a great Blessing.

Sit Gloria DEO in Xto, Nunc, & in æternum. Amen.

May 27 1730 at a Church meeting: voted that forty pounds be allowed out of the Church Stock towards the Funeral of the Rev^d. m'. John Danforth, as also twenty pounds to procure a mourning [suit] for the surviving Pastor.

At a meeting of the Church In Dorchester Nov. 26th, 1734. Voted

I that the Deacons give an account of the Churches Temporal Estate.

2 that persons be chosen to audit their accounts and make report thereon to the Church

3 that M' Blake, Cap'. Spur & M' Bird be a Committee

for this End.

4 that the Deacons make Subdivisions of the Churches Lands as there shall be occasion.

5 that John Moseley & his wife be Dismissed & recominended according to \dot{y}^r Desire to the Chh In Newton where they have removed.

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At a Meeting of the Chh of Dorchester December 24, 1734. The Report of the Committee chosen the 26th of the last Month to audit the accompts of the Deacons was read & accepted.

[NOTE. This is the close of the regular records of proceedings. After fifteen blank leaves we find this entry, pencilled in a bold hand:

Tho: Jordan Olive Corbin 15. 3. 1706.

Turning the book over, and looking at the top of what now becomes the first page (or fly-leaf), we find the following entries, which, though unofficial, were probably recorded by one of the very early clerks. The edges of the page are badly torn.

[94. Elder george [Minot]
$[\ldots]$	1597. M ⁿ Martha Minot His []
$[\ldots]$	1626. Their Son m' John Min []
[]	3. 1631. M' Steven Minott born []
$[\ldots]$	10. 1635. M' Samuel Minott born []
[]	30. 7 ^m . 1631. M ^r W ^m Stoughton born []
$[\ldots]$	2 ^m . 1637. M ⁿ Hannah Stoughton born []
-	31, 10, 1628. M' James Minot born []
	9. 10. 1653. The two last Marryed together.
	1. 5 ^m . 1701. The Hon'ble W ^m Stoughton Lt Gov:
	D ied []
	anno Aeta []

Proceeding now to the third folio, we find records which were plainly begun when the volume was first used, but were made at this end of the book to separate them from the records of proceedings. It will be borne in mind that they are contemporaneous with those records, from point to point.

N.B. There are numerous interpolations, in the way of personal and historical explanations, in a hand notably different from that of the regular entries. As their matter is very important, and apparently trustworthy, and seems to the copyist to be largely the work of one of the pastors, Rev. John Danforth, it is given. But it is put in parenthesis to distinguish it from the official text.

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Baptismes

The returnes of such children as have bene baptised in the church at Dorchester by Comunion of churches, their parents one or both being members of the church at Windsore, or Hingham:

Thomas moore
Elizabeth more
Azrikam Parker
Abigail Procter
Benjamin Richards
Joseph Richards
Samuel wright: 12^{mi}. 3°. 1638.
Jedidiah Stronge 2^{di}. 14°. 1639.
Jobaniah Lumberd 4^{di}. 23°. 1639.
Samuell Eelles 3^{mo}. 3^{tio}. 1640
(He is Major at Hingham Anno 1704–5 & Justice of Peace)

14. 5. 37 Jos. Leeds born.

(8^m 1634. Baptised Samuel Son of Roger Clap: He was many Yeares, Select man, & Deputy of ye Court, & Captain, at last Major, but gave back his Comission. He was ordained Ruling Elder febr. 3. 1701-2 & He Rested from His Labors Oct: 16. 1708. Aged 74 years.

His vertuous wife Daughter of Ri: Leeds, lived with Him near 49 Years & deceased about 7 days before Him Aged

about 71.)

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Baptismes 1637 1638

The names of such as have been baptised in the church at dorchester in the yeares 1637 & 1638.

Eleazar Mather

(Preached at Boston North.)

Hannah Stoughton

(married afterwds to mr James Minot)

Eldad Kingeslev

(became a Ruling Elder)

Pelatiah Gloover.

(became minister at Springfield)

Bithiah Hawes.

Samuel Hill

Abigail Reede 10^{mi}. 30°. 1638.

(Removed to Rehoboth)

nathaneel Holland

Noah wiswall

(Removed to Newtown — a Captain)

Hannah ffarneworth 10m. 30. 1638

(Removed to Hingham)

Isaack Dickerman.

(Removed to Connecticut)

Joseph Maudesley.

Prudence Clapp (I (II) 37)

Sarah Clapp

(Marryed at Connecticot)

Nehemiah Pierce

(Removed to Boston)

Abigail Cogan

(went to England)

Hannah Jones

(married m' Bullard of Dedham)

James Trowbridge

(Removed to Newtowne)

Tames White

(Joanna Capen Baptized y 4 (9): 3'. [])

Mary ffarneworth

(marryd m' Jenkins at Boston)

Mary Phillips

(marryd m' Mountjoy of Boston)

Jonathan Topley Mary Aldridge (went to Rehoboth) Elizabeth Rigby 1mi 3tio 1638. Eleazar fflood, who since his baptisme was dismissed wth his parents Joseph fflood and his wiffe to the church at Lynne: John Stoughton 1th 10th 1638. (Dyed at Barbados) Sarah Hawkins 1^{mi} 24^{to} 16 [] (wife to ye Revd mr James Allin) Rebecca Wiswall 2di [] [171]Baptismes at dorchester in the yeare 1639. Rebecca Wiswall: 2di 6to 1639. borne the 3d of same mo: about 7 aclocke in the eveninge: (marryed mr Curtice) Rest Atherton (married to O. Swift) Sarah Topley (marryed to Elder Copp of Boston) Joseph Leedes Benjamin Leeds Jonathan Farneham (Removed to Boston) Increase Mather (Dr. of Divinity Pastor in Boston) $\begin{cases} 4^{ti} 23^{\circ} & 1639. \\ (M^{r} & Math^{r} & {}_{agod} & 84) \end{cases}$ Thomas Andrewes Elizabeth Tylestone 6tt 3to 1639: (Died a maide) went to Watertowne Mary Millet:

John Capin

Jonathan Clerke

| 8 mo: 29^{mo}: 1639: John White } 10 mo 16th 1639 Mary Burre: 10 mo: 23th 1639:

Rebecca ffarnwoorth 11 mo: 5th: 1639:

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Bethia Hawoorth
Susanna Upsall
                                        12 mo: Decimo
Hannah Leeds
                                        6to 1639
  (marryd to Capt. Clap Ruling Elder)
Nathaniell Williams
                    12mo Vicesimo
Joseph Willies
  (went to Boston) 3tio 1639
                    Imo: 5to
Anna Waterhouse
                    Decimo 1640:
                    I mo 2 do
Hannah Purchase
                    vicesimo 1640
                   2 mo: 9no:
Mahetobell Clerke
                   decimo 1640
  (married mr Warren of Boston)
her ffather was then not come
ffrom old England: but m'
Soughtō declared her name
weh was given by her mother:
at home:
                 2 mo 6 to
Hannah Tolman
                 vicesimo 1640
  (married m' W<sup>m</sup> Blake last
    & to m' Lion ffirst)
           Samuell Eelles. his ffather
             (He died at Hingham,)
(Justice
                                         3 mo 3tto
of Peace)
          beinge memb of the church
                                        anno 1640
          of Winsor was by Comunio of
           churches baptised
                   3 mo 4to (23d)
Ezra Clapp
Praise ever Turner / vicesimo 1640
         iah Bourne
(Corner
          s Hawkins
                        4mo 4to
                        Decimo 1640
            Robinson
              Hawes
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Baptisms at Dorchester
in the yeare 1640

John Maudsley 4 ti mo: 8.
(went to Westfield) vicesimo [1640]

Jonathan Hill 5 ti mo
Duodecimo 1640

(Went to Bridgwater)

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бti, mo,
                                 1640
Experience Clapp
                     tricessimo (
                     7ti mo
 Nathaniell Clapp
                     vicesimo 7<sup>mo</sup>
 Samuell Rigbie
                  8mo. vicescimo 1640
                  9mo: decimo6to. 1640
 Samuell Proctor
   (went to Boston)
                      (went to Newhaven)
 David Zeleeke,
                      9mo vicessimo 3tio 1640
 John Gill
   (went to Boston)
 Thankefull ffoster
                    10 mo vicessimo 7mo 1640
   (married m<sup>r</sup> Baker of Boston)
 Elizabeth Swift 11 mo vicessimo 400 1640
 Nathaniell Clerke 11mo vicessimo primo 1640
   (went to Northampton)
 Mary Baker 12 mo: decimo4to 1640
   (marryed m<sup>r</sup> Robinson)
 Joanna ffarnham — 1 mo: 7timo 1641
   (went to Boston)
 Mary Peerce
                  I mo: decimo4to 1641
 mary Houtchin
 Experience Upsall
                       I mo vicessimo primo 1641
 Deliverance Holland (
 Samuell Pitcher 2 mo: decimo810 1641
 Hopestill munnings
   (went to England) 2 mo: vicessimo 5to [1641]
 Returne munnings
   (went to Boston)
 Rebecca Sykes — 3 mo: 9th 1641
   (went to Springfield)
 Jonathan Zeleekes: 3 mo: 16: 1641
   (Went to Stamford)
 Deborah Wiswall 3mo: tricessimo 1641
   She was born upo the 24 daye of the same mo beinge the
   2 daye of the weeke about 6 oclocke in the evening
 Thomas Bird 5 mo decimo8to 1641
 Thomas Holman 6 mo vicessimo 2do 1641
Rebecca Stoughton 6 mo vicessimo 90 1641
   (married to mr Tailer at Boston)
                             7 mo: decimo90: 1641
 Remembrance Lippincot
    (to m<sup>r</sup> Barber of Boston)
 Experience Callicot ): (filius non filia)
 Ruth Tylestone: \ \ 8 mo: tertio: 1641
    (married to Timothy Foster)
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Ebenezer Wiswall 8 mo dcimo^{7to} 1641
Waitstill Clapp 8 mo: vicessimo 4to 1641
John Whipple 8 mo: vicessimo 4to 1641
Elizabeth George 9 mo mo 1641
(married to Sam Rigby)
Hannah Hill torn off.]

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[] her ffather beinge dead

off.] [...] was declared in the congregatio

[...] Stoughto who: was requested by 1641

[...] mother as also to signifie the signification 10 mo viz: my ffather is god to intimate that it was 26

ffatherles & of the house of mourninge: the ground or cause of givinge the signification was because she had heard some thinge declared that it were fit for parents to give names accordinge to ther owne language

(by the teacher) increase Atherton

11 mo 2 do 1641

(Died at sea)

Experience Mead: __ II mo vicessimo 3tio 1641

Sarah Whipple (to Boston)

(To m^r Smith at Providence)
Jonathan Howard

Sarah Pond: (to Ezra Clap)

Nathaniell Howard

Rebecca Jones 12 mo decimo^{3tio} 1641 (married to m^r Green at Boston, Cooper)

Nehemiah Pears 12 mo Vicessimo 1641

(went to Boston) Anno 1642

Hannah Newton I mo: 6to 1642

(Crooker, Tanton)

Increase Robinson (went to Taunton)

John Burd 1 mo decimo^{3tio} 1642

Mehetabel Millet of Rebecca Millet.

I mo vicessimo 42

>12 mo : 6to 1641

John Wilkins

(to Salem village)

Elizabeth Clarke 3 mo vicessimo 2do 42 wait a while makepeace

(to m' Dennis at Boston)

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4 mo: duo decimo 42
Israell Phillips
             (to Boston)
Ruth ffarnwoorth 4 mo: decimo90 42:
  (to mr Puffer)
                        4 mo vicessimo 6to 42:
Obedience Holland
  (wife to Benj. Gamline)
                        5 mo.
ffreedome Wooward
John Tollman 5 mo 31 1642
Israell Reed: his ffather sent him by his mother
from Situate to be baptised at Dor. wherof him-
selfe was member
                       7 mo: 25: 1642:
Experience Pitcher
Eliezar ffawer
                                          8 mo 2<sup>do</sup> 1642
  (His son Called Gibson Far at Boston)
Obedience Topley
Abigaill Hawkins 8 mo 9<sup>no</sup> 1642
  (To m' Kellum & m' Foster Boston)
Increase Turner 8 mo decimo 1642
Ruth Upsall
         (to Boston)
                         8 mo 22<sup>do</sup> — 1642
Addingstill Willeyes
                         ' 9 mo 22<sup>do</sup> — 42
[Co]nstant Hawes
[ . . . ]h ffarnham
                          9 mo 29<sup>no</sup> — 42
         (to Braintrey)
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Abigall Hollman vicessimo 10<sup>mo</sup> 42
         (To Taunton)
Mersy Hill
              8 to 11 mo 1642
John Newton (
Take-Heed munnings (
                        vicesimo 2do 11mo 42:
Elizabeth Maudsley
                         duodecimo: 12mo: 42
John ffrench
         (went to Waymouth)
Elizabeth Pratt decimo9to 12 mo 42
  (married to Roger Billings)
Increase Sumner vicesimo 6to 12mo 42
Sarah Wiswall
she was borne the 19th day of the same mo: beinge the
Lords Daye in the eaveninge about sunne setinge
Mary Smith 5to 4 mo 42
  (Marryd to mr Johnson of Roxbury)
                           1643.
Susan Cundliffe 1mo vicecimo: nono 43
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(To Northampton)

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I<sup>mo</sup> vicessimo o<sup>no</sup> 43:
Mary Evens
  (Marryd to Nathan Bradley)
Experience Clerke 2 mo 2do. 43
            (to Northampton)
mehitabell Rigby vicesimo 3tio 2do 43
  (to m' Turner of Scittuate)
John Baker
              lult of 2mo 43
John George (
  (Died at Sea)
Jonathan Howard
                         vicesimo 5to 4 mo 43
            (to Boston)
                         2<sup>do</sup> 5<sup>th</sup>mo 43:
Tho ffrench
Dependance Callicot
                         9th 5th mo 43:
Ruth Swift
                          decimo<sup>6to</sup> [ . . . . ] 43
Ionathan Fuller
                          vicessimo 6tomo 43
Experience Woodward: decimo: nono: 9th mo 43
                   (to northampton)
                          vicesimo 6to 9th mo 43
Preserved Clapp:
  (Capt: & Ruling Elder at Northampton)
Prudence Robinson:
                          decimo<sup>7mo</sup> 10 mo 43
                          Tricessimo primo 10 mo 43:
Sarah Davenport
                          vicessimo 8to 11 mo 43:
Mathias Eavens:
Sarah Mead:
                          4to 12 mo 43:
  (marryed to mr Burgesse of Boston)
Hannah Howard
                          Undecimo: 12 mo 43:
  (married to mr Saml Minot)
                   1644.
Hopstill ffoster:
                         10 I mo 44
Ebinezer Clap
                          17 I mo 44
Samuell Whipple
    (to Providence)
Renewd Kingsley
                       24 I mo 1644:
    (to Ipswich)
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Abigaill Chamberlane her father beinge a member of Concord but at preent sojerninge in Dorchester was by vertue of communio of churches upo her ffather Request & some bretheren report of him Baptized 31 1 mo: 1644

(or James) Samuell Bird: 2 mo: 44: Thankeffull Atherton: 29 2 mo: 44:

Recompence Osburne was Baptized at D [...] as a member of the church of salem [...] ffather & mother were members: as [...] by a Certificate under mr Endicot [...] Governour as also: wth do [.....] decisio was this: willi [.]

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[.....] salem to [Braintrey] to become Clerke of the Iron worke [did] for [some] small tyme sojurne wth his Brother [...] in Dorchester in weh tyme the child was Borne and so Baptized 16 of 4 mo: 44

Abigaill flawer was baptized in Dorchester 30 of 5 mo 44: weh daye mr mather Teacher of the church of christ there did predicate & cleare up the doctrine of pedo Bap-

tisme against the Calumnous errour of the AnaBaptists

Thomas Stoughton Hill Topley Pears Cornelius Willeyes Anna Holman 29 7 mo 44: John Dickerman Anna Billindge 20 8 mo 44 (to m^r Penniman) Samuell ffarnwoorth 27 8 mo 44 Patience Turner 10 9mo 44 [Lydia] Wilkins 25 9 mo 44 (to mr. Mills) Mary Pitcher 30 9 mo 44 (wife to Isaac Rush) Ruth Tollman 7 10 mo 44 (to Isaac Ryall) Nathaniell Maudsley 16 12 mo 1644 Rebecca Smith 22 12 mo 1644 (to mr Nash of Boston) 1645 Tho Davenport John Pellton Waitstill Wvat 2^{do} 1 mo 1645 (to Capt. Vose) Mary Humphrey's 9mo 1 mo 1645 Eliezer Hawes Joseph ffarnham: 23: 1 mo 1645 Beniami \ Lydia Wiswall 13 2 mo 45: Prudence Holland 25 3 mo 45:

22 4 mo 45:

Sarah Baker

Abigaill: Rigby

Mary Swift John Baker Mary Billindge Experience Clap Mary George John Howard Anna Evens [Ebenezer] Hill [] Preston [Eliza]beth Curtise	21 7 mo 45 28 7 mo 45 23 9 mo 45 21 10 mo 45 4 11 mo 45
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	Anno 1646
Increase Clerke	·
Eliezer Whipple	1 — 1 mo — 46 8 — 1 mo — 46
Thankfull Baker)	4
Preserved Trot }	19 — 1 mo — 46
Abigaill Pond)	
Patience Mead:	29 — I mo — 46
Waitinge Robinson Samuell Topley	26 — 2 mo — 46 10 — 3 mo — 46
Cornelyus Tylestone	17 — 3 mo — 46
Nathaniell Callicot	24 — 3 mo — 46 30 — 6 mo — 46
Hope Atherton	30 — 6 mo — 46
Patience ffoster	16 — 6 mo — 46
Bethia Willet Thankfull Woodland	2 — 6 mo — 46 9 — 6 mo — 46
Experience Willies	9 — 7 mo — 46
Hannah Clap:	
Joseph Makepeace \	20 — 7 mo — 46
Nehemiah Clap	10 — 8 mo — 46
Susanna Daniell	18 — 8 mo — 46
Samuell Hollman	6 — 10 mo — 46
John Phillips Samuell Pellton	25 — 11 mo — 46
, and the second of	A 16.m.
C11 (f	Anno. 1647:
Samuell ffarnwoorth. Rebecca Tollman	30 — 3 mo — 47
Thomas Willkins	16 — 3 mo — 47
John woodwoorth	16 — 3 mo — 47 18 — 5 mo — 47
Ruth Pitcher	25 — 5 mo — 47
Abiell Howord	8 — 6 mo — 47 19 — 7 mo 47
Ephraim Newton:	19 — 7 mo 47

Elizabeth Smith:	19 — 10 mo — 47
(Anna Swift	14 — 9 mo — 47
Hopestill Clap	6 — 10 — 47
Ebenezer Williams	47)

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Anno 1648

[]ary Whipple	9 — 2 mo — 48
Naomy Tylestone	7 — 3 mo — 48
Abigaill Holbrooke	21 - 3 mo - 48
Sarah Lane	28 — 3 mo — 48
Samuell Bate	19 — 4 mo — 48
Nathaniell Wyat	2 — 5 mo — 48
John Daniell	6 — 6 mo — 48
Mary Brecke	13 — 6 mo — 48
Martha Hill	20 — 6 mo — 48
[mar]tha woodland	3 — 7 mo — 48
Patience Hollman (Preserved Callicot (28 — 11 mo — 48
John ffoster (Susanna Clap (10 — 10 mo — 48
mary waye	14 — 11 mo — 48
mary davenport	21 — 11 mo — 48

(Samuell Capen ye Sonne of John Capen was baptized ye 6d (6) 48 at Brantry by vertue of Communion of Churches, he being borne at that towne: his ffather & mother being members of this Church of Dorchester)

(Samuel Trescot born Nov. 4. 1646 & is by Gods mercy an active man in febr 1728.)

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Anno 1649.

Margaret Wilkins: 10 — 12 mo — [48]
Hopestill Humphreyes 10 — 4 mo — [49]
Looke for Jo withington in the yeare [49]
John woodland } 12 6 mo 49:
Sarah Burd } 12 6 mo 49:
Bathsuba Tylestone: 16 — 7 mo 49
Daniell Preston 7 — 8 mo 49
Thankeffull Boulton 14 — 8 mo 49

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Beniamin wiswall
mary
John merrifeild
Elizabeth
Ruth
John minot:
James swift
Rebecca Ireland
mary Holbrooke 17 1 mo 50
place this in 50 and pdon ye escape.
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(Ebenez: Williams Son of Roger williams born in January 1649, as He saith His moth's name was Lidia Bates He was Baptized by m' mather.)

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Anno 1650
mahitobell Hill
Abigaill Newton
John withington I — 5 mo 49
pdon this escape:
John Brecke
Elizabeth Baker
Vait Clap
Barnerd Capen
Leuitenant Clap declared the Re
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Leuitenant Clap declared the Reason why he called his child (wait) was because he did suppose the ffall of antichrist was not ffarre of:

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Hannah merrifeild
Elisha
malachy
nehemiah
Ester

Anna Davenport 29—10 mo 50

John Pitcher 11—6 mo 50

Samuell Badcocke
David Mead
mary Daniell
Rebecca Gill
Jonathan Billindge
Thankes Clapp
Aron waye 6—8 mo 50
this daye brō Pears Request [for] dissmission was made knowne [where]upō the trouble Rose
mary Holbrooke 17 [....]
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the same [....]

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Anno 1650.

[...] wiswall [...] er waye [...] Ireland 20 — 8 mo 50

Releiffe Holland 16 (3) 50

(James Foster ye Son of Captain Hopestill Foster, & of mⁿ mary Foster His wife, was born April 13. 1651. & Baptized following.)

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Anno 1651

William Clapp | 6 — (5)

John Butler | 6 — (5)

Sarah Howard | 20 (5) 51

Bethia Legar 10 (6) 51

She was an inhabitant of Boston but her mother was at her ffather Blake house in dorchester when she was borne

and there laye in

Watchinge Atherton 24 (6) 51
Samuell Mather
Ebinezer Withington
Anna Smith

7 (7) 51

John Preston 14 (7) 51

Onesiphorus Tylestone 19 (8) 51

John Triscott
Samuell Billindge
Ebinezer Billindge
Samuell Boors 8 (12) 51

Samuell Pears 8 (12) 51 Susanna Swift 15 (12) 51

Noah Mason 22 (12) 51

but this noah was borne some space before the 2 before him but had been defferred: in point of Baptisme:

Henry Wilkins
Jonathan Badcocke
John Weekes
Anna Blake

but Jonathan was some weeks or months older than any of the rest and was kept until this tyme &

Martha Wiswall was borne the three and twentieth of the

Last moneth ffifty one about eleaven of the Clocke at night & was baptized upon the

14 (1) 52 The same daye from the Counsell of new England was published Certaine Reasons or grounds whereupo they Require the Churches in new England to keepe a daye of thanksgiveinge unto god for mercy vouchsafed to old England especially that overthrow at wocester the thanksgiveinge daye is to be the 17 (1) 52.

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uxor eius. William Sumner	18 (2) 52 y Concerninge James Blake et & Isaac Jones was demanded some thinge was said: in cominge)
Isaac Humphreyes	2 (3) 52
William Whipple	16 (3) 52
John [Hamon]	20 (4) 52
Elizabeth Sumner	27 (4) 52
Mary Capen	11 (5) 52
(& dyed y 8 of ffeb 78)	
Hannah Callicott	15 (6) 52
James Blake)	22 (6) 52
John Browne \	
Elhenan Lyon	3 (8) 52
[Samuell Blake]	
Samuell Lawrance)	10 = 8 - 52
Mary Blake	10 = 0 = 52
Charles Davenpor	7 (9) 52
Thomas Jones	9 (11) 52
Nathaniell Mather)	20 /11\ 52
William Waye	30 (11) 52
Anne Ireland	13 (12) 52
Anno I	Oom 1653
Robert Howard	
	27 (1) 53
Nathaniell Glover	3 (2) 53
Sarai Ellen	
Mary Daniell	10 (3) 53
Margaret Rodgers	24 (3) 53
Elizabeth Brecke	

Hopstill Layeland	29 (3) 53
Mary Lane	7 (6) 53
Elisha ffoster	24 (6) 53
James Minot (Elizabeth Weekes)	18 (7) 53
Henry withingto	11 (8) 53

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Samuell Clerke 23 (8) [...]

The same day Prudence Gatliffe daughter of Thomas Gatliffe [miller] of the Tyde milne in Dorchester by Comunion of Churches Baptized [...] Dorchester Church her mother being a member of the Church of Boston

Elizabeth Rush 30 8 53
Sarah Pond 4 (10) 53
Richard Mather 25 (10) 53
James Badcocke Sarah Trott 12 (1) 54

same daye William Robinson was excomnicated for Laciviousnes upon the Accusation & witnes of mary Atherton & her two daughters sister Holland Goodwiffe [wales] Weekes & Bates & ffor his obstinacie in not heareinge the church haveinge beffore admonished him: & the same daye Lewetenant Clap infformed the church that there was some offence in [some] takeinge y^mselves from church to their offence: weth beinge seconded by Henry Cundliffe it came to passe y^t John Peares & John [Kinsley] were publickly named as those that were to give an accompt of their absence to y^e Congregatio: mr mathers text y^t day was from y^e 10 leviticus 3 vers:

 Patience Atherton
 2 (2) 54

 James Baker
 30 (2) 54

 Mary Sumner
 7 (3) 54

(married to nicholas How & after to John Trow. Died febr.

16. 170_6^5 at Newport.)

Patience Triscott
Thomas Lawranson
Beniamin whipple = 14 (3) 54
28 (3) 54
4 (4) 54

The 7 of 4 54 Hester wiswall was borne about 10 of the Clocke in the fforenone & Baptized 11 (4) 54

Elizabeth Blake 9 (5) 54

(she dyed 24 8 54)

Same daye bro smith was beffore chū & the boy his ser: but came of very pooerly beinge very drye &c
Thomas Merriffeild 30 (5) 54

Joseph Clapp

13 (6)

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Sarah Blake 15 = (8) 54

James Capen 26 (9) 54

Susanna Brecke 31 (10) 54

John Glover 18 - (12) 54

Same daye John Smith and his wiffe were Excomunicated ffor Comitting ffornincatio together beffore marriage wen was ffound out by the birth of ther child albeit they beinge questioned ffor it beffore the Church did Conceale their sin: untill god palpably charged it upō ym by that means.

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11 (1) 54 or 55

There havinge beene in o' church some Consideratio what state members children are to be Considered in: in the church where they are Baptized it came to vote & by divers was voted y' they were members & that haveinge children they should have y'' baptized if y''selves did take hold of their ffathers Covenant (but w' that takeing hold of Covenant is, was not Clerely agreed upon) albeit y''selves beinge examinyed were ffound neither ffit

albeit y^mselves beinge examinyed were flound neither flit flor the Lords table nor voteinge in the Church but this & other thinges seemed strange and unsaffe unto Divers in Conclusiō soe it was 4 Lres were sent to the churches of Boston Roxbury Dedham & Braintree to intimate unto y^m w' was by us intended if in the space of a month or 6 weekes we did not heare Reasons from y^m against or y' it would be offensive now y^e 11, (1) 54 there came 3 Lres one frō Boston Dedham & Roxbury in all w^{ch} after kind and Religious salutations we flind [.....] Boston desires Rather our florbearance & declares ther 2 votes upō w' we had done Dedham sees not Light to goe so farre as we & Roxbury though divers of y^m fleare it might make th [.....] &

bring in time the Corruption of old England w^{ch} we ffled ffrom yet have voted that they see noe cause to diswade us:

Boston Lrē signed
by mr John wilson Pastor

(Elders) Thomas Oliver
William Colbourne
James Penn
Dedham
by mr Allen (Pastor
or Teacher)
mr Huntinge
Roxbury
by mr John Eliot (Teacher)
mr Samuell Danforth
(Pastor)
(Elder) Isaac Heath

17th (12) 55

the daye abovesaid Edward Brecke was called upon the church why after so much waiting they did not put in practice their argmt about Baptizinge church members children web not in ffull Comunio as he speakes: m' mather answered Reason was double ffirst 2 churches not willinge of o' practice 2 none [rendered] upo churches Conclusio but Edw answ' in Conscience he thought we Rather neglect o' knowne duty then to offend those meaninge (the 2 churches that were erroneous in their argment

upo 8 (1) 55 the case abovesaid being in que againe Elder withington made a motio that m' mather might have [liberty] to baptize whom he would only [...] be for a moneth or

the like defferr[ed] [. . . .] such

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[as were] not cleare might make thear [....] knowne by word or writinge to [m^r] mather goodman wales seemed [to] thinke & so did speake that the waye [was] too strait as m^r mather intended & bro sumner expressed upō the 7 & 12 ppositions but all was stayed at p'sent upō bro ffoster desire that m^r mather he beinge to speake next upō I of 25 gene: would please to speake of abrahams sons by katurah how in abraham Covenant

upon 17 (6) 56 m' mather deliveringe this point that the church ffor state now in the gospell theire was a kingdome yea a kingdome of heaven & must be soe preached by the ministers did psente an eight ffould use of information the ffirst whereof was that men might Convert & Come into church state & in the Eight [breach] that men must use all meanes that they might have the priviledges & beneffits of the kingdome viz they must Repent & beleave: 2 Scriptures pduced one out of marke & the other out of the acts

now my questiō is how this votes of church

[Several lines illegible.]

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(1) 54 or 55 Mary Bates daughter of James Bates baptized her ffather beinge then [from] home gone ffor England by waye of virg[inia] her Grandffather — Elder withingto gave her a name:

The same day a Lre ffrom Tanton was Recd to intreate some helpe of Elders & bretheren ffro us & Roxbury to give Counsell in a matter of difference ffallen out amonge ym Hopestill ffoster John wiswall were then nominated as the bretheren to goe mr mather ffor the present not determined the daye of their beinge at Tanton is 28th of this instant

Mary Blake 25 — (1) — 1655 Hannah Daniell 22 (2) 1655

This daye John Smith & his wiffe were both Receaved againe into the church haveinge beene Excomunicated haveinge beene before the church the 15th daye & upon some scruple about her both were defferred & this daye she got hardly in some ffor her some against her & some neuters:

Thomas Clap | 29 (2) 55 Mary Pitcher | 29 (2) 55

same daye was a speciall Contribution ffor brō william daniell haveinge his house burned the 7th of this instant & the most of what he had Consumed

17th (4) 55

Richard Waye sonne of Richard waye was baptized his ffather beinge at p'sent a member of salem church though Removed thence & intending to Rejoyne to us againe so soon as opp'tunity should serve thereffore his Baptisme was declared to be by ye Comunio of Churches that is among us

same daye mary Smith was Baptized her Baptisme havinge beene defferred upō the Excomunicatio of her ffather & mother

In June was sicknes whereof almost all were ill I have not seene so few at meetinge upō noe occasion. nor so much Coughinge as then.

Abigaill davenport 8 (5) 55
Cornelius Tylestone | 15 (5) 55
Beniamin Allen | 29 (5) 55

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william Weekes 26 (6) 55 Mahalaleel Muninges 9 (7) 55

was borne the 4th daye beinge the 3d of the weeke about 11 or 12 a clocke at night & Baptized as abovsaid he was borne at his grand ffather wiswall

house

Nathaniell Butler | Sarah Rodgers | 14 (8) 55 | William Ireland | 16 (10) 55 | Ebinezer Billindge | 6 (11) 55 | Katheren Mather | 13th (11) 55 | Mary ffoster | 10 (12) 55 | Samuell Pond | Elizabeth Lane | 16 (1) 55 | Abigaill Badcocke | 27th (2) 56:

She was baptized in a Coat being about 3 moneths old as I heard her ffather speake:

sacrement daye

Ruth wiswall

15 (3) 56

so 15 (4) 56

Elizabeth Baker 29 (5) 56
Hester Clap
Abigaill Merriffeild 3 (6) 56

Same day uncatye bussines was [debated] upon and a vote to show what app'batiō the church give to their practice there wch was not clearely determined & p'ved but at a venture they Condemned them for [.....] some Returne was made in waye of deffense by brō Callicot objectinge their dilligence to p'cure an able minister such as the church calls for (sent Henry Butler) &c. & that for encor-

agment or wages they were Ready though to treble chardge at Dorchester but their state condem 1 as noe able minister 2 and destructione to gods worship 3 against government Comand but theise 3 are all Capable of answ & confutatio Elizabeth Withington 24 (6) 56

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Samuell ffarnworth | Elizabeth Weekes | 14 (7) [56] |
David Whipple | 28 (7) 56 |
John Smith | 12 (8) 56 |
Jonathan Waye | Unite Clap | 19 (8) 56 |
Elizabeth Waye | Elizabeth Boulton | 18 (11) 56 |
Richard Hall | 25 (11) 56 |
William Blake | 1 (1) 67 |
Preserved Capen | 8 (1) 67 |

14 (4) 57

the daye abovesaid were Baptized ffoure of Gamalliell Beamond Children p'sented by their mother who only is member in whose Right they were Baptized 3 of ym beinge growen up were very backward especially the Eldest m' mather came downe unto the deacon seat their names wer as ffollows

Thomas Beamond 8 yeare old John Beamond 6 yeare old Gamalliell Beamond 4 yeare old Mary Beamond she sucked on her mother not weaned:

27 7 57

Hannah muninges her ffather then not come ffrom England same daye Martha minott p'sented by her ffather — though he was noe memb accordinge to our church order: but a Corruptio Creepinge in as an harbenger to old england p'actice viz. to make all members: (weh god p'vent in mercye

Elizabeth Weekes 17—(8)—57
Thankffull Rush 1—9—57
Rodger ye sone of Rodger 13 (10) 57
bellenge baptized ye— 13 (11) 57
Johnathan ye sonne of Richard Way— 3 (11) 57
Elizabeth & Martha the daughters of William pond 21 (12) 57

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58 Baptismes

Susanna ye daughter of 28 (1) 58 petter Lyon baptized 28 (1) 58 Ann ye daughter of Nicholas Ellen 9 (3) 58	
Nathaniell ye Sonne of Robert Badcoke	6 (4) 58
Isacke ye Sonne of Richard Curtice & patience ye daughter of Nicholas Lauerence	20 (4) 58
Rebeckah ye daughter of Job Lane Baptized	4 (5) 58
Nathaniell ye Sonne of Timothy Mather Comfort ye Sonne of Hope still ffoster & Eliza-	5 (7) 58
beth ye daughter of James Blake	3 (8) 58
Mahittabell ye daughter of Jeremy Rodgers	10 (8) 58
Hannah ye daughter of Isacke Joanes George ye Sonne of William weeks	21 (9) 58 5 (10) 58
Waitstill ye daughter of John Smith	12 (10) 58
Joseph ye Sonne of Jno Capen	2 ^d (11) 58
(The Revd. m ^r Joseph Capen died June 30. 1725. Pastor of the church at Topsfield)	
Elizabeth ye daughter of Edmond Browne	9 ^d (11) 58
Samuell Sumner ye Sonne of Rodger Sumner	13 (12) 58
The same day was John Capen ordained Deacon John Wiswell ye Sonne of Enock wiswell	20 ^d (12) 58
Beniamin ye Sonne of Henery Merrifeild	27 (12) 58
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Johnathan ye Sonne of Tho: Davenport	13 (1) 58
Sarah Beaman, daughter of Gamaliell Beaman & Sarah Clarke y' daughter of William Clarke	$\begin{cases} 20 & (1) & 5_9^8 \end{cases}$
phillip y Sonne of Richard Withington and Jacob & Samuell Hewens	$27 (I) 5_9^8$
Johnathan ye Sonne of Rich: Haall	10 (2) 59
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Samuell ye Sonne of	a . /a)
William Daniell Baptized ye Abigall ye Daughter of Edward Clap	24 (2) 59 1 ^d (3) 59
0 /	- (3/ 39

Nathaniell ye Sonne of William Blake Jung Baptized y' 10^d (5) 59 Hanah ye Daughter of William Sumner Jun' being borne about a month before at Boston 10^d (5) 59 & baptized v^e John John
Johnathan & Blackman ye Children of
Sarah 17d (5) 59 Judith ye daughter of William pond Baptized ye Elizabeth ye daughter of Rodger Belleng Baptized ye 27 (9) 59 Sherebiah ye Sonne of Henery Kibby Baptized ye 8 (10) 59 on a publique day of thanksgiving & he gave ye reason of his nameing his Sonne by yt name: weh was because he had prvailled with god by prayer for him

1660

Mercy; ye Daughter of Ralph Huchenson Baptized ye 4th of the 1 Mo 560 her mother being a member of ye Church at Boston & her father being a non-member Johnathan ye Sonne of Daved Joanes baptized ye 11 of ye (1) 500

Thomas ye Sonne of Isack Joanes baptized ye 18 of ye (1) 5% Susanna ye daughter of Aron Way baptized ye 1 day of ye (2) month 1660 being about 2 or 3 months old at this time but not baptized tell now being borne at ye farme wher they now live.

Thankfull the daughter of Amiell weecks baptized you

29 (2) 1660

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Baptismes 1660

John & Joseph Garnesy baptized the 29 of ye (2) 60 ye elder being about 12 years old & the other about a yeare & half younger Ickabod ye Sonne of Jeremy Rodgers his mother being removed to Nashaway but brought hether to be baptized the 27 (3) 60 Theophelus ye Sonne of mr William Poolle his father & mother being members of ye Church at Tanton by communion of Churches was baptized the 3 of ye (4) Mo 1660 Johnathan ye Sonne of James Blake baptized ye 15 (5) 1660 Nathaniell ye Sone of Nicholas Laurenc Baptized ye 12 (6) 1660

[Mary] ye Dafter of Jacob Hewens baptized ye Same day Renew ye Daughter of William Weikes baptized ye 19 (6) 60 John ye Sonne of Samson Mason baptized ye 23 ye (7) 60 being about 4 years old when he was baptized because his tather in his Judgment was & is against ye baptizing of infants yet he being at Seaconck doe p'mite yt bror Gornell (wth whom ye Child doe dwell) may bring it forth to be baptized Samuell ye Sonne of Thomas Trot baptized ye 7 of ye (8) Mo 60 being about 4 or 5 weecks old

Caleb ye sonne of Robert Badcock baptized ye 21 (8) 60

at 2 or 3 months old.

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1660 1661

Supply the Sonne of Rogger Clap baptized the 4 of ye (9) 1660 Stand-fast the Sonne of Hopstill floster baptized the 25 (9) 1660

Mary y Daughter of Thomas Moadesly

baptized ye 6 of ye (11) 60

The 13 of y' (11) 60 was baptized Martha the daughter of William Trescot & Enock the Sonne of Enock Wiswell.

The same day was dismissed Richard Collicot & his wife to Joyne to ye new Church at Boston

Also Abraham Staple dismised ye same day to Joyn to ye

Church at Waymouth

Deliverance the daughter of John Smith baptized the 24 (12) 60 being about a month old

1661

Ebenezer the Sonne of petter Lyon baptized the Ebenezer the Sonne of Tho: Davenport baptized ye 28 (2) 61 Martha ye daughter of Henery Merifeild was baptized y^e 28 (2) 61 but was borne about 2 months before Joshua the Sonne of Edward Clap baptized the 12 (3) 61 Joseph ye Sonne of Timothy Mather baptized ye 26 (3) 61 Joseph ye Sonne of John Blackman baptized ye 30 (4) 61 Samuell ye Sonne of Edmond Brown baptized ye 21 (5) 61 John ye Sonn of Job Lane Baptized ye 18 (6) 61 being above a quarter of a year old by reason of ther dwelling soe remote Joseph ye Sonn of Joseph Homes: baptized the 17 (9) 61 Constant ye daughter of Richard Withington ye same day

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Thankfull ye Daughter of William pond baptized ye 19 (11) 61 Ebenezer the sonne of Isacke Joans baptized ye 9 (12) 61 being borne at boston about 7 or 8 weeks afore

The same day was baptized Experience ye daughter of

Rich: Haalle

Samuell ye sonne of Samuell Clap baptized ye 23 (12) 61 Elizabeth ye daughter of James Trobridge baptized ye 16 (1) $6\frac{1}{2}$ being about a yeare & quarter old at that time ye wife being a member

Hanah ye daughter of Enoch Wiswell baptized ye
Edward ye sonne of William Blake baptized ye
James ye Sonne of James Bate was baptized ye
Zipporah ye daughter of Roger Belleng was

6 (2) 62
20 (2) 62

Baptized ye 22 (4) 62 being about a month old: at ye birth of whom her mother

dyed

Mindwell ye daughter of James Trobridge Baptized ye same day

Nicholas the Sonne of Nicholas Lauerence

baptized ye 29 (4) 62 Israell minot the Sonnes of

George & James minot weer all baptized the

James) baptized the 20 (5) 62 ther mother being lately admitted into full Communion: the first being about 6 years & 3 quarters old the Second

& the theird about 3 years old

Steven the Sonne of John Minot baptized ye 17 (6) 62 Elizabeth ye daughter of Jacob Hewens baptized the 31 (6) 62 Elizabeth ye daughter of David Joans baptized the 14 (7) 62

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1663

The 21 of y° (7) 62 ther was baptized William y° Sonne of James Minot y° wife being a member & Amiell y° Sonne of Amiell Weeks &

Sarah ye daughter of William Trescot

Hañah ye daughter of John Capen baptized the 5 of ye (8) 62 being borne the 1 of ye (8) 62 in ye morning as soons as it was day light

Jane y' daughter of William Weeiks baptized y' same time Thomas y' Sonne of Thomas peirce baptized y' 26 (8) 62

being about 3 months old ye wif a member

11 (7) 64

Samuell ye Sonne of petter Aspenall baptized ye 16 (9) 62 Samuell ye Sonne of John Smith baptized the 28 (10) 62 Elizabeth the Daughter of Joseph Homes and Hanah ye daughter of Richard Baker weer both of them baptized ve 11 of ve (11) 62 COTTON MATHER the Sonne of m' INCREASE MATHER baptized at Boston (By old mr Wilson) ye 15 (12) 62. being borne there (He has been abt 20 years Pastor of ve North Chh in Boston Anno 1705.) Richard ye Sonne of Hope-still floster baptized ye 29 (1) 63 Increase ye Sonne of Thomas Moadesly baptized ye 26 (2) 63 Ebenezer the Sonne of Robbert Badcock baptized ye 5 of ye (5) 63 being about 7 months old when he was baptized Petter ye Sonne of petter lyon baptized y° 6 (7) 63 Atherton Mather ye Sonne of Timothy Mather baptized the 4 (8) 63 Mary ye daughter of John Blackm[an] was baptized ye 18 (8) 63 [195]1663 1664 Hopstill the sonne of Robbert Badcock baptized ye 8 (9) 63 Elizabeth ye daughter of James Minott Baptized ye 27 (10) 63 his wife being a member Daniell ye Sonne of Daniell ffisher baptized ye same time his mother being a member Experience ye daughter of Willm pond & Mary ye daughter of Isack Joans baptized ye 3 of ye (11) 63 Mary ye daughter of George Sumner baptized ye 21 (12) 63 being about 10 days old at that time John ye Sonne of Samuell Clap and Margeret ye daughter of James bate weer both baptized ye 19 (4) 64 ye wife of ye latter being a member Nathaniell ye Sonne of Joseph Homes baptized ye 10 (5) 64 being about fortnight old or better ye wife being a member Henery ye Sonne of Henery Merrifeild baptized ye 31 (5) 64 being about 3 quarters old: and his wife being a member

wife being a member John y' Sonne of Tho: Davenport baptized y' 20th (9) 64

George ye Sonne of William weeks was baptized ye 2 (8) 64 and Moses ye Sonne of William Chaplain ye same time his

Rebeckah ye daughter of Nicholas Lawerenc

baptized ye

David ye Sonne of David Joans was baptized ye 27 (9) 64 John ye Sonne of Thomas Trot baptized ye 4 (10) 64 Oliver ye Sonne of Enoch Wiswall baptized ye 29 (11) 64 Martha ye daughter of Steven Minot was baptized ye 5 of (1) $6\frac{4}{5}$ being about 9 or 10 yeers of age his wife being lately admitted into full Communion Sarah ye daughter of John Smith baptized ye 23 (2) 65: [Mary] ye daughter of Thomas perce baptized ye 30 (2) 65 his wife being

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1665

a member & ye Child about 7 or 8 weeks old when baptized Mary ye daughter of Thomas Moadesly baptized ye 7 (3) 65 Hannah ye daughter of Rb Badcock baptized ye 28 (3) 65 being about a quarter yeer old Ebenezer ye Sonne of Amiell Weeks baptized ye same day

being about fortnight old

Mehitabell ye daughter of Steven Minot baptized ye 18 (4) 65 & Experience ye daughter of William Blake ye Same day Elizabeth ye daughter of William Trescot ye 2 (5) 65 Samuell ye Sonne of John Minot Baptized ye 9 (5) 65 Rebeckah ye daughter of John Lewice Baptized ye 27 (6) 65 ye father being a member of ye Church at Lanchaster recomended unto this Church

The same day was Sarah ye wife of Timothy Tilston baptized who was not baptized till now & this day was first admitted a member in full Communion Timothy ye Sonne of Timothy Tilston baptized ye 3 (7) 65 being about a yeere old Ruth ye daughter of Timothy ffoster baptized ye same day being about half yeer old Israell ye Sonne of petter Lyon baptized ye same day also

Mehittabell ye daughter of James Minot baptized ye 17th (7) 65 his wife being a member in full Communion

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Baptismes 1665

1666

The 10th of y^e (10) 65 was baptized thes p'sons viz: Obediath y^e sonne of Obediah haaws aged between two and 3 yeers old and James y^e Sonne of Obediah Haws preserved y^e Sonne of Samuell Sumner aged about 6 yeers & Rebeckah aged 4 yeers & Mary aged about two yeers all

thes three ye Children of Samuell Sumner. alsoe

Susana ye daughter of John Capen Jun aged yeere & 1 and Sarah ye daughter of James White all thes baptized the 10th of ye (10) 1665

The 24th of ye 10th Mo 1665 was baptized the Children of

Robt Spur who was latly admitted a member Viz

Mary aged who was a maryed woman

Johana aged Waitstill aged Elizabeth aged John aged

Robert aged patience aged

all thes ye Children of Robt Spurr

Benjamen ye Sonne of John Blackman the 31: (10) 65 Georg ye Sonne of William pond baptized ye 21 (11) 65

1666: Sarah ye daughter of James Blake baptized ye 4 (1) 68 Samuell ye Sonne of Samuell Sumner baptized ye 11 (1) 68

Dependance ye Sonne of Rich: Halle baptiz: ye 25

(1) 66

Elizabeth ye daughter of Timothy Tilstone baptized

y° 1 (2) 1666

John ye Sonne of John Capen Jun Baptized ye 8th 2m 66 & borne ye same day in ye morning 2 howers afore day.

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1666

George ye Sonne of George Sumner baptized ye 15 (2) 66

1667

being about a quarter of a yeer old

Elizabeth y' daughter of Richard Withington and Anna y' daughter of Jacob Hewen weer both baptized y' 22 (2) 66

The 17 4 66 was baptized

Thomas & Swift the Children of Thomas Swift Jun' who lives at Milton ye father being latly admitted a member of this church his sonne is at this time between 7 & 8 yers old

& ye daughter about 3 yers & 3 quarters.

The Same day also was baptized Elizabeth ye daughter of Joseph Homes (also Jonathan Jones about this time as He can gather)

Silent ye daughter of thankfull Baker baptized ye 29th (5) 66

ye mother residing at this time in dorchester by Reasson her late husband John Baker is dead who latly lived at Boston Anna ye daughter of William Grenow of Boston baptized y° 12 6 66

her mother being a member of ye North Church of boston but being delivered of Child at her father Swifts had her Child baptized by vertue of Communion of Churches Sarah ye daughter of William Weekes baptized ye 19 (6) 66 Hanah ve daughter of Samuell Clap baptized ve 30 (7) 66

Israell ye Sonne of peter Lyon baptized ye 4 (9) 66

Elizabeth ye daughter of deacon John Capen baptized ye 30th (10) 66 & was borne ye 29 day (11) 66 ye evening before ye day about 3 or 4 howers in ye night & dyed ye 17 2 80 1667 Thomas ye Sonne of Thomas Moadesly baptized ye

17 (1) 6

Elizabeth ye daughter of Enoch Wiswall baptized ye 21 (2) 67

John ye Sone of daved Joanes baptized ye 12 (3) 67

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Barbara ye daughter of William Chaplin baptized ye 19 (3) 67 his wife being a member

Mary ye daughter of Ezra Clap baptized ye 16 (4) 67 being borne awhile afore at Milton

Elizabeth ye daughter of Robert Badcock baptized ye 14 (5) 67

being about half a yeer old

Mary ye daughter of Nathan Bradly baptized ye same day Noah yº Sonne of Nicholas Clap baptized yº 21 (5) 67 being eight days old

Mindwell ye daughter of William pond and Thankfull ye daughter of James Whit weer both baptized ye 5 (6) 67 Joseph ye Sonne of James Blak baptized ye I (7) 67

Joseph yo Sonne of Amiell Weeks baptized yo 8 (7) 67

Samuell y' sonne of John Capen Jun baptized y' 27 (8) 67 & borne ye 23 day about midnight

John & Sarah ye Children of John Homes baptized ye 5 of ye oth Mo 67 on a thanksgiveing day ther mother being admitted ye Saboth before

Elizabeth ye daughter of Timothy ffoster baptized ye 10th 9

67 being about a quarter old

John ye Sonne of Thomas peirce baptized ye 29 (10) 67 being about 2 months old

Thankfull ye daughter of Tho Trot baptized ye 5 (11) 67

being about a month or six weeks old

Rebeckah ye daughter of John Blackman & Marah ye daughter of Jh homes baptized ye 5 of ye (2) 1668

Nathaniell & Salter &

Robert ye Children of Robt Searle all baptized ye 12 (2) 68 ther mother being lately admitted a member of ye Church Agnes ye daughter of William Blake baptized ye same day being about 6 months old

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1668

Sarah
Katherin
Deliverance
Henery

ye Children of Henery Leadbetter baptized
the 19 of ye (2) 68 being lately admitted a
member & his wife

Thomas ye Sonne of George Lyon baptised ye same day

being lately admited a member & his wife

Role-cn-god ye Sonne of m' Jno Cotton baptized ye 3 of ye (3) Mo 68 by vertue of Comunion of Churches his father being a member of ye Church at Boston but ther being noe officer to dispense yt ordinance for ye present (Rowlandus Cotton minister of Saudwich 1698.) Joseph ye Sonne of Jacob Hewens & Mary ye daughter of Joseph Weeks baptized ye 24 (3) 68

Joseph ye Sone of Richard Withington baptized ye 21 4 68 Mehittabel ye daughter of Samuell Sumner baptized ye 28 4 68 Joseph ye Sone of William Trescot baptized ye 19 5 68

Mary ye daughter of William pond ye same day

Abigall ye daughter of Jno Smith baptized ye 6 (7) 68 and Cornelius ye Sone of Timothy Tilston baptized ye same day Joseph ye Sonne of Samuell Wodsworth baptized ye 13 (7) 68 by vertue of Communion of Churches his father & mother being members of ye Church at Brantry but they having noe officers to dispense ye ordinance was baptized heer being about 5 or 6 months old at least

Hanah ye daughter of William Weeks baptized ye same day Ebenezer ye Sonne of Obediah Haws baptized ye 20 (10) 68 & Samuell ye Sonne of Georg Sumner ye same time being

about a quarter old

Nathaniell ye Sone of Nathaniell Clap baptized ye 24 (11) 68

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Sarah ye daughter of Richard Hale baptized ye 14 (12) 68 Naomy ye daughter of Timothy ffoster baptized ye same day Elizabeth ye daughter of Thomas Moadesly baptized ye 21

(12)68

peligg ye Sonne of Joseph Homes baptized ye 28 (12) 68 Thankfull ye daughter of John Capen Jun baptized at Rocksbery by vertue of Comunion of Churches because M' Mather was dead & we had non to dispense yt ordinance ye 25 (2) 69 & borne ye 20th day being tusday

Also Thankfull ye daughter of Robt badcock 27 4:69 Ruth ye daughter of Henery Leadbetter 31 8 Mo 69 Mehittabell ye daughter of petter Aspenwall 19 10 Mo 69 Hester ye daughter of Enock Wiswell 2 11 Mo 69

1670

Joseph ye Sone of Joseph Weiks baptized also at Rocksbery: 3:2 Mo

Susana Bradly daugter of Nathan Bradly 8 3 Mo: 70 William Sonne of Tho Swift Jun and Mary daughter of

[Samuell] Clap 15:3 Mo 70 John Sonne of James Whit 12 4 Mo 70

Mehitabell daughter of Isack Joanes and George Sone of

Jnº Homes 10:5: Mo 70

Experience daughter of Samuell Clap 31 5 Mo 1670 20 9 Mo 70 Samuell Sonn of Samuell paul Sarah daughter of Nicholas Clap

Sarah daughter of Jnº Capen

11 10 Mo 70

1671

John Sonne of Nathanell Clap 92 Mo 71 Rebeckah daughter of William Chaplen 44 Mo 71

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18 4 Mo 71 Unite Sonne of Thomas Moadesly James Sonne of Thomas Trot 10 7 Mo 71 Elizabeth daughter of petter Aspenwall 26 9 Mo 71 Al thes abovesaid from the 25 2 69 weer baptized at Rocksbery haveinge none to dispense y' ordinance in o' Church

Benjamen Sonn of Nicho Lawrance Adam Sonne of Jnº Blackman Desier Sonne of Obediah Haws

Benjamen Sonne of Jacob Hewens Robt Sone of Thomas peirce Hatherley Sone of Timothy ffoster Supply Sone of Amiell Weeks Sarah daughter of Timothy Tilston

Al thes weer Baptized by M^r fflint on y^e 31 10 Mo 1671 Submit y^e daughter of William Weeks baptized y^e 4 12 71 Benjamen y^e Sonne of Samuell Wodsworth baptized y^e 18 12 71 his father being a member of y^e Church at brantree y^e Child was about half a yeer old at this time

Thankfull ye daughter of Samuell Sumner baptized ye same

day

praisever ye Sonne of Daved Joanes baptized ye 10 (1) 72 being

about a quarter old

Elizabeth ye daughter of Nathan Bradly baptized ye 17 1 7½ Susaña ye daughter of John Kingsly of Melton baptized ye 7 (2) 72 she was William Daniells daughters Child who was a (See 1 Cor. 15, 29 member in full Comunion but dyed in Childbed Else wishall they doe yt are bap. & therfore ye mother being dead it was questised for ye dead rise not at all.)

Child should be baptized, but ye Church saw noe ground to deny it ye Child was about a year old John ye Sonne of John Bird 14 2 72

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1672

Robbert ye Sonne of Robert Searle baptized ye 26 3 72 being about 3 quarters old his mother being a member Elizabeth ye dafter of ye Widdow minot baptized ye 16 4 72 her father Steven minot being dead

Johnathan ye Sonne of Edward Blake baptized ye 7 5 72 his father being formerly a member of this church & after Joyned to ye Second Church in Boston & now dwelling at Melton Sarah ye daughter of Increas Sumner baptized ye 21 5 72 Henery & William ye Sons of Henery More baptized ye 4 (6) 72 ye eldest being about 2 yeer old their mother being

4 (6) 72 ye eldest being about 2 yeer old the'r mother latly admitted

Susana ye daughter of Enock Wiswell baptized ye same day Rely ye daughter of Joseph Homes baptized ye 18 6 72 Edward ye Sonne of Ezra Clap baptized ye 22 7 72

Dorothe ye daughter of Jno Capen Jun baptized ye 20 8 72

& borne ye 13 8

Hannah y' daughter of Samuell paull baptized y' 17 9 72 Mary y' daughter of m' Josiah fflint baptized y' 24 9 72 born y' 17th day Richard ye Sonne of Obediah Haws baptized ye 22 (10) 72
Unite ye Sonne of Samuell Clap baptized ye 5 11 1672
Increase ye Sonne of Henery Leadbetter baptized ye 26 11 72
James ye Sonne of James Bird baptized ye 16 12 72 and Ruth ye dafter of Eliazer Hawes the same day
James

ye Children of Obediah Swift baptized ye
Obediah & 23 12 72 ye youngest being about 2 yeers & Rest

half old
Experience ye dafter of James Whit baptized ye 2 (1) 73
William ye Sone of William Chaplin baptized ye 16 (1) 73

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1673 Mindwell ye dafter of Joseph weeks baptized ye 13 2 73 Abiell ye Son of John Bird baptized ye 27 2 1673 Robt ye Sone of Thomas peirce baptized ye 8 4 73 being about half a yeer old Eliab ye Sone of peter Lyon baptized ye 20 5 73 Mehitabell ye daughter of Samuell Toplif baptized ye 24 6 73 Elizabeth ye dafter of Jno Tolman & John his sonne baptized the 31 6 73 his wif being admitted Johnathan ye Sone of Nathanell Clap & Ebenezer ye Sone of Thomas Modesly baptized ye 7th 7mo 73 Dorothe ye daughter of John Capen Jun' baptized ye 21 7 73 being the second of that name & borne ye 16th day being tewsday a litle before night Mehittabell ye daughter of William Blake baptized ye 16 9 73 being about half yeer old Thomas ye Sonne of Amiell Weeks & Mary ye daughter of Jn° Withington boath baptized y° 7 10 73 Joseph ye Sonne of Richard Hale baptized ye I ffeb 1673 Samuell ye Sonne of Samuell Capen baptized ye 8 12 73 & borne the 1 12 being Sabath morning about day breaking: Henery ye Sonne of Mr fflint baptized ye 15 12 73 & borne ye 9th day in morning (— that Child Died) The 15 (1) 74 was baptized Hopestill ye Sone of Obediah Swift Ebenezer ye Sone of Georg Sumner Samuell ye Sone of Samuell Sumner & James children of James Robinson his wife being latly Thomas Samuell & (admitted Mary all thes baptized y° 15 1 74 Ezbon y Sone of Robert Searle baptized y 22 (1) 7³

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1674

Anna ye daughter of George Lyon baptized ye 12 (2) 74

being about 3 or 4 months old

Mary ye daughter of Thomas Tolman baptized ye 31 (3) 74 her father & mother being lately admitted & ther same being baptized formerly at Linn by vertue of fathers Covenant

Thomas John & ye Children of Israell Mead baptized

y° 30 (6) 74

(Joseph Son of Lieutenant R Hall baptized January 1673) Joseph ye Sonne of Increas Sumner baptized ye 28 7 74 Joseph ye Sonne of Jno Tolman baptized ye I (8) 74 being about two months old and

Sarah ye daughter of Obediah Haws baptized ye same day Abraham ye Sonne of John Blackman baptized 14 (12) 74 Mehitabell ye daughter of William Chaplin & Nathan ye Sonne of Nathan Bradly weer boat baptized ye 14 (1) 75 there mothers being members

Ezra ye Sonne of Ezra Clap baptized ye 21 (1) 75 being about

two months old

Mary ye daughter of Samuell paule baptized ye 28 (1) 75 Enock ye Sonne of Enock Wiswell baptized ye II (2) 75

Henery ye Sonne of Mr Josiah fflint being ye 2d of yt name

baptized ye 9 3 75

Returne ye Son of Samuell Clap & John ye Son of James Robinson baptized ye 16 (3) 75

Mary ye daughter of James ffoster baptized ye 20 (4) 75 &

borne the 17th day

Samuell ye Son of John Homes baptized ye 11 (5) 75 Samuell ye Son of Samuell Toplif baptized ye 22 (6) 75

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1675

Elizabeth ye daughter of Obediah Swift baptized ye 12:7:75 Rebeckah ye daughter of Timothy floster & Damarise ye daughter of John Bird baptized y° 19 (7) 75 Martha yo daughter of James White baptized yo 3 8 75 Thomas ye Sonne of Timothy Tilston baptized 24 8 75 Repent y' daughter of Joseph weeks baptized y' 27 12 75 (Samuel y° Son of Samuel Clap 76) Me Joseph homes Child & henery leadbetters Child baptized when my book was from home therfore it is to be enquired of them ye names & time & Hope Claps (.) Susan & Elizabeth ye time to be enquired

thes are out of order

Amiell Weeks Child baptized yº 21 3 76

John ye Sonn of Tho Moadesly baptized ye 19 (1) 76

Elizabeth ye dafter of Samuell Sumner baptized ye 26 (1) 75 Barnard ye Sonne of Barnard Capen baptized ye 2 ap 76 & born ye 25 76 about midnight

Samuell ye Sonne of Samuell Capen being ye 2d of yt name baptized ye 14 9 75 borne ye 4 9 75 & dyed ye 6 January 1676 purches ye Son of John Capen Jun baptized ye 14 9 75 & borne ye night before

thes two last should hav been set down before some y' are

Elizabeth ye daughter of Nathaniell Clap being 5 weeks old borne at Boston &

Nathaniell ye Son of Johnathan Hill weer both baptized ye 25 4 76

Elizabeth y daughter of John Withington bap y 13 6 76

[The editor here inserts a list found on two loose leaves of a book larger than the Church Book, but folded and kept in the latter, time out of mind.]

The names of Persons to bee Catechized in the Towne of Dorchester An° 1676.

Nehemiah Clap	28	Children frō 12 et in	fra
Samuell Hall	25	Atherton Mather	12
Hopstill Uphrey	25 26	Obadiah Hawes	12
Joh. Triscott		Increase Modsley	12
Isaack Umphrey	24	Barachiah Lewis	12
Jeams Blake	23 22	Timothy Tilestone	12
Elisha Foster	22	Steven Minot	12
Richard Mather	22	Atherton Mather	12
Eben: Hill's Serv		Jeams Hawes	11
Jeames Baker	25 21	Joseph Soper	11
John Mason	21	Ebenezer Weeks	
John Blackman	19	Jeames Smith	ΙΙ
Preserved Capin	19	Peter Lyon	11
John Blake	18	Gibson Farre	10
Thomas Lawrence	••	David Jones	10
Samuel Smith	17	John Trott	10
Comfort Foster	16	Oliver Wiswall	10
John Bolton	16	Elkanah Wales	10
John Lovell	16	Ebenezer Laurēce	10
Charles Davenpt	22	Hopestill Sandra	10
Jonathan Davenpt	16	Jonathan Jones	9
Jonathā Blackmā	17	Joseph Bird	ģ
Jonathan Hall	16	Benjamin Blackmā	ģ
Jonathan Jones	15	Thom: Modsly	ģ
Nathaniell Laurenc	15	John Capin	9
John Soper	15	Sam: Robinson	á
John Smith	19	Js Lyon	9
Jeremiah Hall	17	Jeams Swift	8
Samuell Plumb	15	John Jones	8
John Holmes	15	Joseph Hewen	8
Standfast Foster	14	Joseph Blake	8
Joseph Mather	14	Noah Chip.	8
Nicholas Laurenc	14	Moses Hurs	9 9 8 8 8 8 8
Nicholas George	13	John Davenp ^t	8
Ebenezer Jones	13	Joseph Weeks	8

Robert Anniball Joseph Hoppen Ammiell Weeks Samuell Trott Joseph Curtis Samuell Smith Ebenezer Lyon	13 13 14 14 14	Samuell Capin Joseph Triscot Benjamin Beal Nathaniell Clap Tho: Andrews Sam: Clap Cornelio Tilesto Joseph Nap.	8 7 7 7 7 7 7
		Hen. Leadbetter	

Tho. Lyon George Lyon Thom: Tolman

The names of young Maids in Dorchester

Sarah Davenport	3 I	Mary Cartwright	12
Anna Davenport	24	Sarah Triscott	12
Thankfull Baker	24	Joane Weeks	12
Elizabeth Hall	22	Mary Blackman	12
Patience Atherton	22	Sarah Holmes	12
Sarah Blackman	21	Susanna Capin	11
Mary Linckolne	20	Mary Jones	ΙI
Katherine Mather	20	Mary Modesly	11
Sarah Dickerman	20	Ruth Foster	II
[Mary Howe]	20	Sarah Smith	II
Martha Minot	20	Mehitabell Rigby	11
Mary Weeks	20	Elizabeth Triscott	10
Elizabeth Rocket	19	Hannah Hewin	10
Esther Clap	19	Mary long	10
Mary Laurence	19	Mary Holmes	10
Abigail Triscott	19	Elizabeth Tilstone	10
Mary Foster	18	Mehitabell Minott	10
Elizabeth Weeks	18	Elizabeth Capin	9
Sarah Pond	18	Silence Baker	9
Waitstill Smith	17	Hannah Clap	9
Elizabeth Baker	17	Thankfull White	9
Patience Laurēc	17	Eliz Wiswall	9
Susanna Lyon	17		
Sarah Leadbetter	16	Bethiah Lewis	8
Judith pond	16	Hannah Smith	8
Hannah Jones	16	Sarah Weeks	8
Deliverance Smith	16	Thankfull Bird	8
Eliz [Grosee]		Eliz Foster	8
Martha Triscott	15	Mary Bradley	8

DORG	CHESTER	CHURCH RECORDS	18
Thankfull Weeks	15	Abigail Ball	8
Mary Wales	15	Mary Rigbey	8
Elizabeth Anniball	15	Mary Robbinson	7
Thankfull Pond	14	Thankfull Trott	7
Renew Weeks	14	Thankfull Troughbridge	7
Hannah Wiswall	14	Mary Pond	7
Mary Smith	14	Sarah Baker	7
Experience Hall	14	Mehitabell Bird	7
Hanna Capin	13	Naomi Foster	7
Hannah Baker	13	Martha Hill	7
Rebecka Laurence	13	Mary Ellen	7
Eliz. Rigby	13	Katherine Leadbetter	•
Rest Swift	13	Deliverance Leadbetter	
	3	Eliz, Tolman	
Fliz Iones	1.2		

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Benjamen y' Sonne of Increas Sumner baptized y' 24 Sep 76 being about a quarter old Josiah ye Son of Mr fflint bap: y 8 8 76

Edward ye Son of Georg Sumner baptized ye 22 8 being

about 5 weeks old

Abigall ye dafter of Obediah Swift baptized ye 7 11 76 Benjamen ye Sonn of John Tolman baptized ye 28 11 76

Abigall) yo Children of daniell Mary & preston Jun baptized John y 28 11 76

John Beaman ye Sone of John Beaman of Lanchester baptized I Ap 77 his wife being a member of that Church before ve warrs discepated them

Silence y' daughter of James floster was baptized y' 15 2 77

& borne y 4th 2 77

John ye Sone of Samuell Clap & Benjamen ye Son of Willm Cheny baptized yo 13 3 77 yo last of thes his mother is a member of ye Church at meadfeild

Josiah ye Son of Ebenezer Williams baptized ye 20 3 77 his

wife being in full comunion

Hanah patience Sarah Thomas

ye Children of Thomas Holman bap: 27 3 77

Deborah yo daughter of Robt Searll baptized yo 10 4 77

The I 5 77 weer baptized thes p'sons

William Abigal Elizabeth Susana Samuell Cornelius Hanah Joseph

The Children of ye Widdow Salsbery latly admitted to full Comunion the fower first named weer adult & did p'sonally owne ye Covenant & Submitted themselves to y' government of Christ in ye Church

The 29 5 77 weer baptized

Samuell & / y° Sone & daughter of Nathaniell Wales both Mary Wales of them being Adult & p'sonally owned their grandfathers Covenant & Submitted to yo government of Christ in y Church

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The same day was baptized

) ye Children of John Wales Sen' ye last Elkanah & Content Wales | being adult & did p'sonally owne ye Covenant

Nathanell ye Sonne of Nathaniell Glover baptized ye 5 6 77 the father being not in full Comunion but by owning ye Covenant

Sarah ye daughter of Ezra Clap baptized 19 6 77

Samuell & Elizabeth ye Children of Samuell Hix, baptized ye 19 6 77 ye father was lately admitted a member.

Mary ye dafter of Enock Wiswell & ffreegrace ye Son of

peter lyon baptized ye 2 7 77

The same day was baptized Mehittabel & Hanah ye Children of John Garnesy who was not in full Communion Rebecka &) Tucker baptized the 9 7 77 their mother being

Experience (in full Communion

The same day or ye next Sabath was baptized

Henery

ye Children of Thomas Vose their mother being Thomas (in full Comunion Elizabeth

lane

Richard & Billeng baptized the 23 7 77 the Children of Ebinezer Ebenezer Belleng not in full Comunion but by owning ye Covenant

Mary Holman ye daughter of Tho Holman baptized ye 7:

8 77 her parents in full Comunion

The same day was baptized Thomas ye Sonne of M' Mihill minister at Milton by vertue of Comunion of Churches of weh he is a member

Nathaniell ye Sone of Jno Capen Jun baptized ye 14 8 77 borne ye 7 8 77 ye night following about midnight

The same day was baptized Elizabeth ye daughter of

Samuell paul

Iemimah ye Children of John Breck ther parents own-Edward & ing the Covenant Elizabeth

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Hopestill ye Sone of Samuell Capen baptized ye 21 8 77 borne ye 13 8 77 about ye middle of ye day

The 28 8 M° 77 was baptized Isack Ryall ye Children William Ryall, ther mother in Mary full Communion Hanah) The 1 9 77 baptized Ruth ye Children of Isack Ryall ther mother in full Mary Comunion Samuell The 11 9 77 baptized Mary ye daughter of James Whit Ebenezer ye Sone of Thomas Swift baptized ye 18 9 77 The same day was baptized John yo Children of Samuell Maxfeild ther mother Ebenezer in full Comunion Mary & Mehittable Mathias & Children of Mathias Ewens baptized ye 16 10 77 Susana y (not in full Communion Hanah ye daughter of Jno Bird baptized ye 23 10 77 Sarah ye daughter of Hopestill Clap & Thankfull ye daughter of John White whos wife was a member of ye North Church in Boston weer baptized ye 20 11 77 patience ye daughter of Samuell Toplif baptized ye 27 11 77 Joseph ye Sonne of William Chaplin baptized ye 27 12 77 being about half a yeer old Ebenezer ye Sone of Ebenezer Williams baptized ye 17 (1) 7% his wif being in full Comunion and Elizabeth ye daughter of Roger Willic baptized ye same time his wif being a mem-

ber & he a member of ye Church at Sudbury Dorothe ye daughter of Mr fflint baptized ye 12 3 78 & borne ye night before

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The 26 3 78 was the wife of Richard Butt baptized being lately admitted a member: and ye same time her Children weer also Baptized Whos names are

Smith (Woodward)
Nathanell (Butt)

Sherebiah > (Butt)

Samuell &

Elizabeth (Butt)

Ebenezer y° Sonne of Roger Sumner & Hanah y° daughter of John Lewice baptized y° 2 June ther parents both of them being members of y° Church wch was at Lanchester

Mary ye dafter of Samuell pelton baptized ye 14 5 78 parents not in full Comunion but ye mother owning ye Covenant Same day was baptized Isack ye Sonne of Isack How his wife being a member of ye Church at Ipswetch.

Thankfull ye daughter of Increas Sumner baptized ye 21 5 78

being about a quarter old more or less

The 28 July 78 was baptized

Richard ve Children of Richard Euens ther parents being Rebeckah (not in full Comunion but by owning y Covenant Mary &

James ve Sonne of Timothy Tilston baptized ve 4 6 78 Israell ye Sonn of Henery Leadbetter bap ye 29 Sep 78

Ann y' daughter of Samuell Sumne bap y' 6 8 78

The 27 8 78 weer baptized Ebenezer ye Sonne of Nathanell Clap & Edward y Son of Georg Lyon

Thomas ye Son of Richard Euen John ye Son of Nathan Bradly

Nathaniell ye Sonne of Thomas Moadesly bap ye 10 9 78

being ye last baptized in ye old meeting hous Remember ye Sonn of Daniell preston Jun and

Susana ye daughter of John Breck baptized ye 17 No 78 being ye first day of meeting in the new meeting hous

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Theodora ye daughter of Mr peter Thecher Baptized ye 24 of 9 78 her father being a member of ye third Church in Boston Edward ye Son of Nehemiah Clap baptized ye 22 10 78 not in full Comunion

Sarah ye daughter of Barnard Capen baptized ye 19 11 78 & borne ye 5 11 78 in full Communion

The 9 12 78 weer baptized

Abigal ye Children of ffrances Bale, their mother being (in full Comunion Mary & Benjamen J

The same day was baptized William ye Sone of Jno Trescot not in full communion Jedediah ye Child of Samuell Wales baptized ye 2 March 78 not in full Comunion

Henery y' Sonne of John Tolman baptized y' 9 (1) 78 Mary ye daughter of John Withington baptized ye 16 (1) 78 Jabish y' Sonne of Robt Searle baptized y' 30 (1) 78

Ziporah ye daughter of Jno Beamon baptized ye same day ye mother being a member of ye Church weh was at Lanchester

Thankfull ye daughter of Jno Baker & Mary ye Daughter of

Nathaniell Glover baptized ye 20. 2. 79

Sarah ye daughter of Tho peirce & Ziporah ye daughter of Eben: Bellenge baptized ye 3. 3. 79 ye former in full Comunion

Edward ye son of peter Talbut baptized ye 11. 3. 79 his

mother being a member at Chilmsford

Daniell ye Sonne of Tho Tolman baptized ye 8 4 79

John ye Sonne of Thomas Swift & John ye Sonne of Thomas Holman & Joseph ye Sonne of Georg Sumner weer all baptized ye 22 June 79 being members of ye Church at Melton

The same day was baptized Unice ye daughter of Charles

Davenport being not in full Communion

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Elizabeth y° dafter of Sam¹¹ Clap & James y° Son of James Whit weer baptized y° 13 5 79

Henery y° Son of Jno Garnesy baptized y° 7 7 79 not in full Comunion

Samuell ye Son of Enock Wiswell baptized ye 21 7 79

Jane Abigall Nathaniell William

Tohn

y Children of Edward Vose their mother being admitted about two years before into full Communion but not baptized till now this 28 7 1679

Elizabeth J
Mary ye daughter of Samuell Capen baptized ye 5 8 79 borne
ye 23 7 79 at night

Martha ye daughter of William Ryall baptized ye 2 9 79 Hopestill ye Sonne of Hopestill Clap baptized ye 30 9 79 Samuell ye Son of Joseph Leeds baptized ye 21 10 79

Elizabeth y° Daughter of Obediah Swift baptized y° 4 11 79 Barachiah & Hañah y° two Children of Rich! Butt baptized y° 11 11 79 being twins y° mother being in full Communion Thankfull y° daughter of Samuell Toplif Baptized y° last of ffeb 1679

James y' Sone of Hopestill Humfry baptized y' 14 March

79 or 80

Ebenezer ye Sone of Samuell paull & prudence ye daughter

of Jn° pason

& Israell &) ye Sone & daughter of Israell How and Abra-Susana ham ye Sone of Isack How whos mother is a member of ye Church at Ipswich all thes weer baptized ye 3 of May 1680

Judith ye daughter of Ezra Clap & William ye Sone of Isack Ryall & Thankfull ye daughter of Tho Andrews all baptized

y 9 3 80

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Hanah ye daughter of Roger Belleng June not in full Comunion & of June Bird baptized the 16 3 80

James ye Son of James Tucker baptized ye 13 4 80

Ephraim ye Son of Simon peck a member of ye Church at Hingham & Roger ye Son of Increas Sumner

& Thomas & Children of Joseph Skelton weer all baptized Deborah ye ye 20 4 80

Sarah ye daughter of Samuell Maxfeild baptized ye 4 July 80 not in full communion

Thomas ye Son of Mr fflint baptized ye 11 5 80 borne ye night before

William ye Son of John Trescot baptized ye 25 5 80 at a fort-

night old

Richard ye Son of Jno Withington baptized ye 8 6 80

(Hannah daughter of Samuell Clap. Sept. 1681 baptized at Roxbury)

Ann ye dafter of Thomas Holman baptized ye 15 6 80 his wife being a member of this Church & he a member of ye Church at Melton

Joseph ye Sonn of Barnard Capen baptized at Melton we haveing noe officer to dispence it borne ye 28 November 81 Ebenezer ye Sone of Samuell Capen Baptized ye 14 May 82 at Melton & borne ye 30 Aprill 82 in ye morning

Jacob y Soñe of William Ryall & Mary y daughter of Richard Butt baptized y 2 5 82 y Lords Day being the first y M Danforth Baptized after his ordination which was the 28 4 82 on wednesday

Elizabeth ye daughter of John Capen was baptized ye 9 5 82

being almost half a yeer old &

Samuell ye Sonne of Samuell Maxfeild baptized ye same day John ye Sone of John Breck baptized ye 16 5 82 ye parents not in full Comunion but by owning ye Covenant

The same day was baptized Elizabeth yo dafter of Tho: peirce

The 23 5 82 weer baptized thes y' follow

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presilla ye dafter of Samuell paal Hanah ye dafter of Jno Baker Ewnice ye dafter of James Bird not in full Communion above a yeer old Ebenezer ye Son of James Robinson Mary yo dafter of Hopestill Humfry 4 months old parents not in full Comunion Zacery ye Sone of John Trescot about 2 months old parents not in full Comunion all thes baptized ye 23 5 82 The 27 6 82 Samuell Trescot whos wif was Latly admitted had 5 Children baptized whos names weer dyer Samuell Jeremiah >Trescott Ebenezer & Elizabeth Elizabeth ye dafter of Ezra Clap baptized ye 8 October 82 Ruth y° dafter of Hopestill Clap baptized y° 15 8 82 ye 19 9 82 was baptized Anna Anna Anna Merriam E all thes yo Children of Meriam yo wif of Ellice wood in full Comⁿ Daved Same day was baptized William ye Children of Joshua Henshaw not in full Comn Ioshua Thankfull but ther mother y dafter of William Sumner John & owned ye Covenant Samuell Elizabeth yo dafter of Samuell Wales baptized yo 26 9 82 yo parents not in full Communion Elizabeth yo daughter of Richard Mather baptized yo same time his wife had owned yo Covenant at Rocksbery but not in full Comunion Deliverance ye daughter of Samuell pelton baptized ye 3 Decem 82 being about 3q' of a yeer old not in full Comunion Robt y' Sone of In' Breck not in full Comunion and Bathshebah yo daughter of Samuell Hall not in full Comunion

both weer baptized ye 10 10 82 ye last of thes was about a q^r old

Elizabeth ye dafter of John Bird baptized ye 7 January 1682

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John ye Son of Samuell pelton baptized ye 14 11 82 not in full Comun

Edward ye Son of Timothy ffoster baptized ye 28 11 82 his

wif being a member of ye Church at Charlstown Mary ye dafter of Thomas Trot Jun' baptized same day not in full Comunion

Enock &) ye Children of Enock Wiswell baptized ye 4 of

Ebenezer \ March 83 being twins

Josiah & Children of Henery Whit baptized ye 18 (1) 83 Mary ye the mother being one yt had owned ye Covenant Ebenezer ye Sone of John Tolman & Thankfull ye daughter of James ffoster & Mary ye daughter of preserved Capen weer all baptized ye first of Aprill 83: ye last of thes was borne the 27 March between 8 & 9 aclock at night

Amiell ye Sone of Amiell Weeks baptized ye 8 2 83 not in

full Comunion

Sarah ye daughter of Samuell Trescot & Elizabeth ye daughter of Ebenezer Belleng & John ye Son of Roger Belleng weer all baptized ye 15 2 83. ye Second not in full Comunion

Hanah ye daughter of Consider Atherton baptized ye 29 2 83 being about a yeer old or more ye mother brought it forth & y Elder declared y Mr Cobbit y Elder at Ipswich recomended y° grandmother of y° Child to or Church & desiered y' y° Child might be baptized though (ye mother) not in full Comunion nor ye father himself but by owning ye Covenant y° 27 May 83 was baptized

Elizabeth ye wife of Watching Atherton & dafter to Samuell

Rigby: she being adult & had owned ye Covenant

Mehittabell ye dafter of Samuell Rigbee in like condition & Capaccetie was then baptized

Also John & Silence yo Children of Samuell Rigby by his Second wife who had also owned ye Covenant

Also Elizabeth & patience ye Children of Watching Atherton aforesaid all baptized ye foresaid day

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Johnathan ye Sone of Daved Joanes baptized ye 7 June 83 also

John & ye Children of John Mason baptized ye same day not in full Communion but by owning ye Covenant y° 10 4 83 was baptized

James Smith &) ye Sone & dafter of John Smith deceased Mary Smith | but ther mother y wif of Ellice Wood was in full Communion & James & Mary being adult had ye same day owned yo Covenant

Sarah y' dafter of Samuell Wales baptized y' 17 4 83 not in

full Comunion but yo parents owning yo Covenant

The 24 4 83 weer baptized

all thes ye Children of Thomas Bird their mother Joseph Thankfull being latly admitted into full Comunion

Sarah

Thomas

Ann Mary

Submit &

Mercy

Sarah ye daughter of Consider Atherton baptized ye I July 83 mother in full Communion and Jotham ye son of Benjamen Carpenter y' mothers name was Renew y' daughter of William Weeks not in full Comunion: baptized ye same day ye Child being about 3 quarters old or more sucking at you mothers brest

Deliverance ye daughter of Daniell preston Jun baptized ye 15 5 83

Elizabeth ye daughter of Nathaniell Glover baptized ye

Edward ye Son of Samuell Capen baptized ye 7 of Octo 83 being borne ye 24 Sep 83

Elizabeth y' dafter of Henry Whit baptized y' II 9 83. y' mother had owned ye Covenant

James yo Son of Israell How baptized yo 18 9 83

Elijah yo Son of Mr Ino Danforth & Experience yo dafter of desier Clap weer both baptized y° 2 10 83 & both borne y° 31 9 83 in yo evening of y' day

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patience y' daughter of Thomas Bird baptized y' o december 83 paule ye Sone of Charles davenport baptized ye 3 ffeb 83 Ebenezer ye Sone of James Bird not in full Communion and Abia ye daughter of Samuell Trescot baptized ye 10 ffeb 83 John ye Sone of phillip withington baptized ye 24 ffeb 83 not in full Comunion

Judith ye dafter of Samuell Maxfeild baptized ye 9 (1) 83 Mary ye daughter of Mary Taylor baptized ye 30 1 83 ye mother being latly admitted to full Comunion and ye Child being about half yeer old

The 13 2 84 weer baptized thes psons following

Timothy ye Children of Teage Crehoar ye mother being Ann ye dafter of Robt Spur who owned ye Covenant John in Mr Mathers time Timothy & Ann did p'sonally owne ye Covenant being adult Mary

Alsoe ye same time was baptized

Nathanell &) ye sons of Nathanell wiet their mother being y daughter of Robt Spur who did alsoe owne Edward ye Covenant when her Sister did as above

Samuell ye Son of John Withington baptized ye 11 3 84 Joseph ye Sone of Rich Butt & Ruth ye dafter of Hopestill July 18, 84 Humphry who had owned ye Covenant & Eliza-Eiz. Baker beth ye dafter of James Barbour whos mother was in full Comunion weer all baptized ye 18. 3. 84

Margeret ye dafter of Watching Atherton baptized ye 106 84 ye mother had owned ye Covenant

Increase ye Sonne of Samuell Sumner baptized ye 24 6 84 Mehittabell ye daughter of Nathael Clap baptized ye 31 684 Samuell ye Sone of Increase Sumner &

Elizabeth ye dafter of Joseph Leeds baptized ye 14 7 84

Elizabeth ye daughter of danell preston Jun' &

Elizabeth ye dafter of Joshua Henshaw baptized ye 5 8 84

not in full Comunion ve latter.

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Johnathan &) Children of Nathanell Wiet baptized ye 19884 Rebeckah ye ther mother haveing formerly owned ye Covenant but their father cast out of ye Church

(Oct. 24

Hanah ye daughter of John Capen Jun' baptized ye 26 8 84 & ye same day his Sone Samuell & dafter Susana admitted into full Communion: Hanah was borne ye 21 day in ye Morning

Waitstill ye daughter of Samuell Toplif & prudence ye dafter

of Timothy ffoster baptized ye 9 9 84

The 7 10 84 weer baptized

Martha Dorothy John Rob. Triscot Henery &

all ye Children of Henery Roberts ther mother latly in full Comunion

born) Sarah

(o. 9. Eben. son Nathaniell ye Sone of John Breck baptized ye 21 10 84 being about three weeks old parents not in

(Janr. 9. 84 Rog. Billeng full Comunion born)

John ve Sone of John Garnesy baptized ye same (Jan. 8. 84 Eb: Lawrence day at fortnight old parents not in full Comunion born.) Anna ye daughter of James floster baptized ye I

(Janry. 3, 84 Sam. Mathr ffeb 84

Samuell ye Son of Richard Mather baptized ye o 12 84 being about two months old not in full Comunion

(feb. 4. 84 Expr. Barber born.) (March. 14. 85

born)

born)

) ye Children of Goody Nile of Brantry ye Moses Mary & dafter of Roger Belleng (who had for-Kathrine Bird Abigall) merly owned ye Covenant) weer baptized The same day was baptized Sarah ye daughter of Henry

Withington

Mary ye daughter of Ebenezer davenport baptized June 27 ye 28 June not in full Comunion ye Child borne Sam How

formerly

John ye Son of Barnard Capen baptized ye 5 of July 85 & born ye 30 4 85 & ye same day baptized Edward ye son of Jnº pason & William ye son of Henry Whit his wif ye daughter of Will^m Weeks & not in full Comunion: & ye same time baptized

Comfort & \ y * twins of Nathaniell Wiet who stood excomu-

Standfast (nicated & his wif not in full Comunion

Hanah ye dafter of Thomas peirce & Ebenezer ye sone of James Whit baptized ye 12 5 85 ye first of thes was born somewhat before Mary ye daughter of Ephraim pason baptized ye 26 July 85 & Waitstill dafter of William Ryall bap ye 26 5 85

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Hephzibah ye daughter of Ebenezer Belleng & Susana ye dafter of Samuell paule baptized ye 19 5 85 The former not in full Comunion Ruth ye dafter of John Tolman and Samuell ye son of Samuell Wales baptized ye 9 6 85 ye later not in full Comunion William ye Son of Ezra Clap baptized ye 16 6 85 Sarah ye daughter of John Bolton baptized ye 23 6 85 Thankfull ye daughter of phillip Withington bap-(July 20. 85 John Hobby) tized ye 6 Sept 85 not in full Comunion Mary ye dafter of Hope Clap & Mary ye dafter of (Sept 16 Hannah James Blake baptized 27 7 85 Blake Thomas ye Sone of Mr Danforth baptized ye 8 9 85 born) Isack (Janr. 7. 85 Enock Wiswall Jerusa & y Children of Isack Ryall baptized y 15 9 85 not in full Comunion Zebiah Thomas ye Sone of Tho Trot Jun baptized y 23 No 85 Thankfull ye daughter of John Blackman baptized (March 21. 85 Ehs. Everinden ye 14 12 85 not in full Comunion born) (22. 2. 85 Samuell ye Son of Samuell Capen baptized ye 21 1 John Pelton born.) 86 & born ye 14 day a litle afore day Elijah & / ye Children of James Taylor ye was marryed to Will^m Chaplins dafter baptized ye Same time ye mother in full Comunion they weer twins Sarah ye daughter of desier Clap & Nathaniell ye Sone of Israell How baptized ye 4 (2) 86 preserved ye Sone of preserved Capen baptized ye ii of aprill 86 born ye 10 instant about ye middle of ye afternoone Bebee ye daughter of James Bird Mary ye daughter of Elhanan Lyon baptized ye 23 3 86 not in full Comunion either of them: ye latter was about half a yeer old liveing at Boston Icabod ye Son of Samuell Maxfeild and John ye Son of John Bolton baptized ye 30 of May 86 ye later not full Comunion Benjamin ye Son of Thomas Bird baptized ye 6 June 86 being 2 or 3 months old ye mother in full Comunion

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Ithamar ye Sonne of Samuell pelton baptized ye 20 4 86 not

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in full Com

John y' Sonne of Robert Avery of deadham baptized y' 27 4 86 by vertue of Comunion of Churches they haveing none to to administer y' ordinance

(Mr John Avery ye pastor of Truro ordained Nov. 1. 1711.) John ye Sone of Nicholas Georg baptized ye 4 5 86 his mother was Timothy walls his dafter she owned ye Covenant formerly

Mehitabell ye daughter of Increse Sumner &

Sarah ye daughter of Noah Beaman taptized ye 25 5 86 both in full Comunion

John ye Sone of Thomas Andrews &

Ezekell ye Sone of Samuell Trescet baptized ye 1: 6: 86 both ther wives in full Comunion

ye 23 6 86 was baptized ye

William Children of ye Widdow Lawrance ye first was patience & borne before maredg to Nicholas Lawrence she Ebenezer was latly taken in to full Comunion

William ye Sone of Roger Belleng baptized ye 29 Augst 86

being about five weeks old

Sarah ye dafter of Hopestill Humphry baptized ye 19 7 86 not in full Comunion

Sarah ye dafter of ephraim passon & Elizabeth ye dafter of Henery Whit baptized ye 24 8 86 ye last was [about] q old not in full [Comunion]

(Peter son of Peter Lion born 19 10. 86)

Elhanan ye Sone of Elhanan Lyon baptized ye 7 9 86 being some months old they liveing at Boston not in full Comunion

ye same day was baptized Thomas ye Son of Timothy ffoster his wif being a member of some Church 7 9 86

Rebeckah ye dafter of Joseph Leeds baptized ye 14 9 86 in full Comunion

Hannah ye dafter of John Breck baptized ye 21 9 86 not in full Comunion

Hanah ye daughter of Jne Withington baptized ye 19 10 86 Supply ye Son of Hopstill Clap baptized ye 26 10 86 & borne ye night afore

Joseph y Sone of John pason baptized y 27 of feb 87 being about 3 or 4 months old and

Joseph ye Son of Richard Mather ye same day baptized not in ful Comunion

patience ye daughter of James ffoster baptized y 13 (11) 87, being about 5 or 6 weeks old

Henery ye son of Henery Withington baptized ye 27 (1) 87 being about two months old

John ye Son of John Trescot baptized ye 3 of Aprill 87

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patience ye daughter of Isacke Humphrey baptized ye 17 Ap 87 being about two months old her mother in full Comunion

Mary ye daughter of Henry Roberts baptized ye same day ye mother in full Communion

Joseph ye Sone of Samuell Toplif baptized ye 24 2 87

born

(Thomas Plimble born Nov. 27 86)

Mary ye daughter of John Blake baptized ye first of May 87 borne ye 26 2 87 about midnight ye night following:

James ye Son of James Barbor baptized ye 29 3 87 not in full Comunion and Thomas ye Son of Robt Spur Jun baptized ye same day ye father owning the Covenant ye same time

Katteren ye dafter of Joshua Henshaw baptized 4 4 87 not in full Comunion

Samuell ye Sone of Samuell Hale baptized the 19 4 87 being about 10 weeks old not in full Comunion

John ye Sone of Jno Blackman baptized ye 14687 not in full

William ye Sone of John Tolman baptized ye 4 7 87

Mary ye dafter of Mary Goodall who is ye dafter of Tho Modsly baptized ye 11 7 87

John ye Son of Nathaniell Glover baptized ye 2 8 87

Israell Stoughton Danforth Son of Mr Jno Danforth baptized ye 16. 8. 87 borne ye 14 day

(March 21. 88 Sarah ye daughter of William Ryall & Elizabeth Joseph son of Joseph Trescot born) son of Phillip Withington baptized ye 25 10 87 Deiton ye daughter of John Bird baptized about ye 23 8 87

Sarah & The daughters of John Merrifeild & Hanah | grand daughters of Sister Merrifeild ther father being dead & they being adult weer baptized when they had owned y Covenant 8 11 8 3

Robt ye son of Isack Ryal bap ye 15 11 87 not in full Comunion and

Thomas y' Son of Charls Davenport baptized y' same day: in full Comunion

(William 100 Mary ye daughter of Ebenezer Joans baptized being about 3 q old her mother latly owned the Covenant

(Nov. 15. 88 Hanah y° dafter of Captin breck & Susanah y° John Wiswall) daughter of Samuell Strong baptz y° 26 12 87

John ye Sone of Samuell Wales baptized ye 8 2 86 not in full Comunion (March to 88 (Joseph How

Hannah How born)

born March. 22 88)

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Sarah ye daughter of Roger Belleng baptised ye 15 2 88 being 7 weeks old

[Mary] daughter Silence ye dafter of Henery Withington baptized of Eben Billings ye 22 of ye 2 Mo 88 ye father being dead born June 22 87 James ye Sone of James Blake Jun baptized ye

6 3 88

precilla ye daughter of James Bird and John ye June 8. 8; Tho: Hill born Sone of Jnº Brown baptized y 20 of May 88

Hanah ye dafter of Benjamen: Carpenter baptized ye 22 5 88 being about a q' old not in full Comunion

July 2. 87 Hannah Hobby Elizabeth ve dafter of Timothy foster baptized ve 21 8 88 born

Benjamen The Son of John pason baptized ye 4 9 88

March 30. 87 John Triscot Susana ye dafter of Samuell Capen baptized ye 18 9 88 & borne y 10 9 88 born

patience & / ye Children of Noah Beaman bap-Elizabeth \ tized y 16 10 88 being twins

Samuell ye Son of Ebenezar Williams baptized ye 23 10 88 & dyed 27 day Content Mason

John ye Son of Hope Humphrey bap: ye 6 11 88 born May 18. 88.) not in full Comunion

> John ye Son of Mr Jno Danforth baptized ye 27 11 89 borne 25 11 89

> John ye Sone of James ffoster baptized ve 10 12 88

> Jerijah ye Sone of hopstill Clap baptized ye 17 12 88

> Ruth y' daughter of Ephraim pason baptized y' 3 of March 85

> Mary you daughter of Samuell pason baptized you 10 of March 88

Georg ye Son of Israell How and Mehittabell ye

dafter of Amiell Weeks baptized ye 24 March 88 ye latter not in full Comunion John ye sonne of John Blak baptized ye 30 March

89 born ye 28 day & dyed ye 19 of aprill 89 Eliakim y° Sonne of Jn° Blackman baptized y°

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same day (John son of Nathaniell Glover Hanah ye dafter of Ebenezer Joans baptized ye born Sep. 18. 87) 7 aprill 89 this is out of order

(8. 5m, 88 Jane Lion born)

July 11. 87 Hanah Baker

(John son of

Aug: 8.88

Desire Clap

Tho. Evans

Ruth Paison

(Aug 6. 88 Thankf. Rawson

born

born) (Dec. 1087

born) (March 2 88

born) (Nov. 3. 88 Josiah Kelly

born)

Preserved Daughter of

(Zippora Goodal [or] Pond Dec. 31, 87 born)

(Sarah Roberts

born 11. 2m. 87)

(Huldah Chandler John ye Sonne of John Glover baptized ye 12 of March 13. 87 born.) May 89 not in full Comunion

(Robt Evirenden Dorcas ye dafter of John Brown baptized ye 16 born Jan. 10 82) 4 89 wif a member Rocksbery

Waitstill ye daughter of Charles Davenport baptized ye 21 5 89

John ye Son of Richard Euens baptized ye 6 of Octo 89 being about a yeer old

(Samll Son of Samuell Minot born Nov. 23. 88)

(July 18. 89 David Jones

born)

born) (May 3. 89

born) (March 31. 88

born)

(Thomas Robinson

29. 10. 89

Elizabeth Lion born)

Sam. Robinson born)

(Submit White born Dec. 9. 88)

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Thomas y' Son of Samuell Hale baptized y' 13 8 89 patience ye daughter of James Barbor baptized ye

20 8 89

Mary ye dafter of Roger Belleng baptized ye

23 No 89

Robt ye Son of Robt Spur Jun & Sarah ye (March. 26. 89 Eliakim Blackman daughter of Incres Mosly baptized ye 5 10 89 Susana ye daughter of Samuell Rigbe baptized

y of ffeb 89 or 90 after she had owned y Covenant same day

(Saml Plum son of Susan Hall Ebenezar ye Son of Samuell Toplif baptized ye Dec. 25. 89) 16 fteb 8g or go (July 18. 89 Waitstill

Tabitha ye dafter of Ebenezer Wales baptized ye Davenport 23 ffeb 89 90 not in full Comunion and Silence ye

dafter of Inº Bird and Susane ye dafter of Inº

Withington baptized ye same 23 feb. 89 (Mav. 31. 89.

Benjamin Son of Ebenezer Elizabeth) ye daughters of preserved Capen & Beilenge born) & Mary (phillip withington baptized ye

(4. 2m. 88 Daniel Maree March 90

born) Henery y' Sone of James Bird baptized y' 23 of

March 90

born)

Elhanan ye Son of peter Lyon baptized ye 11 of May 90

(born May 4th)

[Mariah] ye dafter of William Ryall baptized ye 8 4 90

Comfort ye Sonne of Standfast ffoster, baptized ye (Aug. 15. 89 Conflict y Sonnie of State of Daniell Preston 29 day of June at Milton ye mother being at her father Holman by reason of yo Smal pox being at (Sept. 6. 89 Timothy Son of Sam.

Tho Modesly hous

Steven ye Son of M' Mils was baptized ye 6 of Jones born) (27. 2. 89 Mary Everender July 90 being about 18 weeks old his mother born) owned y' Covenant y' Saboth before

(27. 7. 80 David Wyat Kateren ye dafter of Joseph Mather baptized ye

13 5 90

Unite yo Son of Hopstill Clap baptized yo 5 Octo 90 Sarah ye daughter of Samuell pason baptized ye 12 of October 90

Jemimah ye dafter of James ffoster baptized ye 21 10 90 Abiell ye Son of ye Widdow paale & Thomas ye Son of

Nathaniell glover both baptized ye 28 10 90

Abijiah ye Son of John Bakers Widdow baptized ye I of March 1691 (a posthumd infant that is born after His fathers Death)

Josiah y' Son of John Blackman baptized y' 8 of March 91.

look more above

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Samuell ye Sone of Ebenezar Joans baptized ye same day aforesaid

Johnathan ye Sone of Samuell Capen baptized ye 22 I 90

Increas ye Son of Incres Moadesly baptized ye 29 (Hesther Dav-1 91 not in full Comunion enpart born feb. 11. 90)

Bathshebah ye dafter of Jno pason baptized the 5

(10 feb. 90 Miriam Trescot of aprill 91

The sons & dafters of John Minot who John (Sept. 14. 90 Mindweil Tiles- Israell dyed he & his wife in y° Smal pox latly whose Children weer not baptized in Josiah their life time ye last is a dafter. & John Georg

& Israell entered into Covenant also lerusha Susana

Susana Har[tt] who lived in his famely (feb. 18, 89 90 Jerusha White not baptized till now though a grown maid her father & mother dyed when she was yong

born March 23. Relief ve dafter of Daniell preston Jun' baptized

y° 3 of May 91

John ye Sonne of Benjamin Carpenter baptized ye 4 91 being a qr old at least

Bathshebah ye daughter of Thomas Lyon ye Sonne of Georg lyon of Melton baptized ye 19

5 91 not in full Comunion

Mary ye wife of Samuell Wales baptized ye of or being admitted to full Comunion y' Sabath day afore but not then baptized till now in the forenoon before v° Sacrament wch she was to p'take of

Elizabeth yo dafter of Noah Beman baptized yo

23 6 91 Samuell y' Sone of John Blake baptized the 27 Sept of born ve day before

born)

ton born.)

born) (Will. Weeks

89 90.) (Thomas son of Nath. Glover

26. 10. 90 bnrn.) (Sept. 17. 89 Patience Barbs

born.) (Dec. 29. 89 Hannah Evans born) (Jan. 12.89 Sam. Mosely of Increase.) (Nov. 4. 89. Nath. Rawson born)

(feb. 9, 89 90 Elizabeth daughter of Tho. Lamb born.)

(Elizabeth of John Wood March. 7. 90 born)

(28. 6. 90 Aaron of Jos. Bird born) (Saml Breck Sep. 14. 90 born) (26. 2. 91 born Zech: Lion.) (29. 6. 91. born Elis Beaman.) (Timothy How 6. July. 91. born) (Jan^r 11. 90 Hopstill Blake born) (March 8. 91. Jonathan Dier born of B[ath])

Joseph & I yo Children of Joseph & Merriam Meriam Trescot baptized ye 25 October 1691 ther mother owned ye Covenant & their father went to Canada and not returned Samuell y' Sonne of Ebenezer belleng baptized

ye 8 9 91 he in full Comunion

Abdiell ye son or dafter of ye Sister of Samuell Wales was baptized ye 20 10 91 by Comunion of Church she being a member of a Church in Boston but delivered at his hous

Susana ve dafter of Thomas Modesly Jung was baptized ye same day not in full Comunion

Jacob ye son of Joseph Hewens baptised 10th January 1691 Gershom ye Son of Goody Patten baptised 24 January 1691

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An ye daughter Sam pason 7 feb 91 William ye Sone of phillip Withington baptized ye 14 ffeb 92 John yº Son of John Brown baptized yº same day he had owned yo Covenant

(20. 7. 91 Mercy Trot born) Mary ye daughter of John Trescot baptized ye (Abiel George 17. 10. 91 born) (Sarah Woodward 20. 7. 91 born Sam Humfrey born

John baptized ye 27th of (1) 92 (31. 6. 91

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27. 6. 91.) (Steven son of R. Billinge 27. 6. 91)

Mary yo daughter of John Blackman Baptized y° 1 May 92 (9. 6m 92

Elis weeks born)

Anna Bird Jos. Born.)

Mary ye wife of John Brown owned ye Covenant 15. 3. 92 (p. [137]).

(23, 12. 91 2 Ebenezer Rawson born)

Susanah pope: thes fower owned the covemary pope: nantt and wer Baptised the thankful pope 29 may: 92 lane pope:

(3. 12. 91 OF 92 Anne paison born)

Elizabeth the daughter of Robert Spuer baptised ye: 5: June 92

(29. 2. 92 Edw. Rawson born) 10. 4. 92 John Stiles Jos. Birds wife Sarah Leeds owned ye Covenant. [Page 137.]

Aron ye Sone of Joseph Bird was baptised ye 17 July 92

hannah ye daughter of Joseph Bird was baptised (Nath. Blake y° 7 Agust 92 born 16. 7. 92) mary yo daughter of hopstill Clap was Baptised

y° 14 of uly 92

hañah ye daughter of Johnathan halle Baptised ye 21 Agust 92 nathaniell ye Sone of Samuell Toplif

Elisabeth ye daughter of Daniell Preston

Thomas ye Sone of oliver Wiswall Junior he owning ye Covenant that daye

Sarah ye daughter of Smith woodward wer baptized ye 11 day September 92

Richard ye Sonne of Samuell maxfeild was baptised ye 25 7mo 92

John ye Sonn of mary cocks baptised ye 16 8 month 92 mary ffoster ye daughter of Jeames foster baptised ye 16 8mo 92

Anne ye daughter of preserved Capen baptised 13th novemb. 92

Rebeckah ye daughter of Ebenezer Joans Baptized ye: 18:

Thomas ye Sonne of Jeams Bird Baptized ye 15 January 93 Jemima ye daughter of William Ryall ye 29 January 93

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Elisabethe ye daughter of mr John Danforth baptised ye 19 of february 1693

Jeams ye sonne of Ebenezar Davenport baptised ye 5 of

march 1693 same day were baptised

magreatt mary Sarah

thes 5 wer y° children of Susanah Cock y° daughter of goody pope She having owned the covenant

thankfull

John

Abigaill the daughter of Charls davenport baptised y° 12 of march 1603

(Martha Horton born 13. 12. 93)

Abigaill ye daughter of Standfast foster baptised ye 19 of march 93

(7. 7. 93 born Martha Brown) Samuell y sonne of Samuell Trott was baptised y 26 march 93

Ephraim ye sonne of Ephraim pason baptised ye 2 Aprill 93 Katherine ye daughter of Noah Beman baptised ye 23 Aprill 93

(23. 2. 93 Abigail Robinson born 26. 2. 93 born Robt, Merrifeild) Keziah ye daughter of Benjamin Blackman baptised ye 18 of June 93 he owning ye covenant Mary Elizabeth ye daughters of Josepe Weeks baptised ye 25 of June 93 (7. 10m 93 born Meh. Hewens) (24. 7. 92 Irijah & Bezaleel Billinge born.)

(7. 7. 93 Sam Web born)

(May. 9. 92 Eleanor wood of Content Mason born)

(19. 8. 93 born Mary Evans)

Jane ye daughter of John Bird baptised ye 2 July 93

Thomas ye sonne of Thomas Staples baptised y' 16 July 93 he living at cambrig ther being no offeser ther having entred Into covenāt had his child baptised heare

Ruthe ye daughter of Isack humphry was bap-

tised ye 6 Agust: 93

Dorothy ye daughter of Joshuah Story baptised ye 27 Agust 93

Joanna ye daughter of Thomas Lyon baptised ye 3 September 93

Joanna ye daughter of Samuell Capen hañah ye daughter of John Blaake

Samuell ye sonne of Samuell pason was baptised ye 10 September 93

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Martha y' daughter of John Brown baptized y' Susan Capen born 24 September: 93

Elizabeth ye daughter of Moses Aeres baptized ye 15 Ocktober 93

Ebenezer ye sonne of Mathias Evens baptised (Añ Rawson. , 28. 6. 93 born.) y° 29 october. 93

hopstill y' sone of Josephe Black: baptized y' [Jos, Blake 5. 9m. 93 owned ye Covenant 5 of november 93 p 138.]

Submitt ye daughter of Bejamin carpenter of Seaconc baptised ye same day

Elisabeth ye daughter of Joseph Blacke baptised ye 10 december. 93.

Daniell ye sonne of Daniell preston Juner baptised ye 21 day (Ebenezer Withing of december It being A day thanksgiving and son of Ebenezer ·was borne ye 10 december. 93. born 22 Dec. 92)

(Josiah White thankfull ye daughter of Smith Woodward bap-30. 10. 91. born) tised ye same day (Sarah White

Joseph ye sone of Joseph Leeds baptised ye 11. 8. 93.) (Exercise Henshaw of January 93: 4 he owning ye covenant.

of Sumnr) mary ye daughter of Ebenezar holmes baptised (Jan. 10. 9) Tom. Tolman born) V° 4 febuary 94

Ane ye daughter of Joseph withington Baptised (marea wiat febr. 4. 92) born) ye II febuary 94 he owning ye covenant

[Jane] ye daughter of John Blackman baptised ye 18 febuary 94 mehetable ye daughter of Roger Billing baptised ye 25 febuary 94

henery ye sonne of philip withington baptised ye 11 march 94

Elisebeth ye daughter of John Triscott Baptised ye 27 of

Elizebeth ye daughter of Jonathan hall baptised ye same day Silence ye daughter of Samuell Bellchar of (David Patten Brantree was Baptised the 3 of June 94 shee born 27. 8. 94) owning ye covenant in our church

yt daye William ye sonne of John Cock was Baptised ye 24

June 94

thes tow wer twins ye sonns of desier clap and wer Desier baptised ye 12 Agust 94 william

Thomas nathaniell Timothy

thes: 3 ye sonns of Thomas Tollman Juner wer baptised ye same daye

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(Desier Haws born 9, 2m, 94) (16 march 93 Susaña of Tho. Williams) (27. may 1694 William Cock born)

Thomas Robinson and his wife confesing ther sinne of fornicacon befor marige did both of them owne the covenant and he himself was Baptised and 3 of his children (3. 17. 169)
Waitstill wiat born) [viz.] (Samuell) ye 19 day of Agust 94 Rebecka Abigall

(8 10^m 94 Elis. Elder born)

(9. 9. 94 born Steven & Grace Tilestone of oniseph)

(Mary Web born 25. 9. 94)

(christopher Kelie William ye sonne of John Church was baptised (Rebecce, sometime Blackman) ye 15 september. 94 his wife owning ye covenant that daye

Abigall ye daughter of Jhon peirce was Baptised ye 7 october 94

John ye sonne of John Browne Baptised ye 14 october 94 John ye sonne of preserved Capen was Baptised. ye 21 octo-

David ye sone of David paten Baptised ye 2 december 94 Elizebeth ye daughter of Benjamin Blackman Baptised ye 16 day of december 94

Jakobe ye sone of John Paison Baptised ye 23 december 94 Ruthe ye daughter of Samuell paull was baptised ye 20 of

hanah ye daughter of oliver wizzell baptised ye 13. of January: 95

Sarah whitt owned ye covenant and was baptised ye 27 of January 95 the same day yo wife of Robert Cook owned yo covenant

Elizebeth ye daughter of James foster

Zeruiah ye daughter of Ebenezar davenport Ickabud ye sonne of Ebenezar Joans wer baptised ye 17 of febuary 94 5 william ye sonne of Robert cooke was baptised ye 24 febuary

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(Recorded Hannah in Town book)

Thomas ye sone and daughter of Thomas hanah Euenes wer baptised ye 10 march: 95 hanah ye daughter of Joseph weeks baptised ye 7 Aprill 95.

Ruthe ye daughter of Ephraim pason baptised ye 14 Aprill 95

(21. 4. 95
Edward Payson born of Sam.)

David ye sonne & daughter of Israell how Zeruiah being twins wer baptised ye 21

Aprill 95

Joseph ye sone Isacke Ryall baptised 19 maye 95 mary ye daughter of Thomas euens baptised 26 maye 95 Samuell ye sonne of Samuell Toplife baptised ye 2 June 95

Elizebeth Ryder grandaughter to goody Garn-(Haña White born 6 June 95)

Elizebeth Ryder grandaughter to goody Garnsey was baptised y° 9 of June she then owning y° covenant 95

Ebenezar moadsly owning ye covenant ye same day John ye sone of John Davenport baptised ye 16 June 95 Edward ye sone of Samuell pason baptised ye 23 June 95 Ebenezar ye sone of Ebenezar Moadsly baptised ye 30 of June 95

Consider ye sone of Joseph leeds Juner baptised ye 7 July 95 thankfull ye daughter of Thomas moadly baptised ye 28 July 95

mary maroh mokork entered Into covenant and was baptised ye 28 July 95

Elizabethe ye wife of Joseph Angier entered into covenant and was baptised and

(James Haws wife Layd hold on ye Covenant Design ye's cone of Learns haws was haptised ye's

Desiere ye sone of Jeams haws was baptised ye II Agust 95

Thomas ye sone of Charles Davenport baptised ye 25 Agust 95 Susanna ye daughter of margarett gates was baptised ye 15 September 1695 shee being a member of cambridge church

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Baptismes. Anno 1695—Anno 1696 by reason of communion of churches ther being no minister In office ther all this time

Robert ye sonne of Robert cooke was baptised ye 20 october 95 (25, 9, 95 David Tolman (Benj. Merrifeild 5. 9br 95 born.) (Consider Leeds born 2 July. 95) born) (85/6 feb. 10 Nath. Web born) (8. 12. 95 George Bird born) (Margaret Houghton. 30. 4. 95)

Joshua Story ye Son of Joshua Story with David Tolman Son of Thomas Tolman Jun' were baptised October ye first day 1695 Mary ye daughter of Smith Woodward was baptised in Dorchester December ye 15th 1695 Silence daughter of Joseph Hall (on his Wifes right) Baptised 22. 10 mo: 1695 Isaac & Children of Isaac Humphreys baptised 29. 10^{mo} Katharine 1605.—Twins: Joseph Blackman Son of Jnº Blackman baptised January ye 5 1698 Joseph Son of James Bird jun' baptised 16. 12. 1695 Anna Daughter of Samuel Capen jun' baptised March 3d 1696 Jonas Son of Hopestill Humfreys baptised March. 15. 1696. Joseph Son of Joseph Hewens baptised. Aprill (Meh. daughter of Jos. Blake 5th 1696 23. 1. 96 born) Ebenezar Son of Goodman Cock whose wife is daughter to sist Pope baptised May 10th 1696. Henry Son of Jos. Withington-as-also-Mary daughter of Inº Peirse baptised. 31. [3]mo. 1696. George Son of Thomas Lion baptised 7th. 4mo: 1696 Deborah daughter of Nath: Searles baptised ye same day James Son of John Cock Grandchild of o' Sister y' widow 26. 1. 06 Jos. Hewens born) Pope, baptised 18th. 4m. 1696. being a thanksgiving day for ye Kings deliverance John Son of Samuel Capen baptised 21. 4. 96. Elisha Son of Standfast Foster (Elizabeth daughter of Philip Withington baptized 28. 4. 96 (96. May 1. born George Monk) Esther Jones daughter of Eben Jones 12. 5. 96 Sarah daught of Jonath: Hall of wm Royall) baptised Susannah daughter of widow Patten 27. 7. 96 onesiphorus Tilestone baptised Steven Son of Grace Daughter of $f = 11.5^{m}$. 96. (Enoch wiswal born, 19. march, 97) Joshua George — upgrown — baptised Christian Pelton — upgrown — Sarah Harding Daughter of her y' was Merrifeild Seaven of Peter Okellys Children baptised 25. 8. 96. Mary

Margaret Mehetabell Susanna Henry Josiah Hephzibah

James Son of Obadiah Swift baptised 8. 9m. 96. Samuel Danforth baptised 15. 9". 1696. Moses Billinge Son of Roger Billinge baptised 22. 9m. 96. Salter Son of Robert Searl baptised 6. 10m. 96. Sarah daught of Samuel Trot baptised 27. (4. 8m. 97 Mary Tolman 10m. 96 born of Thomas) (Zebulun Web born Nehemiah 31. 8. 97 Prudence Hal Dennis Sons of Dennis March baptised 31. born. febr. 3. 98) Richard 11. 97. (3. 1. 98 Martha Merrifield Alice Pope with born) Eliz: Maudsly daughter of Eben': Mosely.

BIRTHS.

May. 12. 96 Kath. Williams born March. 3. 96 mary Robinson born Hephziba 7 July 96 born July 15. 96 Damaris Haws born Sam Royal born 7. 6m, 96 Benj. Everenden 7. 6m, 96 born Nov. 1. 96 James Swift born 29. 9. 96 born Abigail Puffer

Dec. 10. 96 Rebec. White born Feb. 24. 96/7 Elis. Minot born March. 21. 97 Margaret Angier born 21 May 97 Experience Brown born 24 May 97 born Roger & Desire Clap 14. 6. 97 Elis. Evans born 30. 11. 96/7 Hanah Billinge born

The account of ye Births was taken out of the Towne Register.

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Elijah Son of Robt Cook jun' baptised Aprill 11. 97 Mary Daughter of Samuel Payson Aprill 11. 97 Hephzibah Daughter of Eben: Davenport 18. 2. 97 Mary Daughter of Joseph Leeds Jun Aprill 25. 97 Henry Son of Ephraim Payson baptised May 23. 97 Elizabeth Daughter of John Brown May 30. 97 Experience Daughter of Jos: Weeks June. 6. 97 Samuel Son of Tho: Maudsley Jun Aug. 8. 97 Nehemiah Son of Ebenezer Jones Aug. 15. 97 Elizabeth &) Daught" of John Blackman 19. 7. 97 Sarah Thomas Son of Thomas Evans baptised 26. 7. 97 Elizabeth Cocks, Sist Popes Grandchild 26. 7. 97 William Son of John Bird Jun Octob 24. 97 Samuel Son of Jnº: Davenport Octobr 24:97 Mary Daughter of Thomas Tollman Novembr. 14. 97 Ralph Pope Son of Sister Pope Nov. 28. 97 Relief Daughter of Isaac Humfrys Nov. 28. 97 Susan Daught of Benj. Blackman Nov. 28, 97 Deliverance Daughter of Smith Woodward Jan: 16. 9 Mary Daughter of Tho: Robinson March 6. 98. John Son of John Blake baptised April. 24, 98 Nathanael Son of Ebenezar Holmes May. 1. 98 Thomas Cocks Grandchild of Sister Pope 9. 31110. 98

Jemima Daughter of [John] Tollman jun. 9. May. 98 Benjamin Son of Joseph Hewens Jun May 23. 98 Joseph Son of Joseph Bird baptised May 23d. 98 Sarah Daughter of Tho: Robinson May 23. 98 John Son of Rob' Pelton baptised June. 26. 98 Samuel Son of Samuel Capen Junior July 10, 98 Mary Daught of James Bird Jun Aug. 28, 98 Sarah, Daught^r of John Pierce Sept. 4. 98 Eliz: Daught' of Samuel Capen Sen' Oct. 2. 98 Mary Daught' of Obadiah Haws Oct: 2, 98 Judith Daught^r of Desire Clap Octob. 9. 98 Isaac Son of Jonathan Jones Octobr. 16. 98 Sarah Daughter of Obadiah Swift Octob. 16: 98 Hannah Daughter of mr John Danforth 6. 9mo. 98 Sarah Daughter of Deacon Topliff Nov. 6. 98 Samuel Son of Samuel Paule Baptiz^d Nov^r 13. 98 John Son of Robert Cook Baptised Nov. 27, 93 Abiell Daughter of Deliverance Withington 27. 9^m. 98 John Son of ye Late John Wiswall or Wisell Dec. 5. 98 Abigail Daughter of Philip Withington: 5. 10th, 98 James Son of James Foster Baptised. 11. 10^m. 98 Samuel Son of Samuel Trot baptised 8. 11m. 98 Dorcas Daughter of Samuel Payson Janry 22:98 Ebenezer Son of Oliver Wissell March. 5. 98 Mary Daughter of Ebenezer Rice March 5. 98/9 Hannah Daughter of John Blackman March 12. 98/9 Joseph Son of Jos. Blake baptised March 19, 98/9 Susannah Daughter of John Cocks Aprill 9th. 1699 John Son of Joseph Leeds Jun baptised April 16, 1600 Thankfull Daughter of Joseph Weeks baptizd: April 23 1699 Timothy son of Timothy Tilestone baptised April. 30. 99 Mary Daughter of Samuel Clap junior baptised 30. 2. 99 Hannah Daughter of Thomas Lion baptised April. 30. 99 Lydia Daughter of Ebenezer Jones baptised June 11. 99 Elizabeth Daughter of John Minot baptised June 11. 99 Ephraim Son of John Davenport baptised Aug. 6. 99 Hannah Daughter of Sherebiah But baptised Aug. 20. 99 Jonathan Son of Ephraim Payson baptised ye 20th of ye 6th mo. 99 Martha Daughter of Thomas Robinson baptised Sept. 10. 99 Silence Daughter of Thomas Maudsley baptised Sept. 24. 99 Richard Son of Nathanael Butt baptised Octobr 1th. 99 Elizabeth Daughter of Hopestill Humfreys baptiz'd 22. 8. 99

Ebenezer | — of Smith Woodward baptised Novembr (or Abigail) | 19. 99

Ebenezer son of Preserved Capen baptized January 14. 99:

Sarah Daughter of Thomas Evans baptized Jan 1700.

Elizabeth Daughter illegittimate of Matthew Peimur and of Mary Goodall, upon Her Moth™ Confession & Acceptance baptiz'd January, 28. 99: 17∞

Rebecca and

Deborah Daughters of Robt Searle baptizd. ffeb. 15. 99: 1700

Charles Son of Charles Davenport baptized Feb. 15. 1699: 1700

Thankfull Daughter of Ebenezer Davenport baptized, March. 10. 99: 1700

Nullaines a Negroe Ent'ring into Covent, baptized March. 10. 99: 1700

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Baptismes in Dorchester

Josiah Son of John Blake baptized 17 March 1699: 1700

Dorcas — Daughter of Samuel Payson Bpt 22.

Tho. Web. may. 8. II^m. 98

George Son of Benjamin Blackman baptizd. 30. 1^m. 1700

John Son of John Tollman baptized, April yo 7th. 1700

Rachel, Daughter of Ralph Pope baptized: April. 21. 1700

Elizabeth Daughter of Edw^d. Breck baptizd.

Hannah Trott 10. 8. May 4. 1700

Jane Daughter of Robert Cook baptized May 4, 1700

Martha Daughter of Eliz. Morrice of Boston

baptized May 12, 1700 Samuel Son of Samuel Clap, baptized June 2^d:

1700

Thenever Con of John Pleatimen heatiged June

Ebenezer Son of John Blackman baptized, June 9th. 1700

Abigail Woodward

Jerusha Daughter of John Bird, baptized, June 16th. 1700

Jacob Son of Isaac Humfrys, baptised, July 14, 1700

James or Joseph Son of John Browne baptized August 4th. 1700 Joseph Son of John Cox baptized August 4th. 1700 Increase Blake 8. Mary Daughter of mr John Danforth baptiz'd. 4- 99 11. 6^m. 1700 Mehetabel Daughter of mr. John Danforth baptized 11. 6. 1700 Abiel of John Dean of Tanton. Baptised. 8. 7^m. 1700 Hannah Bartlet an Upgrown Person Baptised. 22. 7^m. 1700 Mary Daughter of Standfast Foster baptised. Hesther Puffer born 10. 9^m. 1700 29. 3. 95. (She dyed ye 15th of March following) John Son of Benjamin Cheyney baptisd, on Thanksg^g: 21. 9^m. 1700 Mary Daughter of Nathan Bradly jun'. baptised 8. 10^m. 1700 Timothy (or John) Son of Robert Pelton, Baptised. 15. 10. 1700 Elisabeth Daughter of Ebenezer Sumn' Bap-Jonathan wiat 27, tised. 22. 10. 1700 12^m. 99. Miriam Daughter of James Bird jun. Baptised. 5. 11. 1700 Francis Price Baptised Owning the Covenant 12. January 1700. Zippory Daughter of Joseph Blake baptised 12. IImo: 1700/1. Anne Daughter of John Pearse baptised 19. 11 mo. 1700//1 Edw. Skelton 25. 8. John son of Timothy Tilestone baptised 2. 12mo: 98, born 1700/1 John Son of Samuel Capen jun baptised 15. I^{mo} 1700/1701 Thomas Son of Thomas Tilestone baptised 2. I. 1700/1701 Joseph Son of Joseph Hewens baptised the 20th of April. 1701 Elisabeth Daughter of Humfrey Atherton baptised. 20: 2. 1701 mary But march. 3. 98 99 born John Son of John Maudsley baptised the 10th of May, 1701

Thomas Son of Thomas Lion baptised the 25th

of May 1701

Rebecca Daughter of Thomas Maudsley bap-

tised 25. 3. 1701 John Son of John Minot baptised ye first of June 1701 Silence Daughter of Ebenezer Jones baptised William son of Tho: Williams born 26.8. June ye 8th 1701 & dyed [...] John Son of Samuel Clap baptised June 29th 1701 Elisabeth of James Hawes baptised June 20th Joseph Son of Joseph Hall baptised July ye 6th 1701 Elisabeth Daught' of Thomas Robinson baptised June ye 8th 1701 (it died since its baptism) Ralf Smith 30. 10. 1708 Susanna of Obadiah Swift baptised July 20 Joseph Son of John Davenport baptised Sept. 7. 1701. Son of John Brown Baptised. 14. Sept. 1701. Joseph Son of Joseph Weeks baptised 19: 8 mo: 1701. Jerusha Daughter of Ralph Pope baptised 1 1 Barbara Jones 29. 11. 1708 Ebenezer Son of Ebenezer Homes baptised 20. 9. 1701 being Thanksgiving day George Son of Samuel Payson baptised Dec: 14. 1701. Mary Daughter of Robert Searles. Dec. 21. 1701. baptised Jonathan Son of Samuel Wales Dec. 28. 1701. baptised. Martha Hall 11m.98 Samuel Son of John Blackman Jan. 25. 1701/2 Beni. wiat 12m. 08 baptised Benjamin Jordan Jonathan Chandler Upgrown, hav-Aug. 4.08 born A [...]: Billenge [of.] Roger. Huldah Chandler ing laid hold on [febr. 8. Hannah Alcock y° Covent were (1701/2. Hannah Weeks baptised on Margaret Lord Mary Jinkins Jonathan Dire natural son of Abig. Ball baptised Comfort Bird son of Joseph Bird baptised

fer born

Hopestill Son of Lt. James Foster baptised Oct. 3. 98 John Puf- february 15th, 1702

Israel Hill Baptised on the twenty Second of

February 1702:

Hezekiah Maroh baptised 1. 1. 1702.

Samuel Bishop Son of James Bishop Datus post Preces Dei Gratia Baptised 15. 1. 170 Jemima Daughter of Benj Blackman, 15, 1^m 170¹ John Son of Smith Woodward baptised 29. 1.

1702 Nov. 25d, 98 John Cook born

Mary Daughter of John Preston baptised 29. 1.

Mary Daughter of Edward Breck bapt 12, 2,

Jonathan Son of Jonathan Hall baptised 24. 3.

Silence Daughter of Sherebia But baptised 31. 3mo 1702

Oliver Son of Oliver Wiswall baptised ye 7,

25 march 98 Abigail White born

4^m 1702 Hopestill Son of Joseph Leeds jun' baptised y^e 14, 4^m, 1702 Sarah Daughter of Jonathan Jones baptised 14. 4^m. 1702 Elisabeth Daughter of Thomas Robinson baptised ye 21 or 28. 4m. 1702 Stoughton Danforth Son of mr John Danforth

baptised 26. 5. 1702.

10 April 98 Nathaniel Homes born

(Elizabeth) Sarah Daughter of Ebenezer Maudsley baptised 26. 5. 1702.

Elisabeth Long laid hold on ye Covenant & was baptised at this Time.

Barbara Daughter of Ebr. Jones baptised. 9. 6^{mo}. 1702

Hannah Daughter of Sam¹ Clap baptised. 16. 6. 1702.

Janr: 97. Elkaña Bil-lings born

(she died in a fortnight or lesse.) Sarah Daughter of Philip Withington baptised 23. 6. 1702.

Rachel Daughter of Nathanael Glover Jun baptised 23. 6. 1702

Jerusha Daughter of John Tolman jun' baptised 30. 6. 1702

Thomas Son of Thomas Maudsley jun', baptised 13. 7. 1702

Sarah, Daughter of Sam! But, baptised 13. 7.

24. 4. 98 John Pelton 1702. born

Ebenezer Son of James Barber baptised. 1. 9m. 1702.

Samuel Son of John Pierce baptised. 1.9m. 1702. Hannah Daughter of John Maudsly 8 [....]

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Baptised

Henry son of Increase Leadbetter 6. 10m. 1702. Sarah Daughter of Thos Tilestone. 13. 10m. 1702. Hannah Daughter of Samuel Wales 17°. 11m. 1703 [......]8. 10. Hannah Daughter of Timothy Tilestone 14. 12^m. 170²

99. born

ye wife of (young) Everenden ye Daughter of Walter Everenden 21. 1.m ye child of young Everinden 21. I.m Daughter of

[....] Damon 10, 11. 99 born

21. Im Submit Daughter of John Coxe baptised 28. 1m. 1703.

Rachel Daughter of Jabez Searle baptised 2, 1703.

[...] Damon 10.4. 99 born

Anne Daughter of Preserved Capen baptised 16. 3^m. 1703.

Abigail Daughter of Thomas Evans baptised, б. 4^т. 1703.

Rachel Pope 8. 10. 99 born

Sarah Daughter of Thomas Trott baptised. 20. 4. 1703.

Silence Daughter of Smith Woodw baptised. 20. 4. 1703.

Abigail Billinge 15. 12 1700

James Son of James Bird Jun. baptised 27. 4. 1703 Susanna Daughter of Ephraim Payson 4. 5^m.

Elisabeth Daughter of Jonathan Hall 8.6^m. 1703

Samuel Maudsley 7 4. 1700

Elisabeth of Nath But. baptised 15. 6. 1703 Purchase Son of Samuel Capen baptised 22. 6.

Henry Son of Henry Lion baptised 5. 7m. 1703. Benjamin Son of Benj. Cheyney — 6. 1703

Sarah W[orth][...] John Son of John Preston baptised 12. 7. 1703 23. 3. 1700 born

1700

7. 1700

2 17[00]

Isaac Son of Samuel Paul baptised 12. 7. 1703 Thomas Son of Isaac How Jun' baptised 19. 7. 1703. Elisha Son of Ebenezer Davenport baptiz^d: 3. Waitstill & Patience Bishop 6. 6. 1700 8^m. 1703 Consider Son of Ebenezer Jones baptised. 7. 7. 1703 John Son of John Maxfield baptised. 7. 7. 1703 Sam. Tompson June George Son of John Minot baptised. 7. 7. 1703 Steven Son of John Davenport the 12. 8. 1703 Timothy Son of Robert Pelton baptized 5. 10m. 1703 Jane Daughter of Obadiah Swift baptised ve 10. mary Foster 31. 8. 10^m. 1703 1700 born John Son of Samuel Clap baptised, 23. 11. 1703 Martha Daughter of Ebenezer Williams. 23. 11. 1703 Matthew Son of Matthew Peimur. 5. 1m. 1703 Mary Bradly 2 Phillip Son of Samuel Payson. 12. Im. 170³ (Mary of Charles Davenport. 20. 1. 1704) Hannah Daughter of Joseph Hewens 9. 2. 1704 Ebenezer Son of Ammiel Weeks 23. 2. 1704 Nathanael Son of Nath¹¹ Glover Bapt. 7. 3. 1704 John Pelton q. 10. [Torn off.] of John Stiles 8. 3. 1704 1 of Thomas Robinson 3. 1704 Anna or Hannah Daughter of Nath Lion 21. 3. Rebecca Foster 24. James Son of John Robinson baptised 21. 3. 1704 Hannah Daughter of John Stiles 21. 3. 1704 Anna Daughter of Nathaniel Lion. Experience Daughter of Jos. Birch, decd. baptised 18. 4^m. Hannah Woodward 5. 10. 1700 Hesther Daughter of [Jonathan Chandler] 18. 4. 1704 Benjamin Son of Jos. Angier baptised 25. 4. 1704 Tho: Trot: 28: 10: Hephziba Daughter of Benj. Blackman 25. 4. 1700 born 1704 Gurnet Price Son of Francis Price Supra — 23. 2. 1704 Thankfull Daughter of Lt. James Foster — 16. Thankf. Redman 14. 5. 1704 Deborah Daughter of Benjamin Cheyney 16. 5.

Ruth Jones of Jonathan Jones baptized 4. 7. 1704

Mary Daughter of Edward Clap baptised 20. 6. Mary Lewis 1. 2. 1701 born I704 Renew Daughter of John Blackman 27. 6^m. 1704 Sarah Clap Daughter of Jonathan Clap 17. 4^m. Eben. Web. 13. 2. 1704 1701 born Ichabod Son of Oliver Wiswal 20. 7. 1704 George Son of m'. John Danforth baptised D. G. Nov. 12. 1704 Hañah Damon 1. 2. Mary Daughter of Ebenezer Paul baptised 12. 1701 born 9^m. 1704. Hesther Daughter of Jabez Searle baptised 19. Mary Butt. 18. 2. 9^m. 1704 1701 born Mary Daughter of Jonathan Chandler. 3. 10. 1704 Mary Daughter of Isaac How Junior. 3. 10. 1704 Submit Daughter of Smith Woodward 10. 10. Elis. Billinge 11. 4. 1701 born Pelatiah Son of Joseph Hall baptised 7. 11th. 1705 Anne Daughter of John Pearse baptised 28. 11. Jos. Angier. 20. 4. 1701 born Samuel Son of John Browne baptised 11. 12m. 1705 Anne Daughter of Philip Withington 4. 1. 1705 Zechary Merrifield. Richard Son of Jonathan Hall baptised 11. 26. 4. 1701 . 1 m march I 705 Rebecca Daughter of James Bird junt. 1. 2m. Thomas Trot 25. 7. 1701 Benjamin Son of John Cocks baptised 1.2m. 1705. Patience Daughter of Joseph Bird baptised 8. 2. 1705. John Everenden 4. Anne Daughter of Joseph Blake Supra 11. 1. 5. 1701 1705. James Son of James Haws Supra 11. 1. 1705. Susanna Daughter of John Tolman jung 6. 3. Zech. Waldo. 25. 9. 1705. 1701 Thomas Son of Matthew Piemur baptised -3. 1705. Susan daughter of Thos. Maudsley 17. 4. 1705. Daughter of Phillip Ruth Kenny baptised the 8th of July 1705. Britton 19. 10. 1701 Anne Daughter of Timothy Moseman 1. 5m. 1705 born Robert Son of Robert Searle, 8. 5m. 1705 Samuel Son of John Maxfield 8. 5th. 1705 Christian Monk May Mary Daughter of Nath. Leeds 28. 5m. 1705

Elizabeth Daughter of Tim. Tilestone 15. 5. 1705 Hannah Daughter of Ensign Breck 19. 6. 1705

10 1702

Mary Price 13. 4. [....]

Jemima Daughter of Nath. But bapt. 19. 6. 1705 Mehitabel Daughter Jnº Davenport 26. 6. 1705 Susan Daughter of Samuel Trot baptised 16. 7. 1705

Miriam Puffer. 14. [..] 1702

Abigail Daughter of Sherebiah But baptd. 16. 7. I705

Abigail Daughter of John Preston bapt. 16. 7.

Ruth Blake 20, 10, 1702 born

[Eben]ezer Son of Ebenezer Clap baptised 7. 8. 1705

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(Jos. Son of Samuel Clap bapt 6. 8. 1705)

Nathan Bradly 2. 11. 1702/3 born

Thomas Son of Thomas Robinson baptised 30. 7. 1705

John Lewis 18. 11. 1702/3 born

Aquila Son of Samuel Tolman baptised 21. 8. 1705

Josh. Damon. 17. 2. 1703 born

Sarah Daughter of Irijah Wales baptised 11. 9. Jonathan Son of Jonathan Clap baptised y 9.

Jane Brown. 28. 1. 1703 born

10. 1705 Mary Daughter of John Minot Baptised ye 30.

Isaac Bellinge. 9. 5m. 1703 born

10. 1705 Elisabeth Daughter of Smith Woodward baptised 13. 11. 1706

Abigail Damon. 8. 8. 1705 born

Sarah Daughter of James Trott baptised you 13. 11. 170g

Ebenezer Jones. 10m. 1705 born

Joseph Son of John Stiles baptised on the 20. 11. 170_6^5

Katharine Web 20. 7. 1703 born

Eleanor Daughter of Eben: Jones baptised the 11. 12. 170_6^5

Consider Jones 7. 9m. 1703 born

Elisabeth Daughter of Samuel Paison baptised у^е б. 11. 170⁵

1703 born

(as I suppose) Jemima Pope 13. 9m. Mary Daughter of Capt: Thomas Tilestone Bapt. 16. 10. 1705

Son of Sam. Butt 20. 10. 1703 horn

Susan Daughter of James Bird Baptised Supra б. 11. 1705

Sarah of John Mosely 31. 10. 1703 born

Mary Daughter of John Brown Baptised Supra 3. 4. 1705

Edward ye son of Ewd Foster Baptised the 7. 2.

Ralf Pope 10. 9. 1705 born

Phebe ye Daughter of Joseph Andrews baptised y° 7. 2. 1706

Mindwel daughter of Abiel Bird baptised ye 5.

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Bernard Capen. 5.
                 3<sup>m</sup>. 1706.
                 Mary Daughter of Sam11. Leeds. 28. 5, 1706.
 [Alisse] Tolman 8.
 3m. 1704 born
                 Sarah Daughter of Increase Leadbett<sup>r</sup>. 4. 6.
                 1706.
 Freelove Monk 2. 3.
                 Rachel Daughter of Nath: Glov': 4. 6. 1706
 1704 born
                 Ebenezer Son of Ebenezer Lawrence - Bapt:
                 15. 6. 1706.
                 Prudence ye Daughter of Nath: Leeds. Bapt:
 Ruth Puffer 11. 1.
 1704 born
                 15. 6. 1706.
                 Sarah Daughter of Increase Leadbetter Bap-
                 tised — 6. 1706.
 John Trot. 7. 4.
                 Abigail Daughter of Jabez Searle Bapt.
 1704 born
                 1706.
                 John the Son of Serj: Sam. Clap Bapt. 22. 7
                 1706
 John Stanton 12, 6.
 1704 born
                 Samuel Son of Samuel Tolman Bapt<sup>d</sup>. 29. 7.
                 1706
 Tho. Shepard 24. 1.
                 Priscilla Daughter of Obadiah Swift Bapt<sup>a</sup>. 6.
 1706 born
                 8<sup>m</sup>. 1706
 Handah Chandler 4. Jerusha Daughter of Eben Billinge. Baptd. 13.
 7. 1706 born
                 8. 1706
                Elisabeth Daughter of Henry Tolman. 13. 8.
 Tho. Stanton 19. 6.
 1706 born
                 1706
                 Ebenezer Son of Ebenezer Davenport 27. 8. 1706
                Patience Daughter of William Trescot 27. 8.
 John Shepard 25. 12.
                 1706
 1703/4 born
                 Mehetabel Daughter of Sam Bird 15. 10. 1706
                 Thankfull Daughter of Hopestil Capen 5. 11.
 Jerusha Merrifield 1.
                 1700
 [11]. 1704/5 born
                 Samuel Son of Smith Woodward 12. 11th. 1707
                 Benjamin Son of Benjamin Cheyney &
                 Ebenezer Son of Ebenezer Paul were baptised
 Benj. Web. febr. 8.
                 on ye oth of febr: 1707
 1704/5
                 Clark Son of John Maudsly. 16. 12<sup>m</sup>
                   Hopestil Son of Jonathan Hall 23
 Nath & Edward
                   March
 Eldridg 1. 1. 1705
                   Jeremiah Son of Joseph Blake 23
                   March
                   John Son of John Robinson -
 James Bishop, 30. 1.
  1705. born
                 Zebadiah Son of Ebenezer Williams 23 March
                 1707
                 John ye Son of John Pierce baptised 6. 2m. 1707
  Josiah March 10m.
                 Samuel Son of Oliver Wiswal — 13. 2. 1707
 1705 born
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Submit Daughter of [Isaac How 13. 2. 1707] Priscilla Daughter of Joseph Hall Bapt. 20 [2. Susan Pelton 3. 7. 1707 1706 born Edward Son of At Meadford Thomas Hall 27. 2. 1707 Baptised by or < Benjamin Son of (in Medford. Katharine Bird 1m. Pastor 1705 born Benj. Pearse. Richard Son of Thomas Evans baptised May 4. James Haws 11. 2. Humfry Son of Humfry Atherton June 8. 1707 1705 born William Son of Sam¹ Robinson baptised June 29. 1707 Susan Tolman 13.2. Mary Daughter of Benj: Blackman bap July 6. 1705 born 1707 Deliverance Daughter of Jos: Weeks July 20. 1707 Ebenez. Lewis 29. 9. Mary Daughter of Eben: Maudsly July 20. 1707 1705 born Mary Daughter of James Haws. Aug. 24. 1707 Hopestill N. Son of Ri: Withington Sept. 7. Walter Hixon 15. 4. 1707 1705, born James Son of James Trott. Sept. 28. 1707 Tobias Negro — Baptised: Oct. 12. 1707 Joseph Negro - Baptised Oct. 12. 1707 Ruth Fenno. 30. 3. Benjamin Son of Sergeant Sam1 Clap. Oct. 19. 1705 born I707 Peter Son of Francis Price. Oct. 19. 1707 Eliz Baily 14. 10. Mary Daughter of Sam1 Trott Nov1: 9. 1707 1689 born Steven Son of Richard Hawes Nov. 9. 1707 Hannah Daughter of Eb: Paul: Nov. 30. 1707 Tobie (m^r Paysons Negro) — Nov. 30. 1707 Hagar (m^r Capens Negresse) — Nov. 30, 1707 Edw Baily 14. 3. James Son of James Bishop Dec. 7. 1707 1600 born Samuel Son of Sam1 Tolman Dec. 21. 1707 Anne Daughter of Sam1 Payson Jan. 18. 1708 John Son of Ralf Pope — Jan. 18. 1708 Jerusha Billeng 7. 6. Mary Daughter of John Brown. Feb. 1. 1708 1705 born Cornelius Son of Timy. Tilestone. Feb. 8. 170% Elisabeth Daughter of Jos. Andrews, Feb. 22. 1708 Mary Daughter of Jnº Minot. March. 14. 1708 Ruth Bradly 29. 4. Ebenezer Son of James Bird March 14. 1708 1705 born Benj. Son of John Stiles. March. 21. Sherebia Son of Sher: Butt. May 23. 1708

Preserved Son of Nicho: Williams May 23. 1708

> March 6th, 1708

Mary Wentworth 29. 6. 1705. bo

Mary Daughter of Irijah Wales. June 6, 1708 Margaret Daughter of Jnº Preston July. 4. 1708 Waitstill daughter of Incr: Leadbett Octob. 3. 1*7*08

Tho Trot 13.7. [....] Josiah Son of Hezek: Maroh. Oct. 3. 1708
Sam. & Mercy M
[....] 10. 7^m. 1705. Sarah Daughter of Hez. Maroh. Oct. 3. 170 Sarah Daughter of Hez. Maroh. Oct. 3, 1708 Ebenez Son of Jacob Hewen oct. 10. 1708

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Baptised in Dorchester

Baptised at Braintrey by the Pastor of Dorchester Nov. 28, 1708, Mary Daughter of Lt. Cleverly & Mehetabel Daughter of Peter Adams.

April 23 Major Ealles Dyed.

June 5 1709 158 soldiers at our meeting. June 19 Six companies of Soldiers were quartered wrof 2 Companies are Indian Soldiers

Aug. 6. old mrs Shepherds funeral.

Jos. Trescot taken to Comunion Aug.

Ro. Searles Senr taken to Comunion 21. 6. 1709.

Sept. 15 Publick

Oct. 27 John [Fitch] born

Nov. 24 Thanksgiving

Dec. 25 old mrs Chandler admitted to communion.

A Contr. for S. Capen jun. Jan. 29.

Caleb Son of Capt: Tho' Tilestone Dec. 26, 1708

Thomas Son of John Andrews January 30, 1708

Edward Son of Edward Breck Feb. 27, 1708 Henry Son of Henry Tolman

John Son of Edward White febr. 27. 1708 Mary Daughter of Josh. Sevars Hannah Daughter of Nath.

Glover Susannah Daughter of Jabez

Searles

Samuel Son of Ionathan Chandler

Timothy Son of Edward Foster April. 17, 1709 May 22. 1709. Admitted to full Communion with the Church Mr John Devotion Richard Withingtons Wife Patience Foster & Sarah Corie

Baptized

Hannah daughter of Inº. Baker June 12. 1709 John Son of Jnº Bird Jun June 26, 1709 Sarah daughter of Mathias Evans July 3, 1709 Sarah daughter of Jos. Blake July 17, 1709 Abigail daughter of Inº Maudsly July 31. 1709 William son of Wm Trescot Aug. 14. 1709 Amity daughter of James Haws Aug, 14, 1709 Mary daughter of John Stiles Aug. 14, 1709 John Son of John Bird Aug. 28, 1709 Unice daughter of James Bird Sept. 4, 1709 Sarah daughter of Sam¹ Tolman Sept. 4, 1709 Alice daughter of Th. Evans sent. Sept. 25, 1709

Mary daughter of James Baker oct. 2, 1709

Aged Tho. Bird died. January

Mony fallen sh 8d on ye pound or [. . .]

March 16 1710 Publ: Fast.

Mr Cotton Pastor of Easthampton died with pain in His head in 2 minutes.

Contribution for [...] Morse of Dorchester Village abt. oli. Apr. 16.

April 30 taken to full Comunion Elis. Woods.

Preserved Capen laid hold on ye Covent. May 28.

June 4 mr. Devotion Dismissed to Southfield

Publ. Fast June 15.

Augst. 10. Publ. Thanksgiving. Sept. 28. Publ. Fast.

Isaac Royall June laid hold on ye Covent. Sept.

Jacob Eliot laid hold on ye Covenant. October. 15. 1710.

Oct. 22 Thos. Spur laid hold on ye Covent:

Portroyal yt surrendered to the Crown of Engl.

Nov. 16 Publ. Thanksgiving.

Hannah daughter of Jos. Andrews Oct. 2, 1700 Thos. Son of Isaac How Oct. 16, 1709 Hannah daughter of John Pearse Oct. 23. 1709 Francis Son of Fra. Price Oct. 23, 1709 Jacob Son of Benj. Cheyney Oct. 1700

Son of Smith Woodward Oct. 30, 1709 Margaret daughter of Tho. Maudsly Nov. 6, I709

Samuel Son of S. Leeds Nov. 20, 1709 Jonas Son of Dan1 Tolman Jan 22, 1709

Mary Daughter of Irijah Wales March 5 [1709] Mary Daughter of Sam¹ Robinson March 26

1710

Baptized Caleb Son of In^o Bradley. Baptized John Son of Jnº Withington Josiah Son of John Tolman Preserved Son of John Preston Anna Atherton Baptized. Nathanael Son of Nath: Butt. Lemuel Son of Thomas Trot. Margaret daughter of Jnº Andrews. Mary Daughter of Eben'. Williams John Son of Ebenezer Clap. Elizabeth Daughter of Eben^r. Paul.

Mary Daughter of Josh. Pomery A Son (William) of Isaac Royal

Onesiphorus Son of Timothy Tilestone Oct. 8. Jacob Eliot Baptized -Benjamin Son of Benj. Ball.

Henry Son of Matthias Evans. Sarah Daughter of Sam¹ Trot Sarah Daughter of Thomas Spur

Alexander. Son of Nath! Glover. Priscilla Daughter of Sami Tolman Hannah Daughter of Henry Tolman

Thankfull Daughter of Jos. Bird. Hannah Daughter of Sam¹ Payson

Patience Daughter of Sam! Henshaw Febr. 4 Ruth Daughter of Sam1 Hall

Zebulon son of Benjamin Thayer baptised at Braintrey Sept. 3. 1710

April 2 April 16 April 23

April 23 May. 7. May, 14

May. 28. June. 11.

June. 25. Aug. 6. Aug. 27.

Sept. 24. Sept. 24

Oct. 15. Oct. 22.

Oct. 22 Nov. 5.

Nov. 5. Nov. 26.

Nov. 26. Dec. 10.

Dec. 17. Janry 14.

Feb. 17

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Baptised

1711. March. 11 Humfry Atherion Confessed Drunkenns. Josh. Georges wife admd. to full Comunion Apr. 1. Publ. Fast Apr. 12. Apr. 8. Serit Buts wife admitted to Comunion Increase Leadbetters wife taken to Comn. May 20. May 23 Mr Niles ordained at Braintry Dorch. Chh. messengers assisting. May 27 mrs Breck taken to Comunion Oct. 11. Fast mr E. Danforth very rick oct. 30. Publ. Thanksgiving Nov. 29. January 27 Eb. Topllif admitted to Com- Oct. 21. union. Sarah D. of Saml Bird born July 1711. Saml Son of Isaac How born July 22. Nath! Son of Jonath. Mary Daughter of John Maxfield born July 31. Mary Daughter of Edwd Foster born Aug. 13.
Mary Daughter of James Trot born
Sept. 20. Preserved Son of Presd Capen born Nov. 2. Abigail D. of Tho. Maudsley born Nov. 20.

Elisabeth D. of John Minot March. 4.

Zebulon Son of Tho: Pearse March. 18.

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Zebulon Son of Tho: Pearse March. 18.

(born March 14. 1711)

Susaña Daughter of Edw: Breck April I.

Elijah Son of Ralph Pope — April. 8.

John Son of John Baker April. 8.

Sarah Daughter of Edw: White. May 6.

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Charity Daughter of Wm. Trescot. May. 27.

May 23 Mr Niles ordained at Braintry Dorch. Chh. messengers assisting.

May 27 mrs Breck taken to Comunion Oct. 2 Fire at Boston Oct. 3 May 27 mrs Breck taken to Comunion Oct. 2 Fire at Boston Oct. 4 May 27 Mary Daughter of Tim. Foster. Aug. 18.

Mary Daughter of Tim. Foster. Aug. 18.

Nathanael Son of James Bird Oct. 21.

Mary-Anne Daughter of Robt. Gutheridg Oct. 21.

Hannah Daughter of Eb: Maudsley Nov. 4.

Preserved Son of Preserved Capen: Nov. 4.

Elisabeth Daughter of Josh. George: Nov. 25.

Sarah Daughter of Josh Pomerv Febr 24

Mary Daughter of John Andrews Apr. 13. Phinehaz Son of Francis Price. Apr. 20. Mary Daughter of Key. Apr. 20. Desire Son of Sam¹ Tolman. Apr. 27.

Baptized at Dorch Village by our Pastor Amity daughter of mr Jos. Morse May. 4. Eliphalet sons of Benj. Blackman May. 4 Benjamin James Son of James Haws May. 4 Ithamer Son of - Eastie May. 4 Susanna daughters of Ro: Pelton May. 4 Hephziba Zebia son of Billinge May. 4 Abigail daughter of John Withington May. 4 ---- Wentworth May. 4 John son of -Joshua Son of John Bradley. May. 11 Abigail daughter of Th. Maudsly May. 18 Nathan son of Nathan Bradley May. 18 Ruth daughter of Nathan Bradly May. 18

March. 2. John Bradly admitted to

Comunion march. 9 Old mrs Sanders an Exct-Woman Dyed at meeting at Braintry. Mary Pimur admitted to full Comunion June 1. May 25 Content fession absolved from Excomunication. May 31 Aged mrs Wiswell deceased. And Aged mrs Trot a days before. June 1. John Brown and Mary Homes admitted to Comun-June 28 Aged mrs Tileston buryed. Sept. 14. mr white admitted to full Comunion. Nov. 26. Mr Thayer ordained Pastor of ye 2d Chh. Roxbury The Pastor & messengers of Dorchest. Chh assisted. January 23 mr S. Wales buried.

Lidia daughter of Nathan Bradly May, 18 Samuel Son of Nathan Bradly May. 18 John daughter of Nathan Bradly May, 18 Abigail Daughter of Smth. Woodward June. 1. Samuel son of Wm Trescot. June. 29. Mason upon her con- Eben' Son of Mr. Eben' White. Sept. 14 Eleanor Wife of Comfort Foster. Nov. 2 Elizabeth daughter of Tho. Spur Nov. 2 Daniel son of Daniel Tolman Nov. 2 Joseph son of Comfort Foster Nov. 2 Ebenezer son of Joseph Blake Nov. 16 Margaret daughter of Edd: Breck Nov. 23 Samuel Son of Irijah Wales. Nov. 23 Edward son of Edward White. Dec. 7. Mehetabel Daughter of Benj. Ball Dec. 21 Mary Daughter of Benj. Cheyny Dec. 28 Nathanael Son of Eben^r Clap — Jan⁷. 25 Elijah Son of John Tolman Feb. 8 Mary Daughter of Josh. Severs Feb. 22

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The Revd mr Hobert of Newtown deceased June 22. Aged Mrs Foster

died. Jos. Ward laid hold on ye Covent June 28
Jos. Topliff laid
hold on ye Covent. July July 5. Sarah Weeks by vote of the Chh. admonished for fornication And a Letter written to Her containing it. July 26 Contributed for J. Brown about John Cocks & His wife laid hold on ye Covent Aug. 9 Eben. Jones junr His wife laid hold on ye Covent Aug. Sept. 20 John Son of Roger Bellinge taken to Comunion Sept. 20. Mary Trot now Leadbetter Con-

fessed Fornication.

daughter to Mr Wil-

son Pastor of Boston & formerly Consort to Mr Danforth

Sept. 30 Aged & Hond Mrs Rock

Pastor of Rocksb deceased. Aged 80.

David Son of James Trot, May 17 James Son of John Baker, May 31 Hannah Daughter of Ralph Pope June 14 Thomas l — of Tho' Trot June 28 Zebiah Mary daughter of Jos Ward June 28 Thomas Son of Sami Clap - July 5 Solomon Son of Jos. Hall Aug. 2 Matthias Son of Matthias Evans Aug. 2. Jerusha Daughter of Tim: Foster Aug. 16. James Son of John Cocks Sept. 13 Nehemiah Son of Bernard Capen Sept. 20 Ruth Daughter of Henry Tolman Sept. 20 Preserved son of James Baker Sept. 27 Mary Daughter of Eb Jones jun Oct. 11

At Dorchester Village baptised by the Pastor of Dorchester Sion Son of mr Jos. Morse Oct. 20 Thomas Son of Thos Jordan Oct. 20 Olave daughters of Thos Jordan Oct. 20

ye Covenant Oct 20 at ye Village

The wife of our Schoolmaster Mr White admitted to Comunion Nov. 8. Thankgiving Nov. Nov. 19 Aged Mr White buryed. Jan 14 Public Fast.

March John Humfrys laid hold on ye Covenant on April. 4. Abiel Bakers wife laid hold on ye Covent: April. 11. April 16. Aged mrs withington died. 86 yr old Susana Williams laid hold on ye Covent. May. 2 May 13. dismissed to Milton The wife of Tho: Tolman Jun. Publ. ffast May. 13 May 28 widow Hall died being sick but an hour or 2 June 11th Dr Smith died. June 6. Nathaniel Son of Elder Toplif admitted to full Communion.

Sept. 2. Publ. Fast, because of the Drought. July 5 gt Drought 22th at night Saving a Shower on ye Lords day Evening preceding ye Fast at Dorchester which was on July 20,th save on Augst 8th & once or twice a small sprinkling Yet a good harvest of Indian Corn

died in Suriname.

Johanna Trescot daughter to Thomas Lion admitted to full Comunion Nov. 21. Nov. 25 Publ. Thanksgiving. Capt. Tilestone & His Wife & Edward Foster admitted to full Comunion feb. 20 John Lee laid hold on ye Covenant feb. 30

Jane Pitcher & olave Sarah daughter of Ben: Eastie Oct. 20 Mary Daughter of Daniel Stone Oct. 20 Christian Daughter of Ro. Pelton Oct. 20 Eliakim Abijah Children of Edw: Pitcher Oct. 20 Jane Samuel Son of Joseph Topliff Oct. 20 Mary Daughter of the wife of Israel Leadbetter Nov. 1 Mary Daughter of Nath. Glover Nov. 15. Abigail Daughter of Comfort Foster Jan 14 1714. Jonathan Son of Jonth: Chandler Bap^d March. 7. Ambrose Son of Jabez Seale March 14 Samuel Son of Samuel Jones March 14 Mary Daughter of Jnº Andrews March 28 Susanna Daughter of Sam¹ Hall March 28 Hannah Daughter of John Humfry April 4 Judith Daughter of Thomas Pearse April. 25 John Son of Humfrey Atherton May 16. Sarah Daughter of Jonath: Clap. May. 16. Sarah Daughter of Eben Paul. May 16. Nathanael Son of John Stiles. June 6 Samuel the Son of who married Sam¹ Jones Daughter Mary Daughter of Presd Capen baptised July. 11. Abigail Daughter of m^r Eben^r White. Sept. 5. No Rain untill Sept Ebenezer Son of Abiel Baker Oct, 14. Elizabeth Daughter of Elis. Puffer Oct. 14. Thomas Son of Thomas Spur. Oct. 31. Jonathan Son of Nathan Bradly. Oct. 31. Mather Son of Ebenez' Withington Nov'. 14. Jane Daughter of Francis Price Nov. 21. Ebenezer Son of John Bradly Dect. 19. Oct. 18. mr Danforth Samuel Son of Ralph Morgan Dect. 19. Thankfull Daughter of Jos. Ward Dect. 19. Patience Daughter of Edw White Dec¹. 26 Ebenezer Son of Eben' Jones jun'. Jan' 23. Joseph Son of Joseph Trescot Jan'⁷ 30. John Lee baptized Febr. 20. Margaret Daughter of John Lee Feb. 20.

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Baptized. 1715

1715 March. 6. Nath. Etheridge laid hold on ye Covenant March 31. Publ. Fast. May 15. Edward Fosters Wife admitted to full Comppion Wm Withington & Sarah wife of Thos Pearse admitted to full Comunion June. Abiel George & His wife & a sabbath or two afore viz on Sept 11. Mary King made Confession of fornication. James Blake Jung laid bold on ye Covent Confessing Fornication oct 28 1716. Thos Davenport & His wife Confessed fornication Sept. 25. Abiel George laid hold on ye Covenant Oct. 2 Ten Children at Dorchester Village Called Punkapoag. Oct. 30 Contributed for Mrs Lord, 9 pounds to Shill. January, 8. Daniel Ellens Confession was Read in Publick & accepted & He was released from Excomunica tion inflicted on Him abt 37 yr ago. Abigail Wife of Samuel Withington taken into full Comunion Feb. 5. 1716. I D s. h . . . March. 22. Publick Fast. April, 15, Ebenezer Dunton laid hold on April 30. The Church voted their messengers to sit in Council at Scituate May 8. May 23 mr Wm Cooper ordained at Boston, the messengers from Dorchester Assisting. July. 8. John Wales & His wife peni-

Irijah Son of Irijah Wales, April. 10. Thankfull daughter of Jos. Andrews May. 30. Isaac Son of Isaac How. June 19. John Son of John Baker. July 3 Mary Daughter of Hopestil Capen July. 3. Josiah Son of John Cocks July. 3. Mary Daughter of Aaron Bird, July. 3. Jonathan Son of Eben' Topliff, July. 17. Mary Daughter of Josiah Hobs. July 17. John Son of Richard Hawes. July 31 John Son of John Humfrys. Aug. 13. Nicholas Son of Eben Lawrance Aug. 27. Oct. o The Pastor of Mary Daughter of Eben Lawrance Aug. 27.

Dorchester baptized Thankfull Daughter of The Evans jun. Aug. Thankfull Daughter of Tho Evans jun. Aug. 27. Elizabeth Daughter of James Trot. Sep. 18 Joseph Son of Ebenezer Clap. Oct. 16. Priscilla Daughter of John Tolman Oct. 16. Lazarus Son of Ralph Pope Nov. 6. Nathanael Son of Eben Maudsly. Dec. 4. Samuel Son of Josh. Severs. Dec. 18. Ruth Daughter of Eb: Williams Febr. 12. Jane Daughter of Henry Tolman Febr. 12. Ruth Daughter of Edw: Foster Feb. 19. Peter Son of Thomas Blakeman Feb. 19.

> Baptized 1716.

ye Covenant
Mercy Bird admitted
John Son of John Andrews. March. 11
to full Communion.

Dorces Daughter of James Humfry March. Dorcas Daughter of James Humfry March. 11. Pelatiah Son of Lieutenant Glover April. '8. Ebenezer Son of Daniel Tolman. April. 8. Ebenezer Son of Preserved Capen. April. 15. Elisha Son of Capt. Tho: Tilestone. April. 22. Rebecca Daughter of Eb. Dunton April. 22. Jane Daughter of James Haws. April. 29.

tently confessed fornication before marriage. July. 15. young widow Leeds admitted to full Comunion with ye Church. Aug. 23. Publick Thanksgiving. Josiah Hobs and Rebecca wife of Thomas mosely admitted to full Com: oct. 7. & mary, wife of Charles King laid hold on ye Covent oct. 7. Oct. 11. mr Hemenway had His Leg cut off. Oct. 17. mr White was Ordained at Attleborough messengers from Dorchr Church Assisted. Oct 24. Fast at Dorch many being sick. Oct, 21. Humfry Atherton Confessed Drunkenesse. Nov. 4 Contrib. for Daniel Stone Charles Davenport junr & His wife laid hold on ye Covent Nov. 18. & william Cocks Nov. 25. Dec. 6. Publick Thanksgiving William Steven Mary & Sarah Billinges laid hold on the Covent. Jan. 6. Isaac How & wife taken to full Comm

feb, 24 Snow in Drifts 25 foot deep. In ye woodes a yard generally on ye level.

Mercy Daughter of Sam1 Trot. April. 29. John Son of Samuel Tolman. April. 29. Jabez & Thankfull Children of Jabez Searles. May. 27. Hannah Daughter of Josh: Pomery June 3. Ebenezer Son of Benj. Ball June 3. Henry Son of Sam1 Jones June. 24 Samuel Son of Sam! Hall June 24 John Son of Jonath: Chandler July. 29. Elisabeth Daughter of S. Leeds. Aug. 23. Sarah Daughter of John Preston Aug. 23. Elisabeth Daughter of Sam1 Bird. Sept. 23. Relief Daughter of Incr. Leadbetter Oct. 21. James Son of James Blake Oct. 28. Thomas Son of Monsieur Richards Oct. 28. The Pastor of Dorch did baptize at Hingham, Norton the Son of Major Quincey Nov. 4. Unite Son of Tho. Maudsly Nov. 11. Theodore Son of Jos. Eastie Nov. 11. Mary Daughter of Ch. Davenport Nov. 18. Samuel Son of W^m Cocks. Dec. 2. Relief daughter of Matt. Evans Jan. 13. Abijah Son of Edward White (deceased) Jan. 27 Daniel Son of Sam. Henshaw Jan. 27 John Son of Ralph Morgan Jan. 27 Consider Son of Humfry Atherton feb. 17.

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1717 Baptized

John Wales laid hold on ye Covent June 2. Thomas Glover taken to full communion. June 16 Steven Billings admitted to full Communion. June 25. At or Village one Bayly & three Weatworths & claid hold on ye

Thankfull D^r. of Eb: Withington Mar^{eh}. 10 Meletiah Daughter of Nathan Bradly March. 17. Joseph Son of Isaac How — March. 31. Baptized Son of John Bradly April. 14.

Covenant & were baptized & ten were examined & approved for full Comun by the Pastor of Dorch with ye Revd mr Thacher & 10 Childre baptized by mr Thacher there.

Hannah Dr of Jno Rain Contribn for Charls King. July 15 a mercifull Rain 2 Days Aug. 15 in our Village 70 Sick. Sep. 1. Eb. Williams Senior admonished for drunkens. Oct. 13 Ephr. Tucker laid hold on the Covenant. Jany 5 John Blake chosen Deacon. & ordained feb. 16 Feb. 27. Publ. F2st. March. 2. Deacon John Blake was deceased.

William Son of Joshua George May. 5. Son of John Baker June. 2. Ruth Daughter of John Wales June. 2. Mary Daughter of Eb. Lawrance Aug. 11. Deborah Daughter of Francis Price Oct. 6. Joshua Son of Ephr. Tucker Oct. 13. Johanna Daughter of Aaron Bird. Oct. 13. Johanna Daughter of Cap^t. Tileston Jan^{ry}.

July, 11. Publ. FastMary Daughter of Henry Tolman Jan^{ry}.

5. Johanna Daughter of Capt. Tileston Janry. 5. Mary Daughter of Baptized Tabitha Cocks — Jan. 19. Patience Daughter of John Tolman Feb. 9. Noah Son of Jonathan Clap. Febr. 9. Susanna Daughter of Pres. Capen Feb. 9. Zebia Ward baptised — Feb. 9. Thomas Son of John Andrews Feb. 16. Thankfull Daughter of Inº. Humfry feb. 23.

In about three moneths have deceased of full Comunicants in the Chh of Dorchester besides Deacon Blake these; viz Capt. Ebenezer Billinge Esq Capt. Roger Billinge, mr Desire Clap. M' Ebenezer Williams Sen'. & His wife, M' Benjamin Leeds, m' Sam' Hall The widow m' Robinson, & the wife of m'. John Glover.

1718 Wm Dentson Esq. dyed March 22 agd 54. Ephr. Payson laid hold on ye Covent April, 20. June r. mr Jenkyns laid hold on the Covenant. June 11 mr Ebent Gay ordained Pastor at Hingham the messengers of Dorch assisting. Aug. 17 Ens. Th mas Wiswell owned ye Covent. Sept. 14 Contributed for Jos. Angier. Dec. 11 Publick

1718 Wait Daughter of James Blake jun' March. 9. Martha Dar. of John Brown April. 6 Silence Daughter of Ebr Maudsly April. 13 Ephraim Son of Eph. Paison jun' April. 20 Sarah Daughter of Charls Richards Apr. 27. Anne Daughter of Tho Trot. May. 11. Hannah Daughter of Ebr. Paul May 25 Priscilla Daughter of Ebr. Paul May 25 Samuel Son of Sherebia But June 1. Mary Daughter of Sherebiah But June 1: Ebenezer Son of Ralf Pope. June 1. Ebenezer Son of Charls King. June 8. James Son of James Jenkyns July 6. Samuel Son of Eben'. Lawrance July. 13. Daughter of m^r Almy baptized Aug. 10. (At Tiverton)

Thanksgiving.
Upon ye [...]
from ye Gen. Court.
for propagating
ye Gospel
Contributed here
Nine pound, 2d,
January 4 Tabitha
Cocks admitted to
full Comunion.
Jan. 11. Lieutenant
Clap refused the
Deaconship.
Feb: 1. Jonathan
Clap Chosen Deacon & ordained
on March. 1.

Sarah Daughter of Thos Wiswell Aug. 17.
George Son of Jabez Searles. Aug. 24
Comfort Son of Comfort Foster — Aug. 31
Eleanor Daughter of Comfort Foster Aug. 31
John Son of John Webb — Aug. 31
Elizabeth daughter of Eb' Clap. Sep. 7.
Ebenez' Son of Tho' Blakeman. Sep. 21
Jane Daughter of Tho' Evans Sept. 21
Hephzibah daught' of Josias Hobs Oct. 5
Elisabeth daughter of Joshua Severs Oct. 26
Mary daughter of Sam¹ Topliff. Nov. 16.
Josiah son of Isaac How Dec. 21.
Mary daughter of John Lee. Feb. 1.
Alexander Son of John Bradly Feb. 15.

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1719 March 22 Contributed for mr Morse April. 12. Hannah Clap admd to full Comn. Jos. Blake & His wife & Rush Paul confessed fornica-The wife of James Swift laid hold on ye C.vt: Sept. 27. 1719 Ebn. Maudsly jun. & His wife laid hold on ye Covent. Oct. 4. Benj. Bird & His wife admitted to full Comunion. Jacob Son of Benj. Cheyney Born May 24. 1719 Isaac Son of Henry Bird born May 16 James Son of James Swift born June 21. Nehemiah of John Stiles b. July 2. Benjamin of Timothy Tillstone July 19. Saml Son of John Preston b. Aug. 19. Wm Son of Saml Tollman Aug. 12 Desire Son of Ephr. Payson born July 31 & died ye same day. Ebent Son of Ebent Topliff born John Son of John Cox born Aug. 3. Elisabeth daughter of Ebenezer & Elis-

abeth Maudsly Oct. 17. I719
Steven Son of Sam¹ Jones jun² — March. I
Susannah daughter of Joshua George March. I
Susannah daughter of W™ Cocks March. I
Ebenezer Son of Richard Withington March. I5
Anna daughter of Ralph Morgan May. 30.
Deacon Jonathan Clap was ordained a Deacon
March. I. 1718/1719.

Jane a Child of Charles King baptised Sept. 20

Mary Daughter of Jos. Trescot — feb. 14 Thomas Son of Ens. Thos Wiswell feb. 21 John Son of John Wales — feb. 21 Elisabeth daughter of Irijah Wales feb. 21 Miriam daughter of Jno Glover feb. 21.

1720 Ebenezer Son of Eben^r Dunton march 2

Mary daughter of Tho' Bird April. 3
Samuel Son of Sam¹ Withington April. 17
David Son of Preserved Capen April 10
(born April. 3. 1720.)
Ephraim Son of Ephraim Tucker July 17 1720

Mehetabel of Robt. Field Sept. 15 Eus. of Jonath: Chandler born May. 14. Elisabeth Daughter of Jos. Bass born Nov. 15 Jerusha D. of Henry Tolman born Nov. 17, 1719. Susan D. of Timothy How born July 12, 1719. March 27 Tho. Bird laid hold on the Covent. April 3. Hannah Wiswell owned yo Covent. April. 3. Contrib-uted for John Pres-ton 9li, 2sh, Aug. 15. 1720 Eliz-abeth Daughter of Capt: Wm Lowder & mrs Elisabeth Lowder His wife. Daughter to mr John Danforth. Abigail Daughter of Tho. Spur born April. 8. 1720 Benj. Son of Francis Price born. April. 12. 1720. David Son of Nathan Bradley born May. 25, 1720. Mary Daughter of Josh. George born July 22. 1720. Silence Daughter of Matthias Evaos born, Aug. 7. 1720. Anne Daughter of Israel Leadbetter born, Aug. 16. 1720. Ephraim Son of Ephr. Tucker born, July 17, 1720. Hannah Daughter of John Wiswell or John Wiswell born May. 4. 1720. Sarah Daughter of Col. Tailer born, born Oct. 26. 1720. Thomas Son of James Blake born, July 26 1720 David Son of Jonath. Clap born, Nov. 11. 1720. Sarah Daughter of John Andrews born Feb. 14. 1720. Elijah Son of John Baker born May 14. 1720. Joseph Son of Aaron Bird born Oct. 11. 1720 Susannah Daughter of James Swift born March. 6.

Alexandr Son of Alexander Soper born July 31, 1720.

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Baptized

May. 28 Father Evans admitted to full Comunion

Abiel son of Abiel Withington Jan, 1720 Susannah daughter of James Swift March, 19. 17_{21}^{20}

Ebenezer Son of Ralph Morgan April. 9. 1721 Thomas Son of Ebenezer Jones jun' April.

23. 1721

July 2 Rush Cook laid hold on ye Covenant. July 9. Hannah Rawson admitted to full Communion.

October. 4 mr Perkens ordained

at Bridgewater Messengers from Dorch: Chh assist-

Comunion

Covent

Elizabeth daughter of Joseph Basse May. 7.

Hopestill Son of Samuel Tolman may 14. 1721 Margaret Daughter of John Preston May 21.

Daniel Son of Daniel Preston. May 21, 1721 of Joseph Andrews May 28. 1721

Dorcas daughter of John Cocks June 25. 1721 Ruth Cook daughter of July. 2^d. 1721 Thomas Son of Jonath: Kelton July. 9. 1721 Thaddeus Son of m' Maccarty July 30. 1721 Grindal Son of mr Peletiah Rawson July 30.

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Elizabeth Daughter of Benj. Bird July 30. 1721 Mary Daughter of Comfort Foster July 30.

Aug. Eb. Maudsley jun. admitted to full 1721 Nov. Robt Royal laid hold on the

Mary Daughter of Tho' Blakeman Aug: 27. 1721

William Son of L' Joshua Sever Sept. 3, 1721

Hopestill Son of John Bradley Sept. 3. 1721 William Son of William Cocks Sept. 3. 1721 Elizabeth Daughter of mr Marion Sept. 24. 1721 Ruth Daughter of m' James Blake Sept. 24.

1721

Dec. 6. a fast in Dorch bece of Small Pox

Capt. Spur & His wife Joined in full Comunion Oct. 11. 1721 Abigail Daughter of Jos: Trescot Octobr 22.

1721

Elizabeth Daughter of Goo: Glen Octobr 24.

Sarah Daughter of Isaac Humfry Jun': oct. 29. 1721

June 6: 1722 Mrs. Danforth died, Aged 59.

Joseph Son of mr Turin of Boston Nov. 5. 1721 Anne Daughter of Capt: Robert Spur: Nov. 19. 1721

Mary Preston con-

Ebr Wiswl & Wife

made Confession of transgression before

Nov. 12. A Council to sit at Norton. or

Elders & Deacons

Chosn Oct. 21.

marriage Sept. 9.

fessed ye sin of fornication

Increase Son of Increase Leadbett Dec. 3. 1721 Mary Daughter of Joseph Snelling Dec. 3. 1721 Moses Son of Timothy How December, 17, 1721 John Son of Capt. William Lowder & of Elizabeth His Wife January 14 Daught' of m' Danforth He was Anno 1721 born ye tuesday before at 11: John Son of Matthias Evans Jan 28. 1723 Thomas Bridge, Son of mr Gray of Boston Feb. 4. 17_{22}^{21} Grandson of the late Rev^d m^r Thomas Bridge Benj. Son of Jonath: Chandler. Feb. 11. 1722 Ephraim Son of Eph^m Tucker Febr. 11. 17²¹ of Henry Tolman Feb. 11. 1722 Thomas Son of the Reverend Mr. Thomas Prince of Boston March. 11. 1722 Abigaile Daughter of mr John Wiswell, March II. 17^{21}_{22} Sarah Daughter of Isaac How May. 27. 1722 Mary Daughter of Alexander Soper baptised July 21. 1722 Joseph Son of Joseph Ward baptised Aug. 26. Benjamin Son of Joseph Ward Augst. 26. 1722 Daughter of Ed. Foster Sept. 9. 1722 John Son of Charles King Sept: 9. 1722 Thomas Son of Thomas Bird Sept. 16. 1722 Ebenezer Son of Eben^r Wiswell Sept. 16, 1722 Ebenezer Wiswell Laid hold on ye Covenant Sept. 16 1722 Mary Billinge Dismissed to ye Chh. at Milton Sept. 16 Publ. Thanksgiving to be Nov. 8. 1722 if God please. Elis. Sutton made Confession of fornic. & was propounded to lay hold on y' Coven'. Sept. 30. Thomas Son of Benjamin Bird baptized. Oct. 7. 1722 (It dyed being about a month old.) Baptized Anthony Son of Elis. Sutton. She laid hold on ye Covenant at ye same time Oct. 28. 1722 M^r Daniel William & m^r John Foster Jun^r

Joined in full Comunion Oct. 28. 1722.

Oct. 14. 1722 Elder Topliff buryed: Aged 77. He had

been 9 years Deacon & 21 years Ruling Elder.

Jonathn: Capen

& ys wife owned ye Covenant ye same day & Sam Capen

Jun & ys wife shewd Repentance

for yr fornication

before marriage.

Eliz. Woods is Pastorally reccommended to Join to ye Chh. at Dighton oct. 28.

Her name now is Eliz: Crocker.

Baptized

Samuel Son of John Andrews Nov. 4. 1722 Baptized mary daughter of Eben^r. Cocks Nov. 11. 1722

Baptized Priscilla daughter of J. Foster

& Josiah son of S. Capen

& daughter of Jonath. Capen
Baptized Mary daughter of Tho Wiswell Dec.
23. 1722

Baptized Sarah daughter of Eph. Paison Jan. 6, 1722

Eph. Payson Jun' propunded for full Comunion Jan. 13th

Josiah Son of Nathan Bradly Jan. 13. 1723 Elisabeth daughter of Samuel Tolman Janry. 20. Jonathan Son of Irijah Wales Jan. 27. 1722/3.

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1723. Baptised

March 3 Consider Leeds Laid hold on ye Covenant. June 9: 1723. John Trescot junr laid hold on ye Covent. John Foster & His wife admd to full Comunion John Trescot jun laid hold on ye Covenant 9: 4 m. 1723.

M^m. His wife died in Childbirth before she could lay hold on y^e Coven^t, She being propounded to y^e Chh for it.

March 3. 1723. Sarah daughter of Consider

Leeds, baptized.

John Foster & His wife admitted to full Com.

Eph. Payson Junt, admitted.

Elis. Maudsly admitted April 7. April. 7. 1723. Lemuel Son of Capt. Spur & Susannah Daughter of Charles Davenport.

May. 26. 1723. Thomas son of James Blake, baptized.

June. 23. Silence Daughter of J. Trescot baptized

July 21. 1723 James Son of John Cock & John Son of John Maudsley baptized.

Aug. 18. 1723. Hephzibah Daughter of Thomas Cocks baptized.

Sept. 29. 1723. Unite Son of william Cocks baptized.

Oct. 5, 1723 Joseph Son of Jos. Basse baptized. Nov. 17, 1723 Samuel Son of S. Paul jun' baptized.

Jan. 19 John [Barber] & Saml Humfry & Elis. His wife laid hold on ye Covent Jan. 30 Lt. Saml Clap died

Febr. 4. 1723/24.
John Capen son of
John Capen & Elis.
Maudsley admitted
to full comunion.

Dec. 8. 1723. Solomon Son of Jonathan Kelton bapt^d.

Dec. 15, 1723. Margerite daughter of Sam' Feb. 9 James Blake Jonathan Clap Ruth Toplif bapt^d. Capen Hanah Maudsly admitted Dec. 29. 1723. Elkanah Son of Jn°. Wales bapto full Comunion. Capt Wiswel Elected an Elder

tized.

In March 1723 Charles Davenport & His wife laid hold on ye Covenant.

July 21. 1723. Jos. & Elis. Cocks & Eben Dean confessed fornication & manifested repentance Tho' Cocks & Enoch Wiswell & His wife laid

hold on ye Covent

26. 7. 1703. [1723?] Deacon Clap went with the Pastor to assist at ye Ordination of ye Rd mr James Bayley at Waymouth, being Sent by ye Chh. of Dorchester

Nov. 17. 1723 Saml Paul jun: & His wife laid hold on yo Covent

Nov. 10. 1723. Abigail Trescot & Mary Kelton Joined in full Com

Nov. 17 supradicto. Humfrey Heman Joined in full Comunion

The same day was Deacon Blake Chosen Ruling Elder but Declaryed His Nonacceptance of ve sd office Dec. 29.

Dec. 29. 1723 Mary Preston laid hold on yo Covenant.

Jan. [14.] Fast at Dorchester. January 12. 1723/24. Baptized Mercy daughter of Sam! Trot.

Janry. 19. 1724 John [Barber] was baptized and Margaret daughter of Ralph Morgan and Mary daughter of Mary Preston.

Jan'y 26. James Son of Jos. Bird baptized.

Joseph Son of Richard Withington feb. 2. 1723 Jonah Son of Jonas Humfry, feb. 2, 1723

Hezekiah son of James Barber feb. 9. 1723 laid hold on ye Covenant.

Baptized Alexander son of Alexand Soper feb. 16. 1723.

Obadiah son of James Swift march 15. Mary Daughter of Sam! Humfry march 15. Baptized Eben'. Son of Ebr. Maudsley Jun' march 22.

March. 22. Capt. wiswel Refused: Deacon Clap & Toplif accepted.

Hopestill Clap Nath! Topliff

Chosen Deacons

March. 26. Publ. Fast. Apr. 5. 1724 Eliz. Wait formely Eliz. Weeks made penitent Confession of fornication before marriage. Eliz. Cocks formerly Blackman laid hold on ye Covent.

May 3 Deacon Hopestill Clap & N Topliff ordained. Mrs Hannah Danforth & mrs Bath-sheba Lion Ad-mitted to full Comunion.

May 6. ordination of mr. S. Dexter at Dedham. mr Leveret presidt. buried. Josiah Hobs dismissed to yould north Chh in Boston May 17, 1724. Margaret George dismissed to ye Chh at Attleborough.

May 24 Esther Ransteed Confessed fornication John Woodward & His wife laid hold on ye Covent 7. 4 m.

1723:24.
March 15. 1723. Admitted to full Comunion Jonas Humfry Robt. Preston Ruth Cook.
Samuel son of Benj. Bird. march 29, 1724
Increase son of Incr.* Leadbett April 12
Joseph Son of Jos. Trescot April 12
Anne Daughter of John Wiswel Apr. 12. 1724
Thankfull Daughter of Wil. Withington: April.

Baptized Ruth daughter of John Capen march

1724. Mary wife of Thos Bird admitted to full Com. June 14, 1724. Mary wife of Josias Blackman Laid hold on ye Covent, June 14, 1724.

Mary Daughter of Eben^r Wiswell. April. 19. Isaac Son of Isaac Humfry May. 3
Nabbe or Abigail Daughter of Jos. Cocks May. 3. William Son of Charles King May. 17. 1724. John Son of Capt. Ro: Spur June. 7. 1724. Elijah Son of Pres^d Capen June. 7. 1724
Nath! Son of John Woodward June. 7. 1724
Robert Son of Samuel Capen June 14. 1724
Jonathan Son of Jonathan Capen 26 July 1724
Isaiah Son of Joseph Leeds July 26. 1724
Elizabeth daughter of Esther Ranstead alias
Esther Chandler Aug. 9. 1724.
George Son of John Baker Aug. 16. 1724

Sarah wife of John Wiswel admitted to full Comunion July 26, 1724

Esther Ransted laid hold on ye Covent Aug. 9. 1724.

Anne Daughter of Tho Bird Aug. 16. 1724 Elisabeth Daughter of Tho Cocks Aug. 16. 1724 Jacob Son of Henry Bird Aug. 23. 1724 Remember Son of Daniel Preston Aug. 23. 1724 Mary daughter of Nath Holmes. Aug. 23, 1724 Enoch Son of Enoch Wiswell. Aug. 30, 1724 Clark Son of John Maudsley Sep. 20. 1724. John Son of John Trescot baptized Sept. 27. (Elis. Wait laid hold on y Covent & Her Children Elis: Ruth Abigail baptized. Sept. 27. 1724.)

from Chatham from mr Godfree & mr [maystead]: but yo Chh would not send Messengers so far. Sarah Maudsley full Comun Sam! Bishop & His wife Nath Holmes laid hold on yo Covenant.

Aug. 16 a Letter

William Son of John Glover Sept. 27. 1724 Sam¹ Son of Sam¹ Bishop Sept [----]

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M^m Before y^e last Comencemt m^r Leveret Presid^t of Harvard Colledge died Suddenly & very lately in y^e End of Sept. 1724 Govern^r Saltonstall died Suddenly — Men of bright accomplishmth.

Baptised. 1724

Nov. 8 Saml Capen & Deborah His wife laid hold on ye Covent. & John Blackman propounded for it. Nov. 5 Publ. Thanksgg. Old mr John Birds wife & old mr Wm Royal died. John Blackman jung laid hold on ye Covent Nov. 15. 1724 January 10 Sarah Bradly p'pounded for full Comunion Sarah wife of J. Bradly admitted to full Com: Saml Bishop & His wife admitted to full Comun: 21 febr: 1724/25. John Andrews wife Admitted to full Comn. May. 1725. Abraham How & John Blake admitted to full Com-Aug. 22, 1725. A Letter read from Bristol but the Chh of Dorchester would not send messengers to yr Council. Mary daughter of Ebent Maudsley admitted to full

Com. Mary wife of Eben? Holmes admitted to lay hold of ye Covenant Sept. 26, 1725. Oct. 3. voted yt the Elders & Deacons should go the Council at or village Oct.

Oct. 31 John Andrews admd to full Comunion. Nov. 14 Edward Kelton & Mary His wife laid hold on ye Covenant. Oct. 31. The Elders & Deacons Chosen for ye Ordination of mr Ezra Carpenter at Hull to be Nov. 24. D. pt. Dec 12. Elisabeth wife of Wm With-

Decr. 13. Lydia wife of Nathan Bradley p'pounded for full Comunion. Admitted Janry 10th. Hopestill Leeds ad-

ington admitted to full Comunion

mitted to full Comunion Jan. 16.

John Son of John Blackman Jun 15 Nov. 1724 Anne daughter of Sam¹ Capen who was son of John Capen Jemimah daughter of Charles Davenport 18. Jan^{ry} 1735 Sarah daughter of John Humfrey. 24 January I 755

Jesse Son of Hezekiah Barber feb. 7. 1785 Ephraim Son of Jirijah Wales feb. 28 1725 Sarah daughter of John Bradley feb. 28. 1725 Josiah son of Nathan Bradley Apr. ult. or May Ebenezer son of mr S. Pain of Braintrey May 16. 1725.

Elisabeth daughter of Lt. Wiswell. June. 13. 1725.

Abigail daughter of Benj. Bird — June. 27. 1725. Edward Son of Aaron Bird - June. 27. 1725. union June 27, 1725. Hannah Daughter of John Blake. June. 27. 1725.

Eleanor daughter of Ebenezer Jones. July. 10.

William Son of John Andrews baptised July. 18. 1725.

Joseph Son of Jonathan Chandler July. 25. 1725. Elijah Son of Thomas Glover. - July. 25. 1725. Sarah Daughter of John Capen - Aug. 1. 1725.

Mary daughter of Sami Paul jun. Aug. 22. 1725. Ebenezer Son of — Knap — Aug. 22. 1725. His mother belonging to the Church of York. Beulah daughter of James Foster Aug. 29. 1725. Thomas Son of James Blake junt. Sep. 26. 1725.

Elisabeth Daughter of William Withington Octr. 3d. 1725.

Elisabeth daughter of Samuel Bishop bapt^d. Oct. 31. 1725.

Ruth daughter of Ebenezer Holmes baptizd. Nov. 14. 1725.

Christian daughter of Samuel Trot baptized Nov. 17. 1725.

Oliver Son of Eb. Wiswel Nov. 28, 1725 Edward Son of Edwd Kelton Dec. 7. 1725

1725/26. Jos. viles layd hold on ye Covenant Janry 30. Thomas Maudsly Jung & his wife laid hold of ye Covent March 6, 1725/26. March. 13. Jonathan Payson laid hold on ye Covenant. Then read a Proclamation for a Publ. Fast to be March 24 The Congregation voted a Contribution then to be for mr moody for Providence A printed Letter was read for an Evangelical Treasury Honourea Elder Preston thought to be dying He deceased at night to our gt Losse & His gt Gain. March 1726 Mr Glover died in London

March. 24. Publ. Fast Contributed 12li 5th & more. Israel Leadbetter admitted to full Comunion Apr. 17. 1726. Steven Fowler & Elis. his wife laid hold on ye Covenant June 19. 1726. Aug. 14, 1726 vileta a negro woman, laid hold on ye Covent & confessed fornication 1726. Aug. 21. 1726. mr Humfrey Atherton Confessed Drunkenns &c. Augst. 25. Capt. Paul died The Revd mr Theophilus Cotton of Hampton died abt. 3 weeks since. & the Revd mr. White was buryed Sept. 5. 1726. Samuel Clap and Mindwell His wife admitted to full Com- 1726 union Oct. 2. 1726. A letter to ye Chh read oct. 16. to request ym to send Messengers to ye Council at Sandwich. ye Chh refused. A letter to ye Churches read Oct. nation at Braintrey of mr Hancock The

Amy daughter of Ralph Morgan Jan 2. 1725 Hesth daughter of John Cocks Jan 9th 1725 Rebecca daughter of Thos Blackman Jan. 9. 17_{26}^{25} Mary daughter of Josiah Blackman Jan. 16. Rebecca daughter of William Cocks January 23. $17\frac{25}{26}$ Joseph viles baptized Jan^{ry} 30. 17²⁵ Joseph Son of John Maudsley Jan. 30. Susan Daughter of Sam1 Capen Jan. 30. & grand daughter of m^r Sam¹ Capen 17% Timothy Son of Sami Capen Feb. 6, Grandson of m' John Capen 1725 Hannah daughter of John Glover Feb. 13. Josiah Son of Jos. Leeds 13 Feb. 1726 Thomas Son of Israel Leadbett' 6. march 1725 Elisabeth daughter of Eb. Maudsly Jun' 6 march

Ebenezer Son of Eben Cocks. March. 26. 1726 of Jonath. Payson April. 17. 1726 Mary daughter of N. Wales baptized at Braintrey by or pastor April 24. 1726 Submit daughter of John Woodward baptized May 1. 1726 Abigail daughter of Jonathan Dire. May. 29.

James Son of John Wiswell. June 26. 1726 Mary daughter of Matthias Evans July. 10. 1726 Johanna daughter of Jos. Trescot July. 10. 1726. Vileta a negro woman Aug. 14. 1726 Jonathan son of Jos. Bird. Aug. 21. 1726 Mary D. of Capt. Spur Aug. 28. 1726 Abigail daughter of Daniel Preston Aug. 28.

Clement Son of Sam¹ Toplif Sept. 11. 1726 Samuel Son of Nath! Holmes Sept. 11. 1726 Joseph Son of Jos. Cocks Sept^r. 11. 1726 Hannah Daughter of Benj. Bird baptized Oct. 2. 1726

23 to send to ye Ordi- Sam1 Son of Sam1 Bird Oct 30 1726 Ezra Son of James Swift Oct. 30. 1726 Church voted to send ye Pastor & Deacons. Publ. Thanksgiving Nov. 10. 1726.

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The Revd mr Zech. Whitman of Hull Aged 82 yr deceased Nov. 5. 1726 Vir Pius, Humilis orthodoxus, Utilissi At a Publick Thanksgiving Contributed for ye widaw Birch Eleven pounds. 11. 10m. 1726. A in Sandwich desiring ye Church to send Delegates to sit in Council there ye 2d Wednesday in May. Left to Consideration. 15. Dec. 1726. Dyed Wid. Tolman Aged 82 yr. & mi Sanı Withington Aged 43 years. 22 Janry 1726. Wm Weeks manifested His repentance for fornication before marriage & was propounded to Lay hold on ye Covent. A Contribution for Charles King feb. 9. 1726. febr. 5. 1726/27 Admd to full Com: Mr. Phillip Payson & Ebenr. Davenport Junr Ichabod Maxfeild owned ye Covent. Abigail wife of John Blake admitted to full Comunion March 19. 1726/7 Ebent. Paul & s wife adm. to full Comunion 25. March. 1727 April 2. 1727 voted yt mr withington senr with ye Deacons & Pastor go to ye Council at Sandwich weh is to be May oth next April 23 The Question being put whether ye Church would send messengers to ye Council next wednesday at Mil-ton about Punkapog Case It was voted in ye negamrs Mehetabel Danforth died. May. 1.

Mindwell daughter of Samuel Clap baptized. 13. 9^m 1726. Hannah daughter of E. Clap baptized. 20, 9^m 1726. Susannah daughter of John Blackman. 20, 9^m 1726 Katherine daughter of Ephraim Payson baptized 20 9m 1726 Edward Son of Jos. Basse.-27. 9m 1726 Katherine daughter of John Brown. 11. 10^m. 1726 W^m Weeks laid hold on y Coven'- & was bap-Jan. 29. 1727 tized Anne daughter of Tho. Cocks Jan^{ry} 29. 17²⁶ John Wiswel son of Enoch Wiswel was baptized feb. 19. 1727 Dorcas daughter of Timothy How was baptized feb. 19. 1728

June 11. 1727. Ad-mitted to Full Comunion George Payson & His wife. Admitted unto Full Com: Nath. Holmes & His wife, and Laid hold on ye Covent John Day. June 25. July 2. 1727. Sarah wife of Wm Weeks Confessed fornication before marriage Then ye Result of ye Council for Sandwich was related to ye Chh. viz. yt mr Fessenden should be deposed from ye Ministry till His Scandal He had made Confession to ye Chhs should be removed. Josiah Blake & His wife & Anne Wiswell wife of Ebenezer Wiswell admitted to full Comunion 30. 5m. 1727. Aug. 13. 1727. Upon a Lettr from ye Chh of Sandwich & from mr Thacher ye moder-ator of ye Council for Sandwich twas voted yt our Chha Messengers should meet at Boston ye Next Tuesday in Council, abt Sandwich Troubles. Oct. 3: the Sand-wich-Council at Boston dissolved & no result to effect. John Day laid hold on ye Covenant. Oct. 1. 1727. Oct. 22. 1727. John Maxfield junr- & Stoughton Danforth admitted to full Comunion John Maxfields wife propounded for full Comunion Oct 29. 1727 at 3 quarters of an bour past 10 at night there was a gt earthquake. The Gracious Lord have mercy upon Us, for Xt Jesus Sake. Amen. The Earth has been shaking daily at times unto ye friday following. Nov. 7. 1727 Fast at Dorchi because

Samuel Son of Sam¹ Bishop was baptized — feb. 19. 17²⁶₂₇ Samuel Son of Jonathan Capen was Baptized Apr. 2. 1727 Esther daughter of Jn^o Capen baptized.

April. 9. 1727.

Thomas Son of Ichabod Maxfield Baptized April 23. 1727.

Henry Son of Comfort Foster baptized.

April 30. 1727. Anne daughter of Jonathan Payson, baptized.

May, 7. 1727 Mary, daughter of Thomas Bird — May. 28. 1727 Mary Daughter of Samuel Jones —

June. 11. 1727. Elijah Son of Ebenezer Jones. Johanna daughter of John Day. Josiah Son of Josiah Blackman. July 2. 1727. July 16. 1727.

Rebecca daughter of Nathan Bradley.

July 30. 1727

George Son of John Humfry. Aug. 6. 1727 Thomas Son of John Humfry. Aug. 6. 1727

Comunion Day
William Children
Lemuel of william
Abigail Weeks.

Abigail) Weeks. Aug. 13. 1727 Ebenezer Son of Ebenez Holmes. Aug. 13. 1727

Abigail daughter of Elisha Davenport.

Elisabeth daughter of Jos. Ward. Oct. 8. 1727 Eliz. Daughter of Tho Glover. Oct 15. 1727

Samuel Son of John Maxfield junior, Oct 29. 1727

Elizabeth daughter of John Capen -

Nov. 5. 1727

Waitstill Daughter of Charles Davenport

Nov. 12. 1727

of ye Earthquake.
Ordination of mr
Dunbar at Stoughton to be Nov. 15.
The Chh Sent ye
Elders & Deacons
to it.
Publick Thanksgiving Nov. 9,
Then Collected for
Jos. Andrews 7li
ash 6d.

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Nov. 14. 1727 The Revd mr Samuel Danforth Pastor of ye Chh in Tanton deceased to ye publick Losse. The Same Day Capt. Foster of Dorch was buryed. John Maxfield Junr admitted to full Comunion & Susanna Richards made Confession of High Breach of ye 7th Comand & ye Chh accepted it if Her following life be Chast. Dec. 17 The Revd Mr Thacher of Milton deceased. Timothy Tilestone Jun & His wife & Edwd Keltons wife & Elis. Withington admitted to full Comunion Dec. 10. 1727. Alice wife of Ed. Foster admitted to full Comunion 31. 10¹1. 1727 January. 8. 1727. Admitted to full Comunion mary wife of John Stiles: Joseph Leeds jun. & Priscilla His wife, Thankfull wife of Eb. Cocks Consider Jones & His wife, Eb. Bird & Benj. Smith Jos. Bird & His wife Confessed fornica before marriage Janry. 12 propounded for full Com: Sarah wife of J. Tres-cot Jung March. 1. 1727/28 At a Church meeting on fryday. Admitted to Full Comunion Elijah Danforth Esquire mr John Capen, mr Timothy How mr John Cocks. Mary Brown wid. Ruth Bird. Hephz. Cocks Elis. Capen Sarah Maudsley Hanah Baker, Anna Withing ton Mary Baker Mehet. Ball jung. Sarah Swift, Sarah Blake & the Church Meeting adjourned to this day six weeks & 15 more were propounded for full Comunion viz. Obed Swift, Richd Haws Thomas Evans Matthias Evans Thank-Williams John Beiton Ralf Morgan Comfort Foster Si-lence Hall Mary Williams Anna Morgan Éliz: Beiton Abiel Foster.

John Son of John Wales Nov. 26. 1727 Noah Son of Ebenezer Wiswell Dec. 3. 1727 Mary daughter of George Payson Baptized 31. 10m. 1727 James Son of Samuel Capen Baptized 31. 1010._1727 Feb. 18. 1727/8 Baptized of Matthias Evans. Feb. 25. 1727/28 Baptized Ralph Son of Tho. Blakeman Timothy Son of Tim. Tileston jun. George Son of James Bird. March 3. 1727/8 Baptized Christian daughter of Ebenezer Cocks. March to Baptised Benjamin Son of Joseph Cocks. March 17. Baptized Elisabeth Daughter of Jos. Trescot March 24 Baptized Hannah Child of Jno Blackman & Abigail Child of John Woodward Baptized Jane Daughter of Edw. Kelton 12. 2m. 1728. Baptized Ebenezer Son of Irijah Wales May 19 —
Baptized Samuel Son of Deacon Nathl. Topliff. May 26. 1728. Baptized June 2 Thomas Son of Ebent Maudsley Junt and Margaret daughter of

Consider Leeds.

Admitted to full Com: Jan. 12. 1727/28 Mr Preserved Capen & His wife. Mr Saml Humfry Mr Ed: Kelton Mrs Elis. Preston Mrs Hannah Bakr Mrs Ruth Bird Mrs Susan Humfry Elijah Weeks Admitted to f: Com. January 14, 1727: 8. mrs Mary Leadbettr wife of mr Israel L. mr Consider Leeds & His wife mrs Hanah Clap daughtr of mr Ebenr Clap. Admitted to full Comn. March 3. 1727/28. mr Obadiah Swift, mr Matthias Evens mrs Ralf Morgan. mrs Silence Hall wife of mr Hall, mrs Thankfull Evans wife of mr Tho. Evans, mrs Anna Morgan wife of mr morgan. March 10. Admitted to full Comunion mr Joseph Hall, mr Richard Haws, mr Tho. Evans mrs Susana Wiswell wife of Enoch Wiswell. March 17 Admitted to full Comunion Eben, Williams & His wife

To be propounded Enoch Wiswels wife Susana

March 24 Propounded mr Wm Clap mrs White Mrs Hannah Glover mrs Elis. wife of Thos Glover Eliz. wife of Wm Clap Martha wife of Tho: Pimer Rebecca & Deborah Twins of R. Searles. Submit daughter of Isaac How Lydia daughter of Nathaniel Bradley

April. 12. 1728 Propounded for full Comunion. Benj. Balls wife Thos Blakemans wife. May 5. Contributed for Josiah Blackman 19li. 12sh. & 10sh more.

more.
The LORD accept it. Amen mr Withams dismission to Gloster dated June. 1. Propounded for full Com: widow Content Mason. June 23. 1728.

Isaac Humfry Jun's wife accounted near Expiration, our God & Redeem be gracious to her.

Sept. 8. 1728. Died old mrs Toplif a Godly Matron Aged. 78. yr.

Sept. 15. 1728. Died mr James Bird Aged 56 who nevr had (as is said) a fit of Sicknesse before.

Sept. 29. 1728 Richard Humfreys laid hold on ye Covent Oct. 20. 1728 There was read a Proclamation for a Publick Thanksgiving to be observed on Nov. 7, 1728.

on Nov. 7. 1728. Nov. 7. 1728. Then Contributed for Josiah Blackman fifteen pound.

Nov: 10. admitted to full Comunion mr Joseph Blake & mr James Trot.

The 2 Aged Widow mrs Haws lately died & old widow mrs Henshā a little before in Decr. Baptized June 23. Nath! Son of John Capen. Baptized July 7. Abigail daughter of John

Abigail daughter of John Glover & Nathan Son of N. Bradly junr. Baptized July 28. 1728. John ye Son of John Robinson junr.

Bapt. Sept. 1. 1728 Rebecca of John Tract.

Baptized Sept. 8. 1728 Susannah daughter of Susannah

Richards.
Bapd. Sept. 15. 1728 Mary
daughter of Jos. Basse David
Son of Timo. How Josiah Son

of Thos. Pimur.
Sept. 29. 1728. Baptized
Susannah daughter of Richd

Humfreys.
Abigail daughter of mr Durin
or Turin & Nathanael Son of
Nath! Holmes hantived

Nath! Holmes baptized 13. 8. 1728, Susannah daughter of Jonas Humfrey 20. 8. 1728.

Silence daughter of James Swift 10. 9th. 1728 8. 10th. 1728 Jonathan Son of Jonathan Payson Saml Son of Saml Clap baptized 22. 10. 1728 James Son of Saml Capen Jant'y 5. 1728/29.

Friday April. 12. 1728 Admit-ted to full Comunion John Baiton Comfort Foster John Wales Wm Clap Ebent Wiswell. Mary Horton. Mary Evans. Sarah Capen Elis. Baiton. Patience White Judith Baker Ruth Wales. Elis. Clap wife of wm Clap. Abiel Foster. Elis. Glover wife of Thos Glovr. Martha Pimer. Hannah Clap wife of E. Clap junr: Rebecca & Deborah Searles Submit How: Lydia Bradly. May 26. Madam Gillam & Madam Tailer admitted to full Comunion & also mrs Hanah Glover -May 19 Admitted to full Comunion John Robinson junt & Susan his wife & Mary Preston June 30 Content Mason admitted to full Com. The Revd Mr John Williams of Deerfield & ye Reverend Mr Blowers of Beverly & the Revd Mr Cotton of Bristol are lately Deceased to ye

Great Losse of our Churches.

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Febr. 2. admitted to full Comunion Jos. Weeks Junr, and Mary wife of Ebenf Holms junr. & Then laid hold on ye Covenant Thomas Mitchel & Jacob Shore. Febr. 10. 1728/29 The Aged mr Ebenezer Withington died. Feb. 16. mr Ebr: Clap & mr Philip Payson Chosen to go to Taunton to

the Ordination of

mr Tho: Clap on

January. 19. 1728 Abigail daughter of Eb'. Clap Jun'— Priscilla daughter of Tho' Bird Jan. 26.

Unite Son of John Brown. Feb. 2. 1728. Jacob Shore (called Shaw) baptized Feb. 2. 1728 Esther daughter of John Wiswel Feb. 9. 1728 John Son of Tho. Michel baptized feb. 9. 1728

John Son of Daniel Preston Baptized March 2^d. 17²⁸ Bernard Son of John Capen &

feb. 26 Si Deus licet with ye ordained officers of e Church. March 2 A Proclamation read for a Publick Fast to be on March. 20. 1728/.29. & then votes to be brought in for a first man to be put on probation for a minister to be a Colleague with or Pastor. March. 9. Phebe Andrews manifested Repentance of fornication. March 20 mr Jonathan Bowman was Nominated to be ye first man on pro-bation for a Colleague with or Pas-He had 41 tor. votes March. 23. mr Phillips Payson was nominated to be ye 2d man for probation. He had 35 votes. mr Byles was nominated to be ye 3d man. He had 21 or 22 votes. 13. April. 1729. Sarah How was admitted to full Comunion. & Susannah Tolman made Confession of fornication & Lying. May 11, 1729 Gratia Dei, mr Jonathan Bowman was Chosen a Colleague Pastor in this Church & 77 votes were given, 51 of ym for Him. May 16. mm Humfry daughter of Deacon Capen dyed. Aged & Pious. 1729 Mr July 13. John Baker & His sister ye wife of mr Hopestill Capen admitted to full Comunion. Contributed for Joseph Ward Nineteen pounds 8 sh. July. 27. 1729. Mehetabel alias Mary Newel laid hold on ye Covenant Aug. 24. 1729. Nov. 1. the Revd mr Bowman was admitted to full Comunion.

Susannah daughter of Jonathan Capen both baptized March 16, 1728 Susannah daughter of Joseph Viles Baptized March 23. 1728 John Son of Benj: Bird. May 4. 1729. Lemuel Son of mr Collick May 25. 1729. Matthew Son of Aaron Bird June 22, 1729 Mary daughter of Consider Leeds June 29 1729 Sarah daughter of Elisha Davenport June 29 1729 Patience Daughter of John Day baptized July 13 1729 Abigail daughter of Eben. Holmes Aug 3, 1729 Mary Newel baptized Aug. 29. Anna of James Foster Jun' Aug. 24. 1729 Abigail of Sam¹: Bishop Sept. 28. Eben Son of Eben Withington baptized Sept. 19. by m^r Dunbar in Dorch. A Daughter of John Cock was Baptized Nov. 9. 1729 They call Her Name Mercy Cock. William Son of Joseph Basse Baptized by mr Bowman 16. 9. 1729 Daniel Son of Ebenezer Wiswell 30 9. 1729 & W^m Son of Nathan Bradley Senior 30. 9. 1729 Anne daughter of Comfort Foster 7: 10m. 1729 Mary Daughter of William Withington 7. 10m. 1729 Eliz: daught' of J. Maxfield 25. 10. 1729 Susan daughter of J. Wales 5 march Charles of Charles Davenport 5 march Mary Daughter of Saml humfrey baptized april 12. 1730 Christopher son of John Capen april 26, 1730. william Son of John Humfrey Sam¹ Son of John Blackman Jun^r & William Son to Enoch Wiswall all baptized May 3, 1730. Ruth Daughter of Benjamin Bird. Moses-Paul Son of Jonathan Payson & Isaac son of Sam! whales all baptized May 24. 1730 Isaac Son of Eben: Davenport May 31, 1730.

May 17. 1730 Jonathan Payson of Boston owned yo Covenant.
May 31. 1730 Mr Saml Maudsley Matthew Pimar & Sarah Viles admitted to full communion

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June 7, 1730 baptized $\begin{cases} Sam^{l}. - Winthrop, Son of Sam^{l}: \\ Royal \\ Jona^{th}: Son of Jonathan Kelton \\ Rebeckah, Daughter of Consider \\ Leeds \end{cases}$

June 14. 1730 Abraham, Son of Abraham How

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Seats 5. 10. 98 at the TABLE 5. 10. 98

THE FORMER SEATING

THE NEW SEATING

Father Tilestone
Isaac Jones
James White
Jacob Hewens
Henry Leadbett'
William Trescot
Thomas Peirce
David Jones
John Wales
Joseph Leeds &
Thomas Tolman
& their two Fath's
Tho' Trott Sen'

Isaac Jones
Tho. Pearce
Henry Leadbett^r
Jacob Hewens
James White
John Wales
Tho. Tolman
Jos. Leeds
Nath. Clap
Jn° Capen
Eben. Billings
Rog^r Billings

Deacons Seat & the End next to it

Deacon Preston
Deacon Topliffe
Deacon Hopestill Clap
Elice Woods
Robert Spur
Thomas Maudsly

Deacon Preston
Deacon Topliff
Deacon Topliff
Deacon Topliff
Deacon Topliff
Deacon Clap
Isolated Preston
Deacon Topliff
Deacon Freston
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Deacon Topliff
Deacon Clap

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Men's first Seat below

1 Capt : Clap	Major Clap
2 Lt: Tilestone	Serj. Wiswall
3 Ensign Foster	Capt. Lt. Foster
4 Serjeant Wiswall	l Samuel Robinson
5 Samuel Robinson	n S <u>r</u> Billinge
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Second Men's Seat below

Thomas Bird
Jn° Bird
Serj ^t . James Bird
Serj ^t . Samuel Capen
Serj'. Hopestil Humfry
Serjt. Standfast Foster
Dan¹: Preston

Front Gallery of Men next to yo Women

John Tolman	James Blake
Daniel Preston	John Blake .
James Blake jun'	Phillip Withington
Roger Billindge	Rob ^t Spur
Standfast Fost ^r	Samuel Wales
Tho. Trott jun ^r	Eben: Withington
Phil. Withington	Desire Clap
Robert Spur jun'	Preserved Capen

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	firont	Gallery East part
1 Mr Lord		Charles Davenport
2 Mr Clap		Jonath. Hall
3 Isaac Ryoll		James Bakr Senr.
4 Jnº Bird		Samuell Trott
5 James Bird		John Trescot
6 Ephraim Paysor	1	Eben: Davenport
7 Samuel Payson		Noah Beamon
8 Jnº Blake		Oliv ^r Wiswall
9 Preserved Cape	n	
10 Desire Clap		
11 Ebenez: Withi	ngton	
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The Third Seat below Mens

W^m Prat Tho Andrews
Sam: Capen Rob' Searle
Nath Glover Benj. Leeds
W^m Rawson W^m & Isaac Ryoll
Hopest. Humfry Isaac Humfry
Tho' Andrews

Ro : Searle

The fourth mens below

Eb: Williams Richard Evans
Tho Bird Ephr: Payson
W^m Ryoll John Blackman
Israel How Sam: Jones
Richard Evans Walt^r Everinden
James Robinson Rob' Field
Benjamin Leeds Eben: Jones
Jn° Pearce

East Gallery first Seat Northardly

Dr Smith.

Isaac Humphrey John Minot Sam: Trot Edw. Breck Oliv Wiswall Sam Paul Charles Davenport Humfry Atherton James Baker John Davenport Inº Blackman Sam: Web. Noah Beamon Sam : Clap Jonath. Jones Eb: Davenport Jno: Trescott Joseph Leeds jun Nath. Butt

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Jos. Hall

East Gallery South Part first Seat

Jn° Wiswall Thomas Lion Jos. Blake Eben: Jones Tho: Lyon Jos. Bird Jos. Blake Jos. Weeks Ios. Bird Ebenr Holmes Jos. Hewens Tho: Maudsly Jun. Jos. Weeks John Tollman Eben: Holmes James Hawes Tho Maudsley Jun' Benj. Blackman Jonath Hall Obad : Swift

The fifth Seat Mens = below

Sam: Wales
Wm Chaplin
Dennis Maroh
Sam¹ Jones
Peter OKelly
Sam Maxfeild
Sam: Hix
Rob¹ Cook
Sam: Capen jun²
R. Cook sen

The Sixth Seat below

Nathan Bradley Sen'
Tho' Robinson
Rob' Stiles
Samuel Chandl'=
John Plum
Jn' Plum.
Sam. Chandl'
Tho' Evans
Nath. Lyon

N. Bradly sen
Rob' Stiles
Sabuel Chandl'=
John Plum
Sam. Chandl'
Tho': Evans
Benj. Merrifield
Tim: Tilstone

The 7th Seat below

Oniseph: Tilestone
Sam: Hill
Walt: Everindall
Nath: Wyatt
James Bishop
Smith Woodward
Josh: Story

James Bishop
Josh: Baker
Eben Maudsly
N Bradly jun

Benj. Merrifeild.

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First Seat of Womens below

M" Fost'
M" Capen
M" Capen
M" Blake
M" Withington
Moth' Trot
Deacons Wives
Capt: Claps Wife

Second Seat Womens below

Lt. Tilestones wife
Widow Bak^r
Moth^r Pierson or Payson

Isaac Jones wife
wid: Tilestone
Sam Robinsons wife

Mrs Jones

Sam: Robinsons wife

M¹⁸ Breck Tho Pierces wife Capt Lt Fost's wife M^{rs} Leadbett^r

First Seat in: Gallery next ye Pulpitt

Ens: ffost's wife Serj: Leadbett" wife Ephr: Paysons wife Sam: Paysons wife Inº Blakes wife

Eben: Holmes Wife Widow Withington Charles Davenports wife Hopestill Humfreys wife

Desire Claps wife

Ephr. Paisons wife Serj. Humfrys wife John Blakes wife Desire Claps wife Charles Davenports wife Rog' Billinges wife Sam. Wales wife Ionath. Halls wife Eben Holms wife Widow Withington jun Sam: Webs wife

first Seat Southwd Part

Seri: Wiswall wife Inº Tolmans wife Jnº Birds wife James Birds wife Nath: Glov's wife James Blakes wife widow Breck Standfast ffost's wife Isaac Humphreys wife Samuel Trots wife

John Birds wife James Birds wife James Blakes wife Isaac Humfrys wife Standf. Fost's wife Sam Trots wife Eben Withingtons wife Robt Spurs wife Philip Withingtons wife Eben Billings wife Jos. Halls wife

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The Double Seat at y' right hand of y' Pulpit

old widow Maxfield old mother Wyat Jacob Hewens wife Widow Pope Mother Spur Benj. Leeds wife John Wales wife Tho. Maudsly Sons wife Widow Woods Widow Swift

The 2d Seat to ye Double Seat

Old goodwife Bradly
Rich⁴ Evans wife
Sam: Hixes wife
Sam: Jones wife
Eben. Davenports wife
John Davenports wife
Nath Beamons wife
Robt: Fields wife

Third Seat Womens in ye body of ye House

Tho Peirces Wife Moth' Trescott Widow Weeks Nath: Claps Wife Jn° Capens Wife New Seating widow weeks
Moth' Trescott
Widow Pond
Nath Claps wife
Jno Capens wife
Dan: Prestons wife
James Whites wife

Fourth Seat in ye middle of ye house

= New Seating =

Eben: Williams Wife Tho. Tolmans Wife Sister Prat Sam. Capens wife Increase Sumners wife Preserved Capens Wife Eb. Will* wife widow Baker Serj. Capens Wife T. Tollmas wife Pres. Capens wife Widow Capen Wid. Trot Jun*.

The third Seat By y' Pulpitt

Mrs Horton
Israel Hows wife
Oniseph: Tillstons wife
Goodwife Hooper
Goodwife Maroh
John Trescots wife
Sam: Capens wife

Fifth Seat in y° midst of y° House New Seating

Isaac Ryolls wife Bern^d Capens Widow wid. Butt. W^m Ryolls wife

Widdow Trott
Ro: Searls wife
Ro: Spurs Wife

Phil. Withingtons wife

Isaac Ryolls wife Ro: Searls wife Goodwife Henshaw Jnº Blackmans wife wid. Robinson Tho Andr: wife

The 4th Seat by ye Pulpit.

James Bishops wife James Barb's wife Tho: Evans wife Rob. Searls wife jun. Tho. Robinsons wife Nath Wyats wife Nathan Bradlys wife

The 6th Seat in yo body of yo house

Nathan Bradlys wife Josh: Henshuas wife Will: Chaplins Wife Ri: Evans wife

Sam: Wales wife Sam: Hixes wife Sam: Halls wife Josh Weeks wife Eben: Jones wife Tho: Lions wife John Pearses wife Jos. Blakes wife Obad: Swifts wife Sam: Pauls wife

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The 7th Seat New Seating

W^m Ryolls Wife
Sam: Maxfields wife
Sam¹: Jones wife
Peter O Kellys wife
Rich⁴: Butts Wife
Tho⁴: Robinsons wife

Eben': Davenports wife

Jos. Hewens wife Smith Woodwards wife Tim: Tilestones wife Tho. Maudslys wife Wid. Sarah Mosely Jonath. Jones wife John Cocks wife

West Gallery Womens Second Seat next y Pulpitt

New Seating

Tho: Maudsleys wife Jos: Birds wife Wid: Maudesley Jos: Trescotts wife Mⁿ Katharine Remington Widow Hilliard or Helia Widow Goodale Humfry Athertons wife Jos: Blakes wife Jnº Blackmans Wife M¹² Baldwin

Widow of Jos. Math.

James Hawes wife Sherebiah Butts wife Ro: Peltons wife

In y new Seating

The Same as before

The Same Seat ye oth Part of it

/ Eben: Lyons Wife Jos: Hewens wife

James Bishops wife Jos: Weeks wife

Smith Woodwards wife

Eliz: Weeks Josh: Storys wife

Nath Lyons wife Widow Anne Jones.

The 5th Seat by yo Pulpitt next yo Wall

Benj Merrifields wife

Samuel Hills Wife
Sam: Chandlers wife
Isaac Hows wife
Widow Patten
Goodwife Plum.
Goodwife Hull: widow
Doctor Smiths wife

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intelligence came from ould England that there had beene a battell ffought betweene the Kinge & the p'lement.

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Ordained Ministers in the Church at Dorchester in New England.

I Mr Warham who removed to Winsor

2 Mr Maverick who deceased in Dorch.

These were Contemporarys.

3 Mr Mather who lived about 34 years in Dorch.

4 Contemporary with m' Mather was m' Bur

5 Contemp' with m' Mather was m' Wilson who removed to Medfield.

6 Mr Flint.

The Greater Part of the first Church in Dorchester Removed with m' Warham to Windsor: So that they Gatherd a New Church, over whom the Rev.d m' Mather was Ordained Teacher.

Richard Mather. Anagram. A Third Charmer.
Third in New Englands—Dorchester,
Was this Ordained Minister.

Second to None, for Fruitfulnesse, Abilitys, & Usefullnesse;

Divine his charms, years Seven times Seven, Wise to Win Souls from Earth for Heaven.

Prophets Rewards He Gains above: But Great's our Losse by His Remove.

Epi

Sacred to God, His Servant Richard Mather Sons like Him, Good & Great, did call Him Father, Hard to Discern a Difference in degree 'Twixt His bright Learning & High Pietie Short Time, His Sleeping Dust lies covered down So can't His Soul or His Deserv'd Renown.

From's Birth Six Lustres & a Jubile,
To His Repose: But Labour'd hard in Thee
(O Dorchester!) Four more than thirty years,
His Sacred Dust with Thee, Thine Honour rears.
Obit. April. 22, 1669.

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The Deacons Ordination = Charge May. 3. 1724.

The Glorious King of the Church (& world) the Son of God, our Lord Jesus Christ Instituted the holy office of Deaconship, by Inspiration to His Apostles, in the Primitive Church: and appointed that even the Gentile-Churches should have Men (Qualifyed as He has 'specially Directed,) Chosen unto, & Invested with the Said Office. Acts. 6. 3-6. I Tim. 3. 8, 9.

Although the office of Deaconship is Ecclesiastical & Sacred, Yet 'tis Specificated & Limited unto the Temporal Good Things of the Church, which are offered & dedicated unto the Honour & Service of God, for the Uses of Piety & Charity.

And whosoever are Appointed to this office are to be Helps to yo Elders & to the whole Church. 1 Cor. 12. 28.

Of the Churches Outward Treasure; of all Offerings and Gifts (given to the Church for the Supply of outward needs the Care & Management belongs to the Deacons; & therewith the Deacons are to Serve ye Tables, which the Church is to Provide for, (saith our Synod Book, call'd ye Platform) as Namely the LORD'S Table, the Table of the ministers of the word of God, And of Such as are in Necesity: To whom they are to Distribute in Simplicity, or Singlenesse of Heart.

Ordination is the Solemn Comitting of office — Ecclesiastical unto Persons to whom that office doth belong; the solemn putting of them into the actual Possession of that Place, Station, Dignity, Trust & Charge in the Church of

GOD that they were Chosen to & had Accepted of.

And Ordination is Performed by Laying on the Hands of the Eldership, with Solemn Prayer to God in Christ, In which Prayer, the Persons on whom the Said Hands are Laid are Solemnly offerd up to God in Christ, for that office & Service that they are Called unto; and the LORD is earnestly Implored & besought to Accept of Them; and to Assist them, and to make them Blessings therein. Thus by Prayer & laying on of their hands, the Apostles solemnly Installed into the Sacred — office of Deaconship, the first Deacons of the Primitive Church wherefore

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Wherefore the Church of Christ in this Place (viz the Elders, Deacons & Fraternity of Fullcommunicants,) having Chosen You, our Dear Brethren Mr Hopestill Clap & mr Nathanael Topliff, on whom we have now Laid our Hands & Prayed, into the office of Deaconship among them, and you having Accepted thereof

We do in the Name of our LORD Jesus CHRIST, The Glorious Head of the Church in Heaven & on Earth, Ordain you to be Deacons of this Church, and Putt You into the Possession & Administration of that—holy & honorable Office of Deaconship in which you are to conjoyn that Aged & Honoured Person who Was in that office before You.

And forasmuch as God hath set you Up in His Church, not to be Letts, but to be Helps, We Solemnly Charge You to watch, & to Pray, & to Labour all that You can, that You may . . . Promote & Further all Religion & Vertue & Charity & Peace & Beneficence among Us; And Uprightly, & Prudently, & Faithfully, & with Great Humility, & yet with liberty & holy Courage, & without Fear, and without Partiality, & in Singlenesse of Heart, as towards God, Discharge (not only every Part of your work as Christians, But also) every Part of Your Office as Deacons;—accountably to God & our Lord Jesus XT and to your own Consciences, & to the Elders & to the Church:

(by the help of Christ;)

And we Assure You (for your Comfort,) that so Using & Discharging the office of Deaconship well, by the Grace & Help of Your Glorious LORD & Ours, You Will (tho' without any proper merit of your own, yet of Gods... Infinite Mercy) Purchase or gain or obtain to yourselves a good degree and Great Boldnesse in the Faith. I Tim. 3. 13. and when the Great Shepherd shall appear, You shall Receive a Crown of Glory that fadeth not away.

..... Amen.

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25 of the 9^{mo} 43

the 2 great Gunnes were mounted upō their Carriages & drawne up from the water side:

memorandum. The Rev^d m^r John Wilson Junior was Pastor of the Church in Dorchester two years before He Removed to Medfield at Medfields Request He was Pastor of Medfield 40 years: ordained at Dorchester 1649. The Lords Day preceeding His Translation He preached both forenoon and afternoon fervently & powerfully. The Lords Day y^t He Expired, the Greater Part of His Church were present, to behold & Lament His Removal from them. which was on Aug. 23. 91.

1d July 1645

in this mo: the elders did meet at Cambridge in mattachusets baye in N: E to Consider of the motion made amonge the Comissioners of the 4 Confederate Colloneyes: when they did meet at Conecticute viz to thinke of some things that might in ffuture give some testimony from new Engl about the great question now in debate about church-Government:

& notice hereof was given publikely in the Assembly at Dorchester vicesimo nono: Junii anno 45 that it was intended nothinge to bind the churches or inovate the practice there of but only private amonge the elders & was no Synod but in such case the churches ought to have notice & to send their comissioners: & so might express at any tyme, but the present notice was that the church might know how to direct their prayer written ye daye abovesaid by me

Jo Wiswall [A later hand has prefixed the title and filled out the name, making it read "Deacon John Wiswall"!]

Sept. 26. 1725. About a fortnight ago m' Joseph Maudsley, m' John Preston, mr Soper & mrs Butts Son on a fishing Voyage. went into a Cove at y° Eastward in y' vessell, with Jos. Maudsleys Servant boy: also mr Honiwell of Boston went in with y'', also mr Cocks strove to go in, but y' fog hindred Him, & the Indians barbarously murdered all y' went in, but y° boy. The Boy was Redeemed Anno 1728.

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Feb. 6. 170 $_{\theta}^{8}$ Serjeant Hopestill Humfrys & Serjeant James Blake Chosen Deacons

Feb. 13. 170% Joshua Severs Propounded to lay hold on y° Covenant = & did so feb. 20

Febr. 20. 1708 Serjeant Blake accepted ye Deaconship

Hopestill Clap & James Blake Ordained to y' Several offices it being a fast = Day.

May 18. 1700. ordination of mr Marsh at Braintrey

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