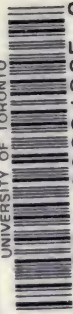


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## P R E F A C E.

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THE Publishing Committee herewith presents to the Society the second volume of the Diary of Samuel Sewall, printed from the Manuscript in its Cabinet. The text of the volume includes the period from January 14, 1699-1700, to April 14, 1714. Another volume in print will complete the publication of the manuscript Diary. The Judge's Letter-Book will furnish the materials for a fourth volume.

The Committee has continued the same system of annotating the text which was adopted in the first volume. Resisting the prompting or opportunity to explain or illustrate the many interesting references which the Judge makes to matters of historical importance, to an extent which would expand the notes beyond the text, the method pursued, as the reader will observe, has been restricted to occasional comments, and to genealogical and local particulars and references, without quoting authorities easily accessible to the students of our history. The connection between Judge Sewall's family and that of Governor Dudley evidently embarrassed the former, alike in his official position as a magistrate, and in making entries in his diary concerning matters in which they were occasionally at variance. That Sewall should also have drawn upon himself the hostility of Cotton Mather, who, with his father, the President of the College, was in violent feud with Dudley, may help to show the perplexities of the Judge's position and course even when he seems to have tried to act as a moderator or an umpire. The Committee has therefore thought it advisable to reprint three very rare pamphlets which, as fully presenting matters of bitter strife in relation to the parties just named, will make annotation upon it unnecessary. A few fragmentary and miscellaneous papers in Sewall's hand precede these Tracts.

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An Elegie on Mrs. Alicia Lisle, which for high Treason was be-  
 headed at Winchester, September the 2<sup>d</sup> 1685.<sup>1</sup>

Let Rebels both and Loyalists draw nigh  
 And view this Object of Disloyalty,  
 A Lady which by a Rebellious Crew  
 Was forc't in hast to bid the World adieu,  
 And pay her head to Justice for her Crime  
 Comitted now when she had pass'd her Prime.  
 Not zeal blindfolded, nor the CAUSE, the CAUSE  
 Can overturn Religion and the Laws.

&c. &c.

#### EPITAPH.

Here lies Madam Lisle dead,  
 Which for Treason lost her Head.  
 She patroniz'd the CAUSE, the CAUSE,  
 Against the Church and stablish'd Laws,  
 Let all her Sex; both great and small  
 Take here Example by her Fall:  
 And henceforth ever Shunn to be  
 Entangled by Presbytery;  
 Which changeth into several shapes  
 And hath brought forth Gomorrhah's Grapes

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<sup>1</sup> See Vol. I. p. 104.

Which have set England's Teeth on Edge  
 But now she is gone off the stage  
 Then here she is, and Let her Lie  
 A Beacon unto Loyalty.

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This may be Printed R. L. S.  
 To be sold by Randal Taylor

Survey your Ground first, lest your great Design  
 End in a Quagmire, or a hollow Mine.

Submit to Fate, turn Loyal now (for shame)  
 And strive no more to swim against the stream.

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· Aug. 30, 1686. Speech to the South Company.

GENTLEMEN, — The reason of my being here, is not to comānd you my self, but to commend you for your complying with the command of the honourable Council, and our Lieu<sup>t</sup> Mr. Elizur Holyoke, which I earnestly perswade you to persist in : by so doing you will exceedingly honour your selves and gratify me. So that if any of you study to shew me respect, let it be in that way. There are many Reasons with me why I inform'd the honourable Council of my inability to sustain that Character which sometime I have done in this Company ; which, as it would not be proper, so I have not now time to relate. I heartily thank you for the Respect I have had from you, which has been beyond my value. Am truly sorry for any inconvenience I have been the occasion of the last week to our Lieu<sup>t</sup> or any of the officers, and ask your pardon for it. The Drum̄s have lately cost somthing the fitting, which I shall take care to discharge, that the Company be not in debt about it. And I have left with the Lieu<sup>t</sup> for the refreshment of the privat Souldiers, of which I crave your Acceptance.

And so wishing you a good day, I take Leave.

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To JOSEPH DUDLEY, Esqr., Presd<sup>t</sup>:

HONOURED SIR, — My not being at home when the Messenger came to my house yesterday gives the occasion of these Lines. Indeed I had then no expectation of any such thing ; but supōsed on Thorsday it might have been. Am truly thankfull to your Honour for the respect you have put on me in nominating me for the keeping the Peace : but you shall still further oblige me in letting of it rest in a Nomination. What station I formerly had in the Government

of this place it hath pleased God to cast me out of it just after the taking of a solemn Oath, which probably I had not done so soon, had not some small Circumstances turn'd the scale. And many of the Council reside in Boston : and those chosen Justices, Mr. Joyliff for one, are so aged and worthy, that now I am upon even ground, and in age his son, shall be perpetually asham'd to take place of him as a senior Justice, and shall be pleased to see him have his health and sit on the Bench. Besides, my Mother and wife are incessantly importunat with me to accept at least of part of that Retirement which God hath dismissed me to. I am glad that my Unkle Quinsey hath sworn and so, for ought I see, his sister is too: wish I may hear the like of other good men up and down the Country, which as have opportunity, I shall further. Only as I have serv'd this People as a Constable, and as a Justice of Peace, so now am desirous of making an Experiment, whether standing in the middle between those two Offices, be the happier Life, as I think I have heard K. James the first should affirm. Have been willing to signify thus much, that so my non-acceptance may be managed by your Prudence for the best. I am your Hon<sup>s</sup> humble

Serv<sup>t</sup>

S. S.

JUNE 2, 1686.

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To make a Salt-Petre Bed. *Impr<sup>t</sup>*. All the sword of the Ground is to be taken off or trenched in, and the Stones to be taken clean out as deep as the Trench. Then get the best and richest mould you can, and fill up the Trench according as you will make it in greatness — Length or depth, as you see cause. When the ground is made clean and fitting, turn over the ground and trench it in again, and as you trench it in mix it with strong Lime about a 10<sup>th</sup> or sixth part; and the Seed-Petre, or Mother of Petre, and Hen, or Pigeon's Dung as much as you can get, the more the better. And after 'tis trenched in as above, Let all the Butchers Blood and Lees of Wine be mixed often with the upper part of the mould about half a foot down, that it be not lost or run away from the Bed or Bank. Let the Bank be made upon rising Ground, and a ditch about it, that the water rest not, nor run into the Petre-Bed; with a dry House over it, to keep it from Rain.

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Jan<sup>r</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 170<sup>3</sup> James Bayley Esqr. Ring and Glov[es].

April, 23. *feria quarta*, The Rever<sup>d</sup> and pious Mr. Samuel Torrey; Gloves.

86. May, 12, 1707. Mrs. Lydia Scottow, Scarf and Gloves. 86 years old



69. Dec<sup>r</sup> 4. 1707. The Hon<sup>ble</sup> F. J. Winthrop, Governour of Coñecticut. Scarf, Ring, Gloves, Escutcheon. Gov. W. Tomb.  
Dec<sup>r</sup> 12. Mrs. Mary Eliot, widow of my dear friend Capt. Jacob Eliot, and her self a very good woman. Scarf and Gloves. 75.
64. March, 22. 1707½ Mrs. Sarah Noyes; Scarf and Gloves.
54. Aug<sup>t</sup> 17. 1708. Mrs. Mary Stoddard; Scarf and Ring.
73. Octob<sup>r</sup> 20. 1708. Capt. Anthony Checkley, Scarf and Gloves.
76. Febr. 11<sup>th</sup> 1708½ Mrs. Hañah Glover, Scarf and Gloves.
69. April, 30. 1709. James Russel Esqr. Scarf and Gloves.  
May, 6. Mrs. Abigail Russel his widow. Scarf, Gloves.
64. May, 9. Major Thomas Brown, of Sudbury, Esqr Scarf and Gloves.
80. May, 26. Mrs. Sarah Pemberton, Scarf and Gloves.
74. June, 8. Mrs. Ruth Wyllys, Scarf, Gloves.
55. July, 26. Mr. Thomas Banister, Scarf and Gloves.
61. January, 10 17½ Mr. John Hubbard; Scarf and Gloves.
63. Mrs. Elizabeth Savage, April, 16, 1710, Scarf and Gloves.
84. Madam ——— Stoddard, July, 19, 1710. Scarf and Gloves.
72. Isaac Goose, Dec<sup>r</sup> 2. 1710. Scarf and Gloves.
58. John Foster esqr, Febr. 15. Scarf, Ring, Gloves, Escutcheon.
40. Mrs. Anne Allen, Febr. 28 17¼, Scarf and Gloves.
68. Mrs. Abigail Foster; March, 8. 17¼, Scarf, Ring, Gloves, Escut.
57. Mrs. Sarah Banister, July, 3. 1711. Scarf and Ring, Gloves.
60. Mr. Elizur Holyoke, Aug<sup>t</sup> 14. 1711. Scarf and Gloves.
72. Mrs. Mary Ardel, Octob<sup>r</sup> 20. 1711. Scarf and Gloves.  
Mr. John Pole, Nov<sup>r</sup> 10. 1711. Scarf, Gloves, Escutcheon.  
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70. Mrs. Elisa Hutchinson Feb. 7. 1712, 13. Scarf, Ring, Gloves, Escut. Fun<sup>t</sup> Sermon.
76. Mrs. Elisa. Addington, March, 5<sup>th</sup> Scarf, Ring, Gloves.
- 6- Mrs. Elisa. Stoddard Apr. 22. 1713. Scarf, good Ring, Gloves, Scutcheon.
- 6- Mrs. Martha Patteshall Apr. 23. Scarf and Gloves. Old B. place  
Mr. Thomas Brattle May, 21.  
Col. Hunt.

## SEWALL'S COMMONPLACE BOOK.

[In our first volume, pp. 56, 57, *note*, we called attention to presumed extracts from Sewall's Diary for a period (1677-85) for which we possessed no original. So also, we learn, there is a citation in Palfrey's History, III. p. 348, 349, about Mrs. Randolph, of this date.

We are now able to show that all these quotations are from Sewall's Commonplace Book, a volume in the possession of this Society, and we are thus relieved from the fear that some portion of the Diary might have been lost of late years. We are yet unable to trace the following quotation from Palfrey, III. 348. "May 2, [1681] Had discourse about putting the cross into colors. Captain Hall opposed, and said he would not till the Major [Denison] had it in his. Some spoke with the Major, it seems, that afternoon, and Mr. Mather was with him, who judged it not convenient to be done at this time. So is put a stop to it at present."

Again, "July 11, Captain Walley, instead of having no cross at all, as I supposed, had it unveiled. . . . Captain Henchman's company and Townsend hindered Captain Walley's lodging their colors, stopping them at the bridge."

Still, we trust, these citations will prove to be taken from some almanac or note-book or letter.]

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[Sewall's Commonplace book contains various extracts from books arranged under appropriate heads. Most of the following are placed under that of "De Omene," and contain cross-references. A few items, however, occur separately, and we have endeavored to arrange them chronologically.

The book contains the following note of its beginning: "Samuel Sewall, his Booke, Decemb. 29, 1677. Bound by Jno. Ratcliff."

On the cover is this memorandum:—]

March 1, 77-8. Mr. Tho. Walley, Pastour of Barnst. Ch<sup>b</sup> dyed.

Ap. 16, 1678. Mr. Noah Newman, Pastour of Rehoboth Ch<sup>b</sup> dyed.

May 9. Mr. Joseph Brown, Fellow of Harvard Colledge dyed.

11. An House, 2 Women and 2 Children burnt at Concord.

June 22. Mr. Edm. Brown, Pastour of Sudbury Ch<sup>b</sup> dyed.

- Oct. 11. Sam<sup>l</sup> Simons, Esq. Dep. G<sup>r</sup> buried.  
 16. Mr. Tho. Thacher, Past<sup>r</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Ch<sup>b</sup> Bost. dyed.  
 Nov. 24. Mr. Joseph Rowlandson, Preacher at Wethersfield died.  
 Jan<sup>r</sup> 4. Mr. Dan<sup>l</sup> Russell, Preacher at Charlestown died.  
 23. Mr. Peter Hubbard, Pastour of Hingham Ch<sup>b</sup> buried.  
 Feb. 1. Mr. Ami-Ruhamah Corlett, Fellow of Harv. Col. died.

[Then we find a family record as follows:—]

(P. 87.) John Sewall, the son of Samuel and Hañah S. was Born Apr. 2, 1677.<sup>1</sup> Was Baptized Ap. 8 in the South-Meeting-House by the Reverend Mr. Thomas Thacher. I held the child when Baptized. Dyed Sept. 11, 1678, and lyeth buried in the New burying place, on the South side of the grave of his great Grandfather, Mr. Robert Hull.

June 11, 1678. Samuel Sewall, second son of S. and Han. S. was Born. Baptized p. Mr. Thomas Thacher June 16. I held him up.

Feb. 3, 1679. Hañah Sewall was Born, just after a great snow. Baptized Feb. 8 in the New-Meeting-House, p. Mr. Samuel Willard. I held her up. Mr. Thacher dyed in the Autumn, 1678.

May, 21, 1680. I carry Sam. to Newbury, where his Grandmother nurses him till May 31, to see if change of air would help him against Convulsions; which hope it did, for hath had none there, nor since his coming home.

1681. Thursday, December 29th, Elisabeth, Daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> and Hañah Sewall is Born. N. Two of the chief Gentlewomen in Town dyed next Friday night, viz. Mrs. Mary Davis and Mrs. Eliza Sargent.

Sabbath-day, January 1, 1681. Elisabeth is Baptized p. Mr. Samuel Willard, I holding her up. Elisabeth Weeden was Midwife to my Wife bringing forth the four mentioned children.

[We next extract a few notes which are not in the consecutive entries:—]

(P. 8½.) Mr. Nath. Higginson in a Letter of 4 Mar. 1679–80 writes Dr. Godwin dyed about a fortnight agoe.

<sup>1</sup> "Mr. Thomas Parker dyes that April." Marginal note. — Eds.

(P. 12.) De Autophonia. 1677, Nov. 16. Friday, day after publick Thanksgiving, Jn<sup>o</sup> Tomlin Hanged himself in his Garret in the day time, fastning his Rope to a pin that held the Rafters at the pot.

Nov. 18. Sabbathday one Williams, an old Man, the Wiñisimet Ferry man cut his own Throat. *Vid Diar.*

Nov. 7, 1680. A Negro Man and Woman murdered themselves.

A certain dweller in the Town of Cambridge made away himself. In his bosom was a Writing to this effect that God did show mercy on great, grievous and desperat Siñers; and therefore he said that he hoped of mercy though he hanged himself.

(P. 12½.) 1678; Apr. 5th. Mr. Josiah Allen, a young Merchant of a very good estate and Account, was slain on board of Benj. Gillam's ship by the accidental firing of a fowling piece, out of a Boat of Joss. Gillam, as they were going from the jolly Ship. *vid. Diar.*

(P. 77½.) Mr. Edmund Quinsey married Mrs. Eliza. Eliot before Tho. Danforth, Esq. Dec. 8, 1680.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 18, 1680. Josiah Winslow, Esq. Gov<sup>r</sup> of Plymouth, dyeth after sore Pain with the Gout and Griping. His flesh was opened to the bone on's leggs before he dyed. Thursday Xr. 23, buried.

Wednesday Xr. 22, '80. John Russell, the Anabaptist minister is buried, scarce having time to read his Print in favour of that Sect; come over in the last ships, Jener or Foy.

Friday, January 14, 1680-1. Benjamin Thwing, Carpenter, one of the South-Church, was going from Mount-Hope to Rhode-Island in a Canoo with an Indian, was overset by the wind and Ice, drowned. The Indian escaped.

Tuesday, Feb. 22. Eclips of the Moon. N. Mr. Samuel Worster, Deputy for Bradford, coming down to the Gen. Court, when he was within ¼ Mile of the first Houses of Lin, dyed: Mr. Gidney coming down from Salem saw him dead in the way, went to the next House where were two Men that first saw him; so gave a Warrant for a Jury and his Burial.

Tuesday, March 8, 1680-1. Mr. Edward Mitchelson, Marshall-General is Buried.

Sabbath-day, March 20, 1680-1. Tho. Woodbridge *exit.*

Major William Hathorn dyes April —.

The Reverend Mr. Urian Oakes dyeth, July 24, 1681, Sabbath-day night, suddainly, as to most, who are startled at the newes, being just before the Comencement and he so Learned, Godly, Orthodox a Man and so Discerning of the Times.

[On p. 38 is an account of Mrs. Dyer's monstrous birth, Oct. 17, 1638, "taken out of my Father Sewall's Copy." Also an account of a similar birth, Jan'y 10, 1679-80, to the wife of Samuel Dible, of Windsor.]

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[We next transcribe that portion which is continued through several pages, and seems to form a Diary for that period.]

(P. 60.) Thursday, June 21, 1677. Mr. Torrey of Roxbury as he was in the Meetinghouse in Sermon-Time gave a Suddain and amazing Cry, being taken with a Fit of the Falling Sickness. It greatly disturbed the whole Assembly so that Mr. Allen was fain to cease from Preaching for a while.

July 8, 1677. Sabbath-Day. South-Meeting House, *mane*. In Sermon-Time a female Quaker slipt in covered with a Canvas Frock, having her hair dishevelled and Loose, and powdered with Ashes resembling a flaxen or white Perriwigg, her face as black as Ink, being led by two Quakers and followed by two more. It occasioned a great and very amazing Uproar.

June 3, 1680. Mr. Torrey hath another sore Fit in Lectur-time, old Mr. Eliot Preaching.

July 8, two Indians Kill'd and severall carried away by the Mohawks from Spy-Pond at Cambridge; it was done about 1 in the Morn. In the afternoon a Whirlwind ariseth (at first in a small Body) near Sam' Stones. Passeth on to Mat. Bridge (P. 73). Passeth by Mat. Bridges, (taking part of Stones Barn with it) Kills John Robbins who was at Hoe, breaking his Arm and jaw-bone. It hurled stones and brake off and transported Trees in an unusual mañer.

*Vid.* Xr. 16. Mis. Russell in Sermon-Time.

1680-1. Jan<sup>r</sup> 25, 1680-1. Tuesday. Tho: Eams drops down dead in the Morning at Mr. Pain's stable, as he and others saw Hay thrown before their Horses. He was come to Court about Sherborn Controversy with respect to their Meeting House, its Situation.

Feb 1. Schollars get sooner out of School than ordinary by reason of the Bell's being rung for fire; which was quenched at the House where it begun.

Last night one Dyer of Braintrey shot an Indian to death as he was breaking his window and attempting to get into his House against his will, Saying he would shoot him a Dogg, bec. would not let him come in to light his Pipe. Man was abed. Indian's gun found charg'd, cock' and prim'd in his Hand.

Tuesday night Febr. 1. Pet. Codnar an honest Fisherman going to come over the Draw-Bridge, (as is suposed), missed it and was

Drowned: For Feb. 2, his dark Lantern was taken up out of the Crick by the wharf at Low-water. He is supposed to have fallen in about 7. the Tuesday night. Hath left a wife and Children.

Feb. 3. Lectr. Newes is brought of Mr. Deans son Robinson, his Killing a Lion with his Axe at Andover. Not many weeks agoe a young man at New-Cambridge was Kill'd by a Tree himself Felled.

Thorsday Feb. 10. See Mr. Eliot's Sermon.

Tuesday Feb. 22. Ecclips of the Moon. Mr. Samuel Worster, Deputy for Bradford, coming to the Court on Foot, dyes on the Rode about  $\frac{1}{4}$  Mile short of the House at the end of the Town next Ipswich. Vid. P. 78. Newes comes this day of nine men being found dead at Pigeon-Iland near Shelter Iland: 't is feared it may be Jeremiah Jackson.

Vid. p. 79. Sylvanus Davis went out on Saturday to carry Corn and other necessaryes to the Fort at Casco, is driven on the Sand, essaying to put in again in the Sabbath day storm. So the Corn lost and Souldiers disapointed. Men saved.

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(P. 78 $\frac{1}{2}$ .) Thorsday, Feb. 24, 1680-1. This morn, the Wife of Mr. Elias Row is found dead in her bed; much blood about her, so some think she was choak'd with it. A Jury was impanelled and 6 grave matrons and a Chirurg[eon], to view the Corps to see if any Violence had been offered her: found none; she and her Husband seldom lay together; she was given to Drink and quarrelling. Her death puts in mind of the Proverb wherein we say such an one hath drunk more than he hath bled to-day.

Friday Feb. 18. Mr. Sam' Legg cast away, was bound for Barbados.

Monday March 14. Mr. Noah Floid tells that 3 men essaying to goe from Mount-Hope to Warwick in a Canoo were all drowned about 3 weeks agoe.

Sabbath-day, March 20, 1680-1. Thomas Woodbridge is so burnt in his own Fire, that he Dyeth of the insupportable Torment in about 12 Hours time. Newbury.

Not long agoe an Irish woman living by my Father Hull's Pasture, was found dead, without dore, having her forehead on her hands, as she lay on the ground. Great Rumours and Fears of trouble with the Indians. Persons to Carry a competent number of Arms to Meeting.

N. At Coñecticot the Noise of a Drumme in the air, Vollies of

Shot, Report of Cannons have been Heard by divers; as pr. Letters rec'd this week. Ap. 1. '81.

Mr. Philip Nelson of Rowley wanders away and is lost from Ap. 5, to Satterday Ap. 9. Rowley and Newbury seeking him; on Satterday is found, having walked out of his place to take the air; it was between two Rocks on Crane-Neck. See Bro. Longfellow's Letter.

Goodwife Everit, Winthrop, and Capt. Richard Woode dye suddainly, *vid.* Diar. P. 102.

Sabbath-day, May the first, 1681. Mr. Angier of Cambridg, his Tenant dyes very suddainly and unexpectedly, having been at meeting and riding home with his Neighbour, Agur &c. Look in and smil'd on his wife through the Window, but sunk down before he got in at the doore, and his wife hearing a noise came out; but her Husband scarce spoke ten words before he utterly ceased to speak. The Newes of it came to us yesterday as we were at Diñer. About 3 weeks agoe a little Boy of Braintrey playing with a bean, [P. 84] in's mouth, got it into his wind-Pipe, of which in six or seven dayes he dyed.

Monday, May 2. Mr. Richard Hubbard of Ipswich Farms, dyeth suddainly in the afternoon, goeing to ly on's Bed after diñer was there found dead by his daughter accidentally goeing in thether. *teste* Guil. Gerrish, sen: (*p. me?*)

Satterday, May 7th, there was a Hurrican at Newbury, which blew down Rich. Bartlett's Barn, uncover'd Capt. Pierce's new house at the uþer end of Chandler's Lane, blew down the chimneys.

Sabbath-day-night, July 24, 1681. The Reverend Mr. Urian Oakes, President of the College, and Pastour of Cambridge Church Died; scarce any Knowing of his Sickness till his Death was sadly told up and down the street, Monday July 25. *vid.* Diar. p. 109.

Thursday, Xr. 1, 1681. The well-accomplish'd merch<sup>t</sup> and Accountant, Mr. Paul Dudley dyed, being little above 30 yeers old.

Xr. 13, '81. Jonathan Jackson's wife hangs herself in the lower room of her dwelling House near my Father's ware-House.

Xr. 17. Foye arrives, in whom Mr. Randolph and his new wife and family.

Xr. 25. They sit in Mr. Joyliff's Pue; and Mrs. Randolph is observed to make a curtesy at Mr. Willard's naming *Jesus*, even in Prayer time. Since dwells in Hez. Usher's House, where Ministers used to meet.

Satterday, Feb. 11. Is a bloody-colour'd Eclips of the Moon, onely middle of the uþer part of a duskish dark.

Feb. 15. Tuesday, 14, past midnight, or Wednesday morn;—the Day the General Court was to sit upon adjournment,—Major

Tho. Savage dyeth suddenly, very suddenly, having been well at the Wedding on Tuesday, and sup'd well at home afterward, and slept well till midnight or past.

Feb. 15, Wednesday. 2 Houses and Barns burnt at Cambridge. Dep<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>t</sup> hardly escaped. Sometime in the Court's sitting, there is a child born near the north Meeting-House, which hath no Tongue at all; or the Tongue grown fast to the roof of the Mouth; one finger too much on one Hand, and one too little on the other: And the Heels right opposite one to another, the (P. 88½) Toes standing to the Right and left outward.

Mar. 24, '81-2. Goodw. Fox dyes suddenly. The Town was sadly alarm'd the Tuesday night before at the Fire at Mr. Wing's, which, had the Wind promoted, a great part of the Town had been consumed, it being near or in the Center.

Thorsday, Novemb. 9, 1682. Cous. Dan! Quinsey Marries Mrs. Anne Shepard Before John Hull, esq. Sam<sup>l</sup> Nowell, esq. and many Persons present, almost Capt. Brattle's great Hall full; Capt. B and Mrs. Brattle there for two. Mr. Willard begun with Prayer. Mr. Tho. Shepard concluded; as he was Praying, Cous. Savage, Mother Hull, wife and self came in. A good space after, when had eaten Cake and drunk Wine and Beer plentifully, we were called into the Hall again to Sing. In Singing Time Mrs. Brattle goes out being ill; Most of the Comp<sup>t</sup> goe away, thinking it a qualm or some Fit; But she grows worse, speaks not a word, and so dyes away in her chair, I holding her feet (for she had slipt down). At length out of the Kitching we carry the chair and Her in it, into the Wedding Hall; and after a while lay the Corps of the dead Aunt in the Bride-Bed: So that now the strangeness and horror of the thing filled the (just now) joyous House with Ejulation: The Bridegroom and Bride lye at Mr. Airs, son in law to the deceased, going away like Persons put to flight in Battel.

Satterday night, Nov<sup>r</sup> 11. Twelve Jurors come before my Father, to give Oath as to the Cause and Manner of one Johnson, a Turnour, his imature death; which was by letting a Barrel of Cider into a Trap-dore Cellar;<sup>1</sup> the Board he stood on gave way, he fell in, and the end of the Barrel upon his Jaw and Kill'd him outright. Jury came to swear about eight a clock.

One Blood of Concord about 7 days since or less was found dead in the woods, leaning his Brest on a (P 89½) Logg: Had been seeking some Creatures. Oh! what strange work is the Lord about to bring to Pass.

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<sup>1</sup> "Just by Cous. Quinsey's." Marginal note. — Eds.



The Wednesday fortnight before Mrs. Brattles Death, Mr. Gardener of Salem, who lives p. the Meeting-House, going into his Shop after Lecture to open it, as he was hanging up a net of Cotton-wool, fell down dead over his Threshold: which made a great Hubbub.

Nov: 12, at night or even, Capt. Benj. Gillam's Mate is drowned off the outward wharf.

Friday, Nov: 17. one Smith is drowned, coming up from Mr. Edwards, sailing for Lond[on]. Not many weeks before, a Man fell into the Dock, up by my Father's Ware-House, and was drowned: and Josiah Belcher, Sen<sup>r</sup> was drowned at Weymouth.

Sabbath-day, Nov: 19. Mr. Edw. Winslow, Ship M<sup>r</sup>, dyed suddenly: He took Physick the Friday before and John Aleock discours'd with him, he seeming to him no iller than Men ordinarily are when taking Physick. A Woman dyed suddenly at the North end of the Town.

Tuesday, Nov: 28, '82. One Horton coming from Nevis, makes the Land this day, and stands in; but the Rain and Snow take him so that in the night drives him over Rocks and Sholes, cast Anchor; but all Cables break. So about 3 a clock at night, that violent Storm strands the Ship on Nahant Beach, about  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile to the Northward of Pulling Point Gut; the Ship about 100 Tun. Persons on Board 13, 3 whereof drowned; 4 perished in the Cold, not being able to grope out the way to Mr. Winthrops: and 6 onely escaped: 3 of the above if not all four, lay frozen like sticks, in a heap. One of the six was so frozen that will hardly escape. Very little goods saved. About 200 £ in P<sup>g</sup> lost.

Febr. 9. 1682-3. A considerable deal of Snow being on the Ground, there falls such plenty of warm Rain as that the Waters swell so as to do much damage. Ipswich Dam and Bridge is carried away by the Flood and Ice violently coming down; so that they now go over in a Boat, Horse and Men. Rowly Mill Dam also spoyled, and generally much harm done in (P. 90) Dams and Bridges; so that 'tis judged many Thousands will scarce repair the Loss. Woburn hath suffered much. Roxbury Bridge carried away just as persons on it; so that a woman was near drowning.

Satterday, March 22, 1683-4, there was an extraordinary high Tide, which did much hurt at Boston and Charlestown, coming into Houses and Ware-Houses that stood low. All that I hear of at Cambridge, Charl. and here, say 'tis higher than ever any was known before.

Wednesday, Oct: 29, a Maid's Brains shot out, her head broke all to pieces, at Salem.

Friday Nov: 28, 1684. W<sup>m</sup> Allen, a Plum<sup>er</sup>, receives a blow by a piece that was used for a Scaffold falling on's head, of which he

dyes at night. Boston. About a fortnight agoe, one at Sparks, the Ordinary at Ipswich near the Meetinghouse, falls down stairs or the like, and dies. About that time Jn<sup>o</sup> Poor of Newbury perrisheth in the Snow, near the Fresh-Meadows, about a Mile from my Father's Farm.

(P. 90½) Wednesday, Nov: 15, 1682. Mr. Sherman Ordains Mr. Nath. Gookin Pastor of Cambridge-Church: Mr. Eliot gives the Right hand of Fellowship, first reading the Scripture that warrants it. Mr. Sherman, Eliot and Mather laid on Hands. Then Mr. Gookin ordain'd Deacon Stone and Mr. Clark Ruling Elders. The Presence of God seem'd to be with his People. Mr. Jonathan Danforth, the Dep<sup>t</sup> Governours onely Son, lay by the Wall, having departed on Monday Morn, of a Consumption. Tis a comfortable day and much People at the Ordination. I go and come on foot in Comp<sup>t</sup> of Mr. Zadori, the Hungarian, whom I find to be an Arminian.

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(P. 92.) Wednesday, Apr. 25, 1688. I went to Gov<sup>t</sup> Bradstreet, to enquire about the Custom of Swearing in New England: He told me That of lifting up the Hand had been the Ceremony from the begining; that He and some others did so swear on board the Ship, 1630. And that He never Knew an Oath administred any other way after he came on Shoar.

Sir, it is all one to touch a Book and swear by a Book. Fox. Martyrol. Henry the 4th, p. 702 and 701. &c &c &c. [Various authorities are cited, the passage above being among other citations under the head of "De Juramento."]

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(P. 108½.) Mr. Joshua Gee, sometime Captive in Alger, tells me June 11, 1694, that the Turks observe an Hebdomadal Revolution as we do; Our first day of the week is their first day of the week; And they call the days by their Order in the Week; One, Two &c. If they have any notable piece of work to doe, they chuse to begin it upon the first day of the Week, bec. God began his Works on that day.

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[There is also a full account of the trial of Rev. Thomas Chiever, Jr., of Malden, which is briefly mentioned in Vol. I. pp. 130, 131.]

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(P 132 of orig.) At MALDEN, Wednesday, Apr. 7th. 1686.

A Council of the 3 Ch<sup>h</sup>s of Chr<sup>t</sup> in Boston, met. Persons were Mr. James Allin, Joshua Moody, John Wiswall, Mr. Elisha Cook, Mr. Isaac Addington, Mr. Henry Allin, Mr. Increase Mather, Mr. Cotton Mather, Major John Richards, Mr. Adam Winthrop, Mr. Daniel Stone, L<sup>d</sup> Richard Way, Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Willard, Sam Sewall, Jacob Eliot. Met at the House of Father Green; Mr. Allin went to Prayer, when discoursed whether should have 2 Moderators or one; Mr. Allin put it to vote, and carried for one, being but a small Company. Then voted for a Moderator by Papers. Mr. Increase Mather was chosen, had more than ten votes and but 15 Persons in all. Discoursed of our work, then went into the Publick. Mr. Moderator prayed. When had heard some Debates there, went to our Quarters, had the witnesses and Mr. Tho. Chiever face to face. Mr. Chiever, the Father, desired to be present, was admitted and bid wellcom, except when Council debated in private all alone (Mr. Sam. Parris present throughout, though not of the Council).

In the evening Mr. Chiever the Pastor was sent for, Mr. Moodey and others acquainted him how grievous his carriage had been and that day not so humble and in such a frame as ought; told him expected not an Answer, but that should sleep on't. Debated considerably what to do till about 10 at night Mr. Moderator pray'd, went to Bed. Mr. Moderator and his son to Mr. Wigglesworth's, some to Mr. Chiever, Major Richards and self Kept the House. In the Morn, Thorsday, Ap. 8, Mr. Moderator went to prayer: read over what was drawn up, then discours'd about it. Sent for Mr. Chiever, to see what had to say; then not finding satisfaction, all agreed on the following Declaration and Advice.

The Elders and Messingers assembled in Council at Maldon, April 7, 1686, at the Request of the Church there, after humble Invocation of the Name of God for his Guidance in the solemn Case propos'd unto them, do declare and advise as follows.

1. We find that Mr. Tho. Chiever, the present Pastor of the Church in Maldon, has been accused as Guilty of great Scandals, by more than 2 or 3 witnesses; and that since his being in Office-Relation Particularly, he is by two or three Witnesses charged with speaking such words as are scandalous breaches of the Third Comāndment, as appears by the Testimony of Mrs. Eliza. Wade and Abigail Russell. He is moreover accused with Shamefull and abominable Violations of the Seventh Comāndment. There are several who have testified that they heard him use light and obscene expressions (not fit to be named) in an Ordinary at Salem, as by the Testimony of Samuel Sprague, Jacob Parker, Isaac Hill: Also as he was travailing

on the Rode, as p. the Testimony of Thomas, Esther and Eliza. Newhall.

2. We find that although Mr. Chiever has been convicted of very scandalous Evils since his being a Preacher in Maldon, the Church there has declin'd all Testimonies against him as to Scandals comitted before his Ordination; as also some other Testimonies respecting matters very criminal since that; because they judged the Witnesses on account of Prejudices and otherwise, incompetent; upon which Consideration we have also waved these Testimonies.

3. We find that in Aug<sup>t</sup> 9, 1685, Mr. Chiever made an Acknowledgement of some Evils to the Brethren of that Church, whereto he stands related; and that the most part of them were willing to take up with a slender satisfaction: But that on the next Lord's-day, he manifested before the Congregation so little sense and sorrow for his great sins, as that the generality of the Brethren were more dissatisfied than formerly.

We find by our own enquiries since we met together, that Mr. Chiever has absolutely deny'd some things, which are by sufficient Witnesses prov'd against him. Mr. Chiever's filthy words testified by Tho., Esther, and Elizabeth Newhal, he utterly deny'd to L<sup>t</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Sprague, also to Cornet Green and his son, saying that Thomas Newhal was forsworn. Likewise he did to Capt. Sprague and Tho. Skiñer utterly deny that ever he spake the words at Salem, so fully prov'd against him.

Also we find, that as to some particulars he pretends he does not remember them: Nor have we seen that humble penitential frame in him when before us, that would have become him: but have cause to fear that he has been too much accustomed to an evil course of Levity and Profaneness.

These things considered, we conceive it to be Duty and accordingly advise the Church of Maldon, to Suspend Mr. Tho. Chiever from the Exercise of his ministerial Function; and also to debar him from partaking with them at the Lord's Table, for the space of Six Weeks, untill which time the Council will adjourn themselves, to meet at Boston. And that in case he shall in the mean while manifest that Repentance which the Rule requires, they should confirm their Love to him, and (if possible) improve him again in the Lord's Work among them.

And this, our Advice, is grounded on these Scriptures and Reasons. (1). Among the Lord's People in the dayes of the O. Testament, no man might be permitted to execute the Priest's office that had a blemish: He might not come nigh to offer the offerings of the Lord. Levit. 21, 17, 21, which teaches that Men under moral blemishes, are

unfit for holy ministrations, untill they be, in a way of Repentance, healed. (2) It is in the New Testament required, that an Elder should be sober and of good behaviour, and moreover he must have a good Report of them that are without, 1 Tim. 3, 2, 7. (3) Christ's Discipline ought to be exercised impartially, without respect to Persons. 1 Tim. 5, 21. Nor does Mr. Chiever's standing in a Sacred Office-Relation any way lessen, but greatly aggravate his sin. (4) There is no probability that Mr. Chiever's Ministry will be blessed for good to Souls, untill such time as his Conversation shall declare him to be a true penitent. Mat. 5, 13.

Finally, we exhort and advise our beloved Brethren of the Church of Maldon to set a day apart, solemnly to humble themselves by Fasting and Prayer before the Lord under this awfull dispensation, and for whatever failings have attended them, as to the management of their Differences, in this hour of Temptation which they have been subject unto. Particularly, for not observing the Rules of Christ, in endeavouring to prevent Evils by giving seasonable notice to Mr. Chiever of their Dissatisfactions. And for that want of Love, and for that bitterness of Spirit, which appears in sundry of them. So we pray the God of Love and Peace and Truth to dwell among you.

INCREASE MATHER, Moderator,  
In the Name, and with the unanimous  
Consent of the whole Council.

Note. Mr. Chiever was ordained July 27, 1681, Wednesday, Mr. Oakes dying the Sabbath before.

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Thursday, Ap. 8. the Bell was rung; went in publick. Mr. Moderator pray'd, read the Council's Report. Mr. Wigglesworth spake, thank'd him and the Council; said had cause to condemn themselves, as for other sins, so their sudden laying Hands on Mr. Chiever; and now God was whiping them with a Rod of their own making. Mr. Chiever the Father, stood up and pathetically desir'd his son might speak, but Mr. Moderator and others judg'd it not convenient, he not having by what he said given the Council encouragement. Mr. Allin pray'd; went to Diñer; Council adjourned to that day 6 weeks. Came Home well.

## ZADORI'S LETTER.

[In Vol. I. p. 97, of Sewall's Diary, mention is made of "Zadori." The reference was obscure, and no light upon it presented itself to us as the sheets passed through the press. We have since received from abroad the following letter, which, however, does but little to clear the obscurity attaching to a scholar of that name who, it seems, made a visit to Boston. The text of the manuscript copied for us seems in some places to be doubtful, and other difficulties stand in the way of a confident translation. We offer such an one as may serve the occasion. — Eds.]

Bodl: MS. Tanner xxxv. f. 105.

Letter addressed:—

"To the most Reverend Father in <sup>God</sup> William, by the grace of blessed Jesus Lord Arch-Bishop of Canterbury these humbly present. London." <sup>1</sup>

Vir fidelis & Dei timens, Christique amantissime, Salve!

Non omnes quos tellus fert mortales despiciato terræ pulveri adhærescunt, Amplissime Præsul, sed numerosa eorum portio, relictis rusticanæ turbæ flagellis, opificumque instrumentis, altioribus animum applicat, potiorisque sui partis, animæ puta, perfectionem indefesse quæritat. Ingenerasse scilicet Natura hominibus quosdam Videtur igniculos, qui desiderium sciendi stimulorum instar magnoperè excitant. Unde fieri consuevit, ut rerum altiorum avidiùs cupidi mortales, nullâ scientiâ satiari valeant, verum quantò propiùs in cognitione rerum, cum Divinarum, tum humanarum perfectioni accessit animus, tantò majus desiderium sciendi capiat incrementum. Quod maximè laudabile esse, non possumus non asserere, cum sui parare perfectionem sit longè laudatissimum. Puto hinc me facile impetraturum à beata Tua Reverentia excusationem, quod per duos planè annos inter Vos, mansuetioribus musis feci rem. Quis enim adeo excoecatus, qui tam religiosissimum Orbis Christiani sidus, & perenne literarum decus, immensamque Patriæ & sæculi spem, facile relinquat? Si præsertim loquar de memetipso, Proh Deum immortalem! quanta nos Hungaros, in hac decrepita mundi senectâ, ruina literarum operit, quam

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<sup>1</sup> William Sancroft was at this time Archbishop of Canterbury.

turpe & securum militiæ nostræ ocium irrupit. Videre siccis puto nemo posset oculis. Ubi non nisi Mars gaudet præliis, & nos inter tot tantaque funesta bella pendemus potius quam sedemus. Ducimur, & portamur per vastam eremum. Rapimur, dispergimur, in diversa trahimur: itâ ut nec coeptum opus deserere, nec suprâ vires ferre valeamus. Et ipse cùm anno hoc ipso Patriam versûs iter facere meditarer, intempestivè nimis impedivit Hungariæ recens conditio, itâ ut contraria via coactus sum [?] ire, quasi è tergo Hungariam intueri plurimum delectarer. Ego igitur, mi Pater Reverendissime (quod solum possum) Deum Optimum, Maximum, qui Te mihi providit, obnixè deprecor, ut quando Tibi talem debitorem dedit, qui nunquàm solvendo sit futurus, beneficentiam istam quam mihi 29 die Maji, anni 1682, tam effusus impendebas, ipse Tibi dignetur pro sua benignitate rependere, tum ut nos ab hoc ærumnoso & procelloso sæculo in suam requiem, pro sua miseratione perducatur, ubi non erit opus epistolis, ubi non distinebit nos paries, ubi non arcebit à colloquio janitor, sed gaudio perfruemur æterno. Nunc pro tempore apud Novos-Anglos in America hospitor, quid mecum hic faciant ignoro. Gens revera hæc est non modo pietati addicta, & christiana charitate imbuta, verum & Regiæ Majestati addictissima. Nam toto hoc tempore, quibus apud hos hospitor peregrinus, nil tale quid audivi sicut in Scotia & Anglia à quibusdam sceleratissimis, contrâ Sacræ Regiæ Majestatis Thronum, blasphemia verba ex impuris palatis eructantibus. Teror corde vehementer quod nil sit in me, vel penes me, quo tantam beneficentiam Sanctæ Tuæ Reverentiæ pensare possem, qui sum eroque ad finem usque hujus vitæ Tuæ dominationi addictissimus ac fidelis servus. Is igitur qui Dominationi Vestræ talem debitorem dedit, qui nunquàm solvendo sit futurus, Te donis suis locupletet, & in multos annos Ecclesiæ suæ conservet, Serenissimam Sacræ Regiæ Majestatem, Nobilissimos Proceres, adeoque Omnes Potentissimi Regni vestri Ordines protegat, & omni benedictionum genere quam pinguisimè cumulet; ad veræ pietatis & Regni Christi propagationem ævo largissimo tueatur. Et tandem post seros vitæ laudabiliter exactæ annos, ad nunquàm intermorigura & desitura cœlestis vitæ gaudia, solenni Angelorum comitatu introducat. Ubi cum Deo Patre ingenito [?] & uniprocedente Paraclito, gaudio perfruemini æterno.

Itâ animitûs precatur clàm qui hæc palam Vobis peroptat.

Salutis Vestræ avidissimus Stephanus Zadori Pannonio-Hungarus de S. P.

Scribebam hospes & peregrinus celeri cursu defessa manu ad lucernam jamjam lectulo imminens Bostonii Novi-Anglorum, anno vitæ meæ 29. anno verò beatissimi beatæ Mariæ Virginis Filii Jesu 1682. 10. 8<sup>bris</sup>.

## TRANSLATION.

Faithful and God-fearing man, most loving of Christ, Health!

Most Illustrious Primate, — Not all the mortal menwhom the world sustains cling to the mean dust of the earth, but a considerable portion of them, turning from the vexations of the rustic crowd and from the tools of the workshops, devote their minds to higher objects, and unweariedly strive for the perfection of their nobler part, namely, the soul. For Nature seems to have generated in men certain sparks which intensely rouse as with a goad the craving for knowledge. Whence it is wont to happen that men, keenly craving higher things, can find satisfaction in no attainment, but the nearer the mind approaches towards perfection in the knowledge alike of divine and human things, the more does a desire for such knowledge take increase. We cannot refrain from asserting that this is greatly praiseworthy, inasmuch as it is superlatively laudable to be perfecting one's self. So I think I may readily claim from your Blessed Reverence an excuse for having for two full years devoted myself among you to the more gentle muses. For who would be so blind as slightly to desert the most devout star of the Christian Sphere, the perennial glory of letters, and the loftiest hope of his country and his age? If especially I may speak of myself, By the Immortal God! what a wreck of literature is visited upon us Hungarians in this decrepit old age of the world, how has a base and confident ease broken in upon our military vigor. I think no one can see this with dry eyes, when only Mars revels in battles, and we, amidst so many and such direful wars, hang in suspense rather than rest. We are dragged and borne over a vast desert. We are caught up, dispersed and scattered, so that we can neither abandon a work undertaken, nor bear it on beyond our strength [?]. And when I myself was this very year contemplating a journey to my country, the recent condition of Hungary inopportunately opposed me, so that I was compelled to go in a contrary direction, as if it were my highest pleasure to behold Hungary behind me. I, therefore, Most Reverend Father, (it is all that I can do,) earnestly beseech the Great and Good God, who has provided you for me, that, since he has given to you such a debtor as can never pay his debt, he in his benignity will vouchsafe to repay to you that beneficence which you so lavishly bestowed upon me on the 29th of May, 1682, and then that in his own mercy he may guide us out of this oppressed and stormy era to his own repose, where there will be no need of letters, where no wall will separate us, where no janitor will restrain our intercourse, but we shall



enjoy delights forever. Now for a season I am living as a guest with the New-Englanders in America; I know not what they may do with me here. Verily this is a people, not only devoted to piety and imbued with Christian charity, but most loyal also to the Royal Majesty. For during this whole time, in which [?] <sup>1</sup> I, a stranger, have been their guest, I have heard nought such as I had heard in Scotland and England from some most wicked men, belching from impure lips blasphemous words against the throne of the Sacred Royal Majesty. I am greatly grieved at heart, that there is nothing in me, or in my power, by which I can repay such kindness of your Sacred Reverence, — I, who am, and will be even to the end of this life, a most devoted and faithful subject of your Lordship. May He, therefore, who has made me such a debtor to your Lordship as can never pay his debt, enrich you with his gifts, and preserve you for many years to his Church; may He also protect the most Serene Majesty of his Sacred Royalty, the most noble Lords, and all orders of your most potent kingdom, and heap upon them most richly every kind of blessing; may he watch over them for the propagation of true piety and of the kingdom of Christ, to the most distant age [?]. And at length, after the late years of a nobly-spent life, may he bring you to the never-dying and endless joys of the celestial state in the holy fellowship of the Angels, where, with the uncreated God the Father, and the one-proceeding [?] Paraclete, you shall find the fruition of eternal bliss. So, heartily in secret prays he who openly craves for you such things, Stephen Zadori, of Pannonian Hungary, de S. P. — most desirous of your welfare.

As a guest and a stranger, I write with a running pen, with a wearied hand, by lamplight, just before going to bed [?], at Boston, in New-England, in the 29th year of my life and in the year of the most Blessed Jesus, son of the Blessed Mary, 1682, October 10th.

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<sup>1</sup> This conjectural rendering of an ungrammatical text reads *quo* for *quibus*. Another conjectural version would be, "Among those with whom I have been a stranger-guest."



## INTRODUCTORY NOTE.

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THE three following pamphlets have been reprinted, because they deal with a controversy in which Sewall was deeply interested and in which he took a part, and also because of their great rarity. For a copy of the first, we are indebted to Colonel Joseph L. Chester, of London, who procured a transcript of an example in the British Museum; for the second and third, we are indebted to the courtesy of the John Carter Brown Library and the Harvard College Library, respectively.

It will be noticed that the first is a violent attack on Governor Dudley; the second, an able defence of him; and the third, a renewed attack.

They are entitled, respectively, "A Memorial of the Present Deplorable State of New England," &c., "A Modest Enquiry," &c., and "The Deplorable State of New England," &c.

In view of the charge made in the preface to the "Modest Enquiry," it may be safely assumed that the first tract was *not* published in Boston as it pretended to be, but was prepared here, and printed in London, where it appeared in July, 1707. Sewall writes under date of Nov. 1, 1707 (*post*, ii. 197), "after coming from Council, I read the Book printed against the Governour in *London*. I had not seen it before." So again under date of Nov. 21, 1707 (*post*, ii. 200). "Some" (of the Council) "began to be hot to send for the Book wherein the Affidavits are, and Mr. M.'s letter; and to burn it: others were for deliberation."

Of the merits of the controversy we say nothing; a few points of interest may be indicated. Thus it is evident that Rev. Cotton Mather was the inciter, and perhaps the compiler, of the first pamphlet. The R. A. whose letter is on p. 42\*, is possibly R. Armstrong, as that name best agrees with the "Mr. Ar—nge" on p. 81\*.

It seems evident that many thought that Cotton Mather had been guilty of duplicity; but at all events the mask was now dropped. Quincy writes (*Hist. Harv. Univ.*, i. p. 201), "the election of Lev-erett" (as President) "was insupportably grievous to Increase Mather

and his son. They had anticipated that the choice would have fallen upon one or the other of them. Between them there was no rivalry. For the disappointment of both, they were not prepared. Their indignation was excited against Dudley, who, as they thought, had buoyed up their hopes until he had arranged measures and agents to insure their defeat."

In view of these pamphlets, we may perhaps conclude that the dissimulation was the other way. It looks rather as if Cotton Mather, aspiring to the presidency of the college, had pretended friendship to Governor Dudley; and, concluding that the election would be settled in 1707, he gave vent to his malice by sending to England the manuscript of this first pamphlet.

At all events, the reception of copies of it in Boston must have terminated all hopes of further friendship between the Mathers and Dudley. Their abusive letters of Jan. 20, 1707-8, reveal their bitterness of soul. (See Collections, first series, Vol. III. pp. 126-138.)

The "Modest Enquiry" was the immediate retort; and the anecdote concerning Cotton Mather, printed on p. 81\*, must have been a bitter pill to his admirers.

The preface to the third tract is signed A. H.; possibly, as Palfrey suggests, the Alexander Holmes whose name is appended to the petition on the last page. He does not seem to have been a resident here, and was perhaps one of the persons "trading thither." The most noticeable item therein is Samuel Sewall's protest (on p. 111\*) against the statement that the Council has passed a vote *unanimously*. He dwells upon it in his Journal (*post*, ii. 202).

It is Palfrey's opinion (Hist., IV. 310, note) that Mather was "concerned in the composition" of this third pamphlet; and, as Sewall quarrelled with him some years before (see Journal, *post*, ii. 45-46), this may account for the slurs on p. 124\*. "Nevertheless, we doubt not but in the large Province of Massachusetts there may be found an Hundred Men as fit to be Counsellors, as S. S. or J. C. or P. T." These names we interpret to be, Samuel Sewall, Jonathan Corwin, John Cushing or Joseph Church, and Penn Townsend.

We trust our readers will find in these pamphlets a sufficiently lively picture of the questions which agitated the colony at that date to warrant the space which we have given to them.

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M E M O R I A L

Of the Present Deplorable State of

New-England.

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Of the Present Deplorable STATE of

*New-England,*

With the many Disadvantages it lyes under,  
by the *Male-Administration* of their  
Present GOVERNOUR,

**Joseph Dudley, Esq.**

And his Son *P A U L*, &c.

TOGETHER WITH

The several *Affidavits* of People of Worth,  
Relating to several of the said Governour's Mer-  
cenary and Illegal Proceedings, but particularly his  
private Treacherous Correspondence with Her Ma-  
jesty's Enemies the *French* and *Indians*.

To which is Added, A *Faithful*, but *Melancholy* Account  
of several Barbarities lately Committed upon Her Majesty's Sub-  
jects, by the said *French* and *Indians*, in the East and West Parts  
of *NEW-ENGLAND*.

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*Faithfully Digested from the several Original Letters, Pa-  
pers, and MSS. by Philopolites.*

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Printed in the Year, MDCCVII. and Sold by *S. Phillips*  
*N. Buttolph*, and *B. Elliot*. Bookfellers in *Boston*.

# MEMORANDUM

TO : THE PRESIDENT

FROM : THE SECRETARY OF STATE

SUBJECT: [Illegible]

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A  
M E M O R I A L

Of the Present Deplorable S T A T E of

New-England.

**T**HE Inhabitants of *New-England* had for many years before the Late Happy *Revolution*, Enjoy'd the Liberty and Property of as Free and Easy a *Charter* as a People could Desire; and this too, with as much Satisfaction and Loyalty on their part, as Malice and Envy on that of their Enemies; who, from a Persecuting Spirit, looking upon this their *Charter* with an evil Eye, took up an Implacable Resolution of Robbing them of it. They had no sooner Effected this, but a vast Scene of Misery appear'd; and they found among the principal Instruments of this Mischiefe, *One,\* whom their own Womb had brought forth, and whose Breasts had Nourish'd!* But the Unhappy (or rather Happy) Reign of the Late K. J. running Precipitantly upon its own Ruin, made well for the deliverance of *New-England*; without which doubtless the People had fell a sacrifice to *French* and Popish Slavery.

[ 2 ] We shall not Recriminate here the Mismanagements of the then Governour Sir *Edmund Andross*, since that Gentleman is now in a Future State; but by the way, we think it highly Necessary to say some Matters of Fact, of the present Governour *Dudley*, who, (under the said Sir *E. Andross*) acted as President of the Council, and One of the *Quorum* in all his Affairs.

\* The present Governour, J. Dudley, Esq. is a Native of New England, Born at or near a place call'd Roxbury, 2 Miles from Boston:

The Behaviour of this Man, as soon as he arrived, struck in with the first Opportunity to discover him of a Mercenary Interest. Indeed, the People were something Surpris'd to see the publick Offices and Places of Trust snatch'd from them, and Conferr'd on Strangers on one hand, and the Avarice and Beggary of a Crew of Mercenary Fellows, Supported by Extortion on t'other. But, when the President was pleas'd, out of an Active and Passive Principle, to tell our Countreymen, in open Council, *That the People in New-England were all Slaves; and that the only Difference between Them and Slaves, was their not being Bought and Sold: And that they must not think the Privileges of Englishmen would follow them to the end of the World.* I say, when the People heard this, they lookt upon themselves in a manner Lost. On one Hand they saw their Enemies invest'd with a full Power in the Government; on t'other they saw themselves not only turn'd out of the Publick Ministry, but under a Neecessitous Fear of being Quiet, left their Estates should be Siezed, and themselves Imprisoned. On this side they saw their Wives and Children, their Fathers, Mothers, &c. Butchered daily by a Handful of Barbarous Indians; on t'other side, little or no Resistance made by their Armies, which were Commanded by those of the *Romish* Religion; insomuch that it seem'd rather an intended Maffacre, than a Desire of putting an End to a Diabolick and Bloody War. They saw then, that they had to their Cost, brought forth a *Prophet*, who told them they were Slaves; and they then saw his Prophecy fulfilling: In fine, they saw all this, but perceiv'd no way to escape; till throwing up their Cryes to Heaven, they were animated by Divine Power, to Rescue themselves and Children from the approaching Ruin.

[ 3 ] Under the Pressure of all these Grievances, they Unanimously arose, upon the coming in of the late King *William*, of Blessed Memory, Siezed the Government for His Majesty's Use; and, amongst the rest of the Authors of their Miseries, not unjustly Imprison'd this their present Governour.

From that time *New-England* took Heart, and concluded that Heaven was removing from them all the Plagues in their Land. They indeed Thankfully Rejoiced to see themselves Restored to their Ancient Liberty, as afterwards in a great Measure they were by another Ministry.

And thus much for the former Actions of the Author of the following Matters of Fact, which has rendered His Love to his Native Country, His Veneration for the Liberty and Property of a Free People, His Fidelity, Justice, and Loyalty, in delivering the Oppressed, and detecting the Queen's Profess'd Enemies,

but the Reverse of Good Mens Actions, and ought to be Remembered only as so many Monuments of Infamy.

But to come down to our Memorial, and inform the World of the modern Mismanagements of this unhappy Gentleman, we humbly Declare, That

**T**HE Trade with the *French* and *Indians*, being so countenanced by the Governour, that without speedy Remedy, the Country is in great Danger of being Ruined, which will plainly Appear as follows :

*First*, In the Year 1705, The Governour sent his Son *William Dudley*, with Captain *Vetch*, to *Canada*, under a pretence of Redeeming Captives; but brought very few back to *Boston* of those that were there, and them of the Meanest sort, leaving the Principal of the said Captives behind, to give them occasion of going again, that they might have a Pretence to Colour their Treacherous Design of Trading, as Appears by the said *Vetch's* Acknowledgment of going to Settle a Correspondency with the Enemy, and carrying a Cargo out with him of 800 l. which, according to their Disposal, [ 4 ] might amount to near 3000 l. as particularly Shot, which was Sold at 13 *Sous per Pound*; whereof they carried a considerable Quantity, also Rigging, Pitch, Iron, and other Necessaries, fit for supplying the *Indians* and *French*; and this done under a Colour, of the said *Vetch's* going to get in a Debt due to him, from the *French*, of 800 l. with the Governour's Approbation.

*Secondly*, For Settling a Correspondency with the *French* Governour at Port-Royal, for Exchange of Prisoners; Whereas it was indeed, only a Cover for an Illegal Trade; when, at the same time, the *French* there, were drove to such extreme Hardships, for want of Ammunition Provision, &c. that most of their Principal People were forced to go out a Privateering on our Coasts, who were, afterwards taken and brought into *Boston*; particularly one *Battis*, a Man of great Note and Service among the Enemy, who had been a Barbarous, Murdering Fellow, to the *English*: He, with all the other *French* Prisoners, were sent to *Canada* and *Port-Royal*, and Discharged; but great part of our People that were Prisoners, were left behind at the same time, and that, because our Governour had been false in his Promise, to the *French* Governour, who had restrained the *Indians* from disturbing our Fishery, and indeed would not allow them any Ammunition for a considerable time, till our Governour taking that Opportunity of the *Indians* great Want, countenanced a trade with them, and supply'd them by the Vessels that were sent as Transports (as aforesaid) to fetch

Prifoners; when at the fame time they were made Veffels of Merchandize, as appears by the *Indian* Traders on their Tryal.

*Thirdly*, The Country are at a vaft Charge, in maintaining an Army Yearly, to March feveral Hundred Miles up into the Country, to Destroy the *Indians* Corn, the better to difenable them to Subfift; for they have been fo Reduced (as by Information of the Captives) that a great part of them would Perifh for Want, were it not for the Supply they had from the faid *Indian* Traders; who particularly, Sold about Eight Quarts of *Indian* Corn for one large *Beaver* Skin; which Trade has been all along countenanced by the Governour, which fufficiently Appears, by his being always Unwilling [ 5 ] the Prifoners taken in that Trade fhould be Fined, or Punifhed, even owned by *Vetch*, as in his Petition more at large, is fet forth.

*Fourthly*, The Country was at a great Expence, in Erecting a Fortification at *Cafco Bay*, and maintaining a number of Soldiers for fecuring the fame, thereby to fupprefs the Enemy, and keep fure Footing in that part of the Country, and the Governour, through fome Defign or Neglect, did fuffer thofe Soldiers to remain there without any Commiffion Officer, to the great Difatisfaction and Dread to the Soldiers; infomuch, that they Declared to Captain *Cally*, (a Member of the Affembly at *Boston*) that when the Enemy came upon them, they would Surrender the Fort, and dare not Refift for want of a Commiffion. Then Captain *Cally* made Application to the Affembly, which he found Sitting when he came to *Boston*, and they represented to the Governour, that fpeedy care might be taken, that fome Perfon might be Commiffionated to Command that Fort, which, with a great deal of Difficulty, was at laft Obtained.

*Fifthly*, And further, as to the Governour's countenancing this Private and Illegal Trade, the Country has been at vaft Expence, occafioned thereby; infomuch, that at one Seflions the laft Summer, the Affembly were forc'd to raife 33000 Pounds, for Supporting and Maintaining the Charge they were put to, by the Enemies Invaflions, after they had a Supply; that whereas, if things were rightly Managed, and the Enemy kept back for want of thofe Supplies, one Third Part of the faid Sum might have answer'd the End. The *Indians* that were Supply'd by thofe Traders, are the only People that destroyed our *Eastern* Parts, the Fifhery, and the Coaft of *Accady*; and alfo the very fame that were at Destroying of *New-found-land*; particularly one *Efcombuet*, a Principal Commander among them, who is generally one that Heads the *Indians*, when they come to Destroy the *English* in *New-England*.

*Sixthly*, The Governour, with his Son *Paul*, not being Content with what Money they come fairly by, and over greedy of Gain, are very Screwing and Exacting upon the People, particularly upon fundry Inhabitants, taking away their Priviledge in catching [ 6 ] of Whales, a Priviledge they have Enjoyed many years before; that is, (under a Pretence of drift Fish) what Whales are taken by Her Majesty's Subjects, he takes from them by Force, not giving them the Liberty of a Tryal at *Common Law*, but for his own Ends, decides the Matter in the Admiralty, where his Son *Paul* is the Queen's Attourny and Advocate, thereby Encroaching the whole to themselves, a thing never heard of before, and very much to the Prejudice of Her Majesty's good subjects there, and that without Remedy.

*Seventhly*, As to the Address the Governour Obtained, pretended to come over from the General Assembly at *Boston*, in his favour, for his Continuance, it was no more than what he Clandestinely procured, by sending to his particular Friends; such, who being either Related to him, or bore Commissions under him, dare not deny his Request, and was never approved nor allowed of by the Assembly; but on the Contrary, had not the Majority of the Country, waited in Expectation of Her Majesty's Favour, in sending another Governour, they would largely have signified their Repentments and Dissatisfaction, in the Administration of *Dudley's* Government.

*Eighthly*, While the Great and General Assembly at *Boston* were Sitting, there arrived a Flagg of Truce from *Canada*, with a haughty Demand of the Governour, for all the *French* Prisoners, charging of him with breach of Promise, which was the occasion of the *French* Governour's not sending several of the Prisoners, particularly a Minister that was taken Captive at *Derefield*, detained by the *French*, who might have been Discharged with fundry others.

*Ninthly*, The Lower House, mistrusting the *French* Flagg of Truce coming upon a Trading Design, as well as for Prisoners, ordered the Flagg of Truce to be diligently Searched, who found on Board their Vessel fundry new Arms and Ammunition, hid in Private Places, particularly new Bullets, hid among Pease, and yet denied by the Commander, who was an *English* Renagado, which Ammunition being brought before the Assembly, were generally concluded to be Bought in *Boston*; whereupon, the Governour in- [ 7 ] terposing, the Matter was hushed up and Conniv'd at, to the great Dissatisfaction of the Assembly, and Country in general.

This being really the State of *New-England*, and its Provinces, it may very well be called Deplorable, when it is render'd the very Scene of Arbitrary Power, with all that's Miserable: But to proceed, before I come down to the severall Affidavits upon these Heads, it is Convenient to Recite some Letters from the Inhabitants of that Place, who, under a deep Sense of their Approaching Ruin, have breath'd forth their Complaints in the following Words.

Boston, New-England October 2 : 1706.

SIR!

*I* NASMUCH, as you have Expected from me, a true and brief Representation of several Matters, relating to this Province, I shall, with all possible Faithfulness, endeavour it. Our Present Governour is not without a number of those, whom he has by Promotions and Flatteries made his Friends; but this hinders not a much more considerable number, from wishing, that we had a Governour, who would put an end unto the horrid Reign of Bribery, in our Administration, and who would not infinitely Incommode Her Majesty's Service, by keeping the People in continual Fealousies of his Plots, upon their most Valuable Interests.

What the disposition of the People towards him is, you may guess by this: There was lately prepared an Address from hence, to the Queen, upon many important Articles; but by certain Arts there was got into it a Clause, to desire of the Queen, that this Governour might be continued, the Representatives Voted all the rest of the Address, but this Clause they absolutely Rejected; they could not get above Five or Six Votes for it, so the whole Address, (which was contrived by a Party for nothing but that Clause) fell to the ground.

[ 8 ] There happened lately a number of Persons, namely, Boreland, Vetch, Roufe, Lawson, Philips and Cauplin to be taken managing an unlawful Trade with the French and Indians, the Commodities wherein they Traded, were such, that the late Act of Parliament made their Crime to be High Treason, and we had no Act of the Province relating to that Matter, but was defectively Express'd: Our merciful Assembly was mighty loathe to proceed unto so severe a Judgment as that of Death, upon these Offenders. The Offenders Petitioning for it, the General Assembly were (very much by the Governour's influence) drawn into it, to take the Tryal of them into their own Hands; and as only Guilty of an High Misdemeanour, the Vote for it was obtained in a Thin House, upon an hurry at breaking up; and some Clauses in the Charter were so Construed, as to Countenance it. Upon their coming together again, they would fain have revoked their Votes, as fear-

*ing, that the very Persons who had been their Tempters into it, would turn their Accusers, and improve it by way of Complaint, for the Enemies of our Charter to work upon; but the Governour would by no means permit the Revocation of that wrong Step, (if it were one) so the Tryal proceeded, and the Offenders were Fined in several Sums, by an Act of the Governour and Assembly.*

*It is now said, that the ingrateful Men who were saved from the Gallows, by the Tendernefs of the Government, are now cutting our Throats, and Petition home against the Government, for Fining them instead of Hanging them; yea, it is also said, that the very Person who was the chief Cause of drawing the Assembly into this extraordinary Proceeding, intends to make an ill use of it, against the Country; if you are sensible of any thing of this nature carrying on, we pray you to add unto the rest of your Offices, that of an Intercession, that an harmlefs People, surpriz'd into any Error, may not be Punished any otherwise, than by the removal of such as have been the Causes of it; and so much for that.*

[9] *Sir, You would do a vast Service to the Crown, if you would set forward the designs of reducing Canada, and possessing Nova Scotia, a much less Fleet than what annually goes into the Indies, coming early enough in the Spring, may easily do the former, even in the way thither; and a Scotch Colony might be of good Consequence to do the latter; but if any assistance from New England should be expected in this matter, it is of absolute necessity that the Country have a Governour whom the People may somewhat Rely upon.*

*Sir, You are Born to do the Queen and the Nation Service; you are spirited for great undertakings; you are highly beloved and esteemed among our People in this Land, and where-ever you have come, 'tis wished that you may do some considerable Action in this Affair.*

*I have been earnestly Solicited to Address one of the most Illustrious Patriots of the English Nation, my Lord High Treasurer, with some of these Intimations: That Noble Person is known to be such a Patron to all good Men, and such a defence of Oppressed Innocence and Liberties, that we all fly to him as our unquestionable Refuge. I am well satisfied there would need nothing (to speak Humanely) to make this Country Easy and Happy, but for that excellent Person to have an exact Representation of our Circumstances; nothing hinders me from attempting it, but the hazard of doing what may be thought a presumption in one so much a stranger to him, nevertheless, I am desired by some considerable Persons to move you, that you would wait upon his Lord-*

*ship, and fully acquaint him with the Matters now laid before you.*

May the Almighty prosper you ;  
I am, Sir,  
Your Obliged Servant, &c.

Sir

I may inform you of one Action lately done among us, which I know you will be pleas'd withal. Upon the advice of [ 10 ] the extream Distress whereto the French Invasion had brought *St. Christophers* and *Nevis*, the People of *New-England*, in a most Christian manner express'd their Charity towards those, who perhaps would have hardly done the like for them, on a like Occasion. We made a Collection for the Relief of their Necessities, the Collection was, as I am told, between 7 and 800 l. in this Collection, there were two Churches in *Boston*, the *South* and the *North*, one gave somewhat above a 100 l. the other gave a little under it. Certainly, a Country so ready to serve Her Majesty, and to help their fellow Subjects, ought to have a room in the Thoughts of all good Men in the *English* Nation.

The foregoing Letter carrying with it so many undeniable Truths, the World must of consequence concede with the general Exclamations of the now Distressed *New-Englanders*. Indeed the publick had not been allarm'd with these Distant Calamities, had the inexorable Authors of them adhered to reiterated Grievances, from those who too severely suffer'd under their Protection. The Author of this Letter, who is a Person of a character beyond the reach of Envy, and one who is a great Blessing to his Native Country, had not invoked the protection and Assistance of others, without a due sense of the Danger his innocent Neighbours and Country-men were expos'd to. To Report all the Letters of Complaint from these Provinces, would be too Voluminous and tiresome to the Reader; we will only mention one more, which, tho' short and plain, carries nothing but Veracity with it.

Sir

ALL the People here are Bought and Sold, betwixt the Governour and his Son *Paul*; they are so Mercenary, there is no Justice to be had without Money: There is not one Publick Place in the Government that is worth Money, but what the Governour or *Paul* goes Halves with: In short, the whole Country is very uneasy, and the People here are so universally set against him, that Her Majesty can scarce give a greater Instance



of Her tender Care and Regard to them, than by a removal of him, which to my certain knowledge, would be soon followed by a Sincere and Hearty Acknowledgment of Her Majesty's Singular Favour to them, in that particular.

R. A.

In the foregoing Letters we find several things Worthy our Remark ; but I shall only mention the Three following :

(1.) *That without Money, there is no Justice to be had in New-England ;* So that the meaner sort, Doubtless, is in a Deplorable Condition ; the faces of their Poor being ground to Dust ; their Widows Houses laid Waste, and the hopes of their Offspring cut off. From whence we may infer, that *New-England* having a Governour, whose God is the Mammon of this World ; whose Principles act Counter to the Design of his Power ; and whose Drift is the Ruin of his own Country ; the Inhabitants thereof have nothing but Justice on their part to Petition Her Majesty to throw him aside.

(2.) *A general uneasiness under, and opposition to this Governour, thro' the whole Country.* And this, methinks, might stop the Mouths of some People here, (who, not knowing the Nature of this affair, no otherwise than as their Interest leads them to side with the Governour, or by Virtue of a bare Friendship Contracted with him whilst he Resided in *England*) and put a Period to all their Objections in his Behalf ; especially One, unhappily let slip from the Mouth of a Gentleman too well known for his great Learning and Parts, to be thought so overlooked, and that is to this Effect. *If a Governour must be removed for every trivial Complaint, there would be no End of such Removals ; and Her Majesty's Ministry would be wholly taken up with turning out, and putting in.* I will not pretend to affirm the Reason that produc'd this hasty Plea for our Criminal Governour ; but sure I am, the Author of it knows too much Law, than to extenuate the like Crimes in others. And a weak Argument I take it to endeavour the influencing our Superiors in Redressing Grievances of the Subject, when the several matters of Fact Sworn to, are laid down before them : But [ 12 ] to say no more, this Gentleman has not been the first that has over-shot himself in Defending things of this Nature. And

(3dly) *A fervent Desire to be eas'd of Oppression, i.e.* That they might be capable of acknowledging with Respect and Gratitude, the mighty advantages of such a Deliverance to the *Queen* of Great Brittain ; to a *Queen* who is all Justice and Piety, Peace and Union ; and a *Queen* who will not only hear the Peti-

tions of her Subjects, but maintain them in their Rights and Priviledges. Let not *New-England* doubt then of finding Redress, from so Great and Gracious a Mistress, notwithstanding the subtle Designs and Evasions of Evil-minded Men. And so we come to present the Reader with a further Account of the said Mismanagements, by another Hand.

SOMETIME in the Spring of the Year, 1706, Mr. *Dudley*, the present Governour of the Province of *Massachusetts Bay*, and *New-Hampshire*, writ a Letter from *Boston*, Directed to Mr. *Richard Waldron*, and my self, to use our Interest to prevail with the Council at an Assembly, to Draw up an Address to the *Queen*, That Her Majesty would please to continue the said *Dudley* in the Government of *New-Hampshire*: Whereupon the said *Waldron* (after he had Communicated the Letter to me) drew up an Address, and shew'd it to the Assembly, and prevailed with them to pass it in Both Houses, with little Alteration. And this is the Address that is now come over from the Province of *New-Hampshire*. The Assembly was much against it, but we thought it would be best for us to do any thing that would please the Governour at that time; considering, that we were always in danger of the Enemy, and concluded, it was much in his Power, under God, to preserve us, having often heard him say, that he would stop the Courier of the *Indians* and *French*, (when he pleas'd) in a Month or Six Weeks time; and I did then, and do still believe, that he could prevent the *Indians* and *French* from coming upon us, and Killing us as they did; for I know that he had Correspondence with a *Fryer* or *Jesuit*, or one so called, a *Frenchman* that Lives among the *Indians*, and hath great influence over them, who writes himself *Galen Emesary*. The Governour to my certain Knowledge, did order sundry things that were sent him; [ 13 ] and considering the great Correspondence (he told me) he had with the Governour of *Port-Royal*, it caus'd a firm belief in me, that he could do what he would with the Enemy: These, with other Motives, press'd us forwards to get the Address pass'd, concluding all these things would add to our Peace, if rightly improved; and the *Indians*, about that time, and for many Months before, had done little or no Mischiefe, and for my part, I did really believe, that it was the Governour's Interest that caus'd our quiet, but soon found we were Mistaken, finding out, that much about the same time that *Waldron* and myself were forwarding the Address to Her Majesty, to continue Mr. *Dudley* Governour, he was countenancing a private Trade with the *Indians* and *French*, our Enemies, as we found by woful Experience: For soon after those Traders went to the *Eastward*, the *Indians* came sharply down upon us about the latter end of *June* last, Killed Six People, Wounded two, and carried away two from the Town of

*Almsbury*, and a little before they Killed Lieutenant *John Shapleigh*, at the Town of *Kittery*, and a whole Family, as a Man, Wife and Children, all Killed and Scalped out of the Township of *Dover*; and one Man Killed with Swan-shot out of the Township of *Hampton*; and Nine Killed, one Wounded, and one carried out of the Township of *Exeter*. All these Barbarities were committed before I came from thence, which was about the beginning of *September* last; God knows how many have been thus Barbarously Murther'd since. Captain *Vetch*, and Captain *Lawson*, oftentimes told me, that they had oftentimes acquainted the Governour with their design of going to the *Eastward* upon Trade, and had the consent of him, and did solemnly protest that they would not have gone without it: And I do believe, and it is generally believed in *New-England*, that the Governour did know of this Trade, and no doubt but that he was to have a share of the Profit. When these Traders came from the *French* and *Indians*, one of their Vessels stopped at the Isle of *Shoals*, near the Province of *New-Hampshire*, the Master's Name was *Roufe*, who brought to that place from *Port-Royal* Seven Prisoners; and Capt. *Fethro Furbur* being at the said Isles of *Shoals*, at the said time when the Vessel came in, heard the said Prisoners affirm, That the *Eastern* Indians had no Shot, nor Bullets, nor Lead to make any, and it was very scarce with the *French*, insomuch that they could not supply them, so that the *Indians* were [ 14 ] like to Starve for want of Ammunition; for great part of their Livelihood depends on their Guns to Kill Wild Beasts and Fowl, &c. whereby we find it was not the Governour's Interest he had with the Enemy, to prevent their coming upon us, but it was for want of Ammunition: And those Prisoners that were brought from *Port-Royal*, which Capt. *Furber* spoke with at the Isles of *Shoals*, did further affirm, That they heard the Governour of *Port-Royal* say, That he had given his Letter to the Governour of *Boston*, that he would not supply the Indians with Powder nor Shot, but that he would do all he could to prevent the *Indians* coming upon the *English*, and had been as good as his Word; but that the said Governour of *Boston*, or his People, had supplied the *Indians* with more Ammunition than he was able to do; for the Traders from *Boston* brought it by Tuns; and that if this Trade had not been encouraged by the Governour, we should have had no Men Killed, nor indeed any Disturbance amongst us. It is my Belief, and it seems very plain to me, that the Governour intends to forward the *French* and *Indian* Enemy to Destroy all they can, and keep the Country allarm'd, thereby to put them to such vast Charges, as will Ruin the whole Government, by Killing some and Impoverishing the rest. There was never such Taxes on the Poor People as now; 33000 l. being raised a little before I came away, and many great Sums not long before that. I was credibly

Informed that some Persons were forced to cut open their Beds, and Sell the Feathers to Pay their Taxes. I don't remember that ever there was any of the *Indian* Enemy Kill'd or Taken since Mr. *Dudley* came over Governour, except an Old Woman, and two others I took to be Girls by their Scalps; and some few taken near *Port-Royal* taken by Major *Church*. So that instead of being Destroyed, I wish they be not preserv'd: For, Six Months before it came to pass, the Governour *Mr. Dudley* told me, what Methods the *Indians* would take when they came again, and it proved accordingly. He told me, That the *Indians* would not come in any great Body as they used to do, but they would come in small Numbers, no Number above Thirty, and so Line the Woods from *Dearfield*, which is the South-West side of the *Massachusetts* Government, and all along the Woods, just within the Towns to *Casko Bay*, which is the North-East Part of Inhabitants at this time. And this Method I am afraid will be continued till the Country is for a great part Destroyed, if Mr. *Dudley* be continued Governour. As for the Address he ob- [ 15 ] tained of the militia of *Massachusetts* Bay, it was a forc'd thing; for the Officers are beholden to him for their Commissions, and if any Refus'd to Sign what the Governour got drawn, he could put them out, and put in others as he pleased.

Thus having given the Publick an Exact Relation of the present State of *New-England*, it remains only that we Produce a Confirmation of all that hath been said. To which end we will begin with the severall Affidavits and Depositions already made, and which are as follows.

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*The several Affidavits as they were laid before the QUEEN and Council, relating to the Governour of New-England's Mercenary and Illegal Proceedings, but particularly his private Correspondence with Her Majesties Enemies, especially the French and Indians*

The Two Affidavits of Mr. *John Calley*.

**J**OHAN CALLEY of Marble-head in the County of Effex in New-England, now in London Mariner, Depoſeth and ſaith, That he doth and hath good reaſon to Believe, That Her Majesties Colonies of New-England are in great Danger of being Ruined by reaſon of Governour Dudleys Countenancing a Trade, and Correſpondence with the French, and Indian Enemies, and many other his Irregular praćtices: Alſo ſaith, that the ſaid Governour did in the Year, 1705, ſend his Son William Dudley with Captain Samuel Vetch to Canada under a Pretence of Redeeming Captives; who accordingly went and brought back only a few of the meanest of the English Captives; Leaving the chiefest of them there for an Occaſion of their returning again to Canada to Trade, and ſettle a Correſpondence with the French; and that the ſaid Vetch did carry out with him a Cargo of about 800 lib. Value in Iron, Pitch, Rigging, Shot, &c: Which Cargo upon a Moderate Computation, might produce near 3000 lib. And that the ſaid Vetch did alſo pretend that he went with Governour Dudley's Approbation to get in a Debt of 800 lib. Contracted in time of Peace; And due to him from the French, of which matters and things he this Depo- nent, hath been credibly informed, and Believes them to be true. And further ſaith that it did appear to the General As- [ 17 ] ſem- bly of the Maſſachuſets Colony in New-England, that Captain William Rouſe was (the better to colour a Trade with the French, and Indians) ſent to Port-Royal with a Flag of Truce, under Pre- tence of ſettling a Correſpondence with the French Governour there for exchanging Priſoners; and did Trade not only with his own Veſſel, but had alſo at the ſame Time two other Trading Veſſels with him, under his own Direćtion, and did bring back Furs, &c. To above 2000 lib. Value; and that the ſaid Dudley did allow one Diſhey Foe, a French Priſoner on Parole, to go in the ſame Veſſel with the ſaid Rouſe, who acted as Interpreter between the ſaid Rouſe and the Indians, in Trading with them;

and that the said Flag of Truce meeting with one of the two other Vessels, the said Foe was put into the same with several Goods, and Merchandises, out of the said Flag of Truce, with which the said Foe was Trading; and that the said Foe returned again to Boston, and that when the said Furrs, &c. were brought to Boston, it was alledged, that they were brought to Pay French Mens Debts in New-England, but that it was proved that the said Furrs, &c. were mostly purchased by the Goods carried out in the Vessel of the said Rouse and were seized, yet cleared afterwards; And the said Rouse declared to the said Assembly, that he had done nothing but by Governour Dudleys approbation; and that it appeared to the said General Assembly, that the Enemies distres through want of Ammunition, Provision, &c. before they were by the English supplied, occasioned many of them to go out a Privateering on the English Coast, some of which were taken and brought into Boston, and were afterwards with other French Discharged and sent to Canada, and Port-Royal, and among others one Battis a Prisoner Kept for Murders, &c. by him committed upon the English in cold Blood, and under a Flag of Truce, and he being a Man of great note and Service among the French and usually joynd with the Indians, whilst the English Prisoners were still detained, because Governour Dudley had as was alledged, falsified his Promise to the French Governour, who had restrained the Indians from Disturbing the English Fishery or otherwise; and would not allow them any Amunition for a considerable time, nor until they were supplied by the English Vessels sent under the pretence of fetching Prisoners, about which Letters were produced from the French Governour. And this Deponent further saith, that it appeared to the said General Assembly, that the endeavours of the Country, by a chargeable maintaining an Army, and sending them yearly several hundred Miles to destroy the Indians Corn, thereby to distres and subdue them, have (by their being supplied in their great Necessities, by such [ 18 ] Traders, for great Prices) been in a great measure frustrated, and that if the said Indians had not been so supplied many more of them must have perished thro' want; and that Governour Dudley, generally shewed an unwillingness that such Traders when taken, should be punished, or Fined; and further saith, that the above said Colony, was at a great Expence to Erect a Fort at Casco bay, and to maintain Souldiers for Securing the same to suppress the Enemy, and to keep sure Footing in that Part of the Country, yet that Governour Dudley suffered those Souldiers to remain there without any Comission Officer, to the great dissatisfaction and dread of the said Souldiers, inso-much that they declared to this Deponent, a Member of the said Assembly, that if the Enemy should come upon them they would Surrender the said Fort, and dared not Resist for want of a Comission; and that he, this Deponent coming into the Assembly then Sitting at Boston; and Informing them thereof, the said

*Assembly Represented to the Governour, the necessity of speedily Commissionating some person to command that Fort, which after some considerable time was obtained: And this Deponent further saith, that the said Colony, hath by reason of such Illegal Trade been put to vast Expences to secure themselves from the Invasions of the Enemy; and that in one Sessions the last Summer was raised by the said Assembly, about 33000 lib. When as otherwise one-third part thereof might have been sufficient. And further saith, that the Indians, that have been thus Supplied are the only People, that destroy the Eastern parts of the Countrey; the Fishery and Coast of Accady, and are, as this Deponent hath been credibly Informed, and doth believe the very same Indians that were at the destroying of New-Found Land, and headed by one Escombuct, that usually heads the Indians when they come to destroy the New-Englanders. And this Deponent further saith, that he hath been credibly Informed and hath good reason to believe; that Governour Dudley doth several ways Illegally exact from Her Majesties Subjects several Sums of Money, and Deprives them of the Priviledges in catching of Whales by force, taking Whales from the Fishers under Pretence of Drift-fish; and obstructs the course of Justice; and Particularly that one Clap took by force a Whale from one Newcomb, upon which the said Newcomb sued Clap, and obtained Judgment against him, and for which he was cast into Prison, and then was cleared by Governour Dudley, without any satisfaction made to said Newcomb. And this Deponent further saith, that he is informed that an Address hath been sent to Her Majesty, Representing, as if the People of New-England Prayed for the continuing the said Dudley, their Governour; but that [ 19 ] he doth in part know, and hath been informed, and hath great grounds to believe, that the far greatest part of Her Majesties Subjects in New-England are very weary under his administration, and that the said Governour Dudley did cause to be Prepared an Address to Her Majesty, for his Continuance, and the same to be sent up and down the Country, to get hands thereunto, and that the same was only Signed by such persons as were in Commission under him, or influenced by him. And that he this Deponent doth know that an Address was presented to the House of Representatives, to be Sign'd, Praying for several Favours from Her Majesty, but because in the said Address a prayer for his Continuing Governour was inserted, the whole Address was by the said House Rejected: And that he doth believe, that if an Address to Remove him hath not been presented, it was because they had an Expectation that Her Majesty, would suddenly favour that Countrey with a better Governour: And further saith, that whilst the Assembly was Sitting there arrived a Flag of Truce from the French Governour, with a haughty Demand of the French Prisoners, in New-England, and charging Governour Dudley with Breach of his Promise, and his permitting English*

*Trading Vessels on their Coasts; whereupon the House of Representatives Suspecting the Flag of Truce to come upon account of Trade, Ordered the Vessel to be searched, and that there was found on Board the same New Arms and Ammunition, hid in private places, particularly shot among Peas, yet denied by the Commander thereof, who was an English Renegado; part of which being brought before the said House, it was Generally concluded, that they had been newly bought in Boston; but the Governour Interposing, the matter was hushed up to the great dissatisfaction of the General Assembly, and Country in General; and altho' the Assembly moved the Governour for a strict Guard to be kept on the Vessel or Flag of Truce, nothing was done. This Deponent further saith, that the House of Representatives, Insisted not only upon far greater Fines to be laid on the foresaid Traders, and others Concerned; but also that they should stand upon the Gallows, and suffer Twelve Months Imprisonment, and continued insisting upon the same about Three Weeks, but Governour Dudley, not consenting thereto, by his Wearying out the said House, and persuading them to Moderate [ 20 ] their sentence; to the great dissatisfaction of the Council, and the said House; at last the House altered their Sentence; to the Fines they now Stand Charged with.*

John Calley.

*Fur. 2 die Jun. 1707*  
*coram me*

Thomas Gery.

**J**OHAN CALLEY, of Marble-head in the County of Essex in New-England, now in London, Mariner, Deposeth and saith, That about the middle of the Month of May, 1706, This Deponent was chosen an Assembly-Man, or Representative for the said Town of Marble-head, to sit in the Great and General Court of Assembly at Boston, for the Province of the Massachusetts-Bay in New England, on the last Wednesday of the said Month of May; and accordingly this Deponent took the usual Oath and was a Member of the said Court of Assembly; and that in the beginning of the said Sessions, the House of Assembly, or Representatives, being Informed by some Captives redeem'd out of Captivity from the French and Indians That there were some English Persons Trading in the Eastern parts of New-England with the French and Indians; and that one Captain Samuel Vetch was returned to Cape Ann, from such Trading; whereupon this Deponent was Authorized by the Governour, Council, and Assembly, to Search for the said Persons so Trading as aforesaid, and to Seize their Goods, Vessels, and Effects, and in Pursuance of his Commission this Deponent at Marble-head aforesaid, found one John Curtys Pilot of the said Vessel, Coming privately on shore, to go to Mr. John



Borland of Boston Merchant, who was concerned in the said Vessel and Goods, and Seized the said Curtys, whom this Deponent Carried to Boston, where he was Examined before the Governour, and Council: And there gave an Account upon Oath of the said Voyage and Trading, as by his Testimony, given in upon the Tryal appears; and afterwards this Deponent Seized the Sloop or Vessel called the Flying-Horse, Archibal Furgifon Master; and the Resolution, Thomas Barrow Master; wherein [21] was found sundry Parcels of Goods brought back again in the Flying-Horse and not Disposed of in the Trade aforesaid, and this Deponent put the Vessel and Goods into the Possession of Mr. William Pain, Deputy Collector of Her Majesty's Customs at Boston aforesaid; and amongst the Bills of Loading, Orders, and Papers, found on Board the Flying-Horse, it appeared that the said John Borland, Samuel Vetch, and Roger Lawfon were Owners of the said Sloop Flying-Horse, and the Cargo put on Board her for the Voyage aforesaid: Which Amounts to the Value of Eight Hundred Pounds, as the said Curtys Informed this Deponent; whereupon by a Vote of the House of Assembly, a Messenger was sent for the said Vetch, Borland, and Lawfon, and upon their Examination before the said House, and other Evidences that were Produced against them, the said Borland, Vetch, and Lawfon, Were Committed to Prison for Treason, in Aiding, and Assisting, Her Majesties Enemies Contrary to a Late Act of Parliament made in England: And this Deponent further saith, that he was sent in the Province Galley to look for other Persons that had likewise been, and were Trading with the French and Indians, and it appeared that William Rouse, John Philips, and Ebenezer Coffin, had also been Concern'd for Illegal Trading with the French and Indians: And upon their Examinations and Evidences Produced against them, they were Committed by the said House of Representatives for Treason as the other were, who were all Continued in Prison upon their ——— for several Weeks, the General Court or Assembly, still Sitting, and that the Prisoners Petitioned the said Court, to be Tryed for High Misdemeanours only: Which the Lower House would not consent to, for some Weeks when the Countrey-men in the General Court being wanted at Home, upon present Occasions, and to Guard their Families, being then Invested in several Places by the French and Indians, who had been supply'd by the said Traders with shot and other Necessaries, as by the Evidence appear'd, but were still detained by the Governour from their Lawful business, who was altogether averfe for Trying them for Treason, and used Strenuous Arguments, and his utmost endeavours to Try them for High Misdemeanours, Alledging (amongst other things) that they had Power by the Charter to Try them so, and to lay Fines, and Mulcts, and Imprisonments upon them; Which would be of much greater advantage to the Country, than to Try them for Treason. And the said Governour having Wearied out the Assembly, and Keeping them only on that

*Affair; and when many of the most Prudent Men of the Assembly were gone, to their Respective dwellings, he over perswaded the Remainder (which [ 22 ] could but just make a House) to alter their Vote, to Try them for High Misdemeanors instead of Treason. As they were at first Committed, which by his means was consented unto, and they were all afterwards Convicted of High Misdemeanours, and fined, as by their Tryal Appears wherein the Governour still interceded for the moderating thereof, and by his means they were Reduc'd to the several Sums, they now stand Fined for.*

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Collonell Partridges Affidavits.

**W**ILLIAM PARTRIDGE of *Portsmouth* in the Province of *New-hampshire* in *New-England*; now in *London*, Esq: Deposeth that Sometime in the Month of *January*, 1702, Col. *Foseph Dudley* Governour of the said Province, and of the *Massachusets-Bay*, did Dispose of two Great Guns out of Her Majesties Fort, at *New-castle*, in the Province of *New-Hampshire*, and received the money for the same: And this Deponent further faith, that one Mr. *Theodore Atkinson*, being an Officer appointed to Receive a Duty the General Assembly had laid upon all Boards and Staves exported out of the said Province of *New-Hampshire*, (and Naval Officer there) was threatened by Mr. *Paul Dudley* the Governour's Son, and the Queens Attorney to have turned him out of his Place, for not paying the Money due the Preceeding Year, as agreed for. And this Deponent Paid Ten or Twelve Pounds in Part of what was behind, that the said Officer might not be turned out of his Place, which Sum the said *Atkinson* afterwards repay'd to this Deponent; And that a year or two afterwards the said *Paul Dudley* told this Deponent, that the Governour should turn the said *Atkinson* out of his Place, for that he had not Pay'd him all that was agreed for, whereupon this Deponent acquainted the said *Atkinson* therewith, who reply'd that there was not above Five or Six Pounds behind, and he would Pay it the next Post: And that sometime in the Month of *August* last, as this Deponent was coming away, to his best remembrance, the said *Atkinson* told him he had Paid [ 23 ] Twenty Pounds a year, for both his Offices: And this Deponent further faith, that having occasion to run the Bounds of a Piece of Land he had bought in *Portsmouth*; he wrote to the said Mr. *Paul Dudley* to procure the Governour's Order to the Sheriff, to accompany the Persons Appointed to run the Line or Bounds between this Deponent, and the Adjacent Freeholder, for fear of any Disturbance, and he would be at the Charge thereof; but sent no Money, and the said *Paul Dudley* sent this Deponent word that

it could not be done, or to that Purpose: And the next Post this Deponent ordered his Friend in *Boston* to Pay the said *Paul Dudley* Ten Pounds, and thereupon an Order came to this Deponent by the next Post; and the Business was afterwards done in three or four Hours time; and the Charge to the Officers and Sheriff was not above the Sum of Twelve Shillings: And this Deponent further saith, that upon the Fifth Day of *August* last, some of the Men belonging to Her Majesties Ship the *Deptford*, then Riding in the River of *Piscataqua*; came on shore at the Town of *New-Castle*, aforesaid, and took from thence by the Captains Order as they said one *Fethro Furber* Master of the Ship called the *William and Richard*, and forthwith set Sail and Carried him to *Boston*, in another Province; where Captain *Stuckley* Commander of the *Deptford*, and Captain *Mathews* Commander of the *Dover*, entred a Complaint against the said *Furber*, in the Court of Admiralty at *Boston*, for Shipping two of their Men: whereupon this Deponent wrote to Col. *Dudley* the Governour, how that Captain *Stuckley* had Carried away the Master of his Ship, Loaded with dry Fish, bound to *Leghorn*; having cleared the Custom-House and obtained the Governours Pass to the Fort, and earnestly desired Relief: And Inclosed to the Governour a Protest against the said *Stuckley*, but sent no Money either to the Governour, or his Son; neither could he obtain any Relief; whereupon this Deponent took Horse and went to *Boston* and applyed himself to the Governour, acquainting him, that the Fish on Board his Ship was a Perishing Commodity; and if any Water should come into the Ship the Cargo would be utterly lost; for as soon as Captain *Stuckley* carried away his Master, the rest of the Men run away from the said Ship, into the Woods; And this Deponent was informed the said Ship swung to and again, in the Tyde, and was like to Sink, and could not get a Man on Board her: And this [ 24 ] Deponent further informed the said Governour, that there was a great Fleet of English and Dutch Men of War in the Straits, and if his Master could Sail before they came out, his Ship would be out of Danger of being taken, but if the Master was Detained, he should Lose his Ship and Cargo: And that if the Master had done anything Amis he ought to be Tried at *Piscataqua*, and not at *Boston*; but this Deponent could get no Relief from the Governour; and thereupon went to the said *Paul Dudley*, the Queens Advocate, of the Court of Admiralty, and Offered Ten Thousand Pounds Bond, with good security to Pay whatever the Courts Sentence should be; Provided his Master and Ship might go: But all in vain, and his Vessel was Detained above Three Weeks, and when she came into the Straights, the Men of War was come out Seven Days before she Arrived there, and afterwards was taken, and further saith not.

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## Collonel Partridge's Affidavits.

**W**ILLIAM PARTRIDGE of *Portsmouth*, in the Province of *New Hampshire*, in *New-England*, maketh Oath, that he doth believe that *Joseph Dudley* Esq; present Governour of *New England*, did Countenance a Trade with the *French* and *Indian* Enemies, and faith, that he the said *Dudley* did keep Correspondence with one *Gallen Emiffary*, a *French* Fryar or Jesuit, that Lives among the *Indians*; and the said *Dudley* owned to this Deponent, that he had a great Correspondence with the Governour of *Port-Royal*; And this Deponent faith, that Captain *Vetch*, and Captain *Lawson* often told this Deponent, that they had acquainted the said *Dudley* with their Voyage to the Eastward, when they Traded with the *French* and *Indians*, and that he Consented thereto; and that soon after they had so Traded, the *Indians* came down and Killed Lieutenant *John Shapeley* at the Town of *Kittery*; and a Man, his Wife and Children in the Township of *Dover*; and Killed one Man with Swan-shot out of the Township of *Hampton*; and Killed Nine; and Wounded one out of the Township of *Exeter*; and about the latter end of *June* last Killed Six, and Wounded Two; and carried away Two out of the Township of *Almesbury*; all which Persons were Killed and taken in this Deponent's Neighbourhood, as this Deponent hath heard, and verily believes, being informed so by those that were at most of their Funerals. And this Deponent further faith, that there was not to his Knowledge, any of the *Indian* Enemies Killed since the said *Dudley* was Governour, except an Old Woman and two others, that seemed by their Scalps to be Girls. And this Deponent further faith, that the said *Dudley* told this Deponent Six Months before the Invasion by the *Indians*, that when they came again they would not come in any great Body, as they used to do, but not above Thirty in a Company, and so Line the Woods from *Dearfield* to *Caske Bay*, which is above a Hundred Miles, which Method the said *Indians* did after take in their said Invasion; but how the said *Dudley* came to know that they would so do, this Deponent knoweth not; but faith, that the said *Dud-* [ 26 ] *ley* often told this Deponent, that he could stop the Career of the *French* and *Indians* when he pleased, in a Month or Six Weeks time

Will: Partridge.

Furat Viceffimo primo die Junij

Anno, 1707. Cor. me

W. Rogers

Mr. *Thomas Newton's* Affidavit.

**T**HOMAS NEWTON of *Boston* in *New-England*, at present in *London*, Gent. maketh Oath, that he hath Lived in *New-England* for near Sixteen Years last past, and during that time has been well acquainted with Collonel *Joseph Dudley*, the present Governour of the Province of *Massachusetts-Bay* and *New Hampshire*: And that since the said Collonel *Dudley* was Governour there, this Deponent was credibly Informed, that several Persons having purchased Lands at *Nashobah* and *Nipmuck*, within his Government, and wanting a Confirmation of their Titles, by an Act of the General Court, (as is usual in such Cases) they could not obtain the Governour's assent thereto, without giving him Money, and part of their Lands. And this Deponent further saith, that he being Deputed by *William Atwood* Esq; to be Deputy Judge of the Court of Vice Admiralty, as well as of the Collony of *Rhode Island*, as for the Provinces of *Massachusetts-Bay*, and *New Hampshire*, was prohibited by the said Governour from going to *Rhode Island*, and Condemning some Prizes brought in there, unless this Deponent would procure the Governour One Hundred Pounds, and that his Son should go Advocate thither; and threatned this Deponent to raise the *Posse Comitatus* upon him, if he offered to proceed without [ 27 ] his Order, or License under his Hand. And this Deponent also further saith, That one Mr. *Stephen Minot*, having Built a very Convenient House for a publick Inn or Tavern, upon a place called the Neck, the Governour having a Tennant who kept a Publick House near to it, Prohibited the Justice to grant a License to the said *Minot*, tho' it was Requested by the General Assembly; but the said *Minot* could not obtain a License for his House, until he complied with the Governour upon hard Terms. And this Deponent moreover saith, that Sentence in the Court of Vice-Admiralty being given by this Deponent for a Saylor, against a Master of a Vessel for Wages, from which the said Master appealed to the High Court of Admiralty in *England*, but not giving Bond to Prosecute as is usual in such Cases, Process was granted against the said Master, and the Marechal took him into Custody thereupon. Yet the Governour abused the Officer, and discharged the said Master contrary to Law, and by that means the Saylor lost his Wages, and his Charges and Costs: And lastly, this Deponent saith, that the people in *New-England* in general, are much dissatisfied with the said Collonel *Dudley*, and would rejoyce to have him removed from his Government; and further saith not.

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*Colonel Partridge's Certificate.*

**W**HEREAS an Address from Her Majesties Assembly, in the Province of New-Hampshire, in New England, has been lately sent over, Praying Her Majesty's Continuance of Colonel Dudley Governour of the said Province; Now the Truth and Occasion of Procuring and sending the same, was thus:

" Coll. Dudley, who is not only Governour of New-Hampshire, but also of the Massachusets-Bay, and lives at Boston, 60 Miles from New-Hampshire, Wrote to some Principal Gentlemen, to Prevail with the Assembly of New-Hampshire, to Present an Address to Her Majesty for the Purpose aforesaid, and in Compliance with this Desire, and in Order to Prevail with the Assembly, the said Gentlemen Prepar'd an Address accordingly, and show'd it to the Assembly, who, in some time after, though with Difficulty and Reluctancy, were prevailed on to Sign the same, with little Alteration. The Chief, [ 29 ] and indeed the Only Inducement to which, was the Apprehension they were then under, that it was better for them to do anything that would Please the Governour; and that it was in his Power to Contribute much to the Advantage and Security, or to the Mischief and Prejudice of that Province; and not any Opinion they had of the Conduct and Integrity of the said Dudley, who is generally Disliked and Ill-Thought of in both Provinces, where he is Governour; and has given too much Reason and Occasion to Suspect his Regard to the Good and Welfare of those Places, especially when his own Interest stands in Competition, or a fair Opportunity offers, for his Profit and Advantage.

All which is humbly Certified and Submitted.

Wm. Partridge.

[ 30 ] Thus far the Affidavits of the Illegal and Disloyal Practices of our Governour. Can any Man that loves not a French Interest, call those Trivial; or say, they are not worthy of the severest Resentments? With what Face Men now a-days can go about to Justify Crimes that have so near an affinity to High Treason, is a wonder to me; and yet pretend at the same time to be Loyal and True to their Country. Crimes of the most pernicious Consequence to a State; and which, among all Nations, have been Punish'd with the utmost severity. The Athenians, notwithstanding the Liberty they gave to some of their Rulers, yet they appointed a Reckoning Day among them;

so that those that thought themselves not accountable whilst in Authority, found at last a very strict Account to be given to certain Auditors, and a worse Punishment inflicted on them if Criminal, than the abused Clemency of this Age can produce: To do Justice and Right is the most invaluable Jewel in *Magna Charta*; and a Blessing which no People in the World can boast of, like those of the *Brittish* Nation. The *New-Englanders* are of the same Tribe; have the same Liberty to, and the same Property in the Enjoyment of the many Legal Priviledges in that Charter contained: They are *not Slaves*, as their conceited Governour once told them; but have still a right Legally to oppose his Pride and Covetousness; have still a Right to Petition for a Better, that will not be Brib'd to do Evil; they have a Right to tell the World, and that loudly, That for a Governour to furnish the Enemy with Powder and Shot, &c. to destroy his own Country-men, is a Wretch not only fit to be Discarded, but to be for ever forgotten among Mankind.

The Cryes sent up to Heaven, by the many poor Souls lately most inhumanely Butchered by the Merciless *Indians*, with our own Instruments, have reached the Ears of the Almighty, and will certainly draw down Redress from him, who is not only *Rex Magnus & Rex Solus*, but *Judex Supremus*, who hath *Imperium sine Fine*, as well as *sine Limite*, to whom we commit all that hath been already said.

And now to Conclude all, (that our Readers may have a just Sense of the unaccountable Cruelties acted by the *Indians*, upon our *English* in *New-England*) we shall present them with the following Particulars, lately sent over to us by a very great and good Man.

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*An Account of several Barbarities lately committed by the Indians in New-England; Intermix'd with some Memorable Providences.*

ASTONISHING Deliverances have been sent from Heaven, to many of our Captives. They have been many a time upon the Point of destruction; but, *These poor ones have Cryed unto the Lord*, and He has Remarkably delivered them.

'Tis a Wonderful Restraint from God upon the *Brittish* Salvages, that no *English Woman* was ever known to have any Violence offered unto her *Chastity*, by any of them:

'Tis wonderful, that no more of the Captives have been Murdered by them, neither when they were Drunk nor when the Caprichio's, and the Cruelties of their Diabolical Natures were to be Gratified.

'Tis Wonderful, that when many of the Captives have been juſt going to be Sacrificed, ſome ſtrange Interpoſition of the Divine Providence has put a ſtop to the Execution, and prevented their being made a Sacrifice. The Stories are numberleſs. Take a few of them.

[32] A Crue of Indians had been three Days without any manner of Suſtenance. They took an Engliſh Child, and hung it before the Fire to Roaſt it for their Supper ; but that theſe Canibals might Satiare their — I want a Name for it, — as well as their Hunger, they would Roaſt it Alive. The Child began to Swell. A Cannow arrived at that Inſtant, with a Dog in it. The leſſer Devils of the Crue, propoſed their taking the Dog inſtead of the Child ; they did ſo, and the Child is yet Living ! Her Name is *Hannah Parſons*.

A Man had Valiantly Killed an Indian or two before the Salvages took him. He was next Morning to undergo an horrible Death, whereof the Manner and the Torture was to be aſſigned by the Widow *Squa* of the Dead Indian. The French Priests told him, they had indeavoured to divert the Tygres from their bloody Intention, but could not prevail with them ; he muſt prepare for the terrible Execution. His cries to God were hard, and heard ; when the Sentence of the *Squa*, was demanded, quite contrary to every ones Expectation, and the Revengeful Inclination ſo uſual and well-known among theſe Creatures, ſhe only ſaid, *His Death won't fetch my Husband to Life ; Do nothing to him !* So nothing was done to him.

A Woman was carried aſide, by her Monſter of a Maſter ; he faſtened a Rope about her Neck ; it was in vain for her to contend, the Hatchet muſt preſently have diſpatched her, if the Halter had failed ; ſhe had no Remedy but to Cry unto God : Her Maſter throws up the end of the Rope over a Limb of a Tree ; he aſcends to hale her and tye her up ; and then a fine Exploit for the Wretch ! *a memorable Name !* However the Limb happily breaks down he falls ; full of madneſs he goes to repeat his brave action : An Indian Commander juſt in the Nick of Time comes in upon him ; Reproaches him very bitterly ; Takes her away from him ; and ſends her to *Canada*.

But we ought not to paſs over the marvellous Diſplay of the Power of God, in ſupporting and preſerving the poor Captives



when they Travelled thro' the horrid Wilderneys, oftentimes much more than a score of Miles in a day, and thro' very deep Snows; [ 33 ] and with vast Loads on their Backs, and grievously pinched with Hunger, having scarce one bit of any Refreshment, for whole days together. Poor, Weak, sick Women have done so!

One cannot well imagine any other than Supernatural and Angelical assistances, in some of the instances.

The Indians came upon the House of one *Adams* at *Wells*, and Captivated the Man and his Wife, and assassinated the children; whereof one, who had an Hatchet struck into his Skull, and was left for dead, was strangely recovered. The Woman had Lain in about Eight Days. They drag'd her out, and tied her to a Post, until the House was rifled. They then loosed her, and bid her walk. She could not stir. By the help of a Stick she got half a step forward. She look'd up to God. On the sudden a new strength entred into her. She travelled that very Day Twenty Miles a Foot: She was up to the Neck in Water six times that very Day in passing of Rivers. At night she fell over head and ears, into a Slough in a Swamp, and was hardly got out alive. She got not the least Cough nor Cold by all this: She is come home alive unto us.

Many more such Instances might be mentioned. We will supercede them all, with a Relation of what befel *Mrs. Bradley* of *Haverly*. *Ab una Disce omnes*.

This Vertuous Woman had been formerly for Two Years together a Captive in the Hands of the Barbarous Indians; a subject of wondrous Afflictions, of Wondrous Deliverances. Her Husband at length found her out, and fetch'd her home, and their Family went on happily for six years together after it. But *the Clouds return after the Rain*.

On *February 6*, 1703-4, She with her Sister, and a Maid or two, and some Children, (a Man being also in the Room) were talking about the Indians, and behold, one of the Fierce *Tawnies* looked in, with a Gun ready to Fire upon them. The *Englishman* pull'd him in, and got him down, and *Mrs. Bradley* took the opportunity to pour a good quantity of scalding Soap, (which was then boyling over the Fire) upon him, whereby he was kill'd immediately. Another of the *Tawnies* follow'd at the Heels of his [ 34 ] Brother, who stabb'd the *Englishman* to the Heart. Unto him she dispensed also a quantity of her Sope, which not killing him, she with the other Women and Children ran into the Chamber. The House was fired by the Indians, and *Mrs. Bradley* with her Companions found it necessary to retire behind the

Houfe. One of the Women fell into the Hands of the Indians; and they that remained were Mrs. *Bradly* and her Sifter; each of them having a Child of Mrs. *Bradlies* with her. The Sifter was discerned by the Indians, who commanded her to come out unto them, and threatned that they would else cut her to pieces. Mrs. *Bradly* very generously bid her sit still, and wait for a better time to escape; and offered her, that inasmuch as the Indians knew of but one there, she would be that one, and go out in her stead. She did so, and thereby her obliged Sifter and the Child with her were preserved; but Mrs. *Bradly* was no sooner come to the Salvages, but they employ'd a Head-breaker on the Child that she brought unto them.

She was not entred into a Second Captivity; but she had the great Encumbrance of being Big with Child, and within Six Weeks of her Time! After about an Hours Rest, wherein they made her put on Snow Shoes, which to manage, requires more than ordinary agility, she travelled with her Tawny Guardians all that night, and the next day until Ten a Clock, associated with one Woman more who had been brought to Bed but just one Week before: Here they Refreshed themselves a little, and then travelled on till Night; when they had no Refreshment given them, nor had they any, till after their having Travelled all the Forenoon of the day Ensuing; and then too, whatever she took, she did thro' Sicknefs throw it up again.

She underwent incredible Hardships and Famine: A *Mooses* Hide, as tough as you may Suppose it, was the best and most of her Diet. In one and twenty days they came to their Head-Quarters, where they staid a Fortnight. But then her Snow-shoes were taken from her; and yet she must go every step above the Knee in Snow, with such weariness, that her Soul often Pray'd, *That the Lord would put an end unto her weary Life!* until they came to another Place, where they stay'd for three Weeks together.

[ 35 ] Here in the Night, she found herself ill, and having the help of only one Woman, who got a little Hemlock to lay about her, and with a few sticks made shift to blow up a little Fire, she was in half an Hour Delivered of the Infant, that she had hitherto gone withal. There she lay till the next Night, with none but the Snow under her, and the Heaven over her; in a misty and rainy season. She sent then unto a French Priest, that he would speak unto her *Squa Mistress*, who then, without condescending to look upon her, allow'd her a little Birch-Rind, to cover her Head from the Injuries of the Weather, and a little bit of dried Moose, which being boiled, she drunk the Broth, and gave it unto the Child.

In a Fortnight ſhe was called upon to Travel again, with her Child in her Arms: every now and then, a whole day together, without the leaſt Morſel of any Food, and when ſhe had any, ſhe fed only on Ground-nuts and Wild-onions, and Lilly-roots. By the laſt of *May*, they arrived at *Cowefick*, where they Planted their Corn; wherein ſhe was put unto a hard Taſk, ſo that the Child extreamly Suffered. The Salvages would ſometimes alſo pleaſe themſelves, with caſting *hot Embers* into the Mouth of the Child, which would reſter the Mouth ſo fore, that it could not Suck for a long while together. So that it Starv'd and Dy'd.

There they ſtaid until they Wed their Corn, but then ſome of our Friend-Indians coming on them, kill'd Seven of them, whereat away they fled for *Canada*, and never ſaw their Corn-field any more. But they made a Forty-Days Ramble of it, before they reach'd thither, in which, if at any time, her Heart began to faint, her Miſtreſs would be ready to ſtrike the Mortal Hatchet into her Head.

[36] The *French* being thought more Civil to the Engliſh than to the Indians, her Miſtreſs thereat Provoked, reſolved, that ſhe would never Sell her to the *French*. According ſhe kept her a Twelve-month with her, in her Squalid *Wigwam*: Where, in the following Winter, ſhe fell ſick of a Feavour; but in the very heighth and heat of her Paroxyſms, her Miſtreſs would compel her ſometimes to Spend a Winters-night, which is there a very bitter one, abroad in all the bitter Froſt and Snow of the Climate. She recovered; but Four Indians died of the Feavour, and at length her Miſtreſs alſo. Another Squa then pretended an Heirſhip unto her, with whom ſhe lived, and ſaw many more ſtrange Deliverances. They had the Small Pox in the Family; but ſhe never had it. She was made to paſs the River on the Ice, when every ſtep ſhe took, ſhe might have ſtruck through it if ſhe pleaſed. Many more ſuch Prefervations might come into her Story.

At Laſt, there came to the ſight of her a Prieſt from *Quebeck*, who had known her in her former Captivity at *Naridgowock*. He was very Civil to Her, and made the *Indians* Sell her to a French Family, for Fourſcore Livers, where tho' ſhe wrought hard, ſhe Lived more comfortably and contented.

She poured out her continual Supplications to Heaven; Sometimes Two or Three of her own Sex, would by Stealth, come to joyn with her in Supplicating to the Glorious LORD. She had her Mind often Irradiated with Strong Perſwaſions and Affurances, that ſhe ſhould yet *See the Goodneſs of God*, in this Land of the Living. Her tender and Loving Huſband, accompanied Mr. *Sheldon*, in his Laſt Expedition. He found her out, and fetch'd her home, a Second time; She arriv'd with thoſe of the

Last Return from the Captivity; and affectionately calls upon her Friends, *O magnifie the LORD with me, and let us Exalt his Name together.*

[ 37 ] Because of its having some Affinity with the foregoing Relations, and that we may at once discharge ourselves of what we can relate concerning our Captives, we will proceed with a Copy of a Letter sent unto one of the Ministers in *Boston.*

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A Letter from a Captive at *Port-Royal.*

Sept. 18. 1703.

*Reverend Sir,*

‘ THE Occasion of my now Writing to you is because I lye  
 ‘ under a Vow and Promise to the Great and Almighty  
 ‘ God, to declare and make known his Wonderful Goodness and  
 ‘ Mercy to me, and likewise to have His Name Blessed and  
 ‘ Praised in your Congregation on my Behalf. I shall briefly  
 ‘ Inform you.

‘ Being taken a Prisoner sometime last *January* by the *French* :  
 ‘ in going to *Port-Royal* we met with very Tempestuous Weather,  
 ‘ and were fast in an Harbour near Cape *Sables*. And here two  
 ‘ *Frenchmen* had Orders from their Captain to take me with  
 ‘ them, and go to *Port-Royal* by Land. They took with them  
 ‘ but little Bread ; and we Travelled one Night in the Woods in  
 ‘ a miserable Condition. I had myself no Shoes or Stockings,  
 ‘ but a piece of Skin wrapt about my Feet ; and the Snow being  
 ‘ very deep, we could not Travel, being Weak for want of Pro-  
 ‘ vision, and lost in the Woods, not knowing which way to go.

[ 39 ] ‘ One of the *Frenchmen* Loaded his Gun, and Presented  
 ‘ at me, telling me, *That it was impossible to find Port-Royal, I*  
 ‘ *must Dye, and they must Eat me.* Then I begged Leave to  
 ‘ Pray unto God, before he Kill’d me, and he Granted it. As I  
 ‘ was at Prayer, it struck into my Mind, That I had formerly  
 ‘ heard yourself declare in your Pulpit, what Great and Wonder-  
 ‘ ful Things hath been done by Prayer ; particularly, *That it had*  
 ‘ *stopped the Mouths of Lions, and that it had Quenched the Vio-*

' *lence of the Fire.* So I earnestly begged of God, that he would  
' manifest his great Power to me, by turning the Hearts of those  
' that were about to take away my Life.

' The Words were no sooner out of my Mouth, but the *French-*  
' *man* seeming to have Tears in his Eyes, bid me rise up; he  
' would try one Day longer. And he bid me go and get Wood for  
' a Fire. It presently grew Dark; and then I made an Escape  
' from them, and hid myself in the Woods, until the next Day  
' that they were gone; and then I found the way out of the  
' Woods, unto the Water-side, where I got *Clams*.

' These *French-men* found the way to *Port-royal*, and there  
' told what they had done. The Governour put them in Prison,  
' and sent out Two Men, and Charged them not to return, until  
' they had found me, Dead or Alive. In Four Days after these  
' *Frenchmen* left me, they found me Alive, and brought me Pro-  
' vision, and a Pair of Shoes, and carried me to *Port-royal*.

[ 40 ] ' These and many other Favours have I received from  
' my Good God in the time of my Imprisonment; Blessed and  
' for ever Praised be his Holy Name for it. Pray, Sir, give me  
' Directions what I shall do for the Great and Good GOD.

W. C.

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OUR Eastern Indians had no sooner, with all possible Assur-  
ance renewed their League of Peace with us, but being  
moved by the Instigation of the *French*, they Perfidiously and  
Barbarously Surprised Seven more of our naked and secure Plan-  
tations; and coming at once into the scattered Families, they did,  
on *August* 10,-11, 1703: Reward the Hospitable Civilities that  
were shown them, with the Murder of above Seventy *English*  
People, and the Captivity of near an Hundred. Upon this there  
Enfued Lesser Depredations, and Captivations, as the Treacher-  
ous Enemy found Opportunity for them.

About half a year after these Calamities thus begun on the  
*Eastern* Parts of the Country, the *Western* had a taste of the same  
Cup given to them. On *Feb.* 29, 1703-4. An Army consisting,  
as it was judg'd, of about 400 *French* and Indians, made a Descent  
upon the little Town of *Deerfield*, the most Northernly Settle-  
ment on *Connecticut-River*, which had long been a watchful and

an useful Barrier for the rest of the Plantations in the Neighbourhood.

They Surprised the Place about an Hour or Two before Break of Day, and in a little time, not without Loss to themselves, Butchered and Captivated above 150 of the People.

Mr. *John Williams*, the Worthy Minister of that Pious and Holy Flock, was carried into Captivity, with Five of his Children; two of which were Slain; and his Desirable Confort beginning to Faint at about a Dozen Miles of the doleful Journey, they there, like themselves, cruelly Murdered her, and left her for the Funeral which her Friends afterwards bestow'd on her. Before they reach'd unto *Mont Real*, a Journey dispatch'd by the Parcels now divided in Twenty Days, more or less, near Twenty more of the Captives lost their Lives; for the manner was, that if any found themselves not able to Travel thro' the Deep Snows now on the Ground, the Salvages would strike their Hatchets into their Heads, and there leave them weltring in their Blood.

*FINIS.*

A  
Modest Enquiry  
INTO THE  
Grounds and Occasions of a Late  
P A M P H L E T,  
INTITULED, A  
MEMORIAL  
OF THE  
Present Deplorable State  
OF  
New-England.

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*By a Disinterested Hand.*

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L O N D O N :

Printed in the Year, 1707.





*A Modest Enquiry into the Grounds, &c.*

A Pamphlet call'd, *The Memorial of the Present Deplorable State of NEW England*, having been received in Town with various Opinions, according to the different Interests, or capacities of its Readers; Curiosity led me to look into it: And first beginning with the Title-Page,\* I find it made up (as the Author calls it) of several *Original Papers Letters and Manuscripts, Printed in the year MDCCVII, and Sold by S. Philips &c. Booksellers in Boston.* Which said Pamphlet appear'd in Town about the Tenth of *July* last: upon which finding Mr *Cally's* † Affidavit was made the second of *June* 1707, Mr Partridge's on the Twenty-first of the same Month and Year (both which are there Printed) and having seen this *Memorial* about the middle of *July* following, which does not give a *Months* time for the sending it to NEW ENGLAND, Printing it there, and returning it again,) I could not help concluding, that no manner of credit ought to be given to it, upon the single reputation of the Author. However to act impartially, I begin with his first Page, extolling the former happy state of the *Province* in the *Charter* they enjoy'd before the Revolution: ‡ which sufficiently shews how they regard the *Charter* they now have; and consequently what an Opinion they retain not only of that Power that took from them their *Old Charter*, but also of *K. William*, who was too wise, to return them their *Idol*, which he knew had been often *affrontingly* us'd in preceding Reigns. I know not what the Author means by the *unhappy, or rather happy reign of the late K. F.* so will leave it to be explain'd by himself as it shall hereafter serve his turn.§

NOW comes a heavy Charge against the late Governour Sir *Edmond Andros*, made up of falsity and nonsense; these are his words, *We shall not recriminate here the mismanagement of the then Governour Sir Edmond Andros, since that Gentleman is NOW in a future state.* || Which obliges me to give a short account of the Revolution in *NEW ENGLAND*.

The first account of the Revolution in *ENGLAND*, came to *NEW ENGLAND* by Merchants Letters from *Barbadoes*; upon which the People (without any regard to Authority) confin'd the Governour Sir *E. Andros*, and *Col. Dudley* the present Governour; and would by no means listen to the wholesome advice that was given [ 2 ] by the Governour, to maintain the Peace of the

\* Title-Page.

† Pag. 16. Pag. 25.

‡ Pag. 1. Lin. 2.

§ Pag. 1. Lin. 13.

|| Pag. 2. Lin. 1.

*Province*; and let all things remain upon the same foot they were, till they had a more authentick account, and also Orders from *England*; to which the Governour declar'd himself most willing to conform. These just Arguments could not prevail, they had got the Government into their own hands; they had formerly been told by *Hugh Peters*, and some such Pastors, that *Dominion is founded in Grace*; and knowing themselves to be *the elect people of God*, they resolv'd to perfect what they had began; so over these two Gentlemen are sent Prisoners, who upon a full hearing before His Majesty K. WILLIAM in Council (to the mortification of their Accusers) are Honourably acquitted. In consideration of whose *faithful Services*, and *severe Usage*, *Sir E. Andross* was made by K. WILLIAM Governour of *Virginia*, &c, and *Col. Dudley* Lieutenant-Governour of the *Isle of Wight*; since which Her *present Majesty* as a Demonstration of the same good opinion of *Col. Dudley* was pleas'd to let his Commission for Governour of *New England*, be one of the *first Acts* of her Reign; and also very lately to constitute *Sir E. Andross's* Lieutenant-Governour of *Guernsey*; Happy in Her Majesty's Favour and good Esteem of him; Honour'd by the Inhabitants of the Island, who wonderfully admire Her Majesties Choice; and blest with a considerable Estate, *the due reward of his long Service and Merit*; this is *Sir Edmond Andross's present state*, his NOW *future state* is to me incomprehensible.

The Legend of Accusations that make up almost two Pages, and are laid down with so much Acrimony against the *present Governour's* proceedings, when *President* of the Council of *New England*, shall not be taken notice of, that having been disallow'd when *Urged* before Her Majesty in Council; I shall only make this remark that *K. William* the Restorer of our Liberties, would never have distinguish'd this Gentleman by his Favours, had not his *Innocency* been clearly prov'd, not only from his *Accusation* at the beginning of the *Revolution*, but also from the *Memorial* deliver'd in against him by *Sir H. A.* when *K. William* had appointed him Governour of *New England*, which *Memorial* as it put the Governour to a large Expence, it was also attended with the happiness of her Present Majesty's giving her *Sanction*, to what *K. William* so Judiciously began.

THUS have I done with the Preamble, and am now come to the *Memorial* it self, drawn up in *Nine Articles*, each of which I in- [ 3 ] tend to speak to separately; but can't do it in any regular method; part of some Articles being necessary to explain others. Therefore I have incerted it *Verbatim*, that the Reader comparing the Answer with the Memorial, may be better able to judge of the Validity of the Accusation.

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## The MEMORIAL.

“ *FIRST* in the year 1705, the Governour sent his Son *William Dudley* with Captain *Vetch*, to *Canada*, under a pretence of Redeeming Captives ; but brought very few back to *Boston* of those that were there, and them of the meanest sort, leaving the Principal of the said Captives behind, to give them occasion of going again, that they might have a Pretence to colour their Treacherous Design of Trading, as appears by the said *Vetch's* acknowledgment of going to settle a Correspondence with the Enemy, and carrying a Cargo out with him of 800 *l.* which according to their disposal ; might amount to near 3000 *l.* as particularly Shot, which was sold at 13 *Sous per Pound* ; whereof they carried a considerable Quantity ; also Rigging, Pitch, Iron and other Necessaries, fit for supplying the *Indians* and *French* ; and this done under a Colour of the said *Vetch's* going to get in a Debt due to him from the *French* of 800 *l.* with the Governour's Approbation.

*Secondly.* “ For settling a Correspondency with the *French* Governour at *Port Royal*, for Exchange of Prisoners ; whereas it was indeed only a Cover for an Illegal Trade ; when at the same time the *French* there, were drove to such extrem Hardships, for want of Ammunition, Provision, &c, that most of their Principal People, were forced to go out a Privateering on our Coasts, who were afterwards taken and brought into Boston ; particularly one *Battis*, a Man of great Note and Service among the Enemy, who had been a Barbarous, Murdering Fellow to the *English* : He with all the other *French* Prisoners were sent to *Canada* and *Port-Royal*, and Discharged ; but great part of our People that were Prisoners, were left behind at the same time, and that because our Governour had been false in his promise to the *French* Governour, who had restrain'd the *Indians* from disturbing our Fishery, and indeed [ 4 ] would not allow them any Ammunition for a considerable time, till our Governour taking the opportunity of the *Indians*, great Want, countenanced a Trade with them, and supply'd them by the Vessels that were sent as Transports (as aforesaid) to fetch Prisoners ; when at the same time they were made Vessels of Merchandize, as appears by the *Indian* Traders on their Trial.

*Thirdly.* “ The Country are at a Vast Charge, in maintaining an Army yearly, to march several Hundred Miles up into the Country, to destroy the *Indians* Corn, the better to disenable them to subsist ; for they have been so reduced (as by Informa-

tion of the Captives) that a great part of them would perish for want, were it not for the supply they had from the said *Indian* Traders; who particularly, sold about Eight Quarts of *Indian* Corn, for one large Beaver-skin; which Trade has been all along countenanced by the Governour, which sufficiently appears by his being always unwilling the Prisoners taken in that Trade should be Fined, or Punished, even owned by *Vetch*, as in his Petition more at large is set forth.

*Fourthly.* “The Country was at a great Expence in Erecting a Fortification at *Casco-Bay*, and maintaining a number of Soldiers for securing the same, thereby to suppress the Enemy, and keep sure Footing in that part of the Country; and the Governour through some design or neglect, did suffer those Soldiers to remain there without any Commission-Officer, to the great dissatisfaction and dread to the Soldiers; Inſomuch that they declared to Captain *Cally* (a Member of the Assembly at *Boston*) that when the Enemy came upon them, they would surrender the Fort, and dare not resist for want of a Commission. Then Captain *Cally* made Application to the Assembly, which he found fitting when he came to *Boston*, and they represented to the Governour, that speedy care might be taken, that some Person might be Commissionated to Command that Fort, which with a great deal of difficulty was at last Obtained.

*Fifthly.* “And further as to the Governour’s Countenancing this Private and Illegal Trade, the Country has been at vast Expence, occasion’d thereby; inſomuch that at one Sessions the last Summer the Assembly were forc’d to raise 33000 Pounds, for supporting, and maintaining the Charge they were put to; by the Enemy’s Invasions, after they had a Supply; that whereas if things [5] were rightly managed, and the Enemy kept back for want of those Supplies, one third part of the said Sum might have answered the End. The *Indians* that were supply’d by Those Traders, are the only People that destroy’d our Eastern parts, the Fishery, and the Coast of *Accady*; and also the very same that were at Destroying of *Newfound-land*, particularly one *Escombuet*, a Principal Commander among them, who is generally one that Heads the *Indians*, when they come to Destroy the *English* in *New England*.

*Sixthly.* “The Governour with his Son *Paul*, not being content with what Money they come fairly by, and over-greedy of Gain, are very Screwing and Exacting upon the People, particularly upon sundry Inhabitants, taking away their Priviledge in catching of Whales, a Priviledge they have enjoy’d many Years before; that is (under the pretence of *Drift-Fish*;) what Whales are taken by Her Majesty’s Subjects, he takes from

“ them by Force, not giving them the liberty of a Trial at Common Law, but for his own Ends decides the matter in the Admiralty, where his Son *Paul* is the Queen's Attorney and Advocate, thereby Encroaching the whole to themselves, a thing never heard of before, and very much to the Prejudice of Her Majesty's good Subjects there, and that without Remedy.

*Seventhly.* “ As to the Address the Governour obtain'd, pretended to come over from the General Assembly at *Boston* in his favour, for his Continuance, it was no more than what he clandestinely procured, by sending to his Particular Friends; such who being either Related to him, or bore Commissions under him, dare not deny his Request, and was never approved nor allowed of by the Assembly; but on the contrary had not the Majority of the Country waited in expectation of her Majesty's favour, in sending another Governour, they would largely have signify'd their Repentments and Dissatisfaction, in the Administration of *Dudley's* Government.

*Eighthly.* “ While the Great and General Assembly at *Boston* were Sitting, there arriv'd a Flag of Truce from *Canada*, with a haughty demand of the Governour, for all the *French* Prisoners; charging of him with breach of Promise, which was the occasion of the *French* Governours not sending several of the Prisoners, particularly a Minister that was taken Captive at *Derefeld*, detain'd [6] by the *French*, who might have been discharg'd with fundry others.

*Ninthly.* “ The Lower House mistrusting the *French* Flag of Truce coming upon a Trading Design, as well as for the Prisoners, order the Flag of Truce to be diligently searched, who found on Board their Vessel fundry New Arms and Ammunition hid in private places, particularly New Bullets hid among Pease, and yet denied by the Commander, who was an *English* Renegade, which Ammunition being brought before the Assembly, were generally concluded to be Bought in *Boston*, whereupon the Governour interposing, the matter was hush'd up and conniv'd at, to the great dissatisfaction of the Assembly and Country in General.

The *First* and *Second* Articles are mostly concerning the affair of the private Trade, which shall not be medled with by me, it lying at present before *Her Majesty* undetermin'd; but if any Persons are curious to know that matter, I presume that Mr *Phips* Agent for that Country will fully satisfy them, if they are not perversely bent against whatever makes out the Governour's Innocency. The Gentlemen that carried on that Trade, was fo

far from finding any *Favour* from the Governour, (which they might have assur'd themselves of; if he had had any concern with them) that the Extremity of the Laws of *New England* were put in force against them, and a *heavy Sentence* pass'd upon them, from which Sentence they *Appeal'd* to Her Majesty, who refer'd them to the *Lords Commissioners for Trade*, where the cause was argued in the behalf of the Petitioners, by that *Learned and Judicious Lawyer*, Mr *West* so much to the satisfaction of the Lords Commissioners, that a Report was made in their favour. Upon which Her Majesty in Council, was graciously pleas'd to order all the *Acts* and *Proceedings* against them to be *Repeal'd*, and declar'd *null* and *void*.

The Third Article Deplores the miserable state of the Country in the vast Charge they are at by defending themselves against the *Indians*. Much can't be said upon this occasion, for as War in all Countries is attended with Expence, it is not to be expected *New England* can be wholly exempted from it, but whoever will consider the largeness of the Country to be defended, (the Frontier being more than 200 Miles) and the number of the Enemies to encounter with, must admire the Excellency of the Governours Administration; that so much is done with so little Expence, either of Blood or Treafure.

[ 7 ] The *Fortifications* at *Casco Bay* mentioned in the *Fourth* Article was repair'd and made Tenable by the present *Governour*, who took care to keep a *good Garrison* in it, for the Defence of the Country on that side; formerly Coll. *March* afterwards Capt. *Moody* commanding in it. How it came to be without a Commission Officer, or whether it was so (as this Gentleman complains) I can't find upon the strictest enquiry, neither am I obliged to believe it; but admitting it; several occasions, as marching out with a Detachment, or the like, are not only Justifiable but necessary. The Summ of this heavy Charge is, that upon the first notice that an Officer was wanting, the Governour sent one, and the *Fort* is still in the possession of the Government. Either the Garrison (admitting they had no Commission Officer) must be ignorant of *Military Discipline*, or inclin'd to Mutiny; otherwise they ought to have submitted to the command of a *Serjeant*, whose *Halberd* was a sufficient Authority for such a Command upon any *Emergency*.

The *Fifth* Article tells you the Summ that was given last Year for supporting the Expenses of the War &c, which the *Third* Article makes very heavy, but does not name. And here it is done so obliquely, that the Author would endeavour to *insinuate*, as though the Summ of 33000 *l.* was raised more than once last Year; which if it had been, he would have told you in plain

words. If I will believe that so much was given as above mention'd, 'tis intirely upon the reputation of the Author, who in some cases ought to produce Testimonials. But admitting it; consider what is to be done with it, and the Wonder will be on the other side. 33000 *l. New England Money*, deducting the Discount, is reduced to less than 22000 *l. Sterling*. Any Man that considers the pay of the *Army* which consists of 1900 Men; Maintaining the *Garrisons*, Providing *Magazeens*, The constant Charge of the *Province Gally*, The accidental occasions of hiring *Transport Ships*, together with the other *Incidentals* that must necessarily accrue; will rather admire how so small a Summ could answer such large and expensive Occasions. I am fearful the Governour whose *Sallery* comes also out of the above mentioned Summ, is able to speak *fealingly* of the *frugality* of the Country. If less Summs had done under preceeding Governours in time of War, our Author would not have fail'd letting the World know it. I acknowledge some damage has been formerly done in the Eastern Parts of *New England* by the *Indians*, and that *Escombuet* did command those *Indians*, who in conjunction with the [ 8 ] French made the Descent upon *Newfound-Land*, and be it also remembr'd to the Honour of the Governour, that this very *Escombuet* upon his drawing off from the Fort at *Newfound-Land*, releas'd several English Captives, upon promise that all endeavours should be us'd at the *British Court*, for removing Coll. *Dudley* from the Government of *New England*. That an *Indian* who is a *profess'd* Enemy to the *English American Settlements*, and these Gentlemen, should *Foyntly* endeavour the removal of the Governour, is worth observing, I shall only make this remark on it, that as *Escombuet* used formerly to make those *Devastations* in *New England*, which by the *Wisdom* and *Vigilance* of the Governour are now *Prevented*, so these Gentlemen (he being kept at a distance) are less capable to carry on any affairs with him, if they are so inclined.

The *Sixth* Article contains a very Greivous Accufation against the Governour and his Son, and if the Facts were true, might demand Justice, but as it is, it serves only to demonstrate the Innocency of the Governour, and the *Malice* of the *Accusers*. They say he *Decides the Priviledge of Whale Fishing, claim'd by the People*, and yet that it is *Decided in the Admiralty*; when all the World must know, that the Governour if he has any Interest in any of the Courts of Justice, it must be in the Common Law Courts, and not in the *Admiralty*, where the Judge has an *Independent* Commission from *England*, and no manner dependency upon the Governour. As for Mr. *Paul Dudley's* being *Advocate*, let Coll. *B—ld* the Judge clear himself if he be any ways byaff'd thereby. But it must be allowed far more probable, that the same Mr. *Paul Dudley*, as the Queen's Attorney General, and the de-

pendance of the Courts upon the Governour, could much better Byass any other Court than that; so that nothing can better demonstrate the Governours innocency, than bringing forth Groundless matters in charge against him. If any Encroachments have been made upon the People by the Court of Admiralty, let the Judge answer it; but whether it be so or not, this Article (as the others) is an abuse upon the Governour.

How it hapened that no Address from the General Assembly at *Boston* was presented to Her Majesty, by the return of the last Fleet I know not; but am certain that the Honourable the Assembly are little beholden to this Author for the Reasons by him given in the Seventh Article, so many occasions calling for one; as Congratulating Her Majesty upon the Great and Glorious [9] Successes of the preceding Year, a Gratefull tender of their Allegiance and Duty to Her Majesty, &c. which makes me conclude that some Occasions have interven'd, besides what this Memorialist has given. 'Tis wonderful that this Honourable Body are full of *Repentments, and Dissatisfaction in the Administration of Coll. Dudley*, and yet not write one word of Complaint against him, and the Reason that is given is yet more remarkable, *Viz. They expected Her Majesty would send another.* If the Governour's Administration is or has been oppressive, the Assembly are Deficient in their Duty to Her Majesty, in not making their Complaints, as on the contrary to the Governour, in not giving him his due praise if merited. The four Addresses annex'd to this, as they recommend the Governour to Her Majesty, worthy the Station She has been pleas'd to Honour him with, and unanimously beg Her Gracious Continuance of him, so I must conclude the delay of an Address from the Assembly, has not been thus long retarded by any dissatisfaction to the Governour, but however will not take upon me to be their Advocate for such a surprizing omission. Having no manner of reason to suspect that the Honourable Assembly have less regard for the Governour now, than they had when they presented their last Address to Her Majesty, I have also annexed that with the others.

As to the *Eighth Article*; upon the coming of the Flag of Truce, there was a general Exchange of Prisoners, when unhappily five or Six Children were got amongst the *more distant Indians*, so could not be exchange'd so early as the others, but were included in the Article. The Minister taken at *Derefield* was the Reverend Mr *Williams*, who also was exchange'd at the same time with the other Prisoners, but by a *Particular Agreement*, which obliges me to explain the Story of *Battis* mention'd in the Second Article. This Man after he was taken Prisoner, was accused of several Murders, but no sufficient proof being made



out againſt him, he remained a Priſoner of War ; the Governour who knew him to be an *acceptable Leader* amongſt the *Indians*, not being willing to part with him though *often* demanded ; till underſtanding that the Reverend Mr *Williams* could have his *Enlargement* upon no other terms ; the Governour in reſpect to Mr *Williams* ſubmitted to it. This Author that accuses the Governour, for *discharging Battis*, and at the ſame time deploras the hard Fate of Mr *Williams's Captivity*, could not be ignorant of the Return of Mr *Williams*, as well as of Mr *Battis's* Diſcharge.

[ 10 ] The *Ninth Article* as it commends the *Vigilancy* of the Aſſembly, ſo it no ways concerns the Governour, but becauſe the Reader may think the *Arms* and *New Bullets* that were found in the French Ship of Truce, were ſufficient to Arm the whole French Settlement, take the account as it is. Upon a Suſpition that ſome Clandefſtine Trade was managed by this Truce Ship, the *Aſſembly* Deputed ſome of their *Own Body* to ſearch the Ship, who found in it Five *Fuſee's*, which they brought with them, and fifteen Pounds of Small-ſhot ; enough to ſhoot a few Sea Fowle in their return, (as indeed that was the true meaning) but not to annoy an Enemy, or defend themſelves. The *Governour's interpoſing* and *getting the matter huſh'd up to the diſſatisfaction of the Aſſembly, and Country in general*, as this Memorialiſt ſays, is trifling, and needs no other Reply but Laughter.

I would willingly have omitted reciting any other parts of this Pamphlet, the Author having, as he ſays, including in the *Preceding* Nine Articles, all the \* *Modern Miſmanagements of the Governour*, and alſo the *Particular Grievances* that afflict the *Province* : But a little afterwards he tells you that out of the † *Vaſte* number of Letters of *Complaints* that are come over againſt the Governour, the TWO that he has Publiſh'd are Eminently diſtinguiſhable ; the firſt for the ‡ *Character* of the Gentleman that writ it, who is a *Great Bleſſing* to his *Native Country*. The other for the || *Shortneſs, Plainneſs, and Veracity*. Therefore I rather ſubmit to let them have a place here, than leave it to any Prejudiced Perſon to ſay that Partiality Curtail'd ſuch material Evidences.

\* Pag. 3. Lin. 19.  
† P. 10. Lin. 24.

‡ P. 10. Lin. 19.  
|| P. 10. Lin. 26.

Boston. New England, Octob. 2d, 1706.

SIR,

*INASMUCH as you have expected from me, a true and brief Representation of several Matters relating to this Province, I shall with all possible faithfulness endeavour it. Our present Governour is not without a number of those whom he has by Promotions and Flateries made his Friends; but this hinders not a much more considerable Number, from wishing that we had a Governour who would put [ 11 ] an end unto the horrid Reign of Bribery in our Administration, and who would not infinitely incommode her Majesty's Service, by keeping the People in continual jealousies of his Plots upon their most Valuable Interests.*

*What the disposition of the People towards him is, you may guess by this. There was lately prepar'd an Address from hence to the Queen, upon many Important Articles, but by certain Arts there was got into it a Clause, to desire of the Queen, that this Governour might be continued; the Representatives Voted all the rest of the Address, but this Clause was absolutely rejected; they could not get above five or six Votes for it, so the whole Address (which was Contrived by a Party for nothing but that Clause) fell to the Ground.*

*There happened lately a Number of Persons, namely, Bouland, Vetch, Rouse, Lawfon, Philips, and Cauplin, to be taken managing an unlawful Trade with the French and Indians, the Commodities wherein they Traded were such, that the Act of Parliament made their Crime to be High Treason; and we had no Act of the Province relating to that Matter, but was defectively express: Our Merciful Assembly was mighty loath to proceed unto so severe a Judgment as that of Death upon these Offenders. The Offenders Petitioning for it, the General Assembly were (very much by the Governour's Influence) drawn into it, to take the Tryal of them into their own hands; and as only Guilty of an High Misdemeanour, the Vote for it was obtain'd in a Thin House, upon a hurry at Breaking up, and some Clauses in the Charter were so construed as to Countenance it. Upon their coming together again, they would fain have revoked their Votes, as fearing that the very Persons who had been their Tempters into it, would turn their Accusers, and improve it by way of Complaint, for the Enemies of our Charter to work upon; but the Governour would by no means permit the Revocation of that wrong step, (if it were one) so the Tryal proceeded, and the Offenders were Fined in several Sums, by an Act of the Governour and Assembly.*

*It is now said that the Ingrateful Men who were saved from the Gallows, by the Tenderness of the Government, are now cutting*

*our Throats, and Petition home against the Government, for Fining them instead of Hanging them ; yea it is also said, that the very Person who was the chief cause of drawing the Assembly into this Extraordinary Proceeding, intends to make an ill use of it against the Country ; If you are sensible of any things of this nature carrying on, we [ 12 ] pray you to add unto the rest of your Offices, that of an Intercession, that an harmless People, surpriz'd into an error, may not be punish'd any otherwise, than by the removal of such as have been the cause of it ; and so much for that.*

*Sir, You would do a vaste Service to the Crown, if you would set forward the Designs of reducing Canada, and Possessing Nova Scotia, a much less Fleet than what Annually goes into the Indies, coming early enough in the Spring, may easily do the former, even in the way thither ; and a Scotch Colony might be of good Consequence to do the latter ; but if any assistance from New England should be expected in this matter, it is of absolute necessity that the Country have a Governour whom the People may somewhat rely upon.*

*Sir, You are born to do the Queen and the Nation Service ; you are spirited for great Undertakings, you are highly beloved and esteemed among our People in this Land, and wherever you have come ; 'tis wished you may do some considerable Action in this Affair.*

*I have earnestly solicited to Address one of the Most Illustrious Patriots of the English Nation, my Lord High Treasurer, with some of these Intimations. That Noble Person is known to be such a Patron to all Good Men, and such a Defence of Oppressed Innocence and Liberties, that we all fly to him as our Unquestionable Refuge. I am well satisfy'd there would need nothing (to speak Humanely) to make this Country easie and happy, but for the Excellent Person to have an exact Representation of our Circumstances ; nothing hinders me from attempting it, but the hazard of doing what may be thought a Presumption in one so much a stranger to him : Nevertheless I am desired by some Considerable Persons to move you, that you would wait upon his Lordship, and fully acquaint him with the Matters now laid before you.*

May the Almighty prosper you,  
I am Sir,  
Your Obliged Servant &c.

[ 13 ] Postscript,

*Sir, I may inform you of one Action lately done among us, which I know you will be pleas'd withal : Upon the advice of the*

*Extream Distress, whereto the French Invasion had brought St. Christophers, and Nevis; the People of New England in a most Christian manner, express'd their Charity towards those, who perhaps would have hardly done the like for them on a like occasion. We made a Collection for the Relief of their Necessities, the Collection was I am told, between Seven and eight hundred Pounds, in this Collection there were two Churches in Boston, the South and the North, one gave somewhat above a 100 l. the other gave a little under it. Certainly a Country so ready to serve her Majesty, and to help their fellow Subjects, ought to have a room in the thoughts of all Good Men in the English Nation.*

The Reverend Mr C. M. Author of the foregoing Letter has gain'd so much upon the blind Obedience of the Inferiour sort of People in *New England*, by his seeming Sanctity, and has so insinuated himself into the opinion of some of good Credit *here*, under the notion of a *Patriot*, that in order to let them *see the Man*, it becomes necessary to say a few words of him in General, and of this Letter in Particular. He begins with promises of all *Possible Faithfulness* in his Relation, and then tells you that the Friends of the Governours, by Promotion or Flattery, are made so *numerous*, that one might naturally conclude he must carry whatever he proposes; those that oppose the Governours Proceedings having as he intimates no other power than Wishes, whereas in the second Paragraph the Scene is quite chang'd; for an Address being prepared to Her Majesty upon *many Important Articles*, it was *Rejected* for the sake of a Clause brought in, to desire Her Majesty's *Continuance of the Governour*. 'Tis pitty the *Important Affairs* of the Province should be retarded upon any Private Account: But afterwards to shew you those *Important Articles* were not of the last consequence, he tells you the *whole Address* was *contrived by a party for nothing but a Clause about the Governour*. When it best answers the Ends of these People, then the Governour's Interest is so great that all things are transacted at his pleasure, whereas at other times they wont allow him to have Interest enough to support the Dignity of his Station. I have in the Answer to the Seventh Article said what I thought necessary about the Assembly's not Addressing Her Majesty.

[ 14 ] The Third and Fourth Paragraphs are wholly upon the *Indian Trade*, so must expect the same Answer that was given to the Two *first Articles* of the Memorial. Be pleas'd only to observe that whereas in several parts of the Pamphlet the Governour is censur'd about the Tryal of the Gentlemen accus'd of the Trade, here 'tis plain 'twas wholly done by the Assembly, for which reason this Gentleman calls them the *Merciful Assembly*, and speaking of the Tryal calls it the *Tenderness of the Govern-*

*ment &c* and in truth they ought to take it all to themselves. For the Traders were at first committed by the *Lower House of Assembly* upon suspicion &c, and the second time by the *same House* for *High Misdemeanour* without Col. *Dudley's Knowledge* or *Privity*, neither was their any mention of Treason in either of their Commitments duly attested: But to be more clear, the Laws of *New England* then in force could make it no more than *High Misdemeanour*, though since, that defect is provided against by the *Direction of the Governour*; for an act is past in *New England*, declaring such proceedings *High Treason*.

'Tis of no signification to insinuate that the Assembly were drawn into this Proceeding by the Governour, the Governours Interest (as the second Paragraph of this Letter says) not being able to get more than six Voices upon a more Important Occasion.

The Pride and Vanity of the Man is very remarkable in his Fourth Paragraph presuming to Intrench upon the Office of his Superior's in laying down Military Schemes, opposite to those that are now Transacting in his Native Country, and proposing the advantage (upon success) to those that in all probability will have no hand in the attempt.

I will not pretend to guess who is meant by this Paragraph, *Sir, You are born to do the Queen and Nation Service &c.* But will assure you, Sir. that Col. *Dudley* before he left *England* had abundance of Letters from *New England* fill'd with the like *Rhetorick*, some of them near of kind to the Gentleman that writ this: Therefore let not the Gentleman to whom this is directed, propose to himself if ever he becomes Governour, (as I see no likelihood of it) to be better used than Col. *Dudley* and his Predecessors have been; If he will be also steady in the performance of his Duty to Her Majesty and the Nation. The same Causes will always be attended with the same Consequences; and the *Hereditary Rancour* that appears in this [ 15 ] Holy Man's Letter, as well as in many of his Actions, will *Everlastingly* be *Opposite* to Government, even though it were *Angelical*.

What Mr *C. M.* says in his last Paragraph is so exceeding just that 'tis surprising to find it from the same Pen. — All Mankind must concur with the Honourable Character that he there gives my Lord Treasurer, he is justly by him stiled, *A Patron to all Good Men. A Defence of Oppressed Innocency and Liberty.* 'Tis for these and his many other valuable Qualities, that Her Majesty in Her *Consummate Wisdom*, has thought fit to place him in so exalted a Station; and 'tis from his *Patronage*, that all those that

wish well to *New England*, assure themselves that that *Province* will *Flourish* in spite of *Faction*, and the Governour be *confirm'd* to the confusion of his Opposers. Whether the Address (at the End of this) from the whole Body of the Clergy of *New England*, *Gratefully* acknowledging Her Majesty's Favour, in *Appointing* and *Continuing*, Col. *Dudley* their Governour, (the like of which was never before seen from that Venerable Body under any Administration) ought to be less regarded than the Venomous Letter of one Malecontent Priest, let Impartiality determine.

I have done with the Letter, but the Postscript, though Foreign to the Occasion will admit of this remark ; That a *Body of People* that have been so liberal in their Charity to their *Suffering Neighbours*, must (Generally speaking) be better Christians, (however Characteriz'd by Mr *C. M.*) than to trouble Her Majesty, with Groundless Complaints against the present Governour, whose steady Loyalty, Great Knowledge, and unparallel'd Clemency, is endeavouring to make them *Happy*, and *Flourishing*, even against the *Opposition* of some Turbulent Spirits, that can't endure Conformity either in Church or *State*.

Mr *C. M.* would have been more ingenuous, being he thought fit to mention this Charity, if he had given a faithful account of it, and told you, that the Tenderness of the Governour, (whose designs of doing good are very extensive) had by a Brief, (the Copy of which you'll find at the End) excited the People to this Act of Charity : And after the Money was Collected, saw it laid out in Provisions, and sent to them ; which in their unhappy Circumstances, was of the utmost consequence. Whilst this Reverend Gentleman, is speaking of this Charity of the Province to St. *Christophers* and *Nevis* in their Distress, be pleas'd to observe his own Charity : *The People of New England in a most Christian manner express'd [ 16 ] their Charity towards those, who perhaps would have hardly done the like for them upon a like occasion.*

A small Tract of Religion coming to my Hands a few years since, Written by the Reverend Mr. *C. M.* I could not without some remark take notice of a Passage in the Preface, which is to this effect, That being arrived at the Thirty second year of his Age, he had also Publish'd Thirty two Volumns ; However I concluded that experience would rectifie a little youthful vanity, which I thought was atton'd for, by the ability and inclination the Man had to do Good ; but I find him in Spirituals as failable as in Politicks, or he would not have attempted a *Pretended Vision*, to have converted Mr *Frasier* a *Few*, who had before conceiv'd some good Notions of Christianity : The Consequence was, that the *Forgery* was so plainly detected that Mr *C. M.* confest it ; after which Mr *Frasier* would never be perswaded to hear any more of Christianity.

The Particular I am now going to speak to, should have been omitted, but without it the Doctors way of *Aequivocating* could not be so well known. The story is this : A Gentlewoman of *Gayety*, near *Boston*, was frequently visited by the Reverend Mr. *C. M.* which giving offence to some of his Audience, he promised to avoid her Conversation. But *Good* intentions being frustrated by *Vicious* Inclinations, he becomes again her humble Servant ; this *Reciprocal* promise being first made, that *NEITHER OF THEM SHOULD CONFESS THEIR SEEING EACH OTHER* : However it becoming again publick, his Father accused him of it, who after two or three *HEMS* to recover himself, (like *Col. Partridge* at the Council-Board) gave this *Aequivocal* Answer, *INDEED, FATHER, IF I SHOULD SAY I DID SEE HER, I SHOULD TELL A GREAT LYE.* This is the Gentleman distinguishable for his *Character* ; next comes the Letter, *Short*, and *Plain*, and nothing in it but *Veracity*.

SIR,

**A**LL the People here are bought and sold betwixt the Governour and his Son Paul ; they are so Mercenary that there is no Justice to be had without Money ; there is not one Publick place in the Government, that is worth Money, but what the Governour or Paul goes halves with. In short, the whole Country is very uneasy, and the People here are so universally set against him, that Her Majesty can scarcely give a greater influence of Her tender care and regard to them, than by a removal of him, which to my certain knowledge would be [ 17 ] soon follow'd by a sincere and Hearty Acknowledgment of Her Majesty's singular Favour to them in that Particular.

R. A.

I am sorry I am obliged to take notice of Mr *Ar—ngs* Letter, but as it is produced in Evidence, against the Governour and his Son, and as the Author of the *New England* Memorial draws *Inferences* from this, and the foregoing Letter, it becomes necessary upon this occasion to look into it, but with the utmost tenderness and compassionate regard, for the present Circumstances of the Gentleman, which I am told are very contracted, I think Mr *Ar—nge* is very little beholden to his Correspondents in *London* for so publickly exposing a Letter, which must be attended with very uneasy consequences to him, if the Clemency of the Governour and his Son is not very remarkable. Nothing to an Impartial Reader can be a greater argument of the Uprightness of the Governour and his Son, than to find that the *Rancour* of this Man, has not thought fit to give one particular instance, to

Corroborate his General Accufation. He fhould have told us in particular who are the People *that are Bought and Sold*, and given fome instances of corruption in *Judicial Proceedings*, or any other *parts* of the Governour's *Adminiftration* and have nam'd the Sums of Money *Criminally Gain'd and Divided*. Sure I am, it is not the effects of his good nature, that makes him forbear mentioning any of the Particulars by me enquired after.

His *advifing* Her Majesty to remove the Governour, *affuring* Her, that to *his Own certain knowledge* 'twill be very acceptable to the People, is fuch an exceeding instance of the Impudence of the *Man*, that can fcarcely be parallel'd even amongst the whole body of the *Seditious*. And then he concludes, the Province will become *fincere and hearty Acknowledgers of Her Majesty's fingular Favour to them in that Particular*.

I fhould injure the refpect that's due to the *Honourable the Council and Affembly of Massachusetts Bay*, to imagine they will neglect inquiring into the Authority this Man has, for thus *Saucily* advifing Her Majesty, nay even telling Her, that *Sincerity* and hearty *Acknowledgments*, are only to be expected to Her Majesty from *New England*, upon the Terms by *Him* Prefcribed.

The Two preceeding Letters produce three fubfequent Inferences, *viz.*

[ 18 ] I. *THAT WITHOUT MONEY THERE IS NO JUSTICE IN NEW ENGLAND.\**

What a Difmal Character is here given of the whole People of that Flourifhing Country, *Clergy and Laity, Merchant and Peafant &c.*, are all involved in this *heavy* Accufation. If this be true, no wonder that a Governour *Fearing God and hating Covetoufnefs*, is made uneafie in the Faithful Discharge of his *Office*.

† II. *A GENERAL UNEASINESS UNDER, AND OPPOSITION, TO THIS GOVERNOUR THROUGH THE WHOLE COUNTRY.*

Speak for your felves ye Collective Bodies of the People: The Honourable the *Affembly*, the *Reverend the Clergy*, ye *Merchants and Traders at Boston*, and alfo ye the Honourable, the *Council and Representatives of New Hamfshire*; fpeak I fay, for your *Selves*, and tell the World, that Infatuation hung over your Heads, to make you Recommend to Her Majesty a Man againft whom there is a ‡ *General Uneafinefs through the whole Country*, to be continued Governour amongst you. But if you

\* Pa. II. L. 7.

† P. II. L. 17.

‡ P. II. L. 17.



are sensible these *Accusations* are *Calumnies* and are well assur'd (as you say in your several Addressses you are) that your Governours Administration \* *has and always will have a Tendency to the Promotion of Her Majesty's Interest*, and also to the *Ease and Satisfaction, of all Her GOOD Subjects*, that his *Wisdom. Diligence Courage and Fidelity*, are Exemplary, with many other Qualifications becoming a Governour: Then speak like your selves (in Justification of your Injur'd Governour, and your own Reputations, thus barbarously attackt) with a Voice that shall for the future silence all those Dispisers of Authority.

### III. A FERVENT DESIRE TO BE EASED OF OPPRESSION.†

'Tis for this very End that Her Majesty and Her Allies are now engaged in War. Let not the People of *New England* suspect that Her Majesty whose Compassionate Assistance is extended towards all the oppressed Nations about her, will be wanting to her *GOOD Subjects of New England*, neither will I imagine they'l (for the *FUTURE*) neglect any opportunities of returning their *Duty and Gratitude* to Her Majesty.

I am obliged to follow the Steps of the Author ‡ who *Presents the Reader with a farther account of the Mismanagements of the Governour by another Hand*, that is to say, by Mr *P—dge*, a mighty Assistant in carrying on this work, as appears by this long account, (taking up almost four pages) his *two Affidavits*, his *Certificate*, and also his *Speech* before Her Majesty in *Council*. The reason that [ 19 ] this Gentleman gave for embarking in this cause shall be known in its place. This *Farther account* tells you of a Letter sent to Mr *Waldron* § and himself, by the Governour; recommending it to the *Province of New Hampshire*, to draw up an Address to her Majesty, which was done; and so generally accepted, that Mr *Waldron* had no manner of occasion to use any art with the Council, and Representatives, to perswade them to what they were so dutifully inclin'd. This *Farther account* is almost full of Repetitions of what has been spoke to already, which I shall omit, only taking notice of his new matter. The Governours Correspondence with || *Gallen Emesary* was so Beneficial to the Province, in foreknowing the intended Designs of the *French and Indians*, which capacitated him to provide against them, that I doubt not but the several Presents that the Governour (to this Gentlemans knowledge) sent him, are Retaliated by the Country.

'Tis very wide to draw any Conclusion from this following accusation ¶ because Captain *Furber* told Mr *P—dge*, that the *French* Prisoners told him that they had heard the Governour of *Port-Royal* say, that he had promis'd that he would not let the

\* *The Addressses.*

† P. 11. L. 3.

‡ P. 12. L. 11.

§ P. 11. L. 7.

|| *The Addressses.* P. 12. L. 36.

¶ P. 13. L. 35.

*Indians* have Powder and Shot, that therefore he did not do it, when he had it to spare. Those *Indians* are his Master's Subjects, or at least his Allies, and let no Man believe that any of the King of *France's* Governours, are so *good natur'd*, as not to put Arms into the hands of those, that they can depend upon, will use them to annoy their Master's Enemies in time of War. Neither let it be suspected that the *French* don't take care to supply their Plantations, with Warlike Stores, (without expecting to buy them of their Enemies Clandestinely) though sometimes the Accidents of the Sea may retard them, which I suppose was the case when the Governour of *Port Royal* (if at all) made these promises. I know not how many of the Enemy have been kill'd since the present Governours time, having seen no List, but I believe more than \* *an Old Woman* and two *Girls*, which is all this *Farther account* allows. † Several were kill'd at *Derefield*; ‡ Our *Indians* kill'd *Seven* at *Cowstick*, § another kill'd an *Indian* or two before he was taken; || Mrs *Bradley* scalded one Fellow to Death with hot Soap, and also *disposed a Quantity of her Soap to another*, with the like Heroical intention, but it not succeeding at the first, she ran from him.

These Particulars I find in the Pamphlet now under consideration; As for the Governours foreknowing that the Enemy would not (or to speak properly durst not) appear in a Body like [ 20 ] an Army; but in sculking Parties of Twenty, or Thirty, it speaks so much the Honour and good Intelligence of the Governour than nothing need be said of it. The Address from the Militia of *Massachusetts Bay*, is a very honourable one, and worthy the Gentlemen that sign'd it. they being most of them the principal Men of the Country; let Mr *P—dge* (who is gone over) tell them they durst not do otherwise, and I shall be surpriz'd, if I don't hear of his Correction.

Five Affidavits, and one Certificate, come next; two of them by *John Calley*, Mariner; one by *Thomas Newton*, Gent. and the other two, and the Certificate, by *William Partridge*, Esq; all which are now before Her Majesty. They are too mighty things for me to meddle with; but a Word or two of the several Occasions, that may seem to have ruffled these Gentlement, may not be improper. Mr *P—dge* has publickly given the Reason of his Anger against the Governour; which is, because the Governour did not interpose his Authority, to discharge *Fethro Furber*, Master of a *Vessel* belonging to the said *P—dge*, who was in Confinement, and under a Prosecution in the Admiralty Court at *Boston*, at the Suit of Her Majesty; for enticing away several Sea-men out of Her Majesties Ship the *Deptsford*, Captain *Stuckley* Commander. The Governour could act no part in this Affair, the Cause lying in a Court independant of him: But if it had

\* P. 16. L. 26.

† P. 41. Lin. 19.

‡ P. 35. Lin. 94.

§ P. 32. L. 10.

|| P. 33. L. 33.

been never so much in his Power, it would have given ground for a very just Complaint against him, to countenance any Persons, against whom there is full proof of enticing the Men out of Her Majesties Ships of War; the want of whom, may expose them to great danger from the Enemy or otherwise.

Mr. *Fohn C—y* has been serviceable in taking two Prizes in *America*; whether the Governour was too severe upon him, in directing the Collector to take them into his Care for Her Majesty's Use, after Mr *C—y* appropriated them to his own use, I leave to others to determine.

\* Mr. *N—ton* accuses the Governour, for not permitting him to go to *Rhode Island*, to condemn some Prizes (being deputed thereunto by *W. At—d* Esq.) unless the said Governour had a Hundred Pounds procur'd him by the said *N—n*. The Governour might have prevented his going, very justly; but however, if the Hundred Pounds had been paid for that leave, it would have been a principal part of the Affidavit.

[ 21 ] From the Affidavits, we come to some Remarks made by this Author: First, † *Can any Man that loves not a French Interest, call those trivial?* Yes truly, I make no manner of doubt, but a Man may be very honest, and a hearty Lover of *Great-Britain*, and also of *New England*; and yet see through the Malice, and Falcity of these Accusations. The Author need not have gone so far back, as to the ‡ *Athenians*, to have found out Presidents for punishing great Officers for Male-Administration; such Examples might be seen in the Annals of *England*; but we must not revive the old *Abington* Law, of punishing Men before they are prov'd guilty. Have a little patience Gentlemen, *there is a Day appointed* for hearing all that can be said against the Governour; Her Majesty is *Just*, She'll hear both sides, and then *decree Righteous Judgment*. § *To do Justice and Right, is the most Invaluable Jewel in Magna Charta*. I am not presuming to question the Righteousness of our Laws; but the Law of *Moses* is much older. The Spirit of Perverseness is mighty visible in the Gentlemen, or else he would not have gone to *Athens*, to find out Presidents for *English* Men; or quoted *Magna Charta*, to prove the Necessity of Keeping the Ten Commandments.

|| 'The Cries sent up to Heaven, by the many poor Souls lately most inhumanly butchered by the merciless *Indians* — will certainly draw down Redress from him, who is not only *REX MAGNUS & REX SOLUS*, but *FUDEX SUPRE-MUS*, who hath *IMPERIUM SINE FINE*, as well as *SINE LIMITE*.' Undoubtedly, God Almighty hath heard and regarded, the Cries and Sufferings of those poor People; and also,

\* Pag. 26.

† Pag. 30. l. 2.

‡ Pag. 30. l. 9.

§ Pag. 30. l. 15.

|| Pag. 30. l. 28.

without any manner of question, the fame of the *Proto-Martyr* of the Country, the poor *Weaver*, whose only Crime was, that he was not a *Cobler*. And here the *Attributes of God* are express'd in a Language, that it may be, some of that Country may call *Poperly*; but there is something so agreeable, and melting in the Chiming of Words, as *Rex Magnus*, and *Rex Solus, Sine Fine*, and *Sine Limite*, that it could not well be omitted; otherwise the Author might from the *Common-Prayer-Book*, have quoted more proper Attributes, and much more intelligible to the People.

\* I am now come to the Account of several Barbarities &c. committed by the *Indians*, intermix'd with some memorable Providences, which fill ten Pages to very little purpose, there being in them nothing uncommon to Frontiers, that are contiguous to undisciplin'd barbarous People, such as *Tartars, Indians*, or the like.

† [ 22 ] I can't be very much surpris'd, that when a Crew of Indians that had taken an English Child, and had eat no Victuals for 3 Days, were rather determin'd to eat the Child, than one another. This Nature induced them to do, but the Humanity of the Heathens is remarkable, that a Dog falling in their way, they compassionated the Child; the Dog though but half a Meal to them, supply'd that occasion ‡ and *Hannah Parsons* is yet living. If an Indian had fallen in the way of half a Dozen hungry Christians, even though they were come to a *Fulness of Grace*, and *Ripe* in the Lord; yet if they had Eat no Victuals for three days, I make no doubt but he would have been dispos'd of, according to the Regular Form of Leggs, and Shoulders, for the more Expeditionly supplying themselves, by Boyling and Roasting; and yet the Deliverance would have remain'd Remarkable (*i. e.*) that *Providence* threw this Fellow into the way of their Necessities — An § Englishman killing an Indian, and being taken was to be murder'd at the direction, and in what manner the *Squa* (*i. e.*) the Widdow of the Indian was pleas'd to prescribe; but she (having more Humanity than some that call themselves Christians) forgave him — || A *New England Woman* was going to be hang'd by an Indian, but the limb of the Tree broke as she was tying up, and another Indian interposing, she was likewise sav'd. I pass over several other Particular hardships that some Christians during their Captivity have endured from Hunger Weather, and long Sojourning, but ¶ Mrs *Bradly* of *Haverly's* Cafe must be particularly taken notice of, because 'tis recommended with an — *AB UNO DISCE OMNES*. She poor Woman, pass through several Varieties of Affliction during her Captivity. The Story of her delivering her self from danger by killing, one Fellow with scalding Sope, and lathering another

\* P. 31. *Lin.* 1.

† P. 32. *L.* 1.

‡ *Ib.* l. 9.

§ *Ib.* l. 10.

|| *Ib.* l. 22.

¶ *Ib.* l. 20.

has been told already ; afterwards she went through several difficulties, as Hunger, and the like. Being near her time in the midst of Winter ; she had no Habitation but amongst Ice and Snow ; but she had an \* *Easie Labour* in this *hard Weather*, and her self and child did well after it. I find no other Particulars till her Liberty, which was thus, † Her good Husband Master *Bradley*, accompanying Mr *Sheldon* in his last Expedition, unexpectedly found his Wife and brought her home to *Haverly* ; Even this Particular is not the most surprizing, it being no uncommon thing for a Man to find his Wife, where he least expected her.

I have purposely omitted several of these Cases, as the *Captives* Wandering in the Defarts, and going through several Perils by Land and Water, enough having been said of it already. It behoves [ 23 ] every Man to Compassionate these unhappy Prisoners ; but when they shall be heap'd together to endeavour to Incense the People against their Governour, (to whose good Conduct 'tis owing that fewer are in this Distress now than in Former Wars.) it takes off from that Humanity that such deplorable Cases call for.

I can't end this Discourse without taking a little notice of the Hard Fate of the Gentlemen that are Governours of Her Majesties Plantations abroad, whilst they in their several Stations are promoting the Honour of Her Majesty, and the Interest of the several Provinces committed to their Care, to have a Malecontented Party *HERE* undermining and misrepresenting them.

The Case of Coll. *Dudley* is an Unusual Instance. He (if ever any Governour) ought to have expected all due acknowledgments from the People of *New-England*. What considerable Services has he done for the Honour of Her Majesty, and the good of the Country, since he has been made Governour. Piracies that were formerly so familiar, and so much a Scandal to the Country, are now intirely Rooted out ; Naval Stores, by his great Application exceedingly encreased, to the benefit of the Province in Particular, and all Her Majesties Subjects in General ; The Country more Effectually Defended now than in former Wars : And though the want of the *Spanish* Trade has put a Check to the Great Increase of Bullion at present ; yet *New England* never appear'd more flourishing than at this time. Justice was never in that Province more Impartially administred, Her Majesties Prerogative preserv'd, (which I hope is not a Crime) and the Subjects Property maintained.

To Sum up all, His long Experience and known Abilities, has render'd him so perfect a Master of all the true Interests of Her

\* P. 35. *Lin.* 4.

† P. 36. *Lin.* 27.

Majesty, and the Country; and his Estate and Settlement there puts it so much in his Power, that perhaps no Man in the World, can govern that Province at a less Charge to the Crown, or burthen to the People than he has done.

Thus have I concluded what I intended, whether it will gain acceptance, or accompany the MEMORIAL, in the common uses of wrapping up Tobacco, and such like necessary Occasions; as it is not in my Power to Determine, so am I not Solicitous about it.

[ 24 ]

*London, Sept. 6.*

To the Queen's most Excellent Majesty.

*The humble Address of the Ministers of the Gospel, in New England.*

' **WE** your Majesties most Loyal and Dutiful Subjects, and  
' Ministers of the Gospel, in the several Parts of *New*  
' *England*, cannot but with utmost Joy and Thankfulness, ac-  
' knowledge and be sensible of your Majesty's great and true  
' Zeal, for the promoting of Religion and Virtue (which are the  
' Glory and Security of any Nation) in your Majesty's Realms at  
' Home, and your Dominions Abroad, ever since your Majesty's  
' Accession to the Throne of your Royal Ancestors: And that  
' not only in your Majesty's own rare and excellent Example,  
' your Majesty's several Proclamations for the Encouragement of  
' Piety and Virtue; but also in these great and just Wars of the  
' Lord, which your Majesty at first undertook, and still are en-  
' gaged in, for those two high and noble Reasons, the Security of  
' our Holy and Precious Religion, and also of our Civil Liberties.

' May it please your Majesty, we do also in a more especial  
' manner, with all Thankfulness, find and admire your Majesty's  
' great Moderation and Gracious Indulgence, towards such of  
' your Majesty's good Subjects, as dissent from the Church of  
' *England*, as by Law established; and also your Royal Assurance  
' from the Throne, that you will inviolably maintain the TOL-  
' ERATION within your Kingdoms; and we humbly assure your  
' Majesty, that in these Parts of your Dominions, we shall in our  
' several Stations, endeavour, by God's Assistance, to inspire our  
' People, as well with Principles of Peace, Charity, and Loyalty,  
' as all other Christian Graces and Virtues, that under your  
' Majesty's most Auspicious Reign, we and they may lead Quiet  
' and Peaceable Lives in all Godliness and Honesty.

' We also take this occasion; with all Thankfulness to acknowledge your Majesty's Favour to this People, in appointing and continuing Colonel *Dudley*, your Captain-General, and Governour over us, whose Government here has been very much to your Majesty's Honour and Interest, and to the Happiness of [ 25 ] your Majesty's Subjects of this Province, most especially in this difficult and distressing time of War.

' May it please your Majesty, we do most humbly and joyfully give Thanks to the God of Heaven, for those many great and glorious Victories and Salvations, which he has been pleas'd to bless your Majesties Arms withal, more especially under the Conduct of his Grace the Duke of *Marlborough*, against the great Enemy of the Protestant Religion, and Liberties of *Europe*, infomuch, that our Nation is now, through your Majesty's Wife and Happy Influence, become the Head among the Nations.

' And we most humbly and devoutly pray, that, that God, by whom Kings and Queens Reign, and unto whom alone belongs Salvation, would preserve your Majesty's Sacred Person, direct your Wife Councils, prosper your Just Arms, and make you more and more victorious, until your Majesties Enemies be asham'd and found Liars: And your People like *Israel* of old, shall dwell in Safety alone, and be a happy People faved by the Lord, and become a Quiet and Peaceable Habitation, a Name and a Praise in the whole Earth. We are

*Your Majesties most Loyal and Dutiful Subjects.*

*N.B.* This is the first Address that was ever made by the Clergy of that Country to the Crown of *England*.

London. *August 12.*

To the Queen's most Excellent Majesty.

*The Humble Address of the Principal Merchants and Traders of Boston in New England.*

**WE** Your Majesty's most Loyal and Dutiful Subjects, Merchants and Traders in this Your Majesty's Town of Boston in New-England, beg leave most humbly and Joyfully to congratulate Your Majesty in those Great and Glorious Successes and Victories, wherewith it has pleas'd Almighty God to bless the Arms of Your Majesty, and Your Allies, ever since your Majesty's Happy Accession to the Throne, more especially the last Summer, against

*the great and inveterate Enemy, not only of the Religion and Prosperity of Your Majesty's Kingdoms in especial, but even of the Protestant Religion and Liberties of Europe itself.*

*And we humbly hope and pray, that as Your Majesty has never yet been disappointed in Your firm Reliance and expectation of the Divine [ 26 ] Favour and Blessing, in prosecuting so just and necessary a War, so Your Majesty may quickly see a Glorious Issue thereof, and long Live to enjoy the Happy Effects of all Your Majesty's great Designs in the Peace and Prosperity of Your own Kingdoms, and the whole Christian World.*

*We do most humbly, and with all Thankfulness acknowledge Your Majesty's great Care and Favour to ourselves, and Your Majesty's People of this Province, in protecting and encouraging our Trade and Merchandize, and altho', for the present, by reason of the War, it may labour under some Difficulty, yet we doubt not but when Your Majesty (which God grant) has prevented the French King's engrossing the Trade and Wealth of the World, we here in Your Majesty's Dominions Abroad, with Your Majesty's good Subjects at Home, shall become a Flourishing and Happy People.*

*We humbly also beg leave to represent to Your Majesty, That the Government of Coll. Dudley, Your Majesty's Commander in chief over this Province, has been and is yet very acceptable to us, and Your People here, and thro' his great Care, Courage and Wisdom, as well Your Majesty's Honour and Interest, as the Peace and Prosperity of Your Majesty's People of this Province, has been greatly secur'd and advanc'd in this time of War.*

*We most humbly pray for the continuance of Your Majesty's Care and Favour towards us, and for Your Majesty's long Life and Happy Reign over us, and shall endeavour, by all imaginable Methods, to approve ourselves, Your Majesty's most Loyal, and Dutiful Subjects.*

Boston Octob. 18. 1706.

### To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

*The humble Address of your Majesty's Military Officers in the several Parts of your Majesty's Province of the Massachusetts Bay, in New England.*

**W**EE Your Majesty's most Loyal and Dutiful Subjects having the Honour to be employed in Your Majesty's Militia in this Province, most humbly beg leave among the Crowd of Your Majesty's Loyal Subjects to Congratulate Your Majesty's Glorious



*Success in your just Wars. And also to represent to Your Majesty, that through the great favour of Almighty God, and the constant Diligence, Wisdom, and Courage of Col. Dudley, Your Majesty's Captain General and Governour, Your Majesty's People and Interest in this Province, especially [ 27 ] in the Frontiers, have been to admiration taken care of, protected and saved in our late and yet continuing heavy and distressing War, even beyond what hath been in former Wars. And that his Excellency's disposal of the Forces at all times, and the Charge thereupon necessarily arising, has been with great Justice and Wisdom, and to the great Ease, Quiet and Satisfaction of Your Majesty's People in these Parts. Under the sense of which, we are humbly bold to ask the continuance of Your Majesty's favour to our Governour, being well assur'd that his Government over us, will be for Your Majesty's Honour and Interest, and to the Peace and Satisfaction of Your Majesty's good Subjects within this Province. We humbly beg leave to assure Your Majesty that we continually wish and pray for Your Majesty's long Life and happy Reign: And that Your Majesty's great and Just Wars in Europe, and also in America, may have a Glorious and happy Issue.*

And are Your Majesty's most Loyal and most Dutiful Subjects.

*N.B.* This was sign'd by the Field-Officers, and all the Captains of Twelve Regiments, being the whole Militia of this Province.

To the Queen's most Excellent Majesty.

*The humble Address of the Council and Assembly of your Majesties Province of the Massachusetts-Bay in New-England.*

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

' **I**T is upwards of two Years since the Arrival of Colonel  
' *Dudley*, your Majesties Captain-General, and Governour in  
' chief here: For whose Appointment to that Station, we former-  
' ly humbly Address'd your Majesty, with the Thanks of this  
' Province; and we have been made sensible of his careful Man-  
' agement of your Majesties Interests, and the Government of  
' your good Subjects; particularly of his great Application, and  
' the Cost expended, to have stedyed the *Eastern Indians* in their  
' Obedience to the Crown of *England*, and your Majesty's Sov-  
' eraignty over them, whereof they have formerly made their

‘ repeated Recognition and Submission thereto ; and more lately  
 ‘ renewed the same, in two Attendencies upon his Excellency,  
 ‘ with Protestations of all good Fidelity. Yet notwithstanding,  
 ‘ thro’ the Influence of the *French* Emissaries residing among  
 ‘ them, they have for Twelve Months past, broken out, and con-  
 ‘ tinued in open Rebellion and Hostility ; and with the Assistance  
 ‘ of *French* Officers and Souldiers, from the several Parts, have  
 ‘ committed divers Outrages, and barbarous Murders, upon many  
 ‘ of your Majesties good Subjects.

‘ Which Irruption of the *Indians*, has oblig’d the Governour  
 ‘ to Garrison all the Frontiers of more than Two Hundred Miles  
 ‘ extant ; and to send forth greater and lesser Parties into the  
 ‘ Desert, in places almost inaccessible, if [ 28 ] possible, to find out  
 ‘ those bloody Rebels in their obscure Recesses under covert of a  
 ‘ vast hideous Wilderness (their manner of living being much  
 ‘ like that of the Wild Beasts of the same) and to give Check to  
 ‘ their Insolencies.

‘ And there are not less than Nineteen Hundred Effective  
 ‘ Men, now in Arms under pay, upon our Eastern and Western  
 ‘ Frontiers ; besides the Vessels and Men, necessarily employ’d for  
 ‘ guarding of the Sea-Coast, against the Infestings of the *French*  
 ‘ from *Canada*, *Port-Royal*, and the *West-Indies*, who endeavour  
 ‘ to intercept our Supplies, and disturb our Fishery : So that we  
 ‘ are at an exceeding great, and almost insupportable Charge ;  
 ‘ and see not the end thereof. We are ready to think it highly  
 ‘ reasonable, That the neighbouring Governments being secur’d  
 ‘ thereby, should bear a just Quota of the said Charge. Which  
 ‘ is humbly submitted to your Majesties great Wisdom to direct.

‘ We have therefore accounted it our Duty, by an Express,  
 ‘ humbly to represent and lay before your Sacred Majesty, the  
 ‘ very distressing Circumstances of your Majesties good Subjects,  
 ‘ within this your Province, who have hitherto chearfully under-  
 ‘ gone the sore Fatigue and Charge of their Defence and Pur-  
 ‘ suits, made after the Enemy and Rebels ; and that in the  
 ‘ greatest Severities and Heights of the Winter, exposing them-  
 ‘ selves to the last Sufferings. Being sensible, that the Advances  
 ‘ made by the Governour in the Service have been absolutely  
 ‘ necessary ; and that his Care has been, to keep the Expence as  
 ‘ low as the Emergencies would bear ; And we doubt not of a  
 ‘ good Concurrence at all times, of the Council and Assembly,  
 ‘ with the Governour, to advance both the Men and Money  
 ‘ necessary, to the utmost of their Ability.

‘ We crave also by this Opportunity, humbly to express to your  
 ‘ Majesty, our just Resentment and Detestation of the Piracies  
 ‘ and Robberies lately committed by Captain *Quelch* and Com-  
 ‘ pany : And we hope the speedy Justice that has been done upon  
 ‘ those vile Criminals, will vindicate the Government from the  
 ‘ Imputation of giving any Countenance to, or favouring of such

‘ wicked Actions. A full and particular Account of the whole  
 ‘ Procefs, and of the diligent Care taken to recover and fecure  
 ‘ the Treasure fo ill gotten, will be humbly laid before your  
 ‘ Majefty by our Governour.

‘ May it pleafe your Majefty, There are feveral Articles and  
 ‘ Stores of War, neceffary for the Safety and Defence of your  
 ‘ Majefties Intereft, within this Province, that cannot be fupply’d  
 ‘ here ; which we have moft humbly offer’d to your Majefty, in a  
 ‘ Memorial accompanying this our Addrefs.

‘ And if your Majefty of your Royal Bounty, fhall be graciously  
 ‘ pleas’d to order, That they be fupply’d out of your Majefties  
 ‘ Stores, it will greatly encourage us in the Service of your Sa-  
 ‘ cred Majefty : being always refolv’d to maintain the Honour  
 ‘ and Dignity of your Majefties Crown and Government over us ;  
 ‘ and, by the Favour of Almighty God, to maintain our Station  
 ‘ in this Province ; which we hope, upon the reftoring of Peace,  
 ‘ will, by the increafe of People and Trade therein, render it felf  
 ‘ a further Honour and Advantage to your Majefty and the  
 ‘ Crown of *England* ; for whofe long and prosperous Reign over  
 ‘ us, and a happy Succelfion of Proteftant Princes, We fhall ever  
 ‘ pray.

Madam, *Your Majefties moft Loyal and Dutiful Subjects,*

*In the Name, and by order of the Council*

Boston,

Ifaac Addington, *Secretary*

July 12th.

*In the NAME, and by Order of the Affembly*

1704.

James Converfe, *Speaker*

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*London, Auguft 9.*

To the Queen’s Moft Excellent Majefty.

The humble Addrefs of Your Majefty’s Council and Repre-  
 fentatives of Your Majefty’s Province of *New Hampshire*, in *New*  
*England* Conven’d in General Affembly. This 25th day of *July*  
 1706.

Moft humbly Sheweth,

**T**HAT *Your Majefty’s Loyal Subjects, the Inhabitants of this*  
*Province, having been always Happy fince your Majefty’s*  
*Acceffion to the Crown, under your Majefty’s Protection, and Gov-*  
*ernment, are humbly bold to acquaint your Sacred Majefty. That*  
*notwithftanding the very great Troubles this little Province lies*

*so immediately expos'd unto, by the barbarous Salvages and French, our Neighbours, yet, by the good Providence of Almighty God, the Courage, Care and Prudence of Colonel Dudley, your Majesty's Captain General, and Governour we have been exceedingly preserved, beyond what has been in former Wars, and are perfectly satisfied with the disposal of the People and Arms of the Province, and the just Expense [of?] our Money at all times, under our present Governor's Management, and humbly pray, if it may consist with your Majesty's Pleasure, that he may be continued in the Government of this Province, which we are well assured, will always have a Tendency to the Promotion of your Majesty's Interest here, as well as the Ease and Satisfaction of all your Majesty's good Subjects Inhabitants herein.*

*And we further pray to be admitted, as the meanest of your Majesty's most dutiful Subjects, humbly to Congratulate your Majesty's Glorious Success against the common Enemy, which, that they may be perfected, and that your Majesty's Victorious Arms may give a happy and lasting Peace to Europe is the Prayer of, &c.*

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By his Excellency JOSEPH DUDLEY Esq, Captain General and Governour in chief, in and over her Majesties Provinces of the *Massachusetts Bay*, and *New Hampshire* in *New England*.

**W**HEREAS the *Island of St. Christopher's* some few Weeks since, has been Insulted and Ravaged by the French: And Her Majesties good Subjects of that *Island* reduced to the last Extremity, by the Spoyles the Enemy has made in burning of their Houses and Mills, destroying and carrying off their Stocks and Estate; So that they are left destitute both of Habitation and Subsistence; most having lost everything they had.

**I** HAVE therefore, at the Desire of the Representatives in their late Session, and with the Advice of Her Majesties Council, Issued forth this BRIEF, Hereby Recommending to the Commiseration and Pity of all Charitable Well disposed Christians, within this Province, and the Province of *New Hampshire* the deplorable Circumstances and distressing Wants of their said Christian Brethren and fellow Subjects; And Exciting them to put on bowels of Christian Compassion and Charity, for the Relief of the Pinching Necessities of their distressed Friends and Countrymen. Which will be very acceptable to GOD, profitable to our Selves, and be remembered with the like grateful Acknowledgment and Respect from this *Island*, as formerly.

The Money that shall be Contributed and Collected for this pious Use, to be put into the Hands of *Samuel Sewell*, Esq. ; and *Andrew Belcher* Esq ; by them to be Invested in Provisions &c, and forthwith forwarded by the Direction of My Self and the Council.

And the Ministers of the several Towns are Directed to Read and Publish this in their Congregations ; And to stir up their People, notwithstanding their deep Poverty, to a Cheerful and Liberal Contribution to this good Work.

*Given at the Council Chamber in Boston the 17th. Day of April, 1706. In the Fifth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lady QUEEN ANNE.*

*J. DUDLEY*

By Order of the Governour and  
Council. *Isaac Addington*, Secr.

*FINIS.*



T H E

*Deplorable State*

O F

New - England,

By Reason of a *Covetous* and *Treacherous*

**Governour,**

A N D

*Puffillanimous* COUNSELLORS

With a Vindication of the Hon Mr. *HIGGINSON*,  
Mr. *MASON*, and several other Gentlemen from the  
Scandalous and Wicked *Accusation* of the VOTES, Or-  
dered by Them to be Published in their *BOSTON*  
News-Letter.

To which is Added,

An ACCOUNT of the Shameful *Miscarriage* of  
the. Late EXPEDITION against

PORT - ROYAL.

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LONDON, Printed in the Year 1708.





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To the Right Honourable, the  
Earl of *Sunderland*,

Her MAJESTY's Principal

*Secretary of State.*

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*My LORD*

THIS Deplorable Narrative, Contains but a small Part of the Grievances of *New-England*, under their Present Governour, who is a perfect Reverse to Our Gracious QUEEN, whose Person he Represents.

*New-England* in K. Charles the First's Time, was first Inhabited by *Protestants* of the Church of *England*: When several Learned and Pious Parish Ministers, were Silenc'd here, for Refusing to Read the *Book of Sports* on the Lord's Day, and many of them Imprisoned: the Love that several Gentlemen of Quality had for their Ministers, induced 'em to Sell their pleafant Seats and Leave their Native *Country*, to go to an *uninhabited Wilderness*, where they had Cause to Fear the *Wild Beasts*, and *Wilder Men*. <sup>1</sup>*For if Religion be Worth any Thing, 't is Worth every thing.*

So that this Country (by the Blessing of GOD, who always Rewards a Vertuous People with Temporal Blessings) was lately become a Great NATION; but Col: *Dudley*, in King Charles the Second's Reign, was Intrusted with the Precious *Depositum*, their Greatest Treasure, their Religious Priviledges, and Civil Liberties, which were conveyed to them by CHARTER, but were both Betray'd by him. Yet notwithstanding the said *Dudley* has, by his Cunning Insinuations, Obtained the Favour to be made the Present Governour by Her now Majesty, of the *Massachusetts's* Colony in *New-England*. But his Male-Administration, hath Caused several Considerable Merchants and Inhabitants there, Believing their Country to be in Imminent Danger by

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[by] such a Governour, to Petition Our most Gracious Sovereign for his Removal, Charging him with Crimes of the Highest Guilt; which the Petitioners did Humbly Hope, would have soon Remov'd him had not the great Piety of the Queen interposed (who has always had a special Regard to the several Ministers in her Dominions., Upon the said Governour's Council, producing an *Address*, said to be from the Ministers of *New-England*, Commending his Government, and Praying his Continuance: Which *Address* is a part of his Crime, being Obtained by the Threats and Promises of his *Agents*, and with Difficulty Subscribed by some Ministers in the Country, but the most Considerable amongst them, and the Ministers of *Boston*, Refus'd it, who Detest his Person, and Pray for his Removal.

<sup>1</sup> And this is Apparent; for in their *Address* the Ministers Thank'd the Queen for the Tolleration *Act*, and the *Assurances* of *Tollerating them in their Religion*, which is the *ONLY* Establish'd Religion of their Country. And 't is much more Reasonable That the *Kirk* of *North Britain*, in their *Addressees* to the *Queen*, should Thank Her Majesty for Tollerating *Presbytery* among them, which is their National *Church Government*, they having formerly had some Sort of *Episcopal Government* among them: But *these* People never had any other *Church Government* than they *Now* have.

Besides what is now Offer'd, there are several other Reasons for his Removal. He is a *Native of the Country*: His Relations, and those he calls his Friends, are it seems, the fittest Men for all the *Civil and Military Posts*. His Son, whom he calls the *Queen's Attorney-General*, being the only *Minister of State*, under him, by which any can have Access to his Person for *common Justice*. . . . . This is the *Third Time* that he has been Trusted with Power from the *Crown* in *America* and he has constantly Abus'd it, to the Dishonour of the Government, and almost Ruin of the People he was sent to Govern.

My LORD,

YOUR Lordship's Great Abilities have Rais'd you to be a *Great Minister of State*, in this Critical Juncture. Your Lordship's *Known Hatred* of Oppression, and *Love* of Liberty, and the *English* Government, makes up Your *Finish'd Character*. My Lord, *New-England* is in your Lordship's *Province*, and under Your Care, <sup>2</sup>and Flies to your Lordship for Protection; and Humbly Prays your Lordship to Represent their *Distressed Case* to our most Gracious QUEEN. A Queen, that would have all Her Subjects, (even in the Remotest Parts


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<sup>2</sup> Beginning of the fourth page. — Eds.

of Her Dominions) Easy and Happy. In doing which, your Lordship will Oblige a whole Country of *Protestants*, to fend up their Feruent Prayers to Heaven for your Lordship's Long Life and Happinefs ; and lay a Lafting Obligation upon

*My LORD, with the utmoft Refpect,  
and Sincerity, your Lordships moft Humble  
moft Obliging, and moft Faithful Servant,*

A. H.

 The Reader is Desired to take Notice, that the following Sheets being Printed before the Epistle Dedicatory was Writ, we could not Conveniently Infert in their proper Place, thefe Material Advices lately fallen into our Hands, *viz.*

*Boston, July, 17, 1708.*

OUR prefent General Affembly have Acted like Men. They have Turned out of the Council, feveral of *D——'s* Creatures. And the Country has Chofen better Representatives than they had the Laft Year. The prefent Houfe of *Commons* here has Voted an Adrefs to the Queen, in which they Declare, That they Declined fending a former Adrefs, becaufe there was an Article in it, Applauding the Governour's *Conduet*, and Praying his Continuance, &c.

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'T O T H E  
R E A D E R.

*I*F the New-England Counsellors, (as well as their Governour) are Publickly Exposed in a Land a Thousand Leagues Distant from them, they have no Reason to Complain of Hard Dealing, Lex Talionis Requires that it should be so; for it is nothing but what they themselves have done, by Gentlemen who are on several Accounts Superior to them. We Wish they may be Sensible of the great Hurt their Country is like to Suffer by their Means. They have Discouraged their Friends from ever Appearing again in their Behalf, when if they should, they, to Please their Governour, will in Print, Brand them for Scandalous and Wicked Accusers.

Their Fault is very much Aggravated, in that after they Saw an Invoice which mentions an Hundred Thousand Nails, sent to the Queen's Enemies at Port-Royal, Allowed by the Governour under his Own Hand, they Caused their Abusive Vote to be Printed. Only we Hear,<sup>2</sup> that their Secretary, who is a Prudent Man, and one of their Counsellors, was against the Publication of their Scandalous Vote.

But we likewise Hear, that some of them moved that several Affidavits, which had been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and were after that Printed here in London, might be Burnt, because they Complained of their Governours Notorious Briberies, and other Male-Administrations. Probably the same Persons will make the like Proposal again, if a New Governour does not Negative them out of his Council, which we Suppose he will, unless the Representatives of the Province (as in Duty they are Bound) shall save him the Trouble.

The Reader may Depend upon it, that as to Matter of Fact, there is nothing in this Narrative but Exact Truth; what is therein Related, is not only Affirmed by Gentlemen Worthy of Credit lately come from Boston, but by Letters from as Eminent Persons as any in New England.

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*The Deplorable STATE*  
OF  
New-England.

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## SECTION I.

SOME Late *Votes* pass'd in the Assembly at *Boston*, and Printed in the *Boston News-Letter*, Cause us to Reflect with some Wonder on the *Deplorable State of the Plantations*.

They that are sent over as *Governours* thither, appear as Persons of Suitable *Abilities*, and Approved *Loyalty*. They are in Favour with some Ministers of *State*, who Recommend them to the King or Queen for the Time being; and are in Fee with their *Clarks*, by whose Means, their Business is done the more Effectually. When they arrive with their *Commissions*, they Express themselves in Obliging Terms; and the Ravish'd People, who are quite Giddy with Joy, if they have Governours, which they may Hope, will not *Cut their Throats*, make them Noble Presents, and send Home an *Address of Thanks* for such Admirable Governours.

Their next Work is, by all possible Artifices, to get into all *Offices* about the Country, such as are, or they know, will be, meer *Creatures* to them; or at least, such as are not Furnished either with *Courage* or *Conduēt*, to make any *Complaints* Home against them, in Case of any Male-Administration.

After this, let the Governour do what he will, either there will be no Body *Strong* enough to Repair unto the Crown with due Remonstrances; or if any Body *do*, the Governour has many Ways to Molest him and his, and to Defeat all his Undertakings. Yea, 'tis Ten Thousand to One, but at the [ 2 ] very Time, when an Oppressed Person is Solliciting his own and an Oppressed People's Cause, the Governour may have so Modell'd the *General Assembly*, that they shall pass wretched *Votes* to his Advantage,

and *Kiss the Hand* which all the open Eyes in the Country see *Stabbing of them*.

One would have thought, the People of *N. England* should have been Sensible of their Good Fortune in it, that when they are Betrayed in Miserable Circumstances by an Hungry Governour, who has been willing to Enrich himself and his Family, on the Ruines of his Country, some Gentlemen of Note, have Interposed with Humble *Addresses* to Her Majesty on their Behalf. They have no *Agent* here, but what is Entirely in the Interest of their Governour. When the whole *House* of Representatives sent over hither, an *Address* to the Queen, relating to Matters of the Greatest Importance, the *Agent* whom they had Employ'd and Rewarded with some Hundreds of Pounds, Refused to Present the Address, because it would not suit with the Governour's Interest, and Wrote them Word, *That no Address must be Presented, except Signed by the Governour*. And yet after this, the same Gentleman could Present *Addresses* for the Continuance of the Governour, which were Signed by *Private Hands*, and Procured by *Ways* and *Means* little to the Honour of those Concerned. Some Gentlemen here, knowing the Oppress'd, and Betray'd Condition of that poor People, have Address'd on their Behalf; and have said nothing in their Address, but what they had the *Oaths* of several Good Men, to Support the Truth of what was Asserted: But, lo! to their Surprize, they find themselves in the *Boston News-Letter* Exposed, as having been the Authors of, *Scandalous and Wicked Accusations!* The *Counselors* of *N. England*, have done as much as lyes in them for ever to Discourage all Gentlemen here from Appearing for the Country, let never such Difficult Circumstances be brought upon it; but we will Pity them, as Trapann'd into, *they know not what themselves!* However, if they will allow no Body here to Speak for their *Country*, they can't forbid us to Speak for *Ourselves*, which they have now made but too Necessary for us.

[ 3 ] Letters from *New-England* Inform us, That the Great and Only Reason, why some of the Council there will *firmly believe* more Charitably of their Governour *Dudley*, than many others do, is, *Because his Family and Interest is there, and therefore 'tis unreasonable to Believe, that he would do any thing that should hurt the Country*.

But, Was not his *Family and Interest* there in Sir *Edmund Andros's* time? And yet a Book Published here, by the Agents of *New-England*, after the Revolution, Intituled, *The Revolution in New-England Justified*, has given the World a sad Story of what a Colonel *Dudley* may do, towards the Ruining a Country which has his *Family and Interest* in it. Read that History, and you will find, that after Col. *Dudley* had been an Agent for the Country, he Tack'd about, and Join'd with the Instruments that overthrew their *Charter*, and Accepted an Illegal and Arbitrary

Commission from K. *James*, by which he held the Government, until the Arrival of Sir *Edmund Andros*, and then was, as *President* of the Council, and *Chief Judge* of the Territory, a *Chief Tool* of all the ensuing Barbarous, and Infamous Administration. They Governed without an *Assembly*, when *Laws* were Proposed in the Council, tho' the *major part* of the Council should happen to Dissent, yet if the *Governour* were Positive there was a *President* at the Board, by whose Allowance the *Laws* were Immediately *Engrossed, Published, and Executed*: And Judge *Dudley* did not Contradict it, when some of the Principal Gentlemen in the Country were told at the Council Board, *You have no more Priviledges left you but this, that you are not Bought and Sold for Slaves*. By the Sequel we shall see *not this* neither. A *Functo*, (wherein how often this Chief Judge, was of the *Quorum*, is now forgotten) made a World of *Laws*, which Pilaged that Poor People Desperately. They Levied a Tax on the whole People without any *Assembly*; and when the Principal Persons, and some others in *Ipswich* on that Occasion, with all possible Modesty moved, that the King should be Humbly Petition'd for the Liberty of an *Assembly*, they were Committed to Prison for an *High Misdemeanour*, and were Denied an *Habeas Corpus*, and Drag'd many Miles out of their own County, to Answer it at a Court [ 4 ] in *Boston*, where *Furors* were pickt for the Turn, that were neither *Free-holders*, nor so much as *Inhabitants*. They were all Fined severely, and laid under great Bonds for their *Good Behaviour*; besides which, the Hungry Officers Extorted Fees of near Two Hundred Pounds, where they would not have risen to Ten Pounds, had any Law of *England*, or Justice been Observed. The Townsmen of many other Places were served in the like Fashion; and our Judge *Dudley* was a Principal Actor in all this Wickedness. It was now Denied, that any Man was Owner of a Foot of Land in all the Colony. Judge *Dudley* gave it as his Judgment under his Hand. *Writs of Intrusion* were presently served upon the Chief Gentlemen in the Country, to Compel them, and others by the Terror of their Example, to take *Patents* for the Lands which they had Quietly Possessed for Fifty or Sixty Years together. For these *Patents* there were such Exorbitant Prices Demanded, that Fifty Pounds would not Purchase for its Owner, an Estate not worth Two Hundred; nor could all the Money and Moveables in the Territory, have Defrayed the Charges of Patenting the Lands.

If the *Harpies* were at any time a little out of Money, they Invented Pretences to Imprison the Best Men in the Country, and tho' there Appeared not the least Information of any Crime against them, yet they were put unto intollerable Expences, and the Benefit of the *Habeas Corpus* was Denied unto them. Judge *Dudley* knows this, and we suppose he has not Forgotten either

Colonel *Saltonstal*, or Major *Appleton*. Pickt *Furies* were commonly used, for the Trouble of Honest and Worthy Men, and they were Hurried out of their own Counties to be Tried, when *Furies* for the Turn were not likely to be found there. Judge *Dudley* knows this; and we suppose, he Remembers the Famous Mr. *Morton*.

In Short, all things were going to Wreck, but yet Colonel *Dudley* was like to Inrich himself and his Family in the General Ship wreck. There lies the Mystery!

These things, and many more such things, are Asserted in the Book aforesaid, not only by the Oaths of many Honest Gentlemen, but also a Declaration Signed by the Honourable Hands of Judge *Stoughton*, and Major General *Winthrop*, and [ 5 ] Colonel *Shrimpton*, and other Members of the Council.

The World has Heard how narrowly Col. *Dudley* Escaped a *De-Witting* for these his Follies, from the Inraged People in the *Revolution*. Being then sent over a Prisoner to *England*, he with the rest, were there set at Liberty. He returned, with a Commission for the place of *Chief Judge* in the Province of *New-York*, where his first Work, after his Arrival was, to Condemn to Death, the Lieutenant Governour of the Province, and another Gentleman, for not Surrendering the Government before the Arrival of Governour *Slaughter* with his Commission. The Condemnation and Execution of these Two Gentlemen, was a Bloody Buiness: It was afterwards Examined in the Parliament, where Colonel *Dudley* underwent a Confusion, which will never be worn off; and Mr. *Constantine Phips*, Prosecuted the Matter with so much Demonstration, that Eminent Persons in both Houses, Declared it, *A Barbarous Murder*; King, Lords, and Commons, did as good as Declare it so, and by an *Act of Parliament* Revoked the *Attainder* of the Murdered Gentlemen. On this Occasion, Judge *Stoughton*, (who yet was always known to be as Partial to Col. *Dudley*, and his Interest, as any Man in *New-England*) said to some of his Friends, what he had been heard formerly to say unto others, *Alas, to get a little Money, he would make his own Father hold up his Hand at the Bar*. There, Gentlemen, you have again the *Key* to Explain the Matter; which because you can't see thro', you *firmly Believe* as you do!

After many Years absence from his Family, my Lord *Bellamont*, the Governour of *New-England* Dies. Col. *Dudley*, by many fair Promises, both to Gentlemen here, and at his own Home, obtains Recommendations for a Succession in the Government. He had not been long in the Government, before the following MEMORIAL was sent over to *London*.

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M E M O R I A L,

*On the Behalf of the Province of the Maffachufet's Bay,  
in NEW-ENGLAND; Relating to the Adminiftra-  
tion of their Prefent Governour, Colonel Dudley.*

I. ONE Principal Grievance, which Comprehends many under it, is, The Course of *Bribery*, which runs thro' the Governour's Administration, whereby the Queen's Government is greatly Exposed in a Country where *Bribery* has rarely, if ever before this, been known to be Practifed. The Governour having brought in his Son to be Attorney General, this Corruption is more Effectually carried on between them, unto the great Oppreffion of the People.

" Only Two Instances, among many, fhall be Reported in this *Memorial*.

" 1. Certain People having Purchafed Land at a New Plantation called *Nafhoba*, and wanting a Confirmation of their Title, by an Act of the General Affembly, (as is Ufual in fuch Cafes) they could not have the Governour's Affent unto the Act, without a *Bribe* of a Thoufand Acres of the beft Land, and in the Center of the Plantation, and to the Ruin of the reft.

[ 7 ] " 2. Alfo, A Tract of Land at *Nipmuck*, belonging to Nine or Ten Partners, when Both Houfes in the General Affembly had paffed the *Bill*, to Allow their Title, (as was Required by an Old Law of the Country) the Governour would not Sign the Act, until he had a Bribe of Twenty Pounds, and One whole Share of the Land, which was Valued at One Hundred and Fifty Pounds more.

" But, if a *Comiffion of Enquiry* could be Obtained, there would be fuch Practifes of this Nature Difcovered, as are hardly to be Parallel'd.

" II. The Governour, meerly to Gratify his own Arbitrary Will and Pleafure, did for fome while Refufe to fill up the nec-

" effary Number of *Judges*; by which Means, the *Courts* dropt,  
 " and the *Course of Justice* was Obstructed; and the Oppressed  
 " People were Defeated in their *Suits*, to the Damage of many  
 " Hundreds of Pounds.

" III. There have been odd *Collusions* with the Pyrates of  
 " *Quelch's* Company, of which one Instance is, That there was  
 " Extorted the Sum of about Thirty Pounds from some of the  
 " Crue, for Liberty to Walk at certain times in the *Prison* Yard;  
 " and this Liberty having been Allow'd for Two or Three Days  
 " unto them, they were again Confined to their former Wretched  
 " Circumstances.

" IV. An Army of Volunteers went out, and did Good Ser-  
 " vice upon the *French* and *Indian* Enemy at *Acady*. They were  
 " Incouraged by an Act of the Governour and General Assembly,  
 " which Promised the Soldiers a Certain Share of the Plunder.  
 " When the Soldiers returned, some Officers, without their Con-  
 " sent or Knowledge, and before the Division of the Plunder,  
 " made the Governour a Considerable Present out of it: Where-  
 " upon he so managed the Matter with the said Officers, as to  
 " Cheat and Cut off the Soldiers of near One Half that the Act  
 " of the Assembly had Promis'd them! When the Houfe of  
 " Representatives Applied themselves to the Governour on this  
 " Occasion, they could get nothing from him. *By this means,*  
 " no [ 8 ] more Volunteers are like to appear in Her Majesty's  
 " Service.

" The Governour's manner is, To trample on the Assembly  
 " with gross Indignities; and such as they never have received  
 " from their former Governours. Nor can they have any Re-  
 " drefs of Grievances, though many have been from Time to  
 " Time Represented.

" And when Bills for the Payment of the just Debts of the  
 " Province, are Presented to him to be Signed, he has Declared,  
 " he would not Sign them, except he were himself Gratified with  
 " Sums Demanded of them.

" On these, and many more such Accounts, it is humbly Con-  
 " ceived, That it would be much for Her Majesty's Interest, if a  
 " more Acceptable Governour were placed over that Province.

This was the *Memorial*; but because here was no Body to  
 Prosecute it, it fell to the Ground.

Much about the same time, there came to Light a little more  
 of Colonel *Dudley's* Designs upon the *new Charter* of the Pro-  
 vince. It seems, he was as willing to do the same Kindness for  
 this, that he did for the *old One*; and that he was at this very

time doing for the Colony of *Connecticut*; which, if it were Accomplished, would lay the Country Open to an Innundation of Calamities. His Son *Paul*, (the great Instrument of his Oppressions) Writes over to his Friend in *London*, a Letter, wherein are these following Words.

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Boston, 12th Jan. 1703.

Dear KINSMAN,

*I* Confess I am Ashamed almost to Think, I should be at Home so long, and not let you know of it, till now. Tho' after all, a New-England Correspondence is scarce worth your having. ----- I Refer you to \* Mr. ----- for an Account of every thing, especially about the Government, and the Colledge; both which, are Discoursed of here, in Chimney Corners, and Private Meetings, as confidently as can be. If there should be any Occasion, you must be fure to stir your Self and Friends, and show your Affection and Respect to my Father, who Loves you well, and Bid me Tell you so.--- This Country will never be worth Living in, for Lawyers and Gentlemen, till the CHARTER IS TAKEN AWAY. My Father and I sometimes Talk of the Queen's Establishing a COURT OF CHANCERY [ 10 ] in this Country; I have Writ about it, to Mr. Blathwayt: If the Matter should Succeed, you might get some Place worth your Return; of which I should be very Glad. If I can any ways Serve you or your Friends, Pray Signify it to (Dear SIR)

\* See P. Dudley's Original Letter to Mr. W. Wharton Printed at London with some Necessary Queries.

Your Affectionate Friend,  
and Humble Servant,

Paul Dudley.

This *Apocryphal Epistle* of *Paul*, [ not a Saint *Paul*, we can Assure ye! ] needs no *Commentary*! ----- But,

These are *Old* Stories, we must now come to some *New* Ones.

## S E C T. II.

**B**Y Letters from *New-England*, we are Informed how Matters past in the last Sessions of their General Assembly, which was in *October* and *November* 1707. One would have Imagined, that the *Mast-Fleet*, which brings us our Letters of Intelligence, had been the *Consolidator*, coming back with Intelligence from the *World in the Moon*: For such things could never have happen'd, but among a People very *Lunatick*. — And, First let us begin, as in Good Manners Bound, with the *Upper House*,

Their Governour *Dudley*, produced to the Council, the Copy of an Address to the Queen's Majesty, Signed by above Twenty Gentlemen in *London*, in which, out of the Respect to a Country for which they were more Generously Concerned, than some that were under greater Obligations, they Petitioned for *Dudley's* Removal from his Government; Alledging, among other Weighty Reasons, *That he had Countenanced a Private Trade and Correspondence with Her Majesty's Enemies, the French, and the Indians which are in their Interests*. He Required his Counsellors *immediately* to Clear him from these Imputations. He came upon them with his Demand, on the *Saturday* next, when they were (as they usually then are) in the Hurry of Breaking up. 'Tis the Time, when the Governour commonly makes any thing to Pass, that either House must be either *Trick'd* or *Tir'd* into. Three or Four of the Council, particularly *Brown*, *Sewal*, and *Pain*, Pray'd, That since the Thing was both New and Weighty, it might be put off till *Monday*. The Governour, with a Boisterous Fury, Required them to do it *immediately*; And they did it *immediately*: At once they Rushed into a *Vote*, wherein they say,

[ 12 ] Upon Reading the Address, Offer'd Her Majesty, against his Excellency, our present Governour, Signed, Nath. Higginson, &c. We firmly Believe, and are of Opinion, the Allegations therein, of the Governour's Trading, or allowing a Trade with Her Majesty's Enemies, the French, and Indians in their Interests, is a Scandalous and Wicked Accusation. Passed Unanimously.

Isaac Addington, Secret.

The Council being Brow-beaten into such a Vote, one of that Board, namely, Mr. *Samuel Sewal*, who is also a *Judge* of the Su-

perior Court ; but a Person of Unspotted Integrity, thought himself Bound in Conscience to Exhibit a Remonstrance against this Rash Vote : His Relation as a Brother-in-Law to the Governour, did not get the Upper-Hand of his Conscience ; but he Presented his Remonstrance to the Board, and had it Enter'd on *File* ; from whence one of our Correspondents has Obtained a Copy. 'Tis as follows.

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*Tuesday, November, 25, 1707.*

" THE Reasons of my With-drawing my Vote, from what was  
 " Passed in Council upon *Saturday, November* the First, relating to an *Address* Offer'd to Her Majesty, Sign'd, *Nath. Higginson*, &c.

" I. Because my Motion, for leaving the Consideration of it, till the *Monday* following, was not Admitted ; and it was Enter'd upon, and pass'd about Noon, in a very short Time ; being a Matter of great Concernment to our Leige Lady, Queen ANNE, to the Province, to his Excellency our Governour, and to the Council and Representatives.

[ 13 ] " II. The Governour's *Personal Interest* was much in it, and therefore I humbly Conceive, the Vote ought to have been Debated and Framed by the Members of the Council, apart by themselves, in the Absence of the Governour.

" III. The Words [*firmly Believe*] and [*always Apparent*] were never Pleasing to me. And now, I do not *firmly Believe*, that the Governour did no way Allow Mr. *Borland*, and Capt. *Vetch*, their Trading Voyage to Her Majesty's Enemies, the *French*.

" *Qui non vetat Peccare, cum possit, Fubet.*

" Not that I Suspect, the Governour design'd to Hurt the Province ; but to *Gratify Grateful Merchants*. And I readily and Thankfully Acknowledge the Governour's Orders for the Defence of the *Frontiers*, to be truly Excellent ; \* both respecting the Suitableness of the Orders themselves, and the Quickness of their Dispatch : And I Bless God for the Success that has Attended them.

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\* The Gentleman, with his usual Goodness, is willing to make the Best of any Good Thing. His Meaning is, That when the New-Englanders had the Good Fortune to be Advised of the Approach of the Enemy, the Governour would (which was a wonderful piece of Sagacity) Order a Number of Soldiers to Repair to the Frontiers !

" IV. I have been Acquainted with Mr. *Nathaniel Higginson* these Fourty Years ; and I cannot Judge, the Offering this Address to Her Majesty, to be in him a *Scandalous and Wicked Accusation*, unless I know his Inducements. And I fear, this Cenfure may be of ill Confequence to the Province in time to come ; by Discouraging Perfons of Worth and Intereft, to Venture in Appearing for them, tho' the Neceffity fhould be never fo Great.

" *Samuel Sewall.*

[ 14 ] Tho' this Gentleman had thus Recalled his Vote, (and another Gentleman prefent in the Council, never had a Vote put to him) and he Infifted on it, as we are Informed, that it would be a *Direct Falfehood in Matter of Fact*. Now to call this, an *Unanimous Vote*, yet we find it was after this Ordered to be Printed in the *Boston News-Letter*, with a PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. We cannot Conceive how the Council could Order a Direct Falfehood to be Printed, if their Souls were their own. Or, if they would fo Mifrepresent Judge *Sewall* and Colonel *Higginson* (Brother to Mr. *Nathaniel Higginson*) it may be, they did alfo Mifrepresent themfelves, in faying, *they firmly Believe*, when it is ftrange if they do *really Believe it*.

Notwithftanding their News-Letter fays, their Vote was Paffed *Unanimoufly*, Worthy Gentlemen in *New-England* have given us fuch a Character of their *Winthrop*, their *Hutchinfon*, their *Fofter*, and of fome others of them, as that we cannot *Firmly Believe*, that they ever Confented to have the Honourable Mr. *Higginson* fo Stigmatized in the *Boston* Infamous News-Letter. Nor, is it to be Imagined, that they are all fo *Paradoxical*, as we hear fome of them are ; for you cannot with a Beetle, beat it into fome of them, but that if a Vote obtain a *Majority*, it is to be called an *Unanimous Vote*. We have been Told, (and we Thought fo, by hearing them Talk, who came from thence) that they Speak as Good *Englifh* at *Boston*, as they do in *London* : But we perceive, in the *Council Chamber* there, they begin to forget the *Englifh* Tongue ; and they have loft the Senfe of the Word *Unanimous*.

One may Guefs at the Politick Reafon, which Drew too many of them into that Undeliberate, Inconfiderate Vote aforefaid ; by what One of them, (a principal Stickler for *Majority* being *Unanimity*) utter'd in a Barber's Shop, with fo much Opennefs, that the Noife of it has reach'd over hither to *London*, That it was Beft for us, *to keep this Governour, (tho' he had done very bad things) for he had fufficiently Spunged upon the People, and had now got Money enough ; he was now fatisfied.* [No, Sir, by your Leave, 'tis the Thirft of a Dropsy !] And [ 15 ] *had privately promis'd the Council, he would do fo no more.* Whercas

*if another Governour come, he will come Hungry, and we must be Squeezed over again!*

Had the Gentlemen of the Council Caused their Vote to run in some Softer Terms; as, That they were Sorry such Eminent Persons, as Mr. *Higginson*, and Mr. *Mason*, &c. had been Imposed upon by such Informations, as produced their *Address* to Her Majesty. This had been somewhat like *Gentlemen*, tho' not like *Counsellors*: For some of them Own, they had never seen any of the *Affidavits* made before the Queen and Council, nor any of those other Things anon to be produced, when they Passed their Hasty Vote. But for them now to run upon these Eminent Persons, with a Clamour of *Scandalous and Wicked Accusations*; yea, Publickly to Stigmatize them in their Infamous News-Letter, as being *Scandalous and Wicked Accusers!* Truly therein they have not Honoured themselves. The *Higginson* they Vilify, is a Person every way much Superior to the Best of them: The Honour and Figure he has Obtained by his good Conduct in the *East-Indies*, will not be Impaired by any Affronts from the *West-Indies*. The *Mason* whom they Throw Dirt upon, was a Member of their Council, before a great part of them were so; and Served their Agents with no small Assistances.

'Tis Unintelligible! Why will the *Massachuset* Counsellors permit themselves to be made the Tools of their Governour's particular Designs? Why will Counsellors that are Chosen by the People, be less Concerned for, less Faithful to the People, than the Counsellors in the other Plantations, who are not by the Choice of the People brought unto the Board; where yet we see, they often Prove Thorns in the Sides of Evil Governours? Will you give your Friends at a Thousand Leagues distance from you, Leave to Advise you? We make no doubt, there are Wise and Good Men at your Board. We make no doubt, you are often Over-Voted by some of your Brethren, coming from your Country Towns, who are not Over-Stockt with more than One of those Qualities. But where is your Courage? In Truth, 'tis the least of your Talents; you must get a little more of it. You should be ready to say before the Governour's Face, [ 16 ] what you Talk so freely behind his Back, that the Report of it reaches over the *Atlantick*.

You know, That when the Governour will have any thing pass among you, all your Humble Intreaties to have a few Hours Time to Think upon it, signify nothing; he will have it go *just now*, and you *let it go*. So you are ever now and then push'd into you know not what yourselves, and you durst not Lift your Dissatisfaction. You know, That when Officers are to be Elected; the Governour must Issue out a Notification for a *General Council*, to come together at the Day; but *on* the Day the thing is rarely done; 'tis put off Two or Three Days till you are Disperfed, and a *Nick of Time* is taken, in which Elections are car-

ried on, which we hear, much Difoblige' the Publick ; and Juftices are Created, which have brought the Queen's Commiffions under fuch Difparagement, that we hear many of the Beft Gentlemen among you, Scorn to Accept of them.

You know, that things are managed with Tricks, Frauds, and Juggles, without Numbers ; and yet, you durft not Open your Mouths. You cannot but know, That your Governour ever now and then, will Violently Affert a Thing, and you Affent to it ; Anon, in the very fame Sefions of the Court, he will as Violently Affert a Thing Diametrically Oppofite unto it, (as the Service of fome ill Caufe may drive him to) and you durft not fay, that you don't Affent to *that* alfo.

We Underftand, that your former Governour, the Earl of *Bellamont*, did not ufe to Treat you fo ; and was it for this, that you offered fuch an Indignity unto that Noble Perfon, as to Vote, *The taking off his Speech from the File*, as foon as Colonel *Dudley* (being one of *Tory* Principles, which my Lord was not) at his firft coming moved you to it, and made you the Tools of his Malice againft the Earl of *Bellamont*, for fticking fo Clofe to him in the Parliament, upon the **Barbarous Murder** (as he would always call it) of *Leifter* and *Milburn*? Your Governour with a Torrent of *Language*, and Mixture of *Coaking* and *Bouncing*, and Confident Affertions of Things (True or Falfe, 't is all one, you can't Difprove them) has been *too many* for you. We Ad- [ 17 ] vife you, to Unite more together, a fufficient Number of you, and prefent Strong Remonftances on fuch Occafions, if the Succelfor (which we are Satisfied he will not) fhould go on in the late Methods. And we Advife you, That you would not be fo monftrofly Afraid of the Governour's putting his *Negative* upon you, the laft *Wednefday* of *May*. Should you be Negatived out of the Council, for your Fidelity to your Country, it would be a much greater Honour to you, than to be there ; and no great Honour to them that are left behind : But you are already Chofen, and Sworn to Serve till others are Chofen ; if the Representatives are not Satisfied in the Reafons of the Governour's Negative, they will Declare, That they will not Procèd unto another Choice. We would Beg their Pardon, that we prefume to give them this Advice : Then do you pluck up your Spirits : Nothing but an Act of the Affembly, can Remove a Chofen Counfellor. You may appear, and Affert your Seat at the Council Board. And you may do it with fuch apparent Evidences of being Acted by nothing but a Zeal for the Publick, that you may do it without any Difhonourable Charge of being Immodeft, or Intruders. Without Consulting the Stars, we can foretell to ye, That if you Refolve to keep always in the Obfequious Strain, you'll at laft Rowfe the Representatives, both to Remove feveral of you, and to Difpute feveral Powers which you pretend unto ; and efpecially that of being able to *Sit by yourfelves* in the time



of the General Assembly; and by your Vote (without the Governour's) to hamper the People with a Third Negative, (besides the Queen's, and the Governour's) which your Agent here says, *Your Charter never intended for you.*

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### S E C T. III.

WE have seen how the *Blanching* Business went on in the *Council*, Shall we now see how it Proceeded among the *Representatives*? We have been Told a very Odd Thing, That the Counsellors will sometimes *Outwardly* Comply with a Vote, which they *Inwardly* Approve not, in hopes that it will never be Carried in the Lower House. But, if this were an Honest, yet it is no Prudent Experiment: There is more than a *little* Danger in it. The Story of the Upper House, has the Truth of it enough Confirm'd by Judge *Sewall's* Instrument of Revocation, if we had not had the more Ample Relation, both from Packets and Passengers newly Arrived here. For the Story of the Lower House, we have it with a Confirmation (if it be possible) more Authentick. For here are come over Letters from a great part of the House, unto that Honourable Friend of *New-England*, and of all Good Men, Sir *Henry Ashurst*; one Signed by Seven, and afterwards another Signed by about Thrice that Number; both to the same Effect. By these we Understand, how Notoriously the World is Imposed upon.

On the *Fifth* of *November*, the *Plott* begun to Operate. A Message was brought by Sundry *Counsellors*, from their Board, to incite the House, that they would Concur with *Their Vote* for the Governour's Vindication. But the House for diverse Days, declined to Meddle with it; and then the like Message was brought again to the House, by a Greater Number of *Counsellors*. The House being thus at Length Drawn in, to Consider this Dirty Matter, there Appeared Mr. *John Nelson*, who having sent unto *Port-Royal*, one Hog's-Head of Dry Goods, a Parcel of *Iron Potts* and *Scythes*, &c. by a [19] Flag of Truce, whereof Capt. *Rouse* was Commander, now Declared, That he had the Governour's Allowance for it, and Capt. *Rouse* being Examined, made the same Declaration.

But this was a Trifle to the Next: The Gentlemen aforefaid, we Believe had no Traiterous Defign of Supplying the Queen's Enemies. But, when the Fort at *Port-Royal* had no Dry Lodgings for the Souldiers; nothing but a few Thatch'd things, that alfo Rendered it more Combustible to the Fire of the Befiegers; Now, to Supply the *Fort* with Nails to Shingle and Board their *Barecks!* There Appeared Mr. *Samuel Baker*, who Produced unto the Houfe the Original Invoyce, of things which he Shipp'd for the Governour and the Commiffary at *Port-Royal*; with an Allowance for them, under Governour *Dudley's* own Hand. There is no need of Tranfcribing all the Articles; thefe are enough.

Eighty Thoufand of *Shingle Nails*.  
 Twenty Thoufand, *Ditto*, Board.  
 One Dozen of Black Hafted Table *Knives*.  
 One Hundred Weight of Good *Butter*.  
 Two Barrels of *Mackerel*.  
 One Piece of Good *Searge*.  
 One Cask of *Passado-Wine*.  
 Some *Rice*, &c.

I *Know no Inconvenience in the Particulars above, and therefore Allow it.*

J. DUDLEY.

Thefe things were Ship'd on Board a *French* Veffel, Ca'led *A Flag of Truce*, (*Anglice*, of *Trade*) Capt. *De Chafeau* Commander. It was done at the very time, when the Governour and Affembly, were Fining *Veatch*, and Company, for a Trade as little Criminal: And when an Act of the *Massachusset* Province had made it *Capital*. Some of the Counfel would fain have perfuaded the Houfe, that there was a *Cyphre* (their own *Name-fake* in the *Council*;) Added unto the 8, and the 2, of the Nails. But *Baker's* Confeflion, had Spoilt that Idle Whim. The Governour's Friends, his Ma- [ 20 ] jors, Captains, Juftices, and Feather-Caps in the Houfe, and the *Meaner Slaves of the Trencher*, ufed all Imaginable Artifices to Vindicate him: And yet, when it came to a Vote on *November the Nineteenth*, *Whether, after strict Enquiry, the Houfe could Clear his Excellency of Managing, or Countenancing a Private Trade with the French and Indian Enemies*, The Vote Paffed in the Negative, with a very great Majority. About Forty Five Members, more than Two to One, of the Houfe, Voted, That they could not Clear him. He had, according to the New *Massachusset* Senfe of the Word, *An Unanimous Condemnation*.

On the Day following, there was a long Conference of Two Hours, held between the Two Houfes, and chiefly Manag'd by

the Governour. At this Conference there Occur'd several pretty little Things, which might be Diverting enough at the *Coffee-House*, but scarce Worthy to be Inferted in a more Serious Narrative. We'll Mention only Two of them.

A Counsellor, who had been a mighty Decrier of the Governour, while he was under his *Negative*, upon his Re-admission, becomes an Espoufer of his Interest. This Gentleman greatly Exposed himself, by saying to the Assembly, *There is no Trade, but there are some Returns: I Pray, What Returns were there! How can you say, this was a Trade carried on?* This became a By-Word in the Town. They say, the Merchants of *Boston* often to their Sorrow, *Trade without Returns*: And we could Wish, That every Body here in *London*, who has Traded for *Boston*, could say, *There had always been Returns*.

Again, The Governour in his Flourishes, tells the Assembly, *To Support the Queen's Enemies with an Unlawful Trade, is to send them your Beef and your Pork, and not such things as are in this Invoice*. An Unlucky Old Man in the House, (they say from a Town call'd *Woburn*) Reply'd '*Tis very True, an't like your Excellency, and your Butter, and your May-krell!*—— Which gave such a Sting, That the Assembly saw, that if he be an *Happy Man, who Catches a Mackerel*, yet an *Unhappy Man may be Caught with a Mackerel*.

The next Day after this Conference, and after the Governour's Violent Protestations of his own *Innocence*, (as the [ 21 ] Letters of the *Representatives* Assure us) the following Vote was again Prefs'd upon the House, *That we firmly Believe, and are of Opinion, that the Allegations in the Address* (to which the Vote of the Council referr'd) *of the Governour's Trading, or Allowing a Trade with Her Majesty's Enemies the French, and the Indians in their Interests, is a Scandalous and Wicked Accusation*. Still the Vote Pass'd, as formerly, in the *Negative*. The Squeamish Representatives, it seems, had not such Stomachs of *Ostriches*, as to Digest an *Hundred Thousand Iron Nails* at once; nor would they Believe (no, tho' Counsellors told them so!) that *Nails* were not *Iron*. The Governour's Friends were now at their Wit's Ends; —— And in Humble wise, besought the House, That they would Confine their Vote unto the Particular Trade of *Vetch, Borland and Lawson*. And it was Urged, that *Borland and Lawson*, had Cleared the Governour; (the Sham of the *Grateful Merchants* you shall hear anon!) Hereupon the Flexible Honest Men, perfectly Worried, and Wearied out of their Lives, by Three Week's Alterations, did so many go over, as to make a sort of a Vote of it. But the Conclusion of their Letters to Sir *Henry Ashurst*, (a Gentleman whom *New-England* can never sufficiently Requite) is, *Yourself, and all Persons may judge, how far the Vote of this House doth extend to the Vindicating of his Excellency from being a Countenancer of Trade with the Queen's Enemies!*

We have already Intimated, how the Governour comes to have so many Friends in the House; that are so set upon doing him Justice, Right or Wrong. Besides the Careffes of the *Table*, which are enough to Dazzle an Honest Countryman, who Thinks every Body Means what he Speaks; The Influence which Preferments and Commissions have upon little Men, is inexpressible. It must needs be a Mortal Sin, to Difoblige a Governour, that has Inabled a Man to Command a *whole Country Town*, and to Strut among his Neighbours, with the Illustrious Titles of, *Our Major*, and, *The Captain*, or, *His Worship*. Such magnificent Grandeurs, make many to Stagger Egregiously! If it be but Proposed in the Assembly, that any Mismanagements of the Governour be Enquired into, we are Informed, that some of those Officers [ 22 ] have been so Insolent, as to move, *That he who made the Proposal should be set in the Pillory!* We perceive, the well-affected part of the Assembly, take much Notice of this! And it seems, there was in this Assembly, one Occasion Odder than the rest, to take Notice of it.

There was a Representative of *Ipswich*, who formerly falling in with the Interests of the Country, so Provoked Colonel *Dudley*, that in a Printed Pamphlet, Published by him, (or, the Person who Wrote for him, so as to make it He) he Reproached the Country. That such a Figure should be made in the Assembly, by one who was then a Practising *Sow-Gelder*. This Practising *Sow-Gelder* (as Mr. *Dudley* calls him) was a Member of this Assembly, and unto the Surprise of the Whole House, Tack'd about, and gone over to Colonel *Dudley's* Interests; tho' 'tis not many Months ago, that we have (now in *London*) his Hand with others, unto an Honest Letter, to that Honourable Person, Sir *Henry Ashurst*, to Solicit his Endeavours to Deliver the Country from a Plot against the *Charter*, and all the Courts of Justice in it, with a Sham Court of *Chancery*, (or rather of Bribery) which Governour *Dudley* was then Pursuing. We are told, he has (for we know not what Reasons) a Number in the House, who Resign themselves up to him, for him to do almost what he will with them; they follow *his* Dictates. The Main Things that have been Carried in the late Assembly at *Boston*, otherwise than they should have been, were owing to his Dexterous Operations. Every Body said, *This man has in his Eye, a Bribe, as the Reward of his Apostacy.* He'll certainly be made a *Justice*, as soon as his Drudgery in gaining the *Vote* aforesaid, is over! It came to pass; — As soon as the *Sham-Vote*, which has Abused the World in your Foolish News-Letter yonder, was Gained, the Governour draws the Council in, to Consent, unto their own Immortal Honour, that this Gentleman *Sow-Gelder* should be made a *Justice of Peace!* Fy, Gentlemen, What d'ye do? — And so the *Worshipful* of your County of *Essex*, have the Practising *Sow-Gelder* aforesaid, (it was Mr. *Dudley* who taught us to call him

fo!) fit on the Bench with them. Whether the *Cattle* are in less Danger, or the *People* in more, since this Promotion, we who [ 23 ] are Strangers to the Man, except by hearsay, know not; we suppose there never was a *Sow-Gelder* made a Justice, except in *New England*, and that not till *Dudley* was their Governour.

But, it were Good Advice for the People of *New-England*, in Chusing Representatives, to beware of Chusing too many, who have their Obligations to their Governours, for their Preferments and Employments. The fewer you have in your Assemblies under such Temptations, the more Faithfully are your Affairs like to be carried on. You will Pardon Strangers, if their Good Will to you, make them so far Meddlers, as to Offer you their Opinion.

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#### S E C T. IV.

THE House of Representatives then *Firmly Believe, and are of Opinion*, That their Governour was not Concerned in Trading with *Veatch, Borland, and Lawson*. Others do Firmly Believe the Contrary. Because, diverse Traders have Own'd, and said before many Witnesses, that their Governour did Know, and Allow of what they did; *Veatch* doth himself Confess it, in his Petition to the Queen. And when One of them Swears in the Governour's Vindication, he only means, that the Governour was not Concern'd as a Merchant, or a Partner with them. He Ship'd nothing; there was nothing Shipp'd on his Account. All this is nothing to the Purpose. And tho' Col. *Dudley* should be Clear of having any thing to do with these Three Grateful Merchants, yet there is another who is able to make Discoveries.

In the same Condemnation with the Three aforesaid, there was at this time, under Imprisonment, by Vertue of the Sentence which the *General Assembly* had Illegally, (and it now appears Oppressively) passed upon him, for a part in an Unlawful Trade, one Captain *Rouse*. The last General Assembly growing Sensible of his Condition, Voted his being let out upon Bail, that he might enjoy his Liberty. But, for a Reason, which he will tell in due time, the *Vote* was in a great Measure Eluded.

It is Reported by some now in *London*, That the Assembly's Vote to set *Rouse* at Liberty, was made very Insignificant, by means of one said to be a *Tory* Judge, one *Leveret*. And they say, that *Dudley* has made that *Tory* Lawyer, to be President of their *Colledge*. No Question but the Lawyer will bring up Hopeful Young Divines, to be sent hither for my Lord of *London* to Ordain them. We hear that they have Sung the *Gloria Patri* in their Colledge-Hall already, and that several [ 25 ] of their Clergy stood up at it. An Auspicious beginning under their Lawyer-President, who, we also hear, was Chosen a Lieutenant of their Artillery Company at *Boston*, the last Summer. Such Reports as these, make their Friends here, think that the People in *New-England* are running Mad.

But to Proceed with Captain *Rouse*. Several of his Letters are come to *London*, whereby we Understand, " That he having been sent unto *Port-Royal*, on a Service for the Publick, in which he did Good Service, returned Home under a Languishing Sickness. A way being by this first Voyage open'd for a Private Trade between *Port-Royal* and *Boston*, he was Invited into a New Trading Voyage; being told, *He had Eaten the Sowre, he should now Eat the Sweet*. Governour *Dudley* told him, *His main Business was to Steer clear of the Officers of the Custom-House*. And the Matter was Propos'd so Advantageously, that *some Body* press'd him to make the Governour a Present of an Hundred Pounds, for the Liberty and Advantage which was to be Allow'd him. Because he lay Sick, he had Nothing, and saw Nothing aboard, but what had been Shipp'd by others Concerned in the Voyage. He went and made the Best of his Goods; and for *this*, and nothing but *this*, he undergone a Fine of *Twelve Hundred Pounds*.

" Diverse Persons, and especially a certain *Lady*, came to him several times in the Prison, before his Trial; and this as from the Governour, to Persuade him and the rest, to Petition the Assembly, to take their *Trial* into their own Hands; (which the Governour had himself Propos'd unto the Assembly) with many fair Promises, that in a Week's time, or very Quickly, the Governour would so Manage the Assembly, as to bring them abroad again, without any further Trouble. Continual Communications pass'd between *Roxbury* and the Prison; and those Good Offices were done, for which *Paul Dudley*, the Governour's Son, received of *Borland* and *Lawson*, (as they have Affirmed) at one time, a Present of *Eighteen Pounds*. They came with frequent Messages, to keep Captain *Rouse* in a Good Pliant, Silent Humour, and prevent his Telling of Tales. Just before his Trial, a Messenger came from the Governour [ 26 ] to him, to Desire him, *That if the Governour should Speak any Sharp Things to him, he would not Retort any thing, or Misconstrue it; for he might Assure himself, he was his Hearty*

" *Friend*. He would carry on the General Affembly as far as  
 " was Convenient, but then, at laſt, bring off the Matter, and  
 " prevent their doing any Harm. Capt. *Rouſe* accordingly kept  
 " Counſel; the Trial went on, and the Fine anon, proves as we  
 " told ye, *Twelve Hundred Pounds*. The Governour's Son, could  
 " not Demand of *Rouſe*, as he did of *Cauphin*, a Prefent of  
 " Twenty Pounds to the Governour, for bringing his Fine ſo low.  
 " After this, Capt. *Rouſe* is frequently Sollicit'd to make the  
 " Governour a Prefent of *Five or Six Hundred Pounds*; with  
 " Affurances, that the Governour would find a way for his Lib-  
 " erty, tho' he were now Imprison'd by an Act of the Affembly.  
 " He ſtill Refus'd it: reſolving to wait for Her Majeſty's Diſal-  
 " lowance of that Illegal Act. He Wrote Letters to the Gov-  
 " ernour, Intreating him to procure a Mittigation of his Hard  
 " Circumſtances, becauſe he had done nothing, but with Counte-  
 " nance from his Excellency. The Governour told the Meſſen-  
 " ger, that *Rouſe* muſt Write another ſort of Letter to him;  
 " which the Meſſenger Explained, with telling him, that he muſt  
 " Write, *That the Governour had no Concern with what was done*.  
 " But this he would never do. We hear that he continues Wait-  
 " ing for an Opportunity, to bring more fully to Light, many  
 " other things, beſides theſe that have been Mentioned.

Theſe being the main Strokes of what Captain *Rouſe* has  
 thought fit as yet to Declare of his Caſe; we don't Wonder, that  
 the Praſtituting *Sow-Gelder* thought fit to Caſtrate the Vindicating  
 Vote of *Rouſe's* Name. But we may well Wonder, that the  
 Houſe would be drawn into a Vote, that was Deſign'd for a  
 Blind, and a Sham, to Impoſe on People at a Diſtance; and yet,  
 at ſuch a Diſtance as we are, we can ſee thro' it! At the ſame  
 time, the Counſellors and Representatives, even the moſt Antient  
*Blanchers* among them, would (as we are Affur'd) freely ſay to  
 the Expoſtulators of their Conduct, which they every where met  
 withal, *That if the Governour had put them upon Clearing him  
 from [ 27 ] groſs Briberies and Corruptions, they could not have  
 Cleared him*. Well, but why don't they Search into thoſe things?  
 For they have a Tendency to Debauch and Ruin the Country,  
 and make it a Vile, and a Forlorn Country. We are told, their  
 Anſwer is, 'Tis *too Big* a Thing for them to Manage: They  
 Wiſh the Queen would Grant a *Commiſſion of Enquiry*. And  
 People have been Afraid to Tell what they Know; for the Gov-  
 ernour and his Son, between them, have (thought they) Num-  
 berleſs Ways to come up with 'em; and, 'tmay be, they will  
 Prefs their Sons to the *Caſtle*, or elſewhere; from whence they  
 ſhall be Sold unto Merchant-Ships, and ſent out of the Country.  
 Or, they may ſhortly have ſome Cauſe in Court, where the  
 Queen's Attorney (the Governour's Son) Reigns *Lord and King*;  
 and will take Effectual Care that the Cauſe go againſt them.  
 Others go on, *That thoſe are little things; they do ſo in England*;

*such things must be borne with!* Which is indeed, a Cruel Re-  
proach on the Queen's Government. And Lastly, the Sharpest  
of all will tell ye, *Oh! the Governour is our Father; we must  
not be such Sons of Cham, as to Uncover the Nakedness of our  
Father.* And thus until the New Governour Arrive, who being  
a Man of Integrity, will Honour himself by a Strict Enquiry  
into such Things, there is like to be no Distinct Account brought  
in, to Inform the World,

What Wicked *Bribes*, by a Juggling Management between the  
Governour and his Son, [for, as we Told you before, *You must  
go to my Son!*] are Extorted on all the Occasions in the World!

How Prisoners have been let out of Prison for a Bribe!

How Men in the Officers Hands, upon a *Judgment for Debt*,  
have by the Governour's Arbitrary Command, been set at Lib-  
erty!

How Criminals in the Hands of Justice, being Frighted with  
a Prospect of their Punishment, into a Willingness to go to Sea,  
the Governour sends an Order to the Keeper to Sell 'em for Ten  
Pounds; and so they are sent away to Sea!

What a Wicked Trade is carried on, of *Selling Men* from the  
Castle, &c. to Merchant-men; by which, poor Men have their  
Sons Kidnapp'd into the *Indies*, where the *French* [ 28 ] Catch  
'em, and they Perish in their Prisons! And what intolerable  
Pensions are Paid by Officers for their Places; (by which, and  
the like means, the War, which impoverishes the whole Country,  
has Inriched the Governour) which introduces a World of Mis-  
management! And, Whether a Lieutenant, whose Salary is but  
Sixty Pounds a Year, must not Pay Thirty Pounds a Year Pen-  
sion to Son *Paul*, or be turn'd out! *Cum multis alijs.*

What would have been the Punishment of such things in Old  
King *Alfred's* Days? These things make a louder Cry, than  
can be Stifled by the Noise of all your *silly Addresses.*

We don't Wonder to see *Addresses* for such a Governour's Con-  
tinuance, come over hither, Signed by his *Commission Officers.*  
They are but *Addresses* for their own Continuance. The Royal  
Wisdom is not so to be Impos'd on.

But We can't but Smile to see the *Clergy of New-England* so  
Easily drawn in to Sign *Addresses* of this Nature. We are Glad,  
that we can't see the Hands of the most eminent Ministers, to  
these *Addresses.* By which we gather, That the Governour has  
sent his Emiffaries here and there into Country-Towns, and Sur-  
prizes their Honest Ministers alone, and so many Arts of Infinua-  
tion are used, that they have not Prefence of Mind enough, to  
Refuse a *Subscription* unto any thing that is Offered them. We  
do not see the Ministers of *Boston*, nor the Judicious Minister of  
*Roxbury*, (your Governour's Pastor) to any of those *Addresses*  
which you have been Wheedled into, not at all to your Credit  
here.



Certainly, when these Honest Gentlemen come to see the Practices of their Governour Discovered, they will with Grief and Shame Reflect upon the Addressees, by which they have too far made themselves *Parties* to such a Governour. Some of them will Consider, Whether they had not best follow the Noble Pattern which their Judge *Sevall* has given them. Gentlemen, Such things as by common Fame, you know to be in the Conduct of your Governour, are not things which must needs Render a *Man acceptable to God, and to all Good Men.*—That Expression were fitter for Pens of *Roman-Catholicks*, than of *New-England* Ministers. You ought, with some Remorse to make a Retraction of [ 29 ] such a Passage as that, which we hear (by Letters, for we have not seen it) is in one of your *Addresses*. We hope you Teach your People better things!

You are generally, so far as we hear, Good, Pious, Faithful Men, and Blessings to your People. But if we may be worthy to Advise you, we think you would do well to Resolve, that you will never Sign *Addresses* of this Nature, till you have had Opportunity in some *Convention* (if you have such Things, for we are Strangers to your Methods) to Discourse with one another, how far it may be Convenient.

We have heard, that of Old Time, there were some *Oxen*, who had the Wisdom to Resolve, that they would no one of them, have any Talk with *Monsieur the Lyon*, apart: Allow us to tell you, if you go on Signing such *Addresses*, you will strangely Undermine your own Authority among your People, and Sacrifice your own Reputation to your Governours. You'll Tempt 'em to say, *That you'll set your Hands to any thing!* Your Predecessors would not have done, as you have done. And, what a *Sword* do such *Addresses* put into your Resolute Governours Hands! He may now Oppress you, or any of yours, to the last Degree, and you have Tied yourselves up from Complaining of him. Were not GOD Merciful to you, in removing such a Governour, you had *Inslaved* your Country before you are aware of it. If you'll permit such as are no *Clergymen*, to Address you with Stories out of Old *Councils*, we could tell you, That the First Council of *Orleans*, A. C. 52, made a strange Decree, *That if a Bishop Ordain a Slave, to be a Priest, knowing him to be a Slave, shall pay double the Price of him to his Master.* We know not well, what sort of a World it was, when this *Decree* was made. All that we move you to, Gentlemen, is, That at your next General Council, you would make a Decree, *That none of you shall be Slaves, or, do any thing that shall fasten the Fetters of Slavery upon your People.* We believe, That if you had known your *Addresses* would have come too late, (as some of them have) and Exposed you to be Laughed at, you would have had more Wit, than to have done as you have. We suppose you have heard what befell the Lord *Verulam* for permitting his Servant to take

a Bribe, and what we [ 30 ] lately done to Sir *J. T.* because he did like your Governour take a Bribe to promote the Passing a Bill. Certainly, if you had known your Governour had been guilty of such Briberies, and other Male-Administrations, as not only Christian, but Heathen Princes have Punish'd with the greatest Severity, you would not have Signed your *Ignorant Adresses*.

Before we Proceed to give an Account of the late Shameful Expedition of the *New-Englanders*, against *Port-Royal*. We shall take some farther Notice, of what Gentlemen worthy of Credit do Assure us. One Writes, That a Gentleman in *New-England*, when he first heard, that Colonel *Dudley* had Obtained a Commission to be Governour there, said, *That he could not Believe, that a Man who had been a Traytor to his Country, and an Apostate from the Religion in which he had been Educated; and that had Murder'd two Men at New-York, better, and more Righteous than himself, would prove a Good Governour.*

Another Letter says, That the Misery of that People of late, has been in their *Counsellors*, as well (tho' not so much) as in their *Governour*. The Priviledges which they enjoy by their present *Charter*, are Great and Singular: For, no Man, but such as the People shall Nominate by their Representative, can be of the Governour's Council. Nor, may there be any *Judge*, or *Justice of the Peace*, but what the Council thus Chosen by the Representatives of the People, shall Consent unto. So that they may, and Ought to be *Shields* to the People, by keeping ill Men from being in Places of Power. Yet we hear, that their Governour has made a Number of very Unfit Men to be their *Justices*; and this with the Consent of his Council, without which he could make none. So that it seems, these Great Priviledges signify very little, through the Pusillanimity, and Unfaithfulness of their Governour's *Counsellors*, who will, too many of them, Consent to almost any thing that he would have them. Witnefs, besides the Things already mentioned, among other innumerable Instances, so many of them Consenting to have a Fort Built at *Pemaquid*, and a stated Salary settled upon the Governour, and other Officers, by which they had like to have Enslaved their Country at once.

[ 31 ] The Representatives are also to be Blamed, in that they do not *Change their Counsellors*. We know, that they want Men fit for Government. Nevertheless, we doubt not but in the large Province of *Massachuset's*, there may be found an Hundred Men, as fit to be Counsellors, as *S. S.* or *J. C.* or *P. T.* [we deal more Tenderly with *them*, in giving but the First Letters of their Names, than they have Dealt with the Honourable *Nathaniel Higginson*, whom they have, by Name at large, Vilified, as a *Scandalous and Wicked Accuser*.] And others, who by their Obsequiousness to *D.* have justly Forfeited the Love of the People.

Had their Representatives the Wisdom frequently to *Change*

*their Counsellors*, it would make them more Careful to Study the Interest of their People, and not that so they may Please their Governour, and Stigmatize better Men than themselves, in their *Boston News-Letter*, only because they *Slandred D. in a matter of Truth*.

We are also Advised from *New-England*, That *D.* has Exposed himself to the whole Colony of *Connecticut*. They Dislike him there more Univerfally than in the *Massachuset's*. For he is not in a Capacity to *Bribe* Men there with his *Commissions*, Civil or Military. But he has joyned a Hellish Malice with the worst Men, and greatest Enemies of the *Charter* belonging to that Colony, in seeking to Disturb them in the quiet Possession of their Lands. A Commission was Obtained, in which *Dudley* was Chief, but others, who pretended to have a Right to Great Tracts of Land, were put into the *Commission*, with Power to be Judges of their own *Pretensions*; the like to this has been feldom known. But when that Honourable Gentleman, who has Condescended to be their Agent, discovered the Fraud of this Affair before the Queen in *Council*, Praying that Her Majesty would put some Remarkable *Discountenance* on said *Dudley*, that *Commission* was soon Vacated, to his no little Confusion.

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## S E C T. V.

THAT Honourable Person before-mentioned, who is here Appearing on the Behalf of one of the *N. English* Colonies, which Colonel *Dudley* has been seeking to Enslave, saw cause to Conclude his Petition, with a Complaint against him in these Terms; *Your Majesty's Name and Authority is Abused to Serve some Dark Designs of his own*. It seems he is used to *Dark Designs*; but if ever *Dark Designs* were to be Suspected, it has been in the Business of that Late Expedition to *Port-Royal*; an Expedition, that besides the everlasting Disgrace of it, has entirely Ruined the Country, and made it highly Necessary for another Governour to be sent thither, to Rescue that poor People, if it be possible, from Extirpation. We have pretty *Broad Hints* of an *Unlawful Trade* carried on with the Fort at *Port-Royal*. And besides the things already mentioned, it is well known, that when *Flags of Truce* passed between *Port-Royal* and *Boston*, the Officers of the *Custom-House* at *Boston*, were Ob-

fructed from going aboard those Flags of Truce, that so the Trade carried on with the Enemy, might be Concealed. And when Goods have been Seized on Board the *Flags of Truce*, they have been again taken out of the Hands of the Officers. But we must now proceed to a Sadder Story. The Short of the Story is this. But the *Dark Designs* must be left for another Judgment.

When the War first broke out, the People of *New-England*, especially the Trading part of the Country, and those that were more immediately Concerned in the *Fishery*, were very Uneasy to see *Port-Royal*, which was then of no considerable Strength, advancing into a Capacity of Distressing, if not Ruining the Province. It is so near, and so Seated, as to have all imaginable Advantage to Animate, and Supply [ 33 ] the *Indians*, by *Land*; and by *Sea*, with *Privateers*, to Destroy their *Fishery*, and Ruin all their other Trade, by Intercepting and Taking their Vessels, both Outward and Inward Bound. Their Fort was but an *Embryo*, and it was thought they might have been easily Suppressed.

The *New-Englanders* understood by a *Port-Royaller* falling into their Hands, that at *Port-Royal* they had not yet Heard of the War broken out. Whereupon Governour *Dudley* was earnestly Solicited, and his Leave Intreated by some, to go and Destroy that Nest of *Hornets*, which was like to be so Grievous a growing Plague to the Country; with Offers to raise Volunteers sufficient for that Purpose: But the Proposal was Rejected; which made People Suspect some *Dark Designs*, and that *Port-Royal* was reserved for some special Advantages not Obvious to the Vulgar.

Afterwards, when the Governour could no longer withstand the Cry of the Country, Colonel *Church* was allow'd to go. The Assembly procured a Mortar-piece, and provided Bombs, and other things Convenient, and had some Eye upon the Fort, which was not then finish'd. Yet the said *Church* had not only the Taking of the *Fort* left out of his Orders, but was positively *Forbidden* to Meddle with it. And he hath since Affirm'd to many Gentlemen, that he could with all the Ease imaginable have Taken the Fort, but that he had been so Strictly and Menacingly *Forbidden* to meddle with it, that he Durst not; but only Ravaged the Naked Country. *Church's* Soldiers were all *Volunteers*, and an *Act of the Assembly* for their Encouragement had Promised them a certain Share of the Plunder: But the Chief Commanders first made a large Present out of it to the Governour; and then *He*, joining with them, Cut off the Army of Half that the *Publick Faith* had Engaged them; which it was feared, would have proved a lasting Discouragement to all *Volunteers* for the Service of the Crown and the Country: And the House of Representatives Remonstrated unto the Governour, this among other Grievances; but were Rejected with Obstinate Contempt.

The Reason Pretended by the Governour, for Prohibiting Church's meddling with the Fort was, *That he had laid the* [ 34 ] *Matter before the Queen, and had yet received no Orders about it.* Tho' the same Objection still continued, yet the People being extremely Desirous that a Period might be put to their Miseries from *Port-Royal*, and a Way open'd for the Deliverance of many Scores of Poor *English* Captives, likely to Languish for ever in the *Indian Wigwams*, Moved for another Expedition above a Year ago. The Governour now gives a Commission for *Taking the Fort*; but whether with any *Dark Designs*, we are yet *in the Dark*. After the Instructions were drawn up, there was a Clause *Tack'd* at the End of 'em, which gave the Army Leave to come off when they would, if they should imagine, they could not presently Finish their Business to their Minds. It was the Tacking of this unobserved Clause at last, that Confounded all, and brought on a Story, which all the Letters from *New-England* we have yet seen, say, *They Blush to Write it*. And that is the Reason why we can give but a Short Account of it. In Short, There was an Army of as Likely Men as can be Imagined, the best part of Two Thousand of them; and as well provided with Ammunition, Provision, and all things Necessary, as a Willing Country could Afford. But, when it comes to Execution, quite Contrary to the best Advice of them who Knew the Place, they Landed several Miles off the Fort, when they might have Landed close by, and probably at once have taken it. However, Land they did; and Drove the Enemy before them, and Chafed them into the Fort with much Courage and all the Encouragement that could be. The Men, to do them Justice, Fought like Men, and would have done any thing in the World. — But, lo, the Issue! The *Deptford* Man of War, which was *Commodore* of the Fleet, had Express Orders from the Governour, *That he should not Expose the Queen's Ship*. Which Orders he afterwards Exposed in the *Coffee-Houses*. An Engineer was fetch'd from *New-York*, where the People from the beginning fore-told what would be the Conclusion. The Governour's Youngest Son, *Wm. Dudley*, was there too, in the Quality of a Secretary of War; and tho' he were little more than a *Boy*, yet he was a *Son*, and the Army soon Cry'd out of being *Boy-riden*. The General, a Man of no Conduct, having Signaliz'd some- [ 35 ] thing of a *Belluine* Courage in some *Indian* Encounters, the *Mob*, 't is said, was set upon having him to be a Commander. They landed as we said: but then they never made a *Formal Demand* of the Fort; they never Threw up a *Shovel-full* of Earth. The Business was so managed, between certain Persons, that altho' at a *Council of War*, one Day it was Voted, That the *Fort* should be attack'd, it was by 'nd by, Unvoted again. The Engineer had wrought upon sundry Captains, to make 'em Believe, *That the Taking of the Fort* was Impracticable. They most of them gave it under their

Hands to their Wife General, *That it was their Opinion, it was best for 'em to Draw off.* The Soldiers began also to be Dispirited, for some had Blabb'd among them a Secret, which, when it came to be Known, made 'em out of their Witts. Tho' it was Known and Published here in *London*, before the Fleet was returned from *Port-royal*. The General Assembly had Agreed, and Engaged, That if the Fort were Taken, it should immediately be Demolished; and without this Assurance the Army would never have Proceeded. But *some Body* now, Indiscreetly let 'em Understand, that the Governour had some *Dark Designs* to put a Trick upon them, and had given him Orders not to *Demolish* the Fort: Whereupon the Inraged Army said, *They had now nothing to do, but Fight themselves into a Prison!* They were mostly Good Livers at Home, and could not bear the Thoughts on't, that Half the Army, (no Man Knowing, whether it might not be his own Share) should be Confined there one long Winter in a remote Garrison, and perhaps, Two Winters after that; or until they should Buy themselves a Release upon as Hard Terms, as the poor Country-Soldiers have, to get out of the Castle at *Boston*. Well: A Packet is Dispatch'd unto the Governour of *Boston*, to Signify their Opinion, and to Pray his Excellency's further Pleasure. But in Three or Four Days after the Sailing of the Packet, and before it was Possible for them to Hear from *Boston*, they drew off in great Confusion, and Weigh'd Anchor, and came away. But as they were in the midst of their Disperſion, there came Orders to stop as many of them, as were together, at *Casco Bay*. From thence [ 36 ] they ſent Three Perſons to Acquaint the Governour with the Miſerable Affair; whereof one was the *Engineer* aforesaid. They had a very Melancholly, and almost a Tumultuous Reception by the People; and when they were, at their first Landing, upbraided with Cowardice, their Answer still was, *The Fault was at Home; and they had gone as far as their Orders would bear them out!* With fundry ſuch Reflections, which bore Hard upon the Government. The Council were Informed of this Diſcourſe; but there was no Notice taken of it. And tho' they were Chidden by the Governour, in the Council Chamber, yet we understand, they were Hugg'd and Careſſ'd by him, below Stairs, to the great Scandal of the People. The People were now in a mighty Ferment. It was the Universal Opinion, That if the Army had only ſtaid, and Plaid at *Coits* in their Camp (far enough from the Fort) at *Port-royal*, the Fort would have been within a few Days Surrendered to them. The Soldiers within were Mutinous to the laſt Degree; Deferters Daily came over. Proviſions would have grown Scanty in a little Time. [Tho' the Lodgings of their Men were not now Thatch'd! (the Reaſon why, we told ye before) yet a Red-hot Bullet or Two, ſlung into the Fort, might have ſet 'em on Fire.] Ten Thousand Things might have happened. But, like Men afraid of having

the Fort fall into their Hands, they ran back to *New-England* as fast as their *Canvas Sails* would carry them. The Good Women in *Boston*, could not forbear their Outcries, when they met in the Streets, on this Occasion Says one of them, *Why, our Cowards imagined that the Fort at Port-Royal would fall before them like the Walls of Jericho.* Another Answers, *Why did not the Block-heads then stay out Seven Days to see! What ail'd the Traitors to come away in Five Days time after they got there!* The Cry of the People must be Satisfied. Another Ship of War was fitted out, and Recruits of Soldiers were sent unto the Fleet, which now lay at *Casco-Bay*. Which after Tedious and Expensive Delays of many Weeks, set sail from thence again to *Port-royal*; but with the greatest Aversion that ever was in the Hearts of Men: and not until they had been further weakened by many and numerous Defections. While they were on their Voyage [ 37 ] to *Port-royal*, a Man of War arrived from *Portugal*; the brave Commander (a *New-Englander*) was ready to Venture his Ship and Life too on this Occasion; and Chearfully Complied with Orders which were with some ado Obtained, for him to go to *Port-Royal* after them. Our Fleet arriving there a Second Time, found that in the time of their withdraw to *Casco*, the *Port-royallers* had much Recruited themselves; and had Taken and carried in some *English* Vessels, laden with Provision; and had also Dispatch'd away their Galley for *France*.

Therefore, after a little Skirmish on the opposite Shore, and some Follies not to be mention'd, away they come for *Boston*, without Orders, and before Capt. *Paddon* could have Opportunity to come up with 'em. So that the Second Expedition was as Bad or more Worse than the first.

After the Expedition was thus Shamefully Finish'd, there was another Difficult Card to Play: that was, to Satisfy the General Assembly, which was then Quickly to fit. The way pitch'd upon was, to make a Pretended *Court-Marshal*, to Enquire into the Cause of the Mismanagements at *Port-Royal*. This Court was the Ridicule of Town and Country. No Body was Try'd at it, or so much as Accused. All was carried on in *Hugger-mugger*. We can Hear of nothing done: but the Presenting of the Secretary of War, *Will. Dudley*, with all the Plunder which was taken; and amounted to between One and Two Hundred Pounds, and then leave to go Home! It is plain, the General was not to be Impeached there: 't is well, if it has not Ruined the Governour, as well as the distressed Country, yet we hear the Governour, before the fitting of the said Court, gave him an Order for an Advantageous Post at the *East-ward*; to Build a Fort at *Saco*, because he would not take one at *Port-royal*; as High and Rich a Post, as he was ever capable of.

And so much for *Port-royal*, until the *dark designs* come into further Light. And then it will be Known whether Governour

D. when he saw the Country was Violently fet upon going, and so Interrupting his Trade with the *French*, had not a Secret Design that the Fort at *Port-royal* should have been made (as the Fort at *Pemaquid* would have been) a [ 38 ] Convenient Place for the *Fur-Trade* with the *Indians*, whereby himself, and some Friends of his here, in *Britain*, would have got no little Riches. In the mean time, under his Admirable Conduct, an impoverish'd Country has, (as we are credibly informed) been put to above Two and Twenty Thousand Pounds Charge, only to be Laughed at by their Enemies and Pitied by their Friends.

To the *QUEEN's* most Excellent Majesty.

The Humble Petition of Your Majesty's most *Loyal* Subjects, Inhabitants in Your Majesty's Dominions, in *America*, or Trading thither.

SHEWETH,

**T**HAT Colonel Joseph Dudley, whose Arbitrary and Tyrannical Proceedings had Exposed him to the just Repentments of his Country-men, before the Happy Revolution, hath been nevertheless so Fortunate, as to Obtain the Government of the *Massachusetts's Colony*, in *New-England*.

That Your Petitioners are Certainly Informed of diverse Grievous Corruptions and Oppressions, and Unjust and Partial Practices of the said Dudley, on which they might Ground many Complaints, against him, but they are so Sensible of the imminent Danger which Threatens Your Majesty's Subjects in that and the Neighbouring Colonies, thro' his Male Administration, that they at this time Beg Leave Humbly and Singly to represent to Your Majesty.

That the said Dudley hath Countenanced a private Trade and Correspondence with Your Majesty's Enemies, the *French* at *Canada*, and the *Indians* which are in their Interest, Furnishing them with Ammunition and Provision.

[ 39 ] That the Persons managing the said Correspondence, pretended a Voyage to *New-found-land*, and being Accused of High Treason, by the General Assembly of *New-England*, the said Governour by his Interest and Power, delayed their Prosecution, till the Ammunition which he had furnish'd the Enemy was used by



*them, to the Destruction of Your Majesty's good Subjects, and that Colony, thereby put to Three and Thirty Thousand Pounds Charge.*

*That many of the best, and most prudent members of the Lower House of Representatives, being tired with his Delays, and Necessitated to go Home and defend their Plantations from the Enemy, he prevailed with those that remained, who were scarce a House, that the Accusations against his Agents, should be changed from Treason to Misdemeanour; and they being Convicted, he Laboured to Mitigate their Fines. All which was so apparent to the People of New-England, that they threatened to pull down his House.*

*That he had the Confidence nevertheless, to Apply to the General Assembly for an Address to Your Majesty in his Favour, but his Application was received with a general Murmur and Contempt, and nothing done therein.*

*And altho' he hath since Endeavour'd to obtain Your Majesty's Good Opinion by Collecting a Number of Names of Persons under his Command and Influence to give him a Character.*

*Your Majesty's Petitioners who Apprehend their Wives, Families, and Estates to be in Imminent danger under such a Governour, do therefore Humbly Pray, that this matter may be speedily Enquired into, and that Your Majesty would Please to give such Directions thereupon, as to Your Majesty's Great Wisdom shall seem meet.*

And Your Petitioner's shall ever Pray, &c.

Wm. Partridge, Thomas Newton, Nathan Higginson, Tho. Allen, Alex. Holmes, John Calley, &c. &c. &c.



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## DIARY OF SAMUEL SEWALL.

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Jan 14  $\frac{1}{17} \frac{6}{8} \frac{2}{0}$  Elder Jonas Clark, of Cambridge, dies, a good man in a good old Age, and one of my first and best Cambridge friends. He quickly follows the great Patron of Ruling Elders, Tho. Danforth, Esqr.

15. This day fortnight Lawrence Copeland of Braintry was buried; 't is counted that he liv'd to be at least one hundred and ten years old. *Teste Arnoldo*<sup>1</sup> *octogenario olim ejusdem vicino.*

Jan<sup>y</sup> 17.  $\frac{1}{17} \frac{6}{8} \frac{2}{0}$ . A great fire brake out at Charlestown last night though very rainy. Three Houses burnt; viz. the widow Cutlers and two more: on the left hand of the way as one goes to Cambridge, upon the side of the hill. Other Houses on the opposite side of the Ally very narrowly escaped. Elder Clark is buried this day. Snowy all day long.

Gave Mr. Willard two volums of Rivets works.<sup>2</sup>

Jan<sup>y</sup> 17 about 5 p. m. Dame Hañah Townsend dies in the 93<sup>d</sup> year of her Age. Cook, Hutchinson, Sewall, Ad-dington, Chiever, Maryon *pater*, Bearers. Jan<sup>y</sup> 19. 1699–1700.

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<sup>1</sup> Probably this was Joseph Arnold, of Braintree, whose death does not appear on our books. He married in 1648, and his wife died in 1693; hence we infer he was alive at this time, and an octogenarian. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Andrew Rivet, a Poictevin, born 1572, died 1647. He was a professor at Leyden, D.D. at Oxford, and "three volumes of his devotional and controversial writings have been published." — Eds.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> The L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> calls me with him to Mr. Willards, where out of two papers Mr. W<sup>m</sup> Brattle drew up a third for an Accomodation to bring on an Agreement between the New-Church [Brattle Square] and our Ministers; Mr. Colman got his Brethren to subscribe it.

This day Jan<sup>y</sup> 24. was a Council at the Governors. Assembly is proroug'd to the 13 March.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> Mr. I. Mather, Mr. C. Mather, Mr. Willard, Mr. Wadsworth, and S. S. wait on the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> at Mr. Coopers: to confer about the writing drawn up the evening before. Was some heat; but grew calmer, and after Lecture agreed to be present at the Fast which is to be observed Jan<sup>y</sup> 31.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 30. L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, [Stoughton] Winthrop, Cooke, S. S. hold the Court in Somers's great Room below stairs; finish the Court by 7. at night: Note, good going over the ferry as in Sum<sup>r</sup> almost, no Ice.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 31. Fast at the New Church. Mr. Colman reads the Writing agreed on. Mr. Allin Prays, Mr. Colman preaches, prays, blesses. p.m. Mr. Willard prays, Mr. I. Mather preaches, Mr. Cotton Mather prays, Sing the 67 psalm without reading. Mr. Brattle sets Oxford Tune. Mr. Mather gives the Blessing. His Text was, Follow peace with all men and Holiness. Doct. must follow peace so far as it consists with Holiness. Heb. 12. 14.

Mr. Colman's Text was Rom. 15. 29. Mr. Fisk, Hobart, Belchar and many Ministers and Scholars there. Mr. Torrey absent by reason of sickness and the bad wether yesterday. Of the Council, L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, Mr. Russell, Mr. Cooke, Col. Hathorne, Sewall, Addington, Sergeant (Foreseat) Col. Foster, Lynde, Saffin, E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Walley, Townsend, Byfield. Mr. Willard pray'd God to pardon all the frailties and follies of Ministers and people; and that they might give that Respect to the other churches that was due to them though were not just of their Constitution. Mr. Mather in's Sermon, and Mr. Cotton Mather in's

prayer to the same purpose. Mr. Willard and C. Mather pray'd excellently and pathetically for Mr. Colman and his Flock. Twas a close dark day.<sup>1</sup>

Febr. 1. A pretty deal of Thunder Rain and Hail the last night.

Col. Hambleton<sup>2</sup> comes to Town this day from Pensilvania.

Cousin W<sup>m</sup> Savil died last night of a Fever.

Febr. 2. Cous. Savil is buried. Tis so very cold that none of us venture to goe. Visit my Lord [Bellomont].

Seventh-day, Febr. 3. 1699, 1700. Capt. Win, in the Advice, a 4th Rate, arrives from England 6 weeks passage from the Spit-head. Gov<sup>r</sup> heard nothing of him till he came and deliver'd his Packets. Came to Nantasket the day before; on Friday. He says, the King redeems all the Captives at Maccaness [Mequinez, in Morocco]. Peace.

Tuesday, Febr. 6. A Council is held at my Lord's. The Advice of Councillors asked about sending the Pirats on Board.<sup>3</sup> I motioned that by that time the Prisoners

<sup>1</sup> We learn, from Lothrop's "History of the Brattle Street Church," that the church records give few more details about this affair. This church was one established late in 1699, by a few of the more liberal men of the day. It was called the "Manifesto Church." from its printed declaration of principles. Rev. Benjamin Colman, a native of Boston, then in England, was invited to become the first pastor, and accepted. It was necessary to establish fellowship with the other churches, and hence the proceedings in which Sewall participated. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Probably Andrew Hamilton, Governor of New Jersey, 1699-1701; Deputy-Governor of Pennsylvania, 1701-1709. He was made Deputy-Postmaster for all the Plantations, in 1692. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> As in the matter of the witchcraft trials, Sewall here disappoints us by his silence in regard to most interesting matters. This meeting was in reference to the famous pirate, Captain William Kidd, whose memory is stamped indelibly upon the popular imagination in New England. Kidd was licensed May 16, 1691, at New York, to marry Mary, widow of John Oort (N. E. Hist. Gen. Register, VI. 63). June 8, 1691, he was commissioned by Bradstreet to attack a privateer then on our coast. (Palfrey, IV. 180.) He probably sailed between New York and England for some years, and becoming acquainted with Colonel Livingston, Lord Bellomont, and others,

could be got from N. York, Coñecticut, Rode-Island: the Assembly might sit if his L<sup>ship</sup> saw meet, and they would willingly rid themselves of them. Gov<sup>r</sup> seem'd displeas'd. I had ask'd before, What Pirats, and the Gov<sup>r</sup> said them and their Associates. Gov<sup>r</sup> mention'd Kid, Gillam, Bradish, Witherly, to be sent aboard presently for better security. Council voted to leave it to the Govrs. Discretion whom to send aboard: only the Gov<sup>r</sup> had said to some that enquired, He intended not [to let] them out upon Bail. I think only I, Col. Townsend and Capt. Byfield were in the Negative. I said I was not clear in it. The grounds I went upon were because I knew of no power I had to send Men out of the Province. Capt. Byfield said, He was for their going aboard: but reckon'd twas not so safe to send them presently as to keep them in Goal. Voted also the Treasure to be deliver'd to such as the Gov<sup>r</sup> should appoint. Gov<sup>r</sup> nominated L<sup>t</sup> Hunt and Capt.

he made an agreement to go out to the East Indies, as captain of a lawful privateer, to suppress piracy. This was in October, 1695. Here he turned pirate himself, making his rendezvous on the coast of Madagascar, and capturing native vessels. He returned to Hispaniola, where he left his ship, and came to New York in a sloop, whence he proceeded to Boston, in June, 1699. After an examination, he was committed a close prisoner with divers of his crew. Sewall has already recorded (I. 498, 503) that, by the aid of one Kate Price, two of these men, Joseph Bradish and Tee Witherly, escaped in June, and were recaptured in October. Bellomont says, "We have found that the jailer was Bradish's kinsman, and he confessed that he and one of his crew went out of the prison door."

Nov. 30, 1699, Bellomont wrote home, "These pirates I have in gaol make me very uneasy for fear they should escape. I would give £100 they were all in Newgate." (N. E. Hist. Gen. Register, VI. 84.) At his request, as there was no provincial law for punishing piracy with death, a frigate was sent for the prisoners, and they sailed in February, 1699-1700. Kidd was tried for piracy and for the murder of one of his crew, and, being found guilty, was executed.

The whole affair was brought into politics. Not only was Bellomont, one of the original owners of Kidd's vessel, now in high position, but Lord Chancellor Somers and some other distinguished noblemen were sharers in the enterprise, and the King was to have a tenth of the profits. Macaulay, in his twenty-fifth chapter, has eloquently described the attack upon Somers and his triumphant acquittal. — Eds.



Win, capt. of the Advice. Present Mr. Cooke, Col. Hutchinson, Mr. Secretary, S. S. Mr. Russel, Col. Lynde, Capt. Foster, Mr. Sergeant, Mr. Saffin, Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Col. Townsend, Capt. Byfield, Major Walley. Have reckon'd them as came to mind. L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop, Col. Phillips, not there.

High Wind, and very cold at N West.

Febr. 7<sup>th</sup> Council is called to advise about the Indians, being Rumors of a War by the Maquas. One Tobie, who murder'd several at Oxford, stirs them up, and brings wampam to our Indians. On Wednesday night, Jan<sup>y</sup> ult, the night it Thundered, Sixteen Men with women and children ran away from Woodstock. Gov<sup>r</sup> Winthrop has sent 40 Men thither. Have writt a Letter to answer his with Thanks; and to desire him to surprise Tobie if he can.

Friday, Febr. 9th. Will, formerly Capt. Prentices Negro, now living with Maylem, a Horse run away with him, threw him upon the hard frozen Ground, or Timber, near Houchins's corner, and kill'd him; died in a little while. I saw him panting as came from visiting Capt. Foxcroft. He was much delighted in Horses, and now dies by a Horse. About 1664. he sav'd his Master Prentice from a Bear. Went with Col. Townsend and me to Albany. Rid Post one while.

Capt. Belchar was at the Meeting, come home from burying his daughter Vaughan,<sup>1</sup> who died in child bed. Child died first. Wast the most beautifull of all his Daughters. I wonder'd to see him at Mr. Bromfield's, the wether had been so excessive cold. Said, I was sorry for the croꝑing of his desirable Flower.

Febr. 6, 7, 8. were reputed to be the coldest days that have been of many years. Some say Brooks were frozen

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<sup>1</sup> This was Mary, daughter of Andrew Belcher, and wife of George Vaughan, of Portsmouth. — Eds.

for carts to pass over them, so as has not been seen these Ten years. Ground very dry and dusty by the high wind.

Febr. 12. A considerable snow falls.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> was a storm of Snow; which occasiond Mr. C. Mather to take for his Text, White as the snow of Salmon: Quickly melted away. Have not as yet had any path to make upon the Lords Day.

Febr. 12. Justices met with the Selectmen at the Stone-House, Davis's, to take away some misunderstanding between us; and to agree to take Lists of each quarter of the Town to reform and prevent disorders.

Tuesday, Febr. 13. I got up pretty early, being forc'd to it by a laxness. Had sweet com̄union with God in Prayer, and in reading the two last Sermons I heard in London, about Assurance &c. This came to my hand by accident, the book being fallen upon my wood in the closet. Had read before, my own Notes upon Ephes. 5, 15, 16, 7: 16. 1679. at Mrs. Oliver's. The Lord inlighten my Understanding, and incline my Will.

Febr. 14. I visit Mr. Tho. Thornton in the Afternoon between 3 and 4. He made a shift to say he was willing to dy, but wanted Patience. Hop'd should dy next night. I spake to him what I could. Help him up while he drank something comfortable.

At three past midnight he alter'd much.

Febr. 15, 3 p.m. Mr. Tho. Thornton dyes very quietly; which Mr. Gee acquaints me with. Is very near 93 years old.<sup>1</sup>

Febr. 16. pleasant wether. Kid, Bradish, Gillam,<sup>2</sup> With-

<sup>1</sup> The Rev. Thomas Thornton came to Yarmouth, Mass., about 1663, and thence to Boston, in 1677. — EDS.

<sup>2</sup> Of the third of these names, we find that James Gillam proved to be a man who killed Captain Edgecomb, of the Mocha frigate, and persuaded the crew of that vessel to turn pirates. In searching his house a letter was found from Kidd's wife to Captain Pain, an old pirate of Rhode Island,

erly are sent on board the Advice Frigat. Warrant was dated Febr. 13. but no mention of the Council in it. But the Gov<sup>rs</sup> name only, in pursuit of the King's Co<sup>m</sup>and.

Febr. 22. I had thoughts of sitting up to see the eclipse: but the cloudy thick sky discouraged me: yet kept a candle burning, and went to the Window at two of the clock; the wether was still thick with clouds, that I could see nothing: only seem'd very dark for a full Moon.

In the evening I visited Mrs. Williams in her Languishing. Am invited to a Fast there on Friday.

Wednesday, Febr. 28. We ship off the Iron chest of Gold, Pearls &c., 40 Bails of East-India Goods, 13 hogsheads, chests and case, one Negro Man, and Ventura Resail, an East-Indian born at Ceilon.<sup>1</sup> Wether was doubtfull in the morning, which made us irresolute: but at last we set about it, and accomplish'd it very hapily. I look upon it as a great Mercy of God, that the Storehouse has not been broken up, no fire has hapend. Agreed in the Weight of the Gold with our former Weight, and had so comfortable a day at last to finish our work. Mr. Bradstreet, and Capt. Winn's Clerk took an account at the Crane; but Capt. Winn would not give a Rec<sup>t</sup> till had them on board the sloop Antonio, which ridd off just without the Outward Wharf. Gave a Rec<sup>t</sup> for the Gold at Capt Belchar's as soon as it was weighed. Cousin Wells and his wife visit us. I went to his L<sup>d</sup>ship to

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showing that the latter had some of Kidd's money in his hands. (Register, VI. 84.) — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> This treasure was of course Kidd's. When he was captured at Boston, the searchers found a bag of gold dust and ingots worth £1,000, and a bag of silver. On information, they sent to Mr. Gardiner, of Gardiner's Island, in the Sound, and obtained gold, silver, and jewels left there by Kidd, worth £4,500, and six bales of goods, one valued at £2,000. The total capture was thought to be worth £14,000. Kidd afterwards told Lord Bellomont that if he was allowed to go to the place where he left his ship, and to St. Thomas and Curaçoa, he would recover £50,000 to £60,000, hid by himself, which no one else could recover. See the interesting notes in N. E. Hist. Gen. Register, VI. 77-84, and Palfrey, IV. 184. — Eds.

speake to Him about some paym<sup>ts</sup> to be made of about £16.

March, 4. 1699. Capt. Gullock is sent to Prison for his contempt of the Govern<sup>t</sup> in giving in to the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council an Insolent writing under his hand, and justifying it.

March 5, Tuesday,  $\frac{1}{7} \frac{6}{8} \frac{8}{8}$ . Mr. Sergeant, Capt. Frary, Capt. Hill, Capt Checkly and my self goe to Cambridge over the Ferry, and acquaint Mr. Pemberton with the Church's Call, and their desire of his Acceptance. He makes a very sensible Answer as to the Weight of the Work, his own inability; hōp'd God would hear his earnest Prayer, and help him to make a right Answer. Din'd at Remington's, Mr. Flint, Fitch, and Blower din'd with us: visited Mr. Brattle, came home round: Saw a man plowing at Muddy River; breaking up a Pasture with two oxen and a horse.

March 7<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Williams dies.

March, 11<sup>th</sup> 1699. 1700. Town-Meeting, chose Seven Select-men; Mr. Daniel Oliver, Mr. Isa Tay, Mr. Joseph Prout, Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Maryon jun<sup>r</sup> Capt. Tim<sup>o</sup> Clark, Mr. Elizur Holyoke, Mr. Obadia Gill, Mr. James Taylor Treasurer, W<sup>m</sup> Griggs Town-Clerk. 5 overseers of the Poor; Elisha Hutchinson esqr. 38, Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Lynde, 33, Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Eyre 31, Mr. Nath<sup>l</sup> Oliver 30. Capt. Nath<sup>l</sup> Byfield, 23. Constables, Benja Fitch, 90. Henry Hill, 83. William Man 63. W<sup>m</sup> Welsted 61. Joseph Billing, 57. W<sup>m</sup> Clark jun<sup>r</sup> 45. James Gooch, 40. Joseph Dowden 67. Jose Winthrop constable of Rumney-Marsh.

Surveyors of High Ways. Tho Walker, Stephen Minott, Jacob Melyen, Jn<sup>o</sup> Goodwin sen<sup>r</sup>

Voted to raise Money;

Stock to set poor on work . . . . .	£500
To maintain impotent poor . . . . .	400
Schools, Bells, &c. . . . .	300
To mend the Way over the Neck . . . . .	200
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Capt. Byfield was Moderator ; had Candles, broke up at 8. Began at 10 m. Mr. Colman began with Prayer. Capt. Byfield dismiss'd the Assembly with Prayer.

Tuesday, March, 19.  $\frac{1}{7} \frac{6}{7} \frac{2}{8} \frac{2}{8}$ . Three young men: viz. Robert Cunable, W<sup>m</sup> Salter, and Tho Comer, went in a Canoo a Guñing before day-light, and were drowned. Wind high, and wether cold. Only James Tileston was saved.

March 21. Mrs. Martha Collins dieth.

March, 23. She is buried between 5 and 6. p.m. Bearers L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> Stoughton, Mr. Russel, Sewall, Lynde, Byfield, Hayman. Mr. Cook was at the funeral. Col Phillips not well. Had Gloves and Rings. The under-bearers were honest men. I took my cousin Moodey, minister of York, over with me. Mr. Leverett there. Mr. Bradstreet the minister. Snow'd hard as we came home.

Monday, March, 25, 1700. Set out with Mr. Cooke for Plimouth, visited Mr. Torrey, staid near 3 hours, then to Mr. Norton's where Maj<sup>r</sup> Genl Winthrop came to us late, so got late to Sittiate to Mr. Cushings, lodg'd there just by the ruins of Mr. Chauncey's house. Maj<sup>r</sup> Genl. had appointed to visit said Cushing. Were so belated that fail'd Maj<sup>r</sup> Thomas, who with some other Gentlemen waited for us at the old Ferry on Marshfield side.

Tuesday, March 26. The wind is very bleak that it was ready to put me into an Ague, having rid late the night before. Had a noble Treat at Maj<sup>r</sup> Thomas's. Mr. Sheriff and his Gentlemen were so wearied that they were afraid of some Miscarriage at the Ferry. Began the Court about five. Wednesday and Thursday were extravagantly stormy. On Friday Mr. Cooke comes home but the wind was strong in my face, and cold that I durst not venture. Satterday was also very cold and chose rather to keep the Sabbath at Plimouth than by the way. Staid at Plimouth. At Noon was a Contribution for one that had his house burnt. Mr. Little invited me to sup with him, which I did.

Monday, April, 1. I was in a great quandary whether I had best to avoid the wind, come home by water and leave my Horse, or no. At last I went on board Elisha Hedge's decked sloop laden with Oyle He put in there in the storm from Yarmouth and lay till now for a wind. Came aboard about 2 hours by Sun, and landed at Mrs. Butlers Wharf before 3 p.m. Having had a very speedy and pleasant Passage, wherein I have experienced much of God's parental pity towards me, and care over me. I could not have got home to day by Land: and I fear my health would have been much impair'd, if I had come but part of the way. Jonathan Wheeler ridd in the Rain from Milton. I have now kept one Sabbath with those who first kept Sabbaths in New England.<sup>1</sup>

March, 31. 1700. At coming ashoar I met with the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> at Mr. Secretarys, and had their welcome.

Apr. 8. 1700. Mr. Turfrey is made Capt of Saco-Fort, and Truck-master with the Indians, in stead of Capt. Hill.

Apr. 9. 1700. Snow covers the Ground.

Sabbath, Apr. 14. I saw and heard the Swallows proclaim the Spring.

Fifth-day, Apr. 18. 1700. Mr. Cooke, Mr. Addington, Mr. Willard, Mr. Estabrooks and his Son Daniel come to my house and here adjust their Matters in difference relating to Mrs. Abigail Estabrookes and her Father — and brother in Law. Mrs. Abigail pass'd a Deed to Daniel last Sum̄er, and he a Mortgage to her: Abigail being dissatisfied in the Mortgage, makes a Deed of the same Land to Capt. S. Checkly and Records it: It was a surprise to me to see it, and I express'd my Dislike of it in Terms that Mr. Willard could hardly bear. Said twas contrary to all Goodness, or words to that purpose. However I press'd that Daniel would give up his Deed, and Abigail her

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<sup>1</sup> We must interpret this remark as merely meaning that Sewall spent the Sunday at Plymouth. To take a literal meaning, we should infer that he had met some survivor of the Pilgrims; but this seems improbable. — Eds.

Mortgage; and that Capt. Checkly should give Daniel a Deed; that so this Fraudulency might not remain to be seen. It rain'd hard, and Mr. Estabrook and his son lodg'd here. Ap. 19. I gave Mr. Estabrooks 20<sup>s</sup> to buy his Grand son Benjamin a Coat.

Apr. 19. Sam. is sent for to be a Bearer to Mr. Eyre's Son, a very likely child, who dyed yesterday. I had that very day, Ap. 18, accidentally lit upon, and nail'd up the verses on Jn<sup>o</sup>; who dyed Nov<sup>r</sup> 30. 1696.

April, 22. 1700. Mr. Sheriff Gookin, by Execution, delivers me and Cous. Aña Quinsey, Mr. H. Usher's House and Ground on the Coñon, And we introduce Madam Usher, *mane*. Ap. 23, 24. Tenant Wiar goes out. Apr. 26. Mrs. Usher removes thither to dwell. I send her a Cord of Wood that came from Muddy-River.

Extract of a Letter from Mr. Hugh Adams dated at Charlestoun in Carolina Feb. 23. <sup>1</sup> $\frac{699}{700}$ .

I have Scripture Grounds to fear and expect that some more terrible impending Judgments are hovering over Carolina to be rained down in snares, fire and Brimstone and an horrible Tempest, as the portion of our cup for the yet tolerated and practised abominations, and Sodom like Sins of this Land. It is hard to describe the dreadful and astonishing aspect of our late terrible Tempest of Mortality in our Charlestown; which began towards the latter end of August, and continued till the middle of November. In which Space of time there died in Charlestown, 125, English of all sorts; high and low, old and young. 37, French. 16, Indians, and 1 Negro. Three Ministers; viz. Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Cotton<sup>1</sup> dissenter, Mr. Samuel Marshal conformist, Mr. Preolo French Minister. Mr. Gilbert Ashly an Anabaptist preacher, Mr. Curtice a Presbyterian preacher dyed all in the beginning of the Mortality for their peoples contempt of their Gospel Labours. After whose decease, the Disteimper raged, and the destroying Angel slaughtered so furiously with his revenging Sword of Pestilence, that there died (as I have read in the Catalogue of the dead) 14. in one day, Sept<sup>r</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> and raged as bad all October: So that the dead were carried in carts, being heaped up one upon another.

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<sup>1</sup> This was the Rev. John Cotton, formerly of Plymouth. See Vol. I. p. 473. — EDS.

Worse by far than the great Plague of London, considering the smallness of the Town. Shops shut up for 6 weeks; nothing but carrying Medicines, digging graves, carting the dead; to the great astonishment of all beholders. Out of Mr. Cotton's church there died himself, Sept<sup>r</sup> 17<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Alexander Merch<sup>t</sup>, Mr. Curtice preacher, Mr. Matthew Bee, Schoolmaster, Mr. Henry Spry (besides his Serv't man, his youngest child, and an Indian Woman). But lastly, which may grieve you most of all, our precious godly Mother Avis Adams departed this Life Octb<sup>r</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> last, being infected by means of tending Mr. Cotton all the time of his Sickness, which was but three days. — Dearly beloved Brother, I intreat you to prepare for the near-approaching of Temptation and Persecution, which Christ will bring upon all the World to try them that dwell upon the earth. When the Lord will search Jerusalem with candles, and punish the men that are settled on their Lees; when Christ will weigh all Professors in the Balance of the Sanctuary. Then wo to them that shall be found out of Christ at that day. Take this favourably as a plain token of my Love to your soul and body. I must needs confess, I have but little Comfort in this Life, only what the Lord himself is pleased to give my Soul out of his spiritual Brests of Divine Consolation, and Loving-kindness and favours, which is better than life itself.— Although we may see one another no more in this world: yet I hope to meet you in Christ with Comfort and Joy at the morning of the Resurrection.

To Mr. John Adams Shop-keeper in Boston  
 † Capt. Green Q. D. C.

Monday, Apr. 29, 1700. Sam. Sewall, Josiah Willard Jn<sup>o</sup> Bayly, Sam. Gaskill, and — Mountfort goe into the Harbour a fishing in a small Boat. Seeing Rich'd Fifield coming in, some would needs meet the ship and see who it was: Ship had fresh way with a fair wind; when came neare, Capt. call'd to them to beware, order'd what they should doe. But they did the clear contrary, fell foul on the ship, which broke their Mast short off, fill'd the Boat with water, threw Willard and Gaskill into the River. Both which were very near drown'd; especially Gaskill, who could not swim. It pleas'd God Fifield's Boat was out, so he presently man'd it and took them in. Gaskill was under water, but discover'd by his



Hat that swam atop as a Buoy. Sam, Jn<sup>o</sup> Bayly and Mountfort caught hold of the Ship and climbed on board in a miserable fright as having stared death in the face. This is the second time Sam has been near drown'd with Josiah Willard. Mother was against his going, and prevented Joseph, who pleaded earnestly to go. He sensibly acknowledged the Good Providence in his staying at home, when he saw the issue.

1. A Narrative of the Portsmouth Disputation between Presbyterians and Baptists at Mr. Williams's Meeting-house.

2. Bp. of Norwich's Sermon of Religious Melancholy.

3. Amintor, a defence of Milton with Reasons for abolishing the 30<sup>th</sup> Jan? <sup>1</sup>

4. An Account of the first Voyages into America by don Barthol de las Casas 4<sup>o</sup>.

5. Account of a Jew lately converted and baptis'd at the Meeting near Ave Mary-Lane.

The President desires me to send for the above mentioned Books.

Monday May 13. 1700. Mr. Wheelwright dies. This day p.m. I set out towards Kittery, Lodge at Salem.

May 14. Get to Newbury a little before sunset, visit my sick Father in bed, call in the Major Gen<sup>l</sup> whom Father salutes. Kiss'd my hand, and I his again. Mr. Tapan came in and pray'd with him and us.

May, 15. Walks into the west end of the house with his staff, breakfasts there. I read the 17<sup>th</sup> Luke, and went to Prayer. My father would have stood up but I persuaded him to sit still in his chair. Took leave and went on to Portsmouth. Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> and I lodge at Col. Parkers. Most Gentlemen out of Town, some at Mr. Wheelrights funeral and som at Business. Mr. Hirst and Geoffries welcom'd us to Town. May 16<sup>th</sup> goe to Spruce-

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<sup>1</sup> Written by John Toland. — Eds.

Crick and hold Court at Mr. Curtis's. Cousin Moodey comes thither and tells me of his son born that morn when sun about 2 hours high. Return in the night to Portsmouth.

May, 17<sup>th</sup> Benj Moss jun<sup>r</sup> is sent to me to acquaint me that my dear Father died the evening before. It rains hard. Holds up about 5 p.m. I ride to Hampton, lodge at Mr. Cottons, where am very kindly entertained.

May, 18<sup>th</sup> ride to Newbury in the Rain; when breaks up, Bro<sup>r</sup> and Sister come from Salem. Bury my Father, Bearers, Col. Peirce, Mr. Nich. Noyes, Mr. Sam. Plum<sup>er</sup>, Mr. Tristram Coffin, Major Dan<sup>l</sup> Davison, Major Thomas Noyes, had 8 Underbearers.

Sabbath, May. 19. Mr. Ta<sup>p</sup>an in the afternoon preach'd a funeral Sermon from Prov. 19. 20. Said my Father was a true Nathanael: Mention'd 3 or four other deaths which occasion'd his discourse: gave a good character of most of them. May, 20. Rains hard, holds up in the afternoon. Major Gen<sup>l</sup> and Mr. Cooke come to Newbury in the night.

May 21, ride to Ipswich: sheriff, Mr. Harris, and Major Epes meet us at Rowley. Give no Action to the Jury till after di<sup>n</sup>er. Lodge at Mr. Rodgers's where am very kindly entertain'd.

May 23. Mr. Rogers preaches very well of the Divine Efficiency in Mans Conversion, from Philip. 2. 13. Invite the Ministers to di<sup>n</sup>er, There are Mr. Hubbard, Rogers, Mr. Gerrish, Mr. Payson, Mr. Capen, Mr. Green, Mr. Rolf; last did not dine.

May 24<sup>th</sup> set out for Salem about an hour by sun, Mr. Joseph Woodbridge with me, Got to Brothers a little before Nine, met there Mrs. A<sup>n</sup>e Woodbridge. Proved my Fathers Will. May 25. 1700 went homeward in company Mrs. Anne as far as Col. Paiges. Got home about 3 aclock, found all well, Blessed be God. My Wife provided Mourning upon my Letter by Severs, All went in

mourning save Joseph, who staid at home because his Mother lik'd not his cloaths. Sister Short here, came from Newbury the morn father died, and so miss'd being at the funeral. It seems about a 14night before, upon discourse of going to Meeting, my Father said, He could not goe, but hôp'd to go shortly to a Greater Assembly. The Lord pardon all my sin of omission and commission towards him, and help me to prepare to Dye. Accept of any little Labour of Love towards my dear Parents. I had just sent four pounds of Raisins, which with the Canary were very refreshing to him.

Worthy Mr. Hale of Beverly was buried the day before my father. So was Mr. John Wadsworth of Duxbury, who died May, 15<sup>th</sup> 1700. I used to be much refreshed with his company when I went to Plimouth; and was so this last time. He gave me an account of the begining of their Town, and of his Fathers going over to fetch Mr. Partridge.

Friday, June, 7<sup>th</sup> 1700. *mane*, the Gov<sup>r</sup> nominates Major Jn<sup>o</sup> Walley for a Judge of the Super<sup>r</sup> court, gives time of consideration till after diñer, Then give in Yes and No in papers. Said Walley had all present save his own and one No. Col. Hathorne was absent. I think had 25 Papers written YES. Chose Mr. John Clark a Justice Peace in Boston and many other; Justices of Inferior Courts, Coroners &c. Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Wheelwright chosen Justice of Peace at Wells. Things were carried with Peace and comfortable unanimity.

Lords-day, June, 16, 1700. Mr. Daniel Oliver has his son Daniel baptised.

June, 17. Mr. John Eyre makes his Will in the morning, and dies in the Afternoon, an hour or 2. before Sunset. Born Febr. 19<sup>th</sup> 165 $\frac{3}{4}$ . I visited him on Satterday in the Afternoon: He was sitting up in his little Room, Took me by the hand at first coming in, Desired me to pray for him when took leave.

Fourth-day, June, 19. 1700. Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Eyre is entomed in the new burying place. Nine of his children are laid there to handsel the new Tomb: Bearers, Sewall, Addington, Townsend, Byfield, Du<sup>m</sup>er, Davis: Scarvs and Rings. L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> and many of the Council there. Mr. Thomas Brattle led his mourning widowed Sister. When I parted, I pray'd God to be favourably present with her, and comfort her in the absence of so near and dear a Relation. Having been long and much dissatisfied with the Trade of fetching Negros from Guinea; at last I had a strong Inclination to Write something about it; but it wore off. At last reading Bayne, Ephes.<sup>1</sup> about servants, who mentions Blackamoors; I began to be uneasy that I had so long neglected doing any thing. When I was thus thinking, in came Bro<sup>r</sup> Belknap to shew me a Petition he intended to present to the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court for the freeing a Negro and his wife, who were unjustly held in Bondage. And there is a Motion by a Boston Co<sup>m</sup>ittee to get a Law that all Importers of Negros shall pay 40<sup>s</sup> p̄ head, to discourage the bringing of them. And Mr. C. Mather resolves to publish a sheet to exhort Masters to labour their Conversion. Which makes me hope that I was call'd of God to Write this Apology for them; Let his Blessing accompany the same.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Paul Baynes, "Commentary on the First Chapter of the Ephesians," 1618. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> The reference is here to Sewall's anti-slavery tract, published June 24, 1700. Although it was reprinted in the Proceedings of our Society for October, 1863, from a very rare copy presented by our President, it seems extremely proper to reproduce it in this place. We have been compelled to expose Sewall's weakness; let us put equally upon record this proof that on one most important subject he was far in advance of his fellows. — Eds.

*"The Selling of Joseph.*

A MEMORIAL.

*"Forasmuch as Liberty is in real value next unto Life: None ought to part with it themselves, or deprive others of it, but upon most mature Consideration.*

"The Numerousness of Slaves at this day in the Province, and the Uneasiness of them under their Slavery, hath put many upon thinking whether the

July, 8. 1700. Hañah rides in the Coach with her Mother to Mr. Thachers at Milton, to stay there awhile.

Foundation of it be firmly and well laid; so as to sustain the Vast Weight that is built upon it. It is most certain that all Men, as they are the Sons of Adam, are Coheirs; and have equal Right unto Liberty, and all other outward Comforts of Life. *GOD hath given the Earth* (with all its Commodities) *unto the Sons of Adam, Psal 115. 16. And hath made of One Blood, all Nations of Men, for to dwell on all the face of the Earth, and hath determined the Times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation: That they should seek the Lord. Forasmuch then as we are the Offspring of GOD &c. Act 17. 26, 27, 29.* Now although the Title given by the last ADAM, doth infinitely better Mens Estates, respecting GOD and themselves; and grants them a most beneficial and inviolable Lease under the Broad Seal of Heaven, who were before only Tenants at Will: Yet through the Indulgence of GOD to our First Parents after the Fall, the outward Estate of all and every of their Children, remains the same, as to one another. So that Originally, and Naturally, there is no such thing as Slavery. *Joseph* was rightfully no more a Slave to his Brethren, than they were to him: and they had no more Authority to *Sell* him, than they had to *Slay* him. And if *they* had nothing to do to *Sell* him; the *Ishmaelites* bargaining with them, and paying down Twenty pieces of Silver, could not make a Title. Neither could *Potiphar* have any better Interest in him than the *Ishmaelites* had. *Gen. 37. 20, 27, 28.* For he that shall in this case plead *Alteration of Property*, seems to have forfeited a great part of his own claim to Humanity. There is no proportion between Twenty Pieces of Silver, and LIBERTY. The Commodity it self is the Claimer. If *Arabian Gold* be imported in any quantities, most are afraid to meddle with it, though they might have it at easy rates; lest if it should have been wrongfully taken from the Owners, it should kindle a fire to the Consumption of their whole Estate. 'Tis pity there should be more Caution used in buying a Horse. or a little lifeless dust; than there is in purchasing Men and Women: Whenas they are the Offspring of GOD, and their Liberty is,

“ . . . . . *Auro pretiosior Omni.*”

“ And seeing GOD hath said, *He that Stealeth a Man and Selleth him, or if he be found in his hand, he shall surely be put to Death. Exod. 21. 16.* This Law being of Everlasting Equity, wherein Man Stealing is ranked amongst the most atrocious of Capital Crimes: What louder Cry can there be made of that Celebrated Warning,

“ *Caveat Emptor!*”

“ And all things considered, it would conduce more to the Welfare of the Province, to have White Servants for a Term of Years, than to have Slaves for Life. Few can endure to hear of a Negro's being made free; and indeed they can seldom use their freedom well; yet their continual aspiring after their forbidden Liberty, renders them Unwilling Servants. And there

Sister and Betty come to Town from Salem: July, 10<sup>th</sup>  
They go home. Waited on Mr. Mather this day, at three

is such a disparity in their Conditions, Colour & Hair, that they can never embody with us, and grow up into orderly Families, to the Peopling of the Land: but still remain in our Body Politick as a kind of extravasat Blood. As many Negro men as there are among us, so many empty places there are in our Train Bands, and the places taken up of Men that might make Husbands for our Daughters. And the Sons and Daughters of *New England* would become more like *Jacob*, and *Rachel*, if this Slavery were thrust quite out of doors. Moreover it is too well known what Temptations Masters are under, to connive at the Fornication of their Slaves; lest they should be obliged to find them Wives, or pay their Fines. It seems to be practically pleaded that they might be Lawless; 'tis thought much of, that the Law should have Satisfaction for their Thefts, and other Immoralities; by which means, *Holiness to the Lord*, is more rarely engraven upon this sort of Servitude. It is likewise most lamentable to think, how in taking Negroes out of *Africa*, and Selling of them here, That which GOD has joyned together men do boldly rend asunder; Men from their Country, Husbands from their Wives, Parents from their Children. How horrible is the Uncleaness, Mortality, if not Murder, that the Ships are guilty of that bring great Crouds of these miserable Men, and Women. Methinks, when we are bemoaning the barbarous Usage of our Friends and Kinsfolk in *Africa*: it might not be unseasonable to enquire whether we are not culpable in forcing the *Africans* to become Slaves amongst our selves. And it may be a question whether all the Benefit received by *Negro* Slaves, will balance the Account of Cash laid out upon them; and for the Redemption of our own enslaved Friends out of *Africa*. Besides all the Persons and Estates that have perished there.

“Obj. 1. *These Blackamores are of the Posterity of Cham, and therefore are under the Curse of Slavery.* Gen. 9. 25, 26, 27.

“*Answ.* Of all Offices, one would not begg this; viz. Uncall'd for, to be an Executioner of the Vindictive Wrath of God; the extent and duration of which is to us uncertain. If this ever was a Commission; How do we know but that it is long since out of Date? Many have found it to their Cost, that a Prophetical Denunciation of Judgment against a Person or People, would not warrant them to inflict that evil. If it would, *Hazael* might justify himself in all he did against his Master, and the *Israelites*, from 2 *Kings* 8. 10, 12.

“But it is possible that by cursory reading, this Text may have been mistaken. For *Canaan* is the Person Cursed three times over, without the mentioning of *Cham*. Good Expositors suppose the Curse entaild on him, and that this Prophesie was accomplished in the Extirpation of the *Canaanites*, and in the Servitude of the *Gibeonites*. *Vide Pareum*. Whereas the Blackmores are not descended of *Canaan*, but of *Cush*. *Psal.* 68. 31. *Princes shall come out of Egypt [Mizraim], Ethiopia [Cush] shall soon stretch out her hands unto God.* Under which Names, all *Africa* may be comprehended;

in the Afternoon. I told him the Honor of Athanasius, *Maluit sedem quā̄m Fidei syllabam mutare*: Worthies

and their Promised Conversion ought to be prayed for. *Jer.* 13. 23. *Can the Ethiopian change his skin?* This shows that Black Men are the Posterity of *Cush*: Who time out of mind have been distinguished by their Colour. And for want of the true, *Ovid* assigns a fabulous cause of it.

“ *Sanguine tum credunt in corpora summa vocato  
Æthiopum populus nigrum traxisse colorem.*’

Metamorph. lib. 2.

“ Obj. 2. *The Nigers are brought out of a Pagan Country, into places where the Gospel is Preached.*

“ *Answ.* Evil must not be done, that good may come of it. The extraordinary and comprehensive Benefit accruing to the Church of God, and to *Joseph* personally, did not rectify his brethrens Sale of him.

“ Obj. 3. *The Africans have Wars one with another: Our Ships bring lawful Captives taken in those Wars.*

“ *Answ.* For ought is known, their Wars are much such as were between *Jacob's* Sons and their Brother *Joseph*. If they be between Town and Town; Provincial, or National: Every War is upon one side Unjust. An Unlawful War can't make lawful Captives. And by Receiving, we are in danger to promote, and partake in their Barbarous Cruelties. I am sure, if some Gentlemen should go down to the *Brewsters* to take the Air, and Fish: And a stronger party from *Hull* should Surprise them, and Sell them for Slaves to a Ship outward bound: they would think themselves unjustly dealt with; both by Sellers and Buyers. And yet 'tis to be feared, we have no other kind of Title to our *Nigers*. Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the Law and the Prophets. *Matt.* 7. 12.

“ Obj. 4. *Abraham had Servants bought with his Money, and born in his House.*

“ *Answ.* Until the Circumstances of *Abraham's* purchase be recorded, no Argument can be drawn from it. In the mean time, Charity obliges us to conclude, that He knew it was lawful and good.

“ It is Observable that the *Israelites* were strictly forbidden the buying, or selling one another for Slaves. *Levit.* 25. 39. 46. *Jer.* 34. 8. .... 22. And GOD gaged His Blessing in lieu of any loss they might conceipt they suffered thereby. *Deut.* 15. 18. And since the partition Wall is broken down, inordinate Self love should likewise be demolished. GOD expects that Christians should be of a more Ingenuous and benign frame of spirit. Christians should carry it to all the World, as the *Israelites* were to carry it one towards another. And for men obstinately to persist in holding their Neighbours and Brethren under the Rigor of perpetual Bondage, seems to be no proper way of gaining Assurance that God ha's given them Spiritual Freedom. Our Blessed Saviour has altered the Measures of the ancient Love-Song, and set it to a most Excellent New Tune, which all ought to be

of N. E. left their Houses in England, and came hither where there were none to preserve Religion in its Purity. Put him in mind how often God had renewed his Call to this work which was to be consider'd.<sup>1</sup> That were 19 in the Council; and had every vote.

Seventh-day, July, 13. My dear Mother comes hither by water from Newbury in one of the Poors. Set sail on Thursday morning, and lodg'd aboard two nights in Marblehead Harbour: Capt. Norden and others would have had her come ashoar: but the wind was high and chose to keep on board. Jonathan Woodman jun<sup>r</sup> waited on her to my house about 5. *p. mer<sup>m</sup>* Saw her not till just night; when brought in Mr. Cooke, Mr. Sergeant, E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson to drink, as they came from the Neck.

July, 17<sup>th</sup> The L<sup>d</sup> Bellomont our Gov<sup>r</sup> sets sail for New-york.

July, 25<sup>th</sup> 1700. Went to the Funeral of Mrs. Sprague, being invited by a good pair of Gloves.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 2. 1700. Betty comes to Town from Salem.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 3. Bro<sup>r</sup> comes to Town in the morning. I bring

ambitious of Learning. *Matt.* 5. 43, 44. *John* 13. 34. These *Ethiopians*, as black as they are; seeing they are the Sons and Daughters of the First *Adam*, the Brethren and Sisters of the Last *ADAM*, and the Offspring of *GOD*; They ought to be treated with a Respect agreeable.

“*Servitus perfecta voluntaria, inter Christianum & Christianum, ex parte servi patientis sæpe est licita, quia est necessaria: sed ex parte domini agentis, & procurando & exercendo, vix potest esse licita: quia non convenit regulæ illi generali: Quæcunque volueritis ut faciant vobis homines, ita & vos facite eis.* *Matt.* 7. 12.

“*Perfecta servitus pænæ, non potest jure locum habere, nisi ex delicto gravi quod ultimum supplicium aliquo modo meretur: quia Libertas ex naturali æstimatione proxime accedit ad vitam ipsam, & eidem a multis præferri solet.*’

Ames. Cas. Consc. Lib. 5. Cap. 23. Thes. 2, 3.

“*BOSTON* of the *Massachusetts*;

Printed by *Bartholomew Green*, and *John Allen*, June, 24<sup>th</sup>. 1700.”

<sup>1</sup> Quincy (*Hist. Harvard University*, I. 109) gives some more details. The Rev. Increase Mather wished to be president of Harvard without living at the college. The Legislature voted £220 per annum to a resident president. — Eds.



him going to the Ferry. About 2 *post merid*, Mr. Adam Winthrop dies. Between 3 and 4 I receiv'd a Letter from the Justices of Northamptonshire, i. e. Partrig, Parsons, and Hawley to notify us that there is no Business requiring our going to Springfield this hot wether. We are very glad to be thus fairly discharged from this long and tedious journey.

BOSTON, 5<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup> 1700.

MADAM,—I present you with my greatest Respects and (nothing unknown intervening) will wait on you between the hours of eight and Nine this evening. Subscribe not my Name, you are not unacquainted with the hand: for as formerly, so I will remain an admirer of your person and Virtues. I expect the favour of your presence, as I am Madam your humblest Serv<sup>t</sup>

STREPHON.<sup>1</sup>

Aug<sup>t</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> 1700. Mr. Adam Winthrop is buried. Bearers Col. Hutchinson, Middlecott, Foster, El<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Col. Townsend, Capt. Duñer. I rode with the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> in his Coach.

Lords day Aug<sup>t</sup> 18. 1700. Henry Cole, Joseph's School-fellow, dies about 3 a'clock *post mer.* of vomiting, Flux and Fever. Has been sick 12 or 13. days. His Father sent for me, and I pray'd with him in the morning. At 2 a'clock I look'd on him and pray'd God to grant him that Favour and Loving Kindness of his that was better than Life. He thank'd me. In the morn, I ask'd him what I should pray for, He answer'd, that God would pardon all his Sin. Neighbour Cole had two Cows, and one of them is dead also. Henry was a forward towardly Scholar, and used to call Joseph every morning to goe to School.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 30. 1700. A young hopefull Scholar is buried, Edward Mills's son by Minot.

Wednesday, Aug<sup>t</sup> 28. 1700. Mr. E[benezzer] Pember-ton is ordained [Minister of the South Church]: He

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<sup>1</sup> Compare this letter with the following one under date of Jan. 13, 1700-1. *post*, p. 29. — Eds.

preached; then Mr. Willard Preached: Mr. Willard gave the charge: He, Mr. I. Mather, and Mr. Allen laying on Hands. Mr. I. Mather gave the Right Hand of Fellowship. Mr. Wigglesworth and Mr. Torrey were in the Pulpit, Mr. Hubbard of Ipswich and many Ministers below. A very great Assembly. All was so managed, as I hope does bode well, that the Blessing of God will accompany Him and us.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 4th. 1700. Capt. Byfield and I took with us Peter Weare, and went to Mr. Googe to warn him to leave my house at Cotton Hill. He acknowledged I had spoken to him about the 12 of Aug<sup>t</sup>, and he would quit the house by the 12 or 14<sup>th</sup> of November next.

Thursday Sept<sup>r</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 1700. Mr. John Wait and Eunice his wife, and Mrs. Debora Thair come to Speak to me about the Marriage of Sebastian, Negro serv<sup>t</sup> of said Wait, with Jane, Negro servant of said Thair. Mr. Wait desired they might be published in order to marriage Mrs. Thair insisted that Sebastian might have one day in six allow'd him for the support of Jane, his intended wife and her children, if it should please God to give her any. Mr. Wait now wholly declin'd that, but freely offer'd to allow Bastian Five pounds, in Money p̄ añum towards the support of his children p̄ said Jane (besides Sebastians cloathing and Diet). I persuaded Jane and Mrs. Thair to agree to it, and so it was concluded; and Mrs. Thair gave up the Note of Publication to Mr. Wait for him to carry it to W<sup>m</sup> Griggs, the Town Clerk, and to Williams in order to have them published according to Law.

As attests Sam Sewall J.

Lords Day Sept<sup>r</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1700. Mr. Willard, by reason of sickness keeps house, and Mr. Pemberton preaches forenoon and Afternoon.

Note. from 11 to 2 p.m. it snows hard, covers the Houses and Ground, lodges on the Trees. Was very cold yesterday and to day. Oct<sup>r</sup> 2. Haña comes home.

BOSTON, 8<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> 1700.

SIR, — Speaking with my Son after your being here, I understand it will be inconvenient for you to come abroad this evening by reason of the solemnities of the day preceding. Besides, there is a Meeting of some of the South church occasioned by Mr. Willards sickness; at which I am obliged to be. Therefore I shall not expect you, neither would I have you come till to morrow night. I thought good to signify thus much to you, who am, Sir, your friend and Serv<sup>t</sup>

S. S.

To Mr. Grove Hirst, Merch<sup>t</sup> in Boston, at Capt. Ballentine's.

8<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1700. Is a Fast at the New-Meetinghouse to pray for Mr. Willard's Life. Mr. Colman, Wadsworth pray. Mr. Pemberton preaches: Philip. 1. 24. Mr. Allen, Cotton Mather Pray. 20<sup>th</sup> Psalm two staves and  $\frac{1}{2}$  sung L. L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, Mr. Russel, Cook, Addington, E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Townsend there. Mr. Fisk, Danforth, Walter, Brattle, out of Town. Pretty considerable congregation, it being so sudden, and first intended in privat.

8<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 1700. Mr. Hirst asking my pardon, I told him I could forgive him, if he would never forgive himself; He fully assented to the condition: and said moreover that if ever he did the like again he would not expect or desire to be forgiven.

Oct<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 1700. Capt. Theophilus Frary expires about 3 a'clock past midnight.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Deacon Frary has been repeatedly mentioned by Sewall. He married Hannah, daughter of the first Jacob Eliot, and his wife inherited a part of the Eliot lands at the South End. Eliot's house stood at the south-west corner of our Washington and Boylston Streets, and this part of the estate passed to the Frarys. The Frarys also owned on the south side of Frog Lane, now Boylston Street. Theophilus Frary had several sons, all of whom, undoubtedly, died young, as his will leaves his property to his three daughters. These were Hannah, who married first Isaac Walker, Jr., and secondly Andrew Belcher; Abigail, who married — Arnold; and Mehitable, wife of Samuel Lillie.

Abigail Arnold had an only child, Hannah, who married Samuel Welles. This estate remained in the Welles family until it was sold to Joseph C. Dyer (Suff. Deeds, Lib. 227, f. 18), who conveyed it to the present proprietor for \$20,560. The Boylston Market Association was incorporated by Chap. 48 of Acts of 1808-9. The building cost about \$37,000 besides the

In the following Evening Mr. Grove Hirst and Elizabeth Sewall are married by Mr. Cotton Mather. Present, I and my wife, Mr. Hirst and his wife, Bro<sup>r</sup> St. Sewall of Salem and his son Sam, Brothers and Sisters of Bridegroom and Bride. Madam Usher, Capt. Ephra Savage, Capt. Du<sup>ma</sup>mar and wife, Capt. Ballentine, Mrs. Mary Clark, Esther Wyllie, Margaret Stewart &c. Sung the 128. Psal. I set York Tune, not intending it. In the New Parlor.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 18. Mr. Pemberton and Mr. Colman and his wife dine with us. Sent and Spent 21. Cakes.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 20. 1700. In the Afternoon I and my wife, Mr. Hirst and his Bride, Sam. and Eliza Hirst, Will. Hirst and Ha<sup>na</sup>h Sewall, James Taylor and Esther Wyllie, Joseph and Mary Sewall, walk to Meeting together.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> Mr. Hirst comes and carries his daughter Betty to Salem. Mr. Grove Hirst and his wife accompany them.

Novemb<sup>r</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 1700. A Council was called at the Town-House. Present, The honorable William Stoughton Esqr. L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, Elisha Cooke, Elisha Hutchinson, Sam<sup>l</sup> Sewall, Isaac Addington, Jn<sup>o</sup> Foster, Peter Sergeant, John Walley, Eliakim Hutchinson, Penn Townsend, Nathanael Byfield, esqrs. L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> ask'd Advice whether Benjamin Bedwell should be tryed by Co<sup>mi</sup>ssioners of Oyer and Terminer; or at the Court of Assize and Gen<sup>l</sup> Goal Delivery, to be held at Plimouth next March. Twas carried for the latter. A Proclamation was ordered to prevent endangering the Town by Fire-Works.<sup>1</sup>

Francis Hudson, Ferry-man, dyed last Lords-Day, Nov<sup>r</sup> 3. Was one of the first who set foot on this Peninsula.<sup>2</sup>

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cupola, which was built by subscription. Ward Nicholas Boylston, for whom it was named, gave a clock. The building was moved back eleven feet in 1870. — EDS.

<sup>1</sup> The next day being the anniversary of the Gunpowder Plot. — EDS.

<sup>2</sup> Francis Hudson, aged sixty-eight years, made a deposition June 10, 1684, before Bradstreet and Sewall, as to the purchase of land from Blackstone. This deposition is in Suff. Deeds, XXIV. 406, and has been often printed;

Nov<sup>r</sup> 10. 1700. Lords-day Madam Elizabeth Sergeant died in the Afternoon, half an hour past three. Was taken last Thursday Señight at night. Hath been delirious a great part of the Time, and hardly sensible since Friday.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> Salem Court is adjourned by reason of Mr. Cooks Indisposition of Body.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 12. Last night a considerable Snow fell which covers the Ground several Inches thick. This morn Mr. Thomas Broughton expires about 87. years old: once a very noted Merchant in Boston, Select-man &c. About 3 years agoe he join'd to the North church. On Satterday-night I was with him when the President pray'd with him.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 14. Madam Eliza. Sergeant is entombed, Bearers, Cooke, Hutchinson Elisha, Sewall, Addington, Foster, Walley. She was born Apr. 11. 1660. Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop was at the Funeral. He came last night from New-London.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 14. 1700. about  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour past one in the Afternoon, Mr. Joseph Eliot dieth.<sup>1</sup> He was abroad on the Lords day at Meeting. I saw him in the street near his own house, about 8 in the morning. The Lord fit us for his good pleasure.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1700. Mr. Tho. Broughton buried in the old burying place. Bearers, Sewall, Foster, E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Byfield, Howard, Fayerwether. No scarf. No Gloves. Went back again to the house.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 16. Mr. Joseph Eliot was buried. Bearers, Capt. Alford, Capt. Checkley, Mr. Dan<sup>l</sup> Oliver, Mr. Beñet, Mr. Cutler, Mr. Gibbs. 38. years old.

it can be read in Shurtleff's "Description," pp. 296, 297. The other deponents were, — John Odlin, aged eighty-two: William Lytherland, aged seventy-six; and Robert Walker, aged seventy-eight. As to Walker, see Diary, Vol. I. pp. 47, 179. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> This was Joseph, son of Deacon Jacob Eliot, and grand-nephew of Rev. John Eliot. His wife, Silence, died June 8, 1744, aged seventy-eight. — Eds

This day John Soams, the Quaker, dies. Was well this day señight.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 20<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. — Lynde (formerly Richardson) was buried: Bearers, Cook, Sewall, Addington, Duñer, Der- ing, Gibbs. Scarf and Ring.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 21. 1700. Day of publick Thanksgiving. At 3. *post merid<sup>m</sup>* Mr. Willard comes abroad and Prays to the great Refreshment of the Congregation. This the first time since his sickness. In the evening I made these verses on it, viz,

As Joseph let his brethren see  
Simeon both alive, and free:  
So JESUS brings forth Samuel,  
To tune our hearts to praise Him well.  
Thus He with beams of cheerfull light,  
Corrects the darkness of our night,  
His Grace assists us in this wise  
To seise, and bind the Sacrifice.

Monday, Nov<sup>r</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 1700. Prime brôt me a horse to Wiñisimēt, and I ridd with him to Salem.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> Sup'd at Mr. Hirst's in company of said Hirst, his wife, Mrs. Betty Hirst, Mr. Noyes and my Brother. Nov<sup>r</sup> 28. Court rose. Mr. Higginson was not at Lecture nor abroad this Court; so miss'd the pleasure of dining with Him. Visited him at his house and his sick wife. Madam Bradstreet, Mrs. Batter in Bed. Mrs. Jn<sup>o</sup> Higginson the 2<sup>d</sup>. Set out to come home about  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour past two in the Afternoon: came by Charlestown. Very cold going, abiding there, and Returning. Yet hope have taken very little hurt through the Goodness of God.

Major Walley has a swell'd face that keeps him from Meeting on the Sabbath xr. 1. 1700.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> My Aunt Quinsey dieth of the Jaundice befôr break of day.

Thursday, xr. 5<sup>th</sup> 1700. Sam. and I ride to the Funeral of Aunt Eli. Quinsey. Because of the Porrige of snow, Bearers — Mr. Torrey, Fisk, Thacher, I, Danforth, Wilson,

Belchar — rid to the Grave, alighting a little before they came there. Mourners, Cous. Edward and his Sister rid first, then Mrs. Aña Quinsey, widow, behind Mr. Allen; and cous. Ruth Hunt behind her Husband; then Sam. and I. None of the Gookings there. Mr. Torrey prayed. Bearers had Rings and Wash-Lether Gloves. I had Gloves and a Ring. Cous. Edmund invited us; for I lodg'd there all night, with Mr. Torrey, Sam. with his Cousin. All else went home. Cousin Savil was at Weymouth and came not. Funeral about 4. p.m.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Mr. Torrey and I and Sam. about 12 set forward and ride home; Find all pretty well, about 2 or 3 aclock, and good satisfaction as to our Lodging there. It Rain'd quickly after our getting home. Very foggy thawing wether.

Justice Cushing of Hingham died on Tuesday and, as is said, was buried this Thursday.<sup>1</sup>

Jan<sup>r</sup> 2.  $\frac{1700}{1701}$  Went afoot to Dorchester, carried Mr. Willard's Fountain open'd. Eat Yokeheg [yolk of egg?] in Milk. L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> orders me to wait on him next Tuesday morn.  
Jan<sup>r</sup> 1.  $\frac{1700}{1701}$  Just about Break-a-day Jacob Amsden and 3 other Trumpeters gave a Blast with the Trumpets on the comon near Mr. Alford's [in Margin — Entrance of the 18<sup>th</sup> Century]. Then went to the Green Chamber, and sounded there till about sunrise. Bell-man said these verses a little before Break-a-day, which I printed and gave them. [in Margin — My Verses upon New Century.]

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<sup>1</sup> This was Daniel, oldest son of the emigrant Matthew Cushing, and Town Clerk of Hingham. The nephew of this Daniel was John, Justice of the Superior Court, and father of John, also Justice of same Court, whose son William was Judge of the United States Supreme Court, and declined the Chief-Justiceship. In other lines were Nathan, also of our Supreme Court; Caleb, J. S. J. C., now living; and Luther S., Judge C. C. P., the well-known author of Cushing's Manual of Parliamentary Practice, and his brother, Edmund L. Cushing, C. J. S. C. of N. Hampshire. Others of the family have been distinguished in other professions, but these examples show the legal tendency of the family. — Eds.

Once more! our God vouchsafe to shine:  
 Correct the Coldness of our Clime.  
 Make haste with thy Impartial Light,  
 And terminate this long dark night.

Give the poor Indians Eyes to see  
 The Light of Life: and set them free.  
 So Men shall God in Christ adore,  
 And worship Idols vain, no more.

So Asia, and Africa,  
 Eurôpa, with America;  
 All Four, in Consort join'd, shall Sing  
 New Songs of Praise to Christ our King.

The Trumpeters cost me five pieces  $\frac{2}{3}$ . Gave to the College-Library Dr. Owens two last Volumes on the Hebrews. Sent them by Amsden. When was about to part with Dr. Owen, I look'd, to read some difficult place; pitch'd on v. 11<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> Chapter — Know the Lord — I read it over and over one time and another and could not be satisfied: At last this came in my mind Know the Lord, i.e. Know the Messiah, to whom the word Lord is very much appropriated &c. *vide locum*. Now my mind was at quiet, and all seem'd to run smooth. As I hope this is Truth, so I bless God for this New-years Gift; which I also writt in a spare place, and gave it with the Book to the College.

Satterday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 4.  $\frac{1700}{1}$  Mrs. Thair is this morn taken with an Apoplexy after she had been up and employ'd a while; was at our pump for water. Dies about six in the Evening.

Between 2 and 3 in the Afternoon Mr. Sergeant, Col. Townsend, and I take the Affidavits of Barth[olemeu] Green, Jn<sup>o</sup> Allen and Tim<sup>o</sup> Green. Present Mr. T. Brattle, Mr. Mico, and Tuthill notified. Mr. Nath<sup>l</sup> Oliver, Mr. Hern, Mr. Keeling: Mr. Hirst and my Son. I do not remember any more. Mr. Keeling, upon enquiry, what he call'd for pen and Ink for, whether twas to take notes or no: He own'd it was. Then I said I



would also send for one to write, naming Mr. Barnard; so he forbore, and said he would not write.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Thair is buried: By reason of the Court, Stars were seen before we went; but comfortably Light by remains of the Day. Moon-shine and Snow.

Bearers, Cook, Sewall, Addington, Oakes, Melyen, Maryon, Jn<sup>o</sup> Buried in the new burying place, close to the Alms-house Ground. [The Granary.]

Friday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 10.  $\frac{1}{17} \frac{0}{0} \frac{0}{1}$ . Mr. John Wait came to me, and earnestly desired me to hasten consummating the Marriage between his Bastian and Jane, Mrs. Thair's Negro. This day I waited upon the L<sup>t</sup> Governour at Dorchester and spent about two hours in looking over and ordering Corporation Bonds, but brought none away with me. I shewed Mr. Green's paper, and asked his Honor's Leave to use his Name. Shew'd it in the morn to Col. Townsend at his own house, and to Mr. Sergeant at his, the night before. I had promised that nothing should be tack'd to their Names, but they should first have a sight of it.

BOSTON, JAN<sup>y</sup> 13  $\frac{1}{17} \frac{0}{0} \frac{0}{1}$ .

MADAM, — The inclosed piece of Silver, by its bowing, humble form, bespeaks your Favor for a certain young Man in Town. The Name [Real] the Motto [Plus ultra] seem to plead its suitableness for a Present of this Nature. Neither need you to except against the quantity: for you have the Mends in your own hand; And by your generous Acceptance, you may make both it and the Giver Great.

Madam, I am

Your Affect' Friend

S. S.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> Having been certified last night about 10. oclock of the death of my dear Mother at Newbury, Sam. and I set out with John Sewall, the Messenger, for that place. Hired Horses at Charlestown: set out about 10. aclock in a great Fogg. Din'd at Lewis's with Mr. Cushing of Salisbury. Sam. and I kept on in Ipswich Rode, John went to accompany Bro<sup>r</sup> from Salem. About Mr. Hubbard's in Ipswich farms, they overtook us. Sam. and

I lodg'd at Cromptons in Ipswich. Bro<sup>r</sup> and John stood on for Newbury by Moon-shine. Jan<sup>y</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> Sam. and I set forward. Brother Northend meets us. Visit Aunt Northend, Mr. Payson. With Bro<sup>r</sup> and sister we set forward for Newbury: where we find that day appointed for the Funeral: twas a very pleasant Comfortable day.

Bearers, Jn<sup>o</sup> Kent of the Island, L<sup>t</sup> Cutting Noyes, Deacon William Noyes, Mr. Peter Tappan, Capt. Henry Somersby, Mr. Joseph Woodbridge. I follow'd the Bier single. Then Bro<sup>r</sup> Sewall and sister Jane, Bro<sup>r</sup> Short and his wife, Bro<sup>r</sup> Moodey and his wife, Bro<sup>r</sup> Northend and his wife, Bro<sup>r</sup> Ta<sup>p</sup>an and sister Sewall, Sam. and cous. Ha<sup>n</sup>ah Ta<sup>p</sup>an. Mr. Payson of Rowley, Mr. Clark, Minister of Excester, were there. Col. Pierce, Major Noyes &c. Cous. John, Richard and Betty Du<sup>m</sup>er. Went ab<sup>t</sup> 4. p.m. Nathan<sup>l</sup> Bricket taking in hand to fill the Grave, I said, Forbear a little, and suffer me to say That amidst our bereaving sorrows We have the Comfort of beholding this Saint put into the rightfull possession of that Happiness of Living desir'd and dying Lamented. She liv'd comendably Four and Fifty years with her dear Husband, and my dear Father: And she could not well brook the being divided from him at her death; which is the cause of our taking leave of her in this place. She was a true and constant Lover of Gods Word, Worship, and Saints: And she always, with a patient cheerfullness, submitted to the divine Decree of providing Bread for her self and others in the sweat of her Brows. And now her infinitely Gracious and Bountiful Master has promoted her to the Honor of higher Employments, fully and absolutely discharged from all ma<sup>n</sup>er of Toil, and Sweat. My honoured and beloved Friends and Neighbours! My dear Mother never thought much of doing the most frequent and homely offices of Love for me; and lavish'd away many Thousands of Words upon me, before I could return one word in Answer: And therefore I ask and hope that

none will be offended that I have now ventured to speak one word in her behalf; when shee her self is become speechless. Made a Motion with my hand for the filling of the Grave. Note, I could hardly speak for passion and Tears. Mr. Tappan pray'd with us in the evening. I lodg'd at sister Gerrishes with Joseph. Bro<sup>r</sup> and Sam. at Br. Tappans. Jan<sup>y</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> The two Brothers and four sisters being together, we took Leave by singing of the 90<sup>th</sup> Psalm, from the 8<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> verse inclusively. Mr. Brown, the Scholar, was present. Set out ab<sup>t</sup> 11. for Ipswich, got time enough to hear Mr. Rogers preach the Lecture from Luke 1. 76. about ministerial preparation for Christ. Sung the nine first verses of the 132. Psalm. Mr. Rogers prai'd for the prisoner of death, the Newbury woman who was there in her chains. This is the last Sermon preached in the old Meeting-house. Eat Roost Fowl at Crompton's. Delivered a Letter to the Widow Hale; got very comfortably over the Ferry to Brothers, whether Mr. Hirst quickly came to welcome us and invite us to dine or breakfast next day, which we did, the morning being cold: Visited Madam Bradstreet and Major Brown, and told them of the death of their fellow-passenger. Rec'd me very courteously. Took horse about one p.m. Baited at Lewis's; Stop'd at Govr Usher's<sup>1</sup> to pay him a visit. He and his Lady being from home, we pass'd on, and got to Charlestown about Sun-set, very comfortably. Found all well at home through the Goodness of God.

Lords-Day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 29<sup>th</sup>  $\frac{1}{7} \frac{0}{7} \frac{0}{1}$  Ipswich people Meet the first time in their New-Meeting-House, as Deacon Knowlton informs me at Cousin Savages Meeting Jan<sup>y</sup> 22<sup>th</sup>

Jan<sup>y</sup> 29<sup>th</sup>  $\frac{1}{7} \frac{0}{7} \frac{0}{1}$ . Sam. and I went to Dedham Lecture, and heard Mr. Belchar preach excellently from Mat. 9. 12.

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<sup>1</sup> John Usher, Lieutenant-Governor of New Hampshire, 1692-7 and 1702. He lived in Medford, in a house which was enlarged by Col. Isaac Royal. An engraving of it is given in Brooks's History of Medford, p. 49. Usher's descendants still continue the name in Rhode Island. — Eds.

Dined at said Belchars. Gave him and some young men with him my New-years verses: He read them and said Amen. Said twas a good Morning's Work.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 30. Mr. Willard preaches from Eccles. 9. 2. — he that sweareth and he that feareth an Oath. Spake very closely against the many ways of Swearing amiss. Great Storm.

Febr. 1.  $\frac{1700}{1701}$  p.m. Waited on the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> and presented him with a Ring in Remembrance of my dear Mother, saying, Please to accept of the Name of one of the Company your Honor is preparing to go to. Mr. Baily, Oliver, and Chip were there when I came in.

Febr. 3.  $\frac{1700}{1701}$  Little Richd Fifield, a child of  $\frac{1}{2}$  a year old, died very suddenly last Friday, and was buried this day. Mr. Simon Willard, and S. Sewall [the son] Bearers. Very windy and cold after the Rain.

Satterday, Febr. 15  $\frac{1700}{1701}$ . News comes by Myles from England in a Gazett of Dec<sup>r</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> of the D.[uke] of Anjou, the new K.[ing] of Spain, taking his journey for Spain setting out from Versalles. Cardinal Albani, born 1650, is made Pope, takes the name of Clement the Eleventh. Gazett is printed here this day. Just about 3 in the Afternoon I went to the Maj<sup>r</sup> General's; look'd upon Mingo who lies extream sick; then discoursed him in the Hall on the right hand where his pictures hang.

Tuesday, March, 4.  $\frac{1700}{1701}$ . Mrs. Anne Woodbridge is buried at Roxbury.

Satterday, March. 8.  $\frac{1700}{1701}$ . Ballard, from Barbados, brings News of the death of James Taylor at Barbados; Capt. Crow writes also of the Report they heard that Jamaica was Sunk; which much saddens the Town.

Thursday, March, 13. Turin,<sup>1</sup> that was blown off to Barbados, arrives. Was at Mr. Taylor's funeral Jan<sup>y</sup> the

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<sup>1</sup> Undoubtedly a Turell. The name of Capt. Daniel T. is spelled in the town records, Turin, Turinge and Turell. — Eds.

last, Friday, (the day little Fifield died) And gives a more distinct account of the fears of Jamaica being sunk: and of Rumors of Wars between England and France: the Preparations at Martinico; and sending six Companies to St Christophers.

Satterday, March. 15<sup>th</sup>  $\frac{1700}{1}$  The Town is fill'd with the News of my Ld Bellomont's death, last Wednesday was señight. The Thorsday after, a Sloop set sail from N. York to Say-Brook; Mr. Clark, a Magistrate, carries it to New-London; from thence Mr. Southmayd brought it by Land last night, Capt. Belchar acquainted Mr. Secretary with it about 9 aclock last night. Upon this the Assembly is prorogued to Wednesday, the 16<sup>th</sup> April, at 9 *mane*.

Tuesday, March, 18<sup>th</sup> Last night I heard several Claps of Thunder: Great Fogg to day.

Wednesday, March, 19. We hear by the way of Virginia, that War is proclaimed between England and France.

Satterday, March 22. 4. p.m. The awfull News of the Lord Bellomont's death March 5<sup>th</sup>, 6. in the morn,  $\frac{1700}{1}$ ; is confirmed by Letters received by the Posts! The Town is sad.<sup>1</sup>

Apr. 7<sup>th</sup> 1701. Last Satterday News was brôt by the Post of my Lord's Interment, March 27: So 46. Guns were ordered to be fired at the Castle, and 22. at the Sconce: were fired about 6-. p.m. Have warm discourse about the sitting of the Court. L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> would have it dissolv'd; most of the Council are for its sitting. The Artillery Company give three Volleys in the middle of the Town when they came out of the field, with regard to my Lord. Col. Townsend wears a Wigg to day.

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<sup>1</sup> Lord Bellomont died at New York. Palfrey writes, IV. 196, "Perhaps he died of sheer disappointment and mortification, for he knew how he was maligned in England; and the King's ministers, who should have been his vindicators, had given him recently no sort of attention." — Eds.

Monday, Apr. 14<sup>th</sup> I ride and visit Mr. Trowbridge, who is still very feeble, and has been many months confin'd. From thence to Mr. Hobart's, with him to Sudbury, where we dine at Mr. Sherman's. From thence to Mr. Brinsmead's. He was much refresh'd with our company. Day was doubtful: But got very well thither, and when by Mr. Brinsmead's fire, it Rain'd and hail'd much. Lodg'd at Mr. How's.

Apr. 15<sup>th</sup> Mr. Torrey, Mr. Danforth of Dorchester, Mr. Swift came to us from Framingham to visit Mr. Brinsmead: He said twas as if came to his Funeral: If he were ready wish'd it were so. After diñer Mr. Hobart and I come home.

I staid and baited at the Greyhound, and got home between 8 and 9 very comfortably.

Satterday, May. 3. Mr. Daniel Olivers little Son is buried.

May, 28. 1701. Mr. Cooke, Addington, Walley, and self goe in my Coach and meet the Lieut Gov<sup>r</sup>; met the Guard and his Honor near the first Brook. . Mr. Belchar preaches; L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, notwithstanding his Infirmities, was an Auditor.

May, 29<sup>th</sup> The election [of Councillors, or Magistrates] is sent in. L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> Āproves all but Mr. Corwin, and to him he demurrs, taking some time of Consideration. Mr. Corwin said he acquiesced in it, and quickly went away, saying I humbly take my leave.<sup>1</sup> Mr. Eliakim [Hutchinson] pray'd he might be excused; he could not accept, He had sold most of his Interest in the Province of Main; and perceiv'd there was a desire among the Deputies that persons on the place might serve. In the evening Mr Cooke, Secretary, major Brown, Mr. Sergeant and I waited on Mr. Eliakim Hutchinson, and perswaded him not to decline serving. He treated us with Canary.

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<sup>1</sup> The election of Corwin was, however, approved June 3d, as the Council record shows. — EDS.

All the rest were sworn that were present. Major Walley and I wait on Mr. Belchar at Mr. Wadsworth's and give him the Thanks of L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council for his Sermon, and desire a copy. This day a Burlesque comes out upon Hull-street, in a Travestie construing my Latin verses.

Mr. Howard's Daughter [Sarah] is married. The President<sup>1</sup> refused to be among the Ministers at their annual Meeting.

Monday, June. 2—1701. Mr. Pemberton preaches the Artillery Sermon, from Luke. 3—14. Dine at Monk's. Because of the Rain and Mist, this day, the election is made upon the Town-house, Sewall. Capt.;<sup>2</sup> Tho. Hutchinson Lieut.; Tho. Savage jun<sup>r</sup>, Ensign.; Tho. Fitch, 1 Sergt. :

<sup>1</sup> The President of Harvard College was at that time, and long after, regarded as the head of the Ministers of the Province. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Sewall was now captain of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, an organization which is still flourishing. Although two editions of its History, by Z. G. Whitman (1820 and 1842), are in print, a few words may be given to this Boston company.

It was founded and chartered in 1638, mainly by the exertions of Captain Robert Keayne, who had been admitted a member of the Honorable Artillery Company of London, May 6, 1623. Others of the early members belonged to the same English corps, and the claim of our company to be a regular off-shoot therefrom is acknowledged in the recent history of the London Company, by Captain G. A. Raikes. (London, 1878.)

During the Andros period, the company was in abeyance; but in April, 1691, Colonel Elisha Hutchinson was chosen commander, and Cotton Mather preacher. From that time until the Revolution, the company held regular meetings. Then there was a necessary intermission until 1786, and Major William Bell was the commander chosen. The company has since flourished, and at present musters a large number of members. It enjoys various privileges, and it is to be hoped that it will long preserve the remembrance of the many distinguished men who have belonged to it.

The sermons annually delivered before the company have been by eminent divines, and a large number of them are in print. A copy of Mr. Pemberton's is in the Boston Athenæum, with the following title:—

“The Souldier Defended and Directed: as it was Delivered in a Sermon Preached to the Artillery Company in Boston, on the day of their Election of Officers, June 2d, 1701. By Ebenezer Pemberton, Pastor of a Church in Boston. Boston: Printed by B. Green and J. Allen, for Samuel Sewall, Junior, 1701.” pp. 42, and one page advertisement. — Eds.

Oliver Noyes 2 : Hab. Savage 3 : Charles Chauncey 4. Call'd down the Council out of the Chamber, set their chairs below ; Col. Pynchon gave the Staves and Ensign. I said was surpris'd to see they had mistaken a sorry pruning Hook for a Military Spear ; but paid such a deference to the Company that would rather run the venture of exposing my own inability, than give any occasion to suspect I slighted their call. To Serg<sup>t</sup> Fitch, Doubted not but if I could give any thing tolerable words of comānd, he would mend them in a vigorous and speedy performance : was glad of so good a Hand to me and the Company (Mr. Noyes abroad in the Gally). To Hab. S[avage] The savages are souldiers *ex Traduce* ; in imitation of his honr<sup>d</sup> father, Uncle, and Grandfather, hop'd for worthy performances from him. To Ch. Chauncy, Had such a honor for your Grandfather and father, that was glad was join'd with me in this Relation. Drew out before Mr. Ushers, gave 3 volleys. Drew into the Townhouse again ; sent Serg<sup>t</sup> Chauncy for Mr. Pemberton, who said he was glad to see the staff in my hand ; pray'd with us. Had the company to my house, treated them with bread, Beer, wine Sillibub. — They order'd Capt. Checkly and me to Thank Mr. Pemberton for his Sermon, which we did on Tuesday, desiring a copy. June, 4. Bro<sup>r</sup> comes to Town, I Treat him at Plyes : goes home.

Tuesday, June, 10<sup>th</sup> Having last night heard that Josiah Willard had cut off his hair (a very full head of hair) and put on a Wigg, I went to him this morning. Told his Mother what I came about, and she call'd him. I enquired of him what Extremity had forced him to put off his own hair, and put on a Wigg ? He answered, none at all. But said that his Hair was streight, and that it parted behinde. Seem'd to argue that men might as well shave their hair off their head, as off their face. I answered men were men before they had hair on their faces, (half of mankind have never any). God seems to have



ordain'd our Hair as a Test, to see whether we can bring our minds to be content to be at his finding : or whether we would be our own Carvers, Lords, and come no more at Him. If disliked our Skin, or Nails ; 'tis no Thanks to us, that for all that, we cut them not off : Pain and danger restrain us. Your Calling is to teach men self Denial. Twill be displeasing and burdensom to good men : And they that care not what men think of them care not what God thinks of them. Father, Bro<sup>r</sup> Simon, Mr. Pemberton, Mr. Wigglesworth, Oakes, Noyes (Oliver), Brattle of Cambridge<sup>1</sup> their example. Allow me to be so far a *Censor Morum* for this end of the Town. Pray'd him to read the Tenth Chapter of the Third book of Calvins Institutions.<sup>2</sup> I read it this morning in course, not of choice. Told him that it was condemn'd by a Meeting of Ministers at Northampton in Mr. Stoddards house, when the said Josiah was there. Told him of the Solemnity of the Covenant which he and I had lately enterd into, which put me upon discoursing to him. He seem'd to say would leave off his Wigg when his hair was grown. I spake to his Father of it a day or two after : He thank'd me that had discoursed his Son, and told me that when his hair was grown to cover his ears, he promis'd to leave off his Wigg. If he had known of it, would have forbidden him. His Mother heard him talk of it ; but was afraid positively to forbid him ; lest he should do it, and so be more faulty.

June, 12. Mr. Willard marries Mr. Pemberton and Mrs. Mary Clark. All Mr. Willard's family there, as I am informed, and many others. Come to our Meeting the next Sabbath.

Monday, June, 30. L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> said would go to the Commencement once more in his life-time ; so would adjourn

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<sup>1</sup> It is to be inferred that the worthies here named wore no periwigs. — EDS.

<sup>2</sup> The subject of this chapter is, "*Comment il faut user de la vie présente et ses aides.*" — EDS.

the Court to Friday; and did so. But was very much pain'd going home. Mr. Nelson, Secretary, and I visit him on Tuesday to dissuade him from going, lest some ill consequence should hapen. He consented, and order'd us to present his Bowl. After Dinner and singing, I took it, had it fill'd up, and drunk to the president, saying that by reason of the absence of him who was the Firmament and Ornament of the Province, and that Society, I presented that Grace-cup *pro more Academicarum in Anglia*. The Providence of our Sovereign Lord is very investigable; in that our Grace Cups, brim full, are passing round; when our Brethren in France are petitioning for their *Coup de Grace*. President made no oration.

Friday, July 4. The court understanding the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>'s growing illness, were loth to press him with business, and sent Mr. Secretary, Mr [Sewall?] Mr. Speaker and Mr. White to discourse his Honor, and propound an Adjournment. He agreed to it very freely. I said the Court was afflicted with the sense of his Honors indisposition; at which he rais'd himself up on his Couch. When coming away, he reach'd out his hand; I gave him mine, and kiss'd his. He said before, Pray for me! This was the last time I ever saw his Honor. July 7<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Cooke, Walley and I set out for Ipswich. About the time got thither the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> died.

July 8. Went to Newbury, eat Sturgeon at Major Davison's. Went to Hampton; from thence, having time, Major Walley and I with our Men, Bairsto and Hasting, went to Exeter; eat at Capt. Gilmans, Lodg'd at Mr. Clark's. July 9. Mr. Clark piloted us to Squamscot, where saw Gov<sup>r</sup> Bradstreets daughter, Mrs. Wiggins. To Portsmouth. Lodg'd at Packers. In the Room where was told of my Fathers death, Gov<sup>r</sup> Partridge told me of Mr. Stoughtons death Wednesday p.m. Mr. Epaphras Shrinton writt it by the post. July, 10. Went to Kittery, Major Vaughan accompanied us. Lodge there at Spruce-creek.

July 11. Major Wally and I ride to the Bank [Strawberry]. July 12. Bairsto and I alone goe to Newbury betime, over Carr's Bridge. Dine at Bro<sup>r</sup> Ta<sup>p</sup>ans visit Acch. Woodman; lodge at sister Gerrishes.

July 13. Lords-day, Major Noyes shews me the Proclamation of the 10<sup>th</sup> publishing the L<sup>t</sup> Governours death,<sup>1</sup> and confirming Military officers.

July. 14, p.m. Mr. Cooke and Walley being now come to Town, rid towards Ipswich; I turn'd off to Cousin Dummers, visited her. Then to the Falls, Bro<sup>r</sup> piloting us, lodge in sister Moodey's Brick House; which has an excellent foundation.

July, 15<sup>th</sup> Funeral-day of L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> To Ipswich; Try Esther Rogers. Jury next morn ask'd advice, then after, brought her in Guilty of murdering her Bastard daughter. July, 17. Mr. Cooke pronounc'd the sentence. She hardly said a word. I told her God had put two Children to her to nurse: Her Mother did not serve her so. Esther was a great saviour; she, a great destroyer. Said did not do this to insult over her, but to make her sensible.

18. Rid to Salem in a little time, Sun almost down when went from Ipswich; yet got thither before the Bell rung. Lodg'd at daughter Hirst's. 19<sup>th</sup> ride home with my wife in a Calash with Joseph. Were in great danger by the pin of the Axeltree trapping out, but Sam and Bairsto spied it and cried out before the wheel was quite worn off. 22. rid to Dorchester Lecture, only I was in the L<sup>t</sup> Governours Pue. 27. Go into mourning for the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> Court sits. Aug<sup>t</sup> 1. Choose Major Gen<sup>l</sup> [Winthrop] chief-justice, Mr. Saffin Justice, Mr. Cooke Judge

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<sup>1</sup> William Stoughton, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, was born at Dorchester, in 1632. His career and character will be found described in Sibley's "Harvard Graduates," pp. 194-208. He was a graduate of Harvard, and bestowed upon it the first Stoughton Hall, land in Dorchester, and other gifts. He was never married. — Eds.

Probats, without any mentioning the inconvenience of that authoritye resting in one mans breast. Capt. Byfield judge of Bristol-Court. Mr. Saffin had 14. They that sign'd his Cōmission are W. Winthrop, James Russell, Elisha Cooke, Jn<sup>o</sup> Hathorne, W<sup>m</sup> Browne, Elisha Hutchinson, Jonathan Corwin, Jn<sup>o</sup> Higginson, Peter Sergeant, Jn<sup>o</sup> Foster, Joseph Lynde, E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Penn Townsend, Benj<sup>a</sup> Browne, John Thacher.<sup>1</sup>

Have much adoe to get a number to sign the Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>ls</sup> Cōmission. If had not withdrawn his paper, sūpose he would not have had a number; 'tis said Several Deputies have entered their dissent against the Agency.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 11. Go down to the Castle to try to compose the differences between the Capt. and Col. Romer: Order that the Line next the Chañel be presently finished with the Brick-Work.<sup>2</sup> I told the young men that if any intemperat Language proceeded from Col. Romer, twas not intended to countenance that, or encourage their imitation: but observe his direction in things wherein he was Skillful and ordered to govern the work: or to that effect. Lest should be thought the Council had too much wink'd at his cursing and swearing, which was complained of.

<sup>1</sup> The Council was placed, by the death of both the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, in supreme control. There were twenty-seven members, but many were residents of places remote from Boston. The Council held power from July 7, 1701, till the arrival of Gov. Joseph Dudley, June 11, 1702. As Stoughton was also Chief Justice of the Superior Court, Saffin was elected to fill the vacancy, and Winthrop was promoted to be Chief. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> We have already spoken of Col. Romer (Vol. I. 488). Shurtleff, 492, 493, gives the copy of an inscription which was on a slab placed over the entrance to the fort. In the "Description" he terms it a *white* slab; but in the "Boston Transcript" of Oct. 17, 1861, he calls it a *slate* stone. He refers to the fact that one-half of the stone, divided vertically, was preserved, but does not say where it was. Very recently a fragment, doubtless the one he means, although his description is to be taken as the heraldic *dexter* side, was discovered amid some rubbish in the cellars of the Boston Athenæum. It has been transferred, for safe-keeping, to the gallery of the Massachusetts Historical Society. — Eds.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> Sign an order for Capt. Crow to cruise to Tarpolin Cove because of some suspected vessels there, as Gov<sup>r</sup> Cranston informs.

Mr. Saffin takes his Oath, Mr. Secretary administers it, and Mr. Russel and Col. Hutchinson attest it. This morning, *Vae Malum*, Capt. Hunting accidentally shoots himself dead.

Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson cut his hand last Satterday between his left Thumb and fore finger; It bled pretty much today. Came to Council but would not sign, because his right hand was occupied in holding his Left, to prevent bleeding. Mr. Sergeant sign'd for him at his Request.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 8. rid to Rehoboth with Mr. Cooke, Major Wallely; Mr. Saffin went last week.

Sept. 9. to Bristow. Mr. Saffin and others met us near the Ferry. Peter Walker charg'd Mr. Saffin with urging a man to swear that which he scrupled to swear.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 11. Mr. Saffin tampered with Mr. Kent, the Foreman, at Capt. Reynold's, which he denied at Osburn's. Coñived at his Tenant Smith's being on the Jury, in the case between himself and Adam [a negro], about his Freedom. 7<sup>r</sup> 12. Broke fast at Mr. Brenton's. Mr. Cooke and I rid to Billinges, near  $\frac{1}{2}$  the way in the night. 7<sup>r</sup> 13. home between 12 and 1. Vessel arrives from England that brings News of Sir Henry [Ashurst] oposing Col. Dudley's being Gov<sup>r</sup>: 4 of the Council; viz: Winthrop, Cooke, Hutchinson Elisha, Sergeant are said to have written to him.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 17th. Wentworth arrives, in whom comes Capt. Richards and wife, Dudley Woodbridge, N. Henchman, Martin, Bonus, &c. Brings a Letter to the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> with a Bill of Lading for 50 Barrels powder given by the King.

Monday, 7<sup>r</sup> 29. Training of the Foot Company: In the Afternoon, I waited on Mr. Mather to desire his Āpointm<sup>t</sup> of a Meeting of the Cōmissioners [of the Society

for Propagating the Gospel]. He tells me he is going to Lin tomorrow; and shall not return till next week: I tell him I will wait on him then.

Monday, Oct<sup>r</sup> 6. 1701. Very pleasant fair Wether; Artillery trains in the Afternoon [Sewall in command]. March with the Company to the Elms; Go to prayer, March down and Shoot at a Mark. Mr. Cushing I think was the first that hit it, Mr. Gerrish twice, Mr. Fitch, Chauncy, and the Ensign of the Officers. By far the most missed, as I did for the first. Were much contented with the exercise. Led them to the Trees agen, perform'd some facings and Doublings. Drew them together; propounded the question about the Colours; twas voted very freely and fully. I inform'd the Company I was told the Company's Halberds &c. were borrowed; I understood the Leading staff was so, and therefore ask'd their Acceptance of a Half-Pike, which they very kindly did; I deliver'd it to Mr. Gibbs for their Use.

They would needs give me a Volley, in token of their Respect on this occasion. The Pike will, I supōsé, stand me in fourty shillings, being headed and shod with Silver: Has this Motto fairly engraven:

*Agmen Massachusettense*

*est in tutelam Sponsæ*

*AGNI Uxoris.*

1701.

The Lord help us to answer the Profession. Were treated by the Ensign in a fair chamber. Gave a very handsome Volley at Lodging the Colours. The Training in Sept<sup>r</sup> was a very fair day, so was this.

Thursday, Octob<sup>r</sup> 9th. 1701. Peter Sergeant Esqr. marries my Lady Mary Phips.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> Send my wife and me Gloves and Cake. Col. Hutchinson, Mr. Addington, Foster, Townsend, Bromfield, Stoddard, Burroughs, visit the Bridegroom and Bride, and

sup there with Roast-Beef, Venison Pasty, Cake and cheese. Betty came yesterday to see us. Bro<sup>r</sup> and his daughter came, and go home to day. Mr. Sergeant dwells at my Ladies house and Major Hobbie comes into his [afterwards the Province House].

Wednesday Oct<sup>r</sup> 15. Court meets, draw up a new Address; send that and their former with the Memorial to Mr. Constantine Phips,<sup>1</sup> with 100£ Sterling Money of England, for to recompence his former service.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 18., or thereabout, Mr. Foster and Cooke had a hot discourse about Mr. [President] Mather; Capt. Foster moving for a Quarter's Salary. I spake that he might have it.

8<sup>r</sup> 18. The Court is prorogued to the tenth of Decemb<sup>r</sup> at 9 *mane*.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 19. Mr. Sergeant and his Bride come to our Meeting forenoon and afternoon.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 20. [In Margin — Opprobrium. Mr. Cotton Mather speaks hard words of me.] Mr. Cotton Mather came to Mr. Wilkins's<sup>2</sup> shop, and there talked very sharply against me as if I had used his father worse than a Neger; spake so loud that people in the street might hear him. Then went and told Sam, That one pleaded much for Negros, and he had used his father worse than a Negro, and told him that was his Father. I had read in the morn Mr. Dod's saying; Sanctified Afflictions are good Promotions. I found it now a cordial. And this caus'd me the rather

<sup>1</sup> Sir Constantine Phips was an eminent lawyer, Lord Chancellor of Ireland in 1714, and died in 1723. His grandson was made Lord Mulgrave in the Irish peerage in 1767; in England, the third baron was made Earl of Mulgrave in 1812, and *his* son was created Marquess of Normandy in 1838. No connection is known to have existed between Sir Constantine and Sir William Phips, despite the fables of the peerages, beginning with Archdal's. See also Vol. I. p. 204, *note*. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Mr. Richard Wilkins has already been mentioned in our first volume, p. 452, *note*. — Eds.

to set under my Father and Mother's Epitaph, — Psal. 27. 10.<sup>1</sup>

It may be it would be arrogance for me to think that I, as one of Christ's Witnesses, am slain, or ly dead in the street.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 9. I sent Mr. Increase Mather a Hanch of very good Venison; I hope in that I did not treat him as a Negro.

8<sup>r</sup> 20. Mr. Pemberton and his wife visit Daughter Hirst; pray with her.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 22. 1701. I, with Major Walley and Capt. Sam<sup>l</sup> Checkly, speak with Mr. Cotton Mather at Mr. Wilkin's. I expostulated with him from 1 Tim. 5. 1. Rebuke not an elder. He said he had consider'd that: I told him of his book of the Law of Kindness for the Tongue, whether this were correspondent with that. Whether correspondent with Christ's Rule: He said, having spoken to me before there was no need to speak to me again; and so justified his reviling me behind my back. Charg'd the Council with Lying, Hypocrisy, Tricks, and I know not what all [in Margin — Surreptitious]. I ask'd him if it were done with that Meekness as it should; answer'd, yes. Charg'd the Council in general, and then shew'd my share, which was my speech in Council; viz. If Mr. Mather should goe to Cambridge again to reside there with a Resolution not to read the Scriptures, and expound in the Hall: I fear the example of it will do more hurt than his going thither will doe good. This speech I owned. Said Mr. Corwin at Reading, upbraided him, saying, This is the man you dedicat your books to! I ask'd him If I should suppose he had done something amiss in his Church as an Officer; whether it would be well for me to exclaim against him in the street for it. (Mr. Wilkin would fain

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<sup>1</sup> "When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up." — EDS.



have had him gon into the iñer room, but he would not.) I told him I conceiv'd he had done much unbecoming a Minister of the Gospel, and being call'd by Maxwell to the Council, Major Wally and I went thither, leaving Capt. Checkly there. 2 Tim. 2. 24. 25. Went to the Council, Sign'd Mr. Mather's order for £25. Hamer'd out an Order for a Day of Thanksgiving.

Thursday, Oct<sup>r</sup> 23. Mr. Increase Mather said at Mr. Wilkins's, If I am a Servant of Jesus Christ, some great Judgment will fall on Capt. Sewall, or his family.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 24. Rainy Day, yet Judge Atwood comes from Rehoboth to Boston. 25. Visits several, and me among the rest. This day in the morn. I got Mr. Moody to copy out my Speech, and gave it to Mr. Wilkins that all might see what was the ground of Mr. Mather's Anger.

Writ out another and gave it to Joshua Gee. I perceive Mr. Wilkins carried his to Mr. Mathers; They seem to grow calm. (On Friday received Mr. Fitch's Letter and Blessing.) Receive the News of Sister Sewall's being brought to Bed of a Son, which is the Sixth; and the fifteenth Child. Messenger came in when Judge Atwood here. Son Hirst comes to Town. Was in danger to be cast away coming over the Ferry, the wind was so very high. Mr. Chiever visits me this Afternoon.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 28. 1701. Mr. William Atwood Takes the Oaths and subscribes the Declaration and Association, to qualify himself to exercise his Authority here as Judge of the Admiralty.<sup>1</sup> He ask'd for a Bible: but Mr. Cooke said

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<sup>1</sup> Very little has been written about the officers of the Crown during our colonial period. In Washburn's *Judicial History of Massachusetts*, pp. 175, 185, it is stated that the first Judge of Admiralty was Wait Still Winthrop, commissioned in 1699. Atwood succeeded him, with Thomas Newton for Deputy. In 1703 the district seems to have been divided, Roger Mompesson taking New York, and Nathaniel Byfield Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and New Hampshire.

In 1715 Byfield was superseded by John Menzies, a Scotchman, who died at Boston Sept. 20, 1728. Robert Auchmuty then held till Byfield was re-

our Custom was to Lift up the hand ; then he said no more, but used that Ceremony. His Comission was first read before the Council. At going away, he thanked me for, The Selling of Joseph, saying twas an ingenious Discourse.

Thus a considerable part of Executive Authority is now gon out of the hands of New England men.<sup>1</sup>

Nov<sup>r</sup>. 1. 1701. Bastian has a Daughter born, he being at the Castle ; He calls her Jane. Nov<sup>r</sup>. 2. She is baptised by Mr. Allen ; Bastian holds her up. Deacon Isa. Tay is Ordained at the same time ; Mr. Allen and —— Wadsworth [Rev. Benjamin Wadsworth, colleague minister of First Church] lay their hands on him. Joseph went to that Meeting in the Afternoon, and brought us this word. Hañah Davis, and Bumsteds daughter are taken into our Church. Monday, Nov<sup>r</sup>. 11. 1701. Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop, Mr. Cooke, Sewall, Saffin set out for Salem to keep Court. Going in the Calash and benighted, I lodge at Hart's and go thence in the morning early. Major Walley is released, and promises not to ask to stay at home again, till I have had my Turn.

A complaint was prefer'd against Woodbridge at Newbury Court, Jury cleer'd him. James Wise, the Complainant, Apeals. Action was dismiss'd ; because a man being Acquitted by a Jury, ought not to be Try'd again. Rioters that were fined Ten pounds apiece, were now fined twenty shillings, great pains having been used to bring them quite off ; but the Jury confirm'd their former Judgment and were directed by the Court only to say Guilty.

commissioned, in 1728-29. Byfield held till his death, in 1733, with Nathaniel Hubbard for Deputy in Bristol for part of the time.

Auchmuty succeeded Byfield until 1747, when Chambers Russell was appointed Judge, with George Cradock, and later with William Reed, Deputy.

Robert Auchmuty, Jr., was Russell's successor, and held until the Revolution. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> A sentence burdened with much sad feeling for the writer as he marked the steady transfer of authority to crown officials, while local government was impaired. — Eds.

The Salem Justices were much disgusted at this management and sentence: I dissented from it as too small a Plaister for so great a Sore.

Satterday, Nov<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> Went home. Major Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop, Mr. Cooke, Saffin, Mrs. Añe, by Charlestown, I was forced to go to Wiñisimēt; because my Horse was to be had back by Cous. Sam. Sewall. Had very comfortable going and coming home. Find all well. I lodg'd at my Son and Daughter Hirst's. *Laus Deo.*

Boston, N. E. Nov<sup>r</sup> 19. 1701. The Court gave Sentence that the Law for Reviews bars Mr. Cooke &c. their Action against Col. Paige, Mr. Saffin was of that opinion also. Super. Court adjourn'd to Friday respecting Mr. Pain. In the Court held at Boston July 27. 1686, When Col. Paiges case was Tryed: Jury

Gervase Ballard  
Benj. Alford  
Tho Clark  
Tobias Davis  
Will<sup>m</sup> Blake  
Joseph Crosby  
John Hersey  
Tho. Fuller  
Edw. Adams  
Nathan<sup>l</sup> Stearns

Francis Foxcroft  
John Bird

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At the Court of Appeals, Novemb<sup>r</sup> 2. 1686.

Joseph Lynde  
Samson Sheaf  
Francis Burroughs  
William White  
Daniel Brewer  
John Breck  
John Minott  
Peter Woodward  
William Dean  
Samuel Goff  
John Hamond  
John Morse

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Dudley  
Stoughton  
Bulkley  
Wharton  
Gedney  
Randolph  
W. Winthrop  
Jn<sup>o</sup> Usher  
Edw. Tyng.

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Nov<sup>r</sup> 23. 1701. John Joyliffe Esqr. dies. He had been blind, and laboured under many Infirmities for a long time.<sup>1</sup> Mr. Brunsdon died the night before: and one Birds-eye a few days before; 3 men. Jn<sup>o</sup> Arnolds wife is also dead. I wish it do not prove a sickly time after long Health.

Mr. Nicholas Noyes of Newbury, aged about 86 years, died on the Lords-Day 9<sup>e</sup> 23. 1701. Mr. Oliver Purchas, late of Lin, now of Concord, is to be buried this week. Bearers of Mr. Joyliffe; Mr. Cooke, Addington, Sergeant, Anth. Checkly, El<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Mr. Saffin.

Sabbath, Nov<sup>r</sup> 30. I went to the Manifesto church to hear Mr. Adams; Mr. Coleman was praying when I went in, so that I thought my self disapointed. But his Prayer was short; When ended, he read distinctly the 137, and 138<sup>th</sup> Psalms, and the seventh of Joshua, concerning the conviction, sentence, and execution of Achon. Then sung the second part of the Sixty ninth Psalm. Mr. Brattle set it to Windsor Tune. Then Mr. Adams pray'd very well, and more largely: And gave us a very good Sermon from Gal. 4. 18. Doct. It is just and comendable &c. Mr. Adams gave the Blessing.

In the Afternoon Mr. Adams made a short Prayer, read the 139<sup>th</sup> Psalm, and the six and twentieth chapter of the Acts; Then Agri<sup>p</sup>a said — Sung. Mr. Coleman made a very good Sermon from Jer. 31. 33.— and will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Pray'd, sung — Contribution. Gave the Blessing. I spent this Sabbath at Mr. Colman's, partly out of dislike to Mr. Josiah Willard's cutting off his Hair, and wearing

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<sup>1</sup> John Joyliffe was one of the connecting links with the first settlers. He married, in 1657, Anna, widow of Robert Knight, and previously widow of Thomas Cromwell, that rich privateer, who settled in Boston. Cromwell is mentioned by Winthrop in his Journal, II. 264, as having been, in 1636, a common seaman in the "Massachusetts," and thus one of the first generation here. — Eds.

a Wigg: He preach'd for Mr. Pemberton in the morning; He that contemns the Law of Nature, is not fit to be a publisher of the Law of Grace: Partly to give an Example of my holding Co $\bar{m}$ union with that Church who renounce the Cross in Baptisme, Humane Holydays &c. as other New-english Churches doe. And I had spent a Sabbath at the Old Church, and at Mr. Mathers. And I thought if I should have absented my self in the *forenoon* only, it might have been more gravaminous to Mr. Willards friends than keeping there *all day*. I perceive by several, that Mr. Coleman's people were much gratified by my giving them my Company, Several considerable persons express'd themselves so. The Lord cleanse me from all my Iniquity &c. Jer. 33. 8. and 16. which chapter read in course xr. 5<sup>th</sup> 1701.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 24. 1701. Sam sets out for Newbury with Capt. Somersby; went away about  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour past 12.

Jan<sup>r</sup> 2. 170 $\frac{1}{2}$ . My Wife had some thoughts the Time of her Travail might be come, before she went to bed: But it went over. Between 4 and 5 m. I go to prayer, Rise, make a Fire, call Mrs. Ellis, Hawkins, Mary Hawkins calls Midwife Greenlef. I go to Mr. Willard and desire him to call God. The Women call me into chamber, and I pray there. Jn<sup>o</sup> Barnard comes to me for Money: I desire him to acquaint Mr. Cotton Mather, and Father.

Jan<sup>r</sup> 2. 170 $\frac{1}{2}$ . My Wife is well brought to Bed of a Daughter just about two p.m., a very cold day: Was got into Bed without a fainting Fit.

Sabbath-day night my wife is very ill and something delirious. Pulse swift and high. I call Mr. Oakes about Two a'clock or before. Grows a little better.

Jan<sup>r</sup> 6. 170 $\frac{1}{2}$  Nurse Hill watch'd last night. Wife had a comfortable night.

## MEMORANDUM.

Sarah Sewall was born Nov<sup>r</sup> 21. 1694. Baptised p̄ Mr. Willard Nov<sup>r</sup> 25. Died Dec<sup>r</sup> 23. Was buried xr. 25. 1696. A dear amiable Son of Samuel Sewall and Hañah his wife, was Still-born May, 21. 1696.

Judith Sewall was born upon Friday, Jan<sup>r</sup> 2. at two in the Afternoon, Hañah Greenlef Midwife, Judd Nurse. Lords-Day, Jan<sup>r</sup> 4. p.m., Was baptised by the Rever<sup>d</sup> Mr. Ebenezer Pemberton. It being his Turn: because The Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Willard administered the Lord's sup̄er just before. So is a New Midwife, and a New Baptiser. What through my wives many Illnesses, more than ordinary, her fall upon the stairs about 5 weeks before; from which time she kept her chamber; her thoughtfulness between whiles whether she were with child or no; her Fears what the issue would be, and the misgiving of our Unbelieving hearts, GOD hath been wonderfully Mercifull to us in her comfortable Delivery; which I desire to have Recorded.

Note. This is the Thirteenth Child that I have offered up to God in Baptisme; my wife having born me Seven Sons and Seven Daughters. I have named this little Daughter Judith, in Remembrance of her honoured and beloved Grandmother Mrs. *Judith Hull*. And it may be my dear wife may now leave off bearing. For my former Children, See p. 124. 125 [in Journal, *ante*, Vol. I. pp. 383, 384].

Jan<sup>r</sup> 8. 170½ Mr. Incr. Mather preaches the Lecture from Gen. 18. 24. Doct. The Wicked many times fare the better for the sake of the Godly, Hopes for England and N. E. because many Righteous ones in both. About 4. Alice Macdoñel is buried. Mr. Lynde and I were there as Overseers of the poor. This day agreed with Nurse Randal to suckle Judith.

Friday Jan<sup>r</sup> 9. 170½ Buy a Wicker Cradle for Judith of Tho Hunt; which cost Sixteen Shillings.

My wife puts on her Cloaths, and sits up in the Bed.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 10. My Wife gets up to the Pallat Bed in her Cloaths, and there keeps, while Linen Curtains are put up within the Serge; and is refresh'd by it.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 12. 170 $\frac{1}{2}$  The Harbour is open again, and pretty well freed from the Ice. Jan<sup>y</sup> 13. m. I pray'd earnestly by my self and in the family for a Nurse; Went and expostulated with Mr. Hill about his daughters failing me; in the chamber: In the mean time, one of his family went and call'd the Nurse and I brought her home with me; which was beyond my expectation. For Mr. Jesse huff'd and ding'd, and said he would lock her up, and she should not come. I sent not for her, So I hope twas an Answer of Prayer.

Friday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 16. My Wife Treats her Midwife and Women: Had a good Dinner, Boil'd Pork, Beef, Fowls; very good Rost Beef, Turkey-Pye, Tarts. Madam Usher carv'd, Mrs. Hañah Greenlef; Ellis, Cowell, Wheeler, Johnson, and her daughter Cole, Mrs. Hill our Nurses Mother, Nurse Johnson, Hill, Hawkins, Mrs. Goose, Deming, Green, Smith, Hatch, Blin. Comfortable, moderat wether: and with a good fire in the Stove warm'd the Room.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 17. We hear that Mrs. Sam. Brown of Salem is dead, and the first child she had. She earnestly desired a child, having been a pretty while married. Col. Turner's sister.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 18. Storm of snow: but not very cold.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 20. between 11 and 12. Farnum the Father, was pecking Ice off the Mill-wheel, slipt in and was carried and crush'd, and kill'd, with the wheel. Elder Copp and Mr. Walley came to call cousin Savage at my house.

Note. Last night were under awfull aḡprehensions, lest the House was on fire, there was such a smoke and smell in the cellar like as of a Colepit. Got Joseph Clark to view it and neighbour Cole. Could find nothing. Cole suḡos'd twas a Steem by reason of the cold. Many watch'd but

found nothing. And blessed be God, the House is still standing.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 22.  $\overline{170\frac{1}{2}}$  Sam. comes home in company of his unkle Moodey, Bro<sup>r</sup> and Sister Hirst. Jan<sup>y</sup> 23. Bro<sup>r</sup> Moodey goes home.

Satterday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 24. 4 *post meridiem*. Mary Bowtel of Cambrige was burnt to death in her own fire, being in a Fit as is supōs'd. Her right arm, and left Hand, were burnt quite off; her bowels burnt out, &c. Coroner Green told us this at Charlestown, Jan<sup>y</sup> 27. Tis very remarkable that two such awfully violent Deaths should fall out in one and the same week at Boston and Cambridge.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 30.  $\overline{170\frac{1}{2}}$  Cousin Moodey of York comes to see me: upon enquiry about a Hebrew word, I found he had no Lexicon; and I gave him my Buxtorf.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 31.  $\overline{170\frac{1}{2}}$  William Parsons of 88 years, is buried. Was in the fifth-monarchy fray in London: <sup>1</sup> but slipt away in the Crowd.

Febr. 1. William Willard and William Blin were baptised by Mr. Willard. At the funeral Mr. Chiever told me he enter'd his 88<sup>th</sup> year 25. Jan<sup>r</sup>, and is now the oldest man in Boston.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 2. Very sore storm of Rain and Hail and Snow. Hunting is cast away on the Rocks of Marblehead. Comes from the Bay; his company and he lost.

A man dround in the Cellar of the Queens-head Tavern: went to take out the plug, and dropt in. It seems had the falling sickness. No Sun-shine this day.

Wednesday, Feb<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> The Gazette that Andover

<sup>1</sup> This riot in London occurred Jan. 6, 1661. The ringleader was Thomas Venner, formerly a cooper at Salem, a freeman in 1638, and a member of the Artillery Company. Some time after 1651, he went to England, and April 9, 1657, he began a little riot in London in favor of a republic and against the assumption of the crown by Cromwell. But in 1661 he incited a more formidable riot; and, after a stout resistance, he was captured and hanged. See Palfrey, II. 304 and 434. — Eds.



Adress presented Octobr 9<sup>th</sup> relating to their Dr. Wales, I read it at Col. Hutchinson's in hearing of 12 or 13 of the Council, were there waiting for the Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>ls</sup> Rising. This Gazett comes by way of New-York. Febr. 14. This last week has been a week of extraordinary cold Wether. Last night I dream'd I was in company with Mr. Stoughton and Mr. N. Higginson.

Thorsday, Febr. 19. Mr. I. Mather preached from Rev. 22. 16 — bright and morning Star. Mention'd Sign in the Heaven, and in the Evening following I saw a large Cometical Blaze, something fine and dim, pointing from the Westward, a little below Orion.

Febr. 21. Capt. Tim<sup>o</sup> Clark tells me that a Line drawn to the Comet strikes just upon Mexico, spake of a Revolution there, how great a Thing it would be. Said one Whitehead told him of the magnificence of the City, that there were in it 1500 Coaches drawn with Mules. This Blaze had much put me in mind of Mexico; because we must look toward Mexico to view it. Capt. Clark drew a Line on his Globe. Our Thoughts being thus confer'd, and found to jump, makes it to me remarkable. I have long pray'd for Mexico, and of late in those Words, that God would open the Mexican Fountain.

Febr. 21. This day Goodw- Pope, and John Wait dye.

Febr. 22, 170 $\frac{1}{2}$  My Wife goes to Meeting in the Afternoon, after long Restraint.

Febr. 23. Goodw. Pope is buried. Capt Byfield and I and the Select-Men, and about 12 women there; Cowel, Wheeler, Calef &c. One or two Bacons, her Grandsons, followed next.

Febr. 25. Archibald Macquerry has a son born at Charlestown without Arms.

Jn<sup>o</sup> Wait is buried; Gen<sup>l</sup> Court Sat, and I think none of the Council at the Funeral.

Febr. 26. Sixteen of the Council sign an order for making Dracot a Town.

Feb. 28. Yesterday Mr. Cookes Petition to enable him to sue Col. Paige for his Farm, was brought forward. I moved that Col. Paige might be Notified and 4 more. Mr. Cooke seemed displeas'd, and in way of Displeasure said twas to delay his Business: was sorry I was so far engag'd *in it*. For this, and because of Sherbourn case, I chose to stay from Council this Forenoon; that might avoid being present when suspected, or charg'd with Prejudice. Sam. brings word of a Ship from England 19 weeks; last from Fayall, In whom is Mr. Brenton.

Capt Scott arrives, in whom comes Mr. Brenton, Febr. 28. 1700 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

March, 11. 1700 $\frac{1}{2}$  In the Afternoon, there are great Southerly Gusts and Showers; Considerable Thunder and Lightening. Last night between 10 and 11, A great Fire brake out in Mr. Thomson's Warehouse upon the Dock: Seven or Eight of the chief Warehouses were burnt and blown up. 'Tis said the Fire began in that part which Monsr. Bushee hires. About half a Ship's Loading was lately taken into it.

Satterday, March, 14. 1700 $\frac{1}{2}$  at 5 p.m. Capt. John Alden expired; Going to visit him, I hapened to be there at the time.

May, 1. Whitehorn arrives: Came from Falmouth  
 March, 12. L<sup>d</sup> Cornbury<sup>1</sup> came out with. Rains in the Afternoon, after much Drought. May, 2. Great storm, very fierce Wind. A Briganteen is driven up the Harbour, and into the Mill-Crick with such Fury that she carries away the Drawbridge before her.

May, 4, 1702. Artillery Comp<sup>a</sup> Trains, Rainy day; So we exercise on the Town-House in the morn. Mr. Pitkin, Capt Whiting, Comissioners for Connecticut about Ruining the Line, Dine with us. Mr. Colman and Adams,

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<sup>1</sup> The new Governor of New York. He was grandson of the first Earl of Clarendon, and cousin of Queen Anne. — Eds.

Major Hobby, Capt. Pelham, Southack, Ephr. Savage, Mr. Paul Dudley, Will Duñer, Edw. Hutchinson, &c. In the Afternoon went into Coñon; Major Hobby, Will Duñer, Ned Hutchinson, Oliver Williams and another, Listed. Major Hobby was introduced by Col. Hutchinson, He and I vouch'd for him. Mr. Elisha Cooke jun<sup>r</sup> mov'd to be dismiss'd, which when he had paid his Ar-rears, was granted by Vote with a Hiss. Went to Pollards to avoid the Rain. March'd out and shot at a Mark. Before they began, I told the Comp<sup>any</sup> that I had call'd them to shoot in October, and had not my self hit the Butt; I was willing to bring my self under a small Fine, such as a single Justice might set; and it should be to him who made the best Shott. Mr. Gerrish and Ensign John Noyes were the competitors, At Pollards, by a Brass Rule, Ens. Noyes's Shot was found to be two inches and a half nearer the centre, than Mr. John Gerrishes; His was on the right side of the Neck; Ensign Noyes's on the Bowels a little on the Left and but very little more than G. on the Right of the middle-Line When I had heard what could be said on both sides, I Judg'd for Ensign Noyes, and gave him a Silver cup I had provided engraven

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*Euphratem Siccare potes.*<sup>1</sup>

Telling him, it was in Token of the value I had for that virtue in others, which I my self could not attain to. March'd into Coñon and concluded with Pray'r. Pray'd in the morn on the Townhouse, Praying for the Churches by Name. After Diñer, We Sung four staves of the 68<sup>th</sup> PS. viz. first Part and the 9. and 10<sup>th</sup> verses of the 2<sup>d</sup> with regard to the plentifull Rain on the 1 and 2 May and now, after great Drought; Mr. Dering mov'd we might

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<sup>1</sup> See Rev. XVI. 12. The drying up of Euphrates, as a prophetic symbol, engaged much of Judge Sewall's interest. See Vol. I. p. 69, *note*. But the cup was probably used for other liquids. — Eds.

sing. Some objected against our singing so much; I answer'd, Twas but *Four Deep*. Were Treated at Major Savages.

Satterday, May 9. 1702. By this days Post we hear that my Lord Cornbury arriv'd, a Thursday was señight, at New York. May, 9. This day, several of the Gentlemen of the Council go to the Castle. As they came up, Miller was going down. And a little after they pass'd him his ship overset. A Swisse Boy drown'd.

Visit Sister Moodey twice in Kittery Circuit. May 19th Mr. James How, a good Man of Ipswich, 104 years old, is buried. Died I think on Lords-Day night, just about the time the News of the Kings Death was brought from Madera.

May, 28. Burrington from New-found-Land brings Prints of the King's death March, 8. at 8 m. Queen's Speech to her Lords at S<sup>t</sup> James's. Lords Spiritual and Temporal, their Address; Queen's Speech to the Parliament; Several Addresses; and at last the Gazette containing the Proclaiming the Queen, came to Hand: Then we resolv'd to proclaim her Majesty here: Which was done accordingly below the Town-house. Regiment drawn up, and Life-Guard of Horse; Council, Representatives, Ministers, Justices, Gentlemen taken within the Guard; Mr Secretary on foot read the order of the Council, the Proclamation, and Queen's Proclamation for continuing Coñmissions. Mr. Sheriff Gookin gave it to the people. Volleys, Guns. Went into chamber to drink, and there had the sad news of the Taking of 3 Salem Catches by the Cape-Sable Indians; one of them Col. Higginson's: David Hills, and one of the Masters kill'd. This arrived at Salem this day, and was sent per Express, one of the men swore it before the Council. Proclamation was made between 3 and 4. At 5. p.m. Madam Bellingham dies, a vertuous Gentlewoman, *antiquis Moribus, prisca fide*, who has liv'd a widow just about 30

years.<sup>1</sup> May, 31. 146. Ps. sung, and Mr. Pemberton preaches a Funeral sermon for the King, from the 3<sup>d</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> verses of that Psalm.

June, 1, 1702. Artillery election-Day. Mr. Colman preaches from Heb. 11. 33. Sermon is well liked of. Had much adoe to persuade Mr. Willard to dine with me. Said Ministers were disgusted because the Representatives went first at the Proclaiming the Queen;<sup>2</sup> and that by order of our House. But at last he came: I went for him, leaving my Guests. No Mather, Allen, Adams there. But there were Mr. Torrey, Willard, Simēs, Thacher, Belchar and many more. No Mr. Myles, Bridge, [Ministers of King's Chapel.] No Capt of Frigate. Tho the last were invited. June. 10. 1702. Cōm̄ittee Tryes Powder, and firing so much and long distempered me; that part̄ly by that, and partly by my Wives intolerable pains, I had a most restless night. June, 11. Thursday, before I was dress'd, Sam. Gave the Word that Gov<sup>r</sup> [Joseph Dudley] was come. Quickly after I got down, Maxwell sūm̄oned me to Council, told me the Secretary had a Letter of the Governours Arrival yesterday, at Marblehead. Mr. Addington, Eliakim Hutchinson, Byfield and Sewall, sent per the Council, go with Capt Crofts in his Pinace to meet the Governour, and Congratulat his Arrival; We get aboard a

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<sup>1</sup> This was another of the links to the first generation. The lady was Penelope, sister of Herbert Pelham, and second wife of Governor Richard Bellingham, who was himself the last survivor of the patentees named in the Charter. Winthrop, II. 43, mentions the scandal about his marriage. She was "ready to be contracted to a friend of" Bellingham's, "who lodged in his house, and by his consent had proceeded so far with her, when on the sudden, the Governour treated with her, and obtained her for himself." Not only was there this romance, and a considerable disparity in years, he being about fifty years and the lady twenty, but Bellingham also solemnized the marriage himself. There is no reason, however, to conclude that the marriage was not as happy as less remarkable ones have proved. — EDS.

<sup>2</sup> Mr. Sewall was as ready as were the Ministers themselves, to take note of every token of the curtailment of their prerogatives and privileges with the changes which followed upon the administration under the Provincial charter. — EDS.

little before got within Point Alderton ; Capt Heron introduced us ; After had all saluted the Gov<sup>r</sup> I said,

Her Majesty's Council of this Province have comanded us to meet your Excellency, and congratulate your safe Arrival in the Massachusetts Bay, in quality of our Governour : Which we do very heartily ; not only out of Obedience to our Masters who sent us ; but also of our own accord. The Cloaths your Excellency sees us wear, are a true Indication of our inward Grief for the Departure of K. William. Yet we desire to remember with Thankfullness the Goodness of God, who has at this time peaceably placed Queen Anne upon the Throne. And as Her Majestys Name imports Grace, so we trust God will shew Her Majesty Favour ; and Her Majesty us. And we look upon your Excellency's being sent to us, as a very fair First-Fruit of it, for which we bless God and Queen Anne.

I was startled at 2 or 3 things ; viz. The L<sup>t</sup> Governour [Thomas Povey] a stranger, sent, whom we knew nor heard anything of before :<sup>1</sup> When the Gov<sup>r</sup> first mention'd it, I understood him of Mr. Addington. I saw an ancient Minister, enquiring who it was, Governour said, twas G— Keith,<sup>2</sup> had converted many in England, and now Bp. London had sent him hether with Salery of 200. Guineys per añum. I look'd on him as Helena aboard.<sup>3</sup> This man cray'd a Blessing and return'd Thanks, though there was the chaplain of the Ship, and another Minister on board. Governour has a very large Wigg. Drink Healths, About one and Twenty Guns fired at our leav-

<sup>1</sup> Palfrey, IV. 247, says that Povey was probably a brother of the Secretary to the Board of Trade. He was, when now appointed, captain in the Queen's own regiment of footguards, and was selected without notifying the Board of Trade. He returned to England in 1705. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> George Keith had been a minister among the Friends, but had conformed to the Church of England. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> We leave to future commentators the explanation of this reference to Helen. Possibly Sewall foresaw in Keith the cause of ecclesiastical discords in the future. — Eds.

ing the Centurion; and Cheers, then Capt Scot and another Ship fired. Castle fired many Guns; Landed at Scarlet's Wharf, where the Council and Regiment waited for us; just before came at the North-Meetinghouse Clock struck five. Was the Troop of Guards, and Col. Paige's Troop. March'd to the Townhouse. There before the Court; Ministers, and as many else as could crowd in, the Governour's and L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>rs</sup> Co<sup>m</sup>issions were published; they took their Oaths laying their hands on the Bible, and after Kissing it. Had a large Treat. Just about dark Troops Guarded the Gov<sup>r</sup> to Roxbury. He rode in Major Hobby's Coach Drawn with six Horses richly harnessed. By mistake, my coachman stayed in the yard, and so Joseph and I went alone. Foot gave 3 very good Volleys after the publication of the Co<sup>m</sup>issions, and were dismiss'd. Mr. Mather crav'd a Blessing and Mr. Cotton Mather Return'd Thanks.

June 12. as Governour came to Town, he alighted and call'd at my House, Thank'd me for my Kindness to his family. I was much indispos'd by my Throat being sore, and I feverish.

June. 13. Ships Sail.

June. 28. Gov<sup>r</sup> partakes of the Lords Super<sup>t</sup> at Roxbury: In the Afternoon goes to Boston to hear Mr. Myles, who inveighed vehemently against Scism. June. 29. Refused to let us give our Yes and No in Papers. June, 30. War is proclaim'd. Address sign'd a 2<sup>d</sup> time, which I again declined. New Justices are much talk'd of.

Satterday, July, 4. It is known in Town that the L<sup>t</sup> Governour has his Co<sup>m</sup>ission for Captain of the Castle; and Charles Hobby, for Colonel of Boston Regiment. July, 6. Col. Hutchinson, by order, delivers the Castle to the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>. In the Afternoon Paul Dudley esqr.<sup>1</sup> is A<sup>p</sup>ointed the Queen's Attorney. Judges of Middle-

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<sup>1</sup> Son of the Governor. — Eds.

sex and Suffolk sworn. And Justices of Suffolk (Mr. Sergeant, Hutchinson, Belcher Swear Not.) L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> laying his Hand on, and kissing the Bible. Council is adjourn'd to Wednesday. July, 9. Waited on the Gov<sup>r</sup> to Marblehead, to Salem. Were Treated at Sharp's. July. 10. Went to Ipswich, in the Rain part of the Way. Troop met us. I and Mr. White lodg'd at Mr. Rogers's, as had done at Son Hirst's the night before. July 11. about 10. Gov<sup>r</sup> sets out for Newbury, and I for Boston; Serene, windy day. Came with B. Marston and Wakefield to Phillips's. Dined there with Capt Winthrop, his lady, Madam Wainwright, Mrs. Belcher of Newbury. Little Colman; Mrs. Añe Winthrop Lyes in there. Capt Adam Winthrop accompanied me home. Find all well. *Laus Deo.* July, 14. 1702. A man is killed on board her Majesty's Ship the Swift, by a Gun from the Castle. July, 15. Goe to Dedham Lecture, come home with Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> and his Son and Daughter from Coñecticut.

July. 17. Visit Madam Dudley: Sup with her, cous. Dumer and wife, daughter, Col. Townsend, Bromfield and wife, and Kate Dudley.

July 20. Sam. visits Mrs. Rebecka Dudley.

July, 21. Mr. Borland's House, the Raising of it is begun. July, 20. Mr. Paul Dudley dined with us. I ask'd him if he had any service for Sam., to Roxbury: He told me he would be welcom there. July, 22. I went with the Major Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop to the Lieut Gov<sup>r</sup>. At our privat Meeting I read the first sermon of Mr. Flavel's Fountain of Life.

July, 24. 1702. When I had read to Mrs. Mary Rock the 2<sup>d</sup> half of Dr. Sibbs's 3<sup>d</sup> Sermon<sup>1</sup> Glance of Heaven, In

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<sup>1</sup> Dr. Richard Sibbes, an eminent Puritan divine, became, in 1618, preacher to the Society of Gray's Inn; and, in 1628, Master of Catherine Hall, Cambridge. "From the year 1630 onwards for twenty years or so, no writings in practical theology seem to have been so much read among the



discourse about her father and Mother, She told me her Mother had not been with child in eight years  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Was very fearfull about coming to N.-E. but at last had a day of Prayer, many Ministers: and she resolv'd to follow their advice, come what would. And about 12-moneths after her arrival here, she had this daughter viz. 7<sup>r</sup> 1633. which was her last.<sup>1</sup> July, 30. I, my wife, Sam. Hannah visit Madam Dudley, Mrs. Rebekah to whom Sam. gives a Psalm-Booke. Aug<sup>t</sup> 4. 1702. Gov<sup>r</sup> Dudley invites me and my wife to Diñer and Lecture, Sends his Coach for us; Mr. Whiting and his cousin Foxcroft dine there, Mrs. Willard. Mr. Walter preach'd a solid Sermon from the days of Darkness. Exhorted to prepare for death.

Augt. 8. 1702. My dear sister Moodey dies a little before sun-rise. I and cous. Duñer dine at Roxbury.

Augt. 9. I put up a Note. Augt. 10. I goe to Winisimet and there meet Bro<sup>r</sup> Goe with him to Salem: lodge at Son Hirst's. Aug<sup>t</sup> 11. Set out from Salem as the School-Bell rung. Baited at Crompton's. Note. at Wenham pond Reproved David Simons for being naked about his Flax; threatened to Fine him. He submitted.

When came to Rowley, our Friends were gone. Got to the Falls about Noon. Two or three hours after, the Funeral was, very hot sunshine. Bearers, Woodman, Capt. Greenlef, Dea., W<sup>m</sup> Noyes, Jn<sup>o</sup> Smith, Jon<sup>a</sup> Wheeler, Nathan<sup>l</sup> Coffin. Many Newbury people there though so buisy a time; Col. Pierce, Major Noyes, Davison, Tristram Coffin, Mr. Tañan, father and Son, Mr. Payson of Rowley, (though muffed) Mr. Hale their Minister, Cousin Duñer and family, Mr. Bennet, Bradstreet. About a mile or more to

pious English middle classes as those of Sibbes.'" His portrait is in Middleton's "Evangelical Biography." — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> This seems to be the second wife of Joseph Rock, one of the founders of the Old South Church. She died Sept. 13, 1713, in her eighty-first year. She was daughter of Rev. John Wilson. Her first husband was Rev. Samuel Danforth, of Roxbury. — Eds.

the Burying place. Bro<sup>r</sup> Moodey led his Mother, Sam, his Sister Mary; then Dorothy and Mehetabel went together (Sarah was so overpowered with Grief that she went to Town and was not at the Funeral.) I led Sister Gerrish; Bro<sup>r</sup>, Sister Short, — Sister Northend. Aunt Northend was there. Bro<sup>r</sup> Ta<sup>pan</sup>, Sister Sewall and her son John; Jacob and Joe Ta<sup>pan</sup> and many cousins: Capt Boynton.

Our dear sister Mehetabel is the first buried in this new Burying place, a Barly-earish, pure Sand, just behind the Meetinghouse. Bro<sup>r</sup> went home immediately. I went back to the House, lodg'd there all night with Bro<sup>r</sup> Moodey. Gave Wheelers wife a piece of  $\frac{8}{8}$  to buy her a pair Shoes. Gave cousin Lydia a piece of  $\frac{8}{8}$ . Augt. 12. pray'd with them and sung the 146 Psalm. Went to Jn<sup>o</sup> Smith's and took the Acknowledgment of the Deed for the Land of the Meeting-house and Burying place. Rid with Mr. Woodman and Smith to Andover, which is a good In-land Town, and of a good Prospect. Some warned us not to goe to the ordinary, because Mr. Peters was dangerously sick of the Bloody Flux: So went to Mr. Woodman's Daughters, and there din'd on Pork and Beans: Afterward had Fowls rosted and dress'd very well. Right conducts me to Wooburn through the Land of Nod.<sup>1</sup> This is the first time I have seen it. Got late to Fowl's at Wooburn: Sick there, which made me uneasy. Augt. 13. Visit Mr. Fox, view the Hop-yards, come home, very hot. Met Mr Converse, the Father, and discours'd him under a Shady Tree. Wont give his Grand-children till after his death for fear of giving

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<sup>1</sup> "The Land of Nod" is fully explained in Sewall's "History of Woburn," pp. 540-43. See also Vol. I. pp. 190, 191. It consisted of three thousand acres of land in Wilmington, and was owned by Charlestown men. Francis Willoughby bought enough shares to own eleven hundred acres, and Lawrence Hammond, who married his widow, sold them, in 1683, to John Hull. Thence, of course, Sewall gained the ownership. Charlestown, in 1704, claimed the land, and contested Sewall's right, but ineffectually. — Eds.

offence. Express'd his Grief that Gov<sup>r</sup> Dudley put men in place that were not good. Call'd at Mr. Woodbridges and drank a Glass of very good Beer. Told him he had got so pleasant a situation he must not remove till he went to heaven. Got home in Lecture-time. After Lecture Council sits. Doe something about Judges of Probat. Adjourn. Augt. 14. Nominate Col. Townsend for Inferior Court, Suffolke; Col. Hathorne for Superiour, Council advise because new: said would always do so. Adj: till Satterday. Note. I said Nomination of Hathorne pleas'd me I gave my voice for him in '92., when this Court was first erected: And County of Essex had thought themselves postpon'd because no Judge of the Court out of their County. Gov<sup>r</sup> said that was one Consideration made him name him.

Satterday, Aug<sup>t</sup> 15. p.m. Gov<sup>r</sup> brings home Sam., then takes me into the Calash to the Townhouse. Col. Hathorne and Townsend chosen: Gov<sup>r</sup> delivers him his Comission, then me and Maj<sup>r</sup> Walley. Said would never insert himself any way to influence any proceeding before; which has many times done with great Vehemency; exhorting us to doe Justice. Addington, Hathorne, Sewall, Walley sent for Mr. Elisha Cooke jun<sup>r</sup>: constituted him our Clerk, and gave him the Oaths. So now the Superior Court and Inferior Court Suffolk are both open'd this day; which is a considerable celebration of my son Joseph's Birth-day. The Lord cause his face to shine on us!

See June, 7. 1700.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 19. 1702. I give Mr. Joseph Prout, the Town Clerk, the names of my Son and Mrs. Rebekah Dudley to enter their Purpose of Marriage.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 20. Williams publishes them. Mr. Leverett is Sworn after Lecture Judge of the Superior Court.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 21. I gave Madam Cooke a Ring, cost 19s of Cous. Duñer, in Remembrance of my dear Sister Moodey,

whom Mr. Cooke visited in May last. Madam Cooke said had got rid of Mr. Cooke. I answer'd, we should much want his Caution, Discretion, and Constancy. Was very thankfull for the present I made her Husband in the Ring. Walter Negro has his Thigh cut off; viz. his Legg above the knee.

Satterday, 7<sup>r</sup> 5. I set out for Dedham about 3. p.m. to shorten my Bristol Journey. Got thither just about Sun-set. Lodg'd at Fishers. 7<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> About  $\frac{1}{4}$  after 7. m. Mr. Leverett, Capt Saunders, and I set out (Amos Gates waits on me); set forward. Got to Rehoboth when the Sun was  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an hour high. Lodg'd at the Bear. Rose about 2. past midnight, were on Horseback by 5 because of the Likelihood of Rain. Had a very comfortable journey. Got to our Quarters at Osburns before 8 *mane*. Gov<sup>r</sup> was gon over to Narraganset. All the Justices there: Mr. Isaac Addington, the Chief Justice, said had been no court open'd in the Queens Reign: so his commission was read, then mine, then Walleys, then Hathorn's then Leverett's. Court Treated Gov<sup>r</sup>, L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, Gentlemen, Council &c. at Osburn's: cost us 15s apiece. Horses and Servants were paid for by the Governours Steward.

7<sup>r</sup> 9. Col. Byfield Treats at Osburn's.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 10. Court were of Opinion that Adam's Freedom could not be Tryed by Mr. Saffins complaint, and Adam being kept from the court by the Small Pocks, No proceedings at all could be had thereupon.

Mr. Mackentash, who bought Col. Byfields Farm at the Mount, makes a noble Treat at Major Church's which is his hired house. Got to Rehoboth by dark; Mr. Leverett and I Lodged at Mr. Greenwood's; Col. Hathorn and Sam. at Mr. Smith's.

7<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> Went to Billinges in the Cart-way; Had a very good Diñer, Venison &c. Got home in good time. Capt Williams with his Red-Coats met us between Ded-

ham and the Turning to Fowl-Meadow. Capt Belchar and sundry Boston Gentlemen met us at Dedham. Note. Wednesday, at Osburn's, about Break-a-day, I heard one riding as I lay awake. (Mrs. Sparhawk having miscarried, I lodg'd there.) Thought I, I fear there may be some bad News from Boston. The man knock'd, and when he could make any hear, he ask'd if Capt. — were there: I took it he said me. They answer'd yes. He said must come away presently: for his daughter was very bad. Then I said to my self, I must undertake a sorrowfull Journey, as from Salem to Boston, upon the advice of my Still-born son: But God dismiss'd me from the burden of that sorrowfull Surprise, having laid it on Capt Brown of Swansey. We saw the Funeral as went over the Ferry on Thursday.

7<sup>r</sup> 13. Lords-Day, Mr. Bradstreet baptiseth Simon, the Jew, at Charlestown, a young man whom he was Instrumental to convert.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 15. Mr. Nehemiah Walter marries Mr. Sam' Sewall and Mrs. Rebekah Dudley, in the Dining Room Chamber about 8 a'clock. Mr. Willard concluded with prayer, Sung the last part of the 103 Psalm. Mr. Tho. Dudley reading and setting of it out of my Turkey-Leather Psalm book. Present Gov<sup>r</sup>, Lady, family (all save Mr. Paul, who was call'd away just then with the news of Capt. Larimore's prizes, Brothers Letter of it the Gov<sup>r</sup> read to us). I and my family, all save Betty and Judith. Mr. Willard and wife, Mr. Lynde and wife, Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> White, Mrs. Mary Hubbard. Got home about 11 a'clock.

Thursday, Oct<sup>r</sup> 1. 1702. The Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council agree that Thursday Oct<sup>r</sup> 22. be a Fast-Day. Governour moved that it might be Friday, saying, Let us be English-men. I spake against making any distinction in the Days of the week; Desired the same Day of the Week might be for Fasts and Thanksgiving. Boston and Ipswich Lecture Led us to Thursday. Our Brethren at Connecticut had

Wednesday; which we applauded. Governour, it seems, told the Secretary, He himself would draw up the Order, which he did at Cousin Duñers by Candle-Light. Some of the Council were there, but the Gov<sup>r</sup> did not ask their voice. I suggested to Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> that the Drought might be mention'd; Mr. Winthrop spake, but the Gov<sup>r</sup> refused: I think at our house where the Gov<sup>r</sup> Dined with Mr. Increase Mather, and Mr. Tim<sup>s</sup> Woodbridge; the Gov<sup>r</sup> said was a better Harvest than had been these Twenty years.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 6. 1702. Rode with the Gov<sup>r</sup> to Cambridge, saw his field on the Neck, and Hicks &c. building a large sluice to the Dañ. Drove a Pin. Din'd with Mr. Foxcroft; only us three at Table. Mr. Brattle came to us and smoked a pipe. As came home, call'd at Mrs. Clark's, and bespake a Bed for my self during the sitting of the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court, in case I came not home. She granted it. As came home saw Bastion and the Negro digging the Drain. Brought home my Daughter Hirst in the Governour's Chariot, Mr. Hirst went to Salem.

Tuesday, 8<sup>r</sup> 13. Went with the Gov<sup>r</sup> to Hogg Island, son and daughter Sewall, Mrs. Anne, Mrs. Mary Dudley there, Tho. Dudley, Capt. Southack, Mr. Paul Dudley, Mr. Tho. Richards, Col. Townsend, Mr. Brattle, Col. Povey the Lieut Gov<sup>r</sup>, Cous. Jer. Duñer had a good Treat there. I was sorry Mr. Addington and Mr. Pemberton, and Mr. Roberts were not there, and therefore Returning Thanks closed thus; Bring us to thy Entertainment in Heaven, where not one of the Company shall be wanting. Son Hirst got to the House just as were coming away, Gave him a good Plate to Wiñisimet, where he with Col. Paige and Chris. Taylor eat it.

8<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> I carry my Daughter Hirst in the Hackney Coach (Hañah and Mary in Company) to the Salutation, ferry over, and her Husband carryes her to Salem. Cambridge Court, 8<sup>r</sup> 15, 1702. Mr. Secretary, Mr. Cooke,

El<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson and I ride in my coach to Roxbury in Lecture Time, Goe with the Gov<sup>r</sup> about 2 p.m. Dine; into the College yard. Goe up into Library, one Deputy is sworn. Gov<sup>r</sup> make a speech to the Council and Assembly about his visiting the Eastern parts, building Penāquid Fort, settling Salaries for Gov<sup>r</sup>., Judges &c., building the Gov<sup>r</sup> a House. Came home in the Coach as went out. Young Peleg Sanford, Major Walley's Prentice, was buried this day at Boston. Mr. Cotton Mather preached the Lecture there.

Monday, Oct<sup>r</sup> 26. 1702. Waited on the Gov<sup>r</sup> to Woburn, dined there: From thence to Billericay, Visited languishing Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Whiting, I gave him 2 Balls of Chockalett and a pound Figgs, which very kindly accepted. Saw the Company in Arms led by Capt. Tomson. Went to Chelmsford, by that time got there twas almost dark. Saw Capt. Bowles and his Company; Gave a Volley and Huzza's. Sup'd at Mr. Clark's; I and Col. Pierce in his study. Some went on to Dunstable by Moonshine. Oct<sup>r</sup> 27. Went to Dunstable in the Rain, Din'd and lodg'd at Col. Tyng's. Saw and drunk of Merrimack. No Indians come in. Oct<sup>r</sup> 28. Went to Groton, saw Capt. Prescott and his company in Arms. (Gov<sup>r</sup> had sent to them from Dunstable that would visit them). Lancaster is about 12 Miles Southward from Groton. Concord is 16 Miles  $\frac{3}{4}$  and Ten-Rod from Groton. Got thither about 2. Horses and Men almost tired by our very hard riding. Dine at Capt. Prescott's. Lodge at Mr. Estabrooks with Col. Foxcroft. Their Foot Company, and Troop, in Arms, Seem'd to be numerous and well appointed.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 29. Breakfast at Capt. Minott's, Set out for Cambridge. In Company Col. Pierce, Thomas, Partridge, Foxcroft, Capt. Cutler, son Sewall, young Mr. Tyng. At Mr. Hancocks Mr. Secretary, Leverett met us. Mr. Dyer, Col. Byfield; at Russel's Mr. Dudley. There the Calash met the Gov<sup>r</sup> and weary Major Brenton rid in it with the

Gov<sup>r</sup> to the Town: Col. Hobbey rid his Horse. Dined with the Gov<sup>r</sup> at Mr. Leveretts, Madam Leverett the Grandmother. Went home with Col. Hutchinson, Walley, Foster. Col. Foster invited us to drink at his house. Found all well, and David Sinclair rocking Judith; he came to our house after I was gon my Journey.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 2. 1702. John Adams, a very good man, and John Drury, a desirable young man, dye of the small pocks.

Anthony Checkley dyed last week of the same disease.<sup>1</sup>

Nov<sup>r</sup> 3. 1702. Capt. Tim<sup>o</sup> Prout died last night, aged more than 80 years.

Mr. Chief Justice Addington opens the Court at Boston. Mr. Wadsworth prays. Mr. Sheriff Dyar officiats with his white Wand. Sits on the Bench for want of a Seat. Col. Hutchinson, Hobby, Mr. Wadsworth dine with us. Mr. Palmer. dines with us of's own accord, and no other Justice peace except Mr. Attorney.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 9. 1702. Go to Salem with Cousin Jane. Dine at L<sup>t</sup> Lewes's, where meet Bro<sup>r</sup> Sewall, Mr. Dudley comes in also: Ride in company with them to Salem. Lodge at Son Hirst's.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 10. Mr. Leverett comes from Cambridge; open the Court in the Meetinghouse, because the Townhouse is very near a house that has the Small Pocks; so that people are afraid to goe there; and Sharp is not willing to let us have his chamber. Sat in the Deacon's seat, Col. Hathorne on my Right Hand, and Mr. Leverett on my Left. After the Reading of the Queen's Proclamation, I

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<sup>1</sup> This was, of course, Anthony Checkley, Attorney-General of the Province, though Savage puts his death in 1708. All other authorities seem to agree on 1702. His daughter Hannah married Captain John Adams, of Boston, who, by a first wife, was grandfather of the patriot, Samuel Adams. This Captain John Adams is said (Register, VII. 41) to have died intestate before Jan. 20, 1712. He *may* have been the John Adams mentioned in our text, or the one who died *may* have been his son John, born in 1687, of whom we hear nothing. — Eds.



spake to the Grand-Jury, having written it down beforehand in my Daughters chamber.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 13. 1702. Visit Mr. Higginson now in his 87<sup>th</sup> year. Dine at son Hirst's; Mr. Dudley, and cousin Elsa Hirst there. Set forward in our way home; viz. Mr. Leverett and Dudley; visit Mr. Kitchen by the way, who makes us very welcom. Rain takes us before get to the Sluice. I had no Boots, and the Southerly wind much disturbed my Cloak: so I lodg'd at Lewes's: Mr. Leverett and Dudley stood on.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 14. 1702. Rid to Wiñisimmet and so home, very pleasant day. Find all well. *Laus Deo.*

xr. 8. 1702. p.m. writt to Mr. R<sup>d</sup> Henchman clause of my Speech to the Grand-jury, Nov<sup>r</sup> 10. at Salem, referring to the Lord's-Day. Epitaph of my Grand-Daughter. Sence of Rev. 14. 13. Write *Lib. Cop. Phænom.* Enclos'd the Gazett that had the Queens Proclamation against Profaneness.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 30. Rid to Salem to visit my Daughter Hirst, who was brought to bed of a dead child Nov<sup>r</sup> 28.

From Lewis's in company of Mr. Lyde. Got thither about 2 hours by Sun. Daughter very glad to see me. xr. 1. My Daughter being threatened with the headache, I send Chapman to Cambridge to Dr. Oliver for a Plaster: He follow'd the Dr. to Boston, and brought word of Mrs. Mathers death. Laid on a Plaister; Daughter grows better: but then again had an ill turn; yet grew fine and well agen by Satterday and cheerfully dismiss'd me. Had a very comfortable Journey home. Son Hirst brought me going to the Butts. At Lewis's fell in with Maj<sup>r</sup> Epes, Major Wainright and Mr. Fitch, going to Ipswich. Maj<sup>r</sup> Wainwright tells me of the death of Mr. Brakenbury.

xr. 8. Mr. Rob<sup>t</sup> Gibbs dies, one of our Select men, a very good man and much Lamented; died suddenly of the Small Pocks. His death, and the death of Jn<sup>o</sup> Adams, the Master, Isaac Loring, and Peybody, is a great stroke

to our church and congregation. The Lord vouchsafe to dwell with us, and Not break up Housekeeping among us!  
Xr. 9. Mr. Gibbs buried.

I first heard of Mr. Calamy's History.<sup>1</sup>

xr. 16. I went out early with David to carry two of Mr. Mathers History<sup>2</sup> to my Bro<sup>r</sup> to Charlestown: Heard the church [Kings Chapel] Bell ring for Capt. Crofts. He dyed last night.

xr. 19. Is buried in the New burying place in Capt. Hamilton's Tomb. Corps was first had into the church and a Funeral Sermon preach'd. For Debauchery and Irreligion he was one of the vilest Men that has set foot in Boston. Tis said he refused to have any Minister call'd to pray with him during his Sickness, which was above a fortnight.

xr. 23. I go to Roxbury, dine with my Daughter Sewall, Mr. Dudley &c in their Chamber, where their Stove is.

Sixth-day, Dec<sup>r</sup> 25. Gov<sup>r</sup> and L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> partake of the Lords Su<sup>p</sup>er; the undersheriff Hawksworth's child was baptised.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 24. Gov<sup>r</sup> din'd at our house, but went not to Lecture: it was very cold: Dec<sup>r</sup> 17. din'd at Col. Hobbies, but went not to Lecture; was at both places at least in part of Lecture time.

xr. 26. Son Sewall comes to Town, dines with us. Grows ill, and we keep him all night.

<sup>1</sup> This may refer to the younger Calamy's Abridgement of Mr. Baxter's History of his Life and Times, which was published in 1702. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> The famous "Magnalia." Cotton Mather records in his Diary (see Proceedings of Massachusetts Historical Society for December, 1862) the birth-pangs by which his folio volume was ushered into life. Under date of Oct. 30, 1702, he writes: "Yesterday I first saw my 'Church History' since the publication of it. A gentleman arrived here from Newcastle, in England, that had bought it there." The author makes the event the occasion for a day "for Solemn Thanksgiving unto God for his watchful and gracious providence over that work."

Doubtless Sewall availed himself of the earliest importation of copies. Its price in London was one pound. — Eds.

xr. 25. Jonathan Stoddard 7 years and 8 months old: Subael Duñer 10 years and 8 months old, were buried.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 30. 1702. I was weigh'd in Col. Byfield's Scales: weight One Hundred One Half One Quarter wanting 3 pounds, i.e. 193 pounds Net. Col. Byfield weighed Sixty three pounds more than I: had only my close coat on. The Lord add, or take away from this our corporeal weight, so as shall be most advantagious for our Spiritual Growth. July 31. 1721 [in Margin]. I weighed 228 £ p̄ cous. Sam<sup>l</sup> Sewall's Scales.

Friday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 8. 170 $\frac{2}{3}$  Between 5. and 6. m. Mr. Edward Turfrey dyes of the Small Pocks; was dying all night in a mañer, having strong Agonies. He was a person of great Abilities. His death is a great Loss to the Town and Province: but more especially to Mr. Addington, to whom Mr. Turfrey was extraordinarily Serviceable, having liv'd with him above Ten years. If real Worth and Serviceableness and Youth wont give a discharge in this warfare, what shall? He is universally Lamented.

Lords-day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 17. 170 $\frac{2}{3}$  L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> calls a Council, about 5 in the even. Shews us his Intelligence from Eastham of 3 Sloops and a whale bote or 2, Taken at Cape Cod by a French Sloop last Friday. Order Capt. Southack to take up a Sloop and endeavour to come up with them. Send away an Express to the Gov<sup>r</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 18. Last night Capt. Hunt's Son went to bed well, and next morn not rising at his usual hour, his Mistress sent to see what was the matter, and he was found stark dead. Just now about Ebenezer Bird, a young man of Dorchester, is kill'd by a fall from a Horse. Jan<sup>y</sup> 24. 170 $\frac{2}{3}$  Mr. Simon Willards Twins, Samuel and Abigail, were baptised: and Samuel Valentine, Mr. Lynde's Grandson, and Richard. Very cold Day.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 26. 170 $\frac{2}{3}$  Mr. Secretary, Major Walley, and Sewall, went to Charlestown to hold Court. Had good going over the Ferry, notwithstanding the cold wether we have had. Met Mr. Leverett there. Col. Hathorn is not well

and stays at home. Chief Justice prays at Opening of the Court; Mr. Bradstreet not being well. Mr. Stoddard's Son dyed last night.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 27. 170 $\frac{2}{3}$  Mr. Tim<sup>o</sup> Woodbridge Prays at opening of the Court at Charlestown: but dines not with us.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 28. 170 $\frac{2}{3}$  The Chief Justice prays at the opening of the Court. Daughter Hirst comes to Charlestown.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 29. Joseph goes with the Hakney coach and brings his Sister Hirst to Boston. Mr. Secretary and I visit the Gov<sup>r</sup> and congratulate his safe Return.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 1. I visit my sick Brother at Salem, find him very ill. Monday Night worse.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 3. Had a good night, and I return home. Note, I carried the News to Salem that was brought by Andrew Wilson from Oporto, Eight weeks, of the extraordinary success of our Fleet against the Flota in the River of Vigo; which we first heard of in part by way of Cork.<sup>1</sup> Read it to Bro. Mr. — Burchsted, a German Doctor, administers to my Brother. Jonathan gives me this Account of Brothers children.

Salem, Feb<sup>r</sup> 3. 170 $\frac{2}{3}$ . The children of Major Stephen Sewall are, Margaret, Samuel, Susaña, Jonathā, Jane, Mehetabel, Mitchel, Henry and Stephen.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 170 $\frac{2}{3}$  Col. Elisha Hutchinson, Col. Penn Townsend, Capt. Andrew Belcher, and Samuel Sewall rid to Roxbury in the Hackney coach; Capt. Jeremiah Du<sup>m</sup>er, Mr. Edward Bromfield on horseback: Went on purpose to speak to the Governour against having Illuminations, especially in the Town house; That so the profanation of the Sabbath might be prevented. I said twould be most

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<sup>1</sup> The reference is to a great success gained Oct. 22, 1702, by an English and Dutch force under the Duke of Ormond, and an English fleet under Sir George Rooke. The Spanish galleons, with a great treasure on board, had taken refuge in Vigo bay. The English attack was entirely successful; and, though much of the treasure was thrown overboard, a great booty was captured. (Stanhope's Queen Anne, I. 67.) — Eds.

for the Honor of God; and that would be most for the Honor and Safety of Queen Anne. Governour said twould be hard for him to forbid it, considering how good the Queen was, what successes God had given her. I answered, It could not be introduced into the Town-house without his Excellency's Order, for under his Excellency the Government of the Town was (partly) comitted to us. Gov<sup>r</sup> answer'd not a word. Others urged our Law, the Grief of Good People, his best Friends. And I think all was said between us, that could be said. Got well home about 9 at night, and had a very comfortable Journey, and sufficient Light Notwithstanding the Fogg, and absence of the very New Moon.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 6. between 8 and 9. m. The Bells begin to Ring, to celebrate Queen Anne's Birth-Day, being the last of the Week.

Col. John Pynchon died Jan<sup>r</sup> 17. 170 $\frac{2}{3}$ , about Sun-Rise, as Mr. Holyoke tells me Sabbath-Day. Ebenezer Franklin of the South Church, a male-Infant of 16 months old, was drown'd in a Tub of Suds, Feb<sup>r</sup> 5. 170 $\frac{2}{3}$ .<sup>1</sup>

Feb<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 170 $\frac{2}{3}$  The Gov<sup>r</sup> under his hand remits the Fines of several sentenced to pay 5s apiece for drinking at Mrs. Monk's on Satterday night last about 9 a'clock. Had warn'd Mrs. Monk an hour before. Said Monk also remitted her 25s, and the writing given to the Sheriff to Notifie Col. Townsend and Mr. Bromfield.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 12. 170 $\frac{2}{3}$ . Carry Daughter Hirst to Salem in Mr. Austin's Calash. Visit Bro<sup>r</sup>, Col. Hathorne. Bro<sup>r</sup> Hirst and sister and daughter sup with us. Saw not Mr. Noyes, but writ to him.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 13. Return home very comfortably, notwithstanding much of the way was bad. Had like to have overset two or 3 times, but God upheld me. When came home,

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<sup>1</sup> This child, born Sept. 20, 1701, was an elder brother of Benjamin Franklin. — Eds

ask'd the reason of the Gates being open, and am told Mr. Josiah Willard had the Small Pocks at Cambridge; our coach went to fetch him to Town: but he fainted and could not come.

Tuesday, Feb. 16. 170 $\frac{2}{3}$  2. p.m. Town-Meeting at Boston to chuse Representatives. Mr. Colman pray'd. Chose S. Sewall Moderator, Voters 459. Sam<sup>l</sup> Legg Esqr. 451. Capt. Sam<sup>l</sup> Checkley 446. Mr. Tho. Oakes, 440. Capt. Ephraim Savage 435. This was the most unanimous Election that I remember to have seen in Boston, and the most Voters.

Febr. 22. Mrs. Willard and several of her children had like to have been cast away coming from Cambridge by Water, wind was so very high; put ashore at last on Muddy-River Marsh: Got to the Gov<sup>rs</sup> by that time twas dark. This morning as I was praying alone, I was much affected to think how concern'd and inquisitive I was in my Journeying about my Way; whether I was in the right or no; and yet not so constantly and effectually inquisitive about my Way to Heaven, although I was equally hastening to my Journey's End; whether in the right or wrong way. May He who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life, bring me into and always keep me in the right Way!

Lords-Day, Febr. 28. 170 $\frac{2}{3}$  Mr. Jabez Fox dies of the Small Pox in the forenoon.<sup>1</sup>

Lords-Day, March. 7. 170 $\frac{2}{3}$  Nurse Randal is taken with an Ague in her Brest, which much indisposes her: Whereupon my wife begins to wean Judith though it be a few days before we intended. The wether is grown cold.

March, 16. 170 $\frac{2}{3}$  Though all things look horribly win-

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<sup>1</sup> The Rev. Jabez Fox, of Woburn, was connected by marriage with Sewall, his wife being Judith Reyner, sister of the Rev. John Reyner, Jr., who married Judith Quincy. See Vol. I. Introd. p. xxiii. Mrs. Fox married secondly Colonel Jonathan Tyng, and died June 5, 1756, in her ninety-ninth year. — Eds.

terly by reason of a great storm of Snow, hardly yet over, and much on the Ground : yet the Robbins cheerfully utter their Notes this morn. So should we patiently and cheerfully sing the Praises of God, and hope in his Mercys, though Storm'd by the last efforts of Antichrist.

March, 20th. A Message is sent in to desire the House might attend with an Answer of the Gov<sup>r</sup>s Speech ; which the Speaker, Maj<sup>r</sup> Converse, Read. Then a Message sent do desire it might be printed, which the Gov<sup>r</sup> readily assented to. Only afterward desired to read it first.

March 22. Judith is very well weaned, and by a late addition can now shew eight Teeth. Little Jane, Bastian's daughter, died last night 2 hours after midnight. God is pleased to dispense himself variously. Our little daughter gave us very little Exercise after 3 or 4 nights. Then her cousin Mary Moodey could receive her without any noise.

March, 22. Mr. Banister and I Lotted our Fence on Cotton-Hill : He took E, which was prick'd with a pin on a Label of paper for East-End ; and W. for West end was left in my hand for me. He chose to put it to Lot. We saw Pits sail up and fired, laden with Salt.

March, 27. 1703. Have not yet given Sermons to Lothrop, Perce, Thomas, Thacher, Appleton, Hamond.

March, 29. Set out for Plimouth with Major Walley, and Mr. Leverett ; Get thither a little before night. The souldiers gave us a Volley, and those on board Huzzas, at our entrance into Town ; kept at Rickets.

Ap. 1. went into Meetinghouse.<sup>1</sup> Note. March *ult.* Mr. Russel preach'd the Lecture.

Ap. 2. Came home, dined at Cushings. I stay'd and Lodg'd at Mr. Torrey's. He told me of Bridgewater Troubles as to Mr. Brett. Ap. 3. came home alone, went with Joseph Hunt, and viewed part of the 300 Acres.

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<sup>1</sup> Frequent similar entries in the Journal refer to Sewall's private religious exercises when away from home. — Eds.

Found all well at home. Was surprised to find a Letter giving account of the Death of the Rever'd Mr. Israel Chauncy of a Fever and Convulsions at Stratford. March, 14. 170 $\frac{2}{3}$  8 or 9 m. Had not rec<sup>d</sup> my Letter. But am now thank'd for it by his son Charles.

April, 12. 1703. I set out with my son S. and Daniel Allen; meet with Sherman at Spring's, proceed to Sawen's, there bait, thence to Capt. Mosses, where we dine, thence to Kibbee's, look upon the Line next Mr. Lynde, and assert my Right; Thomas Holbrook, the Father, and Capt. Moss offering to take their Oaths to confirm my Bounds.

Tuesday Apr. 13. Mr. Sherman lays out my Farm of 150 Acres, beginning at Mr. Lynde's and extending to Winthrop's Pond.<sup>1</sup> Tho. Holbrook, sent Moss and Joseph Twitchel with us approving what was done, helping to carry the Chain and lay Stones for Bound-Marks.

Wednesday, Apr. 14. Renew'd the Bounds of the Farm Moses Adams lives on. Tho. Holbrook, Sergeant Moss, and Sam<sup>l</sup> Moss with us, also Capt Moss, Sawen, Deacon Larned &c.

Thursday Apr. 15. I heard Mr. Sherman had run a Line within mine at Kibbee's; I got Deacon Moss, Tho. Holbrook, Ebenezer Leland to go with me: Fairbank was also there. Went to my Bounds, asserted them, in the presence of Mr. Lynde's Tenants whom I sent for, then ordered Kibbe to pull up the Stakes. Told Mr. Lynde's Tenants what my Bounds were, and that within them was my Land; forwarn'd them of coming there to set any Stakes, or cut any Wood. This hinder'd my coming home one day. Sup'd at Cous Gookin's with Pickerill —

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<sup>1</sup> This farm was situated in the present town of Holliston, formerly Bogistow. Morse, in his "History of Sherborne and Holliston," p. 325, says that John Hull owned a farm here which was divided among Sewall's children. In 1728 (History, p. 326), the Sewalls gave eleven acres of land for the use of the first minister to be settled there. — Eds.



Friday, Apr. 16. My son and I come home: Visit Mr. Hobart, who is glad to see us, Dine there, and then come with him by Tho. Stedman's; where is a privat Meeting. Then ride to Bairstow's and gave Lion 2 Reals, he is stoning the Cellar; saith he began the day before. It seems my daughter Sewall had been there a little before. Got home about 4 aclock, found all well, only Judith had fallen this day and hurt her forehead. *Laus Deo.*

Town-Meeting to chuse Representatives, April, 27. 1703. 2 p. m. Voters about 244. Capt. Legg had 242. Checkly, 240. Oakes, 238. Savage, 232.

Meeting was much less; but Voters rather more unanimous than last time. Feb. 16. Mrs. Ann and Kate Dudley dined here to day.

Tuesday, May, 11<sup>th</sup> set out for Newbury by Charles-town, with Sam Robins. Din'd at Perkins's, Beverly: Got to Newbury about 1 h  $\frac{1}{2}$  by sun; Lodg'd at Sister Gerrishes.

May, 12. To Portsmouth with Mr. Leverett.

May. 13. To Kittery; after our getting thither it Rain'd sorely —

May, 14<sup>th</sup> To Newbury, lodg'd at Bror Tañans. 15<sup>th</sup> at sister Gerrishes. 16. Heard Mr. Tappan preach. 17. Visited Mr. Tañan, Bror Shortt: when there was a great and sore Tempest of Thunder, Rain, Hail. When over, ridd to Ipswich, lodg'd at Mr. Rogers.

18<sup>th</sup> Held Court, Mr. Rogers prayed. Mr. Hubbard, Col. Apleton, and Rogers dined with us.

19. About an hour before sun-set rode to Salem with Col. Hathorne, Cook, Lynde — 20. Visited Bro' Hirst sick of the Gout: came homeward with Cousins Sam. and Margaret. Fain to put in at Hart's and Shelter our selves from a vehement Tempest of Wind, Rain, Hail, Thunder. Got hom about 5. p.m. Found all well through the wonderfull Goodness of God. This day Mr. Stoddard comes to Town, being to preach the Election Sermon. May, 21.

Companies are warned to attend on their Election Day. Note. May, 20. Barth. Green's New Frame being cover'd but not enclosed, was blown down.

Election-Day, May, 26, 1703.

chosen

Wait Winthrop	P. Townsend
J. Russell.	J. Higginson
Negative Tho. Oakes	A. Belcher
E. Cooke	E. Bromfield
J. Hathorne	J. Thacher
E. Hutchinson	J. Walley
S. Sewall	J. Saffin, Neg.
I. Addington	J. Bradford, Neg.
W. Brown	E <sup>m</sup> Hutchinson
J. Ph[illips]	J. Hamond
J. Corwin	B. Brown
J. Foster	J. Lynde
Negative, P. Sergeant	Sam <sup>l</sup> Partridge
D. Pierce	S. Hayman

Not finished till about 9 or 10 at night.

May 27. Gov<sup>r</sup> sends in for the Deputies; in a speech shows his Resentment of their Election, One of the Massachusetts and three of Plimouth being changed: Saith he will expunge Five; viz. Elisha Cooke, Peter Sergeant, Tho. Oakes, John Saffin, John Bradford. Some poor; one Superañuated, Some might have served the Queen better than they did.

May 28. Some Papers being sent to the Deputies, they decline Receiving them or entering on other Business till the Council be fill'd. Send in a Bill that are ready to compleat the Election: consented. Capt. Hayman sworn, Chosen, Capt. Samuel Legg, Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Appleton, Col. Ephraim Hunt, Mr. Nathan<sup>l</sup> Pain, Mr. Isaac Winslow. Governour signs his Approbation: Capt. Legg is sent for in and sworn.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> It will be noted that five members of the Council were rejected by the Governor, and five new ones chosen. See the vote in "Whitmore's Civil

Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Shrimpton, who dyed May 25. is now buried May. 28. By reason of the great Rain, Col. Phillips, Capt. Hayman, and I went not out of the Council Chamber, at Noon : but din'd together on Bread and Cheese from Monk's.

May 31. Col. Hunt comes to Town and is sworn of the Council.

June, 1. 1703. Town-meeting is held in the old Meetinghouse because of the Gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly, 2. p.m. Voters 206. Elizur Holyoke 154 : by which was chosen a Representative for Boston. Jn<sup>o</sup> Love Constable, only one vote otherwise. Note. Col. Hobby had 45. votes for a Representative. Mr. Cooke invited many of the Council to drink with him. When came found a Treat of salmon, Neat's Tongues, Lamb &c. 'Twas near Ten before got home. Mr. Addington, Legg, Rusel, Phillips, Hayman, Lynde, Byfield not there, only Mr. Corwin of Salem. June, 8. Mr. Pain is sworn in the Afternoon, This day there was much agitation about Nominating a Justice for the Super<sup>r</sup> Court, Council pleaded, till there was a Vacancy they could not do it. If any place was vacant it was that of the Chief Justice, and were ready to speak to that. Gov<sup>r</sup> would have a Justice Nam'd and consented to in the first place ; else said he should lose one of the Court. Nothing was done. Mr. Taylor chosen Treasurer. Court adjourned to the last of June 9 *mane*.

Adam is again imprison'd to be Tryed at Suffolk Sessions. Trial order'd by the Gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly.

Superanuated Squier, wigg'd and powder'd with pretence,  
 Much beguiles the just Assembly by his lying Impudence.  
 None being by, his <sup>bold</sup>sworn Attorneys push it on with might and main  
 By which means poor simple Adam sinks to slavery again.

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List," p. 64, and the remarks in Palfrey, IV. 254, 255. This act of the Governor was, of course, hostile to the Assembly, and the trivial and unjust reasons assigned by him could not have had any soothing effect upon the friends of the rejected Councillors. — Eds.

June, 9. 1703. Gov<sup>r</sup> and L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> set out for Ipswich in order to goe and meet the Indian sachems.

June, 11<sup>th</sup> between 12 and 1. Mr. Bromfield is struck down by the Boom of a Sloop swinging upon the Dock; which took his Left shoulder Blade. The Collar Bone on that side is dislocated or broken. The Concussion causes great pain in his back, is fain to sit in a great Chair not being able at present to ly down; between 7 and 8, Even.

Friday, June, 18. 1703. My sons House was Raised at Muddy-River; The day very comfortable because dry, cloudy, windy, cool. I sent for Mr. Wigglesworth and his Wife from Deacon Barnard's in the Coach; to discourse with my Wife about her and Judith's Maladies. After they were sent back, being late in the Afternoon, I went alone in the Hackney-Coach to Roxbury, took Mr. Walter with me. By that Time got there, had just done their Work, and were going to Diñer in the new House. Mr. Walter crav'd a Blessing, Return'd Thanks. Many were there from Muddy-River, Dedham, Roxbury. I drove a Pin before Dinner. After Diñer sung the 127<sup>th</sup> Psal. and 8<sup>th</sup> v. 28<sup>th</sup> St. David's Tune, I set and read the Psalm. Brought home Madame Dudley and my Daughter.

Thursday June, 24. I am kept from Mr. C. Mather's Lecture by my swoln face. Mr. Secretary visits me.

June, 25. Mr. P. Dudley visits me. Madam Eyre invites me to her Meeting, by her Daughter; but my Indisposition detains me at home. Yet I grow much better.

June 27. Goe to the publick Assembly and take no harm. *Laus Deo.*

June 28. 1703. I have my son Joseph to Cambridge in Austin's Calash, where he is examined by Mr. Jonathan Remington in presence of the President and Mr. Flynt. He Answer'd well to Mr. Remingtons Critical Examination—Mr. Willard gave him for his Theme. *Omnis in*

*Ascanio chari stat cura Parentis*; <sup>1</sup> And advised him and 3 others to be studious, saying, = Wigglesworth, Tuft, Russel.

*Qui Cupit optatam cursu pertingere metam  
Multa tulit fecitque puer, sudavit et alsit.*<sup>2</sup>

Second-day of the Week July 5<sup>th</sup> 1703. I had my son to Cambridge again in Austin's Calash. Paid Andrew Bordman his Cautionary Three pounds, in order to my Son Joseph's being Admitted. Went to Mr. Flynt's Chamber, where Col. Wainright's Son and others were upon Examination. When that was doing, and over, Mr. Willard call'd for Joseph's Theme. Read it, gave it to Mr. Flynt, Then in Mr. Flynt's Study, The President and Fellows sign'd his Laws; President said, your Son is now one of us, and he is wellcom. I thanked him; and took Leave. Coming home I order'd Mr. Sheriff<sup>3</sup> to take up a Scurvy post out of the middle of the High way, that had been a Nusance for many years. Gave his Son a shilling for his pains. Got home well. *Laus Deo*. Was pretty much Rain at Charlestown; yet we went almost quite dry, being but a small Sprinkling where we were.

Comēncement day July, 7<sup>th</sup> 1703. Mr. Secretary, Major Walley, Major Brenton and I went by Charlestown to the hether edge of Maldon, and so met the Gov<sup>r</sup> in his Return homeward from Casco-Bay. Note; in the afternoon Mr. Wells<sup>4</sup> of Almsbury, is made a Master of Art. Mr. Belcher of Newbury Testified his Education under Mr. Andros at Ipswich, that he was a good Latin and Greek Scholar. Came to Charlestown in company with

<sup>1</sup> Virg. *Æn.* I. 646. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Hor. Ep. ad Pis. 412, 413; with variations. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> Samuel Gookin was Sheriff of Middlesex, 1702-1715. — Eds.

<sup>4</sup> The Rev. Thomas Wells leads as the first on the now lengthened roll of those whom Harvard College has in honor adopted among her Alumni, without having passed through her training. — Eds.

Mr. Thomson and Mr. Webster. Mr. T. tells me his Uncle at Virginia is dead.

July, 8. p.m. Mr. Winslow is sworn and takes his place at the Board. Bombazeen [an Indian Sachem] comes to Town as an Express with Rumors of 15. Frenchmen landed near Pemaquid, and of a Frenchman of War.

July 10. From New-York we hear of a ship arrived there June 29; that came out with a great Fleet from Plimouth May, 2<sup>d</sup> in which were five ships bound for New-England.

July 12 Bombazeen and his companion before the Council with Serj<sup>t</sup> Bean.

Monday, July, 19. 1703 my daughter Mrs. Rebecka Sewall is brought to Bed of a son, about six-a-clock in the Afternoon. My wife and daughter Hirst were there, Madam Dudley, Hubbard, Roberts &c. Mrs. Baker Midwife. Mr. Winchcomb first told the Gov<sup>r</sup> of it, at the Council Table, and then me. Stephen brought the News to Town. I ride home with the Gov<sup>r</sup> and send the Hackney-Coach! See my daughter and Grandson: Bring home my wife, Madam Roberts, daughter Hirst. July, 22. Governour, A Gentleman sent from New-York, Mr. Mackentosh, Mr. Dudley, Mr. Belchar, Dedham, Mr. Hirst dine at our House.

July, 23. Deputies after many days Toil, have at last this day come off, and let fall that clause in the Act about restraining the power of the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council as to incidental Charges, so as they might not exceed Thirty pounds. Mr. Secretary obtain'd leave of the Gov<sup>r</sup> to make this Minute of Council; viz. Whereas yesterday was appointed for chusing of Officers, and was adjourned to this day, the Secretary alleged that through decay of his health, he was unable to sustain the place of Chief-Justice any longer, pray'd to be dismiss'd and offered his Co<sup>m</sup>mission at the Board; whereupon the Gov<sup>r</sup> said he would not expect any further service from him at the present, and that he

with the Council would Endeavour to fill the Chair so soon as conveniently they might. This the substance.<sup>1</sup>

Mr. Addington much startled at the words *at present* and urg'd to have them left out: but the Governour did not yield to it. This was done in open Council, in the forenoon.

July, 24. 1703. Joseph takes leave of his Master and Scholars in a short Oration.

Bristol Business is Non-concurr'd by the Deputies.

Governour's note to me to instruct a Meeting of the Judges next Monday is in my Court Book.

Augt. 2—1703. It is said the Colours must be spread at the Castle every Lords Day in honour of it:

Yesterday was first practiced. If a ship come in on the Lord's day, Colours must be taken down. I am afraid the Lord's Day will fare none the better for this new pretended honor.

Monday, Augt<sup>t</sup> 2. Thomas, the Governour's Coachman, having offended him, He sends him aboard Cap<sup>t</sup> Southacks in order to make him a Sentinel under Major March at Casco fort. I mov'd the Gov<sup>r</sup> to Try him a little longer: but would not; said He might send any man a Souldier.

Ab<sup>t</sup> 5 p.m. My Wife, Madam Willard, Daughters Hañah and Eliza—visit Daughter Sewall at Roxbury. Wednesday, Augt<sup>t</sup> 4. I carried Mary to Mr. Wigglesworth's and left her there; to see if he could help her against her Sickness and Infirmity.

Augt. 6. I visited Mary as I promis'd her. Mr. Wigglesworth thinks her distemper is of a Convulsive nature.

Augt<sup>t</sup> 5. Mr. Thomas Bridge preaches his first Lecture-Sermon from Hab. 3. 2.

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<sup>1</sup> This minute is still on the Council records. But, though Addington thus obtained leave of absence, no changes were made until Feb. 19, 1707-8, when Wait Still Winthrop was made Chief Justice; and, on the following day, Jonathan Corwin was appointed Justice in place of John Leverett, who became President of Harvard College. — Eds.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 7. 1703. News comes from N. York that my Lord Cornbury has rec'd his cōmissions, and that the Militia of Cōnecticut and the Jersies is granted him.

From the Eastward, Fear of the French and Indians, some being seen.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 10. 1703. I went to Roxbury and saw my daughter who is still in very great pain. Went and saw the Drea. Gov<sup>r</sup> Dudley tells me that Mr. Usher has got Partridge's place; that all Actions Tried here must be sent over to England; an account of them. Will have a Sessions in September. This day, Aug<sup>t</sup> 10 — is a Corporation-Meeting at Cambridge; chuse Mr. Josiah Willard a Tutor: chuse Mr. Tho. and W<sup>m</sup> Brattle into the Corporation, in stead of Mr. Allen and Mr. Walter, who have abdicated as they reckon.<sup>1</sup>

Aug<sup>t</sup> 11. News comes of the Onset of the Enemy.

I went to Cambridge Aug<sup>t</sup> 11. to make sure a study for Joseph in Mr. Remington's Chamber: came home with Mr. Torrey, call'd at the Gov<sup>rs</sup>, where a Master that came by water from Black-point, gave account of the Fires kindled by the Indians in several places; brought a little youth that narrowly escaped the enemies hands.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 12. at night, News comes from Wells that have buried 15. durst not go to bury their uttermost [outermost]: Lost as they fear 60. Enemy numerous.

This morn. the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> set out for Portsmouth, Capt. Tuthill goes to the Castle.

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<sup>1</sup> President Quincy, in his History of Harvard University (I. 150), after quoting this passage, adds: "By comparing the names of the seventeen members of the Corporation, chosen by virtue of the act which passed 9th of July, 1700, with those who, as the records show, attended its meetings during the Vice-Presidency of Willard, it is apparent that Mr. Walker and Cotton Mather were the two who were thus construed to have 'abdicated.' Neither of them attended any meeting of the Corporation after the exclusion of President Mather. But the name of Allen appears occasionally among those present at the board, quite down to the change introduced by the revival of the first charter of the College, at the time of the accession of Levrett to the presidency." — Eds.



Aug<sup>t</sup> 13. Council is call'd to read the sad Letter from Capt. Willard and Wheelwright. Capt. Southack is sent away with a chaplain and chirurgeon.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 9. I read the Transaction of the Gov<sup>r</sup> with the Indians, at the coffee house. Aug<sup>t</sup> the 12<sup>th</sup> borrowed it; Abstract of it follows.

CASCO-BAY, June, 30. 1703.

The Queen of England in six months time of War with French King and Spanish King, has Taken more Towns and done more Ex-ploits, than the great and valiant King William did in Twelve years. And besides all this which she hath don by Land, her Fleet by Sea hath taken 40. Sails; Taken much Money, the Royal Crown sent the Spanish King from N. Spain. Notwithstanding all this I offer peace. Twas once very dark here about 20 or 30 years ago; was great Troubles, and also great Troubles among our selves. New Hundred now, new Century, and would have the Old Hundred to be forgotten, and never talk'd of any more; New Hundred, new Queen, new Governour now will be all in new friendship. When any French March through the Country, Stop them or give notice to the Fort: For it is easy if there be but Ten Indians in some parts of the Country to fetch away whole families, and they not able to defend them selves. I have very particular Intelligence from Kebeck and Port Royal, they have two partys out at this time, would have you keep back those partyes according to the Treaty of peace made two years agoe. I do it not to boast of my self, but I Trust in God. I have Twelve Hundred and fifty men impress'd in N. England, ready to march at Six hours warning: they are enough to disturb all the Indians in the Country. Indians are able like Wolves to disturb men, but not to do them any damage; they are not able to hurt us in the least, and I value them not, no more than the paring of my nails. And the great Queen of England has order'd me 17. sail of Men of War all superior to the Gosport; which I may improve to do any thing upon the French or any of our Enemies. And I am confident that time will come that nothing, nor no one will remain but English here and Indians. For the Indians part they may remain a happy people if they will themselvs.—I have the Assistance of the Noble Gov<sup>r</sup> of N. York, who is a Kinsman of the great Queen of England.—I acknowledge have kept their promise in not passing Saco River.—If arrest and stop French partys will give them a good Reward for it. And methinks I see among you some that I know that are fit to be made Officers to bear Comission for the Queen of England, to bear Rule among you, who shall be my Officers, and shall be Rewarded from

time to time, as my other officers at Boston, or any where else are; every month they shall be paid off as our own people:—have nothing more in the world to say but to persuade them that I am an honest man and their Brother:—our boys and youth will go and do beyond their prudence or strength; but these old men these Sachems here present, they and I are old men and should be discreet and wise, so as that when we dye we might be carried to our Graves with honor. Let them consider two hours and give me their Answer — Gave them a good Ox and 20 — bushels corn for diñer: They return'd Thanks for their noble diñer and all other Kindnesses offer'd to them. Then, said his Excellency here is a Peace, and Satisfaction to the two Nations.

#### INDIANS ANSWER.

First breach was at Penobscut, which was the first thing in the morning. The 2<sup>d</sup> was the Frenchmen and Indians, they broke the peace in doing that mischief at Casco: but we do affirm that we did not know of their coming, but of their going back we knew of it: but we calling to remembrance what was don at Penobscut before, and so we thought fit not to meddle of neither side.

#### TWO BEVERS.

Again they say that what his Excellency was pleased to tell them, was not the same as their French was, i. e. to make war as the French would have them. His Excellency's desire is that we should be peaceably on both sides, for which we return him many a hearty Thanks and tell him we resolve to doe it.

#### TWO BEVERS.

His Excellency was pleas'd to desire them in the next place that if any of the English should be Taken by the French and carried over their Ground or through their Country, that we should bring them back again, and not suffer them to be carried through as Captives; but that we should do well to bring them back again. But if we should do so, such a thing as that would make us seem guilty, and so thereby we might be thought to be concern'd, when we are not.

#### TWO BEVERS.

There is about the Mohawks a great many ready to fight, not certain of the number, but hope to know in a day or two, for have sent scouts to Albany.

## TWO BEVERS.

Again they wonder that his Excellency would be pleas'd to tell them, or desire any of them to come upon wages upon any account. For they desire it not. But their desire is to be as Neuters; not to medle nor make, nor to stir or act in any thing one way or other.

## THREE BEVERS.

Now they desire to come and pay their Respects to the Gov<sup>r</sup>, since have said all they have to say.

Gov<sup>r</sup> will have them stay and hear his Answer a little — Action at Penabscot and Casco much alike: But Gov<sup>r</sup> N. E. hated the Action as to the Frenchmans death: Gov<sup>r</sup> French nourished and imbraced the Casco breach; sent them to do the thing. If resolve to sit still and be quiet, I shall remain perfectly satisfied in all things and desire to remain as an entire and dear Brother unto them.

May stop the French from Marching through their Country and yet remain Neuters still; they mistake if think otherwise: Be call'd Captains and Officers; why this is pure honor meant to them not that they should be expos'd to march or fight, but to be as my Brother, as I am to them. And if I would honor them so far as to make them Captains and to send them a present now and then, why it is honor: not that I desire they should be expos'd to fight upon any occasion. Tell Moxes I am willing to honor Moxes' son that was with me, with the place of a Captain here: not that I expect him to be expos'd to fight; no not so much as to fire a piece: but that we may live as Brothers and that I may send him a piece of Cloth once a year. — Penecook Indians not return till after Harvest.

Then the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Sachems repaired to the heaps of stones, and put up each man a stone again.

Second-day of the week, Aug<sup>t</sup> 16, 1703. In the Afternoon I had Joseph in a Calash from Charlestown to Cambridge, carried only his little Trunk with us with a few Books and Linen; Went into Hall and heard Mr. Willard expound the 123 [Psalm]. 'Tis the first exercise of this year, and the first time of Joseph's going to prayer in the Hall.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 23. 1703. I went to Cambridge to see Joseph settled in his study, help'd to open his Chest. Joseph was

at home the Sabbath, and went up on foot by Charlestown. This day several very unusual Circles were seen about the sun. Mr. Leverett first told me of them, but I saw them not.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 3. Mr. Banister's eldest daughter is buried. She died very suddenly of convulsions. — Sept. 4. Mrs. Emm Lynde is buried. Bearers, Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop, Mr. Russel, Col. Hutchinson, Sewall, Capt. Belchar, Col. Savage.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 6. 1703. Artil. Training, I Train'd in the Forenoon, As I was going, Mr. Oakes met me and ask'd if I had not heard the News? He said French King; he had his Neck broken by a fall from his Horse, as he was viewing an Army Rais'd to goe against those of the Cevenes. One Bodwin brings the Report, who comes from New Castle, and had it at Sea from Co<sup>m</sup>odore Taylor.

Tho. Oakes had a Tin Granado shell broke in his Hand, which has shattered his hand miserably, his two last fingers are already cut off: This was in the Afternoon, as came from Council, was told of it.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 9. Gen<sup>l</sup> Court is prorogued to Wednesday, Oct<sup>r</sup> 27, 1703, 9 *mane*. Great Rain. Gov<sup>r</sup> went not to the Lecture. Sept<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 1703. Col. Hathorn and I set out for Wrentham, lodge at L<sup>t</sup> Wear's. Sept. 12. Hear Mr. Man. Dine with him. 7<sup>r</sup> 13 See Wullamanuppack pond,<sup>1</sup> out of which Charles River runs. Dine at Rehoboth, to Bristow. 7<sup>r</sup> 16. return to Rehoboth, sup there and ride in the night to Woodcock's. Breakfast at Billinges. Bait at Dedham, got home by four p.m. Go to Major Wallices to their Meeting.

7<sup>r</sup> 19. Hear of the Taking of Providence<sup>2</sup> by the

<sup>1</sup> Wrentham was first known by the Indian name of Wollomapaugh. — EDS.

<sup>2</sup> "New Providence was again recolonized by the British, in 1686, and continued in their hands till 1703, when a formidable combined force of French and Spaniards effected a landing, carried off the Negroes, destroyed Nassau, and drove into the woods the inhabitants, the most of whom, on the

French; surpris'd it in the night July 20. 7<sup>e</sup> 20. Wadsworth arrives from Dublin 7 weeks: Brings no News of the French King's death, so that conclude he is alive. I, my wife, Joseph, Mary, visit son and daughter at Muddy-River. I bring Joseph going in his way to Cambridge from Gates's into the Highway. Tuesday, 7<sup>e</sup> 28. very cold, and snow to cover the ground. 7<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> The Snow is now three or four inches deep, and a very cold Norwest wind: a sad face of Winter, to see the Houses and Ground so cover'd with snow, and to see so much Ice.

7<sup>e</sup> 25. The Beams and Joyce of the old Hall Floor are laid.

7<sup>e</sup> 28. Keats comes to Ground piñing.

8<sup>e</sup> 13. 1703 Capt. Rich'd Sprague is buried. Mr. Russell, Capt. Hayman, Capt. Belchar, Mr. Leverett, Capt. Cary, Capt. Fowl Bearers: is buried in Mr. Morton's Tomb. I was there. Most of the Scholars, Joseph for one: My Gloves were too little, I gave them him. Gov<sup>r</sup> there.

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[We ——— Jan<sup>y</sup> 19. 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  Four Men kill'd at Casco-Bay belonging to Capt. Gallop; go out of the Boat; Beñet the Master out of the Sloop; Indians had their canoes, and lay there in wait.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 24. express brings the News.

Ice would not suffer him to go to the Fort; so lay by Hog-Island.

By the good Providence of Almighty God, and the Prudence, Courage and Conduct of your Maj<sup>r</sup> Capt. Gen<sup>l</sup>, the enemy has hitherto been prevented of making such Impressions upon us as sometimes heretofore they have

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invaders having departed, retired to Carolina." Edward's British West Indies, IV. 219, 220, fifth ed. — Eds.

done: of whose Conduct we pray the continuance may it consist with your Majesties good pleasure.

ELISHA HUTCHINSON  
p̄ order of the Cōmittee.

Augt. 24<sup>th</sup> unanimously voted p̄ the Council, send down for concurrence. [In margin, Not voted by the Deputies.]

Aug<sup>t</sup> 28 In the House of Depts

Read Aug<sup>t</sup> 29. read.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Read and voted a Concurrence with the Amendm<sup>t</sup>: Sent up for concurrence.

Council unanimously insist on the former *die prædict.* sent down. Deps. *die prædict* Read.]<sup>1</sup>

MASSACHUSETTS; Anno Domini 1703.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 26 Harrison the Controller, and Mr. W<sup>m</sup> Pain are examined before the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council by Mr. Russell's Motion.<sup>2</sup> When mention was made of putting them to their Oath, Harrison said he was ready to swear, but then it must be by laying his hand on the Bible: Gov<sup>r</sup> said, So he ought, and order'd Mr. Secretary to fetch the Bible. Mr. Pain also slip'd on his hand. Mr. Harrison first look'd into it to see that 'twas the Bible. When had sworn, seem'd to aḗlaud himself, and said he would have this forwarded and upheld. When Questions were asked him, he answer'd, By that Booke it is True.

Sabbath, Nov<sup>r</sup> 28. A very sore storm of snow, which makes Assemblys very thin. Not one Woman in Roxbury Meeting.

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<sup>1</sup> These first few entries seem to be out of their chronological order, and are therefore bracketed by us. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This refers to a matter recorded in Massachusetts Archives, Vol. LXII. f. 446. One Nathaniel Carey, a waiter under James Russell, Commissioner of the Impost, &c., had seized some rum from Michael Shaller, of Boston, a distiller, for non-payment of excise. Wishing to keep it safely, he deposited it at the Custom-house, by leave of Mr. Ralph Harrison, comptroller, and Mr. William Payne, deputy-collector. But when he went for it these latter claimed it as a customs prize, and refused to deliver it. — Eds.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 11. Poor little Hull Sewall dies in Mr. Phips's house at Muddy-River about 6. in the evening, of Convulsions. About 8. at night the Gov<sup>r</sup> sends us word of it. Dec<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> Corps is brought to Town in the Governours Slay. Dec<sup>r</sup> 15. is born to our Tomb, and set upon a Box that his great Grandfathers Bones now put into it at Williams's desire, some being wash'd out. On the Box is made with Nails, 1683. Bearers were Mr. Nathan<sup>l</sup> Oliver and David Stoddard. — Gov<sup>rs</sup> Lady and my wife rode in the Coach. Son and daughter followed the little Corps in Mourning: then Grandfathers, Joseph and Hannah, Mr. Hirst and his wife. Several of the Council here, and Mr. Cotton Mather, Mr. Nehemiah Walter. Provided new oak Plank for the entrance of the Tomb. Madam Levrett and Usher there. Gave no Gloves.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 23. Dr. Mather marries Mr. Thomas Hutchinson and Mrs. Sarah Foster. A very great Wedding. Mr. Secretary and I not bidden, nor Mr. Bromfield. Mr. Hirst and his wife were invited; but Mr. Hirst was at Portsmouth, and my daughter being very big with child, excus'd her going in Want of her Husband's company. I knew not she was invited till the time was past.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 23. Mr. Brisco, now my son's Tenant, comes to the Council-Chamber when I was left there almost alone, and desired me to Marrie his Daughter, which I did at his house. Sung the 90<sup>th</sup> Psalm from the 12<sup>th</sup> v. to the end, with earnest desires that this Match might prove better than the former.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 30. Col. Hutchinson makes a very great Entertainment: Mr. Bromfield and wife are now invited: Mr. Secretary and I pass'd by, and I do not know who beside.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 26. Sabbath; very sore vehement Storm of Snow; exceeding high Tide, which did much hurt in Cellars and lower Rooms, and carried many Stacks of Hay quite away. It seems Roxbury Meeting was held at Mr. Wal-

ter's Dwelling-house. The Christmas keepers had a very pleasant day, Gov<sup>r</sup> and Mr. Dudley at Church, and Mr. Dudley made a pretty large Entertainment after.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 20. Five men that were getting home wood at Saco, are surpris'd by the enemy, three after found slain. Seven others that were at a distance, escaped to Wells: from whence the News came to Town.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 23. Jan<sup>y</sup> 1. 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  I carried 2 Duz. Mr. Willard's Books about swearing, to Mr. Phillips; Duz. to Buttolt; Duz. to Eliott; Duz to Boon.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 5. Meeting at Mrs. Stevens; I pray there. Lindsey arrives at Marblehead this day; came from Isle Wight 29<sup>th</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Barston in her.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Col. Hutchinson's case is put to the Jury of which Mr. Hirst Foreman. Jan<sup>y</sup> 8. They bring in a conditional verdict, If Madam Warren had power to alienate before Division &c. Court would not accept of it; but said that was it they were to Try: and sent them out again: Then they brought in for Col. Hutchinson, costs. Col. Hutchinson said upon the Bench, He would not be Try'd by Infer. or Sup<sup>o</sup>r Court; He would be Try'd by the Jury; they were his Judges.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  Got an Overseers Meeting at Col Foster [r] [manuscript imperfect] and pass my Account but could not get through with it; met with so [me] gross mistakes or such as fear'd were so; and had not time. Col Foster offers me to carry all I have done, into Leger parcells.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 16. A storm of snow; but not so vehement as those in Nov<sup>r</sup> and Dec. In the Afternoon Dr. Jer. Du<sup>m</sup>er preaches from Luke 13, *ult.* Mr. Pemberton baptizes Mr. Daniel Oliver's son Daniel. My wife not abroad. The last Lecture and this Lord's Day Major Walley a<sup>p</sup>ears in his Wigg, having cut off his own Hair. Jan<sup>y</sup> 19. reckon'd with the Tenants of the Saw-mill at Braintry, and took their Bonds for the Arrears, and cancell'd the Leases. In



the morning walk'd with Major Walley, Capt. Tim<sup>o</sup> Clark, Mr. Calef, constable Franklin, to visit disorderly poor; Met at my house. Capt Clark took up his Wigg: I said would have him consider that one place; The Bricks are fallen &c. But here men *cut down* the sycamores.<sup>1</sup> He seem'd startled.

Second-Day; Jan<sup>y</sup> 24. 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  I paid Capt. Belchar £8-15-0. Took 24<sup>s</sup> in my pocket, and gave my Wife the rest of my cash £4.3-8, and tell her she shall now keep the Cash; if I want I will borrow of her. She has a better faculty than I at managing Affairs: I will assist her; and will endeavour to live upon my Salary; will see what it will doe. The Lord give his Blessing.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 31. Second day of the week, about four hours before day, my Daughter Hirst was delivered of a Living lively Daughter. Her mother went to her after the forenoon exercise Jan<sup>y</sup> 30. Mother Hirst came the evening before. We have an Answer of Peace to our many Prayers. *Laus Deo.* Mrs. Wakefield was Midwife. Madam Usher, Pemberton, Hubbard, Welsteed, Nurse Johnson assisted. Nurse is from Salem.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 31. George Pierce brings the News, of a Girl being kill'd at Nickawañuck; [Berwick, Me.] 30 Indians assaulted a Garrison there; were received bravely by the English, one of them kill'd, and the rest by Capt. Brown with a small party of men 10 or 12, put to flight, sundry of them wounded; left many of their own Accoutrements, for haste, and carried nothing away of ours. This was done last Friday.

Febr. 1. 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  Third of the week, I went to Dorchester Lecture, and heard Mr. Danforth preach from those words, All is vanity. Din'd with Madam Taylor and Mr. Trott.

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<sup>1</sup> Isaiah IX. 10. "The bricks are fallen down, but we will build with hewn stones: the sycamores are cut down, but we will change them into cedars." — Eds.

Before Lecture, I rid into the Burying place, and read Mr. Stoughton's Epitaph, which is very great.<sup>1</sup>

Febr. 3. 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  Mr. Neh. Hobart dines with us in the chamber. Has not been in Town of many weeks before. I Lent him Forbes<sup>2</sup> on the Rev. Gave him 4 Quires paper and box wafers. Told him I was like to have some Bickerings with Mr. Noyes;<sup>3</sup> and he should be Judge of the Controversy. I set up this Problem, that Christ set his Right Foot on the New-World; his Left, on the Old. Rev. 10. Pray'd him to assign otherwise if he saw convenient.

Febr. 4<sup>th</sup> 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  I paid Sarah Mountfort her Legacy with the Three and Twenty pieces of Gold. Mr. Secretary took eight pieces, which 1 ounce and 12<sup>d</sup> weight, and gave £8-11-3. Sarah Mountfort had Fifteen pieces, which weighed — 16-8-9 Three ounces, 2<sup>d</sup>, weight, and 12 Grains by Cousin Duñers Scales £25-0-0. Mr. Secretary took the Acquittance seal'd and Deliver'd in presence of her Brother Wadsworth, and Tom Maccarty.

Lord's-Day, February the 6<sup>th</sup> 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  I went to Mr. Colman's that I might see my little Grand-daughter baptised; Besides me there were Mr. Brattle, Mr. Clark and Capt. Anth. Checkley in the Fore-Seat. Mr. Colman read the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16. Psalms, and the last chapter of the first Epistle of Peter. Text was Mat. 26. 38. Went on with the Discourse had begun in the morning for the Lord's Supper. Pray'd excellently at Baptisme, for the Child, Mother, all. Child is call'd Mary My — [daughter] would have it so for the sake of Mrs. Mary Hirst, her

<sup>1</sup> All who desire to do so may verify the Judge's remark by reading the still legible inscription on the stately monument of Stoughton, or in the careful transcript printed by Sibley, "Harvard Graduates," I. 205, 206. Harvard College, some years since, repaired this memorial of its benefactor. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Patrick Forbes, of Corse, Bishop of Aberdeen, died 1635. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> On disputed points in the interpretation of prophecy. — Eds.

Husband's [Moth]er, who was present, and my little daughter Mary. Nurse brought the Child, and Mr. Grove Hirst the father held it up. Though the Child had cry'd before, did not cry at Mr. Colman's pouring on the Water. Daughter reckons herself very ill.

Febr. 7. Nurse Hawkins, who watch'd with her, tells me my daughter had a very good night. *Laus Deo.*

Febr. 5. Seventh-day of the week; I fasted and pray'd to God that Satan might not be comissioned any longer to buffet me and my wife; for my self and family in the advancing year: and Province &c. for Daughter Hirst, and little Mary to be dedicated to Him the next day.

L<sup>t</sup> Tristram Coffin dyed Febr. 4<sup>th</sup> 170 $\frac{3}{4}$ . Joseph Frazon, the Jew, dyes at Mr. Major's, Mr. Joyliff's old house; Febr. 5<sup>th</sup> Satterday, is carried in Simson's coach to Bristow; from thence by Water to Newport, where there is a Jews-burying place.<sup>1</sup>

Febr. 8<sup>th</sup> a Garrison-house is surpris'd at Haverhill by 6 or 7 Indians.

Febr. 18. 19. 20. My wife lodges with my daughter Hirst to comfort her. Febr. 20. Major William Bradford dies in the 80<sup>th</sup> year of his Age: He was a Right New-England Christian. Mrs. Lewis dies at Boston. Isaac Goose jun<sup>r</sup> is baptised this day. Febr. 22. A great funeral for Mrs. Lewis.

Febr. 25. I went to Charlestown Lecture; heard Mr. Bradstreet preach from 1 Cor. 7. 31.; made a good Sermon. As return'd in the Ferry-boat, I was told Capt. Stephens had done nothing. The Lord pity us.

Febr. 24<sup>th</sup> 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  This day the new Parishoners meet in

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<sup>1</sup> Arnold (History of Rhode Island, I. 479) says that the Jews petitioned, in 1684, for protection. They contributed for a century to the prosperity of the colony, making Newport their centre. Not one of their descendants now remains there, but Abraham Touro (a son of their last priest), who died at Boston, in 1822, left a fund of \$15,000 for the support of the synagogue and cemetery on Touro street, Newport. — Eds.

the house built for their Minister, and call the Precinct Byfield, as Bro<sup>r</sup> Moody tells me, March 4<sup>th</sup> 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  before his going home.

March, 5. The dismal News of the Slaughter made at Deerfield is certainly and generally known, Mr. Secretary came to me in the morning, and told me of it: I told Mr. Willard; by which means our Congregation was made a Bochim. [Judges, II. 1-5.] Tis to be observ'd that the great slaughters have been on the Third day of the week; our Court day. This was Febr. 29<sup>th</sup> 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  My Tenant Kibbee was arrested this day.

March, 16. 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  Mr. Dean Winthrop, of Pulling Point, dies upon his Birth-day, just about the Breaking of it. He was Taken at eight a'clock the evening before, as he sat in his chair, sunk first, being set up, he vomited, complain'd of his head, which were almost his last words. Hardly spake anything after his being in bed. 81 years old. He is the last of Gov<sup>r</sup> Winthrop's children — *statione novissimus exit*.<sup>1</sup> March, 20. is buried at Pulling Point by his son and Three Daughters. Bearers Russel, Cooke; Hutchinson, Sewall; Townsend, Paige. From the House of Hasey. Scutcheons on the Pall. I help'd to lower the Corps into the Grave. Madam Paige went in her Coach. Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> and Capt. Adam Winthrop had Scarvs, and led the widow. Very pleasant day; Went by Wiñisimēt.

March, 24, 170 $\frac{3}{4}$  William Daws, Mason, dyes about 2 p.m. A good old man, full of days, is got well to the end of his weary Race.<sup>2</sup> Arthur Mason's Negro dyes this day, being run over by his own cart on Tuesday. Is a great Loss, being faithfull and in his full strength.

<sup>1</sup> Diffugiunt stellæ: quarum agmina cogit  
Lucifer, et cœli statione novissimus exit.

OID, *Met.* II. 114. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> He was the progenitor of the noted Boston family. See Dawes Genealogy, by H. W. Holland, Boston, 1878. — Eds.

March, 25, 1704. Col. Hathorne and I travel to Braintry, lodge at Cousin Fisk's. March, 26. Hear Mr. Fisk preach Forenoon and Afternoon: Note. One Sheffield, a very good aged Christian, of about 90 years old, was there, who, as was expected, was never like to have come abroad more. Was accordingly given Thanks for. George Allen waits on me.

March, 27<sup>th</sup> Bait at Mr. Cushing's. He shews us Accord Pond,<sup>1</sup> hardly  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a mile out of the Rode. Dine at Barkers in company of Major Eels, his son, Mr. Stoddard, Dr. Samsons and others. Sheriff Warren meets us there; before we get away, Major Walley and Leverett come in. We get to Plim<sup>o</sup>  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour before Sun-set.

March the Court.

March, 29<sup>th</sup> Went into the Meetingh— in the Adjourn'd *sine die* before Noon. Din'd and got to Cushings about sunset. In the evening Mr. Cushing desired me to pray, which I did, and sang three staves of the 137 Psal. omitting Edom. Mr. Cushing told us, Mr. Danforth us'd to sing. I shew'd Mr. Leverett Accord Pond as came along.

March, 30. Call'd and visited Mr. Torrey. Call'd at the Governours, He told us the particulars of the dreadful Storm in England in Novr.<sup>2</sup> Came home about 4 p.m: found all well. *Laus Deo.*

April, 1. 1704. Visited my valetudinarious son at Brooklin; gave Baker a shilling to drive a Nail for me in the great Stairs. Call'd at the Gov<sup>rs</sup> as I came home to condole the Loss of Mr. Samuel Dudley at Suratt, Febr. 22.

<sup>1</sup> Accord Pond is at the angle of Abington, Scituate, and Hingham, and is named as early as 1640. It was one of the points by which to run the boundary of Plymouth Colony. As we write we notice a petition for leave to supply Hingham with water from this pond. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This storm, which has been called "the most terrible storm that had been known in England," is described by Defoe, in a volume entitled "The Storm," published in 1704. — Eds.

170 $\frac{2}{3}$ : was taken with the small Pocks Febr. 16<sup>th</sup>, of which he died the 22<sup>th</sup>, the day Madam Willard had like to have been cast away and her family, coming from Cambridge by Water. I told the Gov<sup>r</sup> I hoped this young Gentleman might have been a Support to his family; for countenance was one of the Goodliest I had known. Said to Mr. William Dudley that to get more Acquaintance with, and Conformity to Christ, as his Elder Brother, was the best and only way to Repair such a Loss. Read Brothers Letter to the Gov<sup>r</sup> about a Scout-Shallop: He said Southack and Gallop were hastening. The News of Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Dudley's death was inclosed to Col. Foxcroft by Mr. Shepard, Gov<sup>r</sup> of the East-India Company: Letter dated Dec<sup>r</sup> 3. 1703. Col. Foxcroft deliver'd it to the Gov<sup>r</sup> the evening following, Thursday, March 30. 1704, 2 or 3 hours after Major Walley and I took leave of his Excellency.

April, 2. 1704. Ship arrives from England Seven weeks passage; came out with the Fleet that had the King of Spain<sup>1</sup> on board to carry to Portugal. Brings Prints of the November Storm, and the December Mercury.

April, 3. Artil. Company chuses Mr. Henry Gibbs of Watertown<sup>2</sup> to preach their Sermon; chuse Capt. Checkley and me to join Comiss<sup>d</sup> Officers to acquaint him with it, and desire him to undertake it.

April, 5<sup>th</sup> Capt. John Ballentine, L<sup>t</sup>: Tho Savage and Ens. Tho. Fitch, Sewall and Checkly, set out at 2 p.m. round for Watertown: Find Mr. Gibbs at home, Acquaint him with our Message, press him earnestly: but can get no Answer, He will give an Answer the 13<sup>th</sup> after Lecture. I invited him to dine with me. Had comfortable

<sup>1</sup> The Archduke Charles, a claimant of the Crown of Spain, and recognized by the Allies as King. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Rev. Henry Gibbs, of Watertown, H. C. 1685, died Oct. 21, 1723, leaving issue. His father was Robert Gibbs, of Boston, who was fourth son of Sir Henry Gibbs, and great grandson of Robert Gibbs, of Honington, County Warwick. See *Heraldic Journal*, III, 165-167. — Eds.

going and returning: Call'd at Brooklin as came home. Baited at Remington's. I used Dr. Witsius's<sup>1</sup> Title of's Oration *De Theologo Modesto*; told him the more Modesty we saw the more vehement we should be in our Assaults.

Apr. 6 & 7<sup>th</sup> very cold North-east Stormy Wether, and Tuesday was the Catechising: so that we took the only day could be had to go in this week.

April, 10. 1704. The Seven and Thirty French privateers are brought to Town, who were put a-Shore at Marshfield last Friday in the vehemency of the Storm. *Feria quarta*, Apr. 12. In the morning I saw and heard three Swallows playing over my head. I think I never observ'd them so soon in the year before. Rowse came in from London, 7 weeks passage, Apr. 10. *Feria Sexta*, Ap. 14. p.m. Tho. Wallis dieth. *Feria septima*, Apr. 15. 1704. Mr. Nathan<sup>1</sup> Oliver dieth between 3 and 4 in the morning. He was born 20 days before me. Joseph comes to see us. *Feria Secunda*, April, 17th. 1704, I go to Salem to see my Bro<sup>r</sup> Hirst; Speak with Mr. Noyes, who conceives that the Witnesses were slain at the conclusion of the Peace of Ryswick, 1697. Passing away of the 2<sup>d</sup> Wo. at the conclusion of the Peace of Carlowitz with the Turk. [1699.] Resurrection of the Witnesses by the Convulsions following the death of Charles 2<sup>d</sup> K— of Spain;<sup>2</sup> The 1260 days Expire, and then the Witnesses Rise; namely the 1260 Days of the Ten-horn'd Beast, his power to make war. Antichrist's Reign begins at the Time of the great Whore's mounting the Beast, the 10 horned beast, viz. Año 1073. Hildebrand papa. At the death of Valentinian, the Ten-horn'd Beast set up; viz. anno, 458. Taken from Mr. Noyes's mouth at Bro<sup>r</sup> Sewall's.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> A Dutch Divine: born, 1636; died, 1708. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Charles II. died in 1700. His dying without issue gave rise to the War of the Spanish Succession. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> The "bickerings" which Judge Sewall, according to his expectations,

Apr. 18<sup>th</sup> Go home in company of Major Brown, Corwin, Higginson, Lynde, Gerrish to the parting way, where turn'd off to Mr. Wigglesworth [of Malden], where I din'd : then home by Charlestown : Went to the Funeral of Mr. Nathan<sup>1</sup> Oliver : Bearers, Sewall, Walley ; Legg, Duñer ; Cooper, ——. Gov<sup>r</sup> was there.

April, 24. 1704. I went to Cambridge to see some Books on the Revelation, and there met with Mr. Pignet : <sup>1</sup> went into Hall and heard Mr. Willard expound Rom. 4. 9. 10. 11 and pray. I gave Mr. Willard the first News-Letter <sup>2</sup> that ever was carried over the River. He shew'd it the Fellows. I came home in company with Mr. Adams.

April, 25. My daughter Hañah and I carefully removed all Eben<sup>f</sup> Mountfort's Linnen &c out of his crazy,

had with the Rev. Nicholas Noyes, of Salem, on these prophetic mysteries, concern such profound and perplexing matters that the professional attainments of the Editors do not qualify them to attempt any arbitration in the case. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> This is a mysterious name, unknown to our annals. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> "The Boston News Letter," the first Anglo-American newspaper, appeared on Monday, April 24, 1704, and continued to be published until 1776, on the evacuation of Boston by the British troops. Its first publisher and proprietor was John Campbell, a bookseller, and also postmaster, in which last office he continued till his death, in 1728. Nicholas Boone was associate publisher. Bartholomew Green, John Allen, and again Green, were, successively, its printers. Issued weekly, on Monday, it answered the needs of the time, and even with difficulty secured a supporting constituency. No price for subscription or for a single copy is mentioned upon it. It was a half-sheet, small folio, "Published by Authority," — *i. e.*, by allowance of the provincial authorities. The first number contained but one advertisement, and that was the publisher's. He solicits advertisements of "Houses, Lands, Tenements, Farms, Ships, Vessels, Goods, Wares, or Merchandises, &c., to be Sold or Lett: or Servants Runaway: or Goods Stole or Lost," to be "Inserted at a reasonable rate: from Twelve Pence to Five Shillings, and not to exceed." "Reasonable terms" are offered to "All persons in Town or Country" for the Weekly, "agreeing with John Campbell, Postmaster, for the Same." The publishing office was near the site of the present Joy's Building, then occupied by the First Church. A few matters of public intelligence, the announcement of a sermon preached by Mr. Pemberton on "Doing one's own business," "which his Excellency has ordered to be printed," and the fact that "The Rev. Mr. Lockyer dyed on Thursday last," make up the contents of this first Boston "News Letter." — Eds.



unfaithfull Trunk, and laid them up orderly in the new Chest I bought of Bro<sup>r</sup> Nichols for that purpose. Col. Perce died the 22 Ap. in the Afternoon. Son and daughter Sewall lodg'd here last night.

Lord's-Day, Apr. 23. There is great Firing at the Town, Ships, Castle upon account of its being the Coronation-day, which gives offence to many; See the Lord's-day so profan'd. Down Sabbath; Up S<sup>t</sup> George.

April, 27, 1704. Little Judith is carried on Horseback, Jane Green attending her, unto the house of Mr. Robert Avery of Dedham, for to be healed of her Rupture. Had Mrs. Wigglesworth's advice. In the morning, not thinking of her departure, I first got her to say after me, Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. It was near sun-set, when they went away, which made us uneasy: But Mrs. Avery was in a readiness with Horses and Company; and the spring advancing apace made us consent. I intended 4. p.m. to be the latest for their setting out.

May, 13. I visit little Judith; find her well: visit Mr. Belchar.

May, 15<sup>th</sup>. Set out for Ipswich with Major Walley; Mr. Leverett falls in at Lewis's; go by Salem: from thence Col. Hathorne goes with us, Sheriff Gedny waits on us: got thither in season. Lodge at Mr. Rogers'. When came away gave Mrs. Martha a Turkey-Leather Psalm-book.

May, 17. Made a shift to get to Rowley, Lodg'd at Bro<sup>r</sup> Northend's, who came to Ipswich and invited me.

May, 18. heard Mr. Payson and Hale; No Meeting at Byfield, had not timely notice.

May, 19. ride to Newbury; Dine at Sister Gerrishes; See Cousin Joseph's wife, give her Mr. Cole's Sermons.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Probably Thomas Cole, Principal of St. Mary's Hall, Oxford. He was ejected by the King's Commissioners, in 1660, and afterwards took charge of a congregation in London. — Eds.

Knew not of the Clause about Perriwigs till I got to Rowley. I read the Discourse of Adoption to my Aunt Northend. Lodge at Bro<sup>r</sup> Taping's. May, 21. Goe and hear Mr. Belchar; Dine there. After dinner the aged Ordway<sup>1</sup> comes to see me, complains bitterly of his cousin John Emery's carriage to his wife, which makes her leave him and go to her Sister Bayly.

May, 22. visit Cousin Joshua Pierce, the widow Pierce, widow Coffin. Went with Bro<sup>r</sup> Moodey to his house, dine there, went to Perkin's in Beverly, lodge there: because of the extream heat, I travel'd from Ipswich thither in the night. May, 23, went early to Salem, convers'd with Mr. Noyes, told him of the Quaker Meeting at Sam. Sawyers, a week ago, profaneness of the young Hoags, professing that heresy. Visited Bro<sup>r</sup> Hirst still confin'd by the Gout. Came home with daughter Sewall, she rides single, Sam. Sewall *de Stephano*, waits on her. Refresh at Lewis's, where Mr. Paul Dudley is in egre pursuit of the Pirats. He had sent one to Boston; and seeing me call'd him back again; At such a sudden I knew not what to doe: but charg'd Tom. Cox and one Jarvis with him, and order'd them to deliver him to Mr. Secretary Addington. For my daughter's sake I went by Charlestown, and parted with her where Cambridge way turns off. George Allen and I got home about Sun-set. *Laus Deo.* Mr. Bridge and Mr. Bridgham welcom'd me by the New Burying place, met them there. May, 27<sup>th</sup> Mr. Secretary and Capt. Belcher, Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson and Palmer, Mr. Bromfield and I ride to Cambridge to meet the Gov<sup>r</sup>. Staid till about 7, then supōs'd would not come till Monday, and so came home. But the Gov<sup>r</sup> came that night. I knew not of it till 'twas too late to visit his Excellency on Monday morn. Went to Council, and met

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<sup>1</sup> Probably James Ordway, of Newbury, said by Savage to have been born in 1620, and to have died after 1702. — Eds.

with the Gov<sup>r</sup> there. May, 29<sup>th</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> orders another Proclamation to be issued out, respecting the Pirats. Several bring in Gold; Capt. Tuttle brings three parcels; two given him by W<sup>m</sup> Clark *de Johane*; one by Capt. Quelch. May, 31, 1704. Mr. Addington, Walley and Sewall Give the Depts the Oaths; but one Councillor at Roxbury, *viz.* Capt. Belcher. Mr. Jonathan Russell preaches. Deputies send in a Resolve that none is to be accounted chosen who has not the major part of the Voters: Election finished about eight: Gov<sup>r</sup> and Lieut. Gov<sup>r</sup> went away long before.

June 1. Gov<sup>r</sup> signs the Allowance of all but Mr. Sergeant and Cook; them He does not allow.<sup>1</sup>

June 2. Debated in Council whether or no should not fill up the Council: Most seem'd for it. Some against it, as Col. Townsend, Foster, Hutchinson.

Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. 1704. Col. Nathan<sup>l</sup> Byfield, Mr. Palmer and my self have rec'd an Order from the Gov<sup>r</sup> to search for and seize Pirats and their Treasure, and to hold a court of Enquiry for this end at Marblehead; because Capt. Quelch in the Charles Galley arrived there: we set forward this day for Salem, having James Noyes and Joseph Gerrish to wait on us. We got to Salem about 8 aclock There Sam. Wakefield, the Water Baily, inform'd Col. Byfield of a Rumor there was that Capt. Larrimore was now with the Larramore Gally at Cape-Anne; and that two of Quelch's company designed to go off in her. Upon this we made out a Warrant to the said Wakefield to goe and see into this matter and seize the Men if true. Despatch'd him about midnight.

Thursday, June 8. We went to Marblehead in the Rain, and held our Court at Capt. Brown's by the Fire-

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<sup>1</sup> It seems, by the Council records, that on the thirteenth of June, Simeon Stoddard and Samuel Hayman were chosen instead. — Eds.

side; took Major Sewall with us, who return'd to Salem the same night.

Friday, June, 9<sup>th</sup> about 6. m. An Express from Cape-Anne, gives an Account of 9. or 11. Pirats, double arm'd, seen in a Lone-house there. This Express found us a-bed. We rose immediately, Sent for Col. Legg, and directed him to send warrants to the Northward Companies within his Regiment; to send such parties as they could raise, to Cape-Anne upon this Extraordinary occasion. And writt to Col. Wainright to do the Like in his Regiment, intimating that we were moving thither our selves to be Witness of their forwardness for Her Majesties Service. Sent this by James Noyes to shew it to Capt. Fisk of Wenham, as he went along. Col. Byfield and I rode to Salem; there met Dr. Gatchman, took his Affidavit for some better foundation for our Actions. Sent him post to the Gov<sup>r</sup>: Bro<sup>r</sup> got a shallop, the Trial, and his Pinace, and about a score of his Comp<sup>a</sup> to go by water. Mr. Dudley went by water from Marblehead with Col. Legg. Col. Byfield and I proceeded with Sheriff Gedney and Capt. Turner and part of his Troop by Land: call'd on L<sup>t</sup> Brisco at Beverly; that Troop resolv'd to go by Jabacko [Chebacco]. Manchester Company was mustering upon the top of a Rock; shook hand with Mr. Webster. When drew nigh the Town of Gloucester a Letter from Mr. Dudley and Legg met us, to acquaint us that Larrimore<sup>1</sup> Sail'd in the morning and took in the Pirats at the head of the Cape. Messenger seem'd to discourage our going forward. However, we sent back the Sheriff to post their Letter to the Gov<sup>r</sup>, and as many of Salem Troops as would go back, persuad-

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<sup>1</sup> This was, probably, the Captain Thomas Larrimore mentioned in a letter printed in the New England Historical and Genealogical Register, IV. 348. It is from John Leverett to Isaac Addington, under date of July 11, 1702. He writes: "His Excellency also commands me to acquaint your honor that he hath ordered Capt. Thomas Larrimore with his crew in Mr. Marston's Sloop to joyn Capt. Gilbert's in their Cruise." — Eds.

ing them to return. Mr. Dudley had sent to stay Ipswich Regiment and direct their Return. When came to Capt. Davis's, waited Brother's arrival with his Shallop Trial, and Pinace: When they were come and had Din'd, Resolv'd to send after Larramore. Abbot was first pitch'd on as Captain. But matters went on heavily, 'twas difficult to get Men. Capt. Herrick pleaded earnestly his Troopers might be excus'd. At last Brother offer'd to goe himself: then Capt. Turner offer'd to goe, Lieut Brisco, and many good Men; so that quickly made up Fourty two; though we knew not the exact number till came home, the hurry was so great, and vessel so small for 43. Men gave us three very handsom cheers; Row'd out of the Harbour after sun-set, for want of wind. Mr. Dudley return'd to Salem with Beverly Troop. Col. Byfield and I lodg'd at Cape-Ann all night; Mr. White pray'd very well for the Expedition Evening and morning; as Mr. Chiever had done at Marblehead, whom we sent for to pray with us before we set out for Glocester. We rose early, got to Salem quickly after Nine. Din'd with Sister, who was very thoughtfull what would become of her Husband. The Wickedness and despair of the company they pursued, their Great Guns and other war-like Preparations, were a terror to her and to most of the Town; concluded they would not be Taken without Blood.<sup>1</sup> Comforted our selves and them as well as we could. Call'd at Lewis's. Col. Byfield went to Cambridge; Mr. Dudley and I to Boston, Joseph Gerrish waiting on us. June. 12<sup>th</sup> Joseph Gerrish comes to my Bed-Chamber-door and Tells of Brother's good success. He dispatched Chapman in the night to the Gov: He came to the Isles Sholes about 7. m. June 10, kept his men rank'd with

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<sup>1</sup> It is somewhat surprising that so little remains on record in regard to Quelch's affair. We find nothing worth mention in the State archives. Yet it seems to have created a very lively scare in Essex county, and Sewall evidently feels that the capture was a perilous exploit. — Eds.

their Arms on both sides the shallop in covert; only the four Fishermen were in view: as drew near saw the Boat goe ashoar with six Hands, which was a singular good Providence of God. Wormwall and three of the Pirats were of the six. When were so near that were descryd, Larramores Men began to run to and fro and pull off the Aprons from the Guns, draw out the Tomkins [Tompions], Brother shew'd his men. Ask'd Larramore to come aboard. He said he could not, his Boat was gon ashore. Bro<sup>r</sup> told him he would come to him: immediately man'd the Pinace, and did it as soon almost as said it, He, Capt. Turner, Abbot step'd aboard. Brisco attempted; but one swore no more armed Men should come there. Bro<sup>r</sup> got the Capt ashore to discourse him, got him there to sign two orders; one to send the L<sup>t</sup> and one of the Pirats ashore; the other for Abbot to comānd the Galley till they return'd; and so quickly finish'd his business thorowly without striking a stroke, or firing a Gun. See the News-Letter.<sup>1</sup> Twas all order'd and Tim'd and effected by the Singular all-powerfull gracious Providence of God.

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<sup>1</sup> As Judge Sewall here refers to the "News Letter," a file of which he may have kept for reference, we extract from the copy in the cabinet of the Historical Society all that relates to the capture and trial of the pirates. The date of the paper is June 9 to 16, 1704. — EDS.

*"God Save the Queen.*

"MARBLEHEAD, June 9. The Honourable Samuel Sewall, Nathaniel Byfield, and Paul Dudley Esqrs. came to this place yesterday, in obedience to His Excellency the Governour, his Order for the more effectual discovering and Seizing the Pirates lately belonging to the Briganteen Charles, John Quelch Commander, with their Treasure. They made Salem in their way, where Samuel Wakefield the Water-Baily informed them of a Rumor that two of Quelches's Company were lurking at Cape Anne, waiting for a Passage off the Coast: The Commissioners made out a Warrent to Wakefield to Search for them, and dispatched him away on Wednesday night. And having gain'd intelligence this Morning, that a certain number of them well Armed, were at Cape Anne designing to go off in the Larrimore Galley, then at Anchor in that Harbour. They immediately sent men from the several

June, 27<sup>th</sup> *feria tertia*, Madam Richards dies about 3 hours after midnight. Heard not of it till at Mr. Stod-

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adjacent Towns by Land and Water, to prevent their escape, and went thither themselves, to give necessary orders upon the place.

“GLOCESTER, upon Cape Anne, June 9. The Commissioners for Seizing the Pirates and their Treasure, arrived here this day, were advised that the Larrimore Galley Sail'd in the Morning Eastward; and that a Boat was seen to go off from the head of the Cape, near Snake Island, full of men, supposed to be the Pirates. The Commissioners seeing the Government mock'd by Capt. Larrimore and his Officers, resolved to send after them. Major Stephen Sewall who attended with a Fishing Shallop, and the Fort Pinnacle, offered to go in pursuit of them, and Capt. John Turner, Mr. Robert Brisco, Capt. Knight, and several other good men Voluntarily accompanied him, to the Number of 42 men, who Rowed out of the Harbour after Sun-sett, being little Wind.

“SALEM, June 11. This Afternoon, Major Sewall brought in to this Port, the Larrimore Galley, and Seven Pirates, viz. Erasmus Peterson, Charles James, John Carter, John Pitman, Francis King, Charles King, John King, whom he with his Company Surprised and Seized at the Isles of Shoales the 10th. Instant, viz., four of them on Board the Larrimore Galley, and three on Shoar on Starr Island, being assisted by John Hinekes and Thomas Phipps Esqrs., two of Her Majesties Justices of New Hampshire, who were happily there, together with the Justices, and the Captain of the place. He also Seized 45 Ounces and Seven Pennyweight of Gold of the said Pirates.

“Capt. Thomas Larrimore, Joseph Wells Lieutenant, and Daniel Worm-mall Master, and the said Pirates are Secured in our Gaol.

“GLOCESTER, June 12. Yesterday Major Sewall passed by this place with the Larrimore Galley, and Shallop Trial, standing for Salem, and having little wind, set our men ashore on the Eastern Point, giving of them notice that William Jones, and Peter Roach, two of the Pirates had mistook their way, and were still upon the Cape, with strict charge to search for them, which our Towns People performed very industriously. Being strangers and destitute of all Succours, they surrendered themselves this Afternoon, and were sent to Salem Prison.

“BOSTON, June 17. On the 13 Instant, Major Sewall attended with a strong guard brought to Town the above mentioned Pirates, and Gold he had Seized, and gave His Excellency a full Account of his Procedure in seizing them. The Prisoners were committed to Goal in order to a Tryal, and the Gold delivered to the Treasurer and Committee appointed to receive the same. The service of Major Sewall and Company was very well Accepted and Rewarded by the Governour.

“His Excellency was pleased on the 13 Currant to open the High Court of Admiralty for Trying Capt. John Quelch late Commander of the Briganteen Charles and Company for Piracy, who were brought to the Barr, and the Articles exhibited against them read. They all pleaded Not Guilty, excepting three viz. Matthew Primer, John Clifford and James Parrot, who

ard's noble Treat in the evening. Mr. Secretary invited the Gov<sup>r</sup>, Lt Gov<sup>r</sup>, several of the Council to Dinner at North's, the Stone-house. I there. In the morning I heard Mr. Cotton Mather, Pray, preach, Catechise excellently the Condemned Prisoners in the chamber of the prison.

June, 29. Madam Richards buried, in her Husbands

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were reserved for Evidences, and are in Her Majesties Mercy. The Prisoners moved for Council, and His Excellency assigned them Mr. James Meinzes. The Court was adjourned to the 16th. When met again, Capt. Quelch prefer'd a Petition to His Excellency and Honourable Court, craving longer Time, which was granted Monday Morning at Nine of the Clock, when said Court is to Sit again in order to their Tryal."

An extract from "The Boston News Letter" of June 26, 1704.

"BOSTON, June 24. On Monday last, The 19. Currant, The High Court of Admiralty Sat again, when the Tryal of John Quelch late Commander of the Briganteen Charles, and Company for Piracy and Murder, Committed by them upon Her Majesties Allies the Subjects of the King of Portugal, was brought forward, and the said Quelch was brought to the Bar, being charged with nine several Articles of Piracy and Murder whereupon he had been Arraigned and Pleaded, Not Guilty: The Queen's Attorney opened the case, and the Court proceeded to the Examination of the Evidences for Her Majesty. And the Council for the Prisoner, and the Prisoner himself being fairly heard, The Court was cleared, and after Advisment, the Prisoner was again brought to the Bar; and the Judgment of the Court declared. That he was guilty of the Felony, Piracy and Murder, laid in said Articles: Accordingly Sentence of Death was pronounced against him.

"The next day being Tuesday, John Lambert, Charles James, John Miller and Christopher Scudamore, were brought to the Bar, who pleaded Not Guilty: And were severally tryed as Quelch was, and found guilty and Sentenced to Dy in like manner.

"Then was brought to the Bar, William Whiting and John Templeton being Arraigned, They pleaded Not Guilty, and the Witnesses proving no matter of Fact upon them, said Whiting being Sick all the Voyage, and not active, and Templeton a Servant about 14 years of Age, and not charged with any action, were acquitted by the Court, paying Prison Fees. Next 15. more being brought to the Bar and Arraign'd, viz. Will. Wilde, Benj. Perkins, James Austin, Nich. Richardson, Rich. Lawrence, John Pitman, Will. Jones, Erasmus Peterson, John King, Francis King, Charles King, Peter Roach, John Dorothy, Denis Carter and John Carter, who severally pleaded Guilty, and threw themselves on the Queen's Mercy. And Sentence of Death was past upon them, in like manner as those above named. 'Tis said some of them will be Executed the next Friday, and the whole proceeding be put out in Print."



Tomb at the North-burying place. Bearers, Russel, Cook ; Hutchinson Elisha, Sewall ; Sergeant, Foster. Scarfs and Rings, Scutcheons on the Coffin.<sup>1</sup>

*Feria Sexta*, Junij, 30, 1704. As the Governour sat at the Council-Table twas told him, Madam Paige was dead ;<sup>2</sup> He clap'd his hands, and quickly went out, and return'd not to the Chamber again ; but ordered Mr. Secretary to prorogue the Court till the 16<sup>th</sup> of August, which Mr. Secretary did by going into the House of Deputies. After Diñer, about 3. p.m. I went to see the Execution.<sup>3</sup> By the way (cous. Ephr. Savage with me) James Hawkins certifies us of Madam Paiges death ; he was to make a Tomb. Many were the people that saw upon Broughton's Hill. But when I came to see how the River was cover'd with People, I was amazed : Some say there were 100 Boats. 150 Boats and Canoes, saith Cousin Moody of York. He told them. Mr. Cotton Mather came with Capt. Quelch and six others for Execution from the

<sup>1</sup> This was Anna, daughter of Governor John Winthrop, of Connecticut, and second wife of John Richards, of Boston, whose first wife was widow of Adam Winthrop. The reference to escutcheons reminds us that in Gore's Roll of Arms (*Heraldic Journal*, I. 117) is a description of Richards's arms impaling Winthrop, and ascribed to this lady. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> She was his niece, wife of Edward Lane, and then of Col. Nicholas Paige, being the daughter of Benjamin Keayne and Sarah Dudley. Savage points out an error in Hutchinson's History, I. 375, where she is called sister, instead of niece, of Governor Joseph Dudley. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> This execution took place on the Boston side of the Charles River flats. It is thus described in the "Boston News Letter" three days afterwards. — Eds.

"On Friday was carried to the Place of Execution Seven Pirates to be Executed, viz. ; Capt. John Quelch, John Lambert, Christopher Scudamore, John Miller, Erasmus Peterson, Peter Roach and Francis King: all of whom were executed except the last named, who had a Reprieve from his Excellency. And notwithstanding all the great labour and pains taken by the Reverend Ministers of the Town of Boston ever since they were first Seized and brought to Town, both before and since their Trial and Condemnation, to instruct, admonish, preach and pray for them: yet as they led a wicked and vitious life, so to appearance they dyed very obdurately and impenitently, hardened in their sin. His Excellency intends to send an Express to *England*, with an Account of the whole matter to her Majesty."

Prison to Scarlet's Wharf, and from thence in the Boat to the place of Execution about the midway between Hanson's point and Broughton's Warehouse. Mr. Bridge was there also. When the scaffold was hoisted to a due height, the seven Malefactors went up; Mr. Mather pray'd for them standing upon the Boat. Ropes were all fasten'd to the Gallows (save King, who was Repriev'd). When the Scaffold was let to sink, there was such a Screech of the Women that my wife heard it sitting in our Entry next the Orchard, and was much surprised at it; yet the wind was sou-west. Our house is a full mile from the place.<sup>1</sup>

July, 1, 1704. *Feria Septima*. News is brought from New-york of Trade to be had with the American Spaniards. This comes in seasonably upon Quelches Spightfull admonition yesterday.<sup>2</sup> Melyen told me of it on the Lords Day.

<sup>1</sup> The painful particularity with which Judge Sewall describes this scene, of which he was a spectator, suggests to us, by contrast, the great change in our modern views and usages in the execution of the sentence of the law inflicting capital punishment. All that the civil and religious acts and exercises of those times could effect to give publicity to the final scene, closed the whole series of similarly demonstrative and distressing spectacles and observances which preceded it. The processes connected with the indictment and the trial in court were intended to be made very solemn and awful by devotional services. The judges prayed, and, in passing sentence, often preached, as we have noticed on a previous page (p. 39), when the Judge reminded Esther Rogers of quite another Esther mentioned in the Bible. On the Sunday preceding an execution, or on the day of the Thursday lecture, the doomed culprit, heavily chained, was the subject of direct and special prayer and exhortation, and often of sharp objurgation, in the meeting-house, crowded with curious, excited, and morbid spectators. Then followed the public procession with the dread ministrations of law through the streets, the criminal being drawn in a cart, with his coffin behind him. Women, shrieking and swooning, as we read in the text, mingled in the hurrying and gazing throng which extended from the foot of the scaffold as far as the wretched spectacle was visible, and then a broad-side, in the style of gallows literature, was peddled abroad. — EDS.

<sup>2</sup> In what we should call an "Extra," of the "News Letter," we find an account of the behavior, and last, dying speeches, of these pirates. In this it is said: "There were Sermons Preached in their Hearing Every Day: And Prayers daily made with them. And they were Catechised. And

July, 2<sup>d</sup> Lords Day, Madam Paige is buried from her own house, where Mrs. Perry is Tenant, between 6 and 7. p.m. Bearers L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> Povey, Usher; Sewall, Addington; Col. Phillips, Foxcroft. Rings and Scarves. The Tomb was near Messengers. The Gov<sup>r</sup>, his Lady and family there. Note. By my Order, the diggers of M<sup>m</sup> Paiges Tomb dugg a Grave for Lambert, where he was laid in the Old burying place Friday night about midnight near some of his Relations: Body was given to his Widow. Son and others made Suit to me.<sup>1</sup>

July, 3, *Feria Secunda*, I read the three first sheets of the Trial of the Pirats. July, 4. Send David to Cambridge with Joseph's cloths. July 15. *Feria quarta*. Last night very refreshing Thunder shower. Rains this morning. Goe to Cambridge with Mr. Tho. Brattle in Stedman's Calash. Spent the forenoon in the Meetinghouse. Waited on the Gov<sup>r</sup> from Dinner Time till the last Question: Then follow'd the Govr in. Mr. Gibbs<sup>2</sup> was holding the last Question. Dr. Du<sup>m</sup>er<sup>3</sup> rose up and in very fluent good Latin ask'd Leave, and made an o<sup>p</sup>osition; and then took Leave again with Co<sup>m</sup>endation of the Respondent. Came home with Col. Townsend.

Mr. Dudley<sup>4</sup> made a good Oration in the morning. men-

they had many occasional Exhortations." The exhortation of the ministers on the scaffold is given, and the prayer of one of them, of considerable length, is reported *verbatim*. In Captain Quelch's dying speech, there appears none of the bravado to which Sewall alludes, though he warned the by-standers to beware "how they brought Money into New England to be hanged for it." — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> We do not know why Lambert should thus have been allowed burial apart from the other pirates. He may have had respectable connections here. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Perhaps Henry Gibbs, who graduated in 1685. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> Jeremy Dummer, of the Class of 1699, in Harvard College, had received the degree of *Philosophiæ Doctor*, at Utrecht, in 1703. — Eds.

<sup>4</sup> Probably William Dudley, of the Class of 1704. It was an old custom to honor, by mention at the annual commencement, the benefactors of the College. — Eds.

tion'd Benefactors, Harvardus, Stoughtonus, Spragus,<sup>1</sup> Decease of Col. Pierce. Captivity of Mr. Williams. Judges as at the first, Councillors as at the Beginning [Isaiah i. 26.]

July, 10<sup>th</sup> 1704. Went to Benj Child beyond the Pond, to bespeak his driving my wife to Brooklin to morrow. As came home visited my old friend Mr. Bailey, who has been confin'd some Moneths by the Stone. He was very glad to see me. Mr. Stoughton's Executors have made offers to him for compliance, which he has taken up with. Rid over the Neck with my Brother.

July, 11<sup>th</sup> 1704. Son and daughter Hirst, Joseph and Mary, rode with me in the coach to Brooklin, and there dined at my Son's with the Governour, his Lady, Mr. Paul Dudley and wife, Mr. Neh. Walter and wife, Dr. Duñer, Mrs. Anne Dudley, Mrs. Mary Dudley, Mr. Flint and others. Call'd in as went to Hartford. Sung a Psalm.

July, 12. *feria quarta*, went to Dedham in company of Mr. Gray, and David Jeffries; find Judith well, carried her a little Basket and some Cakes. Mr. Belcher preach'd from Lam. 3. Why doth living man complain. Din'd at Mr. Avery's with Judith. Harvest begun.

July, 13. 1704. Thin Lecture at Boston by reason of the Heat. In the afternoon Jenkyns arrives, 9 weeks from England; brings News of the Arrival of all our Fleet there.

July, 16. Lords-day morn, Miles arrives, who came out with Jenkins.

July, 21, 1704. Mr. Thomas Weld, who proceeded Master of Arts this Com̄encement, July 15<sup>th</sup>, died this day at his unkle Wilson's at Braintry. July, 22, *Feria septima*, is buried from his unkle Weld's at Roxbury. Mr. Bromfield and I were there, rode with Madam Bromfield

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<sup>1</sup> Richard Sprague, of Charlestown, who bequeathed to Harvard College £300, Massachusetts currency. He died in 1703. See Quincy's History of Harvard University, I. 409. — Eds.

in the Calash. Mr. Walter prayed in the Orchard. Mr. Bromfield and I follow'd the Relations; then Mr. Danforth and Mr. Walter. Mr. Bailey is very bad and in his chamber; as Mr. Bromfield told me, who went to see him. Gov<sup>r</sup> is gon to Dedham. It begins to be known that the Bills of Credit are counterfeited, the Twenty-Shilling Bill.<sup>1</sup>

July, 24, 1704. Mrs. Zachary,<sup>2</sup> the Quaker's wife, who died in child-bed, is brought in a black Walnut Coffin to the South-end of the Town, carried down the 7-Star Lane,<sup>3</sup> and then into Bishop's Lane, and buried in the inner Corner of Mr. Brightman's Pasture<sup>4</sup> and Orchard. It seems

<sup>1</sup> See Province Laws, Vol. II. pp. 503, 666. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Probably this was the wife of Daniel Zachary, whose will, dated March 10, 1704-5, proved Jan. 16, 1705-6, is in Suff. Wills, Lib. XVI. f. 97. He was a merchant, mentions a lot of land in Philadelphia worth £120, and names his son, Lloyd Zachary, and sisters Elizabeth Stephens and Winifred Brabins. The boy was to be with his uncle and aunt Hill until ten years old, when he was to go to the testator's brother, Thomas Zachary, in London.

It will be noted that the Quaker meeting-house was, at this time, in Brattle Square. In 1709, the Quakers bought a lot on Congress Street, opposite Lindall Street, where afterward the Transcript building stood. Here was their cemetery; the first, probably, used by them. Shurtleff doubts if they had any earlier one, and this burial on Hawley Street confirms this idea. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> Now Summer Street. Bishop's Alley is now Hawley Street. — Eds.

<sup>4</sup> In regard to Brightman's pasture, we learn, from the "Book of Possessions," that Robert Reynolds owned the southerly corner of Milk and Washington Streets. Thence southerly on the latter street came Edward Fletcher, Richard Waite, Charity White, Francis East, Nathaniel Eaton, Richard Hogg, John Marshall, and Nathaniel Woodward on the corner of Summer and Washington Streets.

East, on Milk Street, from Reynolds, were John Stevenson, Nathaniel Bishop, Nicholas Parker, James Pen, John Kenrick, &c.

East, on Summer Street, from Woodward, were John Palmer, Jr., Amos Richardson, John Palmer, Sen., Gamaliel Waite, &c.

In the centre were William Hudson, Robert Scott, and others; but Bishop and Parker bounded south on Hudson, and Richardson bounded north on Hudson.

Oct. 5, 1695 (Suff. Deeds, Lib. XVII. f. 150), Jonathan Curwin, of Salem, and wife, Elizabeth, and Sampson Sheaffe, with wife, Mehitable, sold Henry Brightman one and three-fourth acres of land, undoubtedly part of Hudson's lot. It was bounded, north, by land late of Nathaniel Bishop;

one spake much at the Grave. Proclamation is issued out against the Forgers of the Bills &c.

July, 25, 1704. Major Walley and I rid together in Heton's Calash to Cambridge Court: there met Col. Hathorne and Mr. Leverett. Major Walley and I came home together. Old Bell rung 9 as we got to the Ferry. Gave Heton 6 shillings. Between 10 and 11 by that time we got home. The Forgers are discover'd.

Mr. Barnard of Andover married Lydia Goff last week and din'd with us.

July, 31, 1704. Capt. Ephr. Savage, Mr. Antram and I ride to Dedham, Dine there with Capt. Barber, I visit Judith. From Dedham to Medfield. There I meet Mr. Gookin, his wife and Son. Have Mr. Gookin for our Pilot to his house. Call at Capt. Mors's about an hour in night; and he tells us of the Indians assaulting Lancaster. This was very heavy News to us now in a Fronteer Town; yet we went on, lodg'd at cousin Gookin's, and were kept safe. Tuesday and Wednesday did our business, and came home on Thursday.

Augt 25<sup>th</sup> *feria Sexta*, Mr. Richard Wilkins being blind

south, on Amos Richardson; west, on Bishop's Lane (now Hawley Street); east, on Thomas Marshall and Robert Keayne. This was Brightman's great pasture.

March 7, 1705-6. (Suff. Deeds, Lib. XXII. f. 475) Joshua Eaton, of Reading, and wife, Ruth, sold Henry Brightman the little pasture of thirty-eight rods six feet, being land formerly Nathaniel Bishop's, bounded, south, by Brightman; west, by Bishop's lane; north, by Joshua Davis; east, by Mumford.

Henry Brightman left a widow, Abiel, and sons, Henry and Joseph, both victuallers. By Suff. Deeds, Lib. XXX. f. 98, and Lib. XXXII. f. 49, it seems the Little pasture was 110 feet on the south line, 150½ feet on Bishop's alley, 40 feet on Davis, 137½ feet east, on Brown.

Also Brightman's widow had a house which was 27 feet on Marlborough (Washington) Street, north, 25 feet on John Gray, and with it a yard and another house and lot, which came to the west side of Bishop's Alley, there measuring 15 feet.

We conclude, then, that Brightman's pasture was on the east side of Hawley Street, the second lot from Summer Street, and reached, probably, across Franklin Street. — Eds.

and helpless, goes to Milton to live and dye there with his daughter Thacher. Mr. Gray and others ride after the coach. He call'd and took leave as he went along: I and my wife went to him as he sat in the Coach.

Aug<sup>t</sup> — at the South Church, Mr. Tho. Bridge pray'd, Mr. Pemberton preach'd: just as had done his Sermon and stood up to pray, a Cry of Fire was made, by which means the Assembly was broken up, but it pleas'd God the Fire was wonderfully Quench'd. The wind was Southwardly, so that if it had proceeded from the Tavern Ancor,<sup>1</sup> probably the old Meeting House and Townhouse must have been consumed and a great part of the Town beside. Ministers express'd great Thankfullness in the Afternoon for this Deliverance. Dr. Incr. Mather pray'd, Mr. Willard preach'd and then pray'd. Mr. Thacher and Mr. Danforth sup'd with us.

Augt. 29. rode to Roxbury Lecture. Visited Mr. Bayley. Mr. Walter preach'd from [Psalm] 119-71. It is good for me that I have been Afflicted: Kept from sin, made more fruitfull, shew me wherefore Thou contendest with me. Waited on Madam Dudley home, presented her with Mr. Fowl's Books for Gov<sup>t</sup> and self. Saw my Daughter there. Son was getting in Hay.

*Feria septima*, Sept<sup>r</sup> 9. 1704. Col. Hathorne and I set out for Bridgewater, Sam. Moodey waits on me. Bait at Braintry. A Taunton man, Mason, overtakes us and becomes a very good Pilot to us through the wilderness. Dine late at Waldo's upon the edge of Bridgewater. Got to Howard's about a quarter of an hour before Sun-set. Sept<sup>r</sup> 10. Mr. Keith administred Baptisme and the Lords su<sup>p</sup>er, whereby my Missing the Administration of it at home, was supplied.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 11 Rode to Taunton; from thence Capt. Leñard

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<sup>1</sup> We have mentioned (Vol. I. pp. 89, 461) the Blue Anchor Tavern. As it was on Washington Street, the second estate north of Little, Brown, & Co.'s book-store, a south wind would have carried the flame as Sewall says. — Eds.

and Mr. King accompanied us through very bad way. Dined at Luther's. I was threaten'd with my sore Throat: but I went to Bed early at Mr. Sparhawk's, pin'd my Stocking about my Neck, drunk a porringer of Sage Tea, upon which I sweat very kindly. The pain of my Throat was the more painfull to me, for fear of my being rendered unable to goe to Court next morning; and then the Court must have fallen, for was only Major Walley with us. Sept<sup>r</sup> 12. I was so well recover'd as to go to the Court, not losing any time. Sept<sup>r</sup> 13. grew very well. Sept<sup>r</sup> 14. Adjourn'd the Court *sine die*. Dined at Col. Byfield's with the Justices at Pappasquash.<sup>1</sup> From thence the Gentlemen accompanied us to the Ferry: Lodg'd at Mr. Smith's at Rehoboth. Sept<sup>r</sup> 15. Baited at Slack's; Dined at Billenges. At Dedham met the Comissioners going to New-York, Col. Townsend, Mr. Leverett: Gave Mr. Leverett my Letter to Mr. Williams: In it was a Letter of Credit for some Money not exceeding Ten Ounces. Visited my Dear little Judith. Got home about Sunset or a little after. *Laus Deo*.

Monday, 7r. 11<sup>th</sup> Mr. Robert Hawkins dies in the Afternoon. 7r. the 12<sup>th</sup> buried; Hill, Williams, Checkley, Belknap, Cole, Emory, Bearers. Great Funeral.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Tuthill falls through a Trap Door into the cellar, breaks her right Thigh just above the knee, so that the bones pierce through the skin.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 19. Mrs. Tuthill dies.

Thursday, 7<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup>. Mr. William Hubbard,<sup>2</sup> of Ipswich, goes to the Lecture, after to Col. Apletons: Goes home, sups, and dyes. that night.

Thursday, 7<sup>r</sup> 21. 1704. Mrs. Mary Tuthill, widow, buried; Gov<sup>r</sup>, Lt Gov<sup>r</sup>, Capt. Smith at the Funeral. Bear-

<sup>1</sup> A part of the town of Bristol, R. I. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Rev. William Hubbard, born in England, 1621. By request of the Colonial authorities he wrote a history of New England, his compensation being £50. He published other historical and biographical works. — Eds.



ers, Elisha Hutchinson, Sewall; Addington, E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson; Legg, Belchar. Laid in a brick Grave of the South Burying place,<sup>1</sup> southwest corner of it. Mr. Neh. Hubbard dined with us this day.

Wednesday, Octob<sup>r</sup> 4. 1704. Went to Dedham Lecture in company with Mr. Dan<sup>l</sup> Oliver. Mr. N. Hobart fell in with us two miles before we got to Town. Visited Judith. Text, Wisdom is the principal thing. Grace is Glory in the Bud; Glory is Grace full-blown. Din'd with Mr. Belchar. Got home about 7 at night.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 12. Mr. Cotton Mather prays for the College and other schools. Mr. Ezk. Lewis marries the widow Kilcup, Octob<sup>r</sup> 12.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 13. Deacon Dyer of Weymouth, Mr. Torrey's Right Hand, is to be buried to-day. Dy'd with a Fall from's Horse.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 1704. visited Col. Savage. He has kept house 7 weeks. Mr. Wigglesworth came to Town the 9<sup>th</sup> Inst<sup>t</sup> and administers to him. I pray'd God to bless his sickness to him; and his Physick for his Restauration. He seem'd refresh'd with my company.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 24. Went to Roxbury Lecture. Mr. Walter, from Mat. 6. 1. Shew'd we should have a care of Wrong Ends in doing Duties. Led my daughter Sewall home. Then visited Mr. Walter; told Mr. Mather of Alcasar, Dan. 12. 7;<sup>2</sup> and scattering power of the Holy people; not

<sup>1</sup> The tombstone of Mary, relict of John Tuthill, is still in the Granary, bearing a coat of arms, as is shown in the *Heraldic Journal*, II. 132. She was sixty-seven years old, and was probably the mother of Zechariah Tuthill, Lieutenant of Castle William. Of her daughters, Sarah married James Gooch, Susanna married Abraham Blish, and Mary was the wife of Deacon Thomas Hubbard. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> The text is, "Blessed is he that waiteth and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days."

And here, à *propos* of prophecies, we would say that, in Vol. I. p. 97, Sewall mentions Zadori, and we inserted in the text the words [it may be a writer on Prophecies]. But we find that the late Rev. Samuel Sewall printed in the "American Quarterly Register" for 1838, p. 180, the following extract

to be understood of the Jews, as he had set it in his *Problema Theologicum*.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 13. set out for Salem with Major Walley; Lodg'd at Lewis's, being taken with a Storm of Rain.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 26. Major Davis dies of a Flux about 6. in the evening after the Sabbath. I knew not that was sick till about 24 hours before.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 30 Major Davis buried; Bearers, Elisha Hutchinson esqr: Sewall, Addington, Foster, Jeffries, Joseph Parson. Mr. Torrey lodg'd here last night, and went home this day, Nov<sup>r</sup> 30.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 1. Went to Charlestown Lecture. After Lecture discoursed with Capt. Chamberlain, Phillips, and Mr. Austin, all of the Co<sup>m</sup>ittee could meet with, to persuade them not to go on with their Action against me.<sup>1</sup>

Dec<sup>r</sup> 2. Visited my son and Daughter at Brooklin.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Mr. Clark of Chelmsford dies of a Fever; was taken very suddenly the Friday before, after he had been at a Funeral; buried the 11<sup>th</sup>.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> Mr. Richard Wilkins<sup>2</sup> dies at Milton; is

from Sewall's "Common-place Book," p. xc. *verso*, now in our possession, distinguishing it from the "Journal:" —

"Wednesday, Nov. 15, 1682. Mr. Sherman ordains Mr. Nath. Gookin, Pastor of Cambridge Church; Mr. Eliot gives the Right Hand of Fellowship, first reading the Scripture that warrants it. Mr. Sherman, Eliot and Mather laid on Hands. Then Mr. Gookin ordain'd Deacon Stone and Mr. Clark Ruling Elders. The presence of God seemed to be with his People. Mr. Jonathan Danforth, the Deputy Governours onely Son, lay by the wall, having departed on Monday Morn of a Consumption. 'Tis a comfortable day, and much People at the Ordination. I go and come on foot in Company of Mr. Zadori, the Hungarian, whom I find to be an Arminian." — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> About Sewall's claim to the "Land of Nod," see p. 62 *ante*. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Richard Wilkins and his "daughter Thatcher" (referred to, *ante*, p. 115) have caused us some trouble. Undoubtedly she was Susanna, second wife of Rev. Peter Thatcher, and widow of Rev. John Bailey or Bayley. Bailey's first wife, Lydia, died April 12, 1690, and he died, as his tombstone in the Granary witnesses, Dec. 12, 1697. His widow, Susanna, mentioned in his will, married, Dec. 25, 1699, Rev. Peter Thatcher, of Milton. Her tombstone, at Milton, bears the following inscription: "Here lies the remains of Mrs. Susanna Thacher, second wife of the Rev. Peter Thacher,

brought in the coach to Boston, Dec<sup>r</sup> 12; buried Dec<sup>r</sup> 13 in the upper end of the South-burying place.<sup>1</sup> I went to the Burying as I came from Charlestown Court. Son

who died Sept. 4, 1724, æt. 59 yrs." She was, therefore, younger than Comfort, if we are to trust Dunton. Her will (Suff. Wills, lib. 23, fol. 380) mentions her dear kinsman, Mr. John Baily, of Boston; sister, Madam Rebecca Brown; kinswoman, Mrs. Margaret Pain; sons, Oxenbridge and Peter Thatcher; daughters, Gulliver and Niles; nieces, Elizabeth, Ann, and Comfort Alison; kinswoman, Susanna Glover.

Her children named were her step-children, being Thatcher's children by his first wife. Her sister, Rebecca Brown, was undoubtedly Rebecca Bayley, who married William Brown, of Salem, as Savage reports, and as undoubtedly was sister of Rev. John Bayley.

Her kinswoman, Mrs. Margaret Pain, was unquestionably Margaret (Stewart), wife of William Payne (see Mass. Hist. Soc. Proceedings, for January, 1875, p. 415), and this gives us the necessary proof. For, as has been shown in Dunton's Letters, published by the Prince Society, Mrs. Wilkins and Mrs. Stewart were sisters; and, therefore, Mrs. Payne and Mrs. Thatcher were first cousins.

As to her three nieces, Elizabeth, Ann, and Comfort Alison, who gave a release for their bequests, to be seen in Suff. Deeds, lib. 38, fol. 212, less can be found. Dunton has much to say about Richard Wilkins, who was his landlord at Boston, and his daughter, Comfort, who was born about 1660. From the name of the niece, Comfort Alison, we may presume that Comfort Wilkins was their mother. The name of Alison is very uncommon here. Savage records that James Allison, of Boston, by wife, Christian, had James in 1650, and John in 1653. Nov. 27, 1690, Samuel Veazie, of Boston, in his will (Suff. Wills, lib. 11, fol. 243), mentions kinswoman, Christian Allison, daughter of James Allison, of New York, mariner.

Dec. 1, 1701, James Allison, of Jamaica, merchant, having died intestate at Boston, administration was granted to William Clarke. (Suff. Deeds, lib. 14, fol. 420.) — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> It may be convenient to note that there were then three grave-yards in Boston; the Copp's Hill, the King's Chapel, and the Granary. The last was established about 1660, and was, in the early part of the eighteenth century, called the South Yard. In 1754, the more southerly one, on the Common, was established (called, in 1810, the Central Yard); and, in 1810, the South Burying-ground, on Washington Street, between Newton and Concord Streets, was laid out. The name of the "South Yard" has thus been migratory. Probably there were other private yards at the South End, for it seems that, some five years ago, in widening Eliot Street near Carlton Place, there were found a number of tombstones, which, though not *in situ*, probably had not been removed far. One of these stones was for the infant son of Edmund Perkins, dated in 1682; the latter being the progenitor of the very distinguished Boston family of the name. — Eds.

Samuel there. Several of the Council and Ministers, Mr. Chiever, Williams, Gloves [to?] Bearers.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 25. Monday, a Storm of Snow, yet many Sleds come to Town, with Wood, Hoops, Coal &c as is usual.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 30. Satterday, Daughter Sewall of Brooklin is brought to Bed of a Daughter, Rebeka. 31. is baptised.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 2. Madam Leverett dies; was taken with an Apoplexy last Thursday, 2 or 3 Hours after her coming from Lecture. Mrs. Mason dies also this night.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 3 Tedman, the Brazier, opens his Shop and dies.

Emons, the shomaker, dies; is older than Benj Emons, his Brother.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Little is in print concerning the Emmons family, though it is still flourishing in Boston.

The first of the name was Thomas, of Newport and Boston, according to Savage, who had three sons, Obadiah, Samuel, and Benjamin. From the dates of their children, they probably stood in this order. Samuel was a shoemaker; but as administration was granted to his widow Oct. 27, 1685 (Suff. Wills, Lib. IX. f. 251), this could not be the man. Probably it was Obadiah, whose death we do not find.

In the next generation Benjamin, son of Benjamin, had a wife, whose obituary is as follows:—

“Boston News Letter,” Oct. 16, 1740. “On the 8th inst. at night, died Mrs. *Mary Emmons*, wife to Mr. *Benjamin Emmons*, in the 67th Year of her Age, and had lived with her Husband 46 Years. She was the only Daughter of Capt. *Simon Amory*, of Barnstable, in Old England, a worthy Gentleman, Member of the first Church in Boston. Her parents dying when she was very young, her Uncle Drinker, who was for some time Teacher of the Baptist Church here, took the care of her and brought her up in a religious manner. She was a Member of the First Church in Boston about 40 years. She was a loving wife, a tender mother, a quiet and peaceable neighbour, and a good Christian; one who walked with God, and whose Life and Conversation was very inoffensive. She has left one only Son and two Grandsons.”

Another branch claims especial notice. Samuel Emmons, by wife, Mary Scott, had a son, Nathaniel, born Feb. 9, 1669–70, who doubtless married Mary Warmall, Sept. 15, 1698. He had three children, — a son, Nathaniel, born in 1699, who died young; and a second Nathaniel, born in November, 1703. Administration was granted to the widow, Mary, Feb. 1, 1721.

The son, Nathaniel Emmons, was one of the early portrait-painters in Boston. He died May 19, 1740, aged thirty-six years and seven months, and was buried in the Granary. Administration on estate of Nathaniel Emmons, painter-stainer, was granted to the widow, Mary, June 3, 1740 (Suff. Wills,

Monday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 1. 170 $\frac{4}{5}$  Col. Hobbey's Negro comes about 8 or 9 *mane* and sends in by David to have leave to give me a Levit<sup>1</sup> and wish me a merry new year. I admitted it: gave him 3 Reals. Sounded very well.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> I dine at Mr. Paul Dudley's with the Gov<sup>r</sup>, L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, Capt. Sam. Appleton, Mr. Colman, Mr. White, Mr. Antho. Stoddard.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 6. Begins to be some heat between the Gov<sup>r</sup> and the Deputies. At last the Gov<sup>r</sup> sends in Mr. Secretary, Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson and Mr. Stoddard, to prorogue the Assembly to the 21. Febr. at 10. m. At first the Deputies seem'd to be against Prorogation; afterward sent in Capt. Checkly to say, That by reason of the thinness of their House, Shortness and Coldness of the days, inclined to a Prorogation. Speaker intimated their Desire of a Fast.

Monday, January, 8. I went to the Funeral of Mrs. Joha<sup>n</sup>a Mason. She was a vertuous, pious woman, in the 70<sup>th</sup> year of her Age. Then went to the Council-Chamber, and from thence with the Governour to the Funeral of Madam Sarah Leverett; Bearers, Gov<sup>r</sup> Dudley, W Winthrop; Elisha Hutchinson, S. Sewall; Peter Sergeant, E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson. Had very warm discourse with the Gov<sup>r</sup> about Philip Morse, after came from the Tomb, at Mr. Cook's.

Thursday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> The Gov<sup>r</sup> and his Lady essaying to come from Charlestown to Boston in their Slay, 4 Horses, two Troopers riding before them, First the Troopers fell into the water, and then the Gov<sup>r</sup> making a

Lib. XXXV. f. 32, 392). The inventory amounts to £634: among the items are eight mezzotint pictures, 64s.; two pictures, 20s.; one hundred brushes, £8.10; two pictures, 15s.; sundry picture frames, 10s.; sundry colours, ground, £5; and the Hon. Judge Sewall's picture, £20. This was, of course, the portrait now in possession of Samuel Sewall, of Burlington, Mass., which has been engraved, and is quite familiar to collectors. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> Levit — a blast of a trumpet. — Eds.

stand, his four Horses fell in, and the Two Horses behind were drown'd, the Slay pressing them down. They were pull'd up upon the Ice, and there lay dead, a sad Spectacle. Many came from Charlestown with Boards, planks, Ropes &c. and sav'd the other Horses. 'Tis a wonderfull Mercy That the Gov<sup>r</sup>, his Lady, Driver, Postilion, Troopers escaped all safe.

January, 19. 1704 $\frac{4}{5}$  The Gov<sup>r</sup> coming to Town, the way being difficult by Banks of Snow, his Slay was turn'd upon one side against the Fence next Cambridge, and all in it thrown out, Governour's Wigg thrown off, his head had some hurt; and my Son's Elbow. The Horses went away with the foundation and left the Superstructure of the Slay and the Riders behind.

Jan<sup>r</sup> 26. Mr. Hirst and I went to Brooklin to see my Little Grand Daughter, Rebeka Sewall: He and I were on Horseback; in Simson's slay were Madam Willard, daughter Hirst, Hañah, and Mrs. Betty Hirst. Had some difficulty in going because of some deep descents between Banks of Snow. But went and came very well. Blessed be God. Din'd there. Before we came away, we sung the 113<sup>th</sup> Psalm. W [indsor?] While we were gon, Mr. Edw. Gouge was buried; Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson call'd at our House to take me with him to the Funeral. The poor Man Liv'd Undesired, and died Unlamented.

January, 29. I buy the two Folios of Mr. Flavell's works for £3.10-0 and gave them to Mr. Foster for his helping me in my Account last winter, to send to the Corporation [for Propagating the Gospel].

Jan<sup>r</sup> 30. Major Walley and I ride to the Ferry in Simson's Slay, and at Charlestown, with Mr. Leverett, hold the Super<sup>r</sup> Court. At Soñers's I mention Justus Heurnius;<sup>1</sup> Mr. Leverett told me he would bring one if in the Li-

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<sup>1</sup> Probably his "De Legatione Evangelica ad Indos Capessenda Admonitio." Leyden, 1618. — Eds.

brary; I promised to Lend him Judge Hales's<sup>1</sup> Origination of Mankind. Jan<sup>r</sup> 31. We interchange those two Books; which is the first time I ever saw Amiable Heurnius: I first found him quoted by Alsted<sup>2</sup> in his Treatise *De Mille Annis*. Febr. 6. Tuesday, Many go to the Council Chamber and there drink Healths on account of its being the Queen's Birth-Day. Maxwell did not call me, and I even staid at home, and went and heard Mr. Willard's Catechising Lecture. It seems the Gov<sup>r</sup> order'd the Inferiour Court to be Adjourn'd upon the Account of it. Cousin Jer. Duñer, Philosophiæ Dr., going out of the Townhouse about 8 at night, fell by reason of the Ice, hit his left Temple against a piece of Brick-batt, Cut a great Gash at which much blood Issued: He was so stun'd as to be as dead when Mr. John Winthrop took him up. I dont remember that I knew the Gov<sup>r</sup> was in Town till next day.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> Mr. Pemberton preaches of the undoubted Interest children have in the Covenant, and baptiseth his son Ebenezer, who was born Febr. 6<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Hañah Savage, Mr. Phillip's daughter, is taken into the Church, though next Sabbath be the usual Season. It seems she desired it, as being likely then to be detain'd at home by child-birth.

Tuesday, Feb<sup>r</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> Last night I had a very sad Dream that held me a great while. As I remember, I was condemn'd and to be executed. Before I went out I read Dr. Arrowsmith's<sup>3</sup> Prayer p 274 — which was a comfort

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<sup>1</sup> Sir Matthew Hale: "The Primitive Origination of Mankind, considered and explained, according to the Light of Nature. London, 1677." — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Johann Heinrich Alsted, a German Protestant divine, 1588-1638. He was Professor of Philosophy and Divinity at Herborn, in Nassau, and was at the Synod of Dort. His "De Mille Annis Apocalypticis" appeared in London, in 1630. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> John Arrowsmith, D. D., Master of St. John's and Trinity Colleges, successively, and Regius Professor of Divinity in the University of Cambridge. He died in 1659. Neal says of him: "He was an acute disputant and a judicious divine, as appears by his 'Tactica Sacra,' a book of great reputation in those times." — Eds.

to me. A Council was warn'd to meet at Noon. I was there one of the first: Governour came in and quickly put Capt. Lawson's Petition into my hand; and upon my speaking something to it, He fell to a vehement chiding about Philip Morse's business, and then with great Loudness and passion spake to the affair of Capt. Lason's; several times said He would dy if ever any such thing was done in England except in case of Felony or Treason, or the like. I objected against that ridiculous part of the Petition of his being forc'd by Mr. Clark or me to retire into the neighbouring Province; as being a great Reproach to the whole Governm<sup>t</sup>. No body a<sup>p</sup>peared, I expected my Accuser face to face. Gov<sup>r</sup> mov'd that a day might be set for a Hearing: but the Council being but 7, besides my self, declared they did not understand what was contain'd in the Petition belong'd to them to deal in, i. e. settling a Maintenance. Gov<sup>r</sup> said, then it must be left to another time.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 14. I got a copy: Mr. Secretary told me he had no Money paid for entring of it. Feb<sup>r</sup> 14. Mrs. Odlin buried; I went to the Funeral.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 17. Richardson tells me that the Charlestown Gent have sued me again. Here is Wave upon Wave. The Good Lord be With me when so many, almost all, are against me. Hern tells me the Petition was first in Mr. Dudleys hand, and Mr. Secretary tells me 'tis Weavers writing. When I ask'd Hern who drew it, He answer'd all, i. e. Dudley Newton, Valentine and he. Newton denys it; but I perceive will stand Neuter. Febr. 23. Jer. Du<sup>m</sup>er, Dr. Philosoph., went with me to Col. Lynde's at Charlestown: I pleaded first to the Jurisdiction of the Court; then to the writ, that it could not ly, because I was in Possession. [In margin, — Land of Nod.] Went to Lecture. Din'd at Col. Lyndes with Mrs. Everton, Major Davison.

Febr. 24. Singing of Birds is come.



March, 2. Deputies present the Gov<sup>r</sup> with Two Hundred pounds. Towards night the Gov<sup>r</sup> called upon the Council to consider George Lason's Petition; <sup>1</sup> If he might have a Protection, he was ready to come. [In margin, — Great Dispute.] Council excepted against their meddling with settling estates of Maintenance; knew not that it was his Petition. Spoke pretty much to it.

March, 3. Gov<sup>r</sup> said he would now take their vote whether they would hear Lason: Twas carried in the Negative, not one that I observ'd, speaking for it. I read a Clause out of Dalton <sup>2</sup> shewing when an officer might break open a House. Mention'd the Act of Parliam<sup>t</sup> about cutting Poles where the Fine is but Ten shillings; yet a suspected person's house might be entred. In presence of 2 Justices Peers house might be broken up and yet peer must not be attach'd or imprison'd. Because the Gov<sup>r</sup> had said, Must be Treason or Felony. And upbraided me, because had broken up the house, and then taken his parol till morning. Should have sent him to Prison with 20 Halberts. No Law for a man to live with his wife. I said Gov<sup>r</sup> [Thomas] Dudley's saying was, A bargain's a Bargain and must be made Good; If we look'd to the Form of Marriage should find twas a great deal Lason had promis'd. Gov<sup>r</sup> seem'd to reject it with disdain, and ask'd Col. Hutchinson when he lay with his wife? Col. Hutchinson answer'd, The Question should not have been when he lay with his wife; but when he

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<sup>1</sup> A search of the remaining records fails to disclose any particulars as to Lason's case. George Lason, described as a mariner, and once termed "late commander of the Baron Frigate," had several suits about this time for money alleged to be due him. May 10, 1706, Martha Lason, wife of George L., represented to the Superior Court that her husband had gone to England, and that he intrusted all his property to David Josse, of Boston, who was to pay her six shillings per week for her subsistence. She could not collect this allowance, and so prayed for relief, which was granted. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Doubtless the law book entitled "The Country Justice," by M. Dalton, published first in the time of James I., and often reprinted; or else a work by the same author, on "The Office and Authority of Sheriff." — Eds.

lay with another woman. I said, The people were ready to pull down Lason's house, high time for the Government to interpose. Mr. Henchman had not complain'd of the Watch for knocking him up the other night. Lason's house was on fire, and he was not aware of it; high time for the Government to awaken him. Last night mention'd the Queen's Proclamation, and Governours to do to the utmost to suppress Imorality and profaneness: None had yet shew'd me any Law I had broken. Gov<sup>r</sup> mention'd Dalton.

March, 4. Lord's-Day. A great deal of snow falls after a great deal of Rain the night before.

March, 9. Gov<sup>r</sup> sails for Piscataqua in a Briganteen belonging to Capt. Belchar and Mr. Pepperil.

March, 13. I go to Charlestown Court. Col. Phillips tells me his wife could not sleep for thinking of the Danger the Gov<sup>r</sup> was in by reason of the vehement storm on Satterday night.

March, 14. go to Charlestown Court: take David with me to carry my Books.

March, 15. between 10 and 11. m. I rec. Brother's Letter giving an account of the extraordinary danger the Gov<sup>r</sup> had been in, and their wonderfull Deliverance that was at Glocester, and were going to fetch him to Salem.

March, 17. Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson carries me in his chariot to meet the Gov<sup>r</sup>; was got home and at Diñer: After Diñer were call'd in: Told the Gov<sup>r</sup> I did congratulat His Excellency and the Province upon the great Salvation God had wrought for him.<sup>1</sup> Went and visited Mr. Bayly who was very glad to see us.

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<sup>1</sup> "The governor, in the month of March this year [1705], returning by water from his other government of New Hampshire, before the brigantine in which he had taken his passage came up with Cape Ann, was surprized with as violent a storm as had been known and of as long continuance. There being advice brought to Boston of his sailing from Portsmouth and no further intelligence of him, it was generally apprehended that the vessel

Satterday, March, 24. 1704. Between 1 and 2 p. m. I set out with Sam. Robinson for Weymouth. Call at Cousin Quinsey's and carry Shepard of the Virgins,<sup>1</sup> and take Dalton away with me to Weymouth, where I made use of it in convicting Ichabod Holbrook for Drunkenness, whom I saw drunk as rode into Town the 24<sup>th</sup>, and convicted and sentenced him at Capt. Frenches. March 26, 1705. Lodg'd at Mr. Torrey's, He was full of grief by reason of the dangerous illness of Mrs. Torrey's eldest daughter, the wife of his Nephew Torrey. Lord's Day, March 25, 1705. p. m. Mr. Torrey after sermon baptised two children, pray'd that God would fit us by this Ordinance for the Other. Administred the Lord's Super, did not pray after his delivering the wine, but only sung a Psalm. When came home said he was never so weary before; could neither speak or stand any longer. Col. Hunt was in the seat with me.

March, 26. set out for Barker's, a souldier from Deerfield accompanied us with his Fusee.<sup>2</sup> At Barkers the Sheriff met us, and Major Walley and Mr. Leverett came up: So went cheerfully along, and got to the sheriff's House in good season, where were entertain'd.

March, 28. I got up betime and begun my Birth-day in the Meetinghouse. Finished the Court this day.

March, 29. Thursday, came homeward, Din'd at Cushing's: Call'd at Mr. Torrey's, Took my Dalton. Mr. Leverett and I visit Madam Shepard. Got home in good

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must have foundered. At length came news of his arrival in the harbour of Gloucester, having been four days at anchor on the back of the cape, expecting every hour to perish. In a proclamation for a public thanksgiving, a few days after, notice is taken of his wonderful preservation from shipwreck." Hutchinson's History, II. 148. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> Parable of the Ten Virgins, opened and applied by Thomas Shepard, late worthy and faithful pastor of the Church of Christ, at Cambridge, in New England. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Notwithstanding this mention of a soldier from Deerfield, it is clear that Sewall was leaving Weymouth, probably for Plymouth. — Eds.

season, and found all well ; never had a more comfortable Journey.

March, 30. Went to the Funeral of young Mr. Allen, Mr. Daniel Allens son, a very hopefull youth, Mr. Georges Āprentice. Gov<sup>r</sup> and his Lady there. Bearers Willard, David Stoddard ; Bronsdon, Colman ; Banister, Foxcroft. Mr. Willard's Meeting was diverted by it, to a Moneth hence. After Funeral, call'd at Mr. Clark's ; I congratulated her Recovery. Mr. Winthrop and Madam Eyre and many more there.

Lord's Day, April, 1. My daughter Hirst is join'd to Mr. Colman's Church. The good Lord Accept her in giving up her Name to his Son.

April, 12, 1705. Thanksgiving Day. The Night was so cold that was a very great Frost, thick Ice, and the street frozen like winter. Remain'd frozen at Noon in the shady places of the street. Mr. Melyen had a great Tub of water frozen so hard, that it bore two men standing upon it in his sight.

April, 17. Council ; Capt. Tuthill's Allowance of 80.£ would not pass : so Gov<sup>r</sup> would pass none of the Quarter-Roll for the Castle.

April, 18. 1705. Gov<sup>r</sup> sets out for Piscataway, his Lady in the Calash with him. Brother met his Excellency at Lindsey's. Got to Town that night and lodg'd at son Hirst's.

April, 18. 1705. Sam. Robinson planted 8 Trees at Elm pasture, one white-oake.<sup>1</sup> Three Trees at Phīpenys ; Elm, White oak, Ash ; one Elm at Morey's pasture.

<sup>1</sup> The following extracts are from the Town Records of Boston. — Eds.

March 11, 1700 [O. S.]. Town Records, Vol. II.

“ It was voted, That all the land on both sides of the way, between the oak and Walnut and the Fortification, the Town's right and title therein, be given to such persons as shall undertake sufficiently to make and maintain the highway for ever, not less then fifty foot wide ; and that Sam<sup>l</sup> Sewall, esq. and Capt. Bozoon Allen be a Committee to agree with persons accord-

Monday, April, 23. Sam. Robinson sets four Poplars in the Foreyard, to shade the windows from the Western sun in Summer. Remov'd the little Peach-Trees. As were setting the Trees, heard and saw several Swallows; which are the first I remember to have seen this year. Widow Holland visits us. Guns fired about Noon: Flags, and Ships Colours flying.

April, 26. 1705. Mr. Paul Dudley buries his little son Thomas: He was taken with a swelling in's Groin and stoppage of his Water. On the coffin was nail'd a little Plate of Lead with this Inscription

Thomas Dudley.

*Pauli Dudloei Armigeri<sup>1</sup> et Luciae uxoris Filius primogenitus, Nepos Josephi Dudloei Gubernatoris Novae Angliae. Natus est 13. Aprilis 1705. Obi't 25 ejusdem.*

ingly; and to make application to the proprietors for their approbation and Consent, that if any appear to accept of the Land upon these Conditions, they may have an unquestionable Title.

“D<sup>r</sup> Elisha Cook esq<sup>r</sup>, Isaac Addington, esq, Sam<sup>l</sup> Sewall, esq<sup>r</sup>, Penn Townsend, esq<sup>r</sup>, Capt. Sam<sup>l</sup> Checkley, were by a Vote of the Town, chosen a Committee to draw up instructions for the Selectmen and Overseers of the poor, and present the same to the Town (the next Gen<sup>l</sup> Town meeting) for their Approbation. And it was further voted, That the same Committee, together with the Selectmen, shall consider about repairing or building or hiring a House for Mr. Ezek<sup>l</sup> Cheever, which they judge may be best.”

March 20th, 1701 [O. S.]. Town Records, Vol. II. p. 253.

“Samuel Sewall, Esq<sup>r</sup> and Hannah his wife grants unto the Town of Boston, a certain strip or slip of land fenced and layd out for a High way or Street, running through their field or pasture at the northerly end of Boston, called by the name of Hull Street, containing in Length about thirty rodde, in breadth at the easterly end Twenty two foot next the Green Lane, and at the westerly end Twenty five feet. Reserving liberty to fence in two foot in breadth thereof upon the southerly side. As p. a deed under their hand and seales doth more fully appear, and Entred with the Records of deeds for the county of Suffolk, Lib. 20, pa. 265.”

<sup>1</sup> The inscription describing Paul Dudley as “armiger,” reminds us that, though Governour Thomas Dudley and Governour Joseph Dudley both used a coat-of-arms, it has thus far been found impossible to connect the emigrant with any English family of the name. Much has been written on the subject, but no satisfactory conclusion has been obtained. See Aldard’s “Sutton-Dudley’s,” and the Heraldic Journal. — Eds.

Only Mr. Addington and I of the Council were at the Funeral. Mr. Colman, Mr. Woodward, Mr. Williams Ministers. Mr. Brattle, Mr. S. Lynde Justices.

April, 28. Went to the Funeral of Sarah Beñet, her Maiden Name was Harris: Mr. Perry her uncle. Then to the Funeral of Capt. Bozoon Allen's wife, Mr. Balston's Daughter.<sup>1</sup> A pretty many Graves are open'd: The Lord grant that I may be cloathed upon, and so ready to be un-cloath'd.

Friday, May. 4, 1705. I visited my Son and daughter at Brooklin; Little Grand-daughter. Came home in the Rain.

May, 8. Went to Roxbury Lecture: visited Mr. Bayly; join'd with Mr. Torrey in praying for him in his Chamber. His Sister Doggett of Marshfield there. Col. Allen died last Satterday night. Persons kill'd and carried away at York and Spruce Crick last Friday. New-found-Land; Many of the people kill'd and captivated there.

May, 30, 1705. Election. Mr. Secretary, Sewall and Walley Gave the Representatives the Oaths, &c. 64. Councillors 26. Winthrop, 82. Russell, 84. Hathorne, 71. Elisha Hutchinson, 79. Sewall, 83. Addington, 77. Brown, 86. Phillips, 84. Corwin, 78. Foster, 81. Hayman, 42. Townsend, 80. Higginson, 80. Belcher, 74.

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<sup>1</sup> As Savage's account of the Balstons is incorrect in part, we submit the following sketch: There were three settlers of the name, William, who left no son, James, and Jonathan. The last was a merchant, and, by his wife Mary, had sons John, Nathaniel, and Jonathan, daughters Mary, wife of Isaac Vergoose, or Goose, Lydia Allen, and Prudence, wife of John Marion. His wife died July 19, 1699, aged seventy-five, and he died June 6, 1706, aged eighty-seven; both buried in the Granary. His will (Suff. Wills, XVI. 156) mentions all these children, John being deceased, leaving issue. He seems also to have had children, — Elizabeth, born Aug. 12, 1659; Elizabeth, born Sept. 18, 1660; Robert, born Dec. 3, 1662; Benjamin, born Feb. 8, 1663-64; all, probably, dying young.

As Captain Bozoun Allen had a wife, Lydia, we may safely consider her to be the daughter of Jonathan Balston. A grandson of Jonathan Balston married Sewall's grand-daughter, as we have shown in the introduction to Volume I. — EDS.

Legg, 70. Hunt, 53. Bromfield, 69. Stoddard, 56. Plimouth; Walley, 54. Thacher, 81. Winslow, 75. Pain, 80. Main; Hutchinson, 66. Hamond, 71. B. Brown, 71. Zag;<sup>1</sup> Lynde 53. Within the Province, Partridge 62, Samuel Appleton, 63. Debate about the Governour's Authority to Approve or refuse the Speaker, made it late; so that twas past Eleven at night before the Election was finished. I advised the Gov<sup>r</sup> again and again to intermit the Debate, and considering the war, to let the election go on with a *Salvo Jure*, as to his Authority respecting the Speaker; Gave my Opinion, that in the clause of the Governour's Negative, General Court or Assembly, was no more than if it had been said Gen<sup>l</sup> Court: and that the House of Representatives was no where in the Charter, call'd Assembly. Gov<sup>r</sup> urg'd the Council to give their votes whether He had Authority to refuse the Speaker or no. Council pray'd it might be defer'd: But at last the Gov<sup>r</sup> prevail'd: And all were in the Negative except Higginson, Thacher, Lynde; 3 or four: and Higginson seem'd not to own his afterward. I said it was a point of great moment, and desired longer time; at present inclin'd to the Negative. Several sent in to the Deputies, I was almost forc'd in with them to persuade the Dept<sup>s</sup> to an Accomodation. First, Gov<sup>r</sup> told them He refus'd and directed them immediately to choose another. After an hour or more; Depts. sent a written vote asserting their Authority by Law and persisting, and shewing were ready to go on with the Election.<sup>2</sup> After this Message, sent to desire this Debate might be laid aside at present, and that might go on with the Election.

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<sup>1</sup> This is Sewall's usual abbreviation of Sagadahoc. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Hutchinson, and other writers, mention this ill-advised attempt of Dudley to disallow the election of a Speaker by the House of Representatives. Hutchinson (Hist. II. 152) writes: "The prejudices against him [Dudley] were great. The people, in general, looked upon him as an enemy, even to the privileges of the new charter." — Eds.

Gov<sup>r</sup> assented and wish'd us well with our work. Now twas Candle-Lighting: for went into Meetinghouse about 12. Mr. Easterbrooks made a very good Sermon. Twas four, or past, before went from the Anchor to the Town-house.

May, 31. 1705. Gov<sup>r</sup>, Major Brown, Sewall, Higginson, dine at Mr. Willard's with the Ministers. Brown, Sewall, Lynde go to Thank Mr. Easterbrooks for his Sermon and desire a Copy: He Thanks the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council for their Acceptance of his mean Labours and shews his unwillingness to be in print. When return'd found this paper on the Board:

GENTLEMEN,—I am very well satisfied of her Maj<sup>ty</sup> just Right and Prerogative to Allow, or disallow the Speaker of the Assembly of this Province, as well as the Council; being all elected by the Assembly. Therefore have proceeded as I have done, and as far as I can at present in that matter. But I have that just sense of the pressing Affairs of the War, that demand a very sudden Dispatch of this session, that will not consist with long Debates of any thing: And therefore shall not delay the Affairs necessary for the Security of the Province; which I desire may be first attended, Saving to Her most sacred Majesty Her just Rights as abovesaid, at all times.

This was communicated to the Council and Assembly May, 31, 1705.<sup>1</sup>

*per J. DUDLEY.*

Note. Body was written by a scribe; Signing was the Governour's own Hand-writing.

In the forenoon pretty near Noon, Deputies sent in the Election by Major Converse, Capt. Checkly, Savage, Major Brown, Gardener. Gov<sup>r</sup> gave us a very hearty well-com to the Board, Sign'd the Bill, and 23. Took the Oaths before went to Diñer at Mr. Willard's.

Lord's Day, June, 10. 1705. The Learned and pious Mr. Michael Wigglesworth<sup>2</sup> dies at Malden about 9. m.

<sup>1</sup> The original is in Mass. Archives, Vol. CVIII. p. 30. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> The Rev. Michael Wigglesworth was one of the most honored, eminent, and useful men of the early years of Massachusetts. Frequent mention is



Had been sick about 10. days of a Fever; 73 years and 8 moneths old. He was the Author of the Poem entituled The Day of Doom, which has been so often printed: and was very useful as a Physician.

July, 2. 1705. Lt Col. Thomas Savage dies about 6. p. m̄.

July, 4. Cōmencement Day. I go by Water, with Neighbour Deming, Green, Judd. Sail'd pleasantly till came about the Capts Island,<sup>1</sup> then the wind and Tide being against us, we went ashore and got over the Marsh to the Upland; and so into the Rode and comfortably to

made of him in these pages in his twofold capacity as minister and physician. His gravestone, in the burial ground at Malden, commemorates him in both these forms of professional service. In the time and circumstances under which, both in Old and New England, the clerical and the healing professions were often combined in the same person, Mr. Wigglesworth appears to have devoted himself, with equal earnestness and success, to each. Though he was himself a life-long invalid, suffering from a mysterious disease, which compelled him for a season to suspend his ministry and to go to the West Indies, he is credited with being a most helpful medical adviser to others. Born in England, in 1631, he was brought, with his family, to Connecticut, in 1638. After graduating at Harvard, in 1651, he was a tutor and a fellow of the College. Later in his life, in 1684, he declined the proffer of the Presidency, on account of his health. He was ordained pastor of the Church in Malden, which office he held nearly fifty years, till his death, at the age of seventy-four. His son, Edward Wigglesworth, his grandson, of the same name, and his great grandson, David Tappan, successively held the Hollis Professorship of Divinity at Harvard for a period of more than seventy years. Mr. Wigglesworth employed his leisure as an invalid in labors of the pen, especially in verse. The most famous, and at the time popular and highly valued, of his productions, was his remarkable poem, "The Day of Doom;" which, while it was the reward, must also have been the terror, of the children of Puritan households, for whose use it was reproduced in many editions, first published, in 1662. Another poem, which he left in manuscript, was printed in the Proceedings of the Society for 1871. "God's Controversy with New England." An elaborate memoir of Wigglesworth, by John Ward Dean, of Boston, is in print, the second edition bearing the date of 1871. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> Captain's Island is to be seen on Pelham's map of Boston and vicinity, and is mentioned by Paige in his History of Cambridge, p. 13. It lies at the westerly bend of the Charles River, below the Colleges, at the end of Magazine Street. All the district was marshy, and perhaps overflowed at high-water. — Eds.

Town. Gave Gershom Rawlins a 20<sup>s</sup> Bill. Capt. Courtemaruh<sup>1</sup> was there and din'd in the Hall. In the morn. Holyoke began that part of his oration relating to Mr. Wigglesworth with, Maldonatus Orthodoxus. Mr. Hutchinson<sup>2</sup> in his valedictory Oration Saluted the Justices of the Superiour Court, and Councillors. Came home in a Calash with Col. Hutchinson and Mr. Penhallow: In the Boat with Mr. C. Mather, Mr. Bridge.

July, 5. Mr. Sol. Stoddard preaches the Lecture. Col. Savage buried about 7. p. m̄. Companies in Arms: Bearers, Sewall, Foster; Walley, Lt Co<sup>l</sup> Lynde; Townsend, Belchar. The Street very much fill'd with People all along.

July, 16. 1705. Mr. Barnabas Lothrop, of Barnstable, visits me, with whom had much pleasant Discourse. I gave him Mr. Cotton Mather's sermon of the Lords Day, and Letter to Gov<sup>r</sup> Ashurst about the Indians, Mother Hull's Epitaph.

July, 17. 1705. I go a fishing in Capt. Boners<sup>3</sup> Boat, Joseph, Edw. Oakes and Capt. Hill with us; went out at Pulling Point, between the Graves and Nahant, Catch'd but 3 Cod. I was sick and vomited; As came back went to the Castle. Neither Lt Gov<sup>r</sup> nor Capt. Tuthill there; yet view'd the Works: Went to Governour's Island; home.

July, 18. The Deptford arrives.

July, 19. Gov<sup>r</sup> had a New Comission read relating to Pirats, and Queens Pleasure read for pardoning the sur-

<sup>1</sup> This name is utterly strange and mysterious. We have no clew to the person intended. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> William Hutchinson, A.B., 1702; A.M., 1705. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> From the rarity of this surname we are inclined to think that this was John Bonner, father of the more famous Captain John Bonner (born in 1693), whose map of Boston is well-known. It has been thought that the father died abroad; but in the *Heraldic Journal*, II. 121, it is suggested that he died in Boston, Jan. 20, 1725, aged eighty-four. The reference in the text confirms this surmise. — Eds.

viving Pirats; and they in prison were sent for, and their Pardon declared in open Court, Chains knock'd off; but must go into the Queens service.

18. I visited the widow Hañah Glover, who is blind, is just as old as Mrs. Rock to a few days. Father and Mother Eliot [were?] married here.

July, 25. I went to Reading, and heard Mr. Pierpont preach.

July, 27. I, my wife, Mary, Judith and Jane go to Brooklin. Gov<sup>r</sup> and Mr. White came to us there. July, 29. *Rimes apulit.*

July, 31. Went to Cambridge to keep Court. Aug<sup>t</sup> 1. Lodg'd at Mr. Brattles.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 2. Court is finish'd. I visit Cousin Fessenden, and dying Deacon Hasting. Aug<sup>t</sup> 7. Joseph goes to Cambridge. Aug<sup>t</sup> 8. I and Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson go to Noddles Island, visit Madam Shrimpton. Ride in the Calash to Mr. Goodwin's: return to Madam Shrimpton. Sup, Come home. Aug<sup>t</sup> 10. I visit poor Mr. Baily, sick of the stone. Mr. Walter pray'd with him. Shew'd me his new House which he goes into next week. Cousin Moodey of York comes to us.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 15. I carry Mrs. Willard to Watertown Lecture and hear Mr. Gibbs preach excellently from John, 9. 4. — While it is Day — Din'd at Mr. Gibb's. When came away were going to see Mrs. Sherman, and the Calash fell backward and we both tumbled down; and twas long ere could fit it again: so came directly home. *Laus Deo.*

Aug<sup>t</sup> 16. Mr. Walter preach'd the Lecture at Boston in his Bro<sup>r</sup> Mather's stead. Aug<sup>t</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> Cous. Moodey goes away, I give him some folio of Calvin's Exposition. Gave him a pair new Slipers.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 20. Went to Roxbury to wait on the Gov<sup>r</sup> at his going away to Connecticut, din'd there; went to Jamaica; Took Leave; went to Brooklin, to Cambridge, To North Farms [Lexington] with Mr. Bordman and spoke

with Mr. David Fisk about Land of Nod: Came home late.

Augt. 22. Eliezer Moodey comes to us. Augt. 23. Judith is once thrown into the dirt above the stone-bridge; and the same day run over by a Horse; yet through God's Goodness receives little hurt. Mr. Sam. Melyen and his wife dine with us. I give him about 4. L. day, and 4. Baptistes.<sup>1</sup>

Augt. 24. I gave Mr. Rich'd Henchman Cooper's<sup>2</sup> Dictionary, cost 15<sup>s</sup>, and Calvin on the Psalms cost 10<sup>s</sup>, with these verses;

*Mitto tibi Psaltem CHRISTUM et sua  
Regna canentem;  
Non erit ingratum dulce Poema tibi.  
Musicus hic lapides cithara sapiente trahebat;  
Et trahit: hinc Solymæ moenia celsa Novæ.*

Little Sam Green is buried; Bearers Sam. Gerrish, Mr. Elliott's Prentice, Mr. Campbell's Prentice, Sam. Smith. I, Hañah, Mary, Jane, at the Funeral.

Augt. 24. 1705. Mr. Samuel Myles<sup>3</sup> comes with his Bro<sup>r</sup> before me; I bid him, Sam., sit down: but he quickly fell upon Nichols [the constable], the complainant against his Bro<sup>r</sup>, and said by his Looks one might see the Gallows groan'd for him; I check'd him, and said it did not become a Minister so to speak. The constable ask'd me what weight the Money must be, 15. or 17. I answered there was no Money but 17<sup>d</sup> w<sup>t</sup>: but if Capt. Myles offer'd Bills of Credit he must take them. Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Myles told me he complain'd of Nichols, but withall told me he was not ready to pursue it.

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<sup>1</sup> We understand this to mean four copies of Mr. Mather's sermon on the Lord's Day, and four of "Baptistes, or a Conference about the Subject and Manner of Baptism," by the same author, published in 1704. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Probably "Thesaurus Linguae Romanæ et Britannicæ," by Thomas Cooper, or Cowper, Bishop of Lincoln, and afterwards of Winchester, who died in 1594. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> Rector of King's Chapel. — Eds.

Augt. 27. I sent Mr. Walter, Calvin on Hoseah by young Everden. Gave Mr. Pemberton Mr. Cotton on Ecclesiastes, and the Vials, having their double. He told me the evening before, He had little or nothing of Mr. Cotton.

Seventh-day; Sept<sup>r</sup> 8. 1705. Mrs. Mary Lake was buried at the North; Bearers, Sam. Sewall, Jn<sup>o</sup> Foster; Eliakim Hutchinson, Sam. Checkley; John Ballentine, John Coney; Mr. John Cotton and his wife, Mrs. Lake's daughter, principal mourners: They got not to Town till the day after their Mother's death. Enock Greenlef dyed this day about 11 oclock.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 10. 2<sup>d</sup> day. This morning I made this verse.

*Oceani fluctus ANNA moderante superbos,  
Euphrates cedit;<sup>1</sup> Roma Relicta cadit.*

*Faxit Deus!* (See 8<sup>r</sup> 15.)

[In margin, *ut majestas tua palam aꝑareat atque ejus sensu percussa elementa cedant ac obtemperent.* Calvin, Isa. 63. ult.]

Sept<sup>r</sup> 10. In the Afternoon I went to speak to Mr. Allen that the Lord's Suꝑer might be celebrated once in four weeks, as it was in Mr. Cotton's Time and Mr. Wilson's: He was just come out of his house with Elder Bridgham, Elder Copp, Deacon Marion and Deacon Hubbard: I pray'd them to go back again, and open'd my mind to them. All save Mr. Hubbard plainly remember'd how it was in Mr. Wilson's days; and the Alteration upon the coming in of Mr. Davenport, upon his desire because he had it so at Newhaven: and seem'd inclinable enough to alter it. Then I went to Mr. Cooke, both he and Madam Cooke remember'd the change, and seem'd not displeas'd with my proposal. I discours'd with Mr. Pemberton, and told him it would be a Honor

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<sup>1</sup> See Revelations, XVI. 2.

to Christ, and a great Privilege and Honor to Boston, to have the Lord's Supper administered in it every Lords Day: we having nothing to do with moneths now; Their Respect now ceases with the Mosaical Pedagogy. [Gal. III. 24.] It seems odd, not to have this Sacrament administered but upon the first day of each Moneth; and the rest of the Sabbaths always stand by.

Third-day 7<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 1705. The Deputies send in their Answer to the Governour's speech dated this day, which begins, May it please your Excellency, and doth not end with, Sent up for Concurrence.<sup>1</sup>

This day 7<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> *mane*, Her Majesties Letter of the Third of May 1705. from S<sup>t</sup> James's, is read at the Board, wherein a new seal is order'd, and the old one to be defac'd: John Dixwell, the Goldsmith,<sup>2</sup> being sent for, cut it in two in the middle, with a Chisel.

In the evening I met with Mr. Cotton Mather's Letter which begins thus; Sir, your Distich entertains me. Both the Poetry and the prophecy of the vates, is very entertaining. I hope it begins to be a History &c. He had rather read CHRISTO, which I heartily agree; which besides Wars, takes in Storms and Tempests which Christ makes great use of in Governing the World; and in this He only is Moderator.

Friday, 7<sup>r</sup> 14. I go to Newton, and hear Mr. Hobart. He has a Lecture once in Eight Weeks. Text was Levit. 26. 11. Doct. Obedience unto God, is the way to have the continuance of his Tabernacle; and to avoid the abhorrency of his soul.

Tuesday, 7<sup>r</sup> 18. 1705. I went to Cambridge Court, where Col. Hutchinson, Tyng, Foster, Higginson, by a

<sup>1</sup> Apparently the document printed by Hutchinson. History, II. 150-152. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This was the son of the regicide, John Dixwell. This John left no male issue, but the name has been revived in his descendants in the female line, who changed their name from Hunt to Dixwell. — Eds.

special Commission, sat Judges of the cause between Charlestown and me [in margin, Land of Nod]; Jury brought in for me Costs of Court: Court order'd judgment to be entred:—Charlestown Committee Appeal'd. Mr. Dudley was my Attorney; Hern and Valentine for Charlestown. The chief plea they made was to the Jurisdiction of the Court.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> Mary has a very sick turn, complains much of the palpitation of the Heart.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 22. Set forward on my Journey towards Bristol, with Col. Hathorn. Got to Wrentham an hour before Sunset. Kept the Sabbath there.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 24. To the ship at Rehoboth, where din'd. Mr. Newman piloted me to George Bairsto's, where saw him, his wife, sister Gates. From thence Mr. Newman led us the next way through the Neck. Then Mr. Pain accompanied us to Bristol. At Mr. Sparhawk's met with Col. Byfield, his wife, Col. Taylor and wife, Madam Lyde and her children. Major Walley and Leverett came late next day; which made us almost lose the Forenoon. Thursday din'd with Mr. Mackentash, Lt Gov<sup>r</sup> there, who came up with Mr. Lyde. Col. Hathorne desired excuse, and went homeward.

Friday broke up the Court and got to Rehoboth. Lodge at Smith's, I got cold, and ventured not with the Company next morning being Rainy. But set out with Sam<sup>l</sup> Robinson about 11. m. when wether broke up. Dined at Slack's: Got comfortably to Medfield, lodg'd at Mr. Baxters, thô he not at home. Heard Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Veasy of Braintree.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 1. Got home pretty early, about 12 or 1. (Mrs. Fyfield and her daughter were at Medfield.) Drove a Pin in the Ministers House which I found Raising; bolted on the Raisers out of Bishop's Lane before I was aware. Found my Family better than I left them. *Laus Deo.* My horse fell with me this Journey, broke my crooper:

but I had no harm. Found Joseph at home, who on Saturday was a Bearer to Mr. Banisters child with Mr. Foster Stoddard. Heard of the child's death at Slack's.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 15. Three men are carried away from Lancaster from Mr. Sawyers Sawmill [by Indians]. This day I made this Distich;

*Roma inhonesta jacet.<sup>1</sup> Sanctæ gaudete puellæ  
Vindicis et vivi Vivitis Urbe DEI.*

Gave them and two more to Mr. Phips at Charlestown Oct<sup>r</sup> 16. Hear the bad news from Lancaster. Neighbour Deming's House is Raised. Rainy day.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 17. very Rainy day.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 18. Dark and Rainy day.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 21. Several of the Fleet came in from Barbados. About Noon between Meetings, were several Claps of Thunder, and Hail and Rain.

*Feria tertia*, Octob<sup>r</sup> 25. 1705. My Daughter Hirst is Deliver'd of a Son, a little before Sun-rise. I staid there till about 12 at night, then Mr. Hirst importun'd me to come home. I prevail'd with my wife and Mary to go to Bed (wife not well to go to her daughter.) Hañah and I sat up to be in a readiness if any Messenger should come. But the first we heard was this good News of a Son. *Laus Deo*. As I sat up towards morning, I turn'd my Distich thus

CHRIST governing the mighty waves of the tempestuous Main:  
Euphrates turns,<sup>2</sup> and leaves old Rome to court Recruits in vain.

<sup>1</sup> *Mortua Moecha senex*; \* &c. written 8: 21. 1715. on occasion of the French King's death on the Lord's Day Augt. 21. 1715. [Sept. 1. N. S.] Some say, he stunk alive.

<sup>2</sup> We copy, from Sewall's "Common-place Book," the following notes which he had collected concerning this topic:—

"DE EUPHRATE. 'Dry up Euphrates and Babylon is taken with a wet Finger.' Cotton's Vials, p. 96.

"'Ye shall have many Men serious of Reformation when the Lord shall

\* This is the beginning of a Latin verse. The allusion, of course, is to the Eighteenth Chapter of Revelations. — Eds.



At last I fix'd upon beginning, While CHRIST Cōmands  
— that, according to our use, carrying more of the likeness  
of a Military Phrase: as our Governour is Cōmander in  
Chief.

Seventh-day 8<sup>e</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> These verses are printed off upon  
the side of the Almanack. This day we hear that James  
Blin is cast away. It seems the Castle is ordered to be  
call'd *Fort William*; and the Governour went down yes-  
terday, and caus'd the inscription to be set up, a pretty  
many Guns fired. 8<sup>e</sup> 27. as I was writing to my Brother,  
I ask'd the Gov<sup>r</sup>; told me 'twas so, and directed me to  
tell my Bro<sup>r</sup> that when he writt his account of Storey, he  
should style Salem Fort *Fort-Anne*. My wife went in  
the coach to see her daughter; 6<sup>th</sup> day, which is the first  
time since she Lay in, her Cold is so hard upon her.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 28. Little Samuel Hirst is Baptised by Mr.  
Colman; tis a very Rainy day.

Novemb<sup>r</sup> This Distich finished

*Desine Belshazzar Templo Omnipotentis abuti:  
Proxima fatalis nox sine fine tua est.*

Afterward this English

Sound! Sound! the Jubilean Trumpet sound;  
Spread the Glad Tidings, Give the Word all round.

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dry up the River Euphrates, that makes glad the City of Babel.' 116, 112,  
127, 133. 'Some say that it's meant of Nations and People.' 89. 'Untill  
they have dried up this River Euphrates, Hardness lyeth upon the Jews, but  
then all Israel shall be saved.' 94. 'This may serve to provoke us all ear-  
nestly to call upon the Lord, that He would stirr up the Hearts of Princes to  
consider, and open their eyes to see how needfull their Attempts are to rise up  
against the Pope.' 95, 96.

"2 Esdras, 41, 42, 43. 'And they entered in at the narrow passage of  
the River Euphrates.' This place caused Mr. Ward, the Father, to conject-  
ure that the Aborigines of America were descended from the ten Tribes; as  
Mr. Rowlandson told me Jan<sup>r</sup> 22, 1696.

"'By this time (it may be) we might have dried up Euphrates, I mean  
possessed the whole West Indies; which with little time and help from these  
parts may be accomplished.' H. Peters, Ap. 2, 1645, Sermon, p. 30."—  
Eds.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Super. Court. Nov<sup>r</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> Tho. Odell Sentenc'd to pay a Fine of £300; suffer a years Imprisonment. Rochester, a Negro, sentenced to dye for firing Madam Savages Dwelling House in the night.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 10. Ambrose Daws buried. Gillam and Mason arrive at Cape-Anne.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> Hear of the Arrival, of Col. Hobbey being Knighted.<sup>1</sup>

Nov<sup>r</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> New Comission for the Indian Affairs comes to hand. Brooklin is pass'd to be a Township by the Council. I go to Salem with Major Walley's Man. At Lewis's overtake Mr. Dudley, and have his company to Salem.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 14. After the Court adjourned *sine die*, visited Rever<sup>d</sup> Mr. Higginson, Madam Bradstreet, Bro<sup>r</sup> Hirst.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 15. Had a very pleasant fair day to come home in. Baited at Sprague's. Visited Mr. Usher. He not at home, his wife entertain'd us. Found Mr. Willard at our house: He pray'd excellently with us. Have had a very comfortable Journey out and home.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 21. Capt. Vech<sup>2</sup> and Mr. W<sup>m</sup> Dudley come to Town from Cañada; came from thence last Friday was five weeks. Gov<sup>r</sup> would not let them come till the Fleet sail'd for France.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> Snow falls and covers the Ground. Has been very cold wether this week.

The College at Quebec was burnt the third time when

<sup>1</sup> Hutchinson writes (History, II. 152) of Hobby, that he "had been knighted, as some said, for fortitude and resolution at the time of the earthquake in Jamaica, others for the further consideration of £800 sterling." — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Samuel Vetch (born in Edinburgh, says Drake) was charged soon after, with others, with supplying ammunition and stores to the French in Canada. The governor himself was accused of being concerned in this unlawful and treasonable traffic. In 1709, Vetch was colonel in the expedition against Canada, and became governor of Nova Scotia. He died in London, April 30, 1732. — Eds.

they were there ; that set a small chapel at a distance, on fire ; the chapel fired a high Cross with a Crucifix on it, so that it bowed and fell down. [Judges V. 27.]

Nov<sup>r</sup> 25. Mrs. Allen dies, 28, buried, 29. Snow. This day hear of Capt. Samuel Clark's death very suddenly at Sea, about 3 weeks ago : Sail'd from St. Thomas 2 or 3 days before. Was a good man, liv'd in our house more than Ten years, left one Son. The Lord fit me for my change. Dec<sup>r</sup> 1. made this Distich on the burning of the Quebeck Cross :

*Cruz atrox tandem flamam sentire jubetur :  
Ipsa Salus fallax igne probata perit.*

The bawdy bloody Cross, at length  
Was forc'd to taste the flame :  
The cheating Saviour, to the fire  
Savoury food became.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 1. Deputies send in a Bill against fornication, or Marriage of White men with Negros or Indians ; with extraordinary penalties ; directing the Secretary to draw a Bill accordingly. If it be pass'd, I fear twill be an Opression provoking to God, and that which will promote Murders and other Abominations. I have got the Indians out of the Bill, and some mitigation for them [the Negroes] left in it, and the clause about their Masters not denying their Marriage.<sup>1</sup>

Dec<sup>r</sup> 7. Went to Brooklin, set out about Noon, saw the Gov<sup>r</sup> at his Fence, who invited me in to Diñer,

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<sup>1</sup> The act to which Sewall refers was passed, and is chapter 10 of Acts of 1705-6. By it fornication between whites and blacks or mulattoes was forbidden, and the colored offender was to be sold out of the Province. Marriage between them was forbidden. A duty of four pounds per head was laid upon all negroes imported by vessel into the Colony, with a drawback if they were exported within one year. Sewall's benevolent clause is the fifth section. It reads: "And no master shall unreasonably deny marriage to his negro with one of the same nation, any law, usage, or custom to the contrary notwithstanding." — EDS.

stood with his Son W<sup>m</sup> But I fear'd should lose visiting Mr. Bayley, and so pass'd on. [in margin — Carters affront Governor]. After Diñer met the Gov<sup>r</sup> upon the Plain near Sol. Phip's; told me of what haḡend on the Road, being in a great passion; threaten'd to send those that affronted him to England.<sup>1</sup> As I went

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<sup>1</sup> We need hardly apologize for the length of this note since the subject-matter occupies so much of the text. The trivial occasion of the dispute only brings out more fully the almost insane rage of Dudley, and presents us with a lively picture of colonial life. The two offending farmers belonged to well-known and respectable families. Thomas Trowbridge, we presume, was the son of Deacon James Trowbridge, of Newton. His son Edmund was one of our most distinguished lawyers prior to the Revolution, and his daughter Lydia was the mother of Chief Justice Dana. John Winchester, Jr., of Brookline, died in 1718, leaving issue. Jackson, in his "History of Newton," traces the descendants of Stephen, son of this John; among them was the late Colonel William P. Winchester.

Both were reputable citizens, and the Judges evidently felt that justice was on the side of the defendants. Dudley was probably aware of his unpopularity, and evidently took a morbid view of a presumed insult. At this time the evidence seems to show that no offence was meant, but that a casual accident in a public road was rendered a serious matter solely by the position of one of the parties.

We are indebted to the kindness of Henry G. Denny, Esq., for copies of the following affidavits in the case, the originals of which are in his possession. — Eds.

ROXBURY 23 Janu: 1705.

REVERED AND DEAR SIR, — That you may not be imposed upon I have covered to you my memorial to the Judges referring to the ingures offered mee upon the road, which I desire you will communicate to the ministers of your circle whose good opinion I Desire to mayntain, and have not in this matter by any means forfeited.

I am Sir Your humble servant

J. DUDLEY.

The Governour informs the Queen's Justices of her majestys Superior Court that on friday, the seventh of December last past, he took his Journey from Roxbury towards newhampshire and the Province of mayn for her majestys immediate service there: and for the ease of the Guards had directed them to attend him the next morning at Rumney house, and had not proceeded above a mile from home before he mett two Carts in the Road loaden with wood, of which the Carters were, as he is since informed, Winchester and Trobridge.

The Charet wherein the Governour was, had three sitters and three servants depending, with trunks and portmantles for the journey, drawn by

back, Jn<sup>o</sup> Bartlet, the middlemost Carter, shew'd me the Ground where the three carts stood, which was a

four horses one very unruly, and was attended only at that instant by Mr. William Dudley, the Governours son.

When the Governour saw the carts approaching, he directed his son to bid them give him the way, having a Difficult drift, with four horses and a tender Charet so heavy loaden, not fit to break the way. Who accordingly did Ride up and told them the Gov<sup>r</sup>: was there, and they must give way: immediately upon it, the second Charter came up to the first, to his assistance, leaving his own cart, and one of them says aloud, he would not goe out of the way for the Governour: whereupon the Gov<sup>r</sup>: came out of the Charet and told Winchester he must give way to the Charet. Winchester answered boldly, without any other words, "I am as good flesh and blood as you; I will not give way; you may goe out of the way:" and came towards the Governour.

Whereupon the Governour drew his sword, to secure himself and command the Road, and went forward; yet without either saying or intending to hurt the carters, or once pointing or passing at them; but justly supposing they would obey and give him the way: and again commanded them to give way. Winchester answered that he was a Christian and would not give way: and as the Governour came towards him, he advanced and at len[g]th layd hold on the Gov<sup>r</sup>: and broke the sword in his hand.

Very soon after came a justice of peace, and sent the Carters to prison.

The Justices are further informed that during this talk with the carters, the Gov<sup>r</sup>: demanded their names, which they would not say, Trobrid particularly saying he was well known, nor did they once in the Gov<sup>r</sup>: hearing or sight pull of their hats or say they would go out of the way, or any word to excuse the matter, but absolutely stood upon it, as above is sayd; and once, being two of them, one on each side of the fore-horse, laboured and put forward to drive upon and over the Governour.

And this is averred upon the honour of the Governour.

J. DUDLEY.

I, Thomas Trowbridg of Newtown, being upon the seventh day of December 1705 upon the Road leading to Boston, driving my team, my cart being laden with cordwood, as I passed through the town of Roxbury, in the lane between the dwelling house of Ebenezer Davis and the widow Pierponts, in the which lane are two plaine cart paths which meet in one at the descent of an hill: I being with my cart in the path on the west side of the lane, I seeing the Governours coach where the paths meet in one, I drave leisurly, that so the coach might take that path one the east side of the lane, which was the best, but when I came near where the paths met, I made a stop, thinking they would pass by me in the other path. And the Governours son, viz. Mr. William Dudley, came rideing up and bid me clear the way. I told him I could not conveniently doe it, adding that it was easier for the coach to take the other path then for me to turn out of that: then did he

difficult place to turn; and the Gov<sup>r</sup> had a fair way to have gon by them if he had pleas'd. Upon the Meeting-

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strike my horse, and presently alighting his horse, drew his sword, and told me he would stab one of my horses. I stept betwixt him and my horses, and told him he should not, if I could help it: he told me he would run me through the body, and made severall pases at me with his sword, which I fended of with my stick. Then came up John Winchester, of Muddyriver *alias* Brookline, who was behind me with his loaden Cart, who gives the following account.

I, John Winchester, being upon the road in the lane above written, on the year and day above said, hereing Mr. William Dudley give out threatening words that he would stab Trowbridge his horse, and run Trowbridge himself through the body if he did not turn out of the way, I left my cart and came up and laid down my whip by Trowbridge his team. I asked Mr. W<sup>m</sup> Dudley why he was so rash; he replied "this dog wont turn out of the way for the Governour." Then I passed to the Governour with my hat under my arm, hoping to moderate the matter, saying "may it pleas your Exelency, it is very easie for you to take into this path, and not come upon us:" he answered, "Sirrah, you rouge or rascal, I will have that way." I then told his Exelency if he would but have patience a minute or two, I would clear that way for him. I, turning about and seeing Trowbridge his horses twisting about, ran to stop them to prevent damage; the Governour followed me with his drawn sword, and said "run the dogs through," and with his naked sword stabbed me in the back. I facing about, he struck me on the head with his sword, givinge me there a bloody wound. I then expecting to be killed dead on the spot, to prevent his Exelency from such a bloody act in the heat of his passion, I catcht hold on his sword, and it broke; but yet continueing in his furious rage he struck me divers blows with the hilt and peice of the sword remaining in his hand, wounding me on the hands therewith: in this transaction I called to the standers by to take notice that what I did was in defence of my life. Then the Governor said "you lie, you dog; you lie, you divell," repeating the same words divers times. Then said I, "such words dont become a christian;" his Exelency replied "a christian, you dog, a christian you divell, I was a christian before you were born." I told him twas very hard that we who were true subjects and had bene allways ready to serve him in any thing, should be so run upon; then his Exelency took up my cart whip and struck me divers blows: then said I "what flesh and blood can bear this:" his Exelency said "why dont you run away, you Dog, you Divell, why dont you run away."

I Thomas Trowbridge, further declare that I seeing and hearing the fore-mentioned words and actions, between his Exelency and said Winchester, and seeing Mr. William Dudley make a pass at Winchesters body, with his naked sword, I with my arm turned him aside, and he recovering himself, he stabled me in my hip; then the Governour struck me divers blows with the hilt of his sword; then takeing Winchesters driveing stick and with the great end there of struck me severall blows as he had done to Winchester afore.

house hill met Mr. P. Dudley: I ask'd him how he got the men along, he said he walk'd them along. Upon Satterday just at night Mr. Trowbridge and Winchester came to speak to me that their sons might be released out of Prison. It being so late, I refer'd them to second-day Morning Dec<sup>r</sup> 10. to meet at the Secretary's office. Major Walley and I met there and Mr. Attorney, who desired Mr. Leverett might be sent for, being so near; and writt a Letter accordingly in our Names, which was given to Mr. White. Mr. Leverett came not till 3<sup>d</sup> day xr. 11<sup>th</sup>. Then in the Afternoon, we agreed to grant a Habeas Corpus, and I sign'd it, but Mr. Cook being at Charlestown-Court twas not seal'd till Wednesday morning. The writt comanded them to be brought to the Court-Chamber in Boston on Friday morn, 9. a'clock. Twas put off till then that might have Mr. Leverett's company, whose business allow'd him not to be here sooner: And that Mr. Attorney [Paul Dudley] who was attending Charlestown-Court, might have oportunity to be present.

Sixth-day, xr. 14. Mr. Leverett came, and Mr. Sheriff order'd the Prisoners to be brought: Mr. Attorney spoke against them: They had no counsil, could procure none. Justices withdrew into the Counsil Chamber, and agreed to Bail to the Super<sup>r</sup> Court, 300£ Prisoners and 3 Sureties

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Winchester told his Exelency he had bene a true subject to him, and served him and had honoured him, and now he would taked his life away for nothing. The Governer replyed "you lie, you dog, you know that I intended you no harm." When we spake of tarrying no longer but of driveing along our teams, his Exelency said "no, you shall goe to Goale, you Dogs;" when twas askt what should become of our teams his Exelency said, "let them sink into the bottom of the earth."

JOHN WINCHESTER, jun:  
THOMAS TROWBRIDGE.

The sequel to the matter seems to be given in the following extract from the Court records:—

At a session of the Superior Court Nov. 5, 1706, present Sewall, Hathorne, Walley and Leverett, both Winchester and Trowbridge "being bound by recognizance to this court, was discharged by solemn Proclamation."

each 100£. Examin'd the first and put it in writing. And I sent Mr. Cook to Mr. Secretary to desire his Assistance, or presence, which he declin'd. Some would have had five Hundred pounds and more sureties. I urg'd the words of the Act, that saith regard is to be had to the quality of the person; These men were not worth so much. At last came to Three Hundred pound. I propounded Two Hundred, and Two sureties. Thomas Trowbridge 300.£ James Trowbridge 100. Abraham Jackson 100. and Capt. Oliver Noyes 100. John Winchester 300£, John Winchester the Father 100£, Josiah Winchester, unkle, 100. Mr. John White £100. I could hardly be brought to their being bound to their Good Behaviour, because there was no Oath to justify the charge laid in the Mittimus; and the Prisoners pleaded their Innocence. No Complaint in writing. A little after Two a'clock all was finish'd. I am glad that I have been instrumental to Open the Prison to these two young men, that they might repair to their wives and children and Occasions; and that might have Liberty to assemble with God's People on the Lord's Day. I writt earnestly to Col. Hathorne to desire him, an experienced Traveller, to help us to steer between Scylla and Charibdis: I mentiond it in Court. Mr. Willard sung 72 PS. from the 4<sup>th</sup> v. two Staves — Poor of the People. — While we were deliberating in the Council-Chamber, P. Dudley writt a Letter, that would not Bail them yet; that would be an error on the right hand; he would write to his father Mompesson,<sup>1</sup> Mr. Secretary was not Settled in his

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<sup>1</sup> This reference by Paul Dudley to "his father Mompesson" is inexplicable. Undoubtedly the person meant was Roger Mompesson, Judge of the Admiralty Court for the northern district. Dudley married, in 1703, Lucy, daughter of Colonel John Wainwright, by his wife Elizabeth, daughter of William Norton. Wainwright died July 30, 1708. As Dudley's father and father-in-law were both living at this date.

Little can be found about the Mompessons in England. Sir Giles Mompesson is said to be the original of Sir Giles Overreach, in Massinger's play



opinion, Not one Gentleman present but thought they would not be Bail'd. Mr. Leverett shew'd me the Letter, writt an Answer and copied it on Mr. Dudley's. In publick I offer'd Coke's pleas of the Crown to be read, especially as to that clause of High Treason for killing the Chancellor &c. He declined having it read. I had the Statute Book there, Coke pleas Crown, and Reading on the Statutes, stuck to 31. Car. 2<sup>d</sup>, that Comānds all to be Bail'd that are not Committed for Felony or Treason.

Tuesday, Dec<sup>r</sup> 18. Great Rain, which hinders my going to Roxbury-Lecture. This day Mr. Colman's sloop arrives; came from Plim<sup>o</sup> Octob<sup>r</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> Brings news of a kind of Certainty that Sir Charles Hobby is to be our Governour.<sup>1</sup>

Dec<sup>r</sup> 21. Cousin Noyes brings the News of Mrs. Coffin's death the 15<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>t</sup>, to be buried the 19<sup>th</sup> Went away suddenly and easily. A very good Woman of Newbury.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 22. Very great snow.

xr. 24<sup>th</sup> I could not persuade Mr. Campbell to print my addition to the Quebeck Article, last [News] Letter: but now he does it:

of "A New Way to pay Old Debts." In Le Neve's Catalogue of Knights we find that Sir Thomas Mompesson was knighted in 1661, and was one of the Commissioners of the Privy Seal in 1697. In 1700-7 Charles Mompesson represented Old Sarum, and the family seems to have been settled in Wiltshire. Roger Mompesson was the adviser of Lord Cornbury, when Governor of New York, and left with his patron for fear of the results of his actions. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> Hutchinson writes (History, II. 153) that Dudley's enemies prevailed upon Sir Charles Hobby to go to England and solicit for the government. "He was recommended to Sir H. Ashurst, who at first gave encouragement of success. Hobby was a gay man, a free liver, and of very different behaviour from what one would have expected should have recommended him to the clergy of New England; and yet, such is the force of party prejudice, that it prevails over religion itself, and some of the most pious ministers strongly urged, in their letters, that he might be appointed their governor instead of Dudley; for which Ashurst himself, after his acquaintance with Hobby, reproves and censures them." — Eds.

*Gallica Cruz æquam flamman sentire coacta est :  
Ista salus fallax, igne probata perit.  
Iddum nihil est, restat de stipite longo  
— Nescio quid cineris, quem capit urna brevis.*

As soon as Mr. Green's daughter brought me a proof, I *deled the Title, In Obitum Crucis*; though I my self had put it in: because the English introduction seem'd to suffice.

I sent a Letter to Mr. Henchman, desiring we might pray that God would make the proud French Helper of the Antichristian Faction to stoop as Low as Quebeck Cross. Visited Mrs. Maccarty, sick Mr. Tho. Downs, and the solitary widow of Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Clark. Were very thankfull to me; especially Mr. Downs.

Writ to Gov<sup>r</sup> Winthrop [of Connecticut], advising the Rec<sup>t</sup> of the Bond; enclos'd Letters of the day, Athenian Oracle, Selling Joseph.

Tuesday, Dec<sup>r</sup> 25. Very cold Day but Serene Morning, Sleds, Slays, and Horses pass as usually, and shops open.<sup>1</sup> I just went into Town and visited Mr. Secretary, whose Indisposition has increased so much by a pain in his Back or side, that he has kept House from Saterdag. Then went to Mr. Treasurers and Rec'd Bills of Credit for my Council, Attendance. I think the Gov<sup>r</sup> was not in Town to-day; though tis said his Excellency came to Roxbury the night before. Capt. Belchar buried a Negro this day; his Coachman, a very good Servant. He was a Bearer to Cousin Savages Hagar. The Governour came not home till Tuesday, a very cold day; some think the coldest has been these many years, by the Vapor taken notice of at Nantasket. Dec<sup>r</sup> 27. Gov<sup>r</sup> warns a Council; reads the Letter that orders a Thanks-giving here: I mention'd the Thanksgiving in October had in general

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<sup>1</sup> Every token of secular business in the Puritan town on the Church festival of Christmas was welcome to the Judge. — Eds.

mention'd the same thing: but the Gov<sup>r</sup> would not hear of any thing but a p̄ointing a Day in obedience to the Queen. Before went out of the Council-Chamber — Capt. Belchar invited me to his Thanksgiving on account of his Son's preservation.

Sixth-day, Dec<sup>r</sup> 28. Mr. Pemberton prays excellently, and Mr. Willard Preaches from Ps. 66. 20. very excellently. Spake to me to set the Tune; I intended Windsor, and fell into High-Dutch,<sup>1</sup> and then essaying to set another Tune, went into a Key much too high. So I pray'd Mr. White to set it; which he did well, Litchf. Tune. The Lord humble me and Instruct me, that I should be occasion of any Interruption in the Worship of God. Had a very good Diñer at three Tables. Had the Meeting; and few else except Relations in Town, and me. The Lord accept his Thank-offering.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 9. Guns are fired at Boston upon the sup̄osal of Mr. Belchar's<sup>2</sup> being married at Portsmouth yesterday: very cold wether.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 10. I corrected David for his extravagant staying out, and for his playing when his Mistress sent him of Errands.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> I visited languishing Mr. Bayley, carried him two pounds of Currants, which he accepted very kindly. Is in a very pious humble frame in submitting to the afflicting hand of God.

This day I met Mr. Leverett in the street at Boston, who told me, he had by the Governour's direction, written to Col. Hathorne to come to Town. I ask'd him, whether as a Councillor, or Judge; he said both; the Governor had drawn up a Declaration relating to Winchester and

<sup>1</sup> From the context, we infer that to fall into High-Dutch was to sing at too low pitch. — EDS.

<sup>2</sup> This was Jonathan Belcher, Governor of Massachusetts from 1730 to 1741. He married Mary, daughter of Lieutenant-Governor William Partridge, of New Hampshire, who died Oct. 6, 1736. — EDS.

Trowbridge: I enquired whether it might not as well be let alone till the Trial: It seems Mr. Leverett's Letter went by the Post.

I call'd at the Governour's, only his Lady at home. Slander. It seems some have reported that I should say I saw Quarts of blood that run out of Trowbridges-Horses. I answered, I had never seen, nor thought, nor reported any such thing. Seventh-day, Jan<sup>r</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 170§. A Council is call'd to meet at eleven a'clock. Gov<sup>r</sup> call'd Maxwell, bid him go to Major Walley, and tell him the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council were sitting, and would have him there also. Maxwell answer'd that Major Walley was sick. Twas said also that Mr. Bromfield was sick. Mr. Leverett was call'd in, and bid to sit down. The Governour's Declaration was read as to the fray xr. 7<sup>th</sup> with Winchester and Trowbridge, Carters. The Gov<sup>r</sup> said he did not know whether he should live to the time of the Court; bid Mr. Secretary keep it for the Court. Gov<sup>r</sup> mention'd the Story of the blood, I said before the Council, as had said before. Gov<sup>r</sup> said some Minister, mentioning Mr. Allen, had reported that he swore; whereas he said he was as free from Cursing and Swearing vainly, as any there. Made a Ridicule of Winchester's Complaint about Mr. Dudley's striking him last Monday. I mention'd Mr. Taylor's striking, which was inconvenient for a Justice of Peace. The Gov<sup>r</sup> Answer'd, he did well. Brought that as an Argument for himself, his drawing his sword; A Justice of Peace might punish several offences against the Laws upon view. After diñer I went and told Mr. Willard what was Reported of himself and me. He said he knew nothing of it. Col. Hutchinson was not at Council. I laid down this as a position, That of all men, twas most inconvenient for a Justice of Peace to be a Striker. [Titus, 1, 7.]

Jan<sup>r</sup> 12. Capt. Belchar aḗp̄ars at Council in his new Wigg: Said he needed more than his own Hair for his

Journey to Portsmouth; and other provision was not suitable for a Wedding. Jan<sup>y</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> appears at Meeting in his Wigg. He had a good Head of Hair, though twas grown a little thin.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 18. Sister Stephen Sewall, Son Hirst and his wife, dine with us; Major Walley droops with his Cold and Cough: He was not abroad on the Lord's Day, nor Lecture-day; wears plaisters or Poultices to his right side to ease the intolerable pain his Coughing causes him.

Lord's Day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> My Dame Mary Phipps, Lady Sergeant, *alias* Phipps, dies about Sun-Rise; Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> tells me She was Dying from Satterday Noon. Has Bled excessively at the Nose. Mr. Sergeant was at Meeting in the Afternoon. Mr. Butchers son Alwin taken into Church and a woman; Mr. Ezek. Lewis dismiss'd from Westfield, and enter'd into Covenant with them.

Major Walley not at Meeting.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 20. Mrs. Jane Pembroke dies in the afternoon, was taken on Wednesday. Her Husband is at Coñecticut.

Tuesday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 22. Mrs. Jane Pembroke buried in the New Burying place. Saw no Minister there but Mr. Colman and Mr. Dallie [the French Minister]. I and Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson went together; Capt. Legg was there.

Wednesday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 23. Storm of snow, for which reason the funeral of my Lady is put off to Friday.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 23. Mr. Jonathan Belcher and his Bride dine at L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> Usher's, come to Town about 6. aclock: About 20 Horsmen, Three Coaches and many Slays. Joseph came from College to visit us, and gave us notice of their coming before hand.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 24<sup>th</sup>. Comfortable day: Mr. Willard not abroad in the Forenoon by reason of pain; but preaches excellently in the afternoon. Mr. Broadhurst of Albany, Mr. Hirst and family, cousin Sam<sup>l</sup> and Jonathan Sewall, dine with us &c.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> Friday, My Lady Phipps is laid in Mr. Ser-

geant's Tomb in the New Burying place. Bearers, Mr. Winthrop, Cook; Elisha Hutchinson, Addington; Foster, Belcher. Gov<sup>r</sup> and L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> there. Mr. Russel and I go together. I had a Ring. Mr. Corwin and B. Brown there from Salem. Mr. Holman married Cousin Ann Quinsey a week ago.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 26. I visit Mr. Sergeant, who takes my visit very kindly, tells me, my Lady would have been 59 years old next March, and that he was two Moneths older. It seems Mr. Chiever buried his daughter Abigail, about an hour before my Lady was entombed.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 170<sup>5</sup>. Col. Hathorn, Leverett, and S. hold the Court at Charlestown; storm began by Noon; yet I got home at night with difficulty. Jan<sup>y</sup> 30. Extraordinary Storm; yet at Noon I rode to Jn<sup>o</sup> Russel's with very great difficulty by reason of the Snow and Hail beating on my forehead and Eyes hindering my sight, and the extravagant Banks of Snow the Streets were fill'd with. Waited 3 hours or more, and at last the Charlestown Boat coming over, I went in that very comfortably; got thither a little before four. Lodg'd at Capt. Hayman's with Mr. Leverett.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 31. Got not home till six at night, by reason of much Ice in the River; fain to Land at the Salutation,<sup>1</sup> having got below the Ice on Charlestown side.

Feb. 11. Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Marion, the Father, buried; Bearers, Mr. Cook, Col. Townsend; Elder Bridgham, Copp; Dea-

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<sup>1</sup> S. A. Drake, in his "Old Landmarks of Boston," states that the Salutation Tavern was on the corner of Salutation Street and North Street. The tavern was the rendezvous of the North End Caucus in Revolutionary times. As Mr. Drake repeats the idea that the term "caucus" was a corruption of "calkers'" meeting, we annex the more plausible statement of Mr. J. Hammond Trumbull, made in 1872 to the American Philological Association.

He finds that the Indians have various words allied in sound and sense. Thus "cau-cau-asu" means "one who advises," "a promoter," and he considers it most probable that our word is thus of Indian origin. In 1763, John Adams spoke of the "Caucus-Club" and "those caucuses," showing that at that date no one entertained the "calkers" derivation. — Eds.

con Tay, Hubbard. Great Funeral. I think Mr. Chiever was not there.

Feb. 27. My Neighbour Deming came to me, and ask'd of me the Agreement between himself and Joana Tiler; I told him I was to keep it for them both and could not deliver it; he said he was going to Cambridge to ask Mr. Leverett's Advice, he would bring it safe again. When he still urged and insisted, I told him I would not have him lose his time, I would not deliver it; I would give him a copy if he pleas'd. He said he was in haste and could not stay the writing of it. I said, You would not take it well that I should deliver it to Tiler; no more could I deliver it to him. He said some what sourly, I am sorry you have not more Charity for him. And going away, murmuring said, passing out of the Stove-Room into the Kitchen, I have desired a Copy, offered Money and am Deny'd: I was then more mov'd than before, and said with some earnestness, Will you speak false to my face? He went away, and came not again, but his son came, and I gave him a Copy of the Agreement, written with my own hand. I thank God, I heartily desired and endeavoured a good Agreement between him and his Neighbour as to the Bounds of their Land: although he be thus out of Tune, upon my deny-ing to grant his Unjust Petition.

Satterday, March, 2. I visit my son and daughter at Brooklin and little Rebecka: Visited Mr. Bayley as I came home. Most of the way over the Neck is good Sūmer Travelling.

March, 4<sup>th</sup> Cousin Dūmer and I take Bond of Mr. Rust 30£, to prosecute his Sons Master, Jn<sup>o</sup> Staniford, for misusing and Evil entreating his Servant; Left Robert Rust with his father in the mean time. The invincible fear of the Mother, who came from Ipswich on purpose, and the high hand wherewith Staniford carried it, did in a mañer force it. Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Colman said, If his Servant should

answer so, he would trample him under his feet; afterward mention'd that Scripture, Obey in all things. Staniford said scoffingly before us: The Boy would do well with good Correction; words were directed to the Mother.

Wednesday, March, 6. Council of Churches held at Mr. Willard's. They advise that after a Moneth, Mr. Joseph Morse cease to preach at Watertown farms. Adjourn'd to the First of May. Sharp Thunder the night following. Mr. Gookin, Capt. Morse and Deacon Larned dine with us. Cousin Noyes lodges here, and tells of many Sheep being drown'd by the overflowing of Merrimack River. At the breaking up of the River, which was furious by the Flood in Febr. The Ice jam'd and made a great Dam, and so caus'd the River to Rise so much and suddenly.

March, 6. 170 $\frac{5}{8}$ . At night, a great Ship, of 370 Tuns, building at Salem, runs off her blocking in the night and pitches ahead 16 foot. Her Deck not bolted off, falls in; and opens at the Bows; so that twill cost a great deal to bring her Right agen; and Capt. Dows thinks she will be Hundreds of pounds the worse.

March 13<sup>th</sup> Mr. Torrey comes to Town; on Thursday even, Mr. Wadsworth came to visit him. Mr. Torrey told him of his Elder Rogers's Carriage towards him; and crav'd his pardon for chusing him; acknowledged his fault and plainly seem'd to renounce that office.

March, 16. A Storm of Snow.

Friday, March, 22. Michael Gill arrives from Lisbon, came out 11<sup>th</sup> Febr. By him have News from London of the 1. of Jan<sup>r</sup>. This day Mr. Jer. Cushing dyes at Scituat. Jn<sup>o</sup> Turner dies there suddenly p.m. — the same day: He has the Character of a Drunkard, and Striker of his Wife.

March, 23. Set out for Weymouth with Sam Robbison, stop'd at Gibbe's to shelter our selves from a Gust of Wind and Rain. Twas dusk before got to Mr. Torrey's.



I ask'd Mr. Torrey about laying the hand on the Bible in swearing: He said he was against it, and would suffer anything but death rather than do it.

March, 24. Mr. Torrey preach'd out of Amos, 8. 11. Four children baptised in the Afternoon.

March, 25, 1706. Din'd at Barker's; surpris'd the Sheriff and his Men at the Flat-house: Got to Plymouth about 1½ by Sun.

March, 26. Major Walley and Leverett come from Barker's.

March, 27<sup>th</sup> I walk in the Meetinghouse. Set out homeward, lodg'd at Cushing's. Note. I pray'd not with my Servant, being weary. [A few lines unsuitable for publication are here omitted. In these Sewall relates a mortifying accident which befel him in the night. He regards his humiliation as a judgment upon him because, being weary, he had retired without calling his servant to prayer.] How unexpectedly a man may be expos'd! There's no security but in God, who is to be sought by Prayer.

March, 28, *mihī natalis*, got home about ½ hour after 12, dine with my wife and children.

Apr. 1. 1706. Col. Townsend, Mr. Bromfield, Burroughs and I went in the Hackny Coach and visited Mr. Thacher, din'd with him and Mrs. Thacher. Mrs. Niles is there to ly in; but saw her not. Got home well. *Laus Deo*.

Apr. 4, 1706. Last night I dream'd I saw a vast number of French coming towards us, for multitude and Huddle like a great Flock of Sheep. It put me into a great Consternation, and made me think of Hiding in some Thicket. The Impression remain'd upon me after my Waking. GOD defend!

Friday, Ap. 5. I went and visited Mr. Baily whose paroxisms are return'd to once every hour. Carried him two pounds of Currants which he accepted with wonderful kindness. When left him, went forward for Brooklin,

and going up the Meetinghouse Hill fell in with the Governour's Coach with two Horses: in it were his Excellency and Lady, Madam Paul Dudley, and Madam Thomas Dudley. I follow'd the Coach mostly, especially at Mittimus Hill,<sup>1</sup> and observed, that the Coachman of his own accord took the Road next Boston, which was refus'd Decemb<sup>r</sup> 7, and nothing to incline to it but the goodness of the way. Took it also returning. Mrs. Kate Dudley, little Allen, and Capt. Gillam's little Maiden daughter rode in a Calash. Capt. Thomas Dudley rode on horseback.

Tuesday, Apr. 9. Mr. Dan<sup>l</sup> Oliver and I ride to Milton, and there meet with Mr. Leverett, and as Spectators and Auditors were present at Deacon Swifts when Mr. Leverett discours'd the Punkapog intruders. Dined at the said Swift's with Mr. Thacher. Seth Dwight waited on us.

Ap. 8. Monday, poor little Sam Hirst went through the Valley of the Shadow of Death through the o<sup>p</sup>ression of Flegm.

Ap. 9. Wife takes Physick, has a comfortable night after it. *Laus Deo.* Brother visits us.

Ap. 14. Capt. Belchar is kept at home by the Gout.

Ap. 15. Abraham Hill arrives; makes us believe the Virginia Fleet is arriv'd.

Ap. 16. I first hear and see the swallows: They are now frequent. Mr. Banister says they were seen by him 2 or 3 days ago. Mrs. Gates lodg'd here last night. At

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<sup>1</sup> "The elevation beyond the Dudley estate has, from time immemorial, been known as 'Meeting-House Hill.' It was also called 'Roxbury Hill,' and just before the Revolution, from the fact of Isaac Winslow and other friends of the British government residing on or near it, it received the name of 'Tory Hill.' Putnam Street, its eastern limit, was given to the town by the First Church. Its western slope touched Stony River." F. S. Drake's History of Roxbury, p. 265.

As to Mittimus Hill, we find no other mention of it. Can it be a jocular perversion of Meeting-house Hill? — Eds.

night the Aer being clear, the Eclipse of the Moon was very much Gaz'd upon.

Tuesday, Apr. 23. Govr. comes to Town guarded by the Troops with their Swords drawn; dines at the Dragon,<sup>1</sup> from thence proceeds to the Townhouse, Illuminations at night. Capt. Pelham tells me several wore crosses in their Hats; which makes me resolve to stay at home; (though Maxwell was at my House and spake to me to be at the Council-Chamber at 4. p. m.) Because to drinking Healths, now the Keeping of a Day to fictitious St. George, is plainly set on foot. It seems Capt. Dudley's Men wore Crosses. Somebody had fasten'd a cross to a Dog's head; Capt. Dudley's Boatswain seeing him, struck the Dog, and then went into the shop, next where the Dog was, and struck down a Carpenter, one Davis, as he was at work not thinking anything: Boatswain and the other with him were fined 10s each for breach of the peace, by Jer. Duñer Esqr: pretty much blood was shed by means of this bloody Cross, and the poor Dog a sufferer.

Thomas Hazard came in from Narragansett about the time should have gon to the Townhouse, said he came on purpose to speak with me; so 'twas inconvenient to Leave him.

Midweek; Apr. 24. Privat Meeting at our House; Read out of Mr. Caryl<sup>2</sup> on those Words, The Lord gives, and the Lord Takes, Blessed — preface my Reading with saying, I will read now what read in course to my

<sup>1</sup> This may be the famous Green Dragon Tavern mentioned *ante*, Vol. I. p. 163. It was the property of Governor Stoughton, and, in 1704, went to his niece, Mehitable Cooper. The Castle Tavern (Vol. I. p. 196) was on the corner of Elm Street. The Green Dragon, on Union Street, was famous in our local history, and its site is now indicated by a tablet set in the wall of a store. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Mr. Joseph Caryl, preacher at Lincoln's Inn, a member of the Westminster Assembly, and one of the Triers for Approbation of Ministers. He was ejected from St Magnus, London, in 1662, and died in 1673. He wrote a copious Exposition on the Book of Job. — Eds.

family because of the great and multiplied Losses, ——. Cousin Savage and Capt. Hill pray'd, had a pretty full and comfortable Meeting notwithstanding the much Rain and Dirt. Sung 1 part and last v. of 48<sup>th</sup> Ps. 119.

7th day, Apr. 27<sup>th</sup> Joseph visits us, it seems he had a Tooth pull'd out by Madam Oliver's Maid, on Mid-week night.

Lords-Day, April, 28. Brief is Read. Bowditch Arrives.

Monday, Apr. 29. Cousin Gookin, his wife and son Richard lodge here.

Tuesday, Apr. 30. I carry Capt. Belchar my Letter to Mr. Bellamy, and he sends me the Comons votes. Note, Lords Resolution is dated Dec<sup>r</sup> 6. Comons conferr'd with them about it the 7<sup>th</sup> Agree to it Satterday xr. 8. Address upon it agreed to by the Comons xr. 14<sup>th</sup>.

*Mercurii* [Wednesday]. 19. *die*. Xr's 1705. [The Bill for the better Security of Her Maj's person and Government, and of the Succession to the Crown of England in the protestant Line, was read a second Time. And Charles Cæsar Esqr, upon the Debate of the said Bill, standing up in his place, saying the Words following (which were directed by the House to be set down in writing at the Table)

There is a noble Lord, without whose Advice the Queen does nothing, who in the late Reign was known to keep a constant Correspondence with the Court at St Germans.

Resolv'd, That the said words are highly dishonorable to Her Majestys person and Government. Resolv'd that the said Charles Cæsar esqr. be for his said offence comitted prisoner to the Tower during the pleasure of this House.]<sup>1</sup>

May, 1. 1706. Eclipse of the Sun, not seen by reason of the cloudy wether.

May, 2<sup>d</sup> Mr. Penn Townsend jun<sup>r</sup> dies about 10 m.

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<sup>1</sup> The passage enclosed in brackets seems to be an extract from an English journal. — Eds.

May, 3. is buried; Bearers Mr. Nathan<sup>l</sup> Williams, Major Adam Winthrop, Capt. Oliver Noyes, Capt. Jn<sup>o</sup> Ballentine jun<sup>r</sup>, Mr. Habijah Savage, Mr. Elisha Cooke; all scholars.

May, 2<sup>d</sup>, 1706. Capt. Stukely arrives from Barbados in the Deptford, 3 weeks passage; was not suffer'd to bring the Fleet with him, neither can they go for Salt; but are embargod at Barbados. Tis much fear'd that Nevis is Taken.

May, 4<sup>th</sup> Mr. Brattle and I send the School and College Deeds by Mr. N. Niles to be Recorded. Niles tells me that Monotocott [Braintree] Meetinghouse is Raised; he came that way, and saw it.

Mid-week, May, 15<sup>th</sup> 1706. Went to Brooklin, visited my Daughter and little Grand-daughter. Visited Mr. Bayley. May, 16. Capt. Benj<sup>a</sup> Gillam buried about 7. p. m. May, 20. Set out for Ipswich with Major Walley by Winisimet; Rid in the Rain from Lewis' to Salem; staid there, and assisted at the Funeral of Mrs. Lindal, Capt. Corwin's only daughter, a vertuous Gentlewoman. Was buried in the Tomb in a Pasture: Bro<sup>r</sup> was one of the Bearers.

May, 21. Set out early for Ipswich; got thither seasonably. Twas late ere Mr. Leverett came. Sarah Pilsbury, Try'd for murdering her young Child, was Acquitted. May, 23. Mr. Fitch preaches the Lecture: Companys in Arms, Gov<sup>r</sup> to view them; much fatigued by the Wet.

May, 24<sup>th</sup> Set out for Newbury with Major Davison: visit Mr. Payson, and deliver him my wives present; I hope he is recovering. Dine at Sister Northend's; Bro<sup>r</sup> Northend brings us going as far as Capt. Hale's. At Sister Gerrishes dismiss Major Davison: visit Bro<sup>r</sup> and Sister Taḗan, Cousin Swett, cousins Jn<sup>o</sup>, Henry, and Sam<sup>l</sup> Sewall. Lodge at Sister Gerrishes.

May 25<sup>th</sup> Saw the sheep shearing, visited Cousin Rolf.

May, 26<sup>th</sup> Mr. Taḗan preaches. Deacon Cutting Noyes

Catechises in the Afternoon. In the evening visit Mr. Taḡan.

May, 27<sup>th</sup> Col. Noyes invites me to his Training Diṅer : Mr. Taḡan, Brown, Hale and my self are guarded from the Green to the Tavern, Bro<sup>r</sup> Moodey and a part of the Troop with a Trumpet accompany me to the Ferry. Sam. Moody waits on me. Get to Brother's in the night after nine a'clock. Mr. Noyes had left his Verses for Mr. Bayley, which I carried with me next morning. Rested at Lewis' during the Rain.

Got home well, *Laus Deo*.

May, 29. Election-day, Winthrop 83. Russel, 80. (Cooke 50) Hathorn 68. Elisha Hutchinson, 80. Sewall, 83. Addington 79. Brown 76. Phillips 80. Corwin 75. Foster 75. Townsend, 78. Higginson, 69. Belcher, 80. Bromfield 55. Legg, 65. S. Aḡleton, 47. Partridge, 58. Thacher 79. Pain, 79. Winslow, 86. Cushing, 47. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, 75. (Hamond 62.) Plaised, 46. Leverett, 42. Walley, 37. Jn<sup>o</sup> Aḡleton, 34.

June, 6. In stead of the Negativ'd<sup>1</sup> were chosen B. Brown, 55. Ephr. Hunt, 42.

Mr. James Taylor, Treasurer ; James Russel esqr Com<sup>is</sup>s<sup>r</sup> of the Customs.

This Court Mr. Lillie Prefer'd a Petition about his Reals not accepted by the Super. Court to go by Tale, which was Untrue in one material Article as to matter of fact, and the Justices much reflected on. Mr. Paul Dudley was Attorney for Mr. Lillie. I pray'd the Petition might be dismiss'd, or those Reflections abated : the Gov<sup>r</sup> brake forth into a passionate Harangue respecting the Roxbury Carters. He might be run through, trampled on, &c no care taken of him. — Finally, at another time it was agreed that there should be a Hearing, only Mr. Lillie should

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<sup>1</sup> Elisha Cooke and Joseph Hammond were the two negatived. Sewall has put their names in parentheses. — Eds.

first come into Council, make some Acknowledgment, withdraw that Petition, and file another. The Gov<sup>r</sup> was very hot and hard upon me at this time, insomuch that I was provok'd to say, It was a Hardship upon me that the Governour's Son was Mr. Lillie's Attorney. At which the Gov<sup>r</sup> Storm'd very much. Some days after Mr. Lillie came into Council. The Gov<sup>r</sup> presently said, Sir, shall I speak for you, or will you speak for your self, and so fell a speaking — at last Mr. Lillie said with a low voice, I have prefer'd a Petition which I understand is not so satisfactory; I did not intend to reflect upon the Judges, and desire that petition may be withdrawn, and this filed in the room of it. Withdrew, Gov<sup>r</sup> ask'd it might be so, and that the first petition might be Cast and Null. Secretary whisper'd the Gov<sup>r</sup> that the Petition had been read twice in Council, whereupon the Gov<sup>r</sup> took the pen and obliterated the Minute of its having been read on the head of the Petition. And then after the Hearing before the whole Court, when the Deputies were Returned, the Gov<sup>r</sup> bundled up the papers and sent them in to the House of Deputies, without asking the Council whether they would first go upon them, with whom the Petition was entered. After many days, the Deputies return'd the papers agen by Mr. Blagrove, expressing their desire that the Council would first act upon them, seeing the Petition was entred with the Secretary.

Some time after, the Gov<sup>r</sup> sent in the Papers again, and then the Deputies voted upon them and sent it in, but before any thing was done in Council, the Court was prorogued to the 7<sup>th</sup> of August, &c., &c. Major Walley sick, staid at home two Sabbaths. came out agen July 27<sup>th</sup>

July, 28. 1706. Col. Hathorne comes to Town, Dines and lodges at our House.

July, 29. Col. Hathorne, Major Walley, Sewall, ride to Cambridge in the Hackney Coach. Mr. Sheriff, his son, and the Steward of the College met us at Brooklin,

drank a Glass of good Beer at my son's, and pass'd on. My case [In margin, Land of Nod] was call'd in the Afternoon and committed to the jury. I would have come home but then Major Walley also would come; which made me stay and send the Coach to Town empty. Lodg'd at Mr. Brattles. July, 30. College Hall at Cambridge, The Jury brought in for me costs of Courts. Charlestown Gentlemen and their Attorneys said not a Word that I could hear. Col. Hathorne with Mr. Valentine, Charlest. Attorney, examined my Bill of cost and so did the Clerk, and afterward Col. Hathorne shew'd it to Maj<sup>r</sup> Walley and Leverett, and then Allow'd it, subscribing his Name.

Augt 7. Gen<sup>l</sup> Court meets. Augt 10, 1706. A Conference is held in the Council-Chamber, at the desire of the Deputies. Mr. Speaker, The House is doubtfull whether they have not proceeded too hastily in calling that a Misdemeanour, which the Law calls Treason; and are doubtfull whether this Court can proceed to Try the Prisoners. Mr. Jewet, Co<sup>m</sup>ittee that were appointed to prepare for the Trials, were doubtfull and unsatisfied that they had called the crime of the Prisoners a Misdemeanour: If any wrong steps had been taken, tis fit they should be retriev'd. Mr. Blagrove, If that which the Prisoners are charg'd with, be made Treason by the Law of England; this Court must not make Laws repugnant to the Law of England.

The Governour answer'd, He had not seen the Papers, and could not say that what they had done was Treason. After this the Deputies sent in the Papers. And about Aug<sup>t</sup> 13. Gov<sup>r</sup> put it to vote in the Council, whether the prisoners should be Tried by the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court according to the order of last sessions: There were 17. at the Board Nine Yeas, and Eight Nôs. Secretary was in the Negative as well as I.

Friday Augt. 16. Capt. Vetch was brought to his Trial



in the Afternoon, in the Court Chamber. Note. I came home on Wednesday morn, and went not again till the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council sent for me by Mr. Winchcomb Friday morn. I went though I had a cold; spake that a suit of Cloaths might be made here for Mr. Williams.<sup>1</sup> Depts would have had Mr. John Eliot, and Cousin Duñer M. A. to have assisted Mr. Attorney: Gov<sup>r</sup> did not consent: they insisted so long that the Forenoon was spent, and I fairly got home. Augt. 17. I am told Mr. Borland and Lawson are brought to their Trial. Mr. Borland pleads that he was a Factor in the management of this Affair.

Note. Gov<sup>r</sup> would have had the Judges manage the Conference, I declin'd it because was against the procedure. And so declin'd joining with the Judges to prepare for it because I was against it. Col. Hathorne was at Salem with his sick Son; so that only Majr Walley, and Mr. Leverett were active in the matter. And Mr. Leverett said at the Board that he did not interpret that Clause in the Charter of imposing Fines &c. as if it did impour the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court to Try delinquents.<sup>2</sup>

*Feria secunda*, August 19<sup>th</sup> 1706. Went and visited my son and daughter at Brooklin, and Dined there: Went to Cambridge; Gave Mr. Bordman, Town-Clerk, Seven pounds in two Bills of Credit to help build the New-Meetinghouse; fourty shillings of it upon Consideration of my ancient Tenant, the widow Margaret Gates, and her family, going there to the publick worship of God. Gave him also Ten Shillings for Mrs. Corlett, widow. Visited Joseph, Mr. Flint, congratulated Mr. Whiting upon his being chosen a Fellow. Went into Hall and heard Mr. Willard expound excellently from 1 Cor. 7. 15, 16. It

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<sup>1</sup> Rev. Mr. Williams, of Deerfield, then held as a captive by the French and Indians, in Canada, for ransom. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> The words in the Charter are, "The General Court, or Assembly, shall have full power and authority — to impose fines, mulcts, imprisonments, and other punishments." — Eds.

was dark by that time I got to Roxbury, yet I visited Mr. Bayley, and gave him the Fourty shillings Mr. John Eliot sent him as a Gratuity: He was very thankful for the Present, and very glad to see me. I told him, coming in the night, I had brought a small Illumination with me. Rid home; twas past Nine by that time I got there. Found all well; *Laus Deo.*

Augt. 26. 1706. *feria secunda.* About 2 p. m. Mr. Bromfield and I set out for Martha's Vinyard; got well to Cushing's about Day-light shutting in. 27, to Morey's. 28, To Sandwich, 29, to Lecture at Pompesprisset;<sup>1</sup> on the way thither, a small stump overset the Calash, and Mr. Bromfield was much hurt, which made our Journey afterwards uncomfortable. 30. rested: saw the Harbour, Burying-place, Mill-pond. 31. Went to Succanesset but could not get over.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 1. Mr. Danforth preach'd there. Lodg'd at Mr. Lothrop's.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 2. embarked for the Vinyard: but by stormy rough wether were forc'd back again to Wood's Hole. Lodg'd at B. Skiff's, he shew'd me the Bay, and Mr. Weeks's Harbour. Sept<sup>r</sup> 3. Went to the Vinyard with a fair wind, and from Homes's Hole to Tisbury and I to Chilmark, to Mr. Allen's. Sept<sup>r</sup> 4. to Gayhead, Mr. Danforth, I, Mr. Tho. Mayhew, Major Basset. Sept<sup>r</sup> 5. Din'd at Mr. Mayhew's: went to Homes's Hole to wait

<sup>1</sup> Pompæsprisset was, probably, some part of Marshpee. Sewall was, before this, at Sandwich, and later at Succanesset or Falmouth. In Mass. Hist. Soc. Coll., I. 231, we find it noted that there is a place in Marshpee called Popponessit, and that "the place where Doctor Bourn's house stands, about two miles up Manumit River, and near the Herring Pond, is called Pumspisset."

Sewall next goes to Martha's Vineyard; stops at Holmes's Hole, in Tisbury; tarries at Tarpaulin Cove, in the island of Naushon, and thence goes to Acushnet. Then, *en route* to Taunton, he stops at Assowamset, by which we are to understand that part of Middleboro' called Lakeville since 1853. — Eds.

for a Passage to Rode-Island, or Bristol. There lay wind-bound. Sept<sup>r</sup> 8. Mr. Danforth and I go to Tisbury Meeting, Mr. Josia Torrey preach'd forenoon: Mr. Danforth after Noon. Return'd to Chases to Mr. Bromfield. Sept<sup>r</sup> 9. Monday, embark'd with a scant wind; put in to Tarpoling Cove: Mr. Bromfield not yielding to go to Cushnet. There spake with Darby who shew'd us the prisoners Fines: Spake with Mr. Weeks.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 10. Gave the Squaw that has lost her feet, Ten pounds of Wool. When the Tide serv'd, sail'd for Cushnet, had a good passage; lodg'd at Capt. Pope's; he not at home: borrowed six pounds of Mr. Pope; were well entertain'd there. Sept<sup>r</sup> 11. Wednesday, Five Indians carried Mr. Bromfield in a chair from Spooner's, to Assowamset, and so to Taunton. Twas near midnight by that time we got there, where by Leonard, whom we accidentally met late at night, we were inform'd the Bristol Court was not held for want of Justices; and that Maj<sup>r</sup> Walley and Mr. Leverett adjourn'd *de die in diem*; Jury-men murmur'd. This put me upon new Straits: but I resolv'd to go to Bristol, and so did, next day, Sept<sup>r</sup> 12. Thursday, Capt. Hodges's son waiting on me: got thither about 2. Saved the Afternoon. Mr. Blagrove is cast, Asks a Chancery<sup>1</sup> in writing; Major Walley and Leverett will by no means suffer it: I earnestly press'd for it. 13, 14. Court held, and then adjourn'd *sine die*. But twas so late, there was no getting out of Town.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 15. Lord's Day, Mr. Sparhawk preaches forenoon; Mr. Sever in the Afternoon. Sup at Mr. Pain's.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 16. By Mr. Niles's Importunity, I set out with him for Narraganset. Din'd at Bright's: while Diñer was getting ready I read in Ben Johnson, a Folio:

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<sup>1</sup> See Province Laws, I. 373 (Sect. 4). Compare Province Laws, I. 285, 356. — EDS.

Wake, our Mirth begins to dye:  
 Quicken it with Tunes and Wine.  
 Raise your Notes; you'r out; fie, fie,  
 This drowsiness is an ill sign.  
 We banish him the Quire of Gods  
 That droops agen:  
 Then all are men  
 For here's not one but nods.

Fol. 13.

Sejanus

———— great and high  
 The ☉ [world] knows only 2, thats Rome and I,  
 My Roof receives me not, 'tis Aer I tread  
 And at each step I feel my advanced head  
 Knock out a Star in Heaven ———  
 f. 144.

Howere the Age she lives in doth endure  
 The vices that she breeds above their Cure.  
 211.

I went to wait on Gov<sup>r</sup> Cranston: but found him not at home. Ferried over, got to Narraganset shoar a little before sunset. Twas in the night before we got to our Lodging about 5. miles off the Ferry. Tuesday and Wednesday spent in settling Bounds between Niles and Hazard; and the widow Wilson; at last all were agreed. I was fain to forgo some Acres of Land to bring Niles and Hazard to Peace and fix a convenient Line between them.

Thursday 7<sup>e</sup> 19. Forenoon I got Mr. Mumford, the Surveyor, to goe with us, and we found out and renew'd the Bounds of an 80 Acre Lot, just by Place's. Place went with us and assisted. After Diñer, went to Point Judith, was pleased to see the good Grass and Wood, there is upon the Neck. Just as we came there the Triton's Prise Pass'd by, all her sails abroad, fresh Gale, S. S. W., standing for Newport. News Letter, 7<sup>r</sup> 30. — 8<sup>r</sup> 4. Woman of the house sick; House miserably out of Repair. Twas night by that time we got home. Friday, Sept<sup>e</sup> 20. go into the Quakers Meeting-house, about 35. long 30 wide, on Hazard's Ground that was mine. Acknowledge a Deed

to Knowls, of Eight Acres, reserving one Acre at the Corner for a Meetinghouse. Bait at Capt. Eldridges. From thence to the Fulling-mill at the head of Coêset [Coweset] Cove, and there dine; a civil woman, but sorrowfull, dress'd our diñer. From thence Niles brings me to Turpins at Providence, and there Bait: From thence over Blackston's<sup>1</sup> River, and there I send him back, and travail alone to Freeman's, where I meet with Piriam, the under-Sheriff, and Capt. Watts, whose company was helpfull to me.

Satterday, Sept<sup>r</sup> 21. Baited at Devotion's, who was very glad to see me. Din'd at Billinges; by Piriam and him was inform'd of Mr. Bromfields being well at home. Baited at Dedham. Was Trim'd at Roxbury; my Barber told me the awfull News of the Murder of Mr. Simeon Stoddard,<sup>2</sup> in England, which much saddened me. Got home a little before Sunset: found all well, *Locus Deo*.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 25. Mr. Bromfield and I took the Hackney Coach to wait on the Gov<sup>r</sup>: met his Excellency on this side the Gate; went out of the Coach and Complemented him, and then went on and visited Mr. Bailey.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> 1706. I invited the Gov<sup>r</sup>, Col. Tyng, Mr. Sol. Stoddard, Simeon, Mr. Pemberton, Capt. Belchar, Mr. Bromfield, Capt. Southack. I supos'd Mr. Stoddard had

<sup>1</sup> It is to be remembered that Blackstone's River, at Attleborough Gore, was named after William Blackstone, the first settler at Boston. In 1849, the late L. M. Sargent printed some notes showing that, very probably, descendants of the emigrant, bearing the name of Blackstone, still survive. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Simeon Stoddard, Jr., was born Oct. 20, 1682. The following sermon is in the Society's library:—

“The Just Man's Prerogative, a Sermon preached privately Sept. 27, 1706, on a Solemn Occasion; for the Consolation of a Sorrowful Family, Mourning over the Immature Death of a Pious Son, viz, Mr. Simeon Stoddard, who was found Barbarously Murdered, in Chelsea-Fields near London, May, 14, 1706. By. S. Willard. . . . Boston, N. E. Printed by B. Green. Sold by Nicholas Boone at his Shop, 1706.” 16mo. pp. 28. It contains no information about Mr. Stoddard, or the circumstances of his death. — Eds.

preach'd the Lecture. Mr. Cotton Mather preach'd. He did not pray for the Super. Court, or Judges in his first prayer, that I took notice of: but in his last, mention'd the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court, and any Administrations of Justice. I invited him to dine by Mr. Cooke; He said he was engag'd.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 8. There is a Hearing of Roxbury, Spring Street, about another Meeting-house, and of Billericay proprietors and Farmers. Deputies Treat the Gov<sup>r</sup> at Homes's.

Lords-Day, Nov<sup>r</sup> 10. Andrew Belchar, Nicholas Bows, Debora Green, and Sarah — are baptised by Mr. Willard.

*Tingitur Andreas, Nicolaus, Debora, Sarah.*

This morning Tom Child, the Painter,<sup>1</sup> died.

Tom Child had often painted Death,  
But never to the Life, before:  
Doing it now, he's out of Breath;  
He paints it once, and paints no more.

Thursday<sup>2</sup> 8<sup>e</sup> 17. Son and daughter Sewall and their little Rebeca, son Hirst and his family, dine with us: all here but Joseph. He keeps his Thanksgiving at Cambridge.

Friday, 8<sup>e</sup> 18. I visit Mr. Baily: as I enter, he saith, I am even gon, even gon! said he had a Fever; the night before and that day had subdued his Nature. In his Paroxism said, Cutting, Cutting, Cutting all to pieces: My Head, my Head; could not bear the Boys choþing without door.

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<sup>1</sup> Thomas Child's will (Suff. Wills, lib. 16. f. 200) is dated Jan. 14, 1702, 1703; proved Oct. 13, 1706. He is termed painter-stainer. He makes his wife, Katherine, his executrix, mentions his mother, Alice Martin, "now living in Fryer Lane in Thames Street, London," and his "brother-in-law, John Martin, now in Boston." Sewall's lines evidently imply that he was a portrait-painter; and here may be the long sought-for artist who preceded Peter Pelham. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> These few entries in 8br., *i. e.*, October, seem to be misplaced. — Eds.

Tuesday, 8<sup>r</sup> 22. I go to Roxbury Lecture, Mr. Cotton Mather preach'd from 1 Jn<sup>o</sup> 5. 13. Concerning Assurance, with much affecting Solidity and Fervor. Went to see Mr. Baily, whose Mouth and Tongue were so furr'd, he could hardly speak at first: said he had been a long time in a storm at the Harbours Mouth, hôp'd he should not be swallow'd on Quicksands, or split on Rocks. God had not yet forsaken him, and he hop'd He never would. Said, Here I Wait!

Wednesday, 8<sup>r</sup> 23. Court meets; but the Gov<sup>r</sup> has signified his pleasure that nothing be done till he come from Piscataqua: Adjourn till 3 p. m. after Lecture tomorrow. After Diñer I go and take the Acknowledgment of Mr. Nathan<sup>l</sup> Henchman and Aña his wife to a Deed to their Brother, the schoolmaster: She was lying on the Bed sick of a Fever; yet very sensible and set her hand to the Receipt.

Thursday, 8<sup>r</sup> 24. Mr. Wadsworth aṑears at Lecture in his Perriwigg. Mr. Chiever is griev'd at it. Court meets, read Mr. Secretary's Letter to Mr. Constantine Phips; adjourn to Ten in the morn. This day I am told of Mr. Torrey's kinswoman, Betty Symmes,<sup>1</sup> being brought to Bed of a Bastard in his house last Monday night. I visit Mr. Chiever.

*Feria Sexta*, Nov<sup>r</sup> 8, 1706. I visited Mr. Bayley; find his sister Cheyny<sup>2</sup> with him. He was very low at first;

<sup>1</sup> We refer to this misadventure merely to note the name. It seems that the widow of Captain William Symmes married Rev. John Torrey, of Weymouth, whose death is noted a few months later. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Daniel Cheney, of Newton, married Sarah Bailey in 1665, according to Jackson's History. Savage seems to be somewhat in doubt about this Rev. James Bayley, but from the names of his relatives it seems clear that he was the son of John Bailey, of Salisbury, by his wife Eleanor Emery. Sewall says he was born July, 1642; while Savage says Sept. 12, 1650, H. C. 1669. Sewall's date is hard to reconcile with the other births, and the year of graduating. Savage also considers that he was ordained at Weymouth, in 1703, and notes that the Roxbury record calls him Esquire. He seems to have never been settled long in any place, and perhaps was hardly recognized as a full "reverend," though *Italicised*. — Eds.

but after awhile revived and Spake freely; has been very ill this Moneth; especially last Satterday and Sabbath day night. Desired his service to Bro<sup>r</sup>, Sister, Mr. Noyes, with much Thanks for his verses which had been a great Comfort to him: To Mr. Higginson, Mrs. Higginson. I gave him 2 five shilling Bills of Credit to buy a Cord of Wood, which he accepted with great thankfulness. I told him it was a time of great expense; he was in prison, and Mrs. Bayley, in Fetters. Upon my coming in, Mrs. Bayley went to Sol. Phip's wife, who was hurt by a fall out of her Calash. I staid with him about 2 hours or more, went from home at 3 and return'd past seven.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 1706. Went to Salem with Mr. Dudley.  
Nov<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> Return'd with Mr. Leverett, Mr. Dudley. Had very comfortable Journey out and home.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> Midnight, Mrs. Pemberton is brought to Bed of a dead daughter. Her Life was almost despair'd of, her Bleeding was so much, and Pains so few.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 27. Mr. John Hubbard comes in and tells me Mr. Bayley is very sick, and much chang'd as he thinks; is desirous of seeing me.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 28, 1706. Visited Mr. Bayley after Diñer; went in the Coach. I mention'd Heaven being the Christian's Home: Mr. Bayley said, I long to be at home; why tarry thy chariot wheels? Told me twas the last time he should see me. Was born, July, 1642.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 3. I went with Col. Townsend, and Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, and visited Capt. Legg: He is in a low and languishing Condition. Then went and talk'd thoroughly with Mr. Cotton Mather about selling Henchman's House; He seem'd to be satisfied; tells me Mr. Williams is to preach the Lecture. Yesterday Mrs. Walker of the Neck was buried, I follow'd for one; I saw none else of the Council there. Mrs. Hañah Oliver is to be buried to-morrow.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 4, 1706. I was at the Burial of Mrs. Hañah Oliver.



Dec<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup>. Mr. John Williams<sup>1</sup> Preach'd the Lecture.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 6. I went to Mr. Sergeant's and heard Mr. Pemberton preach from Ps. 4. 6.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 7. 1706. The Gen<sup>l</sup> Court is prorogued to Wednesday the 12<sup>th</sup> of February, at 10. *mane*. I invited the Gov<sup>r</sup> to dine at Holms's. There were the Gov<sup>r</sup>, Col. Townsend, Bromfield, Leverett, Williams, Capt. Wells, Shelden, Hook, Sewall.

Midweek, Dec<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup>. I visited Mr. Bayley, find Mr. Walter with him; I moved that seeing Mr. Walter and I seldom met there together, Mr. Walter might go to prayer; which he did excellently; that Mr. Bayley and we our selves might be prepared to dye. Mr. Bayley is now, the night before last, taken with Pleuretick Pains, which go beyond those of the stone; New Pains: Cryes out, My Head! my Head! what shall I doe? Seems now to long, and pray for a Dismission. At parting I gave his Sister Cheyny a Ten-Shilling Bill for him, to help to buy some Necessaries; I could not help them to watch. Mr. Bayley said he thought he should dye of a Consumption of the Lungs; by's Cough he found they were touch'd. When he mention'd the pain in his side: I said, twas sad for a Man to be circumvented with his Enemies: He answered pretty readily, He hôp'd there were more with him than against him. He desired me to write to his Brother Joseph to come and see him. Dec<sup>r</sup> 13. I gave my Letter to J. Bayley to Mr. Simkins, who said he had one to send it by. Note. By reason of the Storm yesterday, the council met not; Gov<sup>r</sup> was not in Town: but writt a Letter to the Secretary that the Council was adjourn'd to Friday; See Jan. 1, 171<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>. I told the Secretary, the Council that met not, could not be adjourn'd; yet,

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<sup>1</sup> Mr. Williams, who had been taken captive by the Indians in the burning of Deerfield, Feb. 29, 1704, was carried to Montreal, and being redeemed returned to Boston Oct. 25, 1706. — Eds.

Gov<sup>r</sup> nominated Mr. Plaisted to be a Justice of peace in Yorkshire, and drove it throw, though he be a Dweller in Hampshire; and has a Brother Ichabod Plaisted, that is of the Council.

This day Mr. Melyen dies. Ætat. 67. Mrs. Mary Pemberton is very low, dangerously ill.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> Joseph comes to see us, brings word that Wyth, the Mason, dyed yesterday at Cambridge. Goodman Swan is in a fair way to be Receiv'd into the Church again; was cast out in Mr. Oakes's time, in a very solemn mañer, in my sight and Hearing.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 18. 1706. Bastian Lops the Elm by my Lord's Stable;<sup>1</sup> cuts off a cord of good wood. Mr. Sergeant came up Rawson's Lane as we were doing of it. Dec<sup>r</sup> 19. *mane*, Maxwell comes in the Governour's name to invite me to Dine at Roxbury with his Excellency at one a'clock tomorrow. Mr. C. Mather preaches the Lecture in Mr. Bridges Turn, from Gal. 3. 27 — have put on Christ. Preach'd with Allusion to Aḡarel; one head was that Aḡarel was for Distinction.

Mr. Walter dines with us, and leaves with me £13.10.9. Roxbury Money. Mr. Sergeant marries Mrs. Mehetabel Cooper.<sup>2</sup>

Dec<sup>r</sup> 20, *feria sexta*, very Rainy day; Mr. Winthrop, Russel, Elisha Hutchinson, E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Mr. Foster, Sewall, Townsend, Walley, Bromfield, Belchar Dine at the Governour's, Mr. Secretary. Go in Coaches. After Diñer I visit Mr. Bayley; Is in great Extremity, Paroxisms return

<sup>1</sup> We have already mentioned (Vol. I. p. 203, note) that Lord Bellomont, in 1699, was at a charge for a stable, besides his house. See Sewall's reference (I. 500) to Bellomont Gate. May it not be that Bellomont's stable kept its title, and that it was near the present Tremont House, towards the rear of Sewall's land? Rawson's Lane is now Bromfield Street. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Peter Sargeant, a very prominent citizen of Boston, married, secondly, the widow of Sir William Phips, and, thirdly, Mehetabel (Minot), widow of Thomas Cooper. He died Feb. 8, 1714, and his widow married, thirdly, Simeon Stoddard. (See Vol. I. p. 163, note.) — Eds.

in about  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour; seem'd to desire death; and yet once I took notice that he breath'd after some space and recovery of strength before went hence: leave all to God's unerring Providence. He told me he heard Sister Short was dangerously sick: heard of by Jon<sup>a</sup> Emery. Came home to the Meeting at Mr. Bromfield's, Mr. Williams of Deerfield preach'd: very Rainy, and dirty under foot. When came home, or a little after, had a Letter brought me of the Death of Sister Shortt the 18<sup>th</sup> Inst. which was very surprising to me. Half are now dead. The Lord fit me for my Departure. Dec<sup>r</sup> 21. Not having other Mourning, I look'd out a pair of Mourning Gloves. An hour or 2 after, Mr. Sergeant, sent me and my wife Gloves; mine are so little I cânt wear them. See Jan. 20. 170 $\frac{6}{8}$ . Mr. Cooper's Son brought them, I gave him Dr. Mather's Treatise of Tithes.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 23. I visit Mr. Sergeant and his Bride; had Ale and Wine. Mr. Cook, Col. Hutchinson, Mr. Colman, Adams, Capt. Hill, Mr. Dering were there. After came in Mr. Bromfield, and Cousin Duñer.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 24. *Feria Tertia*. My wife and I execute a Lease to Mr. Seth Dwight, for 21. years, of the House he dwells in. Mr. Eliezer Moodey writt the Leases; and he and David Sinclair were Witnesses: Twas transacted in our Bedchamber.

*Feria tertia*, Dec<sup>r</sup> 24. 1706. I went to Brooklin, and visited my son and Daughter Sewall and little Rebekah; Paid my son 30<sup>s</sup> in full, and he is to send me 15. Fountains, which are paid for in the mention'd Sum. He has been ill, and is not very well now. Mr. Read, with whom he has been, tells him he is Melancholy. Din'd on Salt Fish and a Spar-Rib.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> There seems to be something peculiar about the word now spelled "spare-rib." In the Cutter Genealogy, p. 325, in a list of gifts to Rev. William Brattle, in 1697, by his parishioners, we find: Mrs. Amsdal gave a "ribspair of pork," also "Ribspaires of pork." May not this suggest an

Visited Mr. Bayley as I came home ; he has a very sore Mouth. He tells me he has left off observing the distance of his Fits, is tired and done. I gave him a Banberry cake,<sup>1</sup> of which he eat pretty well, complaining of his Mouth.

Mid-week. Dec<sup>r</sup> 25. Shops open, carts come to Town with Wood, Fagots, Hay, and Horses with Provisions, as usually. I bought me a great Tooth'd Comb at Dwight's ; 6<sup>s</sup>.

*Feria septima*, Dec<sup>r</sup> 28, 1706. A large fair Rainbow is seen in the Morning in the Norwest. Madam Walley call'd her Husband into the Shop to see it. The Gov<sup>r</sup> being indispos'd with the Gout, call'd a Council to meet at Roxbury ; and by that means I gain'd an Oportunity to see my friend Bayley once again : He is now brought very low by his Stone, Fever, Sore Tongue and Mouth ; could hardly speak a word to me. But he said, sit down. His wife ask'd him if he knew me ? He answer'd, with some quickness, He should be distracted, if he should not know me. He Thank'd me when I came away. I said Christ would change his vile body, and make it like his glorious body. And when the Coachman call'd, saying the Company staid for me, I took leave, telling him God would abide with him ; Those that Christ loves, he loves

original form with which "spare" has no connection; and, if not, what does "spare" mean in this place? Possibly it is a secondary form, suggested by these being lean ribs, and may yet be a modern attempt to give sense to a perverted and forgotten original. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> Banbury, in Oxfordshire, has been long renowned for cheese, cakes, and ale. Chambers (Book of Days) says that its cakes "are exported to the most distant parts of the world, one baker alone, in 1839, disposing of 139,500 twopenny ones." Banbury was also famous for its Puritanism, and this savor may have extended to its cakes.

It was in reference to this town that Braithwaite wrote the well-known lines:—

“ To Banbury came I, O profane one!  
There I saw a Puritane one  
Hanging of his cat on Monday  
For killing of a mouse on Sunday.”

Eds.

to the end. He bow'd with his head. His wife and sister weep over him. He call'd for Mouth-Water once while I was there, and then for his little pot to void it into: I supos'd it was to enable him to speak. Though he doth not eat at present; yet I left the Banbury cake I carried for him, with his wife: And when came away, call'd her into next chamber, and gave her two Five-Shilling Bills: She very modestly and kindly accepted them and said I had done too much already: I told her No, if the state of my family would have born it, I ought to have watch'd with Mr. Bayley, as much as that came to. I left her weeping. Mark the perfect Man &c. When return'd to the Governour's, I found the other Coaches gon; the sun down some time. Major Walley, Col. Townsend, Mr. Bromfield and I came home well together in the Hackney Coach; though the ways are very deep by reason of the long, strong southerly wind and Thaw. Serene day. Wind W.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 31. 1706. Madam Dudley, and Mrs. Anne Dudley visit my wife just a little before night, and inform of our Son's illness, which they were told off at midnight: Will send us word if he grow worse.

Mr. Salter makes us a little Chimney in my Chimney, make a Fire in it to try it.

Midweek, Jan<sup>y</sup> 9<sup>th</sup>. visited Mr. Bayley. He is very low, and the skin of his Hip now broken, and raw, which is very painfull to him. He said I long to be gon, yet with Submission to God's holy will: What I writ to him out of Mr. Caryl was a cordial to him.<sup>1</sup> Met Sam, who came to see us.

*Feria Sexta*, Jan<sup>y</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> Capt. Legg buried. Bearers,

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<sup>1</sup> Of course Caryl's Exposition on Job, which was in two volumes folio, consisting of upwards of six hundred sheets. "One just remark has been made on its utility, that it is a very sufficient exercise for the virtue of patience, which it was chiefly intended to inculcate and improve." — Eds.

Gov<sup>r</sup>, Mr. Winthrop; Mr. Cooke, Addington; Col. Byfield, Capt. Belchar. Councillors had Gloves, and many others.

Tuesday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> calls a Council, Propounds Mr. Danforth, Dorchester, and Mr. Belchar of Newbury to Preach the Election Sermon; Mr. Samuel Belchar is agreed on, Mr. Danforth having preach'd before.

Midweek, Jan<sup>y</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> A great Storm of Snow; yet Dan<sup>l</sup> Bayley breaks through, and brings us a Load of Walnut Wood. I had transcribed some choice sentences out of Calvin's Exposit. Mat. 4. 1, 2, 3, 4. and sent them by Daniel; Letter was just seal'd before he came, written and dated today. The Storm prevail'd so, that not one of our Meeting ventured to come to our House where it was to be. Mrs. Deming, and her daughter-in-Law, and Mrs. Salter came over; waited till six-a-clock, and then sung the 2 last Staves of the 16. Ps. Eat some Bread and drank. Gave Mr. Deming one of Mr. Higginson's Election Sermons; Daughter-in-Law, Greek Churches: Mrs. Salter, Greek Churches.

Friday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 17. Mr. Tho. Bridge visits me. In Discourse I gave him my opinion that the Witnesses were not slain. Gave him one of Mr. Higginson's Election Sermons.

Satterday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 18. Going down in the morning, I find David sick: tells me had been sick and vomited in the night: We have the Stove-room-Chamber fitted for him, and place him there; send for Mr. Oakes. Lords-day at even, Mrs. Plimly comes to nurse him.

Saturday morn, Jan<sup>y</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> James Robinson, the Baker, coming from Roxbury, tells me Mr. Bayley dyed the last night 2 hours after midnight; one in Roxbury-street bid him tell me so.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 20. Mr. Prentice gives me notice that the Funeral was to be on Friday, not before, because Mr. Bayley's Bro<sup>r</sup> at Newbury, was to order it. Gave me notice to be a Bearer, Mr. Bayley had appointed it.

Friday, Jan<sup>r</sup> 24. 1706. I and Mr. John Clark, Mr. Francis Burroughs, and Mr. John Bolt rode together in Simson's Slay to the Funeral of Mr. Bayley. Were there at One: Went about 3. Bearers Sewall, Bond; Fisk, Walter; Clark, Noyes. Gov<sup>r</sup> was there; intended Mr. Thacher, but the wether was bad over head, and under-foot by reason of the snow in the Night, and Hail and Rain now, and he was not there. Saw not Mr. Denison there. Mr. John Hubbard, Mr. Daniel Oliver, and Mr. Justice Lynde was there; Mr. Bowls. His Brethren Isaac Bayley, and Joshua Bayly followed the Herse. The Widow and her daughter Prentice rode in a slay. The wether being bad, I took Leave at the Grave, our slay being just at hand went into it, and got home by Four; *Laus Deo*. I did condole and congratulat the Relations upon our parting with our Friend, and his being gon to Rest after a weary Race. Mr. Walter gave a very good Character of Mr. Bayley. He was with him the evening before he dyed, and pray'd with him: He answer'd pertinently, by Yes and No: thought he should dy that night, of which was not afraid. Mr. Walter pray'd before we went to the Grave.

Jan<sup>r</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> I dream'd last night that I was chosen Lord Maior of London; which much perplex'd me: a strange absurd Dream!

Febr. 9<sup>th</sup> Lord's Day; The latter part of the Night, and this morn, we had great Lightning, and Thunder, Rain and Hail.

Febr. 10. A pleasant, Serene, sun-shiny Day; sweet singing of Birds.

Febr. 16, at night, Mr. Thacher of Milton is taken very sick. Febr. 20, Sister Hirst, Sister Sewall of Salem, Mr. Flint, Son and daughter Hirst, dine with us after Lecture. Febr. 25. Mr. Colman, Sister Hirst, Sewall, Mr. Elisha Coke jun<sup>r</sup> and wife, I and Mary dine at Son Hirst's.

After that I visit the widow Eliott, who dwells with her daughter Davis.<sup>1</sup>

26<sup>th</sup> A Fast is kept at Milton.

27<sup>th</sup> Dr. Mather was not at Lecture. Mr. Cotton Mather preached, Sung 10—14<sup>th</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> Ps. Mr. Dwight is much troubled about digging his Cellar; I get Mr. Cook and Capt. Clark to go to him after Lecture, and view the work and speak to Mr. Gibbins; they seem'd to be offended at Mr. Dwight's smart Replies to Mr. Gibbins and his wife; and spake a little coldly, and told me it were best to agree. I went again near night, and Dwight told me, Mrs. Gibbins intended next day to make another Gate-way, and hinder'd the workmen from digging home at that corner: whereupon I order'd the Men to digg it down, which they quickly did, at which Gibbins storm'd and ask'd me why I did not bid him pull down his House, if I did, they would do it. And Mrs. Gibbins spake many opprobrious words: But the men went on vigorously. Febr. 28. Gibbins orders Mr. Bernard's men to cutt another Gate-way, and with the Boards cut out nail'd up her own former Gate-way: then laid a Board, a door, over from the Cutt Gate-way over the Corner of the Cellar and pass that way, and the Negro said, This is our passage-way. I said little to it, but went in, and talk'd with Mr. Gibbins, his wife and son; and were ready to put it to Men to determin what should be; Mr. Dwight came in: and said he would not agree to put it to Men: I told Mr. Gibbins I would speak to him, and come again after Diñer. I went accordingly, and when I return'd found they had been Pumping Tubs of Water, and throwing them into my new-dug Cellar, to soften the Workmen's Corns, as they said, so that the men were forc'd to

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<sup>1</sup> This was Mary (Wilcox), widow of Jacob Eliot, Jr., whose daughter Abigail married William Davis, and had a daughter Abigail, wife of Henry Lowder. — Eds.



leave off working. Several Tubs of water were thrown in while I sat in the House: I only call'd to Mrs. Gibbins and told her I saw she could not wait till I came. Durham came and dug through the Stone-wall into this little new Cellar, and I think that quell'd our antagonists: for our Cellar being a little higher than theirs, all the water would have run upon themselves. And after, the Select-Men, several of them viewing it, countenanc'd my Tenant; Mr. Secretary also look'd in upon us: and the workmen went on peaceably.

Friday, March, 7. 1707. Several Ministers prayed at the desire of the Court; began a little after Ten; Mr. Willard, Wadsworth, Bridge, Colman, Pemberton, C. Mather, Dr. I. Mather. Prayers were made with great Pertinency and Variety; I hope God will hear. Several pray'd that God would speedily, by some Providence, or one way other, let us know what might doe as to going against Port-Royal. Gave Thanks for the News of the 18. Indians kill'd, and one Taken last Tuesday; which heard of just after the Appointment of this Day. Sung the two first staves of the 20<sup>th</sup> Psalm, York Tune, which I set, Mr. Willard used my Psalm-Booke. Left off about  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour past Two. Council gave the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Ministers a Di<sup>n</sup>er at Homes's.

*Feria Septima, Martij 8<sup>o</sup> 1707. Anno Regni Annæ Reginæ Angliæ &c. Sexto.*

*Nobilibus, causas quid præfers Angle latentes?*

*Annæ principium, Cæsaris annus habet.*

'Till Annæ's Equal Reign begun,  
We ne'r could well begin the year:  
But now the Controversy's done;  
The Eighth of March can have no peer.

This day is rainy and dark, and the Gov<sup>r</sup> came not to Town. Deputies sent in for going to Port-Royal to take it; if what was necessary in order to it might be provided

March, 8<sup>th</sup> Having got Mr. Joseph Marion to write the verses fair, I gave them to Mr. Winthrop, in the Governour's absence, saying, I cãn't drink the Queen's Health, *parvum parva decent*<sup>1</sup> — Accept of a small essay for the honor of my Sovereign.

In the Afternoon Mr. Williams visits us, tells me he goes to Dearfield 14 nights hence, next Tuesday. I gave him a copy of the foremention'd verses. He tells me Quebeck Seminary was burnt the 20<sup>th</sup> of 7: 1705. our Style, Library burnt. His Narrative is now in the Press.<sup>2</sup> *Feria tertia*, March, 18<sup>th</sup> Mr. Pemberton removes into the Churches House. March 20. I visit him, and wish him and her joy. March, 21. I give him a 20s Bill to help towards his House-warming, which he accepts kindly. Joseph comes to Town. March, 20. *feria quinta*, Mrs. Gibbs's Warehouse was burnt down in Lecture time. Meeting was disturb'd just as was coming to the particulars of Fighting against our Enemies and praying against them. After Mr. Colman had sat awhile, the people were quiet, and went on again.

March, 21. The Governour, Capt. Sam<sup>l</sup> Apleton, Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Williams, Mr. William Williams, dine with us in the new Hall.

*Feria secunda*, March, 24<sup>th</sup> I set out in the storm with Sam Robinson, got to Barker's about 5, and there lodg'd, and dry'd my Coat, Hat, Gloves.

*Feria tertia*, March 25, 1707. Went to Plimouth, got thither about 10. m. Major Walley and Mr. Leverett came in after six; so that could only Adjourn the Court. March, 26. Mr. Josiah Torrey preaches the Lecture. March, 27. I go into the Meetinghouse. Hañah Parker is found guilty of Adultery. I spake with two of the

<sup>1</sup> Horace, Epis. I. vii. 44. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This is, of course, the well-known narrative by Rev. John Williams, entitled "The Redeemed Captive returning to Zion," &c., Boston, 1707; often since reprinted. — Eds.

Middlebury Men at Mr. Little's about Mr. Palmer, who is impos'd upon them as their Minister. Gave Mr. Little a pound of Chockalat. March, 28. 1707. Baited at Bairsto's; Din'd at Cushing's: Then I left the Company and went to Hingham; visited Mr. Cobb, Mr. Norton, cousin Hobart: Got to Mr. Torrey's just before sunset; He was very glad to see me. Read 17<sup>th</sup> Rev. Pray'd excellently. Pray'd excellently in the Morn. Visit Cousin Hunt, Quinsey; Got home about One and Dine there. Am well notwithstanding my journeying in the Rain, and find mine well; *Laus Deo!* March, 29. Mrs. Tucker, Mrs. Lothrop's Sister, is found dead in her apartment. March, 30. My wife goes out in the Afternoon. March, 31. *feria secunda*, I visit my Son, and dine with him; He is all alone. Visited Mr. Gibbs, presented him with a pound of Chockalet, and 3 of Cousin Moodey's sermons; gave one to Mrs. Bond, who came in while I was there. Visit Joseph; He pronounc'd his valedictory Oration March 28<sup>th</sup> Heard Mr. Willard Expound from 1 Cor. 13. 8, 9, 10. Came home by the Ferry. Shall be Language in Heaven; but no need to Learn Languages as now; which is a fruit of the Curse, since the Confusion. Mr. Metcalf comes in late, and I ask him to lodge here; which he accepts: is going to Falmouth, where he preach'd last winter.

April, 5. Eclipse of the Moon: is seen in a serene Aer, Moon is of a Ruddy Colour when Eclipsed. April, 7. Mr. Sparhawk is again chosen to preach the Artillery Sermon. April, 8. I go to Cambridge and carry Joseph a small piece of Plate to present his Tutor with, Bottom mark'd, March, 5, 170 $\frac{7}{8}$  which was the day his Tutor took Leave of them; price 39<sup>s</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> View'd his Chamber in the President's House, which I like. Came home and went to the Funeral of little Mary Bastian. Isaac Marion walk'd with me.

Midweek Apr. 9. I waited on Col. Hutchinson, Check-

ley, and others of the Cōm̄ittee, as far as the last house of Roxbury; came home by Mr. Wells's. Din'd at Mr. Brewer's, about 3 p.m. It was a Frost, and Ice of half an inch, or inch thick in the morn. Cold wind that I was fain to wear my Hood. I got well home about Sun-set; David stood at the Gate to take the Horse, and told me the amazing News of Mr. Willard's dangerous Sickness. He was taken at Dīner in his Study, so that he quickly grew delirious. Some think he took cold at the Funeral of Mr. Myles's child, the evening before. This day Mr. Noyes preached his Lecture from Heb. 11<sup>th</sup> 32. 33. 34, encouraging the Expedition to Port-Royal. April, 10, 1707. Mr. Bridge preaches our Lecture, from Psal. 149. 9. Encouraging the Expedition.

*Feria Sexta* Apr. 11<sup>th</sup> I see a Swallow or two. 'Tis Capt. Belchar's Meeting; Mr. Pemberton and he come to propose to me, the begīning at 3. a'clock, and inviting the Ministers to spend the Time in Prayer. Mr. Pemberton, Colman, Wadsworth, Mather, Bridge. Dr. Mather pray'd Excellently, Copiously. Dr. Mather, speaking of the Port-Royal Affair, call'd it the uncertain Expedition; Pray'd God not to carry his people hence, except He prosper'd them.

Apr. 12, *feria septima*, I see three Swallows together. Mr. Willard grows more compô's'd. Lydia [wife of] William Lowder,<sup>1</sup> a young woman of 16 years, is deliver'd of

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<sup>1</sup> The identification of this Lydia, wife of William Lowder, has been difficult, owing to some remarkable coincidences of names. By Suff. Deeds, lib. 24, f. 154, it is clear that she was the daughter of John Balston, who had left, in 1709, a widow, Martha. This was Martha Bullard, whom he married March 16, 1703. But there were two John Balstons; one a son of James, the other a son of Jonathan. Each had a daughter Lydia. John, son of James, had a Lydia born Aug. 25, 1691; but she must have died soon, as he had a second Lydia born Nov. 16, 1695. John, son of Jonathan, was a mariner, and by first wife, Anne, had Lydia, born June 22, 1688. This must be the person meant in the text, although her age would be nineteen instead of sixteen.

Prudence Balston, sister of this John, married John Marion; whilst his

a daughter, and dyes this morning; I think in the room where her Mother Balston dyed, and as suddenly.

Friday, April, 18. 1707. Just before Sun-set there is a Small piece of a Rainbow in the South-east and by south: I saw it out of our Chamber-window. Mr. Fisk tells me he saw it.

Monday, Apr. 21. Mr. Bromfield and I set out about 9. *mane*, to visit Mr. Torrey. Twas hot, and when were got to Braintree, Mr. Bromfield grows weary, and chose to call at Cousin Fisk's, which we did; He is gon to Weymouth. This was about 11. m. Cousin Fisk would have us Dine; and while we were at Table, Mr. Fisk came in and told us Mr. Torrey was gon to Rest, dyed about Eleven a'clock. So our journey was sadly determined. It seems the Souldiers go to Hull this day from Weymouth, there to imbarck in the Port-Royal Expedition; Mr. Fisk pray'd with them. The Death of Mr. Torrey, a Laborious, Faithfull Divine, Excellent in Prayer, is a sad epocha for the Comēncement of this Expedition.

Coming home, I turn'd off at Roxbury, and went to Brooklin; found my son and daughter gon to Boston. Look'd upon his Sheep and Lambs, and came home. Met Mr. Roberts on the Neck going to the Governour, I told him of Mr. Torrey's Death as had told the Gov<sup>rs</sup> Maid before. His Excellency was gon to his Farm towards Dedham; and his Lady to Boston with my Son, but came not to our House.

*Feria quarta*, Apr. 23. 1707. Capt Nath<sup>l</sup> Williams and I ride to Weymouth, to the Funeral of Mr. Torrey: When were at Braintree, the Guns went off; overtook Mr. Danforth, got to Cous. Hunt's about one, Din'd there at Two; went to the House of Mourning: Sam<sup>l</sup> Sewall, Zech Whitman; Peter Thacher, John Norton: John Danforth, Joseph

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sister, Sarah Marion, married the other John Balston. Hence numerous perplexities in trying to unravel these relationships. Probably these John Balstons were own cousins. — Eds.

Belchar, Bearers. Had a Table spread, which could not leave without offense. Mr. Whitman pray'd before the Funeral. Mr. Fisk craved a Blessing, Mr. Thacher Return'd Thanks. Mr. Fisk led the widow. Grave was caved in, Mr. Thacher and I let down the Head, Mr. Hugh Adams also put to his Hand under ours. Stood a pretty while before any appeared to fill the Grave, some words and enquiry was made about it: At length two Hoes came, and then a Spade. Set out to come home at  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour after Six: Baited at Miller's, Got home a little before Ten, before the Moon went down; *Laus Deo*. Besides Relations, I saw none at the Funeral from Boston, save S. S., P. Dudley, esqr. Capt. Williams, Seth Dwight.

May, 12. 1707. Mrs. Lydia Scottow buried; Bearers, Sewall, Addington; Hill, Williams; Ballentine, Coney. May, 13. Mr. Dan<sup>l</sup> Oliver, Capt. Tho. Fitch and I ride to Natick, and hear Mr. Gookin preach and pray to the Indians there: Din'd at Capt. Fuller's as came back: got home well. *Laus Deo*. May, 15. Gov<sup>r</sup> moves in Council that Mr. Willard might be spared, because of his late sickness, and continued weakness; and that Mr. Will Brattle, and Mr. Flint might regulat the Co<sup>m</sup>encement: Gov<sup>r</sup> said, Sundry had spoken to him about it. Major Walley, Capt. Belchar, Mr. Bromfield and I were desired to go and speak to Mr. Willard.

May, 16. Mr. Bromfield and I wait on Mr. Willard: I took a fit o<sup>p</sup>portunity to enquire when he would go to Cambridge; and He said next week, without any hesitancy: so reckon'd we were not to enquire any further. We went to Mr. Pemberton first, and his opinion was, we should not express our desires, or the desires of any other, of Mr. Willard's imediat giving over College-work, except he himself inclin'd to it.

May, 16. visit Madam Coke, Mr. C. Mather, Mr. Gibbs, who came to this Town this day se<sup>n</sup>ight to see if the change of Aer would mend him.

May, 19. Went with Robinson to Salem: got thither late by reason of Robinson's late coming from Cambridge, and Madam Leverett's illness. Neither Col. Hathorn nor the Sheriff did accompany me; went with Mr. Attorney Dudley to Ipswich, got thither a little before Nine a'clock. Mr. Harris came to meet us, but heard we came not till next day, and went back. May, 20<sup>th</sup> Court rises about 7. Visit the widow Apleton. May, 21. Looks like a storm; but breaks up; I ride to Rowley, dine at Bro<sup>r</sup> Northend's. Essay to visit H. Sewall, who was gon from home. Bro<sup>r</sup> and Sister Northend go to the Causey, and then return. Visit the poor Orphan Shortts, hear Jane and Mehetabel read; gave them Five Shillings. Went to sister Gerishes; to Mr. Brown, but he was not at home, saw Cous. Noyes, Mr. Woodbridge.

May, 22. Thursday, Mr. Coffin Trims me, reckon with Mr. Brown and take fourty shillings of him in full. Went to Cous. Pierce, and there eat sturgeon with Mr. Pike, Abr. Adams, Cousin Jn<sup>o</sup> Taḗin's wife. Went to Bro<sup>r</sup> Tappin's, visited Cousin Sweet, they have a lovely Son. To Jn<sup>o</sup> Sewall, saw his new House where he now dwells; saw the Ashes of the old House. Bro<sup>r</sup> Taḗin tells me of the death of Col. Saltonstall on Wednesday after Lecture. Went to Joshua Bayley, discours'd him about his Brothers debt, staid a long time there, then went to Byfield across the Woods. Bro<sup>r</sup> Taḗin left me. I desired him that if heard Col. Saltonstall was to be buried on Friday he should send an Express to me of it. Friday, 23. Bro<sup>r</sup> Moodey and I see Mr. Hale, on Horseback, drink a Glass of Cider; look on Sister Mehetabel's Grave; ride to Topsfield, visit Mr. Capen who is very glad to see me. Went to Phillip's, dined there. Parted with B. Moodey at the Fulling-mill. Baited at Lewis's. Got over Charlestown Ferry about 8. Note, as came down Winter Hill saw a Rainbow, was so much Rain as to oblige me to put on my Riding Coat, but it prov'd very little Rain.

Midweek, May 28, 1707. Mr. Samuel Belcher preched,

from Mat. 6. 10. Thy Kingdom come. Shew'd it was the duty of all to promote the Kingdom of Christ. At Diñer Mr. Belcher crav'd a Blessing, Mr. Jn° Danforth return'd Thanks. Sir John Davie<sup>1</sup> dined with the Gov<sup>r</sup>. In the morn, Mr. Secretary, major Walley and I gave the Deputies the Oaths, 66. and after, five more were sworn in the Council-Chamber, which made 71. and Councillors

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$\frac{95}{95}$  votes.

1 Wait Winthrop <sup>2</sup>	88	Plimouth	
2 James Russell	90	John Thacher	53
3 Jn° Hathorn	60	Isaac Winslow	84
4 Elisha Hutchinson	91	Nathan <sup>1</sup> Pain	81
5 S. Sewall	92	John Cushing	80
6 Isaac Addington	92		
7 W <sup>m</sup> Brown	82	Main	
8 Jn° Phillips	75	Eliakim Hutchinson	69
9 Jn° Corwin	75	Benj <sup>a</sup> Brown	72
10 Jn° Foster	79	Ichabod Plaisted	59
11 Penn Townsend	90	At Large	
12 John Appleton	61	Zagadahock	
13 John Higginson	78	Joseph Lynde	54
14 Andrew Belcher	78	[Leverett 30]	
15 Edw. Bromfield	82	At Large	
16 <i>Sam<sup>1</sup> Appleton</i>	53	Simeon Stoddard	44
2 <sup>d</sup> Stroak		2 <sup>d</sup> Stroak	
17 <i>Sam<sup>1</sup> Partridge</i>	53	Ephraim Hunt	47
3 <sup>d</sup> Stroak		[Walley 18]	
18 Peter Sergeant	45	[Leverett 12]	

<sup>1</sup> Sir John Davie was one of three prominent New England baronets, the others being Sir George Downing and Sir William Pepperell. Sir John Davie was son of Humphrey Davie, who was an assistant here in 1679-86. Humphrey was the fourth son of Sir John Davie, of Creedy, county Devon, who was made a baronet in 1641. The oldest son, John, was succeeded by his son John. Then the title passed to William, son of William, second son of the first baronet. On his death it passed to his cousin, then a resident in Groton, Conn. The male line ended in England, in 1846; but the heiress married General Henry R. Ferguson, who assumed the name of Davie, and a new baronetcy was created in his favor. — EDS.

<sup>2</sup> The Council records show that all the twenty-eight, to whose names are appended the number of votes, were duly elected. Jn° Corwin should be Jonathan Corwin, and John Cushing was the second Councillor of those names. — EDS.



Lord's Day, June, 15<sup>th</sup> I felt my self dull and heavy and Listless as to Spiritual Good; Carnal, Lifeless; I sigh'd to God, that he would quicken me.

June. 16. My House was broken open in two places, and about Twenty pounds worth of Plate stolen away, and some Linen; My Spoon, and Knife, and Neckcloth was taken: I said, Is not this an Answer of Prayer? Jane came up, and gave us the Alarm betime in the morn. I was helped to submit to Christ's stroke, and say, Well-come CHRIST!

June, 19<sup>th</sup> The measuring Bason is found with Margaret Barton just carrying of it to Sea, to Hingham; said she had it of James Hews, he gave it her to sell for him. Mr. Secretary sent her to Prison.

June, 21. Billy Cowell's shop is entered by the Chimney, and a considerable quantity of Plate stolen. I give him a Warrant to the Constable, they find James Hews hid in the Hay in Cabal's Barn, on the Back side of the Comon; while they was seising of him under the Hay, he strip'd off his Pocket, which was quickly after found, and Cowell's silver in it. At night I read out of Caryl on Job, 5. 2. The humble submission to the *stroke* of God, turns into a *Kiss* — which I thank God, I have in this Instance experienced. *Laus Deo.* See Jan. 10, 17 $\frac{1}{8}$ .

July, 1. A Rainbow is seen just before night, which comforts us against our Distresses as to the affairs of the Expedition, and the Unquietness of the Souldiers at Casco, of which Gideon Lowel brings word, who came thence yesterday.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> This refers to the abortive expedition against the French. Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and New Hampshire sent a force on the 13th May, 1707, under command of Colonel March, to attack Port Royal. The naval force was only the "Deptford," man-of-war, Captain Stukeley, and the "Province Galley," Captain Southack. They arrived May 26th, had some skirmishes, and by June 7th re-embarked. Colonel Redknapp (the engineer) and Colonel Appleton went to Boston for further orders, and the rest of the army to Casco Bay. (Hutchinson, Hist. II. 166, 167.) — Eds.

Midweek, July 2, 1707. Cōmencement Day is fair and pleasant. Jane and I go betime by Charlestown; set out before 5.; had a very pleasant journey; went from Charlestown in a Calash, Harris. Got Joseph a Table, and Bread, which he wanted before. Went into the Meetinghouse about 11. Mr. Willard pray'd. Mr. Wigglesworth began to dispute; before he had done, the Gov<sup>r</sup> came; when the first Question was dispatch'd, the Orator was call'd forth: His Oration was very well accepted; I was concern'd for my son, who was not well, lest he should have fail'd; but God helped him. His Cous. Moodey of York had pray'd earnestly for it the night before; and gave Thanks for it in prayer the night after. My Son held the first Question in the Afternoon; *Anima non fit ex Traduce.*; by reason of the paucity of the Masters, being but two, Russell, and Mighill; for Mr. Dudley was in the Fleet bound for Port-Royal. Had oportunity to pronounce his Thesis. My Son was the first that had a Degree given him in the New Meetinghouse. The Desks were adorned with green curtains, which it seems, were Wainwrights. I could not hear one Word while the Degrees were giving. My wife durst not go out of Boston. Got home in good season, Jane and I by Charlestown again; Daughters in the Coach. Mr. Russell, Mr. Winthrop, Sewall, Major Walley, Col. Lynde, Mr. Eliakim Hutchinson, Mr. Bromfield, Mr. Stoddard, were there in the morn. Mr. Secretary and Capt. Belcher were there p. m̄. Mr. Willard made an excellent Prayer at Conclusion. Ladies there, Governours Lady, Madam Shrimpton, Madam Usher, Madam Walley, Madam Bromfield, Madam Stoddard &c. Mr. Whiting, Bilerica, Mr. Belcher, Newbury. Mr. Easterbrooks not there.

July, 3. *Feria sexta* Mr. Stoddard preached excellently from Mica, 1. 5 What is the Trangression of Jacob? is it not Samaria? and what are the high places of Judah? are they not Jerusalem? Said he could see no reason why

a papist might not *cross himself* Ten times a day, as well as Minister cross a child once. — Spake *plainly* in Several Articles against Superstition. Spake against excess in Cōmencem't entertainments. Gov<sup>r</sup> call'd at night with Mr. Stoddard and told me I should cause them to conclude.

July, 4. 1707. I printed  
*Feria Sexta; Quintilis quarto, 1707.*

*CLAUDITE jam rivos, Pueri; sat prata biberunt.*<sup>1</sup>

Gave to several Scholars, and order'd one or two to be nail'd upon the Out-Doors. Brought home my Son, Plate, Clôths in Stedmand's Calash, 4<sup>s</sup>. Gave his Son a piece of eight and bid him take the overplus to himself. Did it in remembrance of his Father's hard Journey to Martha's Vinyard. In the Ferryboat, heard the sad News from Spain,<sup>2</sup> by Grant and the Loss of English ships. Got home before 9.

*Laus Deo.* This day I visited Mrs. Corlet who seems dying: Mrs. Wigglesworth, who has the Jaundice; Madam Oliver who is not well. Note. Mr. Veazy [H. C. 1693] of Braintry died the day after the Cōmencment, a young hopeful Minister.

July, 5<sup>th</sup> Go to Col. Hutchinson's to wait on him, Mr. Leverett and others to the Water side. Go off at Scarlet's Wharf. Gave three cheers, they 3. one from us. After Col. Townsend went off alone; — did the like by him. The Lord prosper them.

*Feria tertia, July, 8. 1707.* I bring Mr. Solomon Stoddard going as far as Watertown Mill; and there staid at Churches till the Rain was over; then took Leave. Mr. Sampson Stoddard and I dined there. In returning call'd

<sup>1</sup> Virgil, Ecl. III. 111. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This probably refers to the Battle of Almanza, in which the Allies were defeated by the Duke of Berwick, April 25, N. S. — Eds.

upon Capt. Tho. Oliver, and drunk of his Spring in his Orchard. Look'd upon N. Sparhawk's Family: Call'd at my Son's at Brooklin; from thence Mr. Stoddard went to Cambridge, and I home. Note. In the morn, going down Roxbury Meetinghouse Hill, my Horse stumbled, fell on his Knees and there struggled awhile, broke his Crouper: I kept on and had no harm, not so much as a strain, *Laus Deo.*

I gave Mr. Stoddard for Madam Stoddard two half pounds of Chockalat, instead of Cōmencment Cake; and a Thesis.

*Feria secunda*, July, 14<sup>th</sup> 1707. Mr. Antram and I, having Benj. Smith and David to wait on us, Measured with his Wheel from the Town-House Two Miles, and drove down Stakes at each Mile's end, in order to placing Stone-posts in convenient time. From the Town-House to the Oak and Walnut, is a Mile wanting 21½ Rods. Got home again about Eight aclock.

July, 23. 1707. Midweek, visited Madam Leverett; her son, Thomas Berry,<sup>1</sup> is afflicted with a sore under his left Arm ready to break: all else are well.

July, 29. 1707. *Feria tertia*, Major Walley and I walk to the Ferry. From Charlestown, Heaton carries us in his Calash, the Sheriff, Under-Sheriff, Mr. Bordman, Capt. Henry Phillips accompanying us. Finish'd the Court. Visited Madam Leverett, visited Mrs. Corlett, look'd upon her Grand-daughter Minott. Left a copy of Mr. Noyes's verses on Mr. Bayley; two Banbury Cakes, and a piece

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<sup>1</sup> This lady was Margaret, first wife of President John Leverett. She was the daughter of John Rogers (President of Harvard College), and widow of Captain Thomas Berry, of Boston. Her son, Thomas Berry, was born in 1695; H. C. 1712, says Savage. John Leverett had a brother Thomas, called a barber on our town records. A curious attempt to mystify this statement is in the Leverett Genealogy (Boston, 1856), p. 149. The step-mother of John and Thomas Leverett, Sarah, widow of Hudson Leverett, was alive at this time, as she died in Roxbury, Dec. 16, 1714. — Eds.

of eight, with Mrs. Champney ; Gave her a piece on Coïn-  
encem't day ; both for her Mother.

*Feria quinta*, Aug<sup>t</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> 1707. Peter Weare set up the  
Stone Post to shew a Mile from the Town-House ends :  
Silence Allen, Mr. Gibbons's Son, Mr. Thrasher, —  
Salter, W<sup>m</sup> Wheelers — Simpson and a Carter assisted,  
made a Plumb-Line of his Whip. Being Lecture-day, I  
sent David with Mr. Weare to shew him where the second  
should be set ; were only two little Boys beside.

Monday, Aug<sup>t</sup> 11. 1707. Mr. Willard goes to Cam-  
bridge to Expound, but finds few scholars come together ;  
and moreover was himself taken ill there, which oblig'd  
him to come from thence before Prayer-Time.

Tuesday, Aug<sup>t</sup> 12. between 6 and 7. I visited Mr. Wil-  
lard to see how his Journey and Labour at the College  
had agreed with him ; and he surpris'd me with the above-  
account ; told me of a great pain in's head, and sickness  
at his stomach ; and that he believ'd he was near his end.  
I mention'd the business of the College. He desired me  
to do his Message by word of Mouth ; which I did, Thurs-  
day following, to the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council.

Quickly after I left Mr. Willard, he fell very sick, and  
had three sore Convulsion Fits to our great sorrow and  
amazement.

Thursday, Aug<sup>t</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> When the Gov<sup>r</sup> enquired after  
Mr. Willard, I acquainted the Gov<sup>r</sup> and council that Mr.  
Willard was not capable of doing the College work, an-  
other year ; He Thank'd them for their Acceptance of his  
service and Reward. Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council order'd Mr. Win-  
throp and Brown to visit the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Willard, and Thank  
him for his good service the six years past. Sent down  
for Concurrence, and Depts to name persons to join in  
the Thanks and Condolence. Depts concur and nominat  
the Rever'd Mr. Nehemiah Hobart to officiat in the mean  
time till Oct<sup>r</sup> next. This the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council did not  
accept, and so nothing was done.

Satterday, 7<sup>r</sup> 6. 1707. Col. Hathorn and I go to Wrentham, Lodge at Wear's.

7<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Sat down at the Lord's Table with Wrentham Church.

7<sup>r</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Went to Rehoboth, din'd at Mr. Smith's, invited Mr. Greenwood, who came and din'd with us; told us that Mr. Goodhue was sick of a Fever at his house: went to Bristol by the Bridge; at Carpenter's heard of the French Privateer in Marthas Vinyard Sound, and Rode-Islanders gon after him. Lodge at the ordinary with Capt. Leñard, Mr. Sparhawk's Indian Boy being sick of a Fever. 7<sup>r</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> at Diñer had the good News brought of the French privateer being Taken. Mr. Leverett came from Billinges just as were going to Diñer. 7<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> Mid-week, sentenced a woman that whip'd a Man, to be whip'd; said a woman that had lost her Modesty, was like Salt that had lost its savor; good for nothing but to be cast to the Dunghill: 7 or 8 join'd together, call'd the Man out of his Bed, guilefully praying him to shew them the way; then by help of a Negro youth, tore off his Cloaths and whip'd him with Rods; to chastise him for carrying it harshly to his wife. Got out of Town to Rehoboth.

7<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> *feria quinta*, rid home very well. *Laus Deo*. Col. Hathorn and Mr. Leverett turn'd off to Cambridge from Jamaica.

7<sup>r</sup> 12. Mehetabel Thurston tells me Mr. Willard was taken very sick. I hop'd it might go off, and went to Diñer; when I came there, Mr. Pemberton was at Prayer, near concluding, a pretty many in the Chamber. After Prayer, many went out, I staid and sat down: and in a few minutes saw my dear Pastor Expire: it was a little after Two, just about two hours from his being taken. It was very surprising: The Doctors were in another room Consulting what to doe. He administred the Lord's Supper, and Baptiz'd a child last Lord's Day: Did it with suitable voice, Affection, Fluency. Did not preach: 7<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup>

went to Lecture and heard Mr. Pierpont. At even seem'd much better than had been lately. Tis thought cutting his finger, might bring on this tumultuous passion that carried him away. There was a dolefull cry in the house. *Feria secunda*, 7<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> Mr. Willard is laid by his Tutor in my Tomb, till a new one can be made. Bearers, Dr. Mather, Mr. Allen; Mr. Tho. Bridge, Mr. C. Mather; Mr. Wadsworth, Mr. Colman. Fellows and students of the College went before. Mr. Pemberton Led Madam Willard. Gov<sup>r</sup> and his Lady had Rings: Bearers Scarvs and Rings. The Lady Davie, and Lady Hobbie were there. Son Sewall led his Sister Paul Dudley;<sup>1</sup> he being gon to Plymouth Court. Very Comfortable Day.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 1. 1707. The five stone posts are set up in our Front. *Feria quarta*, I went to Brooklin, and chose some Aple-trees from which my Son is to send me Apples: Din'd with my Son and Daughter and little Grand-daughter; went to Amos Gates's; Went into the Cedar-Swamp Meadow. Gov<sup>r</sup> makes a Treat to day for Gov<sup>r</sup> Winthrop, Major Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop and Madam Eyre. Col. Paige, Madam Usher, Mr. Paul Dudley and wife.

*Feria quinta*, Oct<sup>r</sup> 2. Fast at the South church. Mr. Wadsworth prays, Mr. Pemberton preaches: Mr. Bridge prays and gives the Blessing. Capt. Atwood, Bernard, Gooding, Atkins go home with me at Noon. I give each of them one of Mr. W. Williams's [H. C. 1683] Sermons. p. m. Mr. Cotton Mather Prays, Dr. Mather Preaches, prays, gives the Blessing. Was a great Assembly.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 3. had a Meeting of the Church and Congregation: But very thin, Several came not because Mr. Pemberton said Gentlemen of the church and Congregation; affirmed they were not Gentlemen and therefore they were not

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<sup>1</sup> Sewall, of course, means "his sister, Madam Paul Dudley; he [P.D.] being gone," &c. This phrase of "Madam Paul" occurs a few pages later. — Eds.

warned to come. Mr. Pemberton prayed, upon debate appointed this day señight for the meeting.

*Feria quinta*, Octob<sup>r</sup> 2. 1707. John Sewall, Sam. Moodey, and Abrah. Taḗin brought home Hañah Sewall, Mary Sewall, and Jane Taḗin from Newbury. Tis a fortnight since they went. Had a good passage thither by water. *Laus Deo*.

*Feria sexta*, Octob<sup>r</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 1707. Capt. David Mason, Holberton, Seers and Winter arrive from London in Boston Harbour: Began to be in great fear about them lest they were Taken; because they might have been expected before the Mast-Ships. Thanks were given on this account at Mr. Willard's Meeting, which was kept at his widows House this Afternoon; began between 1 and 2. Mr. Wadsworth, Colman pray'd, Mr. Pemberton preach'd and pray'd excellently.

Tuesday, Oct<sup>r</sup> 28. 1707. The Fellows of Harvard College meet, and chuse Mr. Leverett President: He had eight votes, Dr. Increase Mather three, Mr. Cotton Mather, one, and Mr. Brattle of Cambridge, one. Mr. White did not vote, and Mr. Gibbs came when voting was over.

Thorsday, Oct<sup>r</sup> 30. The Man of War, and Physick arrive from Lisbon, bring News that the siege of Tholoun [Toulon] was Raised.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 31. Mr. John Jekyl was sworn Collector, and Mr. Thomas Newton Controller: The Governour call'd for the Bible for them to swear on.<sup>1</sup>

Nov<sup>r</sup> 1. just about Noon the Gov<sup>r</sup> produces the Petition sign'd by Mr. Higginson and others for his Removal: And urges the Council to vote an Abhorrence of it. I pray'd

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<sup>1</sup> This John Jekyll married Margaret, daughter of Edward Shippen, Jr., of Philadelphia, and probably left issue in Pennsylvania. In the Shippen Family Papers, edited by the late Thomas Balch, it is stated (I. 19) that he was a younger brother of Sir Joseph Jekyll, Master of the Rolls. But in the annual register of the Sun Fire Office, London, where his death is recorded under date of 1733, he appears as a nephew of Sir Joseph. — Eds.



that it might be consider'd of till Monday, which the Governour would not hear of, but order'd Mr. Secretary to draw up a Vote: which with some alteration was pass'd. Said He had no Gall. After coming from Council I read the Book printed against the Governour in London. I had not seen it before.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Mr. Coffin of Nantucket is appointed by the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council to have an oversight of the Indians there. I had mention'd Capt. Gardener, whom Capt. Belchar withstood about a week ago. Gov<sup>r</sup> mention'd Gifts as piety. Mr. Benja. Brown said Capt. Gardener was prefer'd before Mr. Coffin for Piety: then the Gov<sup>r</sup> said no more. I now mov'd that both might be appointed; Capt. Belcher said; then let there be three. I said Capt. Gardener was already appointed to receive what was sent from the Commissioners. The Gov<sup>r</sup> said it was all the better; they would be a Check upon each other.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 7. Mr. James Allen stood up, and said I was a Party, and therefore ought not to be a Judge in the Cause of Gov<sup>r</sup> Bellingham's Will. I had got of that Land in a wrong way; which I resented; for no Land on this side the water is mentioned except for Life, and my Fragment on the Hill is not mention'd at all.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> This reference or excuse is not very plain, since Governor Bellingham's will had been set aside, as we will show; and any title from his only son would seem to be free of flaw. The facts, as we find them, are as follows:—

Governor Bellingham's will (Suff. Wills, VII. 271) gives to his wife the rent of a farm, and also his dwelling-house, yard and field adjoining, "during her natural life." To "my only son and his daughter during their natural lives." Rents of two other farms to the relief of the daughter of Colonel William Goodrich, &c. After his wife's death, the farm she hath for life, and "after the death of my son and his daughter, my whole estate in Winnisimett" to church purposes, as set forth quite fully. His inventory mentions a pasture of 2½ acres at the south end, butting upon Angola's house, and joining the land of Mrs. Colburn, valued at £250; ground upon the hill, behind Mr. Davenport's, £30; dwelling-house, and ground belonging to it, and shop before it, £600. The four farms at Winnisimett were valued at £1,920. The total estate was £3,244 3 7. The General Court (Rec. V. 105) gave

Nov<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> I received a Letter from Bro<sup>r</sup>, who says Doct<sup>r</sup> Tañan fell off Mr. Titcomb's Wharf last Tuesday, was found by it on Wednesday morn: buried Thursday in the Rain.

Feria Secunda Nov<sup>r</sup> 10. 1707. I set out for Salem with Capt. Beñet; at Lewis's overtook Mr. Dudley, Valentine, Hern; from thence went together, had a very good Journey; got to Salem so early as to anticipat the sheriff; the wind being fair, went by Wiñisimet.

judgment "that said will is illegal, and so null and voyd in law," Sept. 6, 1676.

But the estate seems to have been the cause of much discord. Samuel, only son of Governor Bellingham, married in April, 1695, Elizabeth Savage, who came over here to arrange his affairs. She was drowned on her return voyage, and the following record is found here:—

Elizabeth, wife of Samuel Bellingham, made her will Nov. 1697, being bound on a voyage to London. (Suff. Wills, VIII. 283.) Her husband having conveyed to trustees for her use and disposal all lands, &c., in New England formerly belonging to Richard Bellingham, she gives her husband, for life, the rent thereof. Bequests then follow to Harvard College, Benjamin Woodbridge, Increase Mather, Samuel Willard, Cotton Mather, Nathaniel Thomas, Joseph Hiller and wife Susanna, Benjamin Hiller, all of Boston, Thomas Danforth, Samuel Sewall, Edward Mills. Mentions brother Edward Watts, of London, and sister Rebecca Watts, his wife; also their children, Samuel, Rebecca, and Elizabeth Watts. Sister Mary Smith, Rev. Samuel Slaughter, Edward Hull and John Shelton, all of London. Aunt Banniard, cousin Elizabeth Skibbow, cousin Elinor Bird, uncles Samuel and Edmund Hermer. Edward Watts, *alias* Bellingham Watts, the residuary legatee, to be succeeded by his brother Samuel, and sisters Rebecca and Elizabeth.

We have already shown (Vol. I. p. 61, *note*) that Sewall bought his lot from Mrs. Bellingham and her trustees.

The land at the south end of Boston, less the lot which Governor Bellingham gave to an Indian slave named Angola, for saving him from drowning in Boston Harbor (see Suff. Deeds, VIII. 298), were sold Jan. 7, 1710–11 (Suff. Deeds, lib. XXVI. f. 100), by Edward Watts, late of St. Buttolph's, Aldgate, London; Sawyer, and Rebecca, his wife, claiming to be the heir to Andrew Belcher. But July 8, 1712, Belcher thought it best to establish his title by also buying the same from Elizabeth Bellingham, of London, spinster, daughter and sole heir of Samuel Bellingham. The land was bounded east on Orange Street, south on land of Robert Sanders and of Thomas Walker, west by Benjamin Eliot, north by Benjamin Eliot, Andrew Belcher, Thomas Chamberlain, John Clough, and William Payne. (Suff. Deeds, lib. XXVII. f. 21.) — Eds.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 13. Adjourn a little before night *sine die*. Visit Mr. Higginson the aged Minister; He can well and sensibly speak to us still, call'd me by my name; Mr. Leverett he did not hit off. Said he was sorry that his son should petition against the Gov<sup>r</sup>. Speaking of the Union he repeated very well a verse of K. James.

*Jam cuncti gens una sumus; sic simus in ævum.*

His wife very decrepit and in pain; glad to see me. Visit Madam Bradstreet, Bro<sup>r</sup> Hirst.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 14. very good wether; Mr. Noyes Breakfast, prays with us: at taking Leave, I gave him a 20<sup>s</sup> Bill in a paper writ on *Scalpellum* — and verses on Mr. Goodhue. Had a very good Journey home by Charlestown, Mr. Leverett in company till parting.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 15. Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> sends my wife and me a pair of Gloves on account of his wedding the 13<sup>th</sup>. Nov<sup>r</sup> 17 I and others visit Mr. Winthrop, and his Bride.<sup>1</sup> See 7<sup>r</sup> 19, 1707 in my Justices Book.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 18. Daughter Sewall is brought to Bed of a Son at Brooklin between 5 and 6. *mane*. Danford told me of it; I gave him a shilling.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 20. 1707. The Deputies not having voted as the Council did Nov<sup>r</sup> 1., a Conference is agreed on: Col. Hathorne, Col. Hutchinson, Mr. Secretary Addington, Mr. Commissary Belchar are appointed to be Managers: others may speak as they see occasion.

Gov<sup>r</sup> made a long speech beginning from his father, who laid out one Thousand pounds in the first adventure, was Governour. — He himself the first Magistrat born in New England.<sup>2</sup> Managers all spake in their order: Mr.

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<sup>1</sup> Wait Still Winthrop, the major-general and chief-justice, married, secondly, Nov. 13, 1707, Katherine, daughter of Thomas Brattle and widow of Mr. John Eyre (see p. 16). — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Palfrey writes (History IV. 308, *note*) that Sewall reports that Dudley calls himself "the first Governour born in New England." Palfrey adds: "If he did so, he must have flattered himself that the Court had forgotten

Blagrove spake on the part of the Deputies; said twas before the Queen and Council, not fit for us to intermeddle; Mention'd some Trade, as Nails, Pots, Sithes. Gov<sup>r</sup> deny'd the quantity of Nails.

The Gov<sup>r</sup> took an oportunity to say, he heard some whisper'd as if the Council were not all of a mind: He with courage said that all the Council were of the same mind as to every word of the vote. This gall'd me; yet I knew not how to contradict him before the Houses.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 21. Depts vote again as to the Councils vote, and tis carried in the Negative. Conference about Vetch and Borland trading with French &c. Draw up a vote themselves shorter than ours, and vote it and send it in. Upon this, some began to be hot to send for the Book<sup>1</sup> wherein the Affidavits are, and Mr. M<sup>s</sup> Letter; and to burn it: others were for deliberation. Note. At the Conference the Gov<sup>r</sup> had the Extract of many of Mr. C[otton] M[ather] Letters read, of a later Date than that in the printed Book and Observator, giving him a high character. See Dec<sup>r</sup> 12. Nov<sup>r</sup> 22. In the morn, I went

Sir William Phips. But I have observed no other report of such a declaration of his." But we have two other suppositions to make before convicting Sewall of error. The word in the text is "magistrate," not "governour." Did Dudley refer to the magistrates or assistants under the old charter? If so, the statement *may* be true, but the inquiry would be tedious and profitless. Or, again, is it certain that Phips *was* born in New England? We believe that there is no authentic record of Sir William's birth, and he may have been born before his father emigrated. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> The reference is to a "Memorial of the Present Deplorable State of New England," to which there was a reply entitled "A Modest Enquiry," &c., 1707, and later, "The Deplorable State of New England," London, 1708. All these are fully described in the preface to the present volume. Palfrey, IV. 305, refers to the latter only. It is sufficient to state here that Governor Dudley was accused of connivance or participation in illegal trade with the enemy, the French, in Canada. Sewall's position was delicate, his son being the husband of Dudley's daughter. He took a manly part; but it is rather amusing to read his disgust at being praised therefor by the opposition. — Eds.

to Mr. Borland, and enquired of him whether the Gov<sup>r</sup> knew of their Trade with the French. He said he order'd Capt. Vetch to acquaint him. I enquired whether he did it or no: Mr. Borland said, he did not hear him acquaint the Gov<sup>r</sup> with it. By this I gather'd that Capt. Calley's Affidavit was true; and that the Gov<sup>r</sup> did coñive at their Trading with the French, which has open'd a Tragical scene that I know not when we shall see the close of it.

Went to the burying of Mrs. Busby the widow.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 23. Mr. Pemberton preaches more fully and vehemently against being cover'd in Sermon Time. p. m. Simeon Stoddard, the Son of A. Stoddard, is baptised. David Stoddard and others taken into Church.

Before family prayer, went to the burying of Capt. Thomas Dudley's Daughter: Sir Wainwright, and Capt. Southack's son Bearers. Gov<sup>r</sup> was at the Funeral. About the middle of this Nov<sup>r</sup> I dried up the Issue in my Left Arm; trusting to that of my Legg only.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 23. 1707. My Son Samuel has his Son Samuel Baptised by Mr. Walter at Roxbury: Col. Partridge, who was present, inform'd me of it, Nov<sup>r</sup> 24<sup>th</sup>

Nov<sup>r</sup> 25. 1707. The Gov<sup>r</sup> read Mr. Cotton Mather's Letter to Sir Charles Hobby in Council, the Copey being sign'd by Mr. Povey, and animadverted on several paragraphs; When the Gov<sup>r</sup> came to the *horrid Reign of Bribery*: His Excellency said, None but a Judge or Juror could be Brib'd, the Governour could not be bribed, sons of Belial brôt him no Gifts. Mov'd that Col. Hutchinson, Mr. Secretary, Col. Townsend and Mr. Cushin go to Mr. Cotton Mather with the Copy of his Letter to Sir Charles Hobby, and his Letters to the Gov<sup>r</sup>, and speak to him about them: this was agreed to. I shew'd some backwardness to it, fearing what the Issue might be; and hinting whether it might not be better for the Gov<sup>r</sup> to go to him himself: That seem'd to be Christ's Rule, except the Gov<sup>r</sup> would deal with him in a Civil way.

Nov: 25. 1707. p. m. The Gov<sup>r</sup> mov'd that Mr. Newton might be sent for; which was done; and the Gov<sup>r</sup> minded him of the Confession he had made for signing the Petition against him; and Mr. Newton renew'd his acknowledgment of his misdoing, in some measure, and excus'd it by saying that he was surpris'd by being told that the Gov<sup>r</sup> had written against his being Collector. When he was gon, the Gov<sup>r</sup> order'd the Secretary to make a Minute of it, which was done. When this was over, I desired the Governour's patience to speak a word: I said I had been concern'd about the Vote pass'd Nov: 1. "At the Conference his Excellency was pleas'd to say, that every one of the Council remain'd steady to their vote, and every word of it: This Skrewing the Strings of your Lute to that height, has broken one of them; and I find my self under a Necessity of withdrawing my Vote; and I doe withdraw it, and desire the Secretary may be directed to enter it in the Minutes of the Council." And then I delivered my Reasons for it, written and sign'd with my own Hand; which were read. The Gov<sup>r</sup> directed that it should be kept privat: but I think Col. Lynde went away before that Charge was given.<sup>1</sup> The Gov<sup>r</sup> often says that if any body would deal plainly with him, he would kiss them; but I rec'd many a Bite, many a hard Word from him. He said I valued Mr. Higginson's *Reputation* more than his *Life*. When Mr. Newton was call'd in, Gov<sup>r</sup> told him that the Court at N-Hampshire had voted an Abhorrence of the Petition; and the Council and Representatives here had voted it a scandalous and wicked Accusation. Just after our uncomfortable Discourse was over, and to help terminat it, a Master comes in from Virginia, who brings News that both Tholoun and Marseilles are Taken.<sup>2</sup> Note, before I Withdrew my Vote: The Gov<sup>r</sup> took occasion to

<sup>1</sup> See these reasons printed in "The Deplorable State," &c. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> The siege of Toulon was raised in August. Marseilles was not besieged. — Eds.

speaking thus; "To say the best, The House of Deputies is out of Humour, though after all their search, all is as white as Chalk, as clear as the Driven snow; yet.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 26. Mr. Secretary reports the Discourse with Mr. Cotton Mather favourably; It seems they stay'd there more than two Hours; and Dr. Mather was present Mr. Mather neither denys, nor owns the Letter: Think his Letters to the Gov<sup>r</sup>, and that to Sir Charles Hobbey, not so inconsistent as they are represented.<sup>1</sup> By Candle-Light before they went, It was debated whether Mr. Mather should be sent for before the Council; or whether the Gentlemen should go to him. Then I that had been backward to meddle in it before, plainly declar'd my mind that twas best for the Gentlemen to go to him; and so twas carried when put to the Vote. Mr. Secretary is well pleas'd that he went.

The Council invited the Gov<sup>r</sup> to Diñer to day; I drank to his Excellency, and presented my Duty to him. Col. Townsend drank to me. At Dinner Col. Hutchinson invited us to drink a Glass of Wine at Mr. Eliakim Hutchinson's by his order. We went some of us. And between 7. and 8. His son William and his Bride came; and Mr. Phips and his Bride; they were married privatly last Thursday morn: and now both weddings are kept together.<sup>2</sup> Had Musick, Cake and Cheese to eat there, and bring away. They had a hard Journey from Rehoboth to Billenges yesterday in the Rain. Mr. Hutchinson told us

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<sup>1</sup> The Council sent four of its members to confer with Cotton Mather. Council Record, quoted by Palfrey, IV. 319. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Eliakim Hutchinson was son of Richard Hutchinson, of London, and thus cousin of Colonel Elisha Hutchinson, of Boston. Eliakim died in 1716, when his will mentions only son William, grandson Eliakim Palmer, son of Thomas, and the children of daughter Elizabeth Phips. William had wife, Elizabeth, and died in 1721, leaving seven children. It seems quite evident that Elizabeth married Spencer Phips, though her surname is not given in Paige's History of Cambridge. His second child was born in 1710, and his fourth and eighth child received the name of Eliakim. — Eds.

the Bride was gon ill to Bed. Gov<sup>r</sup> Winthrop had a very bad night.

This day the Gov<sup>r</sup> a<sup>p</sup>oints Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 3. for Nominating Officers; says He has only a Justice of Peace or two on Essex side.

In the evening by Candle-Light I fell asleep in the Council-Chamber: and when I waked was surprised to see the Gov<sup>r</sup> gone.

Col. Townsend ask'd me to withdraw my Paper, and put it in my Pocket, pleasantly: I answered pleasantly, I could as easily put him in my Pocket.

Friday, Nov<sup>r</sup> 28. 1707. The Gov<sup>r</sup> puts forward to have the vote of July 9. 1706. of the Representatives, the vote of the Council of Nov<sup>r</sup> 1., the vote of the Representatives Nov<sup>r</sup> 21., Printed, to prevent spreading false Reports: I said I could not vote to it because I had withdrawn my vote. The Gov<sup>r</sup> said, I pray God judge between me and you! Col. Townsend told me I was a Temporiser; I hôp'd Mr. Higginson would be Gov<sup>r</sup>, and endeavour'd to procure his favor. Prayer. Lord, do not depart from me, but pardon my sin; and fly to me in a way of favourable Protection! Capt. Phips brings in Mr. Leverett Non-Concurr'd. Moves from the House that a suitable person be thought of to take care of the College till May Sessions. Col. Townsend tells me that my purpose to withdraw my Vote was known a week ago; Mr. Oaks mention'd it in the House; He was my Counsellor. Whereas he really knew nothing of it; and now tells me, he never mention'd my Name.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 1. Our children visited their Sister at Brooklin.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 4. Mr. C. Mather preaches a very good Funeral sermon. Gov<sup>r</sup> [Fitz John] Winthrop is buried from the Council Chamber, Foot-Companies in Arms, and Two Troops. Armor carried, a Led Horse. Bearers, Gov<sup>r</sup>, Mr. Russell; Mr. Cooke, Major Brown; Col. Hutchinson, Sewall; Mr. Secretary, Mr. Sergeant. Father, Son, and



Grandson ly together in one Tomb in the old burying place.<sup>1</sup> Was a vast concourse of People.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 5. Dine at Holm's. I supos'd the Council had Treated the Gov<sup>r</sup>, But the Gov<sup>r</sup> would pay. A Message is sent in to the Deputies about the Colledge; whereupon they withdraw their Non-concurrence; rase out (Non) and turn it to Concur'd; And vote Mr. Leverett a Salary of One Hundred and Fifty pounds per añum out of the publick Treasury.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 6. Some desire that it may be put in the Bill that Mr. Leverett Lay down all his Civil offices; as Judge of Probat, and judge of the Superiour Court. And entirely to attend that service, was inserted, and Mr. Secretary carried it in to the Deputies, and took their Consent. Gov<sup>r</sup> has Two Hundred pounds given him. Col. Jn<sup>o</sup> Appleton, Hunt and I are sent in to speak to the Deputies about their denying any Reward to the comissioners to Port-Royal; Told them, denying all Remuneration was in a mañer to make them Criminals: Twas a burden God in his providence had laid on us, and to go about thus to shake it off, would be to his Dishonor. Spake also in behalf of Salem Fort and Marblehead. Upon this a Resolve was sent in to leave the consideration of it to another Sessions, being now a very thin House. Deputies had sent in a long Roll of Grievances to be Reform'd, as their Advice: Gov<sup>r</sup> would have had the Council advis'd the contrary in the whole: I oposed it, as inconvenient to vote against all together: and it was staid. And yet when the Deputies were come in, the Gov<sup>r</sup> took the paper and spoke to it; said he could not go according to it without having the Frontiers defenceless; said the Council were unanimously against it. Court is prorogued to the fourth of February.

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<sup>1</sup> This is, of course, the well-known tomb in the King's Chapel yard, very near the building of the Massachusetts Historical Society. A full description is given in Bridgman's Epitaphs. — Eds.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 10. Married — Hayward and Susa<sup>na</sup> Mills.

*Feria quinta*, Dec<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 1707. Thanks-giving-day, very serene, moderate, comfortable Wether. Mr. Pemberton preaches forenoon and afternoon. Yesterday I was told of a vast number of Pigeons in the Woods this Moneth. Capt. Mills at his Sister's Wedding says he saw an incredible Number at Woodstock last Friday.

Madam Usher, son and daughter Hirst and their family, Cousin Sam and Jonathan Sewall, Bro<sup>r</sup> Wheeler and his wife, M — and her daughter, dine with us. *Feria sexta*, Dec<sup>r</sup> 12. 1707. Just before the Funeral of Mrs. Eliot, I went to Mr. Borland, told him he had been at my House and I was not at home, so I now call'd at his. He seem'd to express some Concern that the Gov<sup>r</sup> was troubled; and said they gave the Gov<sup>r</sup> nothing. I told him what my discourse with him was the 22<sup>d</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup>. He owns the substance of it now; and is confirm'd in it because he saw it in Capt. Vetches Petition at home. I desired to see the Petition but he declin'd it.

Bearers to Mrs. Eliot, widow of D. [eacon] Jacob Eliot: Sewall, Bromfield; Hill, Williams; Checkly, Mr. John Hubbard. Was buried from her daughter Davis's. At the Return to the house, I said to Mr. Holyoke, it was a happiness that our Condolance for the departure of our friend, was join'd with Congratulation for her being gon to her Rest and Reward. At parting with the Bearers, I told them we were often concern'd in Funerals; it would be well for us to pray one for another that God would prepare us for our own Dissolution.

Joseph return'd to Cambridge before the Funeral, last mention'd.

*Feria septima*, Dec<sup>r</sup> 13. 1707. I enquir'd of Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Winthrop whether he had seen his Sister Sewall; he said not since her Lying in; I told him I would not impose upon him; but if he pleas'd, we might go together (he told me must go to Roxbury with the Coach and back

again); we rid together, call'd at Roxbury and took in Madam Paul Dudley, and Mrs. Anne. Found my daughter and her little Samuel well; his Father has a Cold. Little Rebekah well. When return'd, went in again to the Governour's, his Lady only now at home. Madam Paul Dudley came home with us; had a comfortable Journey. *Laus Deo.*

*Feria Secunda, Dec<sup>r</sup> 15. 1707.* The Governour calls a Council, Reads a Letter of Mr. Bridger complaining of Trees cut contrary to Charter and of a great Mast ship'd: Now it seems Mr. Collins deals for Masts by the Royal Authority, though his Powers are not shewn here: The Gov<sup>r</sup> press'd for a Proclamation as is emitted this day; I express'd my self unready to vote for it; because twas only Mr. Bridger's naked complaint, Without any Affidavit to justify it. He had been here above a 12 moneth; and to set forth a proclamation now, would be but to serve a Turn. Ichabod Plaisted esqr. is of the Council, and, dwelling in those parts, might inform the Board. I mov'd that Mr. Mico might be sent for, who transacts for Mr. Collins: but the Gov<sup>r</sup> would not hear of it. I feared lest this proclamation should prejudice rather than forward the Queens Interest, and therefore was against setting it forth. The Gov<sup>r</sup> was displeas'd, and said twas due to a Tinker, much more to Mr. Bridger.

*Feria tertia, Dec<sup>r</sup> 16. 1707.* Mr. John Winthrop marries Mrs. Anne Dudley. Roxbury Lecture-Day.

*Feria quinta, Dec<sup>r</sup> 18.* Mr. Bridge appoints the 15<sup>th</sup> Psalm to be sung: and takes Job. 15. 34. for his Text; especially that clause, — Fire shall consume the tabernacles of Bribery: From which he preach'd an excellent sermon. Mr. Pemberton's Cold suffer'd him not to be abroad; Dr. Mather not at Lecture. Governour, and Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop were there, notwithstanding the Wedding.

*Feria sexta, Dec<sup>r</sup> 19. 1707.* Went to the Meeting at

Mr. Bromfield's. Mr. Nath<sup>l</sup> Williams preach'd from 1 Cor. 7. 29. The Time is short. Mr. Stoddard tells me the Gov<sup>r</sup> has the Gout, and bespeaks my Company to visit him to morrow. Sent a Letter to my Bro<sup>r</sup> to day by Mr. B. Marston.

*Feria septima*, Dec<sup>r</sup> 20. Mr. Bromfield, Mr. Stoddard and I ride together in Mr. Briggs's Hackney Coach and visit the Gov<sup>r</sup>, who keeps his Chamber; was taken ill on Thursday. Wish his Excellency Joy of his Son and Daughter Winthrop; gave the Bride Mr. Willard's, Blessed Man. Mr. Paul Dudley came home with us and fill'd up the Coach.

Receive a Letter from my Bro<sup>r</sup>, who says, the generality of thoughtfull people there a<sup>p</sup>rove of my Mount Etna Eruption: That's his expression. Hopes to see us in 10 days. Mary is taken ill.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 30. Joseph goes home. Brother comes to Town.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 2. Bro<sup>r</sup> goes home in very cold windy wether, lyes at Lewes's, then home 3. Jan<sup>y</sup> 8. 1707 $\frac{7}{8}$ . The Gov<sup>r</sup> a<sup>p</sup>oints a Council to meet at Cambridge the 14<sup>th</sup> Inst for the Installment of Mr. Leverett:<sup>1</sup> warns the Ministers of the Six Towns<sup>2</sup> mention'd to be overseers of the College. Midweek, Jan<sup>y</sup> 14. 1707 $\frac{7}{8}$ . Went to Cambridge in Mr. Brigg's Coach, with Col. Townsend, Mr. Bromfield, and Mr. Stoddard. Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson went in his own Charet, taking Mr. Wadsworth with him. Capt. Belchar carried Mr. Secretary in his Calash. Mr. Pemberton carried his Bro<sup>r</sup> in his Slay over the Ice; Mr. Mico carried Mr. Treasurer Brattle. Mr. Colman there. Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop, Col. Elisha Hutchinson, Mr. Foster, Mr. Ser-

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<sup>1</sup> This was the end of a long contest in which the Mathers, Increase and Cotton, were very prominent. They never forgave Dudley, and the reader is especially desired to peruse the virulent letters addressed to him Jan. 20, 1707-8, printed in Mass. Hist. Society's Collections, 1st series, III. 126-134. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Cambridge, Watertown, Charlestown, Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester: *Sex vicinis oppidis*. — Eds.

geant, Dr. Mather, Mr. Cotton Mather, Mr. Bridge, Mr. Allen were not there. The day was very pleasant; Col. Phillips, Mr. Russel in his black cap, Col. Lynde met us from Charlestown; Mr. Bradstreet, Angier, there, Mr. Woodbridge of Meadford, Mr. Neh. Hobart. In the Library the Governour found a Meeting of the Overseers of the College according to the old Charter of 1650, and reduced the Number to seven; viz. Mr. Leverett President, Mr. Neh. Hobart, Mr. W<sup>m</sup> Brattle, Mr. Ebenezer Pemberton, Mr. Henry Flint, Mr. Jonathan Remington, Fellows; Mr. Tho. Brattle, Treasurer. The Gov<sup>r</sup> prepar'd a Latin Speech for Installment of the President. Then took the President by the hand and led him down into the Hall; The Books of the College Records, Charter, Seal and Keys were laid upon a Table running parallel with that next the Entry. The Gov<sup>r</sup> sat with his back against a Noble Fire; Mr. Russel on his Left Hand in<sup>er</sup>most, I on his Right Hand; President sat on the other side of the Table over against him. Mr. Neh. Hobart was called, and made an excellent Prayer; Then Joseph Sewall made a Latin Oration. Then the Gov<sup>r</sup> read his Speech, and (as he told me) mov'd the Books in token of their Delivery. Then President made a short Latin Speech, importing the difficulties discouraging, and yet that he did Accept: Gov<sup>r</sup> spake further, assuring him of the Assistance of the Overseers. Then Mr. Edward Holyoke<sup>1</sup> made a Latin Oration, standing where Joseph did at a Desk on the Table next the Entry at the inside of it, facing the Gov<sup>r</sup>. Mr. Danforth of Dorchester pray'd. Mr. Paul Dudley read part of the 132 ps. in Tate and Bradey's version, Windsor Tune, clôsd with the Hymn to the Trinity. Had a very good Di<sup>ner</sup> upon 3 or 4 Tables: Mr. Wadsworth crav'd a Blessing, Mr. Angier Return'd Thanks. Got home very well.  
*Laus Deo.*

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<sup>1</sup> A graduate of 1705. President in 1737. — Eds.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1707. Mr. Bridge preaches; (Gov<sup>r</sup> not at Lecture.) He speaks against Levillism, Buying and Selling Men. Council after Lecture: Col. Redknapp had a Muster-Roll offer'd which the Council Refus'd. It seems he had Thirty pounds allow'd him at his embarking. This day Mr. Belchar brings me Squash-Seeds from Dedham.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 16. 1707. Snow. I had a hard fall coming from daughter Hirst's, yet through the goodness of God, had little or no hurt. Tis very slipery under the Snow.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 22. 1707. Mrs. Winthrop,<sup>1</sup> *vid.* of Mr. Dean Win-

<sup>1</sup> This reference brings up a formidable genealogical problem. Martha, second wife and widow of Deane Winthrop, was Martha Mellows. She was clearly the widow of John Mellows, Sen., because (Suff. Deeds, XX. 501), as Martha Winthrop, she released her interest in son John Mellows's house to her daughter-in-law, Sarah, relict of John, Jr. She is, probably, the Martha Mellows mentioned in 1652, in Reverend John Cotton's will, though there were then living her daughter Martha, and also Martha, widow of Abraham Mellows, of Charlestown.

The will of John Mellows, dated Sept. 15, 1674 (Suff. Wills, VI. 79), mentions wife Martha, sons John and Oliver, daughters Martha and Sarah, son John Chanterell. Witnesses to the will: Daniel Turell and John Conney; to a codicil, Conney and Martha Lue, who signs with a mark.

Jan. 21, 1703-4. Thomas Messinger, of Boston, and Elizabeth, his wife, one of the daughters of John Mellows, mariner, deceased, mortgage (Suff. Deeds, lib. 21. f. 458) "one full third (the whole in three parts to be equally divided) of the property of her late father John Mellows," between land of late Samuel Shrimpton and widow Turell, and the remainder therein, after the decease of Martha Winthrop, wife of Deane Winthrop, and mother of said Elizabeth. (Note. Martha Winthrop signs a deed July 31, 1678, in Suff. Deeds, XX. 225; an approximate date of her marriage.)

March, 19, 1706-7 (Suff. Deeds, lib. XXIII. f. 94), the Messingers sell this lot to Robert Ware, who also buys one third of the same of Thomas Winsor, "being land which I lately bought of Mary Chanterill, Martha Winthrop, and others." A third part, being one third of a lot in Coney's lane, forty-four feet front and sixty feet deep, bounded north on land of Mrs. Turell, deceased, east on Mr. Knox, south on the lane, and west on land of Samuel Shrimpton, deceased, was bought by Ware of Thomas Lee and Martha Winthrop.

We are sure that Mary Chanterell was a daughter of Mellows, and that Elizabeth Messinger was. The inference is unavoidable that Thomas Lee represented a third daughter. He was not the husband of a Mellows; for he married, at Salem, Deborah Flint, and had Martha baptized here in 1701.

throp, I suppose, dines with us after Lecture. Gov<sup>r</sup> was at Lecture.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 23. I go to the Funeral of Anne Needham, who died in Child-bed: her former Husband was Lawson: her first, Airs, to whom I married her Nov<sup>r</sup> 5. 1690. At first I walk'd next the women with Mr. Wentworth: when had gon a little way Mr. Cotton Mather came up and went with me. Funeral was from Coñey's Lane,<sup>1</sup> to the new

His wife died in 1764, aged ninety years, seventy of which she "had employed in the marriage state," as the newspapers stated.

Probably, then, Martha, the daughter of John Mellows (born Feb. 8, 1654), married a Lee, and was the mother of Thomas Lee. A Henry Lee was admitted an inhabitant of Boston in 1655; Thomas Lee was taxed there in 1681; John Lee, in 1687, 1688, 1691, 1695; and Joshua Lee, in 1688. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> In regard to Coney's Lane, we suggested, in our first volume, p. 37, *note*, that it might be a part of Sudbury Street. We are indebted to Newton Talbot, Esq., for the following references. (Suff. Deeds, lib. XXV. f. 116.) Feb. 28, 1707-8. Thomas Odkins, and Elizabeth, his wife, the only child of John Turill, mariner, deceased, and heir-in-law to the estate of said Turill, sold, for £90, to James Codnor, all that old dwelling-house and land situated towards the northerly end of the town, on Coney's Lane, being the same lately belonging to Turill. It was bounded south on said Lane, forty feet; west on land of John Mellows, deceased, now occupied by one Ware, and Abiel Lawrence, sixty feet; north by Thomas Breden and George Burrill, forty feet; and west on John Phillips, deceased, seventy-one and one-half feet.

But new heirs appeared, and July 14, 1711 (Deeds, lib. XXVI. f. 42), Daniel Oliver and William Welstead, attorneys for John Turill and William Turill, sons of Samuel Turill, deceased, and grandson of John Turill, deceased, sell the same land to Codnor, by the same bounds, except that the land fronts (south) on Cross Street, forty feet.

Cross Street was named in the Selectmen's vote of May, 1708, which date is between the dates of these two deeds.

In our last note, we showed that the Mellows lot sold to Robert Ware was bounded south on Coney's Lane, east by Knox, west by S. Shrimpton's, north by Mrs. Turill's land, and was forty-four feet front and sixty feet deep.

(Suff. Deeds, lib. XXIII. p. 156.) Jonathan Gatchell, and wife, Martha, only child of John Mellows, Jr. (having bought out the claims of her mother, Martha Winthrop, in a house and land left to John Mellows by his father, John Mellows, Sen.), sell the same to Abiel Lawrence, widow. It was bounded N. W. by the four foot passage, running forty-one feet thereon from the house of John Mellows, Sen., to land of Colonel Shrimpton, deceased, S. E. on the house and land of widow Turill forty-one feet, and is in

Burying-place. There Mr. Mather ask'd me to go with him to Madam Usher's, where we staid till past six. Speaking of death, I said twas a Happiness to be so Conform'd to Christ, And it was a pleasure to take part with God in executing a righteous Sentence upon one's self, to aꝑlaud his Justice — Mr. Mather said that was high-flying; he would have such High-flyers be at his Funeral. Had been mentioning Mr. Dod's Will. As went thence told me of his Letter to the Gov<sup>r</sup> of the 20<sup>th</sup> Ins<sup>t</sup> and Lent me the Copy; intends to send another to Mr. Paul Dudley. Dr. Mather it seems has also sent a Letter to the Gov<sup>r</sup>.<sup>1</sup> I wait with Concern to see what the issue of this plain home-dealing will be! I desir'd Mr. Mather to promote Col. Thomas's being brought into the Superior Court, if there was oꝑportunity: the 12<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> is aꝑointed for a Nomination.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 30. 1707 $\frac{7}{8}$  John Neesnummin [Indian Preacher] comes to me with Mr. R. Cotton's Letters; I shew him to Dr. Mather. Bespeak a Lodging for him at Matthias Smith's: but after they sent me word they could not doe it. So I was fain to lodg him in my Study.<sup>2</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 31

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width, from said Turill's house towards said passage-way, eighteen and one-half feet; S. W. on land late of John Mellows, Sen., now held by one Ware; N. E. on land late of S. Shrimpton, now of Anthony Blount.

In the Selectmen's order of May, 1708, "the way leading from the Mill Pond south-easterly by the late Deacon Phillips's stone house, extending down to the sea, *Cross Street*." "The way leading from the north-westerly end of Cross Street, passing northerly by Vearing's house, near the Mill Pond, *Old Way*." — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> These letters are noticed in our previous note. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> There is a significance in this entry in the Journal which may not be obvious to the reader. It is illustrative of the strong antipathy felt by all those of English blood here, at that time, against coming into any close relation with the Indians on terms of social equality. The feeling of repulsion, which the first settlers brought with them, regarding the natives as heathens, was strongly intensified by subsequent relations with them, whether peaceful or hostile, till it generally resulted in contempt or disgust. Those who are well versed in our history are familiar with the many evidences of this antipathy, presenting themselves as long as any of the native race survived in this neighborhood. It was quite otherwise with the French, who came



p. m. I send him on his way towards Natick, with a Letter to John Trowbridge to take him in if there should be occasion. About half an hour by sun I went to the Funeral of my neighbour Sam Eng: I went first with Mr. Meers, and then with Mr. Pemberton, who talk'd to me very warmly about Mr. Cotton Mather's Letter to the Gov<sup>r</sup>, seem'd to resent it, and expect the Gov<sup>r</sup> should animadvert upon him. See Feb. 6. Said if he were as the Gov<sup>r</sup> he would humble him though it cost him his head; Speaking with great vehemency just as I parted with him at his Gate. The Lord appear for the Help of his people.

Second-day, Feb<sup>r</sup> 2. Council for passing Muster-Rolls. Somebody said, I think Capt. Belchar, That no man was admitted to be a Captain without giving the D. of Marl-

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into terms of very free association and intimacy with the Indians, and never manifested, even if they felt, this antipathy of race. But "English stomachs" revolted from such fellowship. The same strong repugnance was indulged by them against social intimacy with the Indians, with which we are more familiar as felt towards negroes. The Jesuit Father and the French bush-ranger freely shared the loathsome lodging and food of the Indian, and came into hearty fellowship with him. Roger Williams, more than any other Englishman, struggled against this race antipathy. He says that he forced himself to lodge "in the filthy, smoky holes" of savages, that he "might win their language." But the wife of the good John Eliot, apostle as he was, carefully prepared some food for him to take with him when he mounted his horse to visit his red flock at Natick, and he tells us that he had partitioned off a lodging place and a bed in the loft of the Indian meeting-house for his private use. He reserved the closest fellowship with his converts till they should meet in heavenly regions, and would "all be changed," appearing in "celestial bodies." Judge Sewall, in his gentle kindness of spirit and his humanity of righteousness, proved himself far in advance of his contemporaries in his sympathy with negroes and Indians. Yet, as we read the above entry in his Journal, we present to ourselves his evident embarrassment. An approved Indian convert and preacher, on his way to professional service at Natick, calls on Sewall with letters from his friend Reverend Roland Cotton, of Sandwich, also a friend of the Indians, and a preacher to them. Sewall shifts off the intended lodger upon the keeper of a tavern open to very promiscuous guests. "They could not do it," writes the good Judge; "so I was fain to lodge him in my study." The hospitable guest chamber in the house was reserved for another class of lodgers. However, most of the citizens of Boston, at the time, would, if compelled to entertain an Indian, have given him a couch of straw and horse blankets in a barn. — Eds.

borough, or his Dutchess five hundred Guinys: the Gov<sup>r</sup> took it up, and said, What is that! Speaking in a favourable, diminutive way. And said that there had not been any admitted these thousand years but in a way like that; mentioning his own experience in the Isle of Wight.<sup>1</sup> His Excellency seems hereby to justify himself against those who charge him with Bribery. Gov<sup>r</sup> seem'd backward to grant, or say he would not grant the Chaplains &c, Unless Col. Hutchinson &c, had wages allow'd them.

Febr. 3. Went to the Funeral of Capt. Timothy Stephens of Roxbury. Mr. Walter pray'd, and tells me was a very good Christian, usefull Man, had great Assurance of the Love of God to him before he died; though he had much darkness before. Gov<sup>r</sup> and all his family there. Capt. Belchar, Mr. Bromfield, Mr. Stoddard and I there.

Febr. 4. Mr. Townsend, Bromfield, Stoddard, I, went and visited Mr. Leverett the President: I wish'd Madam Leverett Joy of the new Employment of her Husband. First din'd at Capt. Parker's. Visited Col. Foxcroft, who is abed with the Gout. When had paid our Reckoning at Capt. Parkers, rode to my sons chamber, sat awhile by his fire, Mr. Flint came to us. From thence came home slowly, which made us late. At Col. Foxcroft's was Col. Byfield, Taylor, Mr. Brattle, Cambridge. At coming from the President's Col. Townsend said he hop'd he should hear of his being in the Hall every day. He expounded the first of Matthew yesterday; Moderated the Bachelours Dispute to day. But we hear as if he intends to go into Hall but on some certain days.

Febr. 5. Mr. Colman preaches the Lecture in Mr. Wadsworth's Turn, from Gal. 5. 25. If we live in the Spirit, let we also Walk in the Spirit. Spake of Envy

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<sup>1</sup> It will be remembered that Dudley, on his third visit to England, in 1693, was made Lieutenant-Governor of the Isle of Wight, and was a member of the House of Commons for the borough of Newton in that island. He seems to have obtained his title of Colonel at the same time. — Eds.

and Revenge as the Complexion and Condemnation of the Devil; Spake of other walking: it blôted our sermons, blôted our Prayers, blôted our Admonitions and Exhortations. It might justly put us upon asking our selves whether we did live in the Spirit, whether we were ever truly regenerated, or no. 'Tis reckon'd he lash'd Dr. Mather and Mr. Cotton Mather and Mr. Bridge for what they have written, preach'd and pray'd about the present Contest with the Gov<sup>t</sup>. I heard not of it before, but yesterday Col. Townsend told me of Dr. Mather's Prayer Jan<sup>y</sup> 25, Wherein he made mention of One in Twenty-Eight being faithfull; which makes many look on me with an evil eye: supposing Dr. Mather ment my withdrawing my vote of the first of Nov<sup>r</sup>. Feb<sup>r</sup> 6. Queen's Birthday, I could not find in my heart to go to the Town-House; because hardly anything is professedly there done but drinking Healths. And Mr. Maxwell left his Message with David; I saw him not. And I was entangled that I could not conveniently go. I had written to Mr. Borland earnestly desiring to see the Copy of Capt. Vetches Petition: and he sent me word he would wait on me this day; which did in a manner bind me at home, lest I should be out of the Way.<sup>1</sup> He came and told me with an air of Displeasure, that I had made a bad use of what he had told me. Afterward I ask'd upon what head he intended I had made a bad use: He said little, but talk'd of making a Flame. I had said in my Letter, I hôp'd he should not have cause to complain that I had made a bad use of his lending me the Petition till morning, or a less while, if he pleas'd. Thus my neighbour Borland can take an oath which is made use of to hide the Truth, and cause men to believe a Lye; but he, with unjust reflection, refuses to shew a Copy of a Petition for clearing the Truth of a con-

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<sup>1</sup> There is an exquisite *naïveté* in the Judge's accumulations of the reasons which made it proper for him to stay at home instead of going where he did not wish to go. — Eds.

troverted matter of Fact: though the petition be publicly lying before the Queen and Council, and any one may have a Copy for their Money. I said little to him; but gave him the last of Mr. W<sup>m</sup> Williams' Sermons. Master Chiever his coming to me last Satterday Jan<sup>y</sup> 31. on purpose to tell me, he blessed God that I had stood up for the Truth; is more Comfort to me, than Mr. Borland's unhandsomeness is discomfort. But, above all, I hope I have a good Conscience, and a good GOD to bear me out.

Second-day, Feb<sup>r</sup> 9. 1707 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Mr. D. Oliver, Capt. Keeling, Constable Loring and my self walk'd in the 7<sup>th</sup> Comp<sup>a</sup> to inspect Disorders. Found this to our Comfort, that the widow Harman's daughter Ames is gon to her Husband at Marshfield, which was a gravamen for many years, I used constantly to visit them and expostulat with them. I carried  $\frac{1}{2}$  Duz. Catechises in my Pocket, and gave them to such as could read, Orphans several of them; Harman, Hañah Dinsdal, Tho. Watson, Jn<sup>o</sup> Phips, Hallowell, Odel. That might not fail of meeting again, Din'd at Hobins's; gave the Constable his Diñer, so it cost us 2<sup>s</sup> apiece. Had a very comfortable day overhead. The A<sup>p</sup>ointment of a Judge for the Super. Court being to be made upon next Fifth day, Febr. 12, I pray'd God to Accept me in keeping a privat day of Prayer with Fasting for That and other Important Matters: I kept it upon the Third day Febr. 10. 1707 $\frac{1}{2}$  in the u<sup>p</sup>er Chamber at the North-East end of the House, fastening the Shutters next the Street. — Perfect what is lacking in my Faith, and in the faith of my dear Yokefellow. Convert my children; especially Samuel and Hañah; Provide Rest and Settlement for Hanah: Recover Mary, Save Judith, Elisabeth and Joseph: Requite the Labour of Love of my Kinswoman Jane Tappin, Give her health, find out Rest for her. Make David a man after thy own heart, Let Susan live and be baptised with the Holy Ghost, and with fire. Relations. Steer the Government in this difficult time, when the Governour

and many others are at so much Variance: Direct, incline, overrule on the Council-day fifth-day, Febr. 12. as to the special Work of it in filling the Super. Court with Justices; or any other thing of like nature; as Plim<sup>2</sup> infer Court. Bless the Company for propagation of the Gospel, especial Gov<sup>r</sup> Ashurst &c. Revive the Business of Religion at Natick, and accept and bless John Neesnumin who went thither last week for that end. Mr. Rawson at Nantucket. Bless the South Church in preserving and spiring our Pastor; in directing unto suitable Supply, and making the Church unanimous: Save the Town, Colledge; Province from Invasion of Enemies, open, Secret, and from false Brethren: Defend the Purity of Worship. Save Connecticut, bless their New Governour: Save the Reformation under N. York Governm<sup>t</sup>. Reform all the European Plantations in America; Spanish, Portuguese, English, French, Dutch; Save this New World, that where Sin hath abounded, Grace may Superabound; that CHRIST who is stronger, would bind the strong man and spoil his house; and order the Word to be given, Babylon is fallen. — Save our Queen, lengthen out her Life and Reign. Save France, make the Proud helper stoop [Job. IX. 13], Save all Europe; Save Asia, Africa, Europe and America. These were gen<sup>l</sup> heads of my Meditation and prayer; and through the bounteous Grace of GOD, I had a very Comfortable day of it.<sup>1</sup> The reading of Mr. Tho. Horton's Sermon upon a Monethly Fast, before the House of Lords xr. 30. 1646. was a great furtherance of me, which was hapily put into my hand by Major Walley the

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<sup>1</sup> We believe this is as minute and full a record — unless Cotton Mather's Diary may furnish more specific ones — of the method and use of a private fast-day, as observed by the devout worthies of the old time. The poet Whittier, in his beautiful ballad on Judge Sewall, represents him as annually setting apart such a solemnly kept day for mourning over his share in the dread proceedings about witchcraft. But, as there is no trace of any thing of the sort in the Journal, we must refer the conception to the imagination of the poet. — Eds.

latter end of last Moneth. I rec'd a Letter from Mr. Rawson at Nantucket about 2 p. m̄.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 12. 1707<sup>½</sup>. Mr. Bridge preaches from Hebr. 12. 17. In his Explication and Exhortation put a great Emphasis upon *Afterward*, to stir up all presently to embrace Christ, Instanc'd in the Misery of Judas returning his 30 pieces. The Gov<sup>r</sup> was at Lecture.

The Business of the Council was not attended because the Stormy Wether had prevented the Justices coming, so that had but about 13. None but from Boston and Charlestown. Adjournment is made to next Thursday, and persons to be Notified.

I went to the Gov<sup>r</sup> at Major Winthrop's after Lecture and told him I could be glad Mr. Higginson might be brought into the Superior Court. Advis'd that Mr. Winslow<sup>1</sup> might be brought into the infer. Court at Plim<sup>2</sup> and Mr. Otis left out; Col Tho. son-in-Law. Told him of the fraudulent Deed complain'd of by Mr. Tomson of Middleborough; and that the said Otis's hand was to the fraudulent Deed as a Witness, has now a part of what was granted by it: and probably was the Adviser in the whole matter. Told the Gov<sup>r</sup> I intended to waite on his Excellency on Wednesday: but was hindered by the Storm. Note. The Gov<sup>r</sup> us'd to Tell the Councillors how acceptable 'twould be to him to be discours'd in privat about such matters.

Febr. 13. 1707<sup>½</sup>. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me; thou shalt stretch forth thy hand against the wrath of my enemies, and thy right hand shall save me. 138. 7. I read the 137, 138 Psalms in course this morn, and have noted this for Memory.

*Feria Septima*, March, 6. 1707<sup>½</sup>. Having the Company's

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<sup>1</sup> Probably Isaac, son of Josiah, and grandson of Edward. The Mr. Otis mentioned seems to be Joseph Otis, of Scituate, who married, according to Savage, in 1670, Dorothy, daughter of Nathaniel Thomas, of Marshfield. — Eds.

Account [for Propagating the Gospel] written out; I went to Col. Foster to pray him to be present to examin it; went to the Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> to acquaint him that I design'd a Meeting at my house which he consented to: Then I went to Maxwell to order him to warn the Co<sup>m</sup>missioners; which he im<sup>e</sup>diately took in hand. Then going up the prison-Lane I met Mr. Sergeant, who told me of Mr. Arthur Mason's Funeral,<sup>1</sup> which I knew nothing of before; neither did I suspect it; thinking it would be defer'd till next week for sake of Mr. Norton and his wife. But now I could not go back for fear of losing my o<sup>p</sup>portunity of finishing and sending my Accounts. As soon as ever had Sign'd, left other important Business; and went all away to go to the Funeral; but when we came to the School-house Lane end, we saw and heard the Funeral was gon; and so came back. I even despair'd of finishing my Account the Ships threatn'd to sail so soon; and I was taken up so much with my Inventory. But by the Kindness of God, I got well through it, made two fair Copies of the Original, and had them Subscrib'd by the Co<sup>m</sup>missioners attesting their examination and Allowance of them. Not one error discern'd. *Laus Deo Adjutori.*

Midweek, March, 10, 1707. The privat Meeting was at Mr. Cole's, where Mrs. Noyes was, I read a Sermon of Mr. Willard's. I went away a little before her but she overtook me near the New Meetinghouse; I saw the Glimpse of her Light and call'd to her; spake a few words and parted; feeling in my self a peculiar displeasure that our way lay no further together.

March 12. She was at the Meeting of Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Win-

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<sup>1</sup> From the notes to "Dunton's Letters from New England," pp. 90, 106, we learn that Arthur Mason, a baker, died March 4, 1708, aged seventy-seven years. He was the father of Joanna, who married, first, Robert Breck, and, secondly, Michael Perry, and who was celebrated by Dunton as "the very Flower of Boston." Mason lived on School Street, and left seven children. — Eds.

throp, where Mr. Adams preached. Presently after her getting home, she was seised with the Palsie, which took away her Speech. I heard of it at Scarlet's Wharf, March 13, as I was taking Leave of Mr. Jonathan Belcher, and Mr. Sam. Banister going aboard the Fleet ready to sail. Midweek, March, 17, 170 $\frac{7}{8}$ . my Country-man,<sup>1</sup> Mr. Josiah Byles, dyed very suddenly. *Feria quinta*, March 18<sup>th</sup> the Fleet sails, though the Skie cover'd with Clouds.

*Feria sexta* Reginald Odell dies suddenly. Heard of it at Mr. Byles Funeral. About Candle-lighting, the day señight after her being taken, my old cordial Christian dear friend, Mrs. Sarah Noyes,<sup>2</sup> Expires. I saw her on Wednesday, she knew me, and ask'd how Madam Sewall did. She was Laborious, Constant at Privat Meeting, Lecture, Lords-Day. I am much afflicted for the Loss of her. Capt. Brattle tells me that a vertuous young Woman at Marblehead died in 4 or 5 Minutes after taken.

*Feria secunda*, March, 22, 170 $\frac{7}{8}$ . Mr. Zéchariah Symmes, pastor of the church of Christ at Bradford, died in the morning. He was born at Charlestown, January 9. 1637. He was a Worthy Gentleman, Scholar, Divine. *Feria quinta*, March, 25, 1708. Intending to set out for Plimouth the 27<sup>th</sup> I went to the Major Gen<sup>ls</sup> and to Mrs. Sergeant's to Receive their Bills if they pleas'd to pay them: found neither at home, and so went not in. Coming back, in the prison-Lane I met Mr. Sergeant. He ask'd me where I had been, I told him at his house: He said, What for, Money? I said Yes. At which he was angry, and said I was very hasty, I knew very little of that nature.

<sup>1</sup> We have here an example of "countryman," used for one of the same county. Josiah Byles, a saddler, came from Winchester, in Hampshire, married for his second wife Elizabeth Mather, and was father of the famous Reverend Mather Byles. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Probably this was Sarah, daughter of Peter Oliver, and wife of John Noyes, of Boston. Their son Oliver, H. C. 1695, was a prominent citizen. — Eds.



He would enquire how others paid me &c. I told him I was going out of Town, this was the day,<sup>1</sup> and I thought it convenient to offer the Bills; he said he should not break; and at last call'd out aloud, he should not break before I came back again! I know no reason for this Anger; the Lord sanctify it to me, and help me to seek more his Grace and favour. This day was very stormy with Rain, and then with Snow; a pretty deal of Thunder. Maj<sup>r</sup> Cutler was with me in the morning.

March, 27. 1708. Rode with Mr. Nehm. Hobart to Hingham, visited Madam Shepard by the way at Cousin Holman's, visited Mr. Fisk: visited Mr. Norton, who invited Mr. Hobart to preach next day. Lodg'd at Cousin Hobart's.

March, 28. See the Sermons in one of my Cover'd Almanacks. Din'd at Mr. Norton's. March 29. by 6. m. Gam<sup>l</sup> Rogers, the son, who had been sent Express in the night, came to my Lodging with an Adjournment of the Court to the 20<sup>th</sup> of April. This as desired, I forwarded to Plimouth by Cous. David Hobart, who accompanied his Brother Mr. N. Hobart. I agreed with Major Thaxter to run the Line of my 300. Acres of Land at Braintrey just by Milton. Din'd with Cousin Quinsey, and engag'd him to meet me at Milton next Monday: Spake to Mr. Swift to assist me. Call'd at the Governour's; came home well.  
*Laus Deo.*

April, 1. Great Rain with Thunder. Mr. Wadsworth preaches: Work out your own Salvation with Fear.

*Feria Sexta*, April, 2. Last night I dream'd that I had my daughter Hirst in a little Closet to pray with her; and of a sudden she was gon, I could not tell how; although the Closet was so small, and not Cumber'd with Chairs or Shelves. I was much affected with it when I waked.

*Feria septima*, Apr. 3. I went to Cous. Dumer's to see

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<sup>1</sup> The first day of the year, old style.— Eds.

his News-Letter: while I was there Mr. Nath<sup>l</sup> Henchman came in with his Flaxen Wigg; I wish'd him Joy, i. e. of his Wedding. I could not observe that he said a Word to me; and generally he turn'd his back upon me, when none were in the room but he and I. This is the Second time I have spoken to him, in vain, as to any Answer from him. First was upon the death of his Wife, I cross'd the way near our house, and ask'd him how he did: He only shew'd his Teeth.

*Feria secunda*, Apr. 5. Great Rain, whereby I am prevented meeting Major Thaxter at Milton to run a Line, as I intended.

*Feria secunda*, Apr. 12, 1708. I went and met Major Thaxter at Miller's at Milton to run the Lines of the 300. Acres bought of Mr. Stoughton; Cousin Quinsey, Mr. Swift, Miller, White, Hunt, assisted us. Mr. William Rawson, having Land adjoining, was with us all day; Billing a considerable while. Capt. Culliver and others perambulating for Braintrey and Milton, went with us from B. to C. which was measured, whereby the place we set out from was ascertain'd to be the North Corner, of which there was some doubt before: At C. the old white Oak mark with H., we drank a Bottle of Madera together, read the Queens Speech to the first Parliament of great Britain,<sup>1</sup> and so took leave of the perambulators. Major Thaxter, Cous. Quinsey, and White went quite through the Swamp, marking Trees: southward of the Swamp is a small Chestnut White-Oak; a little after that the Line brushes by a Ledge of Rocks, touches them. At D. the Oak upon the Rock is cut down injuriously, there it lyes and no use made of it: by the Stump grows up a fine little Chestnut Oak, which was prun'd; twas double and one is cut away to make the other grow the better. In

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<sup>1</sup> The first United Parliament of Great Britain (England and Scotland) met Oct 23, 1707. — Eds.

the Line from D to A found several Trees mark'd with H. At A. we enlarg'd the Heap of Stones upon the Rock and from thence, as all along, run by Compass and the anciently marked Trees to C., where we begun; which prov'd all the Work to be Right: There we made a large heap of Stones upon the Stump of a Tree burnt down.

Paid to Major Thaxter	£0—8—0
To White 3 <sup>r</sup> Hunt for formerly, and now 3 <sup>r</sup>	0—6—0
To Miller for entertainment and Help	0—15—0
To the Widow Gray for my Horse	0—5—0
	<u>£1—14—0</u>

To Cousin Quinsey, Mr. Swift, and Mr. Lawson I am oblig'd.

It is a Mercy that our work succeeded so well. Got home before eight, and found all well. *Laus Deo.*

Apr. 11, 12, 13. Swallows proclame the Spring.

*Feria Sexta*, Apr. 16. I visit my daughter Hirst, and finding her alone in her Chamber, pray with her. Afterward by Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop's direction I carry her a vial of Spirits of Lavender. And of my self I join with it a pound of Figs, that food and Physick might go together. Leave her with Mrs. Hubbard.

Apr. 17. 1708. Col. Hathorne, Mr. Corwin and I set out for Scituate. Lodg'd at Job Randall's. Apr. 18. Heard Mr. James Gardener of Marshfield.

Apr. 19. To Plimouth, stay at Mr. Bradford's till Mr. Attorney Cook came up. There the sheriff meets us. Lodge at Rickard's. Apr. 22. Return'd.

May, 4. Daughter Hirst Deliver'd of a Daughter. May, 7. Boston: Upon the Special Verdict, between Wats and Allen, Sewall, Hathorne, Corwin for Watts; Walley for Allen.

*Feria secunda*, May, 17, 1708. Major Walley and I set out with a Coach and 4 Horses from Charlestown; Dine

at Lewis's; bait at Phillips's, Wenham, got to Mr. Rogers's before Sun-set.

Major Walley had a Fit or 2 of his Cholick, and yet by God's Goodness, came away about 3 p. m. May 21, got comfortably to Salem. Lodg'd at Brother's.

May, 22. set out about Eight m. Baited at Lewis's: Din'd at Cambridge, call'd at Brooklin, lighted at the Governour's. Got home well about 6. *Laus Deo.*

Midweek, May, 26. 1708. Mr. Secretary, Sewall, Eliakim Hutchinson administer the Oaths to the Representatives: 72 at first, and 2 more. 74 in all. Mr. Jno. Norton preaches a Flattering Sermon as to the Governour. Dine at the Exchange. Number of Councillors 25. Together, 99. Election.

Wait Winthrop	95	Plimouth Cook and Pain Negatived.	
James Russell	95	Nathan <sup>l</sup> Pain	88
Elisha Cook	57	Isaac Winslow	86
Jn <sup>o</sup> Hathorn	93	Jn <sup>o</sup> Cushing	74
Elisha Hutchins[on]	81	Jn <sup>o</sup> Otis	65
S. Sewall	98		
I. Addington	94	Main	
W. Brown	71	E <sup>m</sup> Hutchinson	85
J. Phillips	86	Ichabod Plaisted	86
J. Corwin	89	John Wheelright	45
[John] Foster	95	Zagadahock	
John Apleton	85	Joseph Lynde	65
[John] Higginson	91		
Peter Sergeant	82	At Large	
Sam <sup>l</sup> Partridge	69	1 Vote None chosen.	
2 <sup>d</sup> voting		2 Vote	
Ephraim Hunt	61	Ed <sup>r</sup> Bromfield	64.
Nathan <sup>l</sup> Norden	52	3 <sup>d</sup> vote Sam. Apleton	41
3 <sup>d</sup> vote		which brought him in; the voters	
Andrew Belchar	54.	being now less in number.	

For Col. Townsend had 42. in the first voting for the Massachusetts. Finished about  $\frac{1}{4}$  past Ten.

May, 27. I was with a Co<sup>m</sup>ittee in the morn at Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinsons, appointed the 10. of May; and so by

God's good providence absent when Mr. Corwin and Cushing were order'd to Thank Mr. Norton for his sermon and desire a Copy. About 6. p. m̄. The Gov<sup>r</sup> bid the Secretary swear the Council: About 20. were sworn; Then the Deputies were sent for in, and the Gov<sup>r</sup> made a speech. When court was adjourn'd I enquired of Mr. Secretary what the Gov<sup>r</sup> had done with the Election; and he inform'd me that He had Negativ'd Mr. Cooke and Mr. Pain,<sup>1</sup> which was never done in this secret way before that I remember: but used to be done openly in Council.

May, 27. Mr. Joseph Noyes lodg'd at our House; I gave him the Broad Side of Boston streete, which came out this week: to shew him that he was in Newbury Street.<sup>2</sup> He pray'd with us very well. Is in the 71 year of's Age.

May, 31. The Gov<sup>r</sup> call'd a Council in the Morning, and had Capt. Chandler's Letter from Woodstock concerning Nenemeno, an Indian that went away ten years ago; He said the Gov<sup>r</sup> has a Crooked heart, he has taken away our Land, and now would send us to Salt Water. He first enquired after Ninequabben, who it seems was sent to sea upon Wages with his own Consent, and Taken. Gov<sup>r</sup> and Mr. Secretary writ what was convenient.

In the afternoon the Gov<sup>r</sup> went home indispos'd. Council pass'd an Act for altering the Style.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Sewall has given us the detail of the voting for members of the Council. In the place of Elisha Cooke and Nathaniel Paine, negatived by the Governor, there were chosen Daniel Epes and Joseph Church. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This broadside was doubtless an official description of the "streets, lanes, and alleys" of the town as bounded and named by the Selectmen May 3, 1708. The first item is "The broad street or highway from the old Fortification on the neck, leading into the town as far as the corner of the late Deacon Eliot's house, *Orange Street*." That is to say, Washington Street, from a little above Dover Street, to Boylston Street. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> This was not to mark the change in dating the year from old style to new style, which was not to happen for nearly half a century, but only to notice the union of England and Scotland. The Queen's title was declared to be, "Anne, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith," &c. See Province Laws, II. 622. — Eds.

Deputies sent in Capt. Savage, Capt. Hutchinson, Mr. Patch, with a Motion for a Committee of both Houses to prepare a draught of an Address to Her Majesty; on several heads; viz. To Apologize for neglecting to Address so long, &c.

This day, May, 31, Mr. Crease removes to his own new shop next Mr. Sergeant's: Nothing now to be seen in his former empty place. Cousin Fisk must get a new Tenant.

About the 23 or 24<sup>th</sup> of June, Mr. Bromfield Rec'd a Letter without a name, putting him upon enquiring after Debaucheries at North's, the Exchange Tavern, and that he should ask my Advice. At last, June, 28. he got in writing what North's Wife and Maid had to complain of. I went to Mr. Sim. Stoddard's; he put it into my hand, and I read it first, being surpris'd to find my self unaccountably abused in it: I told Mr. Bromfield, I should not meddle in it, I must not be a Judge in my own Cause. At last when the matter was heard before Mr. Bromfield, Townsend, Duñer, by Mr. Banister's procurement, sundry Gentlemen were present, Capt. Tho. Hutchinson, Capt. Ed<sup>r</sup>. Winslow, and others, at Mr. Bromfield's; They gave Mrs. North and her Maid their Oaths, fin'd Mr. Tho. Banister jun<sup>r</sup> 20<sup>s</sup> for Lying; 5<sup>s</sup> Curse, 10<sup>s</sup> Breach of the peace for throwing the pots and Scale-box at the maid, and bound him to his good behaviour till October sessions. At the latter end of the Court, I think about the first of July, the Dept's sent in for the Gov<sup>r</sup> £200.; for Mr. Treasurer £225: at which the Gov<sup>r</sup> was very angry, and said he would pass none of them, they would starve together. Sent for Mr. Taylor, Gov<sup>r</sup> told him his Salary would not be pass'd, enquir'd whether he were ready to serve.

July, 2. Capt. Joseph Shelden dyes by reason of the great Heat.

July, 3, is buried at the publick charge, £21.6.1. Corps was set in the Dept's Room. In the afternoon I and Mr.

Commissary and one more were sent in with a Message to shew the Indignity of the Treasurer being above the Gov<sup>r</sup>, and carried in both the Bills, and left them. In the way of argument I mention'd the vastness of the Gov<sup>rs</sup> Authority; we could not lift up hand or foot or step over a straw; at which the house was mightily heated and said, They were slaves; I explain'd my self, that nothing could be pass'd but what the Gov<sup>r</sup> Sign'd.

Tuesday, July, 6. The Treasurer is sworn; the Dept<sup>s</sup> return the Bills without any alteration. The Gov<sup>r</sup> orders the Secretary who draws up a vote to shew that the Council, having done all in their power to increase the Gov<sup>rs</sup> Salary: but by reason of the length of the Sessions were necessitated to break. It was a Surprise to me. I said, I could not tell what Benefit it would be of. But when it was driven, I got it alter'd in the begining, to, having used the proper Means. Court is prorogued to the first of September.

July, 7. I go to Cambridge by Water with Mr. Tañan in Capt. Boñer; had a pleasant passage, wind and Tide for us. Boston Troop waited on the Gov<sup>r</sup>, and Cambridge Troop, Capt. Goff, met his Excellency. Exercise was well enter'd before he came. Then the orator was call'd.

At Diñer I was surpris'd, being told my Son was ill and desired to speak with me. I went to him in a Garret in the old College, got Mr. Addington to us. After, Mr. Cooke came; cheer'd my son and staid with him; they left us. Note. Heard not a jot of the Singing in the Hall. I got a Calash, and brought my son home by Charlestown: so I saw nothing of the Afternoon Exercise, Disputes, Presidents Oration, Degrees. The Lord prepare me for Disaïpointments, Disgraces, Imprisonments.

July, 8. Mr. Pemberton comes with Mr. Stoddard into the Pulpit. Mr. Stoddard preaches a good Sermon against building on the Sand. Col. Foxcroft is made Judge of Probats in the room of Mr. Leverett.

*Feria secunda*, July, 12, 1708. Mr. Sol. Stoddard returns home. In the Afternoon the Gov<sup>r</sup> holds a Council, and reads Two Letters from White-Hall, dated May, 1707, ordering the Union to be published in the most solemn manner; and the Gov<sup>r</sup> accordingly appointed Thursday, the 22<sup>th</sup> Inst<sup>t</sup>, for it. In the former part of the Letter, the Gov<sup>r</sup> is order'd to write to the Lords an Account of Things here and persons; sign'd Stamford, Dartmouth, Herbert, Ph. Meadows, J. Poultney.

May, 3. The Queen gives an Instruction, that in absence of the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Dep<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, the eldest Councillor shall execute the Powers of the Governour. In passing the Muster-Rolls, It appeared that Capt. Turfrey was allow'd for wages at Saco when absent so as could not be answer'd: Gov<sup>r</sup> said must be allow'd except would pull his Teeth out: Pleaded how many dead Souldiers, Military officers, were allow'd. I pleaded against that Lying way; and pleaded the poverty of the Country.

Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop came home from N. London July, 10. and was sworn and took his place at the Board this day July 12. 1708. He pleaded that what the Queen now orders, was so before: But I cant understand the Charter in that manner. I believe we practis'd right.

July, 24, 1708. Mrs. Anna Fisk dy's a little before Sun-set.

July, 27. is buried at Braintrey in her Husband's Tomb. Gov<sup>r</sup> and his Lady there. Bearers Mr. Peter Thacher, and Mr. Peter Thacher of Weymouth; Mr. B. Tomson, Mr. Belcher; Mr. Danforth of Dorchester, Mr. Flint. By reason of Cambridge Court I was not there. The wether was vehemently hot, My Coach was there. I rode to Cambridge with the Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> in his Coach. Finish'd the Court; being but one civil Action; viz. Ephraim Savage against Major Swain. Savage Cast in his Review. Court held in the College Hall. Adjourned *sine die*. Visited Mr. President's Sick Anne; twas almost dark, and



then staid so long at the Gov<sup>rs</sup> that twas about 11. at night before got home; Madam Winthrop staid at the Gov<sup>rs</sup> and came home with her Husband as went thither. Gov<sup>r</sup> carried her to the Funeral.

Monday, Aug<sup>t</sup> 9. 1708. I went to Brooklin, and Din'd there with my Son and Daughter; Saw little Sam well. Then went to the Funeral of Mrs. Wigglesworth. The Gov<sup>r</sup> met me at my Sons Gate and carried me in his Chariot to Cambridge, in his way to Col. Paiges, and so to Ipswich. Bearers of Mrs. Wigglesworth, The President and Mr. Hobart; Mr. Thacher, Mr. Danforth Dorch<sup>r</sup>; Mr. Brattle, Mr. Walter. Only Col. Phillips and I of the Council were there: Mr. Speaker was there.

*Feria tertia*, Aug<sup>t</sup> 10. Mr. Fiske dies about Noon.

*Feria quinta*, Aug<sup>t</sup> 12. I rode with Cous. Savage to Mr. Fisk's Funeral. Lighted at Cous. Quinsey's, whether came Mr. Wadsworth, Mr. Colman, and Mr. George. There we din'd. Bearers Mr. Whitman, Mr. Thacher; Mr. Danforth of Dorchester, Mr. Belchar; Mr. Wadsworth, Mr. Thacher of Milton. There was little Thunder and Rain; but near and at Boston, much Rain, Thunder; at Dorchester a Barn was burnt by the Lightening. Got home well about 8 a'clock, found all well; *Laus Deo*.

*Feria sexta*, Aug<sup>t</sup> 13. Mrs. Mary Stoddard dies;<sup>1</sup> The hot Wether occasion'd her being open'd, and two great Stones were taken out of her Bladder. She was a vertuous Gentlewoman, and one of the most kind Friends I and my wife had. Aug<sup>t</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> *Feria Tertia*. Mrs. Stoddard is buried; being the day of Gen<sup>l</sup> Council, they accompanied the Gov<sup>r</sup> to the House of Mourning; Bearers, Sewall, Addington; Foster, Sergeant; Walley, Townsend. Was buried in a Tomb in the New-Burying place.

*Feria quarta*, Aug<sup>t</sup> 18. Yesterday the Gov<sup>r</sup> comitted

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<sup>1</sup> This was Mary, first wife of Simeon Stoddard, and mother of the young man whose death we have noticed, *ante*, p. 169. — Eds.

Mr. Holyoke's Almanack to me; and looking it over this morning, I blotted against Feb<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> *Valentine*; March, 25. *Annunciation of the B. Virgin*; Apr. 24, *Easter*; Sept<sup>r</sup> 29. *Michaelmas*; Dec<sup>r</sup> 25. *Christmas*; and no more. (K. C. mart) [King Charles Martyr] was lined out, before I saw it; I touch'd it not.

*Feria quinta* Aug<sup>t</sup> 12. Mr. Chiever is abroad and hears Mr. Cotton Mather preach; This is the last of his going abroad: Was taken very sick, like to die with a Flux. Aug<sup>t</sup> 13. I go to see him; went in with his Son Thomas, and Mr. Lewis. His Son spake to him, and he knew him not: I spake to him, and he bid me speak again: Then he said, now I know you, and speaking cheerily mention'd my Name. I ask'd his Blessing for me and my family; He said I was Bless'd, and it could not be Revers'd. Yet at my going away He pray'd for a Blessing for me.

*Feria quinta*, Aug<sup>t</sup> 19. I visited Mr. Chiever again, just before Lecture; Thank'd him for his Kindness to me and mine; desired his prayers for me, my family, Boston, Salem, the Province. He rec'd me with abundance of Affection, taking me by the Hand several times. He said, The Afflictions of God's people, God by them did as a Goldsmith, Knock, knock, knock; knock, knock, knock, to finish the plate: It was to perfect them not to punish them. I went and told Mr. Pemberton, who preach'd.

*Feria sexta*, Aug<sup>t</sup> 20. I visited Mr. Chiever, who was now grown much weaker, and his Speech very low. He call'd, Daughter! When his daughter Russel came, He ask'd if the family were compôs'd: They aprehended He was uneasy because there had not been Prayer that morn; and solicited me to Pray; I was loth, and advis'd them to send for Mr. Williams, as most natural, homogeneous: They declin'd it, and I went to Prayer. After, I told him The last Enemy was Death; and God had made that a friend too: He put his hand out of the Bed, and held it

up, to signify his assent. Observing, he suck'd a piece of an Orange, put it orderly into his mouth, and chew'd it, and then took out the core. After dinner I carried a few of the best Figs I could get, and a dish Marmalet. I spake not to him now.

*Feria septima*, Aug<sup>t</sup> 21. Mr. Edward Oakes tells me Mr. Chiever died this last night.

Note. He was born January, 25. 1614. Came over to N-E. 1637. to Boston: To New-Haven 1638. Married in the Fall and began to teach School; which Work he was constant in till now. First, at New-Haven, then at Ipswich; then at Charlestown; then at Boston, whether he came 1670. So that he has Labour'd in that Calling Skillfully, diligently, constantly, Religiously, Seventy years. A rare Instance of Piety, Health, Strength, Serviceableness. The Welfare of the Province was much upon his Spirit. He abominated Perriwigs.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 23. 1708. Mr. Chiever was buried from the School-house. The Gov<sup>r</sup>, Councillors, Ministers, Justices, Gentlemen there. Mr. Williams made a handsom Latin Oration in his Honour. Elder Bridgham, Copp, Jackson, Dyer, Griggs, Hubbard &c. Bearers. After the Funeral, Elder Bridgham, Mr. Jackson, Hubbard, Dyer, Tim. Wadsworth, Ed<sup>w</sup>. Procter, Griggs and two more came to me, and earnestly solicited me to speak to a place of Scripture at their privat Quarter-Meeting in the room of Mr. Chiever. I said, 'twas a great Surprise to me; pleaded my inability for want of memory, Invention: Said, doubted not of my ability; would pray for me. I pleaded the Unsuitable-ness, because I was not of that Meeting. They almost took a denial. But said one would come to me next night. Time is near, Lords-day Señight. Argued much because thereby a Contribution for poor Widows would be forwarded.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 23. *mane*, at Council, A Petition for building a

Quaker Meeting house<sup>1</sup> with Wood, pass'd by the Selectmen and Justices of the Town; was now offer'd to the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council: I oppos'd it; said I would not have a hand in setting up their Devil Worship. I pleaded that Mr. Dudley had been at great Charge to Slate his House Roof and Sides; Gov<sup>r</sup> listen'd to that, and said, we always enquired of the Neighbourhood to gain their Consent: so Mr. Dudley should be spoken with.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 23. 2. p. m. Go to Cous. Du<sup>m</sup>er's, where Mr. Wadsworth, Mr. Cotton Mather pray'd excellently: then Mr. Bridge and Dr. Mather pray'd for Cous. Jer. Du<sup>m</sup>er going to England. Sung the 121 Ps. I set York Tune. Went from thence to the Funeral. Mr. Allen and Mr. Pemberton did not pray. Few there; their little Room not full.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 26. Mr. Henry Flint, in the way from Lecture came to me and mention'd my Letter, and would have discoursed about it in the Street: I prevail'd with him to come and dine with me, and after that I and he discours'd alone.

He argued that saying *Saint* Luke was an indifferent thing; and twas co<sup>m</sup>only used; and therefore, he might use it. Mr. Brattle used it. I argued that 'twas not Scriptural; that twas absurd and partial to *saint* Matthew &c. and Not to say *Saint* Moses, *Saint* Samuel &c. And if we said *Saint* we must goe thorough, and keep the Holy-days a<sup>p</sup>ointed for them, and turn'd to the Order in the Co<sup>m</sup>on-Prayer Book.

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<sup>1</sup> Shurtleff shows that the Quakers first had a brick meeting-house, twenty-four by twenty feet, on a lot sold in 1694 by Thomas Brattle to William Mumford. It was put into the hands of trustees, who sold it July 27, 1709. It was in "Brattle's Close," near the spot now covered by the Quincy House. Jan. 5, 1708, Mumford bought of the heirs of Governor Leverett a lot of land in Congress Street, opposite Lindall Street, about fifty by one hundred and fifty feet in area. Here was their meeting-house and cemetery till 1828. The Transcript building afterwards occupied the site. — Eds.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 27. Mrs. Sarah Taylor, wife of Col. William Taylor, died last night. Col. Byfield gave her to him in Marriage.<sup>1</sup>

March, 2. 169 $\frac{8}{9}$  He has now only one Child living; viz. Mrs. Lyde who has Children.

*Feria Septima*, Aug<sup>t</sup> 28. 1708. Mrs. Taylor is buried in Mr. Stoughton's Tomb: Bearers, Col. Foxcroft, Mr. Palmer; Mr. Newton, Mr. Mico; Mr. Pain, Mr. Harris. Col. Byfield there and Mr. Lyde with three Children. Mr. Leverett and wife; Mr. Brattle and wife; Mr. Angier and wife. Mr. Sergeant and Col. Hutchinson were there with their wives as Relations.<sup>2</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> and his Lady, Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop and his Lady, Mr. Secretary, Sewall, Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Belchar, Mr. Bromfield there; and many others. There was no Prayer at the House; and at the Grave Mr. Myles Read Comon-Prayer; which I reckon an Indignity and affront done to Mr. Stoughton and his Friends: There appears much Ingratitude and Baseness in it because twas Mr. Danforth's Parish, and Mr. Danforth's wife is Cousin German to Col. Taylor: and Col. Byfield and his deceased daughter dissenters as I suppose. I was much surpris'd and grieved at it, and went not into the burying place. Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> said, Mr. Stoughton heard them not. Mr. Leverett went not in. He spake to me about his Letter, desiring a Copy of his Memorial. I an-

<sup>1</sup> Concerning Nathaniel Byfield, the reader is referred to the *Heraldic Journal*, II. 126. He was born in 1653, at Long-Ditton, came to New England in 1674, married Deborah Clark, and had two daughters. One married Lieutenant-Governor William Tailer, and had no issue; the other married Edward Lyde; and her son, Byfield Lyde, inherited most of his grandfather's estate. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> The text throws some light on various genealogies. Mrs. Deborah Byfield was daughter of Thomas Clarke, Sen., and his son, Thomas Clarke, Jr., had a daughter, who married Elisha Hutchinson. Peter Sargent's third wife (living at this time) was Mehitable (Minot) widow of Thomas Cooper. See *ante*, p. 174. We have already shown that Mehitable, and her sister Elizabeth Danforth, were own cousins of Lieutenant-Governor Tailer, on his mother's side. See Vol. I. p. 163, *note*. — Eds.

swered, I knew not who brought the Letter; I writt out a Copy; but he neither came for it himself, nor sent any body. He ask'd not for it now: but said he intended to lay it before the Company. The Gov<sup>r</sup> seem'd to haste into the burying place, when Mr. Miles's voice was heard. Coming home Mr. Belchar told me that the widow Park, a very good woman, in her 94<sup>th</sup> year, was buried last Thursday, at Roxbury.

Lords-day, Aug<sup>t</sup> 29. 1708. about 4 p. m. An Express brings the News, the dolefull News, of the Surprise of Haverhill by 150. French and Indians. Mr. Rolf and his wife and family slain. About Break of Day, Those Words run much in my mind, I will smite the Shepherd, and the Sheep shall be scattered: What a dreadfull Scattering is here of poor Havarill Flock, upon the very day they used to have their solemn Assemblies. Capt. Wainwright is slain.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 31. *Feria tertia*, I ride with Joseph, and visit Mr. Hobart. I drove through Dana's Brook<sup>1</sup> to let the Mare drink, and she lay down in it; so that Joseph and I were fain to jump into the Water up to the ankles; and then had much adoe to get her out. Din'd with Mr. Hobart, Mrs. Hobart, Mrs. Jackson, Mr. Hobart's Daughter. Got home with difficulty: but our Wellcome there at Newton made amends for all. This day, Augt. 31. Mr. Rolf, his Wife and Child, and Capt. Wainwright were buried in one Grave, Several Ministers were there [Haverhill].

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<sup>1</sup> Although we have not located Dana's Brook, it must have been in Cambridge, Brighton, or Newton. Undoubtedly it took its name from some member of the family descended from Richard Dana. The family history states that tradition says that the emigrant was the son of a Frenchman who had been driven to England to escape religious persecution, and that the name Dana is always a dissyllable, and distinct from Dane. As a strong confirmation of this, we would state Agnew's "Protestant Exiles from France" (London, 1871) mentions (II. 207, 208) that Elias Daney, advocate in the Parliament of Bordeaux, had a daughter, Anne, born in 1669, who became a Huguenot refugee, and married in England. Other members of the same family may well have shared her faith and preceded her in exile.

— Eds.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 1. Went to the burial of Mr. Simson's only daughter, 2 years and a few days old. Sept<sup>r</sup> 2. Mr. Colman preach'd from Numb. 14. 19. pardon — the iniquity of this people. — Mr. Colman said he would not declare what our iniquities were; but propos'd that a Synod Might be call'd to do it. At 3. p. m̄. the Council meets, from thence they goe to the Funeral of Mrs. Lyde, Col. Byfield's eldest daughter. Remembring what I had met with at her Sister's Burial at Dorchester last Satterday, I slipt from the Company up to my daughter's, and so went home, and avoided the Funeral. The office for Burial is a Lying, very bad office; makes no difference between the precious and the vile. Jer. XV. 19. They ought to return to us, and not we go to them by sinfull Compliances. Mrs. Lyde was in the Thirtieth, and Mrs. Taylor in the 26<sup>th</sup> year of her Age: born in January and February.

7<sup>r</sup> 3. I went to the Funeral of Mrs. Whetcomb's Granddaughter; who is also Grand daughter to Col. Townsend. I used to go to the same Room for the Sound of Mr. Brattle's Organs.

7<sup>r</sup> 5. Mr. Pemberton preaches, and administers the Lords Supper. 7<sup>r</sup> 6. I Train under Capt. Fitch, and by that means dine with Maj<sup>r</sup> Turner at North's. He was, I think, the only Guest. Mr. N. Williams pray'd in the field in the morn; and Mr. Allen at his own Gate, p. m̄. As were Shooting at the Mark, the Rain oblig'd us to put on our Cloaks. Went to Capt. Lieut. Ballentines; made an excellent Volley at Lodging the Colours, Mad<sup>a</sup> Ballentine rec'd them in at window. Mr. Hirst brings word that Mr. La Bloom has set up another Window on the partition-wall behind him and me, that stands half on my Ground. 7<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> I view it, and advise about it; all say tis unjust. 7<sup>r</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Last night we were alarm'd by Fire between 2 and 3. in the night. I look'd out at our South-east Window, and fear'd that our Warehouse was a-fire: But

it proves a smith's shop, Hubbard's by Mr. Dastom's, and a Boat-builders Shed; 'Tis thought a Hundred pounds Damage is done. Blessed be God it stop'd there. Mr. Pemberton's Maid saw the Light of the Fire reflecting from a Black Cloud, and came crying to him under Consternation; supposing the last Conflagration had begun.

7<sup>r</sup>: 8 or 7<sup>th</sup> I order Mr. Hirst to speak to Mr. Labloom to take away his Window. 7<sup>r</sup>: 9<sup>th</sup> I meet the Workman by Mr. Pemberton's Gate, and forewarn him from making of it; and warn him off the Ground, and threaten to take away his scaffolding if he proceed. I speak to Mr. Pemberton that a Day of Prayer may be kept respecting his Health. It was mov'd last night at Mr. Josiah Franklin's [Father of Benjamin] at our Meeting, where I read the Eleventh Sermon on the Barren Fig-Tree.

'Tis the first time of Meeting at his House since he join'd.

7<sup>r</sup>: 9. Mr. C. Mather Preaches from 2 Tim. 3. 15. In the end of his sermon gives a great Encomium of his Master Cheever. Mr. Hirst goes to Salem to-day.

Satterday, 7<sup>r</sup>: 11<sup>th</sup> Mr. Corwin and I set out for Wrentham. David waited on me. Visited Mr. Belchar who is Recovering. At Meadfield, Capt. Wear's son met with us in his way from Sherburn, and accompanied us to Wrentham, which was a great comfort to us; got thither before sun-set.

7<sup>r</sup>: 12. Heard Mr. Mann preach excellently. Mr. Corwin is much Taken with him. At Noon are told of Mr. B. Ruggles's death.

7<sup>r</sup>: 13. Capt. Weare accompanied us; At Rehoboth I visited Capt. Peck, who was very glad to see me; so much of the flesh and bone of his upper Jaw is eaten away with the Canker, that he has much adoe to speak so as to be understood; the want of the upper part of his Mouth disables him from making articulat Sounds. Din'd at Smith's; where Mr. Greenwood was, but could not stay, because of



Sick he had to visit. Before got out of the Green, Mr. Cooke overtook us. Lodge at the Ordinary.

7<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> Mr. Corwin, Dudley and I visited Col. Byfield and Lady in a way of Condolance on account of the Death of their Daughters. Major Walley came not to Town till past One; By that time had din'd, being a little hindred by Col. Byfield's employing the Sheriff to send Express of the Privateer, was four p. m. before the Court was open'd, which the people murmur at. This Express brought News of Major Brenton's Death; in a Hospital, it seems, at Campeche, where he was a Captive. Col. Byfield, Mr. Sparhawk, Mr. Fisk dine with us.

7<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> Mr. Sparhawk, Mr. Church, the Councillour, Capt. Fyfield dine with us. Court holds so late, that we lodge at Bristol.

7<sup>r</sup> 16. The Sheriff and Capt. Davis bring us going to the Ferry.

Dine at Rehoboth; Bait at Devotion's: get to Billinges a pretty while after Sun-set, where we lodge; viz. Walley, Corwin, Sewall, Dudley.

7<sup>r</sup> 17. Friday, bait at Dedham, get home about One, and dine with my wife and family, all well. *Laus Deo.*

7<sup>r</sup> 18. Visit Cous. Dummer's wife, who lyes speechless, was taken last Wednesday night; which we heard of at Billenges.

7<sup>r</sup> 19. Mary Winthrop is baptised, her Father held her up: She bears the name of his Mother, who dyed in June, 1690. The child was born yesterday. Madam Dudley was hastening to the Travel as we came home; and was at our Meeting this afternoon, and Mr. Paul Dudley.

*Feria secunda*, Sept<sup>r</sup> 27. 1708. I went to the Funeral of Mr. John Wainwright, son of Col. Francis Wainwright; He was a Senior Sophister, in the 18<sup>th</sup> year of his Age. What cause of humble Thankfullness have I, who liv'd 7. years of my Life at the College; had Leave to come away;

and have liv'd 34. years since that! The Corps was set in the College Hall. Gentlewomen in the Library: Bearers, Major Epes, Mr. Holyoke &c. Twas in a mañer dark before got out of the burying place; yet I got home very well in a Calash with the Wainwright that is prentice with Mr. Harris. *Laus Deo.*

Sept<sup>r</sup> 28. A very pretty Boy of 4 years old, Son of Sam<sup>l</sup> Rand, grandson of W<sup>m</sup> Pain, was flourishing at Training this day; fell into a scurvy open Privy before night; of which loathsom Entertainment he died in a day or two.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 30. Mr. Pemberton preaches the Lecture. Council for Appointm<sup>t</sup> of a Judge for Bristol. The Gov<sup>r</sup> gets 2000£ past for Capt. Belchar. Nominats Col. Church: I said there was a letter: Gov<sup>r</sup> said he could not name him: He went from house to house to get Mr. Blagrove chosen Deputy; that was the reason. The Gov<sup>r</sup> made a motion that the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court might be prorogued further, past the time of the Superiour Court's sitting: See News Letter, Oct. 25, 1705. Some objected the wether would grow cold. Then the Gov<sup>r</sup> mov'd that Boston Superiour Court might be adjourn'd to the last Tuesday of Nov<sup>r</sup>, and Salem Court, to the first of Dec<sup>r</sup>. Said he could not miss the Judges in the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court: So at the Governours Importunity the Council advis'd to it. Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> is indispos'd and keeps his Chamber, I wait upon him with the order the same Evening: He puts me in mind of the Trial of Mr. Borland: and that Capt. Vetch is expected with my Lord Lovelace: so that now I supōse I see through the Governour's Dissimulation. Major Gen<sup>l</sup> seems to decline signing a Writt for Adjournment because he shall be absent at Connecticut during the time of the Court's Sitting.

Tuesday, Oct<sup>r</sup> 5. Went to Dorchester Lecture. This day Cousin Elizabeth Noyes is buried at Newbury, died of a Fever yesterday; is under 26 years of Age. Has left 3 sons and a daughter.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Mr. Cotton Mather preaches from Job, 37. 14. on occasion of the victory<sup>1</sup> which heard of the 5<sup>th</sup> Inst. Sister Hirst, Mrs. Betty Hirst, Mr. Thacher, Mr. Clap dine with us.

8<sup>th</sup> Went to Newtown Lecture, din'd at Mr. Hubbard's; then Walked with him; Mrs. Jackson went on foot. In sermon-time Gov<sup>r</sup> and his Lady, Cap<sup>t</sup> Belchar and his, Mr. Pemberton, Mr. Colman and theirs, came in. Mr. Hobart preached excellently, from Luke, 17. 10. — Say, we are Unprofitable Servants. — 113<sup>th</sup> psalm sung, Y.[ork ?] then 122 L. to delay the Sermon; the speaker having conferr'd with Mr. Hobart just as was going to begin. I got home before Eight, about an hour before the Coaches; I think twas before 7.

*Feria Sexta*, Octob<sup>r</sup> 15, 1708. In the Afternoon I visited Capt. Nathan<sup>1</sup> Green, who is near 80. years old. Has been a Prisoner in his house almost two years by reason of Sickness. He was refresh'd with my Company. He is a Suffolk man. His Mother brought him over about 9. years old: serv'd his Time with old Mr. Graften of Salem; has been married one and Fifty years.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 15. Mr. Hirst, Sister Sewall, and daughter Susan; my Daughter Hañah, and Cous. Betty Hirst go to Cambridge to see Joseph.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Mr. Bromfield, Stoddard, Sewall, Joseph, ride in the Coach to Dorchester, to the Funeral of Elder Samuel Clap, who is much lamented. He was the first man born in Dorchester, 74 years old.<sup>2</sup> Saw Mrs. Wing by the way; she lies in a very sad distracted condition.

<sup>1</sup> Probably the Battle of Oudenarde, July 11, N. S. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Concerning him, see the Memoirs of Captain Roger Clap, published first in 1731, and several times since. The Dorchester Antiquarian and Historical Society printed an edition in 1844, in which we read that "Mr. Samuel Clap was born the eleventh day of October, 1634, when his mother was but in the eighteenth year of her age. . . . He married Mrs. Hannah Leeds, daughter of Mr. Richard Leeds, of Dorchester. . . . He died about eight days after his wife, on Oct. 16, 1708, being about seventy-four years old." — Eds.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 20. Capt. Anthony Checkley buried in a Tomb in the New Burying place. Bearers, Winthrop, Cook; Elisha Hutchinson, Sewall; Addington, Lynde of Charlestown.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 22. *Feria sexta*, I mentioned in full Council the Adjournment of the Super. Court to the last of November; That when twas advis'd by the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council Sept<sup>r</sup> 30. I was not aware that the Trials of Mr. Borland were to be brought on by order of Her Majesty; that May-Court was pass'd over already, and I doubted the Conveniency of adjourning the Court to a further day: especially because the Super. Court of Boston did not use to be adjourn'd by reason of the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court's Sitting.

The Gov<sup>r</sup> seem'd earnest that we should Adjourn; Several of the Council back'd the Gov<sup>r</sup> and no body Spake for holding the Court at the usual Time. Col. Hutchinson and Foster particularly, spake that the former Advice might stand. So that we saw if we held the Court, we must in a mañer do it *Vi* and *Armis*. And the Gov<sup>r</sup> said plainly, that if we would not Adjourn the Super. Court, He would Adjourn the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court. And it was considered, that the Governour was ordered by the Queen to bring forward the Trial of Mr. Borland; and if any thing should fail, the Governour would lay the blame upon the Justices of the Super. Court, for not observing his Advice in adjourning the Court: and Mr. Attorney being his Son, He had advantage in his hand to cast that blame upon us. So all, but Major Walley, agreed to adjourn the Court. He was not present at our Consultation. I advis'd Mr. John Clark of this a day or two before; to see if the Deputies would move. I mov'd that the Deputies might be advis'd; it concern'd them; that the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court might give order about it; or at least the Deputies might signify their Liking of it. The Gov<sup>r</sup> utterly refused.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 22. Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Phillips's daughter of about 7 years old, is buried: Six Bearers. Mr. Sergeant and I walk'd together to the Funeral.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 23. We adjourn the Super. Court: Chief Justice and I sign for Salem Court, and send it by Mr. Epes to be sign'd by Col. Hathorne, and Mr. Corwine; they were slipt away. Chief Justice, Sewall, Walley sign for Boston Court; and about 3. p. m. I give the Warrant to Mr. Sheriff; and send an Advertisement to Mr. Campbell.

Wednesday, 8<sup>e</sup> 27, 1708. My wife is taken very sick as she was last April; taken with Shaking and intolerable pain in her Brest. Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> visits her and she takes some of his powder; but is cast up so soon, that it works little. Great Rain. Dr. Noyes visits and administers: on Friday grows better, *Laus Deo*.

Monday, Nov<sup>r</sup> 1. Gov<sup>rs</sup> best Horse dyes in his Pasture at Roxbury as goe to Dedham. Bouroughs, a worsted-comber, was at Mr. Colman's Meeting on the L. day p. m., went homeward towards Roxbury in the night; got beyond the Salt-ponds, and fell down a-cross the Cart path in the Mud, and there perished; was found dead on Monday morn, Nov<sup>r</sup> 1. And thô the Coroner did his Office in the Morning; yet the Corps lay as a sad spectacle, gazed on till late in the Afternoon.

Gov<sup>r</sup> calls and smokes a pipe with my wife at night 9<sup>e</sup> 1.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 4. Mr. Cotton Mather preaches from Jn<sup>o</sup> 20. 19. Gov<sup>r</sup> not in Town. In the Evening Col. Checkly, L<sup>t</sup> Co<sup>l</sup> Winthrop, and Major Savage came to me, and acquainted me that the Guards for the Prison would be dismiss'd to morrow; the Gov<sup>r</sup> sent them to tell me so. Now I objected to the Bill about Odell, that no mention was made in it of any Person at the Castle to receive him, and that might be oblig'd to have him forth-coming when the Court should demand him.

Friday, Nov<sup>r</sup> 5. At the Conference this day about weighing Hay, Measuring Boards, Searching Turpentine, &c. As the Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> had desired, the Gov<sup>r</sup> mentioned Odell's business before the whole Court; and the chief

Justice said nothing could be done upon that Act, it did not direct the Justices what to do. I said I could not have a hand in sending a man to that place where a Habeas Corpus could not demand him. Deputies seem'd to incline to laying the Bill aside, and having him kept in the prison where he is; it should be made more strong. The Gov<sup>r</sup> plainly said before that the Justices might not send him thither; nor send for him thence: and he had them words added in the Margin — (in order to his being sent) — for fear it should be interpreted that the Justices sent him by the sheriff: The Gov<sup>r</sup> would give his order, without which it could not be. Chief Justice said at the Conference, The man would be put out of the Law; which he and I had discoursed of before.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 15. 16. Our Malt-House by the Mill-Crick is Raised.

Second-day, Nov<sup>r</sup> 15. 1708. Mr. Attorney Gen<sup>l</sup> enquired whether Odel might not have the Liberty of the yard upon Bail. I answer'd, I supos'd the Law was made only in favour of Debtors, not Criminals. And calling for the Law-Book, it plainly apear'd so to be by the preamble, and body of the Law, and Mr. Davenport also observ'd the Law was now Expired. It is to me amazing, that Mr. Attorney should speak of Bailing such a man as Odel,<sup>1</sup> who is in a mañer *Hostis Humani Generis!* *Quid non mortalia pectora cogit Auri sacra fames?*<sup>2</sup> Me thinks now I see the reason why the Gov<sup>r</sup> desired to have Odel at the

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<sup>1</sup> The warrant now preserved in Mass. Archives, lib. LXXI. f. 474, is "to commit to Castle William, Thomas Odell, now a prisoner in the Gaol under a sentence to twelve months' imprisonment, and to pay a fine of £300, for being concerned, with others, in counterfeiting and uttering false bills of credit on this Province." It seemed, also, that he had once broken prison and escaped, and was charged with since committing various thefts, and "being a very dangerous person." It was suggested "that some ill-minded persons were contriving again to work his escape." Hence he was to be sent to Castle William, "there to be straitly confined until he perform the above sentence," &c. — EDS.

<sup>2</sup> Virgil, *Æn.* III. 56. In the original it is *cogis*. — EDS.

Castle of his own sending thither; and so as a Habeas Corpus might not affect him there.

Nov<sup>r</sup>. 20. 1708. Sent by Aspinwall of Brooklin, Three Bushels of Salt; one for Madam Oliver, one for Mr. Brattle, one for the President. Writt to Col. Higginson about the Salt sold him, expecting an Answer by Monday. Gave Madam Brown one of the Verses on Mr. Clap, for her self, another for Mr. Benj. Brown.

Nov<sup>r</sup>. 19. Visited Madam Saffin, and rec'd of her 20<sup>s</sup>. towards Tiverton Meetinghouse.

Nov<sup>r</sup>. 19. A Ship wherein Mr. Bromfield is much concern'd is taken by a Sloop from Port-Royal, as she was Turning out of the Cape-Harbour. Had not notice of it till Tuesday about 10. m: Order'd Capt. Southack to go out after them in a sloop that outsail'd the other.

Nov<sup>r</sup>. 24. Joseph comes to Town. 25. Mr. Pember-ton preaches excellently. Dine in my wives Chamber at the great Oval Table; Sat down, My wife, Mrs. Betty Hirst, Hañah, Elisa H., Mary, Mr. Hirst, Capt. Nath<sup>l</sup> Niles, Joseph, Sam and Jonathan Sewall, my self; Eleven in all. Nov<sup>r</sup>. 26. is so windy, and Cold, that Joseph goes not home till 27. with Sir Oakes. I give Sir Oakes 20<sup>s</sup> Cash to buy some Necessaries, his father is so far off.

Nov<sup>r</sup>. 28. Mrs. Anne Winthrop is propounded, in order to be rec'd into the Church.

Nov<sup>r</sup>. 30. *Feria tertia*, Last night Sir Charles Hobbey comes home to his own house about eleven at night; Came from Portsmouth about the 7<sup>th</sup> of Octob<sup>r</sup>. Lisle not Taken; Sir William Ashurst and Mr. Higginson are well. Came out with the Queen of Portugal; and my Lord Lovelace for New York. I call'd upon Sir Charles in the mornin and bad him Wellcom.

Dec<sup>r</sup>. 5. 1708. Mr. Nathanael Gookin preaches in the forenoon; I think every time he mention'd *James*, twas with prefixing *Saint*: about 4 or 5 times that I took notice of. I suppose he did it to confront me, and to assert

his own Liberty. Probably, he had seen the Letter I writt to Mr. Flint. Spake also of Reverence in Gods Worship; he may partly intend being Cover'd in Sermon-Time: It had better becom'd a person of some Age and Authority to have intermeddled in things of such a nature. *Quædam Confidentia non est virtus, at audacia.*

Dec<sup>r</sup> 6. Major Gen<sup>l</sup> and I set out for Salem; had a good passage over Winnisīmet Ferry, and Comfortable Journey: yet setting out late, got not thither till about 6. in the evening.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Hold the Court. Note. Mr. Benjamin Brown dyes just about three aclock p. m., Mr. Noyes being call'd to him, Major Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop and I followed, and heard him pray with him, as he lay groaning. In the evening were invited to see his Will open'd, and hear it read; which we did at his house.

Wednesday, Dec<sup>r</sup> 8. The Court is adjourned *sine die*. Were fain to use Candles before we got out of Pratt's Chamber. Note. This evening Mr. Noyes pray'd last, and spake last, with the aged and excellent Divine, Mr. John Higginson.

*Feria quinta*, Dec<sup>r</sup> 9. Snowy stormy Wether. The Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> comes to Brothers, and tells me he would not take his Journey that Wether, so I also agree to stay. As we were at Dīner at my Brother's Paul Doliver calls Mr. Noyes, saying his Grandfather slept so they could not Wake him. Mr. Noyes answer'd, He would come as soon as he had dined; (We din'd late) He and I went together: but before we got thither, the good man was got to a blessed State of Rest. He expired 2 or 3 Minutes before we got into the room. Note. A good Christian Woman of Salem, 92 years old, died the same day Mr. Higginson did. I had sent home David in the morning with Mr. Dudley, and Cook; and now I began to resolve to stay the Funerals. I consider'd I had order'd my Brother to be sure to send me Word of Mr. Higginson's Death; and now



I my self was one of the first Witnesses of it. Col. John Higginson is at Boston, to whom an Express is sent.

*Feria tertia*, Dec<sup>r</sup> 10. a very Cold day, and the snow fiercely driven with the Wind. Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> calls at my Brother's, and tells me he was going home; he thought his Children would hardly come else: I told him he might write to Mr. Sergeant, and he would bring them. When I saw he would needs go, I told him his Courage exceeded mine as much as the title of a Major Gen<sup>l</sup> did that of a Captain. He had a very hard difficult Journey, and told some he met, he would not have undertaken it for £100. if he had known it had been so bad.

*Feria Septima*, Dec<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> Bro<sup>r</sup> Hirst invites me to Di<sup>n</sup>er, there dine also Mr. Noyes, Mr. Woolcot, and my Brother. Sister Hirst, and Cousin Betty sat down. Bro<sup>r</sup> Hirst kept in the warm end of the House by the fire, being sick of the Gout. Note. This day my dear Grandson, Samuel Sewall, was taken sick at Brooklin.

Lord's day, Dec<sup>r</sup> 12. Mr. Noyes preaches in the forenoon from a Text he formerly had taken — He that sets his hand to the plough and looks back. — Spake considerably of Mr. Higginson especially; and of Mr. Brown. Mr. George Corwin preaches in the Afternoon from Rev. 14. 13. Blessed are the dead. — Mr. Noyes put him upon giving the Blessing. I dined at my Brother's.

*Feria Secunda*, Dec<sup>r</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> Had Fish for di<sup>n</sup>er at Brother's; which was put by the 7<sup>th</sup> day. I call'd for Honey, and Mr. Noyes and all, seem'd to a<sup>p</sup>rove of it. Mr. Benjamin Brown is buried; Tho. Bernard came in the morning from his Master, Major Brown jun<sup>r</sup>, and invited me to be a Bearer. Bearers, Hathorne, Sewall; Corwin, Jn<sup>o</sup> Appleton; Col. Higginson, Maj<sup>r</sup> Stephen Sewall. The Ministers present had Scarvs. Was laid in his father's Tomb at the Burying Point. Mr. John Winthrop told me of my Grandson's illness.

*Feria tertia*, Dec<sup>r</sup> 14. The A<sup>p</sup>letons, Mr. Rogers, and

Mr. Fitch dine at my Brother's. In the afternoon, the aged and Excellent Divine Mr. John Higginson is laid in Gov<sup>r</sup> Bradstreet's Tomb: Bearers, Mr. Chiever, Mr. Noyes; Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Gerrish; Mr. Blowers, Mr. Green. Are all of that Association, and wear their own Hair. Was laid in the Tomb a little before Sunset, had a very Serene, and very Cold Aer; And yet the Ipswich Gentlemen went home, having lodg'd in Salem the night before. Mr. Shepherd lodges with me.

*Feria quarta*, Dec<sup>r</sup> 15. I take leave of my Brother; gave Margaret 10<sup>s</sup>, Susan, 5<sup>s</sup>, Jane 3<sup>s</sup>, Mehetabel, 1<sup>s</sup>, Mitchel, 1<sup>s</sup>, Henry, 1<sup>s</sup>, Stephen, 1<sup>s</sup>, Nurse, 3<sup>s</sup>, Scipio, 2<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> I and Mr. Corwin rode in Mr. Kitchen's sly to the Butts; the Curtains defended us from the most Sharp, and Opposite Wind. At the Butts took our Horses and got comfortably to Lewis's, where Capt. Norden fell in with us; a good fat tender Goose was ready rosted. Capt. Norden, Mr. Jno. Winthrop and his Sister, Col. Taylor, Mr. Lichmore there. Note. I crav'd a Blessing, and return'd Thanks, not thinking of Mr. Corwin till had begun to return Thanks, then I *saw* him, and it almost confounded me — I crav'd his pardon, and paid his Club, saying I had defrauded the Company. I intended to go by Cambridge; but by the way I was told the Ferry was passable; and so I alter'd my mind, and went with Capt. Norden, and Mr. Bayly to Charlestown: the Boat was ready, and had as comfortable a passage over, as if it had been September; entred my own House about an hour before Sun-Set, found all well, *Laus Deo*. Privat-Meeting at our House. The Condition of my Grandson was comēded to God. Capt. Hill return'd Thanks for my safe Return home.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 16. very Cold and Lecture day, that I could not tell how to travail over the Neck so soon after my former Journey. Dec<sup>r</sup> 17. Court sits and only 3 Justices, which hindered my going to Brooklin. And Alas! Alas! seventh-day Dec<sup>r</sup> 18, News is brought that the poor Child is

Dead about an hour by sun *mane*. Alas! that I should fail seeing him alive! Now I went too late, save to weep with my Children, and kiss, and mourn over my dear Grandson. My son desired me to pray with his family; which I did. Madam Dudley, the Gov<sup>r</sup>'s Lady, Mrs. Katharin, and Mrs. Mary came in while I was there; and brought my little Rebekah with them. Call'd at the Governour's as came home. Seem to agree to bury the child next fourth day. I mention'd its being best to bury at Roxbury, for my son to keep to his own parish. Gov<sup>r</sup> said I might put the Child in his father's Grave if I pleas'd. Got home well in my slay, had much adoe to avoid Slews. *Laus Deo*.

My son perceiving the Governour's aversion to have the child buried at Roxbury, writes to me of it. I go to the Governour's on Tuesday, and speak about Bearers, He leaves it to me; so does my son; as I come home I speake for Sir Ruggles, Tim<sup>o</sup> Ruggles, son of Martha Woodbridge, my ancient acquaintance and Townswoman; and Col. Checkley's son for the other. Wednesday, Dec<sup>r</sup> 22, 1708. My dear Grandson, Sam<sup>l</sup> Sewall, is buried; Son and daughter went first: Then Gov<sup>r</sup> and I; then Madam Dudley led by Paul Dudley esqr; Then Joseph and Hañah; Then Mr. W<sup>m</sup> Dudley and daughter Hirst — Major Gen<sup>l</sup> and his Lady here with their Coach — Mr. Bromfield, Stoddard &c. Gave Mr. Walter a Lutestring scarf, Bearers, Capt. Noyes, Mrs. Bayley, scarves. Dec<sup>r</sup> 30. Daughter Hirst is much oppress'd with a Fear of Death; desires to speak with me: I go to her presently after Lecture, and discourse with her, and she seems better compos'd. Seventh-day, Jan<sup>r</sup> 1. Is a very pleasant day. Jan<sup>r</sup> 2. Cloudy cold day. Mr. Bromfield is pray'd for, who is in much pain by reason of his disorder'd great Toe; was very ill last Lecture-day. Elder Bridgham lyes sick. Dr. Mather is kept in by the Gout.

xr. 31. *Feria sexta*, Co<sup>m</sup>ittee meets for incorporating

the Town. Mr. Bridgham was absent, being taken sick that day.

Midweek, Jan<sup>y</sup> 5. Mr. Cotton Mather visits me, then (Mr. Mather not gon) Sir Charles Hobby visits me: While they were [here] Capt. Chandler tells me in the entry that elder Bridgham was dead; I come in and tell it the Company.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> presently after Lecture, the Act of Parliament regulating Coin,<sup>1</sup> is published by Beat of Drum and Sound of Trumpet. In Council a Spaniard's petition is read praying his Freedom. Gov<sup>r</sup> refers it to the Judges. Mr. Cook notifies Capt. Teat to a<sup>p</sup>ear to morrow. Jan<sup>y</sup> 7. Petition is read, Capt. Teat pleads the Gov<sup>r</sup> told him he was a Slave; Capt. Teat alledg'd that all of that Color were Slaves: Obliges to have the man forth-coming at Charles-town Court.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 8. My worthy friend Mr. Bridgham is buried: Bearers Mr. Cook, Col. Hutchinson; Elder Cop, Deacon Jn<sup>o</sup> Marion; Deacon Isaiah Tay, Deacon Thomas Hubbard. Is buried in the Old burying place: Went up by Mr. Dudley's House into King street, and so up between the Town-house and Mr. Phillip's. He was a Righteous, Mercifull, publick-Spirited man, very usefull in the Town: was born the 17<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 165 $\frac{1}{2}$  The Lord sanctify this awful sudden Stroak; and help us duly to lay it to heart.

Note. Mr. Bridgham buried a Carolina Indian Man last Monday; and another the Monday before; One about 30. the other 40 years of Age, which he bought not a year ago.

*Feria tertia*, Jan<sup>y</sup> 11. Dr. John Chip is buried in the New burying place. Bearers, Deacon Hubbard, Mr. Pitts; Dr. Clark, Foyes; Dr. Stephenson, Groundsill.

*Feria quinta*, Jan<sup>y</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 170 $\frac{8}{9}$  Mr. Bridge preaches

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<sup>1</sup> Probably 6 Anne, c. 30, "An act for ascertaining the rates of foreign coins in her Majesty's plantations in America." This was to have effect after the first day of May, 1709. — Eds.

from Gen. 12. 2. Seem'd to make it with respect to Elder Bridgham; 112. Psalm sung; part of it. Use. Its a frown of God when such remov'd. Should not succumb, but be more active. Note. Mr. Colman went and sat in the pulpit this day. It seems Deacon Avery, a very worthy man, died the last Moneth.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> I propound to Joseph to pray with his Mother and me for his Sister Mary; he declines it and I pray, and was assisted with considerable Agony and Importunity with many Tears. The Lord hear and help.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 28. I went to Mr. Hubbard's Lecture. He preach'd from Philip. 3. 3. Excellently. It begun to rain as came out of the Meetinghouse. So I took leave of Mr. Hubbard and came home well by Day-light, though there was a great Fogg. *Laus Deo.* John Trowbridge assisted me in setting up my Horse and helping me to him again when I came away.

Satterday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 29. Our Tenant, Nurse Smith, is taken sick.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 31. Mr. Spensar calls here, and I enquire of him about Mr. Gerrish of Wenham, what he should say; He answer'd not directly; but said his Cousin would come if he might have admittance. I told him I heard he went to Mr. Coney's daughter. He said he knew nothing of that: I desired him to enquire, and tell me. I understood he undertook it; but he came no more.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 2. Note. Smith dyes. 3<sup>d</sup> Sore Storm of Snow; Mr. Pemberton preaches.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Nurse Smith buried. Coming from the Grave I ask'd Mr. Pemberton whether S. Gerrish courted Mr. Coney's daughter; he said No; not now. Mr. Coney thought his daughter young.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 5. Storm of Snow, and I goe not out.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 6. is a Comfortable day. Feb<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> I deliver a Letter to S. Gerrish to inclose and send to his father, which he promises to doe.

Febr. 8<sup>th</sup> Sub-Committee meets about drawing up a Charter. Febr. 9<sup>th</sup>. Midweek, Mrs. Hañah Glover dies in the 76<sup>th</sup> year of her Age; was widow of Mr. Habakkuk Glover, daughter of Mr. John Eliot, who married here, and this daughter was born at Roxbury in the Fall 1633, just about the time Mrs. Rock was born. So that this Gentlewoman, though born in N. E. pass'd not only 60. but 70. years, and became a Great Grandmother in our Israel.

*Feria Sexta*, Febr. 11<sup>th</sup> 1708<sup>g</sup> Mrs. Hañah Glover is buried in a Tomb in the New burying place. Bearers, Winthrop, Sewall; Addington, Sergeant; Fayerwether, Checkly. Very Cold day.

Febr. 17. I receive Mr. Gerrishes Letter just at night. Febr. 18<sup>th</sup> I leave Word at Mr. Gerrishes shop that I would speak with him after Mr. Bromfield's Meeting was over. He came and I bid him wellcom to my house as to what his father writt about. So late hardly fit then to see my daughter, aṑointed him to come on Tuesday, invited him to Suṑer; I observ'd he drunk to Mary in the third place. Febr. 23. When I came from the Meeting at Mr. Stephens's I found him in the Chamber, Mr. Hirst and wife here. It seems he ask'd to speak with Mary below; her Mother was afraid because the fire was newly made: and Mr. Hirst brought him up. This I knew not of: He ask'd me below, whether it were best to frequent my House before his father came to Town: I said that were the best introduction: but he was wellcom to come before, and bid him come on Friday night. Febr. 24. Mr. Hirst tells me Mr. Gerrish courted Mr. Coñey's daughter: I told him I knew it, and was uneasy. In the evening daughter Hirst came hether, I suṑose to tell that Mr. Gerrish had courted Mr. Coney's daughter: and if she should have Mr. Stoddard, she would mend her market. Friday, Febr. 25. Madam Winthrop, Oliver, and Mico visit my wife. In the evening S. Gerrish comes not; we

expected him, Mary dress'd her self: it was a painfull disgracefull disappointment. Febr. 26. Satterday, Sam Gerrish goes to Wenham unknown to me, till Lords-day night Capt. Greenleaf told me of it. He was not seen by us till Wednesday March 2, David saw him. March, 5. Satterday, I go to Brooklin, and visit my son and daughter Sewall, who is sick. March, 7. I pay Mr. Minott his Account. March, 8. I visit Mr. Cotton Mather.

March, 9. Meeting at Mr. Stoddard's. Mr. B. Pemberton dyes. March, 10. Go to Mr. C. Mather's. March, 11<sup>th</sup> S. Gerrish calls here. March, 12. Mr. B. Pemberton buried; Bearers, Capt. Fitch, Mr. Harris; Mr. Cutler, Mr. Noyes; Mr. Ed<sup>w</sup> Winslow, Mr. Wentworth. Simson, the Brickmaker, dyes. March, 14. The Rever<sup>d</sup> Mr. Joseph Gerrish comes to our house in the evening. Dines with us March 15<sup>th</sup> Tuesday. At night his Son comes, and Mary goes to him. Mr. Gerrish goes home on Wednesday. His son comes and is entertain'd then also. Friday March 18. last night Mr. Thomas Downs fell into his own fire in the night and was burnt to death. Both his hands burnt off, and burnt to Ashes: His face so burnt away, that what remain'd resembled a Fire-brand.

Friday-night. S. Gerrish comes. Tells Mary except Satterday and Lord's-day nights intends to wait on her every night; unless some extraordinary thing hapen.

Satterday, March 19. I call at S. Gerishes shop; he was not within: but came in presently: I desired him to Bind me a Psalm-Book in Calv's Leather.

Lord's Day March, 20. Mr. Downs is buried in the old Burying place; Bearers Capt. Dumer, Dyer; Capt. Fayerwether, Foy; Mr. Tho. Walker, Tim<sup>o</sup> Clark.

March, 21. Mr. Cutler pulls out a Cheek Tooth of my right upper Jaw. It was loose and corrupted, and hurt me.

Satterday, March, 26. Col. Hathorne, Mr. Corwin, Mr. Taft and I set out for Plimouth, get to Job Randall's

about Sun-setting. March, 27<sup>th</sup> Mr. Eels preaches in the Forenoon; Mr. Toft in the Afternoon: sup at Mr. Eels.

March, 28. Set out for Plimouth. Got thither before any stress of Rain. Mr. Dudley and Cook came in very wet. March, 30. I go into the Meeting-house. March, 31. Col. Church goes with us p. m̄. Between Jones's River and the old Rode my Horse falls; yet I fell not off; neither had I any hurt. Lodge at Bairstos's.

April, 1. Breakfast at Cushings: Got home well about 3 p. m̄. *Laus Deo*. Mrs. Barthol. Green died the day we begun our Journey.

Monday, April, 4. Gen<sup>l</sup> Council, which prevented my Training in the Artillery. I sent my Pike, and went my self; and the Secretary follow'd me into Shrimpton's Lane, and took me off. Mr. Pemberton had discouraged me before, but I had thought to have Train'd this once; had I not been thus call'd away.

Tuesday Apr. 5. I went to Roxbury Lecture.

Thursday, Apr. 7. Mr. Neh. Hobart dines, and prays with us. Friday, Apr. 8<sup>th</sup> Guns are fired at the Castle 76. Sconce, 24, and Flags hoisted half way the Staff on account of the death of Prince George, the Queen's Consort. The Secretary had an Address of the Lord's to Her Majesty on that head, dated Nov<sup>r</sup> 20<sup>th</sup>. Gov<sup>r</sup> is abed sick of the Gravel. The Taking of several Vessels laden with Provisions on the back of the Cape over against Eastham last Wednesday, Apr. 6. 11. *mane*, makes the Town very sad. Writts are gon out for an Assembly, dated April, 6.

Apr. 8. Joseph takes purging Physick, which works kindly.

April, 12. Joseph goes home. April, 11. Capt. Roger Lawson dies. Apr. 13. buried; Bearers; Mr. James Smith, John Campbell; Mr. George, Colman; Capt. Steel, Mr. Joseph Wadsworth. Aged about 45. years. Mr. Cook and I went together, next the Relations; then Mr. Addington, Sergeant.



April, 15. Madam Winthrop sends Mingo to invite me to the Meeting at her House. Mr. Pemberton preach'd from Ps. 71. 16. I will go on in the strength of the Lord God. Doctrine Believers sensible of the Danger and difficulties that are in their Christian Course, Trust only to the Strength of God. Ps. 73. 23, 24. 25, 26. Sung St David's Tune, which I set. Drunk Ale, Tea, Wine. .

Apr. 22. 1709. Went to Braintree, visited Cousin's sick wife: rid with him to Copeland's; to the farm he hires. Din'd with him, Mrs. Flint, Mr. Flint of the College: Came home to Mrs. Kate's Funeral.

Apr. 23. Went to the Castle, and dined there upon Col. Winthrop's Invitation. Went from Scarlet's Wharf, and Landed there agen about 5. Mr. Russel, Hutchinson, Addington, Sewall, Townsend, Hutchinson, Belchar, Stoddard, sat down with the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Col. Winthrop. Capt. Tuthill, and Mr. Cutler, the Chaplain, sat at a little Table by themselves. Came away about four p. m.

Tuesday, April, 26<sup>th</sup> visited Mr. Cotton Mather, who has been indispos'd.

Wednesday, Apr. 27. Mr. Cooke and I visited Mr. Russell, who is very sick; was taken on the Lord's Day. He was glad to see us, and Thankfull; Visited Mr. Jenner. Thursday, April, 28. Mr. Russell dies about 11. a. m. He was a good Christian, and right New-England Man; is I think the last of them chosen in the year 1680: about 68. years old.

Friday, April, 29. 1709. Town-Meeting to choose Representatives. I was chosen Moderator. Voters — 204.

John Clark esqr.	173.	Mr. Isa Tay —	53.	3 <sup>d</sup> voters	159.
Capt. Tho. Hutchinson	142.	Mr. W <sup>m</sup> Clark	42.	Fitch —	82 chosen.
Mr. James Barns	128	W <sup>m</sup> Clark	35.		
		2 <sup>d</sup> voters	181.		
Capt. Tho. Fitch	73.	Fitch	78.		
Capt. Ephr. Savage	68	Savage	47.		
Col. Checkly	57	Checkly	45.		

Voted £100 to our Brethren of Rumney-Marsh to help build them a Meeting-house. Chose Jury-men for the Super<sup>r</sup> Court. I pray'd that God would not destroy the Town, twas a New Town: — dismissed about 2. p. m. Mr. Pemberton begun with Prayer.

Friday, Apr. 29. 1709. about 4. *post m̄*. the Dragon Frigat arrives at Nantasket, in whom come Col. Nicholson, Col. Vetch, Mr. Jonathan Belchar, Mr. Giles Dyer, Mr. Bill, Mr. Walley, Capt. John Alden and others. First Mr. Dier tells me that Mr. Higginson was dead of the Small Pocks; but as to the time incongruously. Though it was now about 9. at night, I go to Mr. Belchar, who Confirms this Melancholy News. Saith he died in November, was buried in the night in Bow-Church: He was at his Funeral. Alas alas! that he should escape 1000. deaths in going to the East-Indies, dwelling there, and returning; and now to die so soon in London of the Small Pocks! The Lord help me not to Trust in Man; but in GOD.<sup>1</sup> They tell us St. John's in New-found-Land was Taken by the French last Dec<sup>r</sup> which is like to prove a great and surprising Evil to this place.

April, 30. The Queen's Letter is read in Council about the Canada Expedition, and Col. Vetch's Instructions, to which exact Obedience is comāded. Dine at North's. From thence go to Mr. Russell's Funeral. Bearers, Gov<sup>r</sup> Dudley, Gov<sup>r</sup> Nicholson; Mr. Cook, Hutchinson Elisha; Sewall, Addington; Phillips, Lynde. was buried in a Grave.

May, 2. Being Artillery day, and Mr. Higginson dead, I put on my Mourning Rapier; and put a black Ribband into my little cane. When I enter'd the Council-Chamber, the Gov<sup>r</sup> with an Air of displeasure said, You are Chidden! pretending my late coming; though I think I was

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<sup>1</sup> Sewall had heartily desired that Mr. Higginson should have been appointed Governor of this Province. — Eds.

there before eleven, and am, I think, the most constant attender of Councils.

I dined with the Artillery at Powells, whether Maxwell came and warn'd me to Council at 3. There I waited all alone, as many times I doe. At length the Gov<sup>r</sup> came. When Col. Hathorne had his Quota 76. given him, he expostulated a little; upon which the Gov<sup>r</sup> was very angry, and took him up with very smart words. I was on the same side of the board, and saw his Warrant. Then I went to my own, and seeing a number of Letters ly under the Secretaryes hand, I made a motion to see one which the Secretary declin'd: and the Gov<sup>r</sup> taking notice of it with a very angry Air said to me, I will not be Govern'd by You!

May, 6<sup>th</sup> 1709. Mrs. Abigail Russell, widow of James Russell esqr. was buried. Bearers; Mr. Cook, Hutchinson Elisha; Sewall, Addington; Phillips, Lynde.

May, 7, 1709. About 6. or 7. p. m. Col. Lynde of Charlestown has his Malt-House and Dwelling house burnt down, Wind blowing hard at South-West, and very dry. One house more burnt. Mr. Leverett returns from New-York.

Monday, May, 9. 1709. Major Thomas Brown esqr, of Sudbury, was buried in the Old Burying place; Bearers, Cook, Sewall; El<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Townsend; Jer. Dumer, P. Dudley. Scarvs and Gloves. Company Train; And a Declaration is read to encourage the Expedition to Canada. In the evening Mr. Williams of Derefield comes in to see me.

May, 16. 1709. Set out with David for Ipswich, Mr. Harris went over the Ferry with us, and went through. Dined at Salem, at Brother's. May, 19. Went to Newbury; visited Mr. Payson, sister Northend, Nelson, Mrs. Phillips. Got into the house of Abraham Adams where we staid during the Thunder shower. Lodg'd at Sister Gerrishes.

May, 20. visited Cousin Jacob Toṽan, laid a stone in the Foundation of the Meetinghouse at Pipe-staff Hill. 3<sup>s</sup>. Went home in the Rain to Sister Gerrishes; visited my Cousin Gerrish, Pierce, Toṽan, Sweet; dined at Bro<sup>r</sup> Toṽan's. May, 21. visited Cousin Rolf: went with Bro<sup>r</sup> Moodey to Byfield, and lodg'd there.

May, 22. Went to Meeting at Byfield, din'd with Cousin Hale: lodg'd at Bro<sup>r</sup> Moodeys. May, 23. Set out for Boston; Rid from Ipswich to Wenham in the Rain. Din'd with Mr. Gerrish; and went not thence because of the Rain. May, 24. it Rains much harder so lodge there again. May, 25. Rise early, and set out for Boston. A little before we came to Phillips's the Ipswich Gentlemen overtook me; had the pleasure of their Company. At Wiñisimet overtook Mr. Corwin, went over together; got to Boston about ten. Heard Mr. Rawson preach the Election sermon—Before your feet stumble upon the dark Mountains. Dine at the Green Dragon. Mr. John Clark chosen Speaker.

## ELECTION.

Winthrop	82	Plymouth	
Hathorne	73	Winslow	82
Elisha Hutchinson	82	Pain	54
Sewall	84	Cushing	45
Addington	82	Otis	79
Brown	69		
Phillips	76	Main	
Corwin	77	E <sup>m</sup> Hutchinson	66
Foster	70	Plaisted	71
Sergeant	50	Wheelright	65
Townsend	51		
Jn <sup>o</sup> Aṽpleton	74	Zagadahock	
Higginson	82	Lynde	56
Partridge	69		
Belcher	54	At Large.	
Bromfield	57	Walley	42
Hunt	59	Norden	37
Epes	37		

Note. The number of Voters at first was 86. Council 19 }  
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Tuesday, May, 31. Mr. S. Stoddard marries Madam Shrimpton privatly. See Aug. 13. 1708. This week Mrs. Blower dies, then her Husband: Capt. Sill, Mr. Lemon, and Alas, alas! June, 3. The Rever<sup>d</sup> Mr. Pierpont dies at Reading; a very great Loss!

June, 3. Mary returns well from Wenham. *Laus Deo.*

May. 26. Mrs. Sarah Pemberton buried. Bearers Sewall, Sergeant; Walley, Checkly; Hill, Williams.

June, 6. Artillery-day. I went with Mr. John Williams, of Dearfield, to the Funeral of Mr. Pierpont at Reading. His Bearers were Levèrett, Brattle; Wadsworth, Colman; Green, Fox. Mr. Jonathan Corwin and I followed next after the Relations: None else of the Council there.

Mrs. Wyllys dyed this day.

June 8. Mrs. Wyllys buried. Bearers Cook, Sewall; Phillips, Lynde; Hill, Marion.

June, 22, 1709. Going to visit sick Mr. Gerrish, Samuel; I met Dr. Mather, who tells me that yesterday, he was 70. years old; so was born June, 21. 1639.

June, 17. 1709. Friday, I treat the Gov<sup>r</sup> at Homes's: had two dishes of Green pease: Sir Charles Hobbey, Mr. Comissary, Mr. Leverett, Lt Col. Ballentine, Mr. Pemberton, Major Pigeon, Capt. of the Matroses, Eleven in all: paid 36<sup>s</sup> June, 24. Elisa. Davis, Widow, is buried; Mr. Dering, Hill; Williams, Meers; Blish, Draper, Bearers. They invited me and my wife by sending us good Gloves.

June, 27. Col. Hutchinson, Townsend, Mr. Speaker, and Col. Checkley meet at my house in the Afternoon to discourse with Mr. Allen about Imprinting the Bills. He offers to doe it for 2<sup>d</sup> a Plate; he had 1½ last.

Midweek, July, 13. 1709. N.B. Last night, between 2 or 3 hours after midnight, my wife complain'd of Smoak; I presently went out of Bed, and saw and felt the Chamber very full of Smoak to my great Consternation. I slipt on

my Cloaths except Stockings, and run out of one Room into another above, and below Stairs, and still found all well but my own Bed-chamber. I went into Garret and rous'd up David, who fetch'd me a Candle. My wife fear'd the Brick side was a-fire, and the children endangered. She fled thither, and call'd all up there. While she was doing this, I felt the partition of my Bed-Chamber Closet warm; which made me with fear to unlock it, and going in I found the Deal-Box of Wafers all afire, burning lively; yet not blazing. I drew away the papers nearest to it, and call'd for a Bucket of Water. By that time it came, I had much adoe to recover the Closet agen: But I did, and threw my Water on it, and so more, and quench'd it thorowly. Thus with great Indulgence GOD saved our House and Substance, and the Company's Paper. This night, as I lay down in my Bed, I said to my Wife, that the Goodness of God appeared, in that we had a Chamber, a Bed, and Company. If my Wife had not waked me, we might have been consumed. And it seems admirable, that the opening the Closet-Door did not cause the Fire to burst forth into an Unquenchable Flame. The Box was 18 inches over, Closet full of loose papers, boxes, Cases, some Powder. The Window-Curtain was of Stubborn Woolen and refus'd to burn though the Iron-Bars were hot with the fire. Had that burnt it would have fired the pine-shelves and files of Papers and Flask and Bandaliers of powder. The Pine-Floor on which the Box stood, was burnt deep, but being well plaister'd between the Joysts, it was not burnt through. The Closet under it had Hundreds of Reams of the Company's<sup>1</sup> Paper in it. The plaistered Wall is mark'd by the Fire so as to resemble a Chimney back. Although I forbad mine to cry Fire; yet quickly after I had quench'd it; the Cham-

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<sup>1</sup> Probably the paper belonged to the Society for Propagating the Gospel, for printing the Indian Bible. — Eds.

ber was full of Neighbours and Water. The smell of Fire pass'd on me very much; which lasted some days. We imagine a Mouse might take our lighted Candle out of the Candle-stick on the hearth and dragg it under my closet-door behind the Box of Wafers. The good Lord sanctify this Threatening; and his Parental Pity in improving our selves for the Discovery of the fire, and Quenching it. The Lord teach me what I know not; and wherein I have done amiss help me to doe so no more!

July, 21. A Council is warn'd to meet presently after Lecture before Dinner. The Gov<sup>r</sup> took up Col. Vetch with him, who sat at the end of the Table leaning his Elbow on the Arm of the Gov<sup>rs</sup> Chair; They both urg'd the sending a Flag of Truce to Port-Royal, to fetch off Capt. Myles and others. Mr. Secretary and I oposed it as that that would expose us to be ridicul'd by our Enemies; they would detain our Flag during their pleasure; the Canada Expedition being known to them. I mention'd the Suddenness of the Council. So the Gov<sup>r</sup> adjourn'd it to Friday at 2. p. m.

Friday, July, 22. Maxwell warns me again to attend the Gov<sup>r</sup> at 11. *mane* in Council. Gov<sup>r</sup> and Col. Vetch sat as yesterday, and vehemently urged the sending a Flag of Truce for poor Myles, as the Gov<sup>r</sup> often spake. Mr. Secretary and I opos'd it. Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson said would doe no good. I mention'd that it might be laid before the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court that was to sit on Tuesday. But the Gov<sup>r</sup> first order'd that to be prorogued to the next week; however that was not so far gon but it might have been stay'd; for nothing was entred. I considered also the daily Expectation of the Fleet's arrival, where we might have further direction. I mention'd the parting with Men, Sloops, Provisions in vain. Col. Foster, with some Heat, said, He was ashâm'd to hear any mention Charge! Mr. Secretary hinted they would by our Flag have notice the Fleet was not come. But all was re-

jected with disdain. Col. Vetch urg'd once and again, that if Capt. Myles were not sent for, it might tempt him to turn to the French, as Du Bart did. Twas urg'd that the Flagg was going when Col. Vetch, arrived; and that caused us unanimously to surcease, and to dismiss Col. Taylor. That was blown off as nothing. I spake against sending the Strong Beer to Supercass,<sup>1</sup> he had dealt basely at New-found-Land and at Port Royal. Col. Vetch urg'd, that if they deny'd to send our Captives, they should know how to Treat the French Prisoners: I answer'd, we knew already: The French had broke their Faith in not sending the Captives. Capt. Tuthill's Accounts.

In the evening, Mr. Mayhew and I bath our selves in Charles River behind Blackston's point.

July, 23. Mr. Mayhew goes to Natick to preach there to morrow. Between 4 and 5. p. m. is a great Gust of Wind and Rain.

July, 25. Mr. Banister dyes.

July, 26. Go to Cambridge Court with Major Walley by Charlestown, got thither before Col. Hathorne. Got home to the Funeral.

July, 27<sup>th</sup> lodge at Mr. Brattle's.

July. 28. Finish the Court, and get to Boston so as to hear great part of Mr. C. Mather's Fast-Prayer, and Dr. Mather's Sermon out of PS. 72. Amen, and Amen.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 5. The Gernsey arrives 4 weeks from New-found-Land, in whom comes Col. Moodey, the Gov<sup>r</sup> he brought thither. This morn, Madam Shepard dies, which I heard of at Charlestown, whither I went to Lecture. Mr. Bradstreet preached from PS. 46. 1. a Present help &c.

Augt. 6. Saturday, Madam Shepard is laid in the

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<sup>1</sup> Brouillan succeeded Villebon in the government of Acadie in 1702, and was himself succeeded, at his death, by M. Subercase. The latter successfully defended Port Royal from the Provincials under Colonel Marsh; but, as we shall see, was obliged, in 1710, to surrender to a new expedition. — Eds.



Tomb with her Excellent Husband and Son. Bearers Mr. Neh. Hobart, Mr. Peter Thacher; Mr. Angier, Mr. John Danforth; Mr. Colman, Mr. Bradstreet. She died at her Grandaughter Holman's at Milton and was brought thence to Charlestown by Water, and buried from her own House. I and Col. Phillips followed the Mourners, Capt. Belchar and the President next. But very few there besides Relations.<sup>1</sup>

Aug<sup>t</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> Col. Hobbey's Regiment musters, and the Gov<sup>r</sup> orders the Maquas<sup>2</sup> to be there and see them; and acquainted them there was not one of those Men in Arms they had seen at Roxbury. At night Sir Charles had a great Treat for the Gov<sup>r</sup>, 5 Maquas, &c.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> The Gov<sup>r</sup> has the 5 Maquas to the Castle and Nantasket to shew them the strength of the Fort and of the Five Men of War. They spread all their Finery to set out their Ships. Note. As I came from Charlestown

<sup>1</sup> This was Anna (Tyng), widow of Rev. Thomas Shepard. Her daughter Anna (or Hannah) married Daniel Quincy, cousin of Mrs. Sewall. (See Vol. I. p. xxiii.) — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> These were, evidently, the five chiefs of the Maquas [Vol. I. 329] or Mohawks, then *en route* for England. Neal (Hist. of New England, p. 602) says they were *Teeyeeneehogaprow* and *Sagayeanquaprahton* of the Maquas, *Elowohkaom* and *Ohneeeyathonnoprow* of the River Sachem, and the Ganajohahore Sachem. He calls them "four Indian Kings of the Six Nations that lye between New England and Canada." In England considerable attention was paid them, and the Queen promised to send missionaries. In New York Documents, V. 224, is a note of a council held Aug. 19, 1710, at which Kaquendero was the orator, and he mentions "those of our nation who have lately been in England." In Notes and Queries, 2d S. VIII. 417, 455, we find mention of a letter written by these chiefs, dated Boston, July 21, 1710, directed to Archbishop Tenison, on occasion of their safe arrival. Two of the names are *Sagayouquaraughta* and *Etawacom*. Addison, in No. 50 of the Spectator, refers to them, and makes the third chief *E Tow O Koam*, "King of the rivers." It is mentioned that Matthew, Lord Aylmer, entertained them on board the Royal Sovereign in 1710; and that they were received by Her Majesty, Queen Anne, April 19, 1710, "in great ceremony." Major Pigeon, one of the officers who came over with them, read a speech, printed by Neal, p. 603. They sailed from Plymouth, in the "Dragon," May 7, 1710. — Eds.

Lecture I met Mr. Bernon<sup>1</sup> in Sudbury Street; he turn'd from me and would not have seen me; but I Spake to him. Quickly after I saw Col. Vetch in the Council Chamber, and said to him, Mr. Bernon is in Town, as I told you he would: He made light of it, and said he had bought Cider of him; he suppos'd he had business here. I observ'd he was at Sir Charles's Muster, and went round the Body with his Sword by his Side, follow'd the Gov<sup>rs</sup> Attendants. Aug<sup>t</sup> 12. At Council 'twas enquired whether Blew should go to Edgartown to convoy vessels there loaden with Bread: Col. Foster much opposed it, and some others; pleading we had Bread enough. I argued the Benefit of having Bread in time of War; and the great Hurt twould be to us, if it should fall into the Enemies Hands. At last it was agreed, that if at the foot of the Shoals, whether his cruise led him, he had a fair wind, he might goe. I had urg'd the Certainty of doing good if Blew went.

'Twas mention'd in Council, that 300 Eastern Indians, Men Women and Children, were gon to the 5 Nations to pray leave to dwell with them; and that others refusing them, they were gon to the Senecas: The Gov<sup>r</sup> mention'd that the Gentlemen of Albany might be written to that they might be with the Maquas where they might [be] under Inspection. But the Council were of the mind, The further off the better; would more easily be apt to forget their own Country, and Less ready at so great a distance to aņoy. And that twas best for us (they being Rebels) to say nothing about it.

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<sup>1</sup> Gabriel Bernon was one of the Huguenot exiles who came to Boston, and was one of the commissioners of the English Corporation for Propagating the Gospel here. He was one of the persons naturalized Jan. 5, 1688, as recorded in a list published in Agnew's "Protestant Exiles" (London, 1871), I. p. 46-48. The same list was entered on our Suffolk Deeds, Lib. 14, fol. 212, "at the desire of Gabriel Bernon," July 20, 1688. The names of Abraham Tourtelot, Rev. Peter Fountain, and Isaac Converse, occur therein.—Eds.

Midweek, Aug<sup>t</sup> 24. In the evening Mr. Pemberton marrys Mr. Samuel Gerrish, and my daughter Mary: He begun with Prayer, and Mr. Gerrish the Bridegroom's father concluded: Mr. Mayhew was present.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 25. Mr. Cotton Mather, Mr. Pemberton and wife, and others, dine with us after Lecture. In the even I invited the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council to drink a Glass of Wine with me; About 20 came; viz. Gov<sup>r</sup>, Winthrop, Hathorne, Elisha Hutchinson, Addington, Brown, Foster, Sergeant, Walley, Phillips, Townsend, Bromfield, Eliakim Hutchinson, Corwin, Higginson, Jn<sup>o</sup> Apleton, Lynde, Hunt, Cushing, Norden, Epes. Gave them variety of good Drink, and at going away a large piece of Cake Wrap'd in Paper. They very heartily wish'd me Joy of my daughter's Marriage.

Sept. 10. Mr. Mayhew takes his Journey homeward, John Neesnumin, and James Printer<sup>1</sup> being gon before.

Sept<sup>t</sup> 17. Mr. Green finishes printing Mr. Whiting's Oration.<sup>2</sup> Sept<sup>t</sup> 21. When the Dept<sup>s</sup> could not be brought into the Congress of the Governours; at last by some application they gave 80£ to bear the charges of the Gov<sup>r</sup> and them that should go. I got away to the privat Meeting at C. Savages, when this was transacted. General Court rises.

Sept<sup>t</sup> 24. Col. Hathorne, Mr. Corwin and I set out for Taunton. David waits on me. Dine at Morey's at Punkapôg. There Mr. Crossman meets us, and conducts us in the new Rode; rid near 14 miles without a house. Saw pleasant Winnicunnet Pond, and the River issuing out of it.<sup>3</sup> Got to Mr. Danforth's about 6. where we lodged.

<sup>1</sup> See Vol. I. p. 15, *note*. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> We presume this to be a Latin oration which Rev. Samuel Whiting, pastor of Lynn, delivered at Harvard in 1649. The copy in our Society's Library contains sixteen pages, but lacks the title. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> Winneconnet Pond is in the easterly part of the town of Norton, and receives the waters of Canoe River and Leach's Stream. It spreads over about one hundred and twenty-two acres. (*Gazetteer*.) — Eds.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> Lord's Day Mr. Danforth preached from Ps. 90. 14, 15, 16, 17, verses. Work. The Church-State, Worship and Ordinance, which were brought out of Egypt into Canaan to enjoy, are chiefly intended. Doct. 1. The great, and chief desire of the people of God, that which lyes u<sup>p</sup>ermost in their hearts is, that God's work may flourish in their Generation, and in succeeding Generations. Doct. 2. Every Christian should account it his Duty to put to his helping Hand, to forward God's Work in the World. Every one should do something in bringing others home to Christ.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 26. We went to Bristol with Capt. Leñard, Mr. King. Col. Byfield, Mr. Makentash, with the Sheriff and others, met us at Mr. Saffin's. I lodg'd at Peter Reynolds's.<sup>1</sup>

Sept<sup>r</sup>. 27. Open'd the Court, empanel'd the Jurys, heard one Cause. When came to Diñer found Major Walley come from Devotion's.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 28. Indians are Try'd for Murder and found Guilty. 29. Mr. Saffin is Cast in his Action of Review against Mr. George. Indians are condemned. Court ends.

Friday, 7<sup>r</sup> 30. Col. Hathorn, Mr. Corwin, Cook ride out of Town early, near an hour before Sun-rising. Major Walley and I set out about 9. a-clock. Daniel and David waiting on us. Call at Mr. Greenwood's, who is dangerously sick of a malignant Fever, to our great surprise. Mrs. Greenwood at parting, with Tears, desired prayers for him; and that would leave word at Caleb Stedman's at Roxbury, to acquaint his Bro<sup>r</sup> at Newtown.

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<sup>1</sup> Robert Reynolds was one of the early settlers in Boston, and left only one son, Nathaniel, who moved to Bristol, R. I. Peter was, doubtless, the son of the latter, born in 1670. A century later a branch of this family returned to Boston; and one of them, Dr. Edward Reynolds, has been especially noted for his professional skill and his connection with public charities.  
—Eds.

Dine at Smith's; Bait at Devotion's. Lodge at Billinge's; Many stars were to be seen before we got thither. Cornil, a Quaker, in company. From Billings's writt to Mr. Man, enclosing an Oration. Left ten with Mr. Sparhawk and a 10<sup>s</sup> Bill: a Douz ditto with Mr. Danforth. Sr. 1. Bait at Dedham. I go to Mr. Belcher's, where I drink warm chockelat, and no Beer; find my self much refresh'd by it after great Sweating to day, and yesterday. Got home to Diñer about One. *Laus Deo*. My Horse went very hard, which made me strain hard on my Stirrup and contract a Lameness on my Left Hip of a Week's continuance, or more. If I might with Jacob prevail with GOD for his Blessing; and be surnamed Israel, how happy should I be! though I should go limping.<sup>1</sup>

Oct<sup>r</sup> 2. Lords Su<sup>p</sup>er. Mrs. Rock and my wife there. I hope Christ welcomed us. Mr. Pemberton said he was glad to see me come home, 8<sup>r</sup> 1. when I went to him to acquaint him with Mr. Greenwood's Sickness.

8<sup>r</sup> 3. Gov<sup>r</sup> calls a Council.<sup>2</sup> I acquainted the Gov<sup>r</sup> with the Condemnation of the two Indian Men at Bristol for Murder, and the time intended for their Execution. Col. Vetch mutter'd somthing as if there was no malice prepense: I told him of the man's kicking his wife into the fire. He said he heard not of that. Capt. Blackmore

<sup>1</sup> The reference is, of course, to Genesis xxxii. 24-31. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> It may be well to mention here that, during 1709, the Colony had been kept excited by warlike preparations. Colonel Vetch came over with instructions for a grand expedition against the French. Five regiments of regulars were to be sent over; Massachusetts and Rhode Island were to raise fifteen hundred troops, and the southern colonies twelve hundred men. Quebec and Montreal were to be attacked. The Massachusetts men were ready by May 20th, and were kept ready till September, while the southern troops, under Nicholson, were encamped at Wood Creek. October 11 a vessel arrived at Boston with advices that the English troops had been sent to Portugal, but allowing the Americans to attack Port Royal if they judged proper. The fleet refused to join, and the Legislature desired the Governor to discharge the transports and disband the troops. (Hutchinson, Hist. II. 178, 179.) — Eds.

arrives this day and brings the Wellcom Orders for going on to print the Bible [Indian] and countermanding the selling any more of the Genoa Paper, with a considerable Remittance.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> I shew the Letters to Dr. Mather and Mr. C. M.

Oct<sup>r</sup> 5. Midweek, Mr. Hirst and I take a Calash and meet Mr. Gerrish with John behind him. Son Gerrish, his wife and Hannah in a Calash. It was a little beyond Newhill's, who now keeps the Swan, that we met them. Din'd there, and there Mr. Gerrish would return, delivering up his Charge to me. As came homeward went over Charlestown Hill on the Neck of Land; and came into the Rode again by Mr. Emerson's. Got home very well, and I went to our Meeting at Mr. Thornton's. *Laus Deo.*

Octob<sup>r</sup> 6. 1709. Mr. C. Mather preaches from Prov. 14. 14. Backslider in heart shall be filled with his own Ways. Mention'd the indulgence of Adonijak; the prophet Micajah; not the prophet, but the King was hurt by his Estrangement.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 7. I read to Mrs. Rock; Mr. Allen came in and said I was Eyes to her. Octob<sup>r</sup> 28, 1709. In Council, Gov<sup>r</sup> said, They know nothing by me but what is of Honor. I have great faults, but they do not know them. Col. Nicholson is not yet Governour here, nor none of them, i. e. the Deputies. Said the Letter<sup>1</sup> sign'd by himself, Col. Nicholson, Vetch, was as good as that the Court had given to Col. Nicholson.

Friday, Nov<sup>r</sup> 4. 1709. The Gov<sup>r</sup> invites the Council and Representatives to Diñer at the Dragon. Mr. Secretary, and Mr. Wadsworth were at the other Table; The Gov<sup>r</sup> order'd Maxwell to say that he drunk to Wadsworth

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<sup>1</sup> Palfrey (IV. 276) states that this letter, directed to Lord Sutherland, is in the British Colonial Papers. It is signed by Colonel Moody also. — Eds.

and his Brother Addington. And awhile after, in like manner, drank to Mr. Pemberton, and Capt. Belchar, coupling them together; saying Capt. Belchar should answer for him, as I understood it. Just before the Council, after dinner, Mr. Commissary, and Mr. Pemberton walked together upon the pavement below the Townhouse.

Nov<sup>r</sup>. 5. I walk'd at night with Col. Townsend, Mr. Bromfield, Constable Williams, and a Man or two. Find the Town quiet and in good order. Were jealous the 5<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup>. might have occasioned disturbance.

Nov<sup>r</sup>. 6<sup>th</sup> Lord's day; Mr. Rowland Cotton preach'd in the forenoon; Mr. Corwin in the Afternoon. Mr. Pemberton had propounded Hañah Butler to renew her Baptistismal Covenant; and now mention'd it, and said she had sin'd scandalously against the 7<sup>th</sup> Coñmandment; read her Confession imēdiatly, and by the silential vote restored her. I think it is inconvenient, when persons have so fallen, not to give the Church some previous notice of it; that the Brethren may have Oportunity to enquire into the Repentance. An ignorant Consent is no Consent. And I understood Mr. Pemberton that he would not go in that way again. Once before he did it, saying he knew not of it when the party was propounded.

Nov<sup>r</sup>. 17. 1709. Deputies send in a Bill that the Secretary draw up an Address to the Queen, and that it be presented by Col. Nicholson, or in his absence by Sir William Ashurst.<sup>1</sup> The Gov<sup>r</sup> was much displeas'd at it,

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<sup>1</sup> The Ashursts were for a long time connected with our political affairs. Henry Ashurst, of Ashurst in Lancashire, came to London in the seventeenth century, and was eminent for great benevolence, humanity, and piety. He was treasurer of the Corporation for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts. He acquired a large property as a merchant, and died in 1680, leaving four sons. The oldest son was Sir Henry Ashurst, Bart., of Waterstock, County Oxford, M. P., whose son was the last baronet. A daughter of Sir Henry married Sir Richard Allin, and had, with a son whose line soon expired, a daughter Diana, wife of Thomas Henry Ashurst. Sir William Ashurst, Knight, brother of the first baronet, died January, 1719-20, leaving

and said, No Ashurst should doe any Business for him. Mr. Secretary drew forth an Address he had prepared; The Gov<sup>r</sup> inserted Canada, interlining it: Twas for Nova Scotia and Port-Royal before, I spake against Canada; but twas carried and sent in. The Deputies sent it up concur'd, and to be presented as they had signified in their vote this day. The Gov<sup>r</sup> express'd his Resentments that should mention his Enemy: and put it not to vote. Court is prorogued to the first of February.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Council meets about Capt. Hayman's Estate,<sup>1</sup> Gives 30.£ more to Grace, and 12. to her Brother, to come out of their Mothers Thirds now to be divided.

Capt. Teat, by his Letter, desired a License of the Gov<sup>r</sup> to work on his Ship on the Lord's day; the Ship was on the Ground, and fear'd he should be nip'd: Gov<sup>r</sup> argued hard for it: Captain was Judge of the Necessity: I argued against it: He had time enough before, and had time enough to come before the sailing of the Mast-fleet. At the last the Gov<sup>r</sup> collected the voices, and said it was

two sons, Robert, of Heveningham, County Essex, and Henry, Town Clerk of London in 1700, who had two sons.

William Ashurst, uncle of Sir Henry and Sir William, was a member of the Long Parliament, whose son Thomas had a son Thomas Henry Ashurst, already noticed as marrying Diana Allin, grand-daughter and eventual heiress of Sir William. By this marriage Waterstock remained in the family name. A son of this marriage was Sir William Henry Ashurst, a distinguished lawyer, whose grandson is now the representative of the family at Waterstock. It seems extremely probable that valuable documents relating to our history may be preserved in this family.

We see by the text that Dudley was at this time opposed to the Ashursts Sir Henry was in feeble health, and his brother, Sir William, refused the agency, recommending Jeremiah Dummer. Dudley preferred Henry Newman, the agent for New Hampshire; but Dummer succeeded in 1710. (Hutchinson, Hist. II. 182, 183.) — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> From Wyman's Charlestown Records we learn that Major John Hayman, by wife, Grace, had a daughter Grace, wife of Thomas Berry, and sons Samuel and Nathan. But Samuel lived till Dec. 15, 1712, and Nathan died July 27, 1689. Hence this Captain Hayman was probably a son of Nathan, as he had two sons, and a daughter Grace, who married Richard Otis. — Eds.



carried by one: when I was ask'd, I said, I am dissatisfied, he ought not to be Licensed.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 19. Very Cold;<sup>1</sup> Have the News of the great Battel, eleventh 7<sup>r</sup> N-style; Confederats beat the French.<sup>2</sup>

Nov<sup>r</sup> 21. I visit Mr. Lechmere and his Bride, Mrs. Anne Winthrop.<sup>3</sup>

*Feria quinta*, Nov<sup>r</sup> 24. 1709. Thanksgiving Day, Mr. Pemberton preached forenoon and Afternoon, from Psal, 29. 3 latter part of the verse. In the afternoon he express'd his dislike of the Guns fired by the Ships and Castle, as not sutable for a Day of Thanksgiving.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 25. *Theopolis Americana* is finished, the last half-sheet printed off.<sup>4</sup> I stitch'd me up a Book, and sent the Rev<sup>d</sup> Author one to compleat his. And then Mr. Mayhew and I went to the Funeral of his little Nathan<sup>1</sup>,

<sup>1</sup> Hutchinson writes (Hist. II. 176) that "Tuesday, the 14th December, was remarked as the coldest day ever known in the country from its first settlement." — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This was the battle of Malplaquet, won by Marlborough and Prince Eugene, over Marshal Villars. Lord Stanhope adds (Hist. II. 123) that a rumor spread through France that Marlborough had fallen at this battle, and that from the rumor appears to have sprung the famous ditty of

"Malbrough s'en va-t-engerre."

— Eds.

<sup>3</sup> This was Thomas Lechmere, Surveyor-General of the Customs for the Northern District of America. He was brother of Nicholas, Lord Lechmere, of Evesham, a famous lawyer. He married Anne, daughter of Wait Still Winthrop, and died June 4, 1765, leaving two sons and two daughters. (See N. E. H. G. Register, XIII. 302, and Heraldic Journal, IV. 43.) His son Richard married Mary, daughter of Lieutenant Governor Spencer Phips, and gave his name to Lechmere Point, in Cambridge. (See Paige Hist. Camb. 168, 169, 173-178). — Eds.

<sup>4</sup> This is one of Cotton Mather's sermons, the full title being "Theopolis Americana. An Essay on the Golden Streets of the Holy City. Publishing a Testimony against the Corruptions of the Market-Place. With some Good Hopes of Better Things to be yet seen in the American World. In a Sermon to the General Assembly of the Massachusetts Province in New England. 3d. 9m. 1709. . . . Boston: Printed by B. Green. Sold by Samuel Gerrish at his Shop, 1710." 12mo. Two pages dedication to Judge Sewall. pp. 4-51 "Pure Gold in the Market Place." Appendix, p. 2. The copy in the Boston Athenæum is imperfect; but the Brinley Catalogue mentions a fine copy. — Eds.

who dyed in the time of the Forenoon Exercise, which made his Father, Mr. Cotton Mather, take his Text from I Sam. 10, — therefore she wept and did not eat. At the Funeral I saw Mr. Bridge, and desired him to come to me at 7 a-clock, which he did. And I fully communicated to him my sense of Rev. 13<sup>th</sup> 18. desiring he would not disclose it without my Consent, which I apprehend he granted.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 20. 1709. I went to Brooklin with my daughter Hañah in a Calash, and visited my little Grand-daughter Hañah Sewall who is this day eight weeks old; Had very comfortable Wether. Find all well there, and at home.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 28. Midweek, Gov<sup>r</sup> aṑoints Mr. Mackentash Judge of the inferiour Court of Bristol in the Room of Capt. Brown deceased.<sup>1</sup> Mr. Bromfield had a check for mentioning Mr. Pain, though of the Council, and a much fitter man. Col. Foxcroft's son is made his Register, as he is Judge of the Probat; which seems to me inconvenient.<sup>2</sup> I was not at the Council; my Cold kept me at home.

*Feria septima* xrs. 31<sup>o</sup>. I read Mr. Brightman's Excellent Epistle<sup>3</sup> to the British, German, and French Churches, out of Mr. E. Mayhew's English Book which lay in view. I was so pleased with it, that I read it in my Latin Book, *nec sine lachrymis*. This day Mr. Hubbard is taken sick after diñer.

Lords-day, January, 1. 170 $\frac{9}{10}$ . I read in course Mr.

<sup>1</sup> Henry Mackintosh succeeded John Browne, and held office till 1725. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> The reader of this Journal will have noted with what a range of meaning and application Sewall uses the word *inconvenient*. It is made to signify the disability or pain coming from various bodily maladies; the impropriety of an act or a course of conduct; the wrongfulness of some measure of public policy, and various other disagreeable and objectionable matters. It is evident, too, that by its use he often softens the expression of very strong dissent or offence at what displeases him. The compass of the definition of the word in the dictionary, however, is a wide one. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> This epistle was introductory to the author's "Revelation of the Apocalypse." Brightman died in 1607. — Eds.

Caryl on Job. 12. 22. from p. 311 to p. 319. The great Notice this great Divine takes of the Discovery of Colum-bina; <sup>1</sup> his Corollaries; Gloss on Mat. 10. 25, Encouraged me to publish, what I have long intended, on Rev. 10., Especially being usher'd in by Mr. Brightman's Epistle; and presently follow'd with Mr. Pemberton's Exhortation to a faithfull improvement of the Talents God has comitted to us, because He sees us — p. m̄, from Heb. 4. 13. The good Lord help me not to mistake! not to delay any thing He would have me now doe! Though the day were Cold, yet I found no Inconvenience by going to the Solemn Assembly.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 2. Morât Salutes me with the Sound of the Trumpet. Gov<sup>r</sup> warns a Council; but there was not a number: I go to Cous. Dumer's, where I read Cous. Jer. [Jeremy Dummer's] Letter of the 13<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>e</sup>. He writes that Col. Hunter is made Gov<sup>r</sup> of New-York.

Sixth-day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 6. James Hawkins dyes very suddenly, about 56 years old.

7<sup>th</sup> day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Mr. Exp. Mayhew goes to Natick.

Lords-day Jan<sup>y</sup> 8. My old Friend Mr. John Hubbard dyes, in the forenoon, just before the Exercise began. Mr. Pemberton makes a pathological mention of it in his Prayer, and that we might follow him so far as he followed Christ: mention'd him as a real Christian. Madam Hubbard put up a Note. *Alias* Leverett.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 1. 170<sup>o</sup><sub>10</sub>. Mr. Gerrish was Bearer to a young hopeful Man, Hunt, the Turner's Son, who had been married about 6. weeks. The Lord help us to prepare to meet Him!

Jan<sup>y</sup> 8. Lords day. The Matrosses apear in their Red Coats, 6 or 8 of them, at our Meeting.

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<sup>1</sup> Caryl makes no reference to *Columbina* by name. It is probably a constructive inference by Sewall from Caryl's notice of the discoveries at the Antipodes. — Eds.

Third-day, Jan<sup>r</sup> 10. Mr. John Hubbard is buried in the New Burying place in a Grave near the Northwest Corner of it.<sup>1</sup> Bearers, Sewall, Sergeant; Eliakim Hutchinson, Jer. Du<sup>m</sup>er; Capt. Thomas Fitch, Capt. Edward Winslow. Gov<sup>r</sup> was there, and the President and his Lady: I saw none from Ipswich. Snow'd hard all the way to the Grave and back.

January, 15, 17<sup>90</sup>/<sub>10</sub>. Mr. Benj<sup>a</sup> Woodbridge died at Medford: Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> buried. Mr. Parsons of Malden preach'd the Funeral Sermon. Bearers, President, Mr. Hubbard of Newton; Mr. Brattle, Mr. Bradstreet; Mr. Parsons, Mr. Ruggles of Billericay. By reason that it was Lecture-day, and Mr. Colman preach'd; and the Wind very high and Blustering, not one Boston Minister was there.

January, 24<sup>th</sup> I visited Mr. Habberfield about 5. p. m. He is smitten with the Palsy on his right side. Was very glad to see me, as I saw by his taking me by the hand; but could hardly speak a word.

Jan<sup>r</sup> 28. 17<sup>90</sup>/<sub>10</sub>. I waited on the Gov<sup>r</sup> and his Lady; they entertain'd me very placidly. While I was there, my daughter Sewall came in with her two little daughters, Rebekah and Hañah. Hañah had never been there before. I su<sup>p</sup>ose tis meant, not since the day she was baptised. I discours'd the Gov<sup>r</sup> about giving a Deed of Brooklin. Before I was got out of the House, Col. Vetch

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<sup>1</sup> This was John, son of Rev. William Hubbard, of Ipswich, the historian. He married Ann, daughter of Governor Leverett, and had four sons, three graduates of Harvard. Of them, Nathaniel was a Judge of the Superior Court from 1746 to 1748. Hutchinson (Hist. II. 147) refers to him; but, as Savage remarks, makes him son, instead of grandson, of Rev. William. It is worth notice that in the northwest corner of the Granary Yard there is the tomb of Thomas Hubbard, 1742, with a coat-of-arms. He was, doubtless, son of Captain John Hubbard, who, with a brother, Zechariah Hubbard, were sons of Deacon Thomas Hubbard, by his wife, Mary Tuthill. Deacon Thomas Hubbard died Nov. 17, 1717, aged sixty-three. As Savage says that Rev. William may have had other children than he notes, this may have been one of them. — Eds.

and Schyler came in. The Gov<sup>r</sup> told me of News from Albany, as if the French of Canaday were coming against us. The good Lord stop them!

Febr. 1. The Court meets, but the Deputies make not a House. Feb<sup>r</sup> 2. Make not a House.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 3. Friday, The Representatives have a Number, the Gov<sup>r</sup> sends for them in the Forenoon, and makes a Speech to them. Just at the time, I was taken with an irksome Flux, and was fain to go abroad: so that I saw nor heard any thing of this Solemnity.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 4. Now about the Gov<sup>r</sup> introduces Col. Schyler, and Major Pigeon to take Leave of the Council, as going for England. It was a Surprize to me; and I could not find that any body knew that Major Pigeon was going to England.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 6. the Queen's Birth-day. The Council Treat the Gov<sup>r</sup> at the Green Dragon, with Col. Vetch and several others. Mr. Tho. Bridge, Mr. Wadsworth, and Mr. Colman were there. Cost us 5<sup>s</sup> apiece. After our Return to the Council-Chamber, Burnt near Six Thousand pounds of decay'd Bills. When the Candles began to be lighted, I grew weary and uneasy, and even slip'd away without drinking. When I came home, it was a singular Refreshment to me to read 2 Cor. 6. especially from the 14<sup>th</sup> to the end. See Mr. Pemberton's Sermon, March, 5<sup>th</sup> &c.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 7. Third-day, Col. Foster spake to me about a Bill for an Agent. I said I knew of none. He said there was one. It seems twas pass'd and sent in Feb<sup>r</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> as we had our Fire; and deliver'd to the Gov<sup>r</sup> who read it, and put it into the Secretary's hand, who laid it away, not knowing what it was. At last on this day it was read; and the Gov<sup>r</sup> spake against the thing largely and earnestly. Were now but a bare House. Refus'd an Agent the last Session when were full. To chuse Sir Will<sup>m</sup> Ashurst was to cut him down, &c. Sir W<sup>m</sup> little at Court. I said He was Parliament Man for London. Gov<sup>r</sup> put it not to

Vote. In the Afternoon the Gov<sup>r</sup> had a great deal of warm discourse upon the same Theme. Said, Sir Henry had injuriously pursued him these twenty years; Sometimes no body follow'd him save Sir William; could procure none else. There were a great many men in England. Mr. Constantine Phips was their Agent had done them much good Service; would none serve but Sir William Ashurst? So the day was spent, and no Vote.

Midweek, Febr. 8. was Stormy with Snow: The Council meet, and show their Resolution to vote the Bill. Mr. Secretary receives a Letter from the Gov<sup>r</sup> that he could not come to Town: possibly he might in the Afternoon. Upon this the Question was put whether the Bill should be voted to in the forenoon, or wait till the Afternoon; and twas carried to waitt till the Afternoon, to see if the Gov<sup>r</sup> would come. Col. Hutchinson and Foster dine at Homes's.

Febr. 8. p. m. The Council met, but the Gov<sup>r</sup> came not. Maxwell was sent for the Secretary, who came and brought a large paper he had drawn up for Instructions, which was read at the Board. Then Col. Hutchinson and others spake that the Bill the Deputies had sent up, referring to an Agent, might be put to vote, which was done about four a-clock: There were Sixteen at the Board; Fifteen were in the Affirmative. Mr. Secretary said with a low voice so that I heard him, I cañot be of Advice in the matter. Representatives had often sent in to enquire what was done with the Bill for an Agent: Wherefore now the Council sent a Message to them to acquaint them the Council had pass'd it. Col. Townsend and Hunt were chosen by the Council; and about 4. of the Representatives to wait on the Gov<sup>r</sup> for his Consent. Capt. Buckminster went to Roxbury the night before, and brought a Letter from the Gov<sup>r</sup> next morning; upon which Mr. Secretary and Com̄missary went to Roxbury.

Febr. 9. 17<sup>o</sup><sub>1</sub><sup>o</sup><sub>8</sub> mane. Soon after the Messengers from

the Court went with the Bill, the Gov<sup>r</sup> declin'd signing it; and sent a Letter, which follows.

ROXBURY, Febr. 9. 1748.

GENTLEMEN, — I have just now your Vote of yesterday referring to the Choice of the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Sir William Ashurst Agent for this Province. I am surpris'd at it, because this present House of Representatives, consisting of about 70 Gentlemen or more, in their last session, about three Moneths since, refused the Return of their own Committee recommending the Use of an Agent. And in this Session, which I understand consists of forty-one, this Vote was carried but by a Small Majority. So that I have not therein the Advice of the Majority of that House; three Counties being wholly absent; and two other Counties have but three between them, as I am informed. I am also sensible that it will be a great hardship upon Sir William Ashurst to stand against his Brother Sir Henry, who is Agent for Connecticut, who are at this time Complainants against us, to take away two or three Towns from us, and to lower their Quota of Men for the publick Service. Which Complaints are now lying before Her Majesty, as that Governour informs us. If the matter might be reconsidered, I am of Opinion it were better left to the Advice of a full Court; which if you desire [left incomplete].

March, 4, 1748. I went to Brooklin, and visited my son.

March, 10. I visit Bro<sup>r</sup> Emons, who not only is kept within by his illness, but kept up; he cañot go to bed, but is oblig'd to sit in his Chair all night. Mr. Addington tells me of Mr. Pike's death, a good Man, and my particular friend. It seems he died March, 7.

*Feria secunda*, March, 13. 1748. General Town-Meeting. Mr. Cotton Mather went to Prayer; I stood in the Lobby, then went into the Council-Chamber; Constable — came to me and surprised me with telling me that I was chosen Moderator. I went in; and they would have me sit in the Seat, which I did; After reading the Warrants, Law, Town-order, Chose Select-Men; Daniel Powning, 119. Isaiah Tay, 118. Samuel Marshal, 117. Richard Draper, 116. Capt. Ephraim Savage, 114. Joseph Wadsworth, 113. Jonas Clark, 108. James Barns, 109.

C. Timothy Clark, 86. Constables, Capt. Wentworth Paxton, Æneas Salter, John Pierce, John Savil, John Bulkley, Timothy Prout, Joseph Kallender, Samuel Burnel; to whom I administered the Oath belonging to their Office; 7 the first day, and Burnel, the 2<sup>d</sup>.

Seventh-day, March, 25. 1710. I set out for Plimouth in Mr. Steadman's Calash, about  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour after 9. Lodg'd at Cushing's.

March, 26. Went to Hingham to Meeting, heard Mr. Norton from Psal. 145. 18. Setting forth the Propitiousness of God. In the afternoon Lydia Cushing, and Paul Lewis were baptised. Din'd with Major Thaxter, Sup'd with Mr. Norton, Mrs. Norton, and their sister Shepard, who he says, is perfectly well. Return'd to Cushing's in the night; it began to snow by that time we got thither.

March, 27. Am much disheartened by the Snow on the ground, and that which was falling, there being a dismal face of Winter. Yet the Sun breaking out, I stood along about 10. m. Every thing look'd so wild with Snow on the Ground and Trees; that was in pain lest I should Wander: But it pleas'd God graciously to direct, so that I got well to D. Jacobs, and then call'd his Tenant Riply to guid us over the Rocky Swamps to Curtis's. Din'd at Bairstow's; from thence had the under-Sheriff Briant. At Cook's the Sheriff met me. Mr. J. Cotton, Otis and others with him. Got to Rickard's about Sun-set. *Laus Deo.* Mr. Mayhew and Jn<sup>o</sup> Neesnumin were got thither before me by water. Mr. Little came to my Chamber and Mr. Mayhew that evening.

Gave Mr. Little and his wife each of them a good pair of Gloves. Little did I think that my worthy friend, Mr. John Cotton of Hampton, was then dying.

Third-day, March, 28. 1710. I saw the Sun pleasantly rising out of the Sea. Went to the Meetinghouse as I had done in former years; but found it shut, to my disappointment. But quickly after my Chamber at Rickard's



was free; where I had Opportunity of solemn Secret Prayer; Two of the Articles were my Tenants and the Agency. Wrote out Mr. Moodey's Copy of Verses on a Minister's Imprisonment; and gave them to Col. Thomas.

About Noon, the Chief Justice Winthrop, and Major Walley came to Town from Bairsto's. Open'd the Court, and swore the Grand-Jury before we went to Dinner. Mr. Little, Mayhew, Josiah Cotton, Shurtlif dine with us. And Mr. Rowland Cotton, Mr. Robinson, and Mr. Thacher of Middlebury, at another time. March, 30, adjourn'd *Sine die*.

March, 31. 1710. Set out homeward, Din'd at Bairsto's; I lodg'd with Major Walley, at his Cousin Jacobs's; Mr. Winthrop went on to Weymouth.

April, 1. Visited Mr. Thacher at Weymouth, wish'd him Joy of his new House. Visited Cousin Hunt in her changed Habitation. Met Mr. N. Hubbard in Monotocot; ask'd, but he told me no News: As I was getting up Pen's Hill, Major Walley overtook me, and told me the dreadful News of Mr. Cotton's Sudden Death; which was very surprising to me. Bait at Mills's; where I hear of Cousin Quinsey's being about 8 that Morning brought to Bed of her Son Josiah.<sup>1</sup> Mr. Smith and Walley told us of Madam Oliver's death, at Weymouth; The two Cousin Germans<sup>2</sup> were buried the same day; March, 31. Hampton, Cambridge. Got home about 2 p. m. found all well. *Laus Deo*. Took Leave of the Chief Justice, and Major Walley, at the Gate.

Lord's day, April 2, 1710. Mr. Pemberton finish'd his Discourse on 2 Cor. 6. 18. Took occasion to bewail the

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<sup>1</sup> This was the first of six successive Josiah Quincys, five of them being noteworthy, and three conspicuously so. The youngest is yet a youth. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> The cousins were Rev. John Cotton, of Hampton, whose mother, Dorothy Bradstreet, was aunt to Mercy Bradstreet (daughter of Samuel Bradstreet), wife of Dr. James Oliver, of Cambridge. They died only two days apart. — Eds.

death of Mr. Pike, and Mr. Cotton; of the last gave a very August Character. Brought it in thus: If Believers be God's Sons and Daughters, then their Death is to be Regretted; especially the death of Ministers. Preached forenoon and Afternoon.

Second-day, April, 3. The Gov<sup>r</sup> calls a Council. Mr. Man's<sup>1</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> Letter of Refusal is read; The Choosing another Minister is propos'd by the Gov<sup>r</sup>. I thought twas not convenient now to go out of Town, or at least not far off. I mention'd Mr. Brattle; Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, [mentioned] Mr. Bridge; Gov<sup>r</sup> said he was a stranger. I think twas Col. Lynde mention'd Mr. Angier. I did not think him so Square and Stable a Man; and therefore propounded Mr. Wadsworth, and Mr. Pemberton: The Gov<sup>r</sup> said Mr. Pemberton, and all agreed to it. And finding a difficulty in a<sup>p</sup>ointing who should address Mr. Pemberton; the Gov<sup>r</sup> said would have the Council meet there at 3. Between 3 and 4. The Gov<sup>r</sup>, Mr. Secretary, Sewall, Sergeant, E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Major Walley, Mr. Co<sup>m</sup>missary Belchar being there, the Gov<sup>r</sup> intimated that the Secretary had a Message, would have him do it. He complemented me; I replied, you are the most proper person. Then Mr. Secretary did the Message. Mr. Pemberton disabled himself: Mr. Sec. Answer'd. Then Gov<sup>r</sup> seem'd to beckon me to speak. I said, The Council generally had regard to Age in their Choice: We had a 1 and 2 Denial from Mr. Man. It was Condescension in the Boston Gentlemen to help us, when disa<sup>p</sup>ointed elsewhere: It would not be well to venture abroad again; lest being balk'd we should give those at home just Reason to say: *Cum nulli obtrudi potest, itur ad me.* Mr. Pemberton said not much after. I said I thought he had a clear Call. As we look towards

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<sup>1</sup> Probably Rev. Samuel Man, of Wrentham. The sermon referred to seems to have been the annual Election Sermon. In 1709 it was preached by Grindal Rawson; in 1710, by Ebenezer Pemberton. — Eds.

the Artillery passing by, I said to Mr. Pemberton the passage of Ulysses,

*Si mea cum vestris valuissent vota Pelasgi, —*

Before we went away, word was brought that Dr. Mather was chosen to preach the Artillery Sermon. Mr. Pemberton said Must choose agen.

Third-day, Apr. 4. I had some Vines set by Bastian.

April, 13. 1710. Capt. Ephraim Savages wife dyes, about an hour after Lecture, to our great Surprise. She was at our Meeting at Capt. Hill's.

April, 14. I went to Charlestown Lecture, and din'd there with Mr. Hobart, and Mr. Brattle.

April, 16. About Sunset Mrs. Elizabeth Savage is buried. Bearers Winthrop, Sewall; Addington, Sergeant; Walley, Belchar.

April, 21. 1710. Sixth-day, I went to Newtown to Mr. Hobart's Lecture; and there met Son Sewall and his wife. This day Lydia Goose dyes after 14 weeks languishing. Joseph came home this day.

Apr. 23. Lord's Day Lydia Goose is buried; Bearers, Mr. Josiah Willard, Benj. Eliot; Jn<sup>o</sup> Foy, Joseph Sewall; Josiah Oakes, Sam. Clark.

Apr. 27. Mr. Cooke and I spake to Dr. Mather after Lecture to goe to the Schoolhouse on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May. He declin'd it. Understanding he went to dine at the Major General's, I hastn'd thither after I had din'd, and urg'd it there: He declin'd it; but mention'd Chimham.<sup>1</sup> As was going away, mention'd a Fast next Lecture for Rain. I said I was glad, or should be glad of it.

April, 30. Lord's day; In the Evening before the dismission of the Assembly; Mr. Pemberton said, The Ministers of the Town had appointed next Thursday to be kept as a Fast for Rain; to turn the Lecture into a Fast;

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<sup>1</sup> The reference is to 2 Samuel, xix. 37-40. — Eds.

and God's beginning to send Rain would not be a discouragement.

Note. Last night the Rudder of Capt. Rose's Ship was cut; The reason was Capt. Belchar's sending of her away Laden with Wheat in this time when Wheat is so dear.

Second-day, May, 1, 1710. Fourty or fifty Men get together and seek some body to head them to hale Capt. Roses Ship ashoar: but they were dissuaded by several sober Men to desist, which they did. This was about 5. m. I heard of it as I was going to Hog-Island to see my Tenant's Loss of Sheep. Went off about Nine, and return'd between 2 and 3.

May, 2. Mr. Pemberton prays; 5 Judges there. First Lieut Sam. Johnson was made Foreman of the Jury. May, 3. He pray'd to be dismiss'd by reason of sickness, which was granted while I was withdrawn into the Council-Chamber, and writing to Mr. C. Mather to dine with us; and Mr. Cumby was made Fore-man. At Noon Mr. Attorney objected against Cumby that he should say, Sure they cut the Rudder themselves, that is, Capt. Roses Men. Upon this Mr. Cumby was spoken to by the Court, and he in open Court desired dismissal, or at least from being Fore-man. He was dismiss'd; and Mr. William Torrey was put in. Mr. Attorney and Capt. Belchar went to the Grand-Jury to forward the Bill against those that made the unlawfull Assembly. Just after Mr. Cumby was dismiss'd, Capt. Belchar made a motion that he might be sworn as a Witness. I look'd upon it as an indignity, he having been hardly enough dismiss'd from the Grand-jury: and nothing led to the calling him forth but his Situation. So I oꝓos'd it, and it was not done. I insisted it most convenient to proceed with a few and not seek to inflame the Reckoning by multiplying Articles. And Col. Foster complain'd that twas almost like an Inquisition; the mañer of Capt. Belchars pursuing it in Council.

This Midweek morn, Mr. Pemberton stood in his Gate,

and occasion'd my going in with him. He spake very warmly about the Unlawfull Assembly: I said such motions ought to be suppress'd; the thing should be thorowly and effectually dealt in. I said twas an ill office in Capt. Belchar to send away so great a quantity of Wheat (about 6000 Bushels besides Bread) in this scarce time. Mr. Pemberton said I cherish'd those evil seditious Motions by saying so. I said he unjustly charged me. He that withholds Corn, the people will curse him, though I did not affirm that Scripture Justified the Rioters. I mention'd something of God's people, that though they brought themselves into Straits by their own fault; yet God pitied and help'd them. Mr. Pemberton said, with much fierceness, They were not God's people but the Devil's people that wanted Corn. There was Corn to be had; if they had not impoverish'd themselves by Rum, they might buy Corn. I was stricken with this furious Expression. Mr. Pemberton also spake very sharply and upbraidingly, that he was invited to Diñer, and then not sent for at Diñer-time; was sick with waiting; lost his own Diñer; knew not where we din'd; 'twas indecent to ly lurking at the ordinary; wanted not a Diñer.

Midweek, May, 3. p. m. the Grand-Jury bring in *Ignoramus*, to my surprise. No order for the accused to pay Costs.

Mr. Cotton Mather din'd with us to day; Mr. Gookin of Sherbourn, yesterday. Spake not a word to Mr. Mather of any of the Causes, save of a Widow's that was past.

May, 15, 1710. Set out for Ipswich with Daughter Gerrish in my son's Calash, from Charlestown. At Lewis's Mr. Tim<sup>o</sup> Thornton overtook us, and accompanied us to Mr. Gerrishes at Wenham. There I leave my Daughter and proceed, Mr. Attorney rode with me from thence, Mr. Harris met me, and conducted me to Mr. Rogers's; find all well there. May, 17. I and Mr. Rogers visit Sis-

ter Northend, Mr. Rogers prays with Cousin Mehetabel Moodey, who was hapily there. To comfort her, I told her, God had given her a Visit: for Mr. Rogers and I came to give her Aunt a visit; not knowing of her being there. Went to Mr. Payson's Gate, and talk'd with him a little, drank Cider, went to Ipswich; Night before we got thither.

May, 18. Set out for Boston, Mr. Thornton in Company. Call'd at Bro<sup>r</sup> Gerrish's; They expected son and daughter Hirst, so went on to Salem, din'd at Bro<sup>r</sup> Sewall's who had a good Treat. Madam Hirst, Madam Colman, Son Hirst and wife, Mrs. Betty, Mr. Sever there; we join'd our selves to them, and made a good Diñer. Then Mr. Thornton and I set forward, parted at the Wiñisimēt Road, met Mr. Colman at Lin. Got home well; in the night took Tom my driver with me. *Laus Deo.*

May, 31. Election-day; Major Walley, the Secretary and Sewall gave the Representatives their Oaths; 70. before Sermon. Mr. Pemberton preached. Dine at the Green Dragon. Election as last year.

Midweek July, 5<sup>th</sup> Coñencement-day. I ride from Charlestown with Cousin Hale in a Calash; Mr. Mayhew has much adoe to get Mr. Short along; his Melancholy is so prevalent. President is indispos'd, so that Mr. N. Hobart begins with Prayer. Sir Denison makes the Oration.<sup>1</sup> The Bachelours Questions, and two of the Masters, were dispatch'd in the forenoon. My son<sup>2</sup> concluded his Thesis thus — *ideoque etsi inaudiatur Lugduni Batavorum; etsi enarretur Lutetiæ Parisiorum; etsi audiant Nostrates doctissimi, sive Oxonienses, sive Cantabrigienses; attamen Clamabo, Sabbatismus Septenarius existit jure Divino, et immutabili.*

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<sup>1</sup> John Denison, A. B. in 1710. He was Librarian of the College 1713-14. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Joseph Sewall, A. B. 1707, would regularly take his Master's degree in 1710. — Eds.

Mr. Sol. Stoddard craved a Blessing in the Hall, and Mr. Williams of Hatfield return'd Thanks.

I came down a-foot in company of Mr. Wadsworth, and Mr. Hale; no Calash being to be hired: Neither Son Sewall, nor Hañah nor Betty were at the Cōmencement. Sam and Betty were sick. Note. The day was cool and pleasant, very little Dust by Reason of the Rain the day before.

July, 10. Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Marion and I went to Rumney-Marsh to the Raising of their Meetinghouse. I drove a Pin, gave a 5<sup>s</sup> Bill, had a very good Treat at Mr. Chievers's; went and came by Wiñisimet.

July, 16. Mrs. Stoddard, Widow, is pray'd for. July 18<sup>th</sup> dyes about 7. m. Extream hot Wether. Mr. Cook, Bromfield and I goe to Rumney-Marsh in a Boat, to agree with Workmen to finish the Meetinghouse. Stowers is to make the windows. Got home well; *Laus Deo*. Several died of the Heat at Salem.

July, 19. Madam Stoddard buried, Bearers, Winthrop, Cook; Sewall, Corwin; Lynde, Cutler. Buried in the old burying place in Major Savage's Tomb.

Seventh-day, July, 15. 1710. As I was setting up a Column of Psalters, the 12<sup>th</sup> Column, about 11. m. I heard a Gun, and a while after another. Mr. Mayhew and Joseph run up to the top of the House, and saw two Flags hoisted at the Castle. Quickly after I went up, and saw the Flag hoisted at the Sconce, and two Guns fired; then presently the Drums beat and Alarm went through the Town. Some said, there was a Flag in the Main-Top; others said twas a broad Pendant. Twas Candle-light before Col. Nicholson got to the Council Chamber; where the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council waited. Col. Nicholson gave me a Letter from Cous. Jer. Duñer: and two more Packets were deliver'd me by an unseen hand, from Sir William Ashurst, wherein was a Letter to Mr. Secretary, Mr. Speaker, and Dr. Mather, wherein Sir William declines

our Agency, his Health being precarious; and saith he has introduc'd Mr. Dūmer into our Service, and Recōmends him to us as fit to be our Agent.

July, 16. Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Emerson of New-Castle preaches for Mr. Pemberton in the Forenoon. Teach us so to number our days.

July, 17<sup>th</sup> I deliver Sir W<sup>ms</sup> Letter with my own hand.

Now about a child of about 2 years old, having just suck'd, was drown'd in a Tub of Water it toppled into.

In Council 'tis now mov'd that the Marines might be brought ashore. Col. [manuscript torn] the Castle because there might be more easily k[ept toge]ther. I mov'd that might be Landed at Hull where would have much better Accōmodation; and one of the Officers seem'd to incline to it, and alleg'd a Guard might easily be kept at the Neck. I understood that was agreed to, and desired Col. Townsend might go to facilitat their Reception; but it seems the Officers would Land them at the Castle, as Col. Townsend told me.

July, 24, 1710. The Council Treats the Gov<sup>r</sup>, Col. Nicholson, Col. Vetch, Sir Charles Hobbey, Col. Taylor, Col. Redding, and the Sea-Captains at the Green Dragon.

July, 28. Deputies Treat at the Green Dragon. Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall came to Town yesterday. This day the Deputies send in a Bill to chuse Mr. Jer. Dūmer jun<sup>r</sup> their Agent. Dated July 27. Gov<sup>r</sup> says, He will be drawn asunder with wild Horses before he will be Thrust upon as last year. W. Winthrop esqr; much against Mr. Dūmer being Agent.

July, 28. Mr. William Clark, Mariner, who served his Time with Capt. Nathan<sup>1</sup> Green, made a Justice of peace by Gov<sup>r</sup> Dudley: <sup>1</sup> is buried, Bearers, Mr. Cook, Sergeant;

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<sup>1</sup> William Clark was made a justice of the peace June 18, 1706, with Edmund Quincy, Samuel Sewall, Jr., and two others. Hence, probably, this mention. — EDS.



Walley, Stoddard; Dummer, Mico. Gov<sup>r</sup> Dudley, Col. Nicholson, and many of the Council there; being the time of the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court. I think all of the Government had Gloves; I had a pair. Conference with the Council of War, which lasted till 10. at night.

Satterday, July, 29th. last night John Saffin esqr. died. He express'd to Mr. Pemberton an Assurance of his good Estate 2 or 3 hours before his death.

Fifth-day, Aug<sup>t</sup> 3. 1710. Our little Grand-Daughter Rebekah Sewall, born xr. 30. 1704. at Brooklin, died about Eight or Nine this morn. We knew not of her being Sick, till Dr. Noyes, as he returned, told us she was dead. The Lord effectually awaken us by these awfull Surprising Providences. My son and daughter got thither before their Child dyed, and had Mr. Walter to pray with her. She was sensible to the last, catching her breath till she quite lost it.

Sixth-day, Aug<sup>t</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Rebekah Sewall is buried in at Roxbury in the Governour's Tomb. Bearers, Daniel Allin, Samuel Wainwright; Thomas Berry, Increase Walter. White Sarsnet Scarvs and Gloves. Son and his wife follow'd next the Corps; then the two Grandfathers; then Madam Dudley and her son, Paul Dudley esqr; then Joseph and his sister Hañah &c. Mr. Hirst and Gerrish were there: their Wives were not well. Brother Sewall led Madam Willard; his Son Sam. and Susan were also there. Mr. Secretary Addington, Mr. Co<sup>m</sup>missary Belchar, Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Leverett, president, and his Lady, Madam Rogers. Mr. Walter, Mr. Mayhew, and many of Brooklin and Roxbury.

This day, Aug<sup>t</sup> 4. Nurse Elizabeth Johnson dyes.

Seventh-day, Aug<sup>t</sup> 5. Is buried near the Entrance of the old Burying-place; about 60. years old. I and Major Walley follow'd next the Women, Mr. Pemberton, Hañah and Cousin Jane Green were there.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 10. Thanksgiving: Rainy morn [manuscript im-

perfect] at the beginning of exercise. Mr. Pemberton prea[ched] Madam Usher, Cousen, her Maid, son and daughter Hirst and their children and Nurse; son and daughter Gerrish and his Bro<sup>r</sup> Paul and wife, cousins Sam, Jonathan, Susan Sewall, Jn<sup>o</sup> Gerrish dine here. Hill, Pierce, Johnson, Cornish, Wheeler, Plimly C<sup>o</sup> Green, Frost, Eaton, Hub<sup>d</sup>; £1-4-6.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 11. Sixth-day, I visited Mr. Tho. Brattle, who is very low and languishing; He express'd great respect to me: yet plainly told me, that frequent visits were prejudicial to him, it provôk'd him to speak more than his strength would bear, would have me come seldom. He told me his Thigh was no bigger than my Wrist. I said I hôp'd as the Wether grew Temperat, he might recruit which he seem'd to assent to.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 12. Mr. E. Mayhew carries his daughter Reliance to Braintry; intends to preach for Mr. Marsh tomorrow.

Monday, Aug<sup>t</sup> 14. 1710. At a Town-Meeting, warn'd for that purpose, Fifteen feet of the old burying place Northward, and Ten feet Eastward, are granted to enlarge the Church.<sup>1</sup> Samuel Lynde esqr. was chosen Moderator.

<sup>1</sup> The records of the town have the following items Aug. 14, 1710:—

“A motion or Request in writing being presented and distinctly read at this meeting, and is as followeth, viz.

“The Request of the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Coll. Francis Nicholson together with the Ministers, Church Wardens, and others of the Church of England in Boston, sheweth—That the Church being too small to accomodate the congregation and Strangers that dayly Increase. And are desirous to Enlarge the same with the Approbation of the Selectmen and Inhabitants, but wanting Ground on the North Side and East end, Request that they may have a Grant of fifteen foot wide on the North side and Seventy four foot in length. And ten foot at the East end of the Church in Length, which is included in the said Seventy four foot. Reserving the same Liberty to all persons who have had any friends buryed in said ground which they enjoyed heretofore. Which Request being granted shall be ever acknowledged &c.”

“Voted a grant to the said Gentlemen of this above said Request.”

In the margin—“Grant of part of the Burying place for Enlargm<sup>t</sup> of the Church.”—Eds.

Col. Nicholson made a Speech before ; And came in afterward and gave the Town Thanks for their Vote. Mr. Prout, the Town-Clerk, made some Oposition, because the Graves of his Ancestors would be thereby hidden.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 15. p. m. I pray'd with Joseph in Cous. Duñer's Chamber, respecting his being call'd to preach for Mr. Pemberton the next Lord's Day at the South-Meeting-house. Then I read the 13<sup>th</sup> of Matthew, and Joseph concluded with Prayer. I hope God heard us.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 18. Major Tyng is buried at Concord, where he had lien some time to be cured of his Wound.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 19. Mr. Coñissary Belchar tells me The news of the Taking Doway<sup>1</sup> is confirm'd. The Triton's Prize came out of Plimouth the 27<sup>th</sup> of June, and was spoken with at Sea.

Lord's Day, Aug<sup>t</sup> 20. Mr. Joseph Sewall preaches for Mr. Pemberton, from Ps. 73. 28. But it is good for me to draw near unto God: stood a little above an hour. Before we went out of the seat, Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> congratulated me on account of my Son ; said he had done *Pie et Docte*. In the Afternoon, Mr. Pemberton traced much of his Discourse in his Prayer.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 21. The Deacons come and deliver him 20<sup>s</sup>. Col. Checkley very cheerfully Congratulated me on account of my Son's very good Sermon. Capt. Hill congratulated me, coming in first. In the Afternoon I visit my Daughter Sewall at Brooklin, and her little Hañah. I met my Son at Roxbury ; and met him again with Mrs. Bayly behind him as I came home. Gov<sup>r</sup> tells me of Gen<sup>l</sup> Codrington's Magnificent Legacies to pious uses.

Friday, 7: 8. Col. Hathorn, Mr. Corwin, and Sewall set out for Bristow, by way of Punkapog : dine at Morey's ; Get to Billinges before Sun-set.

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<sup>1</sup> Douay capitulated to the allies on the 25th or 26th of June, N. S. —  
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7: 9<sup>th</sup> ride in company with Mr. Henry Mackintosh jun<sup>r</sup>, Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Mills, undersheriff; his daughter; his Sister the Schoolmasters Wife, and their Son. We took up at the Ship; they went on to Bristol. Keep the Sabbath at Seaconk. Dine at Smith's, sup at Mr. Greenwood's.

Monday, 7: 11<sup>th</sup> proceed to Bristol, are met at the Ferry by the Sheriff, Mr. Pain, Mr. Mackintosh, and others. Col. Byfield not there. Lodg at Peter Reynold's. 7: 14. Journey homeward, Dine at the Ship with Mr. Newman. Note. The Mother of a Bastard Child condemn'd for murthuring it. Lodge [manuscript imperfect] call at the Governour's [imperfect] him.

Octob<sup>r</sup>. At the first bringing in the Vote to make Mr. Du<sup>m</sup>er Agent, the Gov<sup>r</sup> grew very warm, and said he would be drawn asunder with wild Horses before he would be driven as last year.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 3. Friday Mr. Co<sup>m</sup>missary Belcher and I are sent to visit the Gov<sup>r</sup>, being Sick, and to present the Council's Service. I carried the Vote for Mr. Du<sup>m</sup>er's Agency. Gov<sup>r</sup> was now more calm, being brought on anew. Said Mr. I. Mather was against it. Was by a Fire in his Chamber-closet. Went and came in Capt. Belchers Coach. Just as were ready to goe, Col. Higginson call'd earnestly for the Petition of Capt. Gardener and others, about a middle precinct for the Ministry, to be brought forward; which caused me to stay; and after reading papers and debates, at last they who were against the precinct, mov'd that a previous Vote might be put; whether would vote it now, or no;<sup>1</sup> and the Council was divided, so nothing was done. This many would have improv'd to hinder its being brought forward this Session. Whereas there was

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<sup>1</sup> This is the old form of the Previous Question, which is still in use in England. Its object is, not to bring on a decisive vote, but to stave it off; the emphasis was on the word *now*. It was recognized in Jefferson's Manual, but is now out of date in this country. — EDS.

no Vote, and if there had been a Negative, twas only respecting that very evening intended.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 10. 1710. Daughter Gerrish is brought to bed of a daughter about 6. m. My wife being with her, I sat up late and lay alone. This day with much adoe twas voted that would Salem Middle precinct put to vote; and in the Afternoon twas carried clear in the Affirmative. Mr. Secretary stood firm for this. Though the Salem Gentlemen would not suffer Capt. Gardener and Company to voted in Salem Town Meeting; they made no bones of voting against them in the Council.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 13. 1710. I visit Daughter Gerrish, and then ride alone to Lewis's. From thence had Company, and was met by the Sheriff.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 14. Finished the Business of the Court, sitting a little by Candle-light. Visited Madam Bradstreet, Bro<sup>r</sup> Hirst, Major W<sup>m</sup> Brown.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 15. Came home, fair Wether, and not very Cold. Enquired of Mr. Gerrish as I came along concerning his wife: He said she was something disorder'd; but I apprehended no danger, and being just come off my journey, went not to see her that night.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 16. Thanksgiving. My wife sent my daughter Gerrish part of our Di<sup>n</sup>er, which as I understood she eat pleasantly. But twas a Cold Day and she was remov'd off her Bed on to the Palat Bed in the morning. After the Evening Exercise my wife and I rode up in the Coach: My daughter ask'd me to pray with her, which I did; pray'd that God would give her the Spirit of Adoption to call Him Father. Then I went away with Mr. Hirst to his House, leaving my wife with my daughter Gerrish, till she call'd to go home. After our coming home, the northern Chimney of the New house fell a-fire and blazed out extreamly; which made a great Uproar, as is usual. An hour or two after midnight Mr. Gerrish call'd me up acquainting us of the extream illness of his wife; All the

family were alarm'd, and gather'd into our Bed-Chamber. When I came there, to my great Surprise my Daughter could not speak to me. They had try'd to call up Mr. Wadsworth; but could not make the family hear. I sent for Mr. Mayhew, who came and pray'd very well with her. I put him [manuscript imperfect] again; Mr. Cutler the Physician said he [imperfect]. (Joseph pray'd at home with the family). [Near] four a clock after Midnight my dear child expired, being but Nineteen years, and twenty days old. When this was over, I advis'd them to take Mrs. Hubbard's Assistance; left Mr. Mayhew there and went home. When I entred my wife's Bed-Chamber, a dolefull Cry was lifted up.

Seventh-day, Nov<sup>r</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> was the Funeral; Son Gerrish went first, then the two Grandfathers. Bearers, Paul Dudley esqr. Mr. Dan<sup>l</sup> Oliver; Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Phillips, Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Winthrop; Mr. John Smith, Mr. Giles Dyer jun<sup>r</sup> Scarfs and Gloves. Note. Madam Pemberton was brought to Bed of a Son on the Thanksgiving-day during the Forenoon Exercise.

Novem<sup>r</sup> 19. Mr. Pemberton preaches from Gen. 33. 5. And he said, The children which God hath graciously given thy Servant. Baptis'd his Son, having Named him William.

7<sup>th</sup> day, Nov<sup>r</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> Dr. Increase Mather lays before me the first Libel, the Copy being of Sam. Sewall's writing; and mentions Mr. Bromfield, for me to consult with what to doe. When at Charlestown Lecture Nov<sup>r</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> I writ a Letter to the president to invite him to Diñer the 28. that night goe to the Coñmissioners Meeting together.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 27. Mr. Bromfield and I grant a Warrant to bring John Banister before us at 9. m. 9<sup>r</sup> 28.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 28. I send my Son to invite Mr. Pemberton to dine with me and the President.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 28. John Banister aṑears, suñmond by Constable Kallender. I had desired Col. Townsend to be with us.

who came. Mr. Tho. Brattle came of himself and pleaded much in favour of the Libellers (for Aaron was brought in too) and against the injured Doctors, which was the Cause I invited him not to Dinner. Fin'd Jn<sup>o</sup> Banister 20<sup>s</sup> for each Libel, Aaron Stuckey 20<sup>s</sup> for publishing the 2<sup>d</sup> Bound them to their good Behaviour. Mr. Brattle argued hard to issue it, and not Bind them over to the Sessions: and had Dr. Cotton Mather's Letter in favour of Banister. But he offer'd no Acknowledgment of his Crime in writing; so we took this middle way.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 28. p. m. When the President and Mr. Pemberton came to Di<sup>n</sup>er, I was in my Apartment, Mr. Mayhew and my Son with me. The President and Mr. Pemberton being come to us; Mr. Pemberton quickly begun to say, What you have been holding a Court to day! Had it over again; I was a little amus'd at the word Court; however, I began to relate what had been done. Mr. Pemberton with extraordinary Vehemency said, (capering with his feet) If the Mathers order'd it, I would shoot him thorow. I told him he was in a passion. He said he was not in a Passion. I said, it was so much the worse. He said the Fire from the Altar was equal impartial. Upbraiding me, very plainly, as I understood it, with Partiality. The President said, The Governour was barbarously Treated (meaning Dr. Cotton Mather's Letter to his Excellency). I answered; That was put to the Council. Mr. Mayhew told me afterward, that I said his Carriage was neither becoming a Scholar nor Minister. The Truth is I was surpris'd to see my self insulted with such extraordinary Fierceness, by my Pastor, just when I had been vindicating two worthy Embassadors of Christ (his own usual Phrase) from most villanous Libels. And I d<sup>o</sup>nt know any syllable intimating that I had done Well. As for the Letter, the Gov<sup>r</sup> was not in humor to trust me about it; because I just then Fil'd my Reasons for withdrawing my Vote. [In margin] Mr. Pemberton speaks

hard Words, and very reflecting. We went to Dinner, I sat next Mr. Pemberton and ask'd him to crave a Blessing; He also Return'd Thanks, the President declining it. Mr. Sergeant came into our Company. The President walked on his right hand to the Council-chamber; I and Mr. Pemberton went next. In the Way Mr. Pemberton charg'd me again, I was griev'd and said, What in the Street! He answer'd, No body hears. But Mr. Sergeant heard so much, that he turn'd back to still us. Mr. Pemberton told me that Capt. Martin, the Comadore, had abus'd him, yet I took no notice of it: I answer'd, you never laid it before me. He said, You knew it. I said, I knew it not. (For every Rumor is not ground sufficient for a Justice of Peace to proceed upon; and Mr. Pemberton never spake word of it to me before). He said Capt. Martin call'd him Rascal in the Street, and said had it not been for his coat, he would have can'd him. Mr. Pemberton said I excluded him, or he was excluded from Dining with the Superiour Court by the Invitation of Capt. Martin. I said 'twas with difficulty that his Company was obtain'd at our Diñer. The matter of Fact was this: Upon Midweek Nov<sup>r</sup> 8., as I take it, twas nois'd that General Nicholson was going out of Town to Pascataqua, in order to his Voyage home: Hereupon the Justices agreed to wait upon his Honor at his Lodgings; to take Leave of him if going, to invite him to Diñer if he staid in Town so long: (The Chief Justice was at New London), Sewall, Hathorne, Walley, Corwin went in the morning to the House of Mr. John Borland; When the Gen<sup>l</sup> came, and we had Saluted him, and understood his Honor staid in Town that day; We invited him to Diner to the Green Dragon; and Mr. Myles being there, I invited him; and enquired of the Gen<sup>l</sup> if there were any we should ask to Dine with him? He mention'd Capt. Martin, the Comadore. Accordingly we sent, and for Major Handy. When Mr. Pemberton had Pray'd, I desir'd him to Dine with the



Court, the Gen<sup>l</sup> was invited. Mr. Pemberton ask'd whether Capt. Martin was to be there, I said yes; Then said Mr. Pemberton, you must Excuse me! I reply'd, His Invitation was not of my proposal. And yet this was now thus brought over again: Mr. Pemberton said the Council took so little notice of Capt. Martin's Abusing him (though it had been talk'd of in Council) that they invited him to their Treat at the Return from Annapolis Royal.<sup>1</sup> This concerns the whole Council, and therefore I have nam'd it last, as in which I am least concern'd. But this is to be said for the Council. The Fleet was a chief Mean of Taking Port Royal; Capt. Martin was Coñadore of that Fleet, and therefore could not be separated from the Gen<sup>l</sup>. A personal Resentment of what had pass'd before the going to Port-Royal, ought not to make a Balk in a Publick Invitation after God's granting Success; which had been so much and Publickly pray'd for; and Thanks to God Return'd. And if the Justices had [not?] sent for Capt. Martin, I cânt tell what could have been made of the Offence. Tis difficult meddling with Captains of Frigats. Reasons of State require the overlooking many grievous Things. The Sons of Zerviah were too hard for David, his calling them to Account. He was fain to leave Joab to the Reign of Solomon.

These Things made me pray Earnestly and with great Concern, that God would vouchsafe to be my Shepherd, and perform for me what is mention'd in the 23. Psalm, that He would not leave me behind in my Straglings; but bring me safely to his Heavenly Fold.

Dec<sup>r</sup>. 1. 1710. Mr. Neh. Hobart having invited Joseph to Preach, I took him and his Sister Hañah in the Coach and went to Lecture, and left Joseph there. The ways

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<sup>1</sup> This name was substituted by the English for *Port Royal* at the time (1710) of Nicholson and Vetch's Conquest. Hutchinson, II. 167. — EDS.

were heavy ; but being moderat wether, Hañah and I got home comfortably, though late.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> Isaac Goose is buried ; Bearers, Sewall, Belcher ; Oakes, Checkley ; Cutler, Welsteed. He was a very diligent and laborious man in his Calling, and I hope a Christian. I have heard he had a good Gift in Prayer ; though his Speech at other times was something abrupt. Just at the same time a Considerable person that came from Barbados for his health, and died suddenly, was buried.

Lord's Day, Dec<sup>r</sup> 3. 1710. I was enlarged in blessing God for answering my Prayer in Mr. Henry Flint's Sermon from Mat. 7. 24. In the Afternoon Mr. Pemberton order'd the 5 first verses of the 58<sup>th</sup> Psalm to be sung. I think if I had been in his place and had been kindly and tenderly affectioned, I should not have done it at this time. Another Psalm might have suited his Subject as well as the 5<sup>th</sup> verse of this. Tis certain, one may make Libels of David's Psalms ; and if a person be abused, there is no Remedy : I desire to leave it to God who can and will Judge Righteously.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> In doubt whether Mr. Pemberton used the Bay Psalm Book, or Tate and Brady's version, we give the reader the benefit of both.

The Bay Psalm Book renders verses 4 and 5 of Ps. 58, thus : —

“ Their poyson's like serpents poyson ;  
they like deafe Aspe, her eare  
that stops. Though Charmer wisely charme,  
his voice she will not heare.”

Tate and Brady's version is as follows : —

“ Speak, O ye Judges of the Earth  
if just your Sentence be:  
Or must not Innocence appeal  
to Heav'n from your Decree?

“ Your wicked Hearts and Judgments are  
alike by Malice sway'd ;  
Your griping Hands, by weighty Bribes,  
to Violence betrayed.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 12. I went to Mr. Pemberton and Expostulated about his Treatment of me.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 28. Ask'd him whether the Mathers were not Embassadors of Christ and therefore ought to be vindicated; I might have expected his Escape.<sup>1</sup> As to Capt. Martin, the Comadore, when I had related the matter of Fact, he said he knew it not before. I visited Madam Pemberton, and gave the Nurse 3<sup>s</sup>.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 14. Mr. Samuel Newman of Rehoboth dies; He sat in one Court as a Justice of Peace; was a very good Man: He dined with us at Smiths, as were coming home.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 17. 1710. Mrs. Jane Lindal, Mr. John Pole's only Child is buried.<sup>2</sup>

Dec<sup>r</sup> 29. Sister Jane Gerrish returns. My wife invited her earnestly to have staid all Winter. She came before Daughter Gerrish was brought to Bed. My wife gave her a Mourning Suit.

Second-day, Jan<sup>r</sup> 1. 1744. Mr. Mayhew returns, hav-

“To Virtue, strangers from the Womb  
their Infant Steps went wrong:  
They prattled Slander, and in Lyes  
employ'd their lisping Tongue.

“No Serpent of parch'd *Afric's* Breed  
doth ranker Poison bear;  
The drowsy Adder will as soon  
unlock his sullen Ear.

“Unmov'd by good Advice, and deaf  
as Adders they remain;  
From whom the skilful Charmer's Voice  
can no attention gain.”

— Eds.

<sup>1</sup> His way of evading the censure. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This was the first wife of Timothy Lindall, of Salem and Boston, H. C. 1695, Speaker and of the Council, Judge of the Common Pleas, &c. In his will he mentions his great-grandson, Thomas Lindall Winthrop, an example of the few links required to connect Sewall's times with our own. A good sketch of the Lindall family is in the N. E. Hist. Genealogical Register, VII. 15-24. — Eds.

ing with great Patience staid the finishing that Excellent work of Setting forth the Psalms and Gospel of John in English and Indian. He was abundantly Laborious in Skillfully revising the Translation, and Correcting the Press.<sup>1</sup>

Jan<sup>y</sup> 4. Mr. Wadsworth preaches Excellently, Doctr: They that are not Upright in heart are Rebels against God. I was much affected with the Sermon. About 4 weeks before at — Bligh's Funeral, [I asked] whether Mr. Bridge and he administred the Lord's Su<sup>p</sup>er alternatly? He answer'd, they did, He did it last; which, as I take it, was the Lord's day before; I was inclin'd to go to the first church as sometime I had done, and partake with them; and this Sermon forwarded me in my design.

Lord's Day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 7. I goe to the first Church, and partake there. Mr. Wadsworth's Text was, 1 Cor. 10. 3 — And that Rock was Christ: made a good Sermon to my great Refreshment. Went also in the Afternoon and heard Mr. Bridge. It seems the Governour's Lady was very much affected with Mr. Wadsworth's Lecture Sermon, mentioned before; and fell sick; on the 9<sup>th</sup> of Jan<sup>y</sup> Mr. Paul Dudley told me they fear'd they should have lost her.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> I met Madam Willard going; she desired me to speak to Mr. Bridge to pray for her. I met with him in Mr. Buttolph's Shop, and did it; He pray'd for the Governour's Consort. After Sermon a Bill was read for her; so she was praid for twice Expressly.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> I goe to visit the Governour's Lady, sat with the Gov<sup>r</sup> awhile; Mr. Paul Dudley, Capt. Chandler, Capt. Oliver Noyes, I should have mention'd before. Mr. Noyes spake so much of Madam Dudley's mending, that he said

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<sup>1</sup> Massachusee Psalter, &c. See Brinley's Catalogue, Vol. I. No. 798. Printed by B. Green and the Indian, James Printer, 1709. Brinley had two good copies, and one imperfect, and at his sale, March 10-14, 1879, they brought large prices.

She was well; he had given her the Febrifuge several times. I went into Chamber and spake to her; She thank'd me for speaking to Mr. Bridge to pray for her: Hop'd she should praise God upon her Recovery.

January, 14. Lord's day, Mr. Sergeant tells me that the Governour's Lady was taken distracted, raving, in the night, and that she was dying.

January, 15<sup>th</sup> Lt Col. Quinsey's Barn is burnt down and all in it, as the Military Officers were taking the Oaths at Mills's. It came by a man's blowing out his pipe, who was swingling<sup>1</sup> Flax. 17. Widow Jn<sup>o</sup>son buried.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> day. Mr. Secretary and I give the Oaths to 24. Military officers of this Regiment, viz. Col. Checkley, Lt Col. Savage, Major Fitch, Capt. Jn<sup>o</sup> Ballantine, Capt. Samuel Keeling, Capt. Habijah Savage, Capt. Edw. Martyn, Capt. Edward Winslow — Capt. Jonathan Bill &c.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 20. Benj Larnell comes to my house at 3 or 4. p. m. with a Letter from Mr. Rawson, dated Jan<sup>y</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> No man came with him to me, or gave any account of him. Presently after his coming I went to the Funeral of Mrs. Boñer.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 20. I was going to Brooklin, and Son Sewall came hither which prevented me. I sent the Gov<sup>t</sup>  $\frac{1}{2}$  Duz. Consolations. Gave son  $\frac{1}{2}$  Duz. Sent daughter Sewall a Letter, and in it a 20<sup>s</sup> Bill to buy her little Hañah a Coat. Very fair Warm day: Joseph went to Charlestown a little before B. Larnell came hither, to preach for Mr. Bradstreet to morrow.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 22. Mr. Williams comes and examines Benjamin Larnell, and likes him.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 25. I goe with him to School: in the way I meet Capt. Williams, who tells me of the death of Mr. Stoddard's Son, Solomon, last night.

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<sup>1</sup> A good old English word for *beating*, the instrument used being called a *swingle*. — Eds.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 23. Mr. Pemberton visits us, and prays Excellently. Jan<sup>y</sup> 26. Council, which is adjourn'd to the first of February.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 27. I cut down the Elm that annoy'd the Coach-house Stable. Mr. Solomon Stoddard buried. Bearers, Major Dudley, Joseph Sewall; — Hunt, Sam<sup>l</sup> Shrimp-ton; Jn<sup>o</sup> Walley, — Borland. White Scarfs and Gloves!

Tuesday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 30. The Chief Justice, Sewall and Walley goe to Charlestown to keep Court; pleasant day, and no more sign of Ice in the River or Banks, than in the begining of April. Mr. Corwin met us there. Col. Hathorne came not. Gave away about 34. Consolations. Finish'd the Court by Candle-light.

Mid-week, Jan<sup>y</sup> 31. Went and heard Mr. Bridge, and Dr. Cotton Mather pray and preach, at the said Dr's House. Mr. Bridge's Text was about God's lifting up a Standard, when Enemy breaks in as a Flood. Dr. Mathers, The whole world lyes in Wickedness. Had Cake and Butter and Cheese, with good Drinks, before parting. As I went home, I heard Col. Vetch was arriv'd from Añapolis.

Feb<sup>r</sup> 1. As I go to Lecture, I wait on Gov<sup>r</sup> Vetch and congratulat his Safety; He thanks me for my Respect to him and to his Spouse.

At 3. p. m. The Council meets according to Adjournment. Upon Conference with Col. Vetch, the Expedition is set forward by Water. Mr. Secretary reads a paper given him by Col. Vetch, Certifying that the Government of Añapolis Royal had not Traded with the Indians as they were aspers'd, but with all in a vile mañer loading New-Engld with Calumnies; a spirit of Witchcraft, and now 7 fold a Spirit of Lying, haters of Monarchy, regretting Her Majesties success in Taking Port-Royal. I took it of the Secretary, and read it, and mov'd several of the Council that they would speak to it. I told them it would otherwise be taken as a tacit License to print it. When

no body spake, and Col. Vetch was going away, I pray'd him to stay a little; and said I fear'd the reading that paper without being spoken to, would be taken as a tacit Licensing of it. I was for the Certificat so far as it vindicated their innocency; but was against the Reflections on New-England, they would be dishonorable to Nova Scotia, and New-England. I was against printing it with them. Col. Vetch said, if it could not be printed here, he would have it printed elsewhere; Copies of it were sent to England, I said it was Raillery unbecoming a Government. When Col. Vetch was gon, I pray'd the Gov<sup>r</sup> to forbid the printing it unless those Reflections were first taken out. The Gov<sup>r</sup> said, he could not hinder it; they might take their own way. And yet own'd twas Raillery. I don't know but Col. Vetch may reckon that he has a tacit License to print the Certificat just now read in Council. I am very free the Substance of the Certificat, relating to their own innocency, may be printed: But to print the bulky Reflections would be dishonorable to Añapolis, and Boston. And I can no way consent to it. I think it should be spoken to.

Seventh-day, Febr. 3. 1744. Col. Foster was taken with an Apoplectick Fit as he was at the privat house about 8. m. When he staid long they call'd, none answer'd; so they burst open the door, and found him fallen down, and Speechless.

Lords-day, Febr. 4<sup>th</sup> Mr. Joseph Sewall preaches for Mr. Colman p. m: prays for Col. Foster. Mr. Pemberton Prays for him.

Febr. 5. Joseph returns to the College. I visit Deacon Atwood, went to Col. Foster's and sat awhile with Mr. Edw. Hutchinson, and Mr. Ruck; visited Elder Copp, Mr. Gee.

Febr. 6. Maxwell calls not, so I go not out.

Febr. 7. A great Storm of Snow; yet I get to Bro<sup>r</sup> Thornton's, to the Meeting, and there read an excellent

Sermon out of Mr. Shepard, on the Ten Virgins; against Hypocrisy: should search for some Work wrought in us. Sung part of the 45<sup>th</sup> PS. Bro<sup>r</sup> Manly invites for the first time; by which means it comes not to us till this day Moneth.

Febr. 8. Madam Usher and Cous. Rolf dine with us; by whom I sent 70 odd Sermons to Rowley and Newbury.

Febr. 9. Seventh-day, between 11 and 12 m. Col. John Foster expires.<sup>1</sup> His place at the Council Board and Court will hardly be filled up. I have lost a good Left-hand man.<sup>2</sup> The Lord save New-England! Now just half the Counsellours mention'd in the Charter, are dead; The good Lord prepare the rest, and me especially to follow after.

Now about I dream'd of being at the Co<sup>m</sup>encement and seeing Mr. Leverett in Scarlet.

Thursday, Febr. 15. John Foster esqr. is entombed. Bearers, Gov<sup>r</sup> Dudley, Waitstill Winthrop esqr; Sewall, Addington; Walley, Belchar. Scarfs and Rings, Escutcheons. All of the Council had Scarfs; Col. Vetch. Many

<sup>1</sup> This was Colonel John Foster, an eminent merchant from Aylesbury, County Bucks, not to be confounded with any of the other distinguished families of the name here. His arms are given in Gore's Roll (Heraldic Journal, I. 120), and those of his widow, Abigail, whose death is noted under date of March 15th, following. She was Abigail, daughter of Captain Thomas Hawkins, and sister of Hannah Hawkins, who married Elisha Hutchinson, and had a son Thomas, whose wife was Sarah, daughter of Colonel Foster.

Mrs. Foster had been married twice before, first to Samuel Moore, — then to Thomas Kellond, who died July 12, 1686. As Foster's daughter married Thomas Hutchinson Dec. 24, 1703, it is *possible* that she was the child of this marriage, and thus own cousin to Hutchinson. Edward Hutchinson, half-brother of Thomas, married Lydia, the other daughter of Colonel John Foster, Oct. 10, 1706. It seems more probable that both were Foster's daughters by a first wife. By a curious blunder in N. E. H. G. Register, XIX. p. 16, line one, this Abigail Hawkins is included among the children of Elisha Hutchinson, when really she was his sister-in-law. Increase Mather preached a funeral sermon on the death of the Fosters. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> The expression of a "good left-hand man" seems rather strange. At present the phrase would be a "right-hand man." — Eds.



great Guns were fired. Joseph Sewall came to Town, and was at the Funeral, had a pair Gloves sent him to our House. Son Samuel was at the Funeral, coming to Town to Lecture.

Febr. 18. Joseph preaches at the North [Meeting House].

Febr. 19. Returns to Cambridge. Capt. Atwood comes after his going away, brings 20<sup>s</sup>; speaks very favourably of my Son. It was night when had sat a little at the House of Mourning after return from the Grave. Mr. Stoddard carried me in his Coach, with Major Walley, Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson.

As I went to the Funeral, I call'd at L<sup>t</sup> Joseph Gallop's and left a Sermon with him for his wife. He surprises me by telling me she is very sick.

Febr. 20. Mrs. Elisabeth Gallop (first Alcock, then Dwight) dies last night. Bearers, Mr. Speaker, Capt. Southack; Capt. Giles Fifield, Jn<sup>o</sup> Alden; Mr. Nichols, W<sup>m</sup> Alden. Mr. Pemberton and I went next the Women, Febr. 22.

Febr. 21. Mr. Jonathan Russell died last night, about 55. years old; an Orthodox Usefull Man: My ancient Friends and Acquaintance dye; tis not a year since excellent Mr. Cotton of Hampton dyed. Let GOD be my bosom Friend and Familiar, my *Amicus Necessarius!*<sup>1</sup>

Feb<sup>r</sup> 26. 171<sup>q</sup>/<sub>1</sub> Mrs. Wisewall widow, and Mrs. Allen dye. This day p. m̄. the Gov<sup>r</sup> has the French Messengers from Canada in Council; Had the Councillors on his Left hand, Col. Vetch and them on his right; on the right also were Mr. Secretary and Mr. Co<sup>m</sup>missary. Read their Credentials by Mr. Weaver the Interpreter. Reprimanded one Anthony Oliver for going to them at Meers's, and to the Frier without leave; made him take the Oaths, and subscribe

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<sup>1</sup> This was, probably, Rev. Jonathan Russell, of Barnstable, H. C. 1675, four years after Sewall, and son of that Rev. John Russell, of Hadley, who concealed the regicides Goffe and Whalley for so many years. — Eds.

the Declaration.<sup>1</sup> Told the Messengers they should depart that day señight, as had told the Council with some Spirit, last Satterday: at which time Col. Vetch said the people of N. E. were generally given to Lying; to which the Gov<sup>r</sup> said not a word.

Febr. 28. 17 $\frac{1}{11}$ <sup>0</sup> Midweek: This being my Marriage-day, and having now liv'd in a married Estate Five and Thirty years, notwithstanding my many Sins and Temptations, I spent some time in Meditation and Prayer in the Castle-Chamber. I was much encouraged by reading in Course the 32<sup>d</sup> Psalm at family prayer without any foresight of mine. And when I came to pray I was much heartened to ask Forgiveness of God for my multiplied Transgressions, seeing He had directed Peter a sinfull Mortal to forgive to 70. times 7. I hope God will forgive and do as the matter may require. While I was thus employ'd Maxwell warn'd me to Council; but I ventur'd to keep in my Closet; and I understand by the Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> they did nothing in Council. Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> and his Lady visited us just before the Funeral. Bearers of Mrs. Allen were, Elisha Hutchinson, Sam<sup>l</sup> Sewall; Giles Dyer, Sam<sup>l</sup> Checkley; John Cutler, Sam<sup>l</sup> Phillips: Scarves and Gloves. Whiles I was Spending a little Fewel in privat Devotion I was suply'd with a great Peñiworth of Bast<sup>2</sup> by Bastian, and a Load of black Oak by Nath<sup>l</sup> Sparhawk.

March, 2. 17 $\frac{1}{11}$ <sup>0</sup> Joseph comes to Town; this morning Mr. Pemberton's desire that he should preach for him was told him by Mr. Flint, which he comply'd with, though he was to preach at Mrs. Bridgham's in the evening.

March, 4. Lord's Day; To my aṗrehension God assists my Son remarkably in prayer and preaching I hope tis an Answer of my prayer last Midweek. Preaches again in the Evening.

<sup>1</sup> See May 30, below. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> The bark of the bass or lime tree. — Eds.

March, 5<sup>th</sup> Second-day. Mrs. Abigail Foster dyes between 11 and 12 at Noon.

March 6<sup>th</sup> Joseph visits Mr. Pemberton, dines at his Sister Hirst's, returns to Cambridge.

At the Meeting for the free School at Mr. Pemberton's; Mr. Bridgham declining to sign, saying it was not fit for him to sign with persons so much above him; I said pleasantly, We are at Foot-ball now; and then he presently Sign'd.

Fifth-day, March, 8<sup>th</sup> 1744. Mrs. Abigail Foster is buried at the North, in the Tomb of Mr. Kellond, her former Husband.<sup>1</sup> Bearers, Gov<sup>r</sup>, Mr. Winthrop Chief Justice; Sewall, Addington; Walley, Belchar: the same that were for Col. Foster this day was three weeks. Scarvs, Rings, Escutcheons. Councillours and Ministers had Scarvs. Mr. Bridge made a funeral Sermon. (Those that weep as if they wept, not.) Gave a honorable Character of Col. Foster and his Lady.

Lords-day, March, 11. 1744. Mr. Pemberton baptiseth Catharina Winthrop, Lucy Lechmere, Richard Hitchbourn. Takes Mrs. Elisabeth Partridge into the Church.

*Feria secunda*, March, 12. 1744. Anniversary Town-Meeting, Mr. Colman prays, and Col. Townsend is chosen Moderator: Will chuse Assessors distinct. 7 Select-men; viz.

		Assessors.	
Mr. Joseph Wadsworth	86	Mr. James Barns	65
Daniel Oliver	82	Tim <sup>o</sup> Clark	48
Addington Davenport	62	Francis Thrasher	46
Oliver Noyes	1	Dan <sup>l</sup> Powning	41
Thomas Cushing	57	Nathan <sup>l</sup> Oliver	41
Edward Hutchinson	48	Sam <sup>l</sup> Greenwood	39
Isaiah Tay	46	Jonas Clark	38

Martyn, Savage, Marshal quite left out. Thomas Lee, and George Bethune fin'd<sup>2</sup> for Constables. Eleazer Dorby

<sup>1</sup> See note on Colonel Foster, *ante*, p. 300. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Fined for refusing to serve. — Eds.

only Sworn. Past 8. at night adjourn'd to 9. next morning.

About 150£ received for Constable Fines.

March, 17. Gen<sup>l</sup> Court rises.

March, 22. Council for Nomination of Officers appointed this day : but the Gov<sup>r</sup> came not to Town ; Secretary acquainted us from his Excellency's Letter, that twas adjourn'd to Friday, Mar. 23. at 3 p. m. Friday, Mar. 23. About 10. m. Maxwell comes to my house and warns me to meet his Excellency in Council at 3 p. m. About an hour after comes again, and warns me to meet the Gov<sup>r</sup> presently. After some other Business, the Gov<sup>r</sup> nominated Mr. Tho. Brattle a Judge of the Infer. Court in the room of Col. Foster ; this pass'd in the Negative.<sup>1</sup> All was over before the Arrival of the Time appointed for the Council.

Seventh-day, March, 24. 17 $\frac{1}{11}$  Mr. Corwin, Mr. Attorney and I set out for Plimouth about 1 p. m. Got to Weymouth a pretty while before Sun-Set: I lodge at Cousin Hunt's.

March, 25. 1711. Hear Mr. Peter Thacher of Weymouth, who prays and preaches well ; though he had been at Boston to see his new-married Sister, which might occasion his preparations to be less full. Sup at Mr. Thacher's.

March, 26. proceed to Plimouth, Joshua Kibbe waiting on me. From Cushin's with Mr. Attorney, who kept the Sabbath at Hingham. Din'd at Bairstow's. Were met by the Sheriff a little on this side Cook's ; got to Plimouth before 5. Quarter'd at Witherell's. March, 27. Major

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<sup>1</sup> After Brattle's rejection, the Governor nominated, for the fourth justice of the Common Pleas of Suffolk, Samuel Lynde, April 2. He was rejected, and the Council added: "It is their unanimous opinion That the three surviving Justices, being a Quorum according to the Law, are legally qualified to hold the said Court, and ought to hold the same accordingly, that the service of the Queen nor subjects be prejudiced for failure thereof." Finally, June 11, 1711, Thomas Palmer was nominated and confirmed. — Eds.

Walley, who lodg'd at Cook's, comes to us seasonably. Open the Court.

Martij 28. *mihi natalis, in Ædes intravi et ibidem Preces effudi.*

March, 29. Col. Byfield argues the Case of Prohibition; between Mr. Attorney and him, about three hours were taken up, from 11 to 2. Indian man charg'd with Ravishing an Indian Girl of 3 years old, was brought off, the principal Evidence being dead. Col. Thacher came to us; I gave him a Consolation to Mr. Lothrop. Artillery Sermon of Dr. Mather; to Mr. Little, and Mr. Sheriff Consolations. To many Question about marrying ones Wives own Sister.

Sixth-day, March, 30. Set out about 8. m: baited at Bairstow's, dined at Cushing's. Mr. Corwin rode away alone, and went out of his way towards Bridgewater; but got to Cushings. Baited at the half Moon at Miller's, came all together into Town; found all well. *Laus Deo.* God is the more to be acknowledged because I had more misgivings than at some other times.

Second-day, April, 2. Mr. Walter is chosen to Preach the Artillery Sermon. At a Council, the Gov<sup>r</sup> Nominats Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Lynde to be a Judge in stead of Col. Foster. I desir'd time of Consideration as Col. Foster us'd to doe. Council is adjourn'd to the 19<sup>th</sup> of April.

April, 3. I dine with the Court at Pullin's. Mr. Attorney treats us at his house with excellent Pipins, Anchovas, Olives, Nuts. I said I should be able to make no Judgment on the Pipins without a Review, which made the Company Laugh. Spake much of Negroes; I mention'd the problem, whether should be white after the Resurrection: Mr. Bolt took it up as absurd, because the body should be void of all Colour, spake as if it should be a Spirit. I objected what Christ said to his Disciples after the Resurrection. He said twas not so after his Ascension.

April, 4. Wadlin comes in from Salt-Tertuda [Tortugas],

in whom comes Mr. Josiah Willard,<sup>1</sup> who has been twice taken. Used civilly at first by the Privateer; but suffer'd hardship in Prison at Martineco. After, was going to Barmudas, was taken, Strip'd, and us'd Roughly.

Capt. Jn<sup>o</sup> Rainsford and Pulcifer are dead.

April, 13. Dr. Mather visited me, I return'd his little Book out of which I reprinted the Case of Conscience against a man's marrying his Brother's [?] sister.<sup>2</sup> He went into Chamber and Pray'd with my wife and family, particularly for Joseph, who was there. Joseph returns to Cambridge in the afternoon.

About 5. p. m. Richard Hobby, Son of Capt. John Hobby, a desireable youth of about 13 or 14 years old, was kill'd with the overthrowing of a Cart upon him near the N[orth] Meetinghouse.

April, 15. Mr. Pemberton is indisposed as was administering the Lords Su<sup>per</sup>. Had so much of a Fever as to keep him at home in the afternoon, by which means Mr. Holyoke was alone.

April, 19. 1711. Council, present his Excellency the Gov<sup>r</sup>:

Winthrop	Penn Townsend
Elisha Hutchinson	Joseph Lynde
S. Sewall	E <sup>m</sup> Hutchinson
Isa. Addington	Andrew Belchar
Pet <sup>r</sup> Sergeant	Ed <sup>r</sup> Bromfield
John Walley	Nathan! Norden.

<sup>1</sup> This seems to be Josiah Willard, born 1681, H. C. 1698, for many years Secretary of the Province. The Willard Memoir, p. 369, says: "After leaving college, Mr. Willard became a tutor at that institution, pursued his studies in divinity, and began to preach; but, on account of an unconquerable diffidence, he soon relinquished the profession. He travelled abroad, to the West Indies and Europe; and, at one time, commanded a ship in the London trade." — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> In Brinley's Catalogue we find the following title: "An Answer of Several Ministers in and near Boston, to that Case of Conscience, Whether it is Lawfull for a Man to Marry his Wives own Sister?" pp. 8, 8vo. Boston: Bartholomew Green, 1695. Signed by Increase Mather, Charles Morton, James Allen, Samuel Willard, James Sherman, John Danforth, Cotton Mather, and Nehemiah Walker. — Eds.

The Gov<sup>r</sup> Nominated Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Lynde for a Judge of the Infer<sup>r</sup> Court; which pass'd in the Negative. I observ'd but one for him; and that was Cap<sup>t</sup> Norden in a mean way; as far as I could hear, he said he knew nothing against him. The Browns of Attleborough, Rehoboth, Swanzey pleaded before the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council about Wills and Lands bequeathed in Narraganset. I enquired what we had to do, to judge of Lands in the Narraganset Country? Mr. Secretary said, I was in the right. However, the Petition was dismiss'd, upon the head of the young men having offer'd equal Terms of Accomodation.

April, 20. 1711. Mr. S. Gerrish goes to Wenham.

April, 21. Plenty of Swallows. Note. Hannah Gerrish was taken very sick last night.

April 22. Lords Day, B. Gray calls me up at 1. at night: I find poor little Hannah Gerrish in an Agony, I went to Prayer; afterwards B. Gray read the 5<sup>th</sup> Rom. I found the Chapter so full of Comfort that awhile after I read it over again. About 6. m. Mr. Wadsworth came and pray'd with little Hañah. Mr. Gerrish her Father came home at  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour past Nine: put up a Note in the Afternoon, which Mr. Pemberton read coming out in his Gown.

April 23. I was call'd up between 2 and 3 at night, but my little Hañah Expired before I got thither. However, She had the Respect of one visit after death. She Expired about  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour after 2 at night. The Lord prepare me for my great Change.

Third-day, April, 24. Hañah Gerrish is buried. Bearers, Gillam Phillips, and Benj. Gray: white Scarvs. Was put into the Tomb just before Sun-set, several of the Council, Dr. Cotton Mather, Mr. Wadsworth, Colman there. Note. This day, about noon, John Kent of the Island had his Barn burnt by Tabacco, and Six oxen and four calves in it, and a Goose bringing young ones. The Oxen were heard to roar afar off: but the Flame was so rapid, the

Owners could not help them. Carts, and Instruments of Husbandry burnt.

Friday, May, 4. Mr. Charles Chauncey dyes. Mr. Evans's Jury Acquit Pastre of Fornication, and Maria, Mr. W<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson's Indian woman, of Murdering her Child, by letting it fall into the House of Office.

Seventh-day, May, 5. Capt. Oliver prevails with Joseph to preach for Mr. Bradstreet to morrow p. m̄, that so Mr. N. Williams may be releas'd to Succour Mr. N. Hobart of Newtown, who is taken Sick yesterday.

May, 7. 1711. Mr. Chancy buried; Bearers, Mr. Daniel Oliver, Mr. Francis Clark; Mr. W<sup>m</sup> Welsteed, Mr. Grove Hirst; Mr. Oliver Noyes, Mr. Anthony Stoddard. Many of the Council there. His Excellency sets out for Pascataqua.

May, 8. The chief Justice Winthrop sets out for New-London.

May, 9. Midweek. Town-Meeting to chuse Representatives; n<sup>o</sup> of Voters 173. Major part 87. Mr. John Clark 161. Mr. Tho. Hutchinson 157. Major Tho. Fitch, 106. Davenport 74. Barns 68. 2<sup>d</sup> Stroke, Voters 167. Major part 84. Mr. Addington Davenport, 95.

The Town accepted my Proposals, and bought the upper part of my Pasture to enlarge the North Burying Place.<sup>1</sup>

Agreed that the Select-men be impowered to Sell the

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<sup>1</sup> Town Records, II. 325. "Voted that the proposall made by the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Sewall, Esq. for sale of a parcell of Land for Enlargeing the North burying place, at the price of One hundred and Twenty pounds, to abate seventy pounds of the said purchase money, so that the Town please to Release an Annual Quit claim of Forty Shillings, Issueing out of a Cedar Swamp in his possession situate in Brooklyne, appropriated to the use of the Grammar-School. Reported by the Co<sup>m</sup>itte<sup>e</sup>, Be accepted. And that the said Quit Rent of Forty shillings p. Annum be abated. The aforesaid Sum<sup>e</sup> of Seventy Pounds to be drawn out of the Town Treasury and Invested in some Real Estate, or otherwise improved by the direction of the Select men for the time being. The Yearly Rent or Profit thereof to be appropriated to the use of the Free Grammar School, in lieu of the aforesaid Quit Rent." See also Suffolk Deeds, lib. 26, fol. 97. — Eds.



Neck to Half-way pond to them that shall maintain the way; leaving an Interval of 100. yards for Fortification; I and Mr. White propos'd this; Mr. Paul Dudley oþos'd it much and got these words inserted, (or for other use): reserved also a high way between the former Grant and this.<sup>1</sup> Mr. Wadsworth prayed; First I was Moderator; which I declin'd, because of the Treaty that was to be about the Burying Place.

Then Major Fitch was put up by the Select-men and voted. Not being present, he was sent to, and declin'd. Then Col. Checkly was voted and serv'd.

May, 11. Went to Charlestown Lecture: and then to

<sup>1</sup> The following entries explain this matter:—

Town Records, II. 326. "Voted, that it is left to the Selectmen to grant, sell, or dispose of the Townes Land on each side of the Highway on the Neck, from the place where the Fortification formerly stood, as far as the halfe way Pond, either by lease for term of years or by Grant of the Fee thereof, as they shall think best; In order to secureing the Highway there, (which is proposed to be left of a considerable breadth) Reserving a space of about one hundred yards in breadth, across from sea to Sea, sutable for a Fortification or any other use for the Service and benefit of the Town, Reserving also a Space for a Cross Highway next to the land formerly Granted to Capt. Oliver Noyes and Company: and the said Selectmen are fully impowered to make and execute proper Instruments or Deeds for the same."

We infer, from the document next printed, that the grant to Oliver Noyes and his associates began at Castle Street and extended south for some nine hundred and sixty feet. That would bring the southern limit to Dover Street, or near that line, where there had been an old fortification, which was then (1711) quite decayed. In that year, another fort was placed there (Shurtleff, p. 140) which stood "precisely in front of the southwest corner of the Williams Market House." This line of the "old fortification" is on the maps down to the present century.

In 1785, Stephen Gore, John May, and others, had a grant of land and flats, bounded south, on Malden Street, 900 feet, then north, on a causeway, 1400 feet long to a point 125 feet from Dover Street, then west on this line, parallel to Dover Street, to the highway (now Washington Street), 132½ feet. Also a similar strip, on the west side of the highway, 200 feet wide, the street being 80 feet wide (Shurtleff, p. 141).

This limit, 125 feet from Dover Street, was, probably, the south line of the strip of 100 yards reserved as above, within which the fort was placed.

During the siege of Boston, the British troops strengthened this fort, and also built an advanced work, of which a view is in Drake's "Landmarks,"

Mr. Pemberton's Meeting: To me to live is Christ. Mr. Bradstreet Prov. 3. 34 — but he giveth Grace to the Lowly.

May, 13, 1711. Mr. Pemberton's Text, Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is Hypocrisy, was awfull to me; The Lord Create a Clean heart in me, and Renew a Right Spirit.

May, 14. Set out for Ipswich with Son Thomas. By reason of Letters from New-York by the Pacquet, I set out late, near Noon. Din'd at Brother's; Lodg'd at Mr.

p. 425. This stood between Dedham and Canton Streets, and crossed Washington Street from sea to sea.

The grant to Oliver Noyes is as follows (Suff. Deeds, lib. 24, f. 239): —

“*Indenture made 30 Sept., 1709, between*

1 Samuel Phillips, bookseller	(10)	6 Eliz. Pemberton, ex <sup>r</sup> of Benj.	
2 David Jeffries, merchant	(9)	P., brewer	(4)
3 Thomas Savage do	(8)	7 Dr. Oliver Noyes	(2)
4 William Clark do	(5)	8 Elisha Cooke, gent	(7)
5 William Payne do	(3)	9 Stephen Minot, tailor	(1)
		10 John Noyes, goldsmith	(6)

holding, in common, upland, beach and flats to low water mark, and meadow, on both sides the highway to Roxbury, upon the Neck; extending from the northerly end of the pasture land now or late of John Bennett on the east side, and the land of Daniel Epes on the west side — so far south towards Roxbury as 24 feet beyond the new pavement on the said highway as it now is. Together with all right &c., on condition of keeping off the sea on both sides of the highway; as appears by an Indenture from the Selectmen of Boston, dated 31 Jany. 1708.” [This is in vol. 24, f. 106; and adds that Bennett's land was bought of him by Samuel Lynde. The land reaches to the old fortification.]

They now make a division, reserving 48 feet for Orange Street, and lay out the lots across the territory from low-water mark. Stephen Minot has the first lot, “adjoining to the new highway called Castle Street laid out by the proprietors across the said neck on the north — the rest as above noted in the order of figures in parentheses. Lots to be 97½ feet broad on the east end on the flats, 96 feet on the east side of Orange street, 95 ft. 4 in. on west side of Orange street, except Minot's lot varies a little as specified. We also find that Castle Street was laid out in 1709, crossing Orange Street, and having, on the east side, the land of John Bennett, which he bought of Samuel Lynde, and on the west side, land of Daniel Epes. Epes bought, April 17, 1708 (Deeds, lib. 24, f. 147), of William Payne, his land being bounded south by the common, west by the sea or river, north by land of John Clough, and east by the highway. — Eds.

Gerrishes at Wenham. Sun was down by that time I got over the Ferry. Note. When had enter'd Salem Bounds, a few Rods, my Horse being on a Hand-Gallop, fell upon his Nose and threw me off before him: There was danger of his falling upon me: but I freed my self as well and fast as I could; one Leg being under the Horse; Through the Goodness of God I had little or no hurt, when as [whereas] my Horse's Nose bled for it, and the Bitt of the Bridle was broken.

May, 15. Col. Hathorne and Mr. Corwin call me at Mr. Gerrishes; get to Ipswich seasonably.

Gov<sup>r</sup> comes to Town from Pascataqua; In the evening the Court waits on his Excellency at Madam Wainwright's. Went with Mr. Rogers to our Lodging about Nine. Great Hail this day.

May, 16. Adjourn *sine die*. After the Rain set out for Salem; visited little Betty Hirst; went to Brother's; Saw the Funeral of Deacon Marston's daughter pass by the Gate. Sup'd with Mr. Noyes and Mr. Attorney on Pickerill. Meet Mr. Leverett's Letter encouraging Jonathan's procedure in Learning; and Mr. Rogers told me Mr. Payson had a Son as old or older, that was now return'd to School at Ipswich; upon this I encourage Brother, and tell him God's Time is the best Time, God's way the best way. Left Jonathan my Distich transcribed by him at my bidding.

*Vive, doce, regna, semper, mihi CHRISTE Sacerdos;  
Pendet ab Officij's Spes mea tota tuis.*

May, 17. Ride home with Mr. Attorney; Have a fair Wind over Wiñisiñmet Ferry. Find all well. *Laus Deo*. Daughter Hirst lodges at our House to promote her Revival and strengthening.

Lords-Day, May, 20. Rainbow about Six p. m̄.

May, 21. Fair Serene wether after many days of Rain, Showery afterwards from transient Clouds.

May, 22, May, 23. Fair Wether and Warm.

May, 24. Great Rain.

May, 30. Midweek, By a *Dedimus*, Col. Phillips, Major Walley and my self gave the Dept's the Oaths<sup>1</sup> and saw them and heard them Repeat and subscribe the Declaration: 72 before the Sermon. Election as last year, save that Col. Noyes is put in the room of Col. Foster, deceased.

May, 27. Mr. Pierpont preaches for Mr. Willard; Pemberton in the Afternoon. Sung 2 last Staves 81 Ps. Even I was much affected to think how we were fed with the finest of the Wheat, and Honey out of the Rocks Christ exhibited in the Gospel. And coming home I look'd [in] Austin [St. Augustine], and found he allow'd the Meditation.

May, 30. Col. Partridge brings News that Capt. Jo<sup>s</sup> Hawley died the 19. May, and was buried the 21. at Northampton. Same time with Mr. B. Pierce.

May, 31. Gov<sup>r</sup> dines with Mr. Wadsworth, And the Counsellours of the South Church, Dr. Mather, Dr. C. Mather, and many Ministers, and Mr. White; Mrs. Willard, Mrs. Cotton, widow, Mr. Belcher, Dedham, Mr. Joseph Sewall, and many young Students.

June, 3. I goe to Mr. Bridgham's Quarter-Meeting and hear Mr. Bridge preach. 1 Cor. 8. 19. Five pounds odd Money Collected.

Midweek, June, 6. 1711. Col. Thomas Noyes Took the Oaths and subscribed the Declaration and then took his place at the Board. When I went to salute him, the Gov<sup>r</sup> told him I was his father; Mr. Secretary was between me and the Gov<sup>r</sup> and I did not hear plainly and so could not take notice of the Complement; but I enquired of Mr.

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<sup>1</sup> These are the oaths (of allegiance and supremacy) and the declaration (against transubstantiation) prescribed by the Province Charter, and borrowed from 1 William and Mary, Sess. I. c. 1. The writ of *Dedimus potestatem* empowered certain persons to perform certain acts, as, for instance, to administer oaths in certain cases. — Eds.

Secretary, and did it at Holm's where we Din'd. I crav'd a Blessing and return'd Thanks.

Col. Jn<sup>o</sup> Appleton moves it, and we agree to invite the Gov<sup>r</sup>, Friday, to dine with us at Holms's. June 7<sup>th</sup> Col. Apleton invites the Gov<sup>r</sup> Sixth-day, June 8<sup>th</sup> m. At the Hearing between Dorchester and Bridgwater, Col. Townsend comes in, and says there was an Alarm at the Castle. Enter'd on another Hearing about a new precinct for Reading to the Northward of Ipswich River; but the Drums put us to Silence, and oblig'd the Gov<sup>r</sup> to break off. At Dinner at Holms's in the lower room, one comes in, and says that Col. Nicholson was come; Two Men of War, two Transports, eight Weeks passage.<sup>1</sup> Comes up in

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<sup>1</sup> This was the first part of the expedition destined for an attack on Quebec. The fleet consisted of fifteen men-of-war and forty transports, under the command of Sir Hovenden Walker, Knt., recently created an admiral. The troops were commanded by Brigadier-General John Hill (brother of Abigail, Mrs. Masham, the Queen's favorite), Colonels Charles Churchill, William Windresse, M. Kempenfeldt, Jasper Clayton, Percy Kirk, Henry Disney, and Richard Kane, of the British army; and Samuel Vetch and Shadrach Walton led two regiments of New England troops. In all, there were some seven thousand soldiers. The fleet was delayed by the difficulty in procuring stores, though the inhabitants alleged that it was no fault of theirs, but arose, mainly, from the secrecy preserved before the arrival of the forces. Captain Andrew Belchar, a rich merchant and contractor, was blamed, perhaps wrongly, as a speculator in these necessities.

The fleet sailed July 30, and arrived at the mouth of the St. Lawrence, a river of which their Boston pilots knew little. The leaders became disheartened, a part of the vessels, with about eight hundred men, were lost in a storm, and, on September 16th, a council-of-war was held, which, as usual, decided to retreat. Soon after arriving at Portsmouth, England, the admiral's ship, the "Edgar," was blown up; and, although he was saved by being ashore, he lost, as he says, his books, journals, and charts, and the original of Sir William Phips's Journal of his Canada expedition.

In 1714, Admiral Walker was called upon, by the officials, for his accounts; soon after he was dropped from the lists entirely, and he died at Dublin, in January, 1726. His indignation prompted him to issue an account of the abortive expedition, entitled "A Journal, or full Account, of the late Expedition to Canada," &c. London, 1720, p. 304.

We extract therefrom a few items concerning New England. He lodged, at Boston, with Captain Southack (p. 67); he employed "two extraordinary divers" to examine the keel of one of his ships (p. 69); he visited the Gov-

a Barge, and Lands at Butler's Wharf, where the Gov<sup>r</sup> receives him with the Council. Enters the Council-Chamber between 5 and 6 p. m. Lays the Orders for the Canada Expedition before the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council. Regiment dismiss'd. I observ'd that has Authority to draw Bills on the Massachusetts Treasury, and Col. Vetch is to Command our Men, and leave whom of them he pleases at Annapolis, to Relieve that Garrison. Gracious Queen Anne pays the charge of the Garrison since the Taking of Port-Royal. Col. Nicholson comes in the Leopard, Capt. Cooke.

Monday June 11. Mr. Palmer is propounded and voted a Judge. I voted not, but said I knew not that twas a Council for such a purpose.<sup>1</sup>

Tuesday, June, 12. No prayer is in the Council. Mr. Bromfield tells me he sent to Mr. Pemberton and he says, Tis not his Turn; sends to Mr. Colman, and he says, Tis not his Turn; so none comes. I told Gov<sup>r</sup> of it about 11. m. This day the Proclamation for the War is pass'd. I carried it to the Printer at Noon. Vessel from Annapolis. Between 6 and 7., A very glorious Rainbow appears, being compleat, and of long continuance.

Midweek, June, 13. Serene.

June, 14. Dr. Cotton Mather Preaches from those words, That which is Crooked cannot be made Streight. Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson sat in the Gallery: Gov<sup>r</sup> not at Lecture.

June, 17. Great Heat, Much Rain p. m.

ernor, at Roxbury (p. 75); and he consulted "Mr. Nelson, of Long-Island, a person of good sense." He was much troubled by desertions, and he prints (pp. 229-234) various proclamations issued against harboring such criminals. He gives on p. 245, a list of vessels taken for the service as transports; on pp. 264-266, a list of deserters; and, in various places, he mentions the names of the Massachusetts men engaged as pilots.

Palfrey (IV. 280-287) says that this unfortunate expedition was the favorite plan of Secretary St. John, afterwards Lord Bolingbroke. He refers to a series of letters, still preserved, showing St. John's "interest in what he hoped to make the crowning exploit of his administration, and a title to his permanent supremacy in the national councils." — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> See note, *ante*, p. 304. — Eds.

June, 18. I waited on his Excellency to take Leave at his Departure; excus'd my not being at Council on Saturday: Not discerning when his Excellency went away, I knew not of the Adjournment. There was told of the death of the Emperour, and Mr. Harley's<sup>1</sup> being made Treasurer, and Lord Mortimer. Col. Partridges Son that came now from England, was there. We are told also that the Dauphine is dead.<sup>2</sup> The Monmouth and Swiftsure that came from Spit-head the 2<sup>d</sup> May, arriv'd at Nantasket this day June, 18<sup>th</sup> 1711. are part of the Fleet for Canada. Mr. Partridge came from Torbay the 26. April. Are told also that Col. Taylor is our Lt Gov<sup>r</sup>. Dr. C. Mather said twas impossible. I read to Mrs. Rock of the Greatness of GOD. "The Vine and Figtree think it no great matter to reign over the trees: but to the Bramble this seems a great matter. Jud. 9. 8-15. Great minds are not much affected with injuries, Gal. 5. 12." P. 138. Abridgem't. Towards night Mr. Berry acquaints us Joseph was very sick; desired to have the Coach sent for him.

June, 19. I goe in the Coach my self; set out at Six and got home between 11 and 12. In the afternoon [Joseph] had a Tooth drawn and is better. Mr. Pemberton visits us and prays. This day Mr. James Oliver and Sam Banister come to Town from Piscataqua; came in Chr. Taylor. I went over at night, Mr. Banister says he saw Col. Taylor's Cōmission for Lieut Gov<sup>r</sup>.<sup>3</sup> says he came to Town with Col. Partridge. Reports that Sir Henry Ashurst is dead.

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<sup>1</sup> The Emperor Joseph died April 17 (N. S.), 1711. Harley was created Earl of Oxford and Earl of Mortimer on the 24th May (O. S.). He is better known by the former peerage. — Ebs.

<sup>2</sup> This was not true. — Ebs.

<sup>3</sup> William Tailer was appointed during this year, and arrived Oct. 3, 1711. Nov. 9, 1715, he became acting Governor, and held till the arrival of Governor Samuel Shute, Oct. 4, 1716. Then he was superseded, as Lieutenant Governor, by William Dummer. He was appointed a second time, April 14, 1730, and died in office, March 1, 1731-32, aged fifty-five. — Ebs.

June, 22. Sixth-day, Mrs. Mary Dyer is brought to Bed of a Son.

June, 23. Tis known in Town, that the Fleet were seen off of Cape Sable upon Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup> Inst<sup>t</sup>. Council agree that Mr. Secretary, Mr. Co<sup>m</sup>missary and I should goe down to meet Brigadeer Hill. Sabbath, June, 24. I read Isa. 40. Comfort ye, Comfort ye, my people. After the Forenoon Exercise the Signal is given, Mr. Secretary sends for me; As I was going I meet with that sad News from A<sup>n</sup>apolis which much damp'd me.<sup>1</sup> Went down from Butler's wharf; Mr. Maryon went in another Boat; order'd the Col. not to make an Alarm till we sent to him, or made a Signal. Went on board the Dunkirk, Capt. Butler, just come to an Anchor; He could give little news of the Fleet. Met two Transports full of Souldiers. Return'd, saw the other Ships coming in. Gen. Hill arrives.

June 25, 1711. Went down again; Mr. Secretary, Mr. Co<sup>m</sup>missary, Borland, Sewall; Mr. Maryon. At the Castle sent for Capt. Tuthil, who told us the Devonshire and Dunkirk were arrived. we saw a Boat going up in which was Col. King, Hail'd him: He came to us, who told us he was going from the Gen<sup>l</sup> to the Senat; we told him we were sent by them; then he came into our Boat and sent up his own. Went on Board the Devonshire, saluted and wellcom'd the Gen<sup>l</sup>. Gave us Bread and Sack. After awhile came off Gen<sup>l</sup> and Flag in one Pinace; we in our own. Finding the Tide not made, we Land at the Castle; eat Rusk and drank. Saluted at Landing and Returning with 21. Guns. By Capt. Tuthill. Landed at Scarlets Wharf, went into Town, Turn'd by the Dock, and went up King-street in the Front of the Regiment to the Council-Chamber. Then to Johns's to Diner. Mr. Wadsworth

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<sup>1</sup> This probably refers to the loss of a part of the garrison, cut off, on an expedition from the fort, by the Indians. — Eds.



crav'd a Blessing; Mr. Colman return'd Thanks. Note. When Spake with Col. King order'd Capt. Tuthill to give the Signal.

Tuesday, June, 26. 1711. Mr. Secretary, Mr. Com̄isary [Belchar] and I wait on the Gen<sup>l</sup> at Mr. Borland's, to pray his Excellency's assistance in sending a Man of War to Añapolis, apprehending the Garrison to stand in need of it; the enemy being flush'd, and grown insolent and daring since their late Success.

Midweek, June, 27. Gov<sup>r</sup> Dudley comes to Town, being return'd from New-London. About Two a'clock p. m̄. the Transports come up, which make a goodly, charming prospect. A Sailer beaten last night, and threatened to be carried on Board the Weymouth; which the Watch p̄vented.

June, 28. 1711. Mr. Bridge preaches from Psal. 72. 17. mostly from the latter part of the verse; draws it down to the present Canada Expedition. Gov<sup>r</sup> Dudley not at Lecture, nor I think any of the Fleet or Army. After Lecture the Gov<sup>r</sup> had up the Gen<sup>l</sup>, Admiral, Quartermaster Gen<sup>l</sup>, Paymaster Gen<sup>l</sup>. Gov<sup>r</sup> set the Gen<sup>l</sup> at his right hand at the end of the Table; Admiral sat above, Mr. Secretary next the Gov<sup>r</sup>, Paymaster ūpermost on the other side. Admiral had sharp discourse about the Merchants offering but Twenty per cent for exchange, threaten'd to be gone somewhere else with the Forces. At last the Gov<sup>r</sup> call'd for a vote of the Council to Lend Two Thousand pounds at the Representation of the Paymaster Gen<sup>l</sup>. I mov'd it might be at the Motion of the Gen<sup>l</sup>: which was conceded: and Mr. Secretary mov'd that something might be done in writing, which was agreed. Mr. Secretary drew it and the Gen<sup>l</sup> sign'd it, with a Promise to give his Bills. The whole was a surprise to me, and the vote call'd for in the presence of the mentioned Gentlemen. Gov<sup>r</sup> would make the Gen<sup>l</sup> goe out before him; though he much resisted it.

June, 29. Gov<sup>r</sup> Treats the General.

June, 30. Seventh-day, Gov<sup>r</sup> sets the Gen<sup>l</sup> and Admiral at the Council-Table, as yesterday.

Mrs. Sarah Banister, widow, dyes between 3 and 4. p.  $\bar{m}$ , being drown'd with Dropsie. News comes that Capt. Carver is Taken by two Privateers. Just as had written this I went to look of the Rain at my East-Chamber window, and saw a perfect Rainbow. I think the setting of the Sun caus'd its Disappearance. *Laus Deo.*

July, 3. 1711. Mrs. Sarah Banister, aged about 57., is buried. Bearers, Sewall, Belchar; Draper, Kilby; Capt. Tim<sup>o</sup> Clark, Mr. Colman.

July, 4. Went to the Comencem't by Water in a sloop; cous. Hale with me; Mr. Shepard, Mr. Myles, Chaplain of the Humber, one that was a Fellow of New-College &c. had them to my Son's chamber. The Friar sat with the Fellows. I dined at Fissenden's because there were many Strangers. Rains hard p.  $\bar{m}$ . The President makes an Oration, wherein he highly a $\bar{p}$ lauds the Gov<sup>r</sup>, his Integrity &c., the Gen<sup>l</sup>, Admiral:<sup>1</sup> makes a honorable mention of Col. Nicholson though absent. This night his little son dyes.

July, 7. The Gov<sup>r</sup> sends in Mr. Secretary and me to the House of Deputies, and there by the Gov<sup>r</sup>'s order Mr. Secretary Prorogues them to the 18<sup>th</sup> current. Mr. Shove comes to our house.

July, 8. Joseph preaches at Charlestown. Mr. Williams, of Hatfield, with us. Cous. Shortt, at Attleborough.

<sup>1</sup> Admiral Walker mentions this visit (Journal, p. 83); he adds, under date of July 7, that Captain Bonner came to him with a chart of Canada River; and as he had "the general character of the best Pilot, as, indeed, he appeared to me to be, I told him he should be aboard that Ship when I hoisted my Flag; notwithstanding he was very instant with me to be dispensed with, and for an Excuse alledged his Age."

July 18, Walker was visited by General Nicholson, who had with him a Sachem and several other Indians from Connecticut, who performed their war-dance. — Eds.

July, 12. I send the Gen<sup>l</sup> 12. Salmon Trouts by Jane Boston.

Dr. Cotton Mather preaches on the Rainbow, from Rev. 10. 1. Many Chaplains at Meeting.

July, 13. Capt. Nathan<sup>l</sup> Holms is buried: Bearers, Capt. Fayerwether, Capt. Williams; Mr. Tay, Darby; Mr. Gallop Merch<sup>t</sup>, Tilly. I and Mr. Deringe went together first; then Mr. Pemberton went with me. None of the Council there but I. But a very few days are pass'd since he came from the Lee-ward Islands.

July, 16. 1711. m. Two Proclamations order'd; one for a Fast July 26, and Augt. 30.

In the afternoon was great Thunder, Lightening, Rain. The beginning of it put in Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Williams into our house. The discourse of Capt. Torrey put me upon asking Mr. Williams to pray with us, who did it excellently, and thank'd God for the Opportunity.

July, 17. 1711. I go to Brooklin and visit my son and Daughter; Gave my little Grand-daughter an English shilling, Cakes. The Rain seems to have been more vehement at Roxbury than at Boston, has much confounded the High way near Capt. Ruggles, Stop'd up the Mill Canal that could not Grinde: Were clearing of it. Lightening burn'd the widow Drapers Barn with a considerable quantity of Hay in it. Barn might be 40. feet long.<sup>1</sup>

Aug<sup>t</sup> 3. 1711. Col. Francis Wainwright dies at his own house at Ipswich. Left Salem for his last July 25, the day before his first-a<sup>p</sup>ointed Wedding-day; which Ap<sup>p</sup>ointment was remov'd to the last of July. He was

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<sup>1</sup> Walker notes (Journal, p. 104), under 'date of July 23, that General Nicholson came on board with some chiefs of the Five Nations, called Mohocks. They danced in their fashion, viz.: "each in his turn sung a Song and danced, while the rest sate down and hum'd and hollow'd at distinct Periods of his Dance, with a Tone very odd and loud, but yet in Time." They expressed themselves as hostile to the French.

Walker then reprints the "Boston News Letter," No. 379, giving an account of his forces. — Eds.

taken Sick at Ipswich on the Lords-Day, July, 29. and died on the Friday following at 10. m; his Bride being with him.<sup>1</sup> Tis the most compleat, and surprising Disappointment that I have been acquainted with. Wedding-Cloaths, to a Neck-cloth and Night-Cap laid ready in the Bride-Chamber, with the Bride's Attire: Great Provision made for Entertainment; Guests, several come from Boston, and entertain'd at Mr. Hirst's; but no Bridegroom, no Wedding. He was laid in a new Tomb of his own making lately; and his dead wife taken out of another, and laid with him.

Tuesday, Augt. 7. Bearers, John Appleton esqr., Col. John Higginson esqr; Daniel Epes esqr., Stephen Sewall esqr; Lt Col. Savage, and Mr. Daniel Rogers. Mrs. Betty Hirst, the Bride, was principal Mourner.

Augt. 9. Mr. James Barns buried.

Augt. 11. Mr. Elizur Holyoke dies;<sup>2</sup> Tuesday, Augt 14<sup>th</sup> buried: Bearers, Sewall, Addington; Townsend, Dr. Clark; Col. Checkley, Mr. La Bloom. As were passing along in Middlestreet; One of the Porters stoop'd to take

<sup>1</sup> Wainwright was the son and grandson of distinguished citizens bearing the same two names. The lady he was to have married was, doubtless, Elizabeth, sister of Grove Hirst, Sewall's son-in-law. If so, she married, in 1711, Walter Price, as his second wife, according to Savage. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Elizur Holyoke is often mentioned by Sewall, being a son-in-law of the second Jacob Eliot, and thus one of that south-end neighborhood for which Sewall seems to have had a special affection. He was sixty years old at his death, and his widow died Feb. 2, 1720-21; both being buried in the Granary yard. Their children were: John, Rev. Edward, of Marblehead, Samuel (a brewer), Jacob (a merchant), Hannah (Charnock), Mary (wife of William Arnold), and Sarah, who married her cousin, Deacon John Eliot, stationer. These children all owned parts of the old Eliot estate.

June 4, 1740 (Suff. Deeds, lib. 69, f. 63), the Eliot heirs laid out Eliot Street, still known to us, and also a street at right angles thereto, from Frog Lane (now Boylston Street) to Hollis Street, to be called Holyoke Street. This was the beginning of our Tremont Street. But in Price's map, of 1743, it was called Clough Street, from John Clough, who owned the land where the Hotel Boylston stands; and this name, continuing for some fifty years, entirely extinguished the pious intentions of the first projectors. — Eds.

up his Hat, by which means the Corps was lower'd so that the Head of the Coffin jounc'd upon the Ground; but was retriev'd; the widow was much disturb'd at it; went to the South-burying place.

Friday, Augt. 10. Alarm is made by reason of advice from Plimouth, Marble-head, Man-of-War at Nantasket. Had appointed this day to visit my daughter at Brooklin, whose little daughter Mary is now 3. weeks old. My wife goes with Hannah and Judith. Augt. 11. Satterday, I fetch her home. Augt. 19. 1711. Mrs. Perry is buried, a good woman, aged 68. Augt 21. Samuel Greenwood, an honest christian, North-burying place. 65. Midweek, Augt 22. Mrs. Abigail Whippo, after the Rain and Rainbow; she was Capt. Hammond's daughter; Mr. Collins was her Grand father. New Burying place. See her Marriage Febr. 25, 169½. She was Luke Greenough's widow.<sup>1</sup>

Augt. 24. 1711. Sharp debates about the Province Gally. Deputies sent in a first vote Earnestly to desire the Gov<sup>r</sup> to send her out in defence of the Coast infested. Afterward sent a 2<sup>d</sup>, wherein twas Resolv'd that the Galley, being built at the Province charge, for defence of the Coast, cânt be put to any other use without Consent of the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court. No forwardness in putting either of these to vote. But Mr. Secretary suddenly drew up a vote, That it being Her Majesties express and positive Comānd that the Galley should go in the Expedition; a Sloop should be taken up and Man'd. This was non-Concurr'd in the House of Deputies. Rejected Fire-Ships, and Hulk to Sink.

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<sup>1</sup> Savage says that she was the daughter of Captain Lawrence Hammond by his second wife, Abigail (Willet), daughter of Deacon Edward Collins, of Medford. She married Luke Greenough in 1690, by whom she had an only daughter, and then married, in February, 1692, at Boston, James Whippo, or Whipple, of Barnstable, as his second wife. By him she had nine children. — Eds.

Seventh-day, Augt 25. about one a-clock, Gov<sup>r</sup> sent in Mr. Secretary, Phillips, Sewall to Prorogue to Sept<sup>r</sup> 26. at 10 m., which was done.

Capt. Matthews arrives Augt. 25., a little before Sunset.

Monday, 7<sup>r</sup> 10. 1711. Major Walley, Mr. Pemberton and I set out in the Coach for Bristol, Lion drove: Daniel Hasting rode by us; intended for Rehoboth; but our Axel-tree, that complain'd before, and we mended at Calef's, broke quite off by that time we got to Capérons: Lodg'd there: Fish'd<sup>1</sup> on a piece in the morning; set out about 10. m., got to Bristol about 4 or 5. p. m. open'd the Court and put the Grand-jury upon Business.

Friday, 7<sup>r</sup> 14. Went to Newport to speak with Mr. Brenton. Twas night before I got thither: Sent Mr. Brenton word by his Housekeeper, but he neither came nor sent to me, though I staid there till 3 or past. Mr. Clap and Pemberton dine with me at Mr. Melvills, where I lodg'd. I visited Capt. Ellary, he not at home; gave Mrs. Ellary one of Mr. Willard's Meditations of the Lord's su<sup>p</sup>er. Saw Mrs. Pelham's Grave, buried a few days before. From the Ferry sail'd in Burden's Boat to Bristol. 7<sup>r</sup> 16. Lord's Day, Mr. Sparhawk preaches a. m. Mr. Pemberton p. m̄. Dine at my Land Lords. 7<sup>r</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> Monday, set out for Boston: Mr. Mackintosh, Col. Pain, Capt. Davis, accompany us to the Gate. Dine at Miller's, Rehoboth, where we are stun'd in hearing the Defeat of the Canada Expedition.<sup>2</sup> Baited at Caparon's; got

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<sup>1</sup> This word, in the sense of strengthening, or splicing, is still in use among seamen. — EDS.

<sup>2</sup> Hutchinson says (Hist. II. 199): "Although the principal object of this expedition was not obtained, yet, in all probability, Annapolis-royal was saved by it from falling into the hands of the French."

The garrison had become very small, and the people were rebellious and daring. Walker (Journal, p. 147) left four hundred troops there, under Colonel Vetch, Governor, and Colonel Cawfield, Lieutenant-Governor. The Admiral, just before leaving Spanish River (Journal, 150) finding a cross set

well to Billenges about an hour after Sun-set, where we lodg'd.

7: 18<sup>th</sup> Third-day, set out for Boston; Baited at Dedham. Refresh'd our selv's at Mr. Belcher's: Got well home a little after Diñer time: we recreated our selves with Mr. Watt's Poems, going and coming. *Laus Deo Servatori*. About 7 or 8 a'clock of the night between the 2<sup>d</sup> and 3<sup>d</sup> of October, a Dreadfull Fire hapens in Boston; <sup>1</sup> broke out in a little House belonging to Capt. Ephraim Savage, by reason of the Drunkenness of — Moss: Old Meeting House, and Town-House burnt. Old Meeting-

up by the French, while "the island had been always in the times of Peace, used in Common, both by the English and French for lading Coals, which are extraordinary good here, and taken out of the Clifts with Iron Crows only, and no other Labour," set up a cross in opposition, claiming the country for the English. Then he sailed away. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> The great fire of 1711 is fully described by our historians. "It broke out in an old Tenement within a back Yard in Cornhill, near the First Meeting-house, occasioned by the carelessness of a poor Scottish Woman, by using Fire near a parcel of Ocum, Chips and other combustible Rubbish." (News Letter; Drake, Hist. p. 541.) Drake adds that the woman was called Mary Morse. Hutchinson (II. 200) says it began in or near Williams's Court; "All the houses on both sides of Cornhill, from School Street to what is called the stone-shop in Dock-square, all the upper part of King-street on the south and north side, together with the Town-House, and what was called the Old Meeting-house above it, were consumed to ashes."

Drake says the "stone-shop in Dock-square" was probably "Colson's stone House," at the intersection of Brattle Street and our Cornhill. The old Cornhill was a part of our Washington Street, and the fire reached School Street.

Increase Mather improved the occasion in a sermon entitled "Burnings Bewayled, In a Sermon Occasioned by the Lamentable Fire which was in Boston, October 2nd, 1711. In which the Sins which Provoke the Lord to Kindle Fires are Enquired into." In it he revealed the cause as follows: —

"But has not God's Holy Day been Prophaned in New England? Has it not been so in Boston this Last Summer, more than ever since there was a Christian here? Have not Burdens been carried through the Streets on the Sabbath Day? Have not Bakers, Carpenters and other Tradesmen been employed in Servile Works on the Sabbath Day? When I saw this . . . my heart said, Will not the Lord for this Kindle a Fire in Boston?" — Eds.

house had stood near 70. years. I had a house burnt, wherein Mr. Seth Dwight was Tenant, who paid me Twenty pounds per añum. Oct. 3. The Lt. Gov<sup>r</sup> Taylor arrives. He saw the Fire 20 Leagues off.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 11. Fifth-day, Fast. A Collection was made for sufferers by the Fire; Two Hundred Sixty odd pounds gathered at the South church, the oldest Meetinghouse in Town.

Note. Octob<sup>r</sup> 7. Mr. Pemberton stays the Church, who vote to have the Pastors of the First Church to officiat with us alternatly in Preaching and administering the Sacraments: and to be recompenced as our Minister.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 17. Gen<sup>l</sup> Court meets. About the 24. The Gov<sup>r</sup> will have it voted that one instruction to the Comittee be that they Address the Queen to bring forward a New Expedition to Canada. I spake against it, but the Gov<sup>r</sup> press'd it vehemently; said with a Hectoring Aer, that he must bring in the Frontiers; put the Vote himself. I think but two besides my self in the Negative. Col. Townsend said twas a matter of such moment, and so sudden to him, he could not vote.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 23. Mrs. Mary Ardel buried;<sup>1</sup> Bearers, Elisha Hutchinson, Sewall; Mr. Oakes, Capt. Hill; Mr. Baker.

<sup>1</sup> Her tombstone, in the Granary yard, is inscribed: "Here lyes buried the body of Mary Ardel, Aged 72 years, Died October the . . . 1711." In the Lane Papers (N. E. H. & G. Reg. xi. 234), Job Lane writes, in 1695, to his correspondent in England: "I have received the ten pound you paid Mrs. Ardel's sister, viz. Frances Thompson." . . . "Direct your letters to me, to be left for me at Mrs. Mary Ardel's, at her house in the Town Dock, over against Mr. Thomas Clark, brazier, in Boston."

Savage notes that William Ardell, Boston, 1687, merchant, removed to Portsmouth, and was made, in 1699, sheriff of New Hampshire.

We learn, from Suff. Wills, lib. 22, f. 15, that Captain John Barrell married Abiah, only daughter of Mrs. Mary Ardell, and had children. He states that Mrs. Ardell gave them three tenements on Cornhill, which he had mortgaged to build brick houses upon. Then he sold them, and had a balance of £165 in hand for his children. To secure them, he mortgaged, to the probate judge, certain land of his own at the south end. It was between



Octob<sup>r</sup> 28. 1711. Joseph preaches for Mr. Colman, who is at Salem; Reads the Scripture. Mr. Pemberton prays largely for the Lieut Gov<sup>r</sup>, that God would make him a Blessing like his predecessor, meaning Mr. Stoughton. Mr. Wadsworth p. m. pray'd for the Gov<sup>r</sup>, L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, and all in Authority; Baptis'd 2 children; Charles and Mary.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 26. a Man falls from a Scaffold at the church of Engl'd<sup>1</sup> into the Street, and is stricken dead. Octob<sup>r</sup> 27. Mrs. Bridge is buried; Sam. Bridge the carpenter's wife.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 26. Treated Col. Nicholson at the Dragon: Treated L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> there about a week before.

Midweek, 8<sup>r</sup> 31. Mr. Sheriff Dyer Treats the Gov<sup>r</sup>, Col. Nicholson, Capt. Wade, Justices at his house. In Council I mov'd for Direction where to hold the Superiour Court. Gov<sup>r</sup> a<sup>p</sup>rov'd of Mr. Pullin's.

Fifth-day, Nov<sup>r</sup> 1. Col. Nicholson sits in the Gallery, L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> in his Pue.

Gov<sup>r</sup> not at Meeting because Dr. C. Mather preach'd.<sup>2</sup> Feasted Col. Nicholson, L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, C. Studly at his house: They went after Lecture.

Second-day Nov<sup>r</sup> 5. Major Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop came to Town with Madam Winthrop and her Daughters, from Dedham, having kept Sabbath there. See May, 8.

Seventh-day, Nov<sup>r</sup> 10. 1711. Mr. John Pole died. Nov<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup>, Was buried this day in a Tomb in the old Burying place.<sup>3</sup> Bearers, Winthrop, Sewall; Addington, Cor-

his barn and Mr. Sheaf's Lane, bounded west, in front, on a lane twelve feet wide, to be forthwith laid out, one hundred and fifty-seven feet; from front to rear, fifty feet, seven inches; bounded south on William Pollard, and north in said lane. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> This was in connection with the enlargement of the original chapel, an edifice of wood. The work was protracted from 1710 to 1713. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> The bitterness continued between the Governor and the divine. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> This was, doubtless, John Poole, son of William Poole, of Boston, whose tombstone is in the old, i. e., the King's Chapel Yard. We give a

win; Walley, Higginson. The Gov<sup>r</sup> and many of the Council, there. Mrs. Rebekah Clark, Mr. Elliott's Grand-daughter, is dead.

Lord's day, Nov<sup>r</sup> 11. Mrs. Sarah Walley, wife of John Walley esqr., died last night.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 12. Mr. Attorney and I set out for Salem in Mr. Austin's Calash, overtake the President and his Lady in a Calash: Sit together a pretty while at Lewis's.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> Third-day, only I and the Salem Justices at the opening the Court.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Noyes made an excellent Sermon from PS. 77. 20. Thou leddest thy people like a Flock, by the hand of Moses and Aaron. Mr. President mistrusted the cloudy Lowering day, and return'd before Lecture. Had the councillors and Ministers at Diñer. Mr. Noyes crav'd a Blessing, Mr. Green return'd Thanks excellently.

That we might finish, we held the Court by Candle-light, and adjourn'd *sine die*: When came out found a Considerable Snow on the Ground. Went to Pratt's and made up Accounts. Visited Madam Bradstreet.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 15. 5<sup>th</sup> day, Stormy morn, but set out about Ten, got home Comfortably. Made up at Austin's before Sun-set. At the Mill-bridge met Col. Lynde with a Scarf;

transcript of what can be read, from a copy made by the late Thomas B. Wyman, as Bridgman's copy is imperfect:—

“[Illegible] . . . of John Poole aged 7 . . . . .

“Here lyes y<sup>e</sup> body of . . . . . aged . 0 years . . . . .

“Here lyes y<sup>e</sup> body of Elizabeth Poole, late wife to John Poole, daughter of Governor Brenton, esq<sup>r</sup>: aged 44 years died Oct<sup>r</sup>: y<sup>e</sup> 17, 1694.”

“Here lyes y<sup>e</sup> body of Jane Lendall, late wife to Timothy Lendall, dau<sup>r</sup>: of John and Elizabeth Poole, deceased December y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1710 in y<sup>e</sup> 29 year of her age.”

“William Poole, aged 2 months, died March . . . . . William Poole, aged 8 months, died Sep<sup>r</sup>: 12, 1679, children of John and Elizabeth Poole.”

“Mary Lendall aged 3 weeks, died Aug. y<sup>e</sup> 1. 17. . . Elizabeth Lendall died Dec<sup>r</sup> y<sup>e</sup> . . 1710 in y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> year of her age. Poole Lendall died June . . . 1710 in y<sup>e</sup> second year of his age. . . . . Lendall aged 3 months and . . . . . Died . . . . . 1710, y<sup>e</sup> children of Timothy and Jane Lendall.”—

EDS.

I ask'd him what Funeral, he said Mrs. Walley. Nov<sup>r</sup> 16. Major Walley sends Jn<sup>o</sup> Roberts to me with a good Lute-string Scarf and Ring, Gloves. Madam Walley's Bearers were, Wait Winthrop esqr, Elisha Hutchinson esqr; Addington, Sergeant; Belchar, Stoddard. All the Councilors had Scarvs. Nov<sup>r</sup> 19. Capt. Thomas Matthews beats Alexander Tulloh, Capt. John Alden's Mate; sends him by force a-board the Chester and there whips him twenty Stripes; which lawless action greatly disturbs the Inhabitants of the Town.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 29. Thanksgiving; Madam Usher, Mr. Odlin, Mrs. Kay, and her daughter dine with us. Mr. Bridge's Prayer and Preaching was excellent. Mrs. Hañah Walley died last night, aged better than 30. years.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 30. Mrs. Margaret Corwin died last night. Dec<sup>r</sup> 1. Mrs. Sarah Walley buried. Bearers, Major W<sup>m</sup> Dudley, Mr. Joseph Sewall; Mr. Benj. Walker, Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Foy; Mr. David Stoddard, Mr. James Walker. White Scarvs and Rings.

To day or yesterday, Mr. Bromfield in Council again moved the Gov<sup>r</sup> in behalf of Alexander Tulloh. The Gov<sup>r</sup> answered him sharply, and Comanded him to speak no more about it. Because The Chief Justice and Major Walley did not agree with me to write it as I desired; I now said to the Gov<sup>r</sup> in Council, It highly concerns the Honor of the Government, the Safety and Wellfare of Her Maj<sup>s</sup> Subjects of this Province, that your Excellency suffer not your Order in Writing under your hand to Capt. Matthews, for bringing Alexander Tulloh a-shore, to be disobey'd, and your Authority as Gov<sup>r</sup> of this Province and Vice-Admiral, to be contemned.

I said also, That confining Capt. Matthews for this Contempt was not Suspending him. At this the Gov<sup>r</sup> was touch'd, and said with some displicency, you come with your Logical Distinctions!

Second-day, Dec<sup>r</sup> 3. Mrs. Margaret Corwin, Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup>

Corwin's Widow, Maiden name Winthrop, is buried in Gov<sup>r</sup> Winthrop's Tomb.<sup>1</sup> Bearers, Cooke, Sewall; Addington, Joseph Lynde esqr; Eliakim Hutchinson esqr., Andr. Belchar esqr. Neither Gov<sup>r</sup> Dudley, nor Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall there. They came to give me a visit, and were here when the Time call'd me to the Funeral, upon account of which I was oblig'd to go away. Gov<sup>r</sup> said What Funeral? I would have had them stay; but they went away also. Gave each a Rainbow.<sup>2</sup>

Dec<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Lt Gov<sup>r</sup> returns from visiting the Fronteers.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 6. Cousin Moodey dines with us and his son Joseph, whom he brings to send to school at Cambridge. Cous. Fissenden, the Schoolmaster, dines too. I give cousin Moodey 3. silver spoons, marked S.  $\frac{S}{L}$ . 1711. of Mr. Edwards, cost 41<sup>s</sup> Cousin married Lydia Storer.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Gave Cous. Moodey a Rainbow, and one for Cous. Lydia. Cousin goes to Cambridge.

Sixth-day, Dec<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Mr. Hirst and son Joseph set out for Salem in Brothers Calash, Jonathan drives; get thither about 6.; comfortable moderat Wether.

Sabbath, xr. 9<sup>th</sup> Serene moderat Wether. Margaret Smith is baptised; I suppose for sake of her Grand-mother Corwin.

xr. 10. 1711. I read Major John Livingston's account<sup>3</sup> of the number of Frenchmen and Indians in Canada;

<sup>1</sup> John Corwin, or Curwin (son of George Corwin, who came from Workington, County Cumberland), married Margaret, daughter of Governor John Winthrop, of Connecticut. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Probably the sermon by Cotton Mather: "Thoughts for the Day of Rain: Two Essays, I. The Gospel of the Rainbow. II. The Saviour with his Rainbow." B. Green, 1712, pp. (2) VI. 64. See Brinley's Catalogue, Nos. 1246, 1220. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> Hutchinson says (Hist. II. 185) that he had Livingston's journal. Walker says (Journal, 88) that Livingstone was to go, in July, to Quebec, carrying copies of the manifesto to scatter around; then to await, near Quebec, the arrival of the fleet, and bring it all the news he could. He went to Port Royal, thence to Castine's house, on the Penobscot, and finally to Quebec. He brought back only a disclaimer from Vaudreuil of any unusual atrocity in conducting the war. — Eds.

Frenchmen, 4070: Indians 830. Great Guns, 145. Pet-tararos,<sup>1</sup> 22. Went from Añapolis to Penobscot by water. Octob<sup>r</sup> 15. 1710. Reach'd the first houses of Cañada, Dec<sup>r</sup> 5. 1710. Got back to Albany, Febr. 3<sup>d</sup> following; and at Boston, 23.

Fifth-day, xr. 12. Son Joseph, and Mr. Hirst return from Salem very comfortably in a Slay. Joseph Preach'd on the Sabbath at the new Precinct; and yesterday, Mr. Noyes's Lecture, My Peace. *Laus Deo*. This day, xr. 12. Mr. Bridge preached excellently from Heb. 11. 33., who through Faith wrought Righteousness; shewing that working Righteousness in our several stations—was a very noble Effect of Faith. Mr. Chiver of Rumney-Marsh, Mr. Josiah Oakes, and Cousin Margaret dined with us: The Governour not at Meeting.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 15. 1711. Mr. Josiah Oakes goes to Needham to preach. I visit Major Walley, who has his left foot bound up in a cloth, tells me he went not to Bed the two nights before but sat up by the fire in a chair, by reason of the Twinging pain. Visited Mr. Pemberton, who spake to me that it might be well to come to a choice of some person for the South-Church, notwithstanding the Pastors of the Old Church were with us.

Lord's-day xr. 16. Four persons were taken into church. Mrs. Frances Bromfield and Marshal's Negro woman, two of them. Their Relations very acceptable. Mr. Wentworth's son dies at —

Dec<sup>r</sup> 17. Visit Mrs. Beatrice Bosworth, 88. years old. At her daughters Request I pray'd with her: She entertain'd me with great Respect, and enquired after my wife and Son.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 19. Mr. Shurtliff tells my Son that the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> has a Co<sup>m</sup>ission to be Capt. of the Castle; goes thither to morrow.

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<sup>1</sup> Pederero, a kind of swivel gun, used for discharging stones. — Eds.

Dec: 20. Meet with the Justices and Selectmen to determine what they shall have that had their houses blow'd up:<sup>1</sup> voted 230£ and the enlarging the Highway where the Houses have been burnt down.

Dec: 21. Bro<sup>r</sup> calls in to see us, goes over with his Daughter to Mistick.

Dec: 22. I visit Major Walley, who is now in a mañer wholly confin'd to his chair. Visit Mr. Joseph Parsons.

Dec: 23. very sharp Weather; yet Serene, and had a comfortable day: Mr. Pemberton administred the Lords Su<sup>p</sup>er. Mr. Bridge baptised John Grice.

Third-day Dec: 25. 1711. I took with me Joseph, Hañah, and Judith; and went to Broöklin in Mr. Simson's sly to see little Mary, 5. Moneths old; taken with Convulsions last Lords day night: comforted my Son and daughter what I could, pray'd with them and took leave; got home a little after sunset, *Laus Deo*. We had much ado to get along for the multitude of Sleds coming to Town with wood, and returning. Sixth-day, xr. 28. Went with Mr. Daniel Oliver to Newtown, Isaac Williams drove the Slay. Visited Mrs. Hobart, very sick a-bed; went to Lecture, and so home. Din'd at Mr. Hobart's. Mrs. Elizabeth Parrot, Mr. Bridge's eldest daughter, about 24. years old, dyes in child-bed xr. 29<sup>th</sup> 1711.

xr. 30. Joseph preaches for Mr. Walter at Roxbury.

xr. 31. Joseph returns to College. Major Walley has Prayer at his house respecting his Foot; began between 2 and 3 p. m. Mr. Pemberton first, Mr. Bridge, Mr. Colman, Mr. Wadsworth, Dr. C. Mather. Mr. Wadsworth insisted pretty much, that several in the room might dy before Major Walley; all of them might. Dr. C. Mather very near the Conclusion of his Prayer, said, Probably, some remarkable person in the room might dye before

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<sup>1</sup> To arrest the progress of the fire, on October 2 previous. — Eds.

Major Walley. Major Walley was easy, all the time of the exercise, had not one Twinging pain.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 2. 17½. Set up the Clock in our Bed-Chamber.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 4th. Sixth-day; Joseph and I retired into the Castle for 3 or 4 hours, to ask direction from GOD about his Call to the new Precinct at Salem.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 31. 1711. When I return'd to my own Chamber I met with Brothers Letter of Jan<sup>y</sup> 3.

This sixth-day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Major Walley's Left foot is opened underneath, and found to be very hollow, and spungy: Mr. Pemberton told me of it at the Funeral of Mrs. M. Atkinson,<sup>1</sup> born in New-England, aged 73. years, buried in a Tomb in the New-burying place, from her son, Mr. Lyde's house, Jan<sup>y</sup> 4. Bearers, Col. Elisha Hutchinson, Sewall; Addington, Stoddard; Du<sup>m</sup>er, Col. Checkley.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> I went to Cambridge and consulted with the President and Mr. Brattle; who treated me very candidly, and told me, they at first propounded to Capt. Gardener — Mr. Flint, Mr. Whiting, Mr. Stephens. They objected against Wiggs, and upon their motion, as I understand, Consented to my Son's going, cautioning them with the difficulty might ha<sup>p</sup>en in obtaining him; If they would have it so, they must run the venture of that Neither of them advised my Son's going to them.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> A considerable Snow fell last night. I visit Major Walley, who seems much impaired since the opening of's foot; the taking away so much dead or rotten flesh, Loss of blood do weaken him. One of the Servants told me he was Light headed the day before.

Third-day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 3. Capt. Gardener Jun<sup>r</sup>, Mr. Holton, and Mr. Foster come to see Son J. from the new precinct of Salem, to receive his Answer, which he gives with Regrett in the Negative; and they receive with great sad-

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<sup>1</sup> Theodore Atkinson married, as second wife, Mary, daughter of Rev. John Wheelwright, and widow of Edward Lyde. — EDS.

ness. Dine with us on boil'd Beef and Roasted Pork. I gave each of them a Rainbow, and one for Capt. Sam<sup>l</sup> Gardener.

Midweek, Jan<sup>y</sup> 9. I visit Major Walley, who is much worse, and seems to be hastening to his Long home. Desired of Mr. Wadsworth the continuance of his Prayers. Rec'd of Col. Checkley £83-13-3. for my proportion, for my Labour in signing and numbring Bills of Credit. Receiv'd in the small plate, No. 1600, £55.

Sixth-day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 11. 171 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Major John Walley dies. I was at prayer with him last night. Mr. Pemberton pray'd excellently. He was a good Neighbour, a publick spirited Man, a Purchaser and principal Settler of Bristol.

Mrs. Beatrice Bosworth is buried, aged 89. years.<sup>1</sup> Her first husband's name was Joclin, by whom she had her daughter Stephens.

Second-day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 171 $\frac{1}{2}$  William Pain, Joyner, dies in his Chair of the Tissick. Writ to Dr. Increase Mather, and inclos'd three 4<sup>s</sup> Bills, Thanking him for his many Favours. To Dr. C. Mather two 5<sup>s</sup> Bills, *ditto*.

Fifth-day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 17. There is an overseers Meeting in the Council Chamber after Lecture, and Mr. Joseph Stevens is confirmed Fellow of Harvard College. Order'd a Hundred Men to strengthen Derefield and other Fronteers.

Went to the Funeral of Major Walley; Bearers, Winthrop, Sewall; Addington, Sergeant; Belchar, Mico. Tomb in the new Burying place.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Went to the Funeral of W<sup>m</sup> Pain. Bearers, Col. Checkley, Capt. Jn<sup>o</sup> Alden; Capt. Mason, Mr. Mills; Mr. Eustace, Mr. Ellis Chirug[eon.]

Jan<sup>y</sup> 21. Second-day, Gave Mr. Bridge, Pemberton,

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<sup>1</sup> She married, first, Abraham Jocelyn, and, secondly, Nov. 16, 1671, Benjamin Bosworth, of Hull, as his second wife. Her daughter, Rebecca, married, successively, John Croakham, Thomas Harris, and Edward Stevens. (See Savage.) — Eds.



Colman, Wadsworth, each of them, a Rainbow with 10<sup>s</sup> Bill inclos'd.

Third-day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 22. Council, Mr. Chiever, of Marble head, order'd to preach the Election-Sermon; the Gov<sup>r</sup> seem'd to decline Mr. Walter and begin to hover over Mr. Anger. Visited the Major Gen<sup>l</sup>, sick of a Cold.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 29. Went with the Chief Justice in a Slay to the Ferry, went over comfortably. Mr. Justice Corwin coming this day from Salem, twas about an hour after Noon before he got to Charlestown, yet Gave the Grand-Jury their oaths; Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Sparhawk Foreman. Found the Bill against Mingo, alias Cocke Negro, for forcible Bugger, Arraign'd. As came over at night, Pendleton, the Japañer, making more haste than good, from the Stairs to the Causey, where the boat lay, jumping from a Sloop broke his Legg; twas sad for us to see him and hear his Cryes.<sup>1</sup>

Midweek, Jan<sup>y</sup> 30. Rode again with the Chief Justice, met Jn<sup>o</sup> Usher esqr. who insulted us about keeping the 30<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup>.<sup>2</sup> Try'd the Negro, GOD furnish'd the Court with such a series and Frame of evidence that was brought in Guilty. Not one word spoken on his behalf. Condem'd.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 31. Mr. Pemberton preaches from Job, 31. 14. Gov<sup>r</sup> not at Lecture.

Febr. 2. Are invited to dine at the Governour's next Midweek, by Maxwell. Gov<sup>r</sup> said nothing to me.

Febr. 6. Went in Capt. Tho. Hutchinson's Coach, with Col. Hutchinson. The L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, Sir Charles Hobby, Col. Vetch, and many Officers there. I saw not Mr. Bromfield,

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<sup>1</sup> This was, probably, Roger Pendleton, japanner, who seems to have died of his injury, as administration on his estate was granted to Richard Pullen, innholder, of Boston, Feb. 9, 1711, 1712. (Suff. Wills, lib. 17, f. 388.)—Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This was, of course, the anniversary of the execution of King Charles I., a day devoutly commemorated by Cavaliers, and as strongly repudiated by Puritans.—Eds.

Col. Adam Winthrop, Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Clark. No Chaplain. Got home seasonably to go to the Meeting at Capt. Savages. I carried a Rapsodie, and spake to Capt. Savage to read Dr. J. Mather's Sermon on the Fire and then gave him the book, Meditations Lords Su<sup>per</sup>, &c Two Legs broken in Town this day, Frank Homes, by his Horse falling on him, and Labourer, by a Lump of frozen Earth falling on his Legg as was digging in C. Jn<sup>o</sup> Gerrishes Cellar; I met him carried in a Chair and crying out, as I went to the Meeting. Brother comes hither. Febr. 8<sup>th</sup> returns.

Febr. 8. I read the death of pious Mr. Brett

“Bridgewater; Jan<sup>y</sup> 14. 1711-12. Last Sabbath, yesterday, we had a solemn breach made upon us here: our Justice Brett got up well, by what a<sup>p</sup>pear'd, early in the morning; and having been at his barn upon necessary occasions, came into his dwelling house, sat down in a chair, being about to take some repast, fell down dead, dead in an instant. O that this very sudden and awfull death may be sanctified to this people, and to me in particular, who have so many Warnings of the near approach of death. — James Keith.”<sup>1</sup>

And, after a postscript,

Jan<sup>y</sup> 28. 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Inclosed in the same Letter to Dr. Cotton Mather. — “have not dared to make any a<sup>p</sup>pearance for a vindication. But having now some confidence of my Son's innocence; I am willing to venture for him, as far as may be lawfull and expedient” —

Friday, Febr. 8. A Duel is fought between L<sup>t</sup> James Douglas, and L<sup>t</sup> James Alexander, near the new Burying place.

Friday, Febr. 15<sup>th</sup> Went to Charlestown, and heard Mr. Bradstreet from Prov. 24. 32. He brought it down to the Condemned Malefactor then present; had pray'd excellently for him before: executed presently after Lect-

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<sup>1</sup> Rev. James Keith, of Bridgewater, educated at Aberdeen, was settled here in 1664. He had a large family, and numerous descendants. We are unable to trace the reference in the next paragraph to his son's troubles, but suspect it may have been ecclesiastical. — Eds.

ure. Mr. Brattle pray'd at the place of Execution. This day before Noon a man falls between the new wharf and a ship, and with the blow on's head dyes instantly; buried at night. This day Mr. Howell's child buried. Joseph was at Charlestown Lecture, and comes over to preach for Dr. Incr. Mather.

Satterday, Febr. 16. Mr. Jonathan Belchar comes to me with Mr. Bromfield, and tells me the near approach of L<sup>t</sup> James Alexander's Death; I think this was after Noon. I went to the chief Justice who declar'd his opinion, that twas fitter for other Justices to meddle with than the Judges. I went to Dr. Clark as the next Justice and a Chirurgeon, whom I found indispos'd and keeping house. L<sup>t</sup> Alexander Douglass, the Dueller, lodg'd at Barnsdell's near Scarlet's Wharf. I call'd again at Mr. Bromfield's who inform'd me, Alexander, a<sup>p</sup>rehensive of death, was just going to receive the Sacrament. I went home, (twas now Sun-set) and writ a Letter to Mr. Attorney, telling where I had been and what I had heard; and desir'd him to take some order about it. About 7 a'clock he sent for me, I went to the chief Justice, and there sign'd Warrants to the sheriff &c., and Mr. Weaver, an Admiralty Warrant; Franklin made Constable Oliver his Deputy. Sent Mr.—Deputy Dyer and him to Barnsdell's; and order'd him to go to Nantasket as soon as the Wether would admit (for the wind now was intolerable as to its height and cold). Came home, Benj. Larnell lighting me.

Monday, Febr. 18. 'Twas mention'd in Council, that Gov<sup>r</sup> Vetch might be spoken to to send Douglass from A<sup>n</sup>apolis hither. It was reported he was gon thither in Capt. John Alden. L<sup>t</sup> James Alexander dyed, on Satterday night about 10. a'clock. The Gov<sup>r</sup>'s Answer was, Let Warrants be first granted out; and then 2 or 3 days after, Let a Motion be made to Gov<sup>r</sup> Vetch from the Council-Board. A Warrant was drawn by Mr. Secretary to all the sheriffs and Constables in the Province, and

given to Dept. Dyer. Mr. Joseph Gerrish comes to Town; I write to him to invite him to Dinner to morrow. A Letter is written to the Gov<sup>r</sup> to regulat the Funeral of L<sup>t</sup> Alexander, and prevent its being Great.

Tuesday Febr. 19. I go to Charlestown and visit Col. Phillips, who was very glad to see me.

Write to Jonathan Kendal to pay 6<sup>s</sup> for his Ferryman that swore profanely Febr. 15<sup>th</sup> and would add no more charge. Dine with Mr. Gerrish, son Gerrish, Mrs. Anne. Discourse with the Father about my Daughter Mary's Portion. I stood for making £550. doe: because now twas in six parts, the Land was not worth so much. He urg'd for £600. at last would split the £50. Finally Febr. 20. I agreed to charge the House-Rent, and Difference of Money, and make it up £600.

Febr. 21. I buy two caps at Mr. B. Walker's and give Mr. Gerrish one. Cost 7<sup>s</sup> apiece. Mr. Addington draws Mr. Gerrishes Release.

Febr. 22. Mr. Gerrish comes, Signs, Seals, and delivers it to me in presence of Barthol. Green and Thomas Crump: I then put it into Mr. Gerrishes hand to Acknowledge it before Mr. Secretary Addington, and give it me again. Before Executing it, I gave him Cousin Quinsey's Bonds, offering to do any thing that might be necessary for his demanding what was due on them, and gave him my Note to pay the Remainder.

Gave Cous. W<sup>m</sup> Gerrish 10<sup>s</sup> to buy a Candlestick, with Exhortation to imitate his Grandmother who dyed in the house he is to live in. Be diligent in General and particular Calling; Save himself and his intended wife.

Febr. 22. p. m̄. Mr. Pemberton comes to see me, and comunicats to me the Mock-Sermon and mentions my going to Mr. Secretary, which I doe; but twas night before could concert Measures. He not being at home at first. Agree to goe to Dr. Clark's, his house being in the midst of the Persons concern'd.

Febr. 23. Mr. Secretary and I go to Dr. Clark's between 8 and 9. m. in the Rain; Recover three copies of the Mock Sermon which was pronounced the Tuesday 4 night before, in presence of Col. Townsend, Capt. Savage and others; I motion'd and prevail'd to send away Russel for an Original and his own Copy; before Green came: He happily recover'd both, and brought them in with which we stop'd Green's Lying Mouth. Bound him over to the Sessions in £50. to answer for making and pronouncing a Mock-Sermon full of Monstrous profaneness and obscenity. Got home about one a-clock. I heard nothing of this till Mr. Pemberton shew'd it me.

Febr. 26. I go to the Town-Treasurer, from him to Dr. Clark, and propounded to send for the other persons, we sent not for on Satterday. He declin'd it; said twas in vain: he knew not but there might be 40. Copies, one gon to New-york.

Midweek, Febr. 27. Fast at the South-church in order to call a Minister. Mr. Colman began with Prayer, Mr. Pemberton Preach'd excellently; Mr. Wadsworth pray'd.

p. m̄. Dr. Cotton Mather pray'd Excellently: Dr. Incr. Mather preach'd a very good sermon, Mr. Bridge pray'd, Sung 2 first Staves 67. Ps. Dr. Mather gave the Blessing. Great Auditory. Mr. Pemberton very sharply Reprov'd the Mock-Sermon, pronounc'd in the *face of Government*. Son not in Town, nor any from Cambridge that I took notice of. Mrs. Hobart was buried yesterday. Bearers, Mr. Leverett, Brattle; Mr. Thacher, Anger; Mr. Danforth, Belchar. Both my Sons were there. I heard not of her death till Monday-night, and then had appointed Business on Tuesday p. m̄. that held me in Town; to hear Capt. Joseph Swaddle, as to his being accessory to the death of John Johnson one of his Sailors.

This day, Midweek, Febr. 27. Joseph Bailey of Newbury, introduc'd by Mr. Myles, Mr. Harris, and Mr. Bridger, Presented a Petition to the Gov', sign'd by Abra-

ham Merrill, Joshua Brown Sam. Bartlett, John Bartlet, Sam. Sawyer, Joseph Bayley &c., 22. in all, declaring that they were of the pure Episcopal Church of England, would no longer persist with their mistaken dissenting Brethren in the Separation; had sent to their Diocesan, the Bp. of London, for a Minister, and desired Protection.<sup>1</sup>

Fifth-day, Febr. 28. Great Storm of Rain: This day the Gov<sup>r</sup> Dates his Letter to the Episcopal church of Newbury. At night the Rain falls vehemently with Thunder and Lightening.

Sixth-day, Febr. 29<sup>th</sup> The Gov<sup>r</sup> orders this Petition to be read in Council: and ask'd the Council's Advice upon it. It was answer'd, It was not directed to the Council. Gov<sup>r</sup> said He must have our Advice notwithstanding. I said, for my part I would say nothing to it; Others were so far of the same opinion, that Nothing was said to it. I ask'd the Gov<sup>r</sup> to take a Copy of it: He said No, It should remain yet in Petto, and so took it off the Council-Table and put it in his Pocket, and carried it away.

Midweek, February, 27. 17½<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Cous. John Sewall, a very pious young Man, is buried at Newbury. He died the Monday before.

March, 3. Joseph comes to Town.

March, 5. returns. We have our privat Meeting, I read out of Mr. Flavel, his preparation for Sufferings. Sung 27, 28, 29, 30, 39, 40, 41, 42, 55, 56.<sup>2</sup>

March, 6. Mr. Hobart of Newtown visits us in the

<sup>1</sup> Coffin (Hist. Newbury, 175-184) has much to say about this affair, with copies of the petition and Dudley's reply. It seems that a minority in the parish wished to build a new meeting-house in a spot disliked by the majority. The General Court forbade, though not until the house was built. Then, "in a pet," the minority took the advice of John Bridger, "surveyor of the King's woods," an Episcopalian, and said that they would also conform. Dudley promised his countenance, and they wrote to the Bishop of London for a minister. A Mr. Lampton seems to have been sent accordingly. When, as is proposed, Sewall's Letter Book is printed, more will appear on this subject. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Probably verses of a Psalm. — Eds.

morning, and din'd with us after Lecture, and Cousin Moodey of York. Cousin Moodey left a Guiney with me to buy him a Booke.

Seventh-day, March, 8. 1711½ Went to the Castle and din'd with the Lieut Gov<sup>r</sup>. Many Healths were drunk, and Guns fired at drinking them: L<sup>d</sup> Treasurer, Col. Nicholson. Last of all, I think, the Gov<sup>r</sup> said, call Capt. Campbell, we will drink the Duke of Argyle's Health;<sup>1</sup> when Capt. Campbell was found twas done. When came off, The Gov<sup>r</sup>, Col. Vetch, Sir Charles Hobbey, Capt. Campbell went in one Boat to the Neck; There the Gov<sup>r</sup> took Col. Vetch and Capt. Campbell into his Coach, and left Sir Charles to goe up in the Boat alone. Col. Hutchinson, Mr. Secretary, Mr. Sergeant, Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Capt. Belchar, Mr. Bromfield, Col. Townsend, and Sewall, went in the other Boat. Gave the Cock-swain 18<sup>d</sup> apiece, 12<sup>s</sup> all.

Before I came off, I gave Capt. Tuthill Mr. Tompson's, Heaven the best Country, with my Distich;

*Auris, mens, oculus, manus, os, pes, munere fungi  
Dum pergunt, præstat discere velle mori.*

Gave Mr. Shurtliff, the Chaplain, a Rainbow.

Midweek, March, 19<sup>th</sup> Church Meeting; each gave in one vote: I alleg'd twas fit to give two votes, seeing Two were to be Nominated; But Mr. Pemberton stood for the first, and twas carried: Mr. Joseph Stephens had 19. Written Votes; Mr. Joseph Sewall 44. Mr. Flint, 4. Mr. Holyoke, 2. Before Voting, Capt. Belchar mov'd it might be kept secret what Number each had; I o<sup>p</sup>os'd it as a

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<sup>1</sup> The Duke of Argyle is, of course, the head of all the Campbells. In 1712, the peer was John, second duke, a soldier of distinction. He left five daughters, and was succeeded by his brother, Archibald, who died *sine prole* in 1761. The title passed to John Campbell, son of his cousin John Campbell, of Mamore. This John had other children, and, possibly, Captain Campbell was of this branch. — Eds.

Novel [novelty]; and should not know whether any had above two votes; some others seconded me; and that was best.

7<sup>th</sup> day, March 22. 17 $\frac{1}{2}$  Daniel Hasting waits on me; Col. Hathorne, Mr. Corwin, with Capt. Cushing set out for Plymouth. Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> stays at home. Set out between 10 and 11. Din'd at Mills's, Baited at Cushings, Got to Job Randal's about Sunset, where we were kindly receiv'd.

Lords Day March 23. Heard Mr. Eels. Rain'd hard last night and somthing this day; Thin Meeting.

2<sup>d</sup> day, March, 24. The under-Sheriff, Joseph Briant, being our Guide, we went over Bisby's Ferry, 2<sup>d</sup> Horse, and Man, the North River Bridge being down. Rain'd at our first setting out. Got comfortably to Cook's where we din'd. While there it Hail'd pretty much, Thunder'd, though I heard it not. When had been there about 2 Hours, Mr. Sheriff came with his Guard. Went to Plimouth: Snow'd all the way. Got to Mr. Witherel's about 4 p. m. *Laus Deo.*

3<sup>d</sup> day, March, 25. 1712. About 10. m. Col. Thomas arrives, and brings a Letter and Packet from Mr. Cooke over, shewing his incapacity of attending the Court; whereupon the Justices appointed Major Russel, Clark; Mr. Little was in doubtfull circumstances by reason of the Gout and sickness of which was scarcely recover'd.

John Rickard, Ordinary-keeper, our quondam Landlord dyes this day.

Midweek March, 26. Oyster Island is by Review Confirmed to Nathan and Zacheus Wicket, Indians, &c.

Hittee, an Indian Girl, found Guilty of Burning her Master Little's Dwellinghouse. Adjourn'd to the Meetinghouse by reason of the Press of people, and there the Negro Betty was Try'd for Concealing the death of her Bastard-Child: Found Guilty.

March, 27. 5<sup>th</sup> day, Col. Byfield and Mr. Valentine were



heard upon the Prohibition to the full before Diñer. Col Thomas, Col. Byfield, Col. Otis, Capt. Cushing, being invited, Din'd with us. Ministers. Col. Byfield would have some time set for attendance next Court: I said should not be call'd before Noon of the second day of the Court: could not before hand fix a day.

Betty Condemn'd. Hittee's Master pray'd she might not be Condemn'd; was under sixteen years old. Upon this she was remanded to Prison, and the Court adjourn'd to Six a-clock next morning.

Sixth-day, March, 28. Court met: order'd Oyster-Island not to be sold; but the Attorney, Mr. Parker, to represent the state of it at the next Term. Upon reading Hittee's Indenture (which was now brought), Left her in Prison uncondemned; and order'd Col. Otis her first master, and Major Basset, to take Affidavits concerning her Birth. Adjourn'd *sine die*. Left my Statute Book with Capt. James Warren. Came homeward; Rain'd hard quickly after setting out, went by Mattakeese Meeting-house, and forded over the North-River. My Horse stumbled, in the considerable body of water, but I made a shift, by GOD'S Help, to sit him, and he recover'd and carried me out. Rain'd very hard that went into a Barn awhile. Baited at Bairsto's. Din'd at Cushing's. Dried my Coat and Hat at both places. By that time got to Braintry, the day and I were in a mañer spent, and I turn'd in to Cousin Quinsey, where I had the pleasure to see GOD in his providence shining again upon the persons and Affairs of the Family after long distressing Sickness and Losses. Lodg'd in the chamber next the Brooke.<sup>1</sup>

7<sup>th</sup> day March, 29. Rode home, Mr. Rawson overtook me and accompanied me on the Neck; Got well home

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<sup>1</sup> This old Quinsey mansion is still in good preservation. "The chamber next the Brooke" — which still flows, is known as Tutor Flint's chamber.

about Noon; found all well. *Laus Deo.* Mr. Colman, the father, died last Thursday night.<sup>1</sup>

Lords-day March, 30. Wrote Mr. Pemberton some passages of my Journey, and of L<sup>t</sup> Wood, of Little Compton, his burying Six children in Eight days, two and two in a Grave; youngest twelve years old.

Midweek, April, 2. Congregational Meeting at South-Church. What the Church had done in their Nomination, was by a Silential Vote Approved. The Money left in Æneas Salter's hand, is to be improv'd in making a Tomb for the South-church Ministry. I was not at the Meeting; because Some had given out they would have both the persons Nominated. I went to Mr. Pemberton's before-hand and intimated to him; that Such debates might hapen<sup>2</sup> that I might not know well how to demean my self, and therefore had thoughts of not being at the Meeting. Speaking of Mr. Eels, and enquiring how he preach'd, I Comended him; and Mr. Pemberton upon it, with a very remarkable Aer Said, his Pupils could do worthily, he was one of them. I gave no occasion at all for that Air.<sup>3</sup> Mr. Colman was entombed after the Meeting, I went to it. The Rain and Snow of Monday, and Tuesday hindred it's being done before.

Seventh-day, April 15. I visited Mr. Com̄issary Belcher, sick of the Gout. Capt. Papillon arrives.

<sup>1</sup> William Colman, of Boston, father of the well-known clergyman, Rev. Benjamin Colman, was the son of Matthew and Grace Colman, of Satterly, near Beccles, County Suffolk. Baptized there, Aug. 31, 1643. In Turell's "Life of Benjamin Colman" (p. 210), it is stated that, "after the Decline of his Father's worldly Estate, he cheerfully afforded him all needful Assistance, and did every Thing that lay in his Power, to render his Age easy and agreeable." His father's life was "continued down to the year 1712." He came from London, and settled in Boston not long before Benjamin's birth, Oct. 19, 1673. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> His son Joseph being a candidate. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> It will be noticed, in subsequent references in the Journal, that Mr. Pemberton was not earnest, at least, for having Joseph Sewall as his colleague in office, and that the father was sensitively observant of the fact. — Eds.

Midweek, April, 9<sup>th</sup> Capt. Paxton reviles Mr. Jonathan Belchar upon the Parade, calls him Rascal, many times, strikes him with his Cane: Mr. Dudley upon his view fines him 5<sup>s</sup>. He carried it insolently, and said, He would doe so again. Twas about Noon.

*Feria quinta*, April, 10. Mr. Wadsworth preaches very Seasonably and Excellently from 2 Cor. 1. 9. After Lecture was a Council; and the Gov<sup>r</sup> hankered after its being agreeable to the Charter. Not to have a new Court at the Election-day. I spake against that Notion. Gov<sup>r</sup> pleaded, he could not be 40 days without a Court, Her Majesties Affairs might be such. Col. Hutchinson said, Writs might go out for the New Court, sitting the Old. Mr. Secretary express'd him self of a Contrary Opinion. Finally the Court was further prorogued to the 24<sup>th</sup> April, the day of the Gen<sup>l</sup> Council. Madam Gerrish dines with us. Benj. Larnel and I prune the 4. Elms set this Spring, and the other Trees at Elm-pasture.

Sixth-day, April, 11. I saw Six Swallows together flying and chi<sup>p</sup>ering very rapturously.

Went to Charlestown Lecture, heard Mr. Bradstreet from Ps. 71. 3. Shew'd what an invaluable privilege twas to have GOD our strong Habitation: None but the ReGENERAT, God's Children, had it. Din'd at his house with Mr. Flint, Madam Brattle, Mrs. Martha Foxcroft. Visited Capt. Tim<sup>o</sup> Phillips, very dangerously sick of a Cancer; about a week since tis broken out into a large Sore on the left side of his Neck, hollow'd like a Saucer in his Swell'd Neck; can scarce speak. Visited Adam Winthrop as I went; and Capt. Fayerwether as I came home. Had quite lost it that the Meeting was at Mr. Stoddard's. I rather thought it had been at Mr. Sargent's. I was invited after I went out which was at 11. I met the Scholars. I was weary and the time past when I got home.

Lord's Day, April, 13. Joseph preaches for Dr. Incr.

Mather, and in the Evening for young men who meet at Matthias Smith's.

Second-day, April, 14. I lay'd a Rock in the North-east corner of the Foundation of the Meetinghouse. It was a stone I got out of the Common.<sup>1</sup> Gave Kates a 3<sup>s</sup> Bill. Tis the first stone is laid. This day Capt. John Fayerweather dies, born in Boston, Sept<sup>r</sup> 1634. A good Christian Member of the old Church.

April, 15<sup>th</sup> 1712. Go to Hog-Island to view the old Barn, blown down yesterday, and to Consider of building a new one. Had a very Comfortable passage thither, and home. Joseph returns to College before I come home. Cousin, Mrs. Moodey, of York, here. Gave Mrs. Belcher Mr. Willard's Meditations on the Lords Super: young Mrs. Belcher, Dr. C. Mather's Sermon of Children Walking in the Truth. Her Son Joseph, 14 years old, Mr. Quick's Answers.

Fifth-day, April, 17. Dr. Mather mentions Capt. Fayerweather<sup>2</sup> with Honor; He has been a Select-man, Comissioner, and Captain of the Castle. Buried between 6 and 7. Bearers, Cooke, Elisha Hutchinson; Sewall, Bromfield; Howard, Burroughs.

April, 18. Went with Mr. Daniel Oliver to Mr. Hobart's Lecture; visited Deacon Trowbridge, who was very glad to see us, overcome with Affection. At Mr. Hobart's after Lecture, Mr. Porter told me of Joseph's indisposition. April, 19. Send Ben. to him.

Apr. 20. Lords-Day, send David.

Apr. 21. I visit him my self, go by Charlestown.

Apr. 22. His bro<sup>r</sup> Gerrish visits him, by whom he inti-

<sup>1</sup> There are many intimations in our old records that Boston Common once afforded boulders and foundation stones, which were turned to account for cellars and walls. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> John Fairweather was a very noted citizen, and, by his will, mentions children and grandchildren. It seems that he was quite rich. He commanded the Castle at the time of Andros's overthrow, and had charge of the prisoners sent there by the victorious rebels. — Eds.

mats some inclination to have a Coach sent for him; which Message Madam Clark also brings. This day last Capt. Rouse, in the Saphire, brings in his Spanish Prize, which has a Considerable quantity of ps.  $\frac{8}{8}$  [Spanish milled dollars] and Silks.

23. Midweek, Mr. Hirst and I visit him [Joseph].

24. Sam<sup>l</sup> Sewall, *de Stephano*, goes with the Coach and brings him home; has a bad night.

Sixth-day, April, 25<sup>th</sup> Church-Meeting in the Afternoon: Mr. Pemberton enquired whether were ready to proceed; Answer'd Affirmatively. Whether would goe by a Majority, or two Thirds: were for a Majority as the usual way. Voted by papers; Mr. Joseph Stevens had Twenty votes; Mr. Joseph Sewall, Forty Seven. Mr. Pemberton pray'd earnestly for them both. Mr. Co<sup>m</sup>isary sent his vote seal'd up. Major Gen<sup>l</sup> is at New-London.

April, 26. Mr. Pemberton prays with Joseph.

April, 27. Mr. Wadsworth prays very much for him as Elected; and Mr. Pemberton p.  $\bar{m}$ .

28. 29. Joseph sleeps well: Mr. Bridge steps in to see him. Mr. Thair, Oakes. 29. Went to the funeral of Mr. Peter Oliver. Apr. 30. Sent Dr. I. Mather a Psalter bound in Turkey Leather, which He sent me from Webber; The French that took him gave him my Booke again. Essay'd to goe to Brooklin, but was stop'd by the Rain.

May, 1. 1712. Capt. Williams (79 PS.) reads *The vengeance of thy Saint's blood shed*, too soon skiping the foregoing Line; and consequently omitted it in its proper season; so that I was forc'd to Read it, to prevent a Blunder. Mr. Bridge from Isa 4. 4. Exhorts to the study of prophetical Scriptures: Fall of Babylon certain: Jews shall be call'd.

Mr. Thacher dines with us. Mr. Hobart visits Joseph and prays with him. Treats him with great Respect and

Kindness. I give him Virgil on account of the Poem he has gratify'd me with. Virgil with an Index, *in usum Delphini*.

Friday, May, 2. The Gov<sup>r</sup> sets sail for Portsmouth.

Seventh-day, May, 3. The L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> holds a Council, wherein L<sup>t</sup> Brett is order'd to goe in the Province sloop. (Capt. Matthews will furnish 100. Men) and convoy the Provision Fleet. p. m. I go to Brooklin, and invite my Son and Daughter to come next week and perfect the Deeds.

Lord's Day, May, 4<sup>th</sup> 1712. Mr. Pemberton speaks to the Congregation, and by a Silential Vote, Mr. David Jeffries, Col. Thomas Savage and Capt. John Gerrish are appointed to join with the Churches Messengers to acquaint Mr. Joseph Sewall with his Election.<sup>1</sup>

Monday, May, 5<sup>th</sup> I lay a stone at the South-east Corner of the Town House and had Engraven on it S. S. 1712.

May, 6, Col. Hathorne, Mr. Corwin and I hold the Court.

May, 7<sup>th</sup> Col. Townsend, Mr. Bromfield and Mr. Danforth of Taunton, dine with us.

Between 6 and 7. Mr. Sergeant, Mr. Bromfield, Capt. Hill, Capt. Williams, Col. Checkley, Major Fitch, L<sup>t</sup> Col. Savage, and Capt. Gerrish, come and acquaint my Son with the Churches Election. He acknowledges the Honor done him, sensible of the weightiness of the Work, and asks time to consider of it.

May, 8<sup>th</sup> Mr. Cooke, Col. Hutchinson, Mr. Secretary, Mr. Sergeant, Mr. Belchar of Dedham, Capt. Moss, dine with us. I also paid for the Sheriff and Mr. Dudley. I told Mr. Dudley, I invited him as the Governour's Eldest son. Could not have the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> Capt. Paxton had en-

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<sup>1</sup> The members of a church, that is, the communicants, according to the usage of the time, took the initiative in the election of a minister, and the members of the congregation voted subsequently. — Eds.

gaged him. At night, Dr. Increase Mather married Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Gerrish, and Mrs. Sarah Coney;<sup>1</sup> Dr. Cotton Mather pray'd last. PS. 90. 13 — 2½ staves, I set Windsor Tune. Had Gloves, Sack-Posset, and Cake. Mr. Gerrish, the Minister, and Mr. Pemberton were there. Joseph went to Lecture, but was somewhat faint after it, being the first of his going abroad after his sickness, and was not there. The whole family was Invited.

May, 9. Sixth-day Rainbow —

May, 10. Went a-foot to Roxbury, and bought Mr. Tomson's Gravel, and discours'd Mr. Dimond.

May, 13. 1712. My Wife visits the Bride and Bridegroom at Mr. Coney's; and visits Madam Checkley, who has been so long confin'd.

Midweek, May, 14. I goe to Concord in Austin's Calash. Set out from my own house at five m., got to Mr. Whittings, at Ten. Exercise began about half an hour past eleven, ended about ¼ past one. Great Assembly, Mr. Whiting pray'd, and preach'd from 1 Tim. 3. 1. Mr. Nehemiah Hobart Ask'd if any had to object, 1. of the Church. 2. of the Congregation. 3 of all the present Assembly. Declar'd that the Elders and Messengers of Churches had appointed him to give the charge; Mr. Anger, Brattle, Hancock to join in laying on Hands. Mr. Hobart pray'd excellently, and so gave the Charge, one Word in it was Diligence or Labor, or to that purpose; pray'd again. Declar'd that Mr Anger was to give the Right Hand of Fellowship; which he did. Sung the Forty-Seventh Psalm, G. Mr. Whiting Bless'd the people. Went and Din'd at young Mr. Prescott's. Set out to come home about half an hour after three; went and told Mr. Hutchinson of his Daughters having, by a fall

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<sup>1</sup> It seems (*ante*, pp. 249-251) that Mr. Gerrish had been attentive to Captain Coney's daughter before his marriage with Sewall's daughter. It appears, however, that this second marriage was countenanced by the Sewalls. (See Vol. I. p. xxxviii.) — Eds.

from her Horse, broken her Arm, one of the bones just above the Wrist.

Return'd into my own House a very little before Nine. *Laus Deo.* Gov<sup>r</sup> returns this day.

Fifth day, May, 15<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Cotton Mather preaches from PS. 51. 18. Build thou the Walls of Jerusalem. Sung the 147<sup>th</sup> PS.: the six first verses of it, O. I could not perceive that in either of his prayers he did one jot mention the Building the South-church has in Hand in Settling another Minister. Let the Gracious GOD be in the way, to be found, Near at hand; And even be found before we Seek, Hear before we call! Let the Bountifully Gracious GOD take away the filthy Garments from me, and from my Son, and give us Change of Rayment!<sup>1</sup>

May, 19. Set out for Ipswich from Charlestown with Daniel Hasting; Had the company of young Mr. Stephen Minot. Din'd at Lewis's: By Mr. Gerrishes importunity, I lodg'd at his House, and rode in the Rain next morning to Ipswich; only 3 Judges, Hathorne and Corwin.

Midweek, May, 21. Adjourned *sine die*.

May, 22. The morning being Rainy till about 11., I resolv'd to stay Lecture; and visited the languishing Widow Appleton, who was very glad to see me, as she was bolster'd up in her Bed. After Lecture went to Salem; Lodg'd at Brother Hirst's.

May, 23. Went home by Wiñisiñmet, Brother brought me going.

May, 26. The Gov<sup>r</sup> invites Col. Hutchinson by name to come and eat Salmon with him Election-day morn, and all generally invited.

May, 28. Election-day, the Governour not having appointed me to give the Deputies their oaths as for many years formerly, I went with my Coach to Roxbury. Col.

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<sup>1</sup> Sewall's sensitiveness to every seeming lack of sympathy in any of his clerical friends to the new relation of his son, which so engaged his own paternal feelings, is significant of some disturbed tranquillity. — Eds.



Vetch, and Bro<sup>r</sup> went with me. Col. Hutchinson surprises us by bringing Mr. William Du<sup>m</sup>er, whom I knew not Arrived May 27. at Marblehead, about 4 Weeks passage from Milford Haven. Tells me of Cousin Stork's death, last winter. Coming to Town the Gov<sup>r</sup> took Gov<sup>r</sup> Vetch; and I had Bro<sup>r</sup>, Mr. Williams of Dearfield, Mr. Sam. Lynde.

Note. Before Sermon was done, My Son Joseph was by Sickness oblig'd to go home! which I knew not of till between 9, and 10, when went home after the Election. Which holds, vomiting grievously, hinders his preaching June, 1. as was a<sup>p</sup>ointed, and hinders his giving his Answer to the Church. This Disa<sup>p</sup>ointment is very humbling.

June, 2. Mr. Thacher of Weymouth preaches: I refrain going to Di<sup>n</sup>er; because of my Son's incapacity to feed, I refus'd to Feast. Mr. Sam. Carter din'd with us at home.

Midweek, June 4<sup>th</sup> Council day for A<sup>p</sup>ointment of officers: Col. Hathorne resigns his Judge's place. I went to the Governour a. m. at Mr. Dudley's. Acquainted Him that Col. Townsend, Col. Higginson, and Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> White would be acceptable to me. And so far as I was to be concern'd hop'd the Government would provide better for me, than I for my self; chose to be at home; Had a Consultation of Physicians for my Son; viz. Mr. Cooke, Oakes, Cutler, Williams, Noyes. Col. Thomas and Mr. Thomas Brattle are A<sup>p</sup>ointed Judges.<sup>1</sup> Mr. Brattle denys serving, had not rid 20 miles in 20 years.

June, 5. Mr. Pemberton preaches from Kings being

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<sup>1</sup> The two vacancies on the Supreme Bench were caused by the death of John Walley, and the resignation of John Hathorne "by reason of his great hardness of hearing." Brattle declined, requesting the Secretary "to return his thanks to the Governor and Council for their respect shown him, and, withall, to acquaint them that his bodily infirmities and unacquaintedness with the Law, will not allow of his acceptance of the office of a Justice of the Superior Court." Council Records. — Eds.

Nursing Fathers, &c. [Isaiah, 49. 23.] Mr. Benjamin Lynde of Salem is made Judge, although the Gov<sup>r</sup> objected to me yesterday that twas not convenient to have so many Judges from Salem. Mr. Epes acquainted me with it, said all the Council except his father Brown, voted for him: Gave a good Comēdation of him as a good Man, of the church, keeping good Order in's family.

June 11<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Mercy Wade sends her complaint against Jonathan Willis,<sup>1</sup> her daughter Dorothy's Husband, for his Inhumane Actions; Hatefull Expressions, as well as Murderous Threatenings towards his wife. Order for Willis's Apearance was dated June, 5<sup>th</sup> serv'd June, 9<sup>th</sup> I mov'd twas fit the person complaining should be present. At last several Witnesses were Sworn, and Dorothy Willis, the wife, her Declaration sign'd with her Hand was read; Mr. Wade mov'd a Justice of peace might give her her Oath; At last the Gov<sup>r</sup> order'd an Adjournm't to Friday, and that then she should apear. Willis gave in an Answer against the Complaint, it should have been his wive's Complaint; Crimes general &c. and therefore pray'd it might be dismiss'd.

June, 12. Gov<sup>r</sup> not in Town. Dr. C. Mather preaches from [Psalm] 110. ult. Sam Takes a Vomit. He was taken sick of the Fever and Ague last Tuesday; was fain to leave the Court and come home.

June, 13. 1712. The Gov<sup>r</sup> is very hot in his Nieces Cause. I would have had it put whether the petition should be dismiss'd, as the Respondent pray'd; several seconded me but the Gov<sup>r</sup> refus'd. Council carried it against Dorothy, the wife, taking her oath; Col. Apleton

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<sup>1</sup> Maj. Nathaniel Wade (brother of Maj. Jonathan Wade, Jr., of Ipswich and Medford, whose second wife, living at the date of this "complaint," was Elizabeth, daughter of President Dunster) m. Mercy, youngest daughter of Governor Simon Bradstreet, and niece of Governor Joseph Dudley, and her youngest daughter, Dorothy, m. Jonathan Willis, of Medford. He was the son of Stephen and Hannah (Eliot) Willis. His mother was the daughter of Francis Eliot, and he was thus the second cousin of Joseph Eliot, of Boston, whose daughter Mary he married for his second wife, according to Morse's genealogy. — Ebs.

alleg'd they did not admit Abigail Emery to her Oath. The wife Dorothy is admitted to indorse the Complaint of her Mother, Mrs. Mercy Wade. Hearing is adjourn'd to this day Moneth.

I am put upon a Comittee about Volunteers; Col. Pynchon pleads mightily for it: 12<sup>s</sup> a week besides Subsistence: I argued, I fear'd it might become a Trade; what we did now might be drawn into Example afterward; knew not who might be our Capt. General. If persons should not be spirited by Love to their wives, Children, Parents, Religion, twas a bad Omen: fell below the heathen Romans. At last brought it to 12<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> Wages and Subsistence; and I prevail'd that stand, forces, Marching and in Garrison might have the same Encouragement as to Scalp Money, their danger being as great or greater. Skin for Skin. I sign'd as Chair-man. Council would have had Subsistence and £100 Scalp-money.<sup>1</sup> But Deputies insisted on their own vote; till this Return of the Comittee of both Houses, which they comply'd with. As soon as twas pass'd, the Gov<sup>r</sup> propos'd to set up two Captains in each County; which startled me; I said, Will not that be too much? His Excellency Laugh'd, and said, would drop those that could not raise a company. Said among others, My Eaton!

June, 14. Depts. brought it £200. for the Judges, to be proportion'd according to their Attendance. When Depts. brought in £50. for the Dep. Gov<sup>r</sup>, Governour said, I wish it had been £150. Gov<sup>r</sup> a<sup>p</sup>oints Mr. Secretary and me to Prorogue the Court to July, 16. Midweek 10. m.

Col. Thomas accepts of a Judges place, by Letter.<sup>2</sup>

June, 17. I ride home with my Eldest Son, find all well at Brooklin. Tom brings me back almost to the

<sup>1</sup> The exigencies of Indian warfare had induced the authorities to allow a scale of bounties for the bringing in of Indian scalps. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> The editors have received the following letter, by Judge Sewall, from Mr. Edward F Salisbury, of New Haven, Ct. It was copied by him from

Fullingmill; I visit Mrs. Ruggles, who tells me her Sister Apleton dyed the 9<sup>th</sup> June. About Calef's, Mr. Cōmissary took me into his Chariot, Mr. White Condescending to ride before, sitting hardly. Carried me to Mr. Pemberton's, where paid 10<sup>s</sup> to the Charity School.

Midweek, June 18. Dan' Hasting brings Joseph's Books, a Trunk, Desk &c. from Cambridge. Just before Sunset is a very noble Rainbow, one foot was between the Wind-

the fly-leaf of a manuscript volume of theology in the Library at Yale College. — Eds.

“BOSTON, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 1712.

“REVEREND SIR, — I have yours pr. Mr. Ashly, for which I thank you. I herewith send you Sermons just come out of the Press, which I doubt not but you will find valuable, and specifick for you, in your high Calling. I understand you have the News-Letters at Westfield, and so I can send you little News. The Act of Parliament tolerating Episcopacy in Scotland is a matter of great Consequence. The General Assembly of Scotland in their Recesses appoint a Cōmittee to obviate any Evil during that time. This Cōmission (as they call it) made a very thorow and close Representation to Her Majesty, to prevent the passing of it. But it did not prevail. One thing they complain of is that the Draught for the Act gives up the Church of Scotland Authority over those of their persuasion, which imports an Exemption of the Episcopalians; which they fear will tend to very pernicious Confusion and Disorder.\*

“My Son Joseph Sewall should have preached at the South-Church the first of June; but on the Election-day he was seised with an intermitting Fever, which oblig'd him to quit the Meetingh. before the Sermon was done. Has been followed with vomiting, is now slowly recovering. On Tuesday last my eldest was taken here with the Fever and Ague. I hope he grows better. I desire your Prayers for them Respectively. They both present their humble Service to you, desiring your Prayers. 'Tis a very weighty work Joseph is called to, and especially need your Remembrance of him to the giver of all grace. The Major Genl who was lately the first of our Council, was taken sick at New-London the 5<sup>th</sup> cur't. If he should dye, New England would lose a very worthy Patriot. Madam Winthrop took her journey towards him last Thorsday. Desiring your Earnest Prayers that I

\* “The official changes following the Union brought a few English families to Scotland who were desirous of attending Episcopal Service after the forms to which they had been accustomed. . . . Gradually clergymen of the Church of England crept into the country.” But these are not to be confounded with the remnant of the deposed Scottish hierarchy. The act mentioned by Sewall was intended to protect the new Episcopal clergy in the performance of their ceremonies. See Burton's History of Scotland, VIII, 218-227. Edition of 1873. — Eds.

mill, and the Lazar house;<sup>1</sup> other, on Dorchester Neck. This Afternoon rode with Joseph and his Mother in the Coach round the Cōmon. Note. In the Address to Her Majesty this Court, the Committee had said these Words, *We are well satisfied with the Laying out of our Money.* These words the Deputies obliterated, which the Gov<sup>r</sup> resented, and order'd Mr. Secretary to go in and expostulat with the Deputies; saying, The Council were surpris'd at it. If it had never been in, it had not been so much. But I think it was not alter'd.

June, 19. 1712. There was a great uproar in the S. Meetinghouse just as Mr. Colman was opening his Text, *because he was zealous for his GOD.* Col. Townsend's Kitchen fell a-fire. But twas presently out, and the Assembly rallied. I was not got out. Had an excellent Sermon. After Lecture, before Dīner, the Gov<sup>r</sup> held a Council; ordered the payment of the G. Court's Allowances, Several Muster-Rolls. Just before night I visited Cousin Dūmer, and wish'd her Joy of her Son's safe Arrival.

Sixth-day, June, 20. rode with my wife and Joseph in

may be strengthened in Watching and keeping my garments, that my Walking naked, and men seeing my shame may be prevented, I take Leave who am Sir,

Your loving friend and humble serv<sup>t</sup>

“SAMUEL SEWALL.

“ My service to Madam Taylor.”

[In another hand.]

“ SIR, — I have as I see sent you enclosed Things which you sent for and hope they will suit you.

“ For the Reverend Mr. EDWARD TAYLOR  
At Westfield.”

<sup>1</sup> We find no distinct reference to a lazarus or pest house. Aug. 19, 1702, in a case of sailors taken with small-pox, the Selectmen voted to quarter them “in the house of widow Salter, at the sign of the Roebuck, nigh the South Battery.” Again, April 17, 1710, they voted to instruct “the nurses to attend the man sick of the small-pox at the house on Fort Hill,” evidently the one which the town owned there. Probably the reference in the text is to one of these. — Eds.

our Coach Dorchester Road, almost as far as the first Brook. Brigs's Indian drove us.<sup>1</sup> Mr. Pemberton, and Mr. Abiel Walley visit Joseph.

June, 21. Plentifull Rain.

June, 22. Wallis's House was in danger of being burn'd down last night by a candle.

The Post brings word that the Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> is better. Mr. Pemberton joins him and Joseph together in his Prayer. My Wife at Meeting p.  $\bar{m}$ .

Midweek, June, 25. I go in a Calash with Mr. Josiah Oakes to Reading, to the Ordination of Mr. Richard Brown. Mr. Green, of Salem Village, began with Prayer, Mr. Brown preach'd well from Act. 20. 28., pray'd. Mr. Jer. Shepard ordain'd, pray'd. Mr. Tappan Gave the Right Hand of Fellowship. Mr. Parsons of Maldon pray'd, sung the 122 psalm, York Tune, Mr. Brown gave the Blessing. Got home before 9. *Laus Deo.*

Midweek, July, 2, 1712. Went with Mr. Hale to the com̄encement; at Charlestown fell in with Dr. Cotton Mather, went above a Mile before we got a Calash, and then paid full price. Intended to have staid a Considerable time at Sir Berry's Chamber: but as were going in were inform'd that the President — were gon into the Meetinghouse: upon this I went directly thither: was in the Pue before the President begun his Prayer. Dispute, when the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall came in the Orator was call'd for, Sir Cooper, who Saluted very well, Gov<sup>r</sup>, Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall, L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> his Kinsman.<sup>2</sup> At Diñer Col. Waldron

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<sup>1</sup> This phrase strikes us strangely. Sewall had left college four years before King Philip's war broke the power of the Indians, and yet he lives to write: "Brig's Indian drove us." It seems a most sudden change in the character of the dreaded savage enemy to find him installed as the family charioteer. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Lieutenant-Governor Tailer, as we have shown (Vol. I. p. 63), was own cousin of Mrs. Mehitable Cooper, mother of Rev. William Cooper, the graduate of 1712. (Register, Vol. 18, 289.) Mr. Cooper published a funeral sermon on his kinsman in 1732. — Eds.

sat next me on the out-side. Mr. Shepard was call'd by the Gov<sup>r</sup>, and Return'd Thanks. Mr. P. Dudley set the Tune: At *Gloria Patri*, our L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> stood up, alone.

*P. meridiem.* After the Dispute was over Mr. Barnard made an Oration in Latin. And the President made a Latin Speech, taking the Whistonian Notion about the Flood.<sup>1</sup> Gave the Degrees, Pray'd. Went to the President's house, came home with Mr. Cooke and Mr. Brattle, got over the Ferry very well, being early: Saw a man play Tricks on a Rope on board the Man of War.

July, 5. Mr. Solomon Stoddard, Mr. Williams, [of] Hatfield, Mr. Pemberton Dine with us. Mr. Stoddard crav'd a Blessing, Mr. Pemberton return'd Thanks, Mr. Williams pray'd Excellently; Joseph came down and was present.

July, 9, 1712. Daughter Hirst is brought to Bed of her son William.

13<sup>th</sup> Baptis'd by Mr. Colman. Joseph intended to have gone abroad to day; but was prevented by his Ague that seis'd him quickly after Diñer, which also was a means to hinder my presence at my little William's Baptisme.

July, 15. I and Mr. Gerrish went to Hog-Island and saw the Barn Rais'd, Twas a very Hot Day, yet accomplish'd the work comfortably. I carried over a Jugg of Madera of Ten Quarts. Went in Langden's Boat. We took water to come home when twas almost dark: past Nine before we Landed; having a Contrary Wind.

I drove a Pin, and gave a 5<sup>s</sup> Bill in Mr. Thacher and Danforth's Book.<sup>2</sup> Gave a Book to my Tenant Belchar,

<sup>1</sup> Probably the work of Rev. William Whiston (born in 1667, died in 1752), an able scholar both in theology and science. He is now, perhaps, best known as the translator of Josephus. For several years he was professor of mathematics in the University of Cambridge. Before his appointment to that place he had published "A new Theory of the Earth, from its Original to the Consummation of all things." This work contains "A Solution of the Phenomena relating to the Universal Deluge." — EDS.

<sup>2</sup> This mention may serve for a note to identify the book on Consolations, which Sewall gave away so freely the previous year. (*Ante*, p. 298.) It was,

his Brother Bill, Mr. Baker of Linn. Mr. Chiever Crav'd a Blessing and Return'd Thanks.

July, 17. Thunder and Lightening: about 4. p. m. The House of W<sup>m</sup> Morean at Brooklin was miserably Shatter'd and Maul'd, Timbers broken yet no person kill'd. Comissioners met at Dr. Cotton Mather's; Rain'd hard going and coming.

July, 21. Rain falls very plentifully which I hope Soakes the Ground. Gave Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall 18. Catalogues.

July 22. Dr. C. Mather, Sir Charles Hobby, Major Fitch and I set out for Natick. At Mills's the President meets us, Fisher conducts us, Mr. Deming in company, Benj. Larnell waited on us. Murat was there with his Trumpet.

[This volume of the original Journal closes with the following memoranda.]

July, 13, 1709. Fire in my Closet.

*Mitto tibi P* Augt. 1705.

*Oceani fluctus* — 7: 10. 1705.

Sam' Hirst born Octob<sup>r</sup> 23. 1705.

The bawdy bloody Cross at length — Nov<sup>r</sup> 25, 1705. Dec<sup>r</sup> 24.

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Tom. Child had often painted death Nov<sup>r</sup> 10. 1705.

Mr. Jacob Melyen dyes Dec<sup>r</sup> 13. 170.

Sister Short dyed xr. 18. 1706.

Mr. James Baily *moritur* Jan<sup>r</sup> 18. 170<sup>g</sup>.

Nobilitus March, 8. 170<sup>g</sup>.

House broken up, June, 16, 1707.

Mr. Willson dies 7: 12 1707.

Jn<sup>o</sup> Jekyl esqr sworn 8: 31.

M. Winthrop marries Mrs. Eyre Nov<sup>r</sup> 13. 1707.

French Trade, Nov<sup>r</sup> 20.

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doubtless, the one entitled "Nehemiah. A Brief Essay on Divine Consolations, how great they are; and how great the regards to be paid unto them, with an application thereof to some frequent cases, especially the Death of Relatives. Offered at the Lecture in Boston, 30 d., 9. m., 1710. By Cotton Mather, D. D. . . . Boston in New England. Printed by Bartholomew Green, 1710." sm. 4to, pp. 24. It is dedicated to Sewall. — Eds.



Gov: Fitz John Winthrop's Funeral Dec: 4.  
 Mr. President Leverett Dec: 5. Install'd Jan: 14<sup>th</sup>  
 Marriage Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Winthrop, Mrs. Añe Dudley xr. 16, 1707.  
 Arthur Mason buried March, 6. 17<sup>g</sup>.  
 Dr. Duñer  
 Indifferent Flynt } Augt. 23-27-1708  
 Col. Tailer's wife buried } Sept: 2. Mad<sup>m</sup> Lyd  
 Haverhill insulted Augt. 29.  
 Mr. Chiever's Funeral Sermon, 7: 9<sup>th</sup>  
 Mary Winthrop baptised, 7: 19. 1708.  
 Cous. Elisa Noyes dies Oct: 5. Maiden name was Tapan.  
 Elder Clap buried Oct: 18.  
 Capt. Checkly, 20-1708.

Friday, July, 25. 1712. Went to Cambridge in the Castle Barge with the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, Mr. Sergeant, Mr. Eliakim Hutchinson, Mr. Benjamin Lynde; to a Corporation Meeting. In the Library the said Lynde disabled himself in a Speech; and then took the Oaths and subscribed the Declaration. Rec'd his Comission, and Mr. Secretary administered the Oath belonging to a Judge of the Superiour Court, to him. Barnard, Eustace and others view'd the Roof of the Colledge which S. Andrews built, and judg'd it necessary to be taken down, by reason of the Rain and Rottenness the Gable-Ends had convey'd to the Timbers.

His Excellency held a Council to hear Stimson complaining of Col. Foxcroft, the Judge of Probat; Present, Lieut. Gov<sup>r</sup>, Sewall, Addington, Sergeant, Townsend, E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Joseph Lynde, Andrew Belcher Esqrs. Had a very good Dinner; Mr. Justice Lynde din'd with the Overseers. Mr. Colman went down with us in the Barge: only Mr. Bridge and he were there of the Boston Ministers: Mr. Bridge return'd Thanks.

Seventh-day, July 26. I went to enquire whether Col. Thomas was come to Town, and his daughter-in-law Thomas inform'd me that he was sick, like to dye the last Lord's Day.

Lord's Day July, 27. Mr. Joseph Sewall goes to Meet-

ing in the Fore-Noon: Note was, Joseph Sewall being, after long Sickness, in some good measure Restored, desires Thanks may be given to GOD: and begs Prayers, that he may profit by the Affliction; and may have his Health perfected and Confirmed.

July, 29. Went alone to the Ferry in the Coach, Capt. Sam<sup>l</sup> Gookin, the under-Sheriff, met me at Charlestown, and Mr. Bordman the Steward. Before Mr. Lynde's Co<sup>m</sup>mission was read I said, Although the Court be not so full as we could have desired, yet through the good providence of GOD there is a Court, a Court consisting entirely of such as have been brought up in the Society happily founded in this place by our Ancestors: Our Alma Mater will Grace us; it behooves us that we do not disgrace our Alma Mater. One worthy Member of this Court has been removed by death. Another has given us a further Instance of his Integrity by resigning his place because he apprehended himself incapable of sustaining it by reason of the Infirmities of his Age, (hardness of hearing). The Government have appointed two worthy Gentlemen to sustain these places; Col. Thomas, last Lord's Day was Se<sup>n</sup>ight, was Sick likely to dy, which prevented his Attendance. In the Gentleman present I hope we shall have an Instance of the Advantage of an Inns of Court education superadded to that of Harvard College.<sup>1</sup> To shew that he has Right to sit here, his Commission shall now be read to you. Note. Mr. Brattle pray'd Excellently.

July, 29. The Adjournment was so late, that I lodg'd at Mr. Brattle's.

July, 30. Mr. Steadman brought me home round: I

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<sup>1</sup> Benjamin Lynde, who was graduated at Harvard in 1686, studied law at the Temple. He succeeded Sewall, as chief justice, in 1728, and held that post till his death, January 28, 1744-45. His son Benjamin was appointed to the bench at that date, became chief justice in 1771, but resigned the same year. — Eds.

visited my Son and Daughter, and Grand-Children at Brooklin. This day Mr. W<sup>m</sup> Pain's Negro Woman cast her self from the Top of the house above, 40. foot high. I went to the old Church Lecture: Mr. Bridges Text — we are members one of another.

July, 31. Williams calls me to the Tomb, I go into it to view the order of things in it. Mr. Willard was taken out yesterday, and laid in the new Tomb built by the South-Congregation.

Augt. 1. Enlarge the number of Steps by adding one more. Dug a hole in the North-East Corner and there buried the scattering bones, and buried the pieces of Coffins in Mrs. Willard's Grave.

Augt. 2. Shut up the Tomb. Went to the Funeral of Rebekah Dudley, not a fortnight old; laid in Mr. Allen's Tomb.

Wednesday, Augt. 6. Meeting at Bro<sup>r</sup> Cole's: I concluded with Prayer. Went from Mr. Co<sup>m</sup>missary's; he offered me his Chariot for my Son to ride out.

Augt. 7. Dr. C. Mather preaches a sermon on occasion of the Heat, out of Rev. — sun nor heat. Cousin Storke dines with us and Mr. Webb.

Friday, Augt. 8. p. m. Very hot words pass'd between the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> and Mr. Co<sup>m</sup>missary; each said he was barbarously Treated. Mr. Co<sup>m</sup>missary said he sat in Council upon equal terms with the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, which Col. Tailer took very hainously. Gov<sup>r</sup> said Queen had but 3 officers here; Gov<sup>r</sup>, L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, and Secretary. Council is to meet again next Monday.

Lord's Day, Augt<sup>t</sup> 10. 1712. Joseph goes to Meeting forenoon and p. m. Mr. Pemberton prays very particularly for him. No Baptisme.

Augt. 16. I bring daughter Hirst to her Mother in a Calash, and carry her home. When return, I visit Mr. Wadsworth, desire his Prayers for Joseph, D[daughter] Hirst, Jn<sup>o</sup> Stuckey. Give a verse to him and to Mr. Pemberton of Mr. Wadsworth.

Augt. 17. Mr. Pemberton goes to the Castle to preach ; Hear nothing particular in Mr. Wadsworth's prayer, only *for this Flock*. On Satterday Mr. Pemberton spake of my Son's riding in Mr. Cōmissary's Charret ; Mr. Cōmissary had spoken to me of it ; spake as if he would go with him to Cambridge. Augt. 19. I visit my little Grand-daughter Mary Sewall at Brooklin ; sick of a Fever and Flux ; had Mr. Bridgham's company ; From thence to Roxbury Lecture ; Mr. Walter's Text, Mat. 26. 28. Many of Boston there : visited the Gov<sup>r</sup> Mr. Paul Dudley and his Sisters, Mrs. Kath<sup>a</sup> and Mary, set out this morn for New-London. Left the Gov<sup>r</sup> two of Mr. Hobart's verses. Went to go to the Funeral of Mr. W<sup>m</sup> Pain's Son, about 4 years old ; but when I came to B. Walker's Corner understood the Funeral was gon to the North-End ; so desisted. Mr. Pemberton and Mr. Cōmissary and son walk'd a considerable time together on the Parade ;<sup>1</sup> I went to them to see if Capt. Belchar would say any thing of riding out ; said nothing.

Augt. 20. 1712. Madam Elisa. Whetcomb, 57. years old, buried ;<sup>2</sup> Bearers, Cook, Sewall ; Addington, Belchar ; Bromfield, Borland. Neither Gov<sup>r</sup> nor L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> there.

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<sup>1</sup> Of course this was not our Parade Ground on the Charles Street Mall, that being but recently recovered from the sea. But, as B. Walker's corner was on Boylston Street, we may fairly presume that some neighboring part of the Common had already obtained the name. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Mrs. Elizabeth Whetcomb was, presumably, the second wife of the James Whetcomb whose will, dated Nov. 7, 1686, is in Suffolk Wills, Vol. XI. fol. 55. He was a merchant, and, by wife Rebecca, had James, born Nov. 30, 1662 ; Peter, March 1, 1664 ; Peter, Dec. 7, 1666 ; Joseph, Nov. 26, 1667 ; Rebecca, June 20, 1671 ; Richard, May 3, 1673. By wife Elizabeth he had William, born April 21, 1680 ; William, Sept. 9, 1681 ; Elizabeth, April 2, 1683.

His will mentions son James, daughters Jane and Rebecca, wife Elizabeth, and "those dear babes, William and Elizabeth, which God hath given me by her." Also he bequeaths "my father's and mother's pictures." Also he mentions his uncle Edward Willys.

Thomas and Rebecca Whetcomb had James, born Aug. 31, 1669 ; Samuel Whetcomb married Abigail Champney, April 24, 1701. — Eds.

Went as soon as ever the Court rose. Gave Mr. Colman one of Mr. Hobart's verses. Augt. 21. Could not perceive that Mr. Bridge pray'd for my Son.

Augt. 22. Finish the Act that in part takes off the entail of Jn<sup>o</sup> Clark esqr. his estate. Augt. 21. My Son brings us word that Mr. Hobart was dangerously sick. I tell Mr. Bridge and Pemberton of it and he was pray'd for publickly. Augt. 33. The Gov<sup>r</sup> speaks with some earnestness that we should not give the Ordinary Court the go-by, in taking off Entails; it was in their power to take off Entails.

Augt. 24. Son sends Tom with a Letter to acquaint me that his daughter Mary died about 1 or 2 a'clock last night; his wife sick. p. m. I send the Letter to Mr. Pemberton. Both Mr. Bridge and Pemberton pray very Expressly for my Son as call'd to the south-church. I goe to the Funeral of Capt. Oliver's child. Bearers, Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Walley, Mr. David Jeffries. Mr. Pemberton deliver'd me my Son's Letter at the house of Mourning.

Second-day, Augt. 25. Between Roxbury, and Brooklin I met a youth of Newtown, who told me Mr. Hobart<sup>2</sup> dyed about Sun-rise this morning. Proceeded and waited on Madam Dudley in her Charret to Brooklin. So soon as I could get the Coffin, I had little Mary nail'd up in it, and brought my dear Grand-Child to Town in my son's Calash, leaving my Horse for him. The Rain overtook me near the Governour's, yet I proceeded, and got to my

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<sup>1</sup> From the note-book of Samuel Sewall, Jr., we extract the following:—

“Dec. 23, 1711. Daughter Mary had a convulsion fitt and continued to have them till Tuesday noon following, being 25th instant; in which time she had 14 fitts. January 29. Daughter Mary had a fitt about sundown and continued to have them till Thursday afternoon following, being 31 of January; in which time she had 22 fitts. Feb. 1. 1711–12, putt daughter Mary to neighbour Gleason for to suckle her: suckled her a month. March 2 had 4 fitts; April 4th, four fitts at nurse Pike's; April 16 brought her from nurse Pike's after been there a month, and April 17th had 2 fitts.”—Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Rev. Nehemiah Hobart, H. C. 1667. He was a Fellow of the College.  
—Eds.

House, just about Two a-clock. About sun-set, or a little after, little Mary Sewall, born July, 20, 1711, was born to the Tomb by Mr. William Cooper, and Mr. Appleton, Mr. Dan<sup>l</sup> Oliver's A<sup>p</sup>rentice. The Father follow'd alone, then the Gov<sup>r</sup> and I. The Grandmothers rode in the Governour's Charret.

Tuesday, Augt. 26. I went with my Son and Mr. Nichols in a Calash to the Funeral of Mr. Hobart. Mr. Co<sup>m</sup>missary carried Mr. Pemberton in his Charret. The Gov<sup>r</sup> went with four Horses. Bearers, President, Mr. Thacher of Milton; Mr. Danforth of Dorchester, Mr. Brattle of Cambridge; Mr. Belcher of Dedham, Mr. Pemberton; Mr. Flint, Mr. Barnard, and Mr. Stephens led the three Daughters. Gov<sup>r</sup>, and Sewall; Mr. Co<sup>m</sup>missary and Bromfield follow'd next after the Mourners. A great many people there. Suppose there were more than Forty Graduates. Was inter'd a little more than an hour before Sun-set. Mr. Danforth went to Prayer; mention'd his having been there more than Forty years. Got home well about eight.

Midweek, Augt. 27. I went to Hog-Island with Latherby to see how the Workmen finished the Barn. Saw two Sloops go away with Hay; Turn'd down with them against the Wind. Visited Dr. Increase Mather. He is touch'd with the Gravel. Benj. Larnell kick'd Joshua Gee.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 28. I went to his Father and ask'd his pardon. Mr. Pemberton preaches a Funeral Sermon on Mr. Hobart, My father — [2 Kings, 13. 14.]

Augt. 29. My Son and I go to the Meeting at Mr. Phillips's. Mr. Pemberton preach'd excellently. Mr. Phillips spake very kindly to Joseph. Yesterday visited Mrs. Hatch and her new married daughter, Davis; Went to the Funeral of Mrs. Lillie's Son, about 8 years old.

Tuesday, 7r. 23. 1712. Had a Meeting of the Co<sup>m</sup>missioners at my house to adjust the Affairs of the Journey

to Martha's Vinyard; That very night I fell sick of a Fever.

7r. 25. Am kept at home by my illness: go to Bed, Vomit: p. m̄ am visited by Mr. Wadsworth, Mr. Clap, Dr. C. Mather and others.

7r 27<sup>th</sup> It plainly shews it self to be the Fever and Ague. Madam Wharton died last night, 2 hours past midnight.

7r 28. Sit up all the night after the Sabbath and take a vomit, which works well. Mr. Oakes sits with me. My Fits do not yet leave me but are only Burning without any discernible preceding Cold. 7r 30. Madam Wharton buried; Bearers, Mr. Cooke, Sergeant; E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Belchar; Mr. Nelson, Borland. I was sent [for] to be a Bearer, but my sickness disabled me. Octob<sup>r</sup> 4. Satterday, About 4 p. m̄. Cousin Green is brought to Bed of a Son. Sam. Kneeland told me of it, to whom I gave a shilling. Octob<sup>r</sup> 5. Mr. Pemberton baptiseth this little son, whom his Father named Samuel. Now about my Fever ceaseth.

Monday, Octob<sup>r</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Mr. James Meers<sup>1</sup> dieth, about 67. years old, born in Boston. I have eaten many a Diñer of his Dressing.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> The Gov<sup>r</sup> sets out for Pascataqua.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Mr. Meers buried: Bearers, Dering, Capt. Williams; Mr. Cutler, George, &c.

Satterday, Octob<sup>r</sup> 11. The Mast Fleet arrives, in which comes Capt. Keeling, Mr. Newton's son, Mrs. Vallentine. William my Barber told me of it first. Mr. Clark of the Co<sup>m</sup>on, [Commissioner] Mr. Alford.

Lord's-day, 8<sup>r</sup> 12. The Norwest Wind blows so hard, and Cold, that I venture not abroad. This day Mr. Joseph Sewall's Answer to the Church and Congregation's Call, was read to them.

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<sup>1</sup> James Meers, or Meares, was a caterer in the town. He was one of the original members of the Brattle Street Society. — Eds.

Midweek, 8<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1712. Mr. Pemberton visits us, staid a good while, was very placid. This day the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, Col. Townsend, and my Son S. S. come home from the Vinyard.

Sabbath, Octob<sup>r</sup> 19. I am restored from sickness to the publick Celebration of the Lords day; for which I put up a Note, that GOD may have the Praise, and that He would teach me to profit by my Afflictions. Mr. Wadsworth pray'd Excellently for me and Mr. Secretary recovering. Third-day, 8<sup>r</sup> 21. Dr. Mather, Mr. Walter, I and my Son Joseph ride in the Coach to Newtown, to assist in keeping a Fast there, to Pray GOD'S Direction of them in Calling a Minister. Mr. Walter prays, Dr. C. Mather Preaches and Prays. Sup with Mr. Hobart's Daughters. Got home well. *Laus Deo.*

Oct<sup>r</sup> 22. Court sits. Oct<sup>r</sup> 23. Mr. Colman preaches from [Ps.] 132. 7. Dr. C. Mather, Mr. Bridge, Brother, Mr. Rawlins &c, dine with us.

Sixth-day, Octob<sup>r</sup> 24, 1712. The Queen's Proclamation<sup>1</sup> for Cessation of Arms, is brought by Capt. Thacher from Newfoundland; Read in Council, and in the House of Deputies; sent to the Press. Note. 8<sup>r</sup> 23. at night, Bro<sup>r</sup> Sewall, Sister Northend, Cousin Hañah Moodey of York, Cousin Pain of the Great Island, Son Sewall of Brooklin, cousin Jn<sup>o</sup> Northend Sup with me, my wife, Son Joseph Sewall and Daughter Hañah.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> Son J. S. and I go to Mr. Pemberton's privat Meeting. Made a good Thanks-giving Sermon from PS. 116. 9.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 25. Mrs. Wells, widow, of Salem, dies 70. years

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<sup>1</sup> In August, "Bolingbroke and Torcy signed a suspension of arms for four months, — a term afterwards prolonged, — and which was not, like the former, confined to the armies in the Netherlands, but extending to all parts of the world, both by land and sea. From this moment, it may be said that, in effect, peace was re-established between the two nations." Stanhope's Reign of Queen Anne, Ch. XV. The proclamation was issued on the 18th of August. — Eds.



old. Octob<sup>r</sup> 28. Tuesday, at Noon, Mr. Robert Kitchen dies, aged 56.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 29. Hearing before the Court as to Salem middle precinct.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 30. Council voted in favour of the Precinct, asserting their having worthily performed their Promise in Building a Meeting House &c. Deputies Concur. Day of very sore Rain. Dr. Cotton Mather preaches from Luke 21. 36. That you may be accounted worthy to escape.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 31. Order for Thanksgiving is past: The Secretary writ *Peace*; the Gov<sup>r</sup> added *Happy*; which I objected against; because we saw but one side, we saw not what the French had reserved for themselves.<sup>1</sup> Voted it not. I would have had it plentiful *later* Harvest; because the Wheat and Rye were much blasted; the Barly much diminished: but I prevail'd not. Sister Northend returns.

1712, Nov<sup>r</sup> 1. Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall comes to Town.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> Lords-Day; Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall and Col. Thomas come to the South Assembly: Mr. J. Sewall preaches a. m. Mr. Bridge p. m.

1712, Nov<sup>r</sup> 3. I procure Col. Thomas to be sent for before the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council, where he takes the Oaths, Subscribes the Declaration, and receiv's the Comission from the Governour. The Bill<sup>2</sup> for forcing the Bills of Credit to be accepted in all payments for the future, was again read, debated: and a Conference order'd upon it on Tuesday morning. Tuesday, Nov<sup>r</sup> 4. Mr. Jonathan Belchar comes to me and speaks very freely for passing the Act about Bills of Credit; said I should do well to be out of the way rather than hinder so great a good! I went

<sup>1</sup> Referring to the famous Peace of Utrecht. See note 1, p. 392. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> See Palfrey, Hist. of New England, IV. 333, 334, and the authorities cited by him. — Eds.

to the Court at Pullin's; when we were busy in our Work Maxwell was sent to call us to the Conference, which was unexpected. When came there the Gov<sup>r</sup> surpris'd me by saying that I and Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson were appointed to manage the Conference. However, I, after many had spoken, Spake to this effect. "I was at making of the first Bills of Credit in the year 1690: They were not made for want of Money; but for want of Money in the Treasury. If the Government pass this Act, they Comānd and Compell men to Lend them that value. None are oblig'd to take them. He that has Bills may want every thing else. Mr. Cōmissary gave me occasion to mention the sad effect such a like Act had at Barbados. Gov<sup>r</sup> said they were ready to knock one another in the head.

"The Government may make a vast Quantity of Bills of Credit, and leave them with us in Exchange for our Estates.

"If money be wanting, Twere a better expedient to oblige Creditors to take Wheat, Indian Corn, Salt, Iron, Wool at a moderat valuation, as twas of old: Then there would be *Quid pro Quo*; whereas now privat Creditors are forc'd to take the publick Faith for payment for their Comodity. The Merchants that complain of the scarcity of Money, tis they that have sent it away, and do send it away."<sup>1</sup>

Return'd to the Super<sup>r</sup> Court; Dr. Cotton Mather dines with us.

Thursday, Nov<sup>r</sup> 6. Make a considerable Entertainment.

<sup>1</sup> This act will be found on pp. 700, 701, of Vol. I. of the reprint of the Province laws. It is Chap. VI., and is entitled "An Act to prevent the oppression of debtors." Referring to "the great scarcity of money and the want of other adequate media," it provides that all debts incurred between Oct. 30, 1705, and Oct. 30, 1715, "specialties and express contracts in writing always excepted," may be paid in "good and lawful bills of credit on this province." It was a "legal-tender act." — Eds.

Have the Gov<sup>r</sup>, Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall, Lieut Gov<sup>r</sup>, Major Pigeon, Mr. Whiting out of Captivity; Mr. Secretary, Mr. Comisary, Mr. Pemberton.

Friday, Nov<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Bill passes, was read 3 times this day with the Deputies. This is the date of Mr. Harris's preface against Dr. Increase Mather.

Saturday, Nov<sup>r</sup> 8. I went not to Court because I was unwilling to be present at Reading the Engrossed Bill.

Friday Nov<sup>r</sup> 7. I visited Bro<sup>r</sup> Belknap on his Sickbed; said he was hoping in the Free Grace of GOD. Mr. Wadsworth Dines with us, Mr. Speaker, Col. Hutchinson, Townsend.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 9. Lords day, Mr. Wadsworth couples Mr. Pemberton and my Son in his prayer.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 10. Ride to Salem in a Calash with Mr. Dudley.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 11. Col. Thomas comes to us. Capt. Norden and Mr. Speaker were Justices specially assign'd for the cause between Marston and Brown.

Midweek, Nov<sup>r</sup> 12. Mr. Blower preaches a very good Sermon — whether present or absent may be Acceptable to Christ. Ministers dine with us, Major Brown, Higginson, Epes.

Thursday, adjourn *sine die*, just at night. A great Snow falls, that were fain to leave our Calash at Lewis's. Spar'd Mr. Corwin our Horse back; met him at Lewis's going and coming. Got home comfortably. *Laus Deo*. Met with my Wedding Gloves and Bride-cake from Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall.<sup>1</sup>

Nov<sup>r</sup> 17. My Son and I visit Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall and his Bride.

19. Midweek, very high Tide.

18. Tuesday. Mr. Belknap buried. Joseph was in-

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<sup>1</sup> Bond says that Governor Gurdon Saltonstall, of Connecticut, was thrice married. His second wife, Elizabeth Rosewell, died Sept. 12, 1710; and he married, thirdly, Mrs. Mary Clarke, daughter of William and Mary (Lawrence) Whittingham, and relict of William Clarke, of Boston. — Eds.

vited by Gloves, and had a scarf given him there, which is the first. Mr. Pemberton is not well.

20. Joseph preaches in the Forenoon, Mr. Pemberton not abroad.

22. Satterday. About 30 Horsmen come and accompany Mr. Thair<sup>1</sup> to Roxbury: He is to be ordain'd next Wednesday.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 22. My desire of seeing foreign Countries was incomparably abated, by considering that at Home I might visit GOD, in whom all Perfection of Goodness is Centred.

Midweek 9<sup>r</sup> 26. Mr. Thair is ordain'd; Mr. Danforth, Dorchester, gave the Charge, Mr. Walter the Right Hand of Fellowship. Mr. Short tells us he was ordain'd the 12. 9<sup>r</sup> Mr. Gr[indall] Rawson gave the Charge, Mr. S. Danforth Right Hand Fellowship.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 26. 1712. Mrs. Sarah More died last Satterday night, was buried this day. Bearers, Elisha Hutchinson, Sewall; Oaks, Barnard; Gilbert, Shipreve. Aged 80 years. Dr. Incr. Mather said her death was like a Translation, wish'd he might dye so. She was a very loving familiar friend of ours. Buried in the Old burying place.

27. Dr. Cotton Mather preaches from Heb. 13. In a few words. Mr. Thacher, Blower, Shortt &c dine with us.

In the evening in the Street Mr. Pemberton spake to me whether some further step should not be taken about Joseph. Spake of the church's Thanking him for his Answer and desiring his readiness to assist. I told him, I left it to him. Three persons buried to day; Capt. Oburn,<sup>2</sup> Mr. Edwards's infant Son, widow Flack.

<sup>1</sup> Ebenezer Thayer, H. C. 1708. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> James Oborn, of Boston, made his will Nov. 15, 1712, which is not recorded, but is on the files (No. 3460). In it he mentions his wife Abigail (he married Abigail Winslow May 11, 1702), and gives £100 to his daughter Abigail when eighteen or married. He uses as his seal one bearing the Sheaffe arms, and Jacob Sheaffe was one of the witnesses. See the *Heraldic Journal*, IV. 81, where the name is wrongly printed Osborn. — Eds.

Nov: 28. Major Livingston and Armstrong arrive in Waters from Annapolis. Weeks passage.

Friday, Dec: 12. Gov: Mr. Pemberton, Brother, his son Sam, dine with us.

17. Sam sails in Cap: Sunderland for Barbados.

18. Mr. Wadsworth preaches of the Talents, and our Accountableness.

A little while ago Capt. Belchar presents me with half a Quintal of Fish.

Dec: 18. After Lecture, and Di:ner I go to the Funeral of Capt. Sam: Hayman, aged 70. years. Bearers, Col. Elisha Hutchinson, Sewall; Addington, Sergeant; E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Belchar. He was at Boston Lecture this day Se:night, and died on the Lords-day night. He was a Lover of New-England.

Dec: 19. Benj. Larnell's Books and Bedding are carried to Cambridge by Tho. Hutchins.

20. He visits the School, presents his Master, Sub-master, and the Scholars, each a copy of verses. I added two to the last.

*Erroresque meos mihi condonate perosos ;  
Absentique mihi precibus succurrite semper.*

Very cold blustering day; we have 3 cords wood brought into yard that came from Hog Island yesterday.

Febr. 3. 17 $\frac{1}{3}$  Madam Elisa. Hutchinson dies about 9. mane; Suddenly.

Febr. 4. privat Meeting at our house, pretty number of Men; Mr. Tilly here; tis the first Meeting he has been at since his Sickness. Sung 3 Staves 27<sup>th</sup> Ps. W[indsor] v. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and the last 4 Lines of the 9<sup>th</sup> verse. Cousin Savage was here with his new wife.

Febr. 5<sup>th</sup> Mr. Bridge gives Madam Hutchinson a great Character, as to her Piety and Charity, Exact Walk.

Febr. 6. My son visits us from Brooklin.

Febr. 7. 7th day. Madam Hutchinson is buried; Bear-

ers, Cooke, Sewall; Addington, Townsend; Bromfield, Belcher; came to the South-burying place. Col. Hutchinson by reason of his Sore Toe was fain to ride in the Coach. Mr. Edward Hutchinson, and Madam Woolcot were the principal Mourners; Son and Daughter by Freak, and Hutchinson.<sup>1</sup>

Febr. 9. Council at Roxbury; Mr. Secretary, Bromfield, Sewall, Belchar ride in his coach.

Tuesday, Febr. 10. A vehement storm of Snow. Mr. Stoddard sent his Coach to fetch me to the Comissioners Meeting at his House. When return'd could scarce get in at my door for a great Drift of Snow blown up there; were fain to Shovel it away first.

Wednesday, Febr. 11. Mr. Aaron Porter<sup>2</sup> is ordain'd pastor of the church at Meadford. Mr. Angier gave the charge; Mr. Hancock, the Right Hand of Fellowship. The storm foregoing hinder'd my Son from being there. And Mr. Jonathan Belchar made a Splendid Treat for Mr. Wainwright, to which my Son was invited on Tuesday; were many more people there than the Meetinghouse would hold.

Febr. 12. Sam. comes not to Town as he intended. In the Afternoon Devotion informs my wife of his very uncomfortable Circumstances, and of the Necessity of fetching him to Boston.

Friday, Febr. 13. Joseph and I ride in Mr. Stoddard's Coach to Brooklin, got thither at Eleven a. m: find Sam abed. In a little while got him up, din'd there, came away. I was somewhat afraid, by reason his [Joseph's] Pulse was disorder'd. But the Coach being close, Harry drove us home well about 4. p. m̄. At Brooklin I saw the Lambs, encourag'd Tom. to be faithfull in his Masters business, which he promis'd. Told him he could not obey

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<sup>1</sup> This was Elizabeth, second wife of Elisha Hutchinson. She was daughter of Major Thomas Clark, and married, first, John Freke. — Ebs.

<sup>2</sup> Graduated H. C. 1708. — Ebs.

his Master without obedience to his Mistress; and *vice versa*; bid him take that as a Rule. Gave him a Two-shilling Bill of Credit. When my daughter alone, I ask'd her what might be the cause of my Son's Indisposition, are you so kindly affectioned one towards another as you should be? She answer'd, I do my Duty. I said no more.<sup>1</sup> At parting I pray'd God to be with us going, and with them staying. Son gave Hañah a piece of Silver.

Saterdag, Febr. 14. Cousin Moodey of York comes in the night; which made me think of those words; The Lord that comforteth all those that are cast down, comforteth us by the Coming of Titus.

Febr. 16. Mr. Moodey departs about noon. Brill calls just at night, From the Gov<sup>r</sup> enquires of my Son's Well-fare.

Febr. 17. Great Snow. Tom comes for Meal. I give him half a Bushel of pease home with him, of our best. All well at Brooklin. I enquired of my daughter, Hañah, and the whole family.

Febr. 19. Lecture-day, son S. goes to Meeting, speaks to Mr. Walter. I also speak to him to dine. He could not; but said he would call before he went home. When he came he discours'd largely with my Son; I also spake to him: His advice was, that Ilsly should be put away; some Friends talk to them both and so come together again. My Son was very helpfull to me in copying out Dr. Mather's Circular Letter.<sup>2</sup>

Febr. 21. Saterdag, Daughter Sewall calls and gives us a visit; I went out to carry my Letters to Savil's, that

<sup>1</sup> In our first volume (Introd. p. xxvii) will be found the result of this domestic disturbance. It culminated, two years later, in a separation which lasted for three years. Judge Sewall's delicacy, in his references to the alienation between his daughter-in-law and his son, exhibits one of the winning traits of his character. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This Circular Letter probably was not printed, as it does not appear in Sibley's list of the works of Dr. Increase Mather, nor in the brief list of Cotton Mather's publications. — Eds.

were to be carried by Mr. Crocker to Barnstable. While I was absent, My Wife and Daughter Sewall had very sharp discourse; She wholly justified her self, and said, if it were not for her, no Maid could be able to dwell at their house. At last Daughter Sewall burst out with Tears, and call'd for the Calashe. My wife relented alsó, and said she did not design to grieve her; Son carried his daughter to the Calash, and desired her to send Tom with the Horse for him on Friday.

Febr. 25. Sore Storm of Rain. Brill comes to Town, and acquaints that the Gov<sup>r</sup> was taken with a sore Fit of the Gravel last night; so cânt be a Council to day.

Febr. 27. Friday, A Council is held at the Governour's, who is now below Stairs. Saw my Son, but spake not to him. When the business of the Council was over, and pipes were call'd for, I slipt into Kitchen; but my Son was gon; sat with Madam Dudley alone a pretty while; She said nothing to me; I gave her my Silk-Hand-kerchief, which I bought last Satterday for my daughter, but was prevented giving it to her, she being just gon before I got home. Yet this occasion brought her not to speak; Ask'd kindly after my Wife. Went to the Gov<sup>r</sup> agen, Took leave, came home as went, with Capt. Belchar, Bromfield, Norden.

Febr. 28. Amos Gates comes to Town, and says my Son is better.

March 2. Monday, Madam Elisa. Addington dyes, aged 76 years; died  $\frac{1}{4}$  after one p. m. By accident I call'd in and pray'd God to accompany him in his Solitude. Went to meet Col. Townsend and go with him to Col. Hutchinson to certify about a Counterfeit Bill; knowing nothing of this Death. Had been married 46. years.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> This was Elizabeth (Bowen), wife of Secretary Isaac Addington. He married again, Nov. 19th following, Elizabeth, widow of Hon. John Wainwright. — Eds.



Note. James Peñiman was buried last Lord's-day night; Bearers, Mr. Cutler, Creese; Beñet, Brisco; Ellis, Steward. Mr. Bridge and Wadsworth were there, being I suppose invited, and to comfort the Relations. He had been such a Drunkard and Idler that I went not to the Funeral, having no heart to it. My son preaches at Mr. Bridgham's Meeting Lord's day night.

March 3. m. Am sent for to Mrs. Fifield, as dying. I went, staid some time, and Mr. Pemberton came and pray'd with her; spake very little, Breath'd hard. I came away, Quickly after was told she was dead. Died between 9 and 10 in the morning; a good friend of ours, as her Ancestors before her. She was a diligent, frugal, Chaste Woman.

March, 4. Capt. Whiting tells me of his Father's death last Satterday, an hour before Sun-set. To be buried on Thursday.

March, 5. A very severe cold Night and day. Mr. Bridge preaches from Isa. 63. 5: show'd that when the set time was come, GOD would destroy Babylon, though expected helpers fail'd. Before last prayer, acquainted the Congregation with Mr. Whiting's death, to be bewail'd, and the Church sympathiz'd with. After Lecture, Madam Addington buried. Bearers, L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> Tailer, Sewall; Sergeant, E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson; Belcher, Bromfield. Buried in a brick Grave in the Old burying place.

March, 6. Mr. Sever calls in to see us. p. m. Mrs. Mary Fifield is buried in the New burying place; <sup>1</sup> Bearers, Oakes, Howard; Tim<sup>2</sup> Clark, Cutler; Tilly, Jn<sup>o</sup> Foster. Aged 45. years the 11<sup>th</sup> February. Gave my son a Scarf.

In the Granary Yard is a broken stone, probably of this person. It reads: "Here lyes . . . body of M . . . Fifield, wife . . . Richard Fife . . . Aged 45 yea . . . 22 dayes."

Richard Fifield married Mary Drew Aug. 25, 1701. A Richard Fifield, of Boston, mariner, made his will July 18, 1716 (Suff. Wills, Vol. XXI. fol. 386), and leaves his estate to wife Maria. — Eds.

After this son and I visited Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall's Lady. Mrs. Laurence was there. Mrs. Mary Saltonstall came in after, and sat with us.

March 17<sup>th</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall comes to Town.

March, 24, 17 $\frac{1}{2}$  $\frac{2}{3}$ . Spake to Mrs. Chaney.

March 25, 1713. J. S. went to visit Mr. Walley, but found him not at home. Went to Neighbour Fifield; Mrs. Mehit. Thurston not within.

March, 26. Mr. Pemberton preaches 1 Pet. 1. 17 — pass the time of your sojourning here in fear. Made a very good sermon. 2<sup>d</sup> p<sup>t</sup> 39. Ps. sung, M. Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Danforth visits us in the evening. Has hopes of Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Williams's daughter at Canada; may be as when Samson married a Philistin. I mention'd the Omen of her Name Eunice, *Bene litigans*.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Eunice Williams, daughter of Rev. John Williams, of Deerfield, was carried to Canada in 1704, at the age of ten years. She married an Indian, probably named De Rogers, by whom she had a son and two daughters. Sarah, her daughter, married Dr. Williams, said to be a son of a Bishop of Chester, and their son Thomas was father of the notorious Rev. Eleazer Williams, the "Dauphin." At least, this is the story told by him and printed in the "Williams Genealogy," pp. 92-96.

The case of Eunice Williams was one which, at the time, excited much interest in this community, and engaged a warm sympathy for her father. If she was ten years old when she was taken by the French and Indians as one of the captives in the destruction of Deerfield, in 1704, O. S., she was at this time eighteen. Her father, in his famous book, "The Redeemed Captive," and other writers of that period, give very full accounts of the zealous efforts made by the Jesuit priests in Canada to convert prisoners, especially young persons, taken thither after the furious raids on our frontiers. Eunice Williams yielded to the influence exerted upon her for this purpose, and became a convert. She was left at Montreal when many of the captives were ransomed and brought to Boston in 1706, and she could not be induced to return to her home and friends. Some time after, dressed in the full Indian garb, she made a visit, with her husband, to Deerfield, where her father had resumed his ministry, but no entreaties would prevail with her to resume a civilized life. She was one among very many of those born in New England, in Puritan families, as well as of a much larger number of the French, who were so fascinated by the charms of a wild life with the natives in the woods as to renounce their own race and homes. A more famous example of this "reversion" was that of Mary Jemeson, the so-called "White Woman." Competent authorities tell us that, in all the

Court prorogued to the 15<sup>th</sup> April.

March, 28, 1713. Mr. Justice Corwin, Lynde, and Sewall set out on our Plimouth Journey. Baited at Mill's; Din'd at Cushings. Baited at Bairstow's. From thence got to Capt. Joshua Cushing's a little before Sun-set. Pembrook. Mr. Daniel Lewis, their Minister. preaches twice.

March, 30. Visit Abigail, Momontaug's widow, at Mat-takeese,<sup>1</sup> a pleasant Situation by great Ponds. Din'd at Cook's, whether came Mr. Justice Thomas, Mr. Attorney, Cook, Vallentine. Mr. Sheriff Lothrop, with his Guard, conducted us to Plimouth, where we Arriv'd early.

March, 31. Held the Court.

April, 1. Went into the Meetinghouse and Spent some Time in Prayer in the new Addition, in the Gallery.

April, 2. Court adjourns by Candle Light, *sine die*. Note. Mr. Thacher of Milton din'd with us twice.

April, 3<sup>d</sup> 6th day. Rain keeps us at Plimouth. Only just before night rode to Cook's to shorten our Journey.

April, 4th. Pleasant serene weather; bait at Bairstow's. Dine at Hingham, Cushing's; Bait at Mill's; Got well home about an hour by Sun. *Laus Deo*.

April, 5. Mr. Wadsworth preaches Excellently, on the sovereignty of God.

April, 6. Little Billy Hirst dyes 10 at night, 9 months old.

April, 8. I visit Mrs. Betty Walley;<sup>2</sup> thank her for her

relations, peaceful or hostile, between Indians and Europeans on this continent, more than one hundred of the whites have been "Indianized" to each single Indian who has been civilized. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> Duxbury was called Mattakeeset by the Indians; but Winsor's history says nothing of this Abigail. The nearest sachem was Josiah, or Chickatabut, whose son was Josiah, father of Jeremy, father of Charles Josiah, the last of the race. (Winsor, p. 75.) — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This is about the beginning of the courtship of Rev. Joseph Sewall, who married Elizabeth, daughter of John Walley. A brief sketch of the family is in Bridgman's "Granary-yard Inscriptions," pp. 34-35. Samuel

favour to my son, desire the continuance of it. She Treats me with Apples and Wine. Son goes at night and presents her with a Portuguese piece of Gold, 4000. [reis?] 1704. I had given her Dr. C. Mather's Treatise against Antinomianism [*Adversus Libertinos*], just come out.

April, 9. Mr. Colman goes on with 1 Jn<sup>o</sup> 3. 1. How unreasonable are we; that God should make offers of his Son to us, to be our Husband; and we no more fill'd with Humble Thankfull Admiration! O that I could Loath my self for this Criminal Omission so long as I Live!

Friday, April, 17. Madam Elizabeth Stoddard dyes about 4. m: reckon'd a vertuous Gentlewoman; Has languish'd a long time.<sup>1</sup>

April. 18. I visit Madā Cooke, who seem'd very glad to see me. Has been confin'd a long time; tells me she accounts her self older than Madam Stoddard rather than else. I told her in pleasancy She and I were in the same year of our Age. She was born Apr. 26. 1651. I was born March 28. 1652.

Lords Day, April, 19. Mr. Wadsworth preaches at the South, Excellently; and with Great and very obliging Affection Took Leave of the South church. Pray'd for Joseph in the 2<sup>d</sup> Prayer. *Post meridiem*, Dr. Increase Mather preaches 1 Tim<sup>o</sup> 2. 1. Excellently, vigorously. Prays for Joseph, mentioning his having been made a Blessing. Pray'd not a 2<sup>d</sup> time because was Baptisme. Mr. Pemberton preach'd for the Dr. in the Forenoon, by which means Mr. Wadsworth was alone; but now had all Three. Mr. Pemberton pray'd for Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall removing with his family; and very largely for his Lady, that God would bless her, and make her a Blessing. Dr.

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Hurd Walley was a member of Congress in 1854 and 1855, Speaker of the (State) House of Representatives, 1844-46, &c. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> This was Elizabeth, second wife of Col. Simeon Stoddard. Much genealogical information about the family is to be found in Sumner's "History of East Boston." See Vol. I. p. 424, *note*. — Eds.

Mather and Mr. Wadsworth pray'd expressly for Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall as removing. I visited Mr. Pemberton in the Evening; told him I endeavour'd to visit him before I went to Plymouth, and after my return. Said he heard not of it. The Swallows have come; I saw three together, April 19. Backward spring.

Tuesday, Apr. 21. Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall sets out for New-London; Col. Townsend, and I on Horseback. Mr. Cōmissary and Pemberton in his chariot. Mr. Rogers and many others accompany to Dedham. Madam Saltonstall, Mrs. Mary Saltonstall, and Mrs. Martha Rogers ride in the Coach. Gov<sup>r</sup> goes from Roxbury. After Dīner set out for Meadfield, rather before four. Very good day. Mr. Cōmissary paid the Reckoning; of which the Gov<sup>r</sup> paid 40<sup>s</sup> I paid 15<sup>s</sup> Twas in all £4. odd. Got home very comfortably.

Midweek, Apr. 22. Madam Stoddard buried; Bearers, Gov<sup>r</sup> Dudley, L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> Tailer; L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> Usher, Sam<sup>l</sup> Sewall, Peter Sergeant esqr. All the Ministers had Scarves, and Joseph had one. It seem'd inconvenient presently to throw off Mr. Stoddard's Scarf, and not wear it once as was like to be, if had gone to Salem.

Apr. 23. I went to the Funeral of Mrs. Martha Patteshall;<sup>1</sup> Bearers, Cooke, Sewall; Dūmer, Treas<sup>r</sup> Taylor; Col. Checkley, Capt. Hill. This took me off from going to the Castle, which I was glad of. No body ask'd me to go to Salem, I consider'd Madam Bradstreet had been a Widow there Sixteen years, and was loth to intercept any Respect might be now shown to the Gentlemen there. Five of the Council at Salem; Col. Apleton is of Ipswich, of which Town the Relations are, Madam Wainwright, &c. *This Invitation* fell in Thursday morn unexpectedly.<sup>2</sup> Mr.

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<sup>1</sup> She was the wife of Richard Patteshall, of Boston. By her son Robert she was grandmother of Rev. Richard Patteshall, who died in 1768. (See N. E. Hist. and Gen. Register, Vol. XVII. p. 237.) — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> There is some confusion in this paragraph. The explanation may be

Wadsworth preached Excellently from Ps. 146. 10. Concluded with Philip. 1. 21. To me to live is Christ, and to dye is Gain. Sung the last Two Staves and half of the 146 Ps.

Mr. Marsh, Wigglesworth, Tuft, Rawlings dined with us.

Friday, Apr. 24. Mr. Pemberton calls at my house; Hañah went to the door, and supōsing me at the Town-meeting said I was not within; whereas indeed I was, but in the Chamber. Mr. Pemberton said his business was with me, and declin'd coming in. When I understood it, I went to Mr. Pemberton's the same morning. He not within, I sat some time with Madam Pemberton: Ask'd her what people thought of my Son's Courtship; She spake well of it; Said Mr. Alford had done ungentlemanly by her, and she thought at the time of it, she would have a better Husband; comēded Mrs. Betty. I told her I would call again about 3. p. m. I went again, she crav'd my pardon, said she had forgot to tell Mr. Pemberton what I had said of calling. He was gon out.

April, 25. Satterday, About 4 p. m. as soon as I could get my book finish'd, I went to Mr. Walley's. Neither of the Sisters within. At last Mrs. Lydia came in, and sat with me. I gave her Mr. Walter of CHRIST, very well bound in Calvs Leather, to give Mrs. Betty. I had written her Name in it. When had staid about half an hour or little more, I came away.

April, 26. Mr. Bridge<sup>1</sup> signifies to the scattered Flock their intention to meet in their new built Meeting-house,

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that Sewall was glad of an excuse for not going to the Castle for the celebration of Queen Anne's Coronation Day, by the firing of cannon, the drinking of healths, &c. He had expected, but did not receive, an invitation to attend Mrs. Bradstreet's funeral, at Salem, so he accepted the invitation to be a bearer to Mrs. Patteshall. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> Rev. Thomas Bridge was minister of the First Church from 1705 to 1715. Their building was destroyed by the fire, and was succeeded by a brick one on the same site. — Eds.

the next Lords-day; Took Leave in very pathetic, obliging Terms. Pray'd much for Mr. Pemberton, acknowledging the Gifts with which God had adorn'd him. In second Prayer pray'd for that other worthy person call'd to assist [Joseph Sewall]—that his Settlement might be hasten'd, might be a lasting Blessing.

April, 27. The first Court was open'd in the New Townhouse. I was present. Mr. Colman pray'd Excellently. It was a damp to me that the first thing was done was the calling out the monstrously profane John Green.<sup>1</sup> p. m. Waited on the Court at the Green Dragon, with Capt. Tim<sup>o</sup> Clark, to inform against Richard Vince, who is more like a wild-Cat than a man. From thence went to Dr. Increase Mather. Thank'd him for the Perseverance of his Love to my Son Joseph: agreed to call a Meeting of the Comissioners at the Town House at 4. p. m. next Thursday.

Tuesday, April 28. I waited on Mr. Pemberton. Mr. Wisewall was there. Mr. Marsh of Braintry came in. Mr. Pemberton spake very fiercely against the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council's meddling with suspension of Laws, respecting Church of England men not paying Taxes to the dissenting Ministers. Spake very fiercely in dislike of the overseers,<sup>2</sup> that nothing had been done; would chuse others. I think this was before Mr. Marsh came in. At the Gate said what I did twould be reckon'd my Son did; intimat-

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<sup>1</sup> Doubtless this was the Green previously mentioned (*ante*, p. 337) as concerned in the matter of the Mock Sermon. By a comparison of dates that sermon seems to have been delivered on Shrove Tuesday, and the whole matter was perhaps exaggerated by Sewall's immoderate fear of popery or prelacy. — EDS.

<sup>2</sup> By the "Overseers" seems to be meant the committee who had charge of annually assigning the seats in the meeting-house. This was sometimes a perplexing and invidious duty, exciting personal jealousies. The hint given to Sewall to release himself from the responsibility implied that he might be charged with being influenced by his son, the new pastor, if any charge of favoritism was made. — EDS.

ing as I conceive, twere best for me to lay down my Overseers place. Post  $\bar{m}$  went to Roxbury Lecture with Mr. Thair and Josiah Oakes. Mr. Walter preach'd excellently from Ps. 41. 4. I saw Samuel; It is yet dark wether at Brooklin.<sup>1</sup> Came home with Thair and Oakes. Thair went off at his Brother's; Oakes and I visited the Bride Adams, they were married last Tuesday morn before Gov<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall went out of Town.

Midweek, April 29. Council held at 11. a.  $\bar{m}$ ; ordered so many to attend the Gov<sup>r</sup> Eastward as to make a Council there. Sam<sup>l</sup> Penhallow's Petition read,<sup>2</sup> as to importing Indians contrary to Law, craves relief; Gov<sup>r</sup> urged the Council vehemently: Mr. Co $\bar{m}$ missary question'd the Council's power. I said if Mr. Secretary would admit him to his oath, I should not blame him. If he could not do it lawfully, the council could not make it Law. Voted not for it. Gov<sup>r</sup> would have had the Council order'd the Sheriff to have Took them out of the hands of those they were sold to at Plimouth. p.  $\bar{m}$ . Son and I visit Mr. Stoddard, who treats us kindly; speaks with great Affection of his deceased wife. I go to the Meeting at Mr.

<sup>1</sup> Referring to the unhappy domestic relations of his son. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This refers to the Act passed in 1712, "prohibiting the importation or bringing into this Province any Indian servants or slaves." Province Laws, I. 698. The preamble to this Act is so emphatically worded that we here copy it:—

"Whereas divers conspiracies, outrages, barbarities, murders, burglaries, thefts, and other notorious crimes and enormities, at sundry times, and especially of late, have been perpetrated and committed by Indians and other slaves within severall of her majestie's plantations in America, being of a malicious, surley and revengeful spirit, rude and insolent in their behaviour, and very ungovernable, the over-great number and increase whereof within this province is likely to prove of pernicious and fatal consequence to her majesties subjects and interest here, unless speedily remedied, and is a discouragement to the importation of white servants, this province being differently circumstanced from the plantations in the islands, and having great numbers of the Indian natives of the country within and about them, and at this time under the sorrowful effects of their rebellion and hostilities . . ." — Eds.



Franklin's.<sup>1</sup> Pray, read Mr. Doolittle's Morning Lecture about Leading of the Spirit. Visit daughter Hirst who has a Swell'd face. The Lord Heal her!

Note. At the Council an Order was made to restore the Lecture to the new built Meetinghouse, as accustomed; and the place most Central.<sup>2</sup>

Lord's-Day, May 3. 1713. In the forenoon Mr. Wadsworth preaches the first Sermon in their New-built Meetinghouse, from Haggai 2. 9. The glory of this latter House.<sup>3</sup>

Monday, May 4. I wait on Mr. Pemberton at his desire. Mr. Sergeant and Col. Checkley there: Mr. Pemberton declares a Necessity of adding to the number of the Seaters. Would have us nominat at least. I said I would venture to mention one, Mr. Daniel Oliver; then Major Fitch was nam'd, whom Mr. Pemberton much applauded; I and all lik'd him very well. Then Mr. Pemberton enquired whether it might not be convenient to appoint one of the Congregation; we came into it. Mr. Jeffries was mention'd, whom all approv'd. I desired Mr. Pemberton to assist at opening the Court to morrow; He wholly declin'd it upon the account of his Lecture this week, and his great Indisposition. Mention'd my son. But I chose to call Dr. Cotton Mather in the evening. He readily undertook it, and appointed to be at Mr. Phillips his shop.

Tuesday, May 5, 1713. *mane*. Dr. Cotton Mather makes an Excellent Dedication-Prayer in the New Court-Chamber. Mr. Pain, one of the Overseers of the Work well-com'd us, as the Judges went up Stairs. Dr. Cotton

<sup>1</sup> The son, Benjamin, was then in his eighth year, and may have had the privilege, then enjoyed by children, of sitting quite still at the meeting. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> We notice here the official character and sanction attached to the famous Thursday Lecture, established by John Cotton, and which faded away into a shadow before its quite recent disuse. — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> There appear to have been no special dedication services on the occupancy of a new meeting-house in those days. — Eds.

Mather having ended Prayer, The Clark went on and call'd the Grand-Jury: Giving their Charge, which was to enforce the Queen's Proclamation, and especially against Travailing on the Lord's Day; God having return'd to give us Rest. [In the margin. My speech to Grand jury in new Court House.] I said, You ought to be quickened to your Duty, in that you have so Convenient, and August a Chamber prepared for you to doe it in. And what I say to you, I would say to my self, to the Court, and to all that are concern'd. Seeing the former decay'd Building is consum'd, and a better built in the room, Let us pray, May that Proverb, Golden Chalice and Wooden Priests, never be transfer'd to the Civil order; that God would take away our filthy Garments, and cloath us with Change of Raiment; That our former Sins may be buried in the Ruins and Rubbish of the former House, and not be suffered to follow us into this; That a Lixivium may be made of the Ashes, which we may frequently use in keeping ourselves Clean: Let never any Judge debauch this Bench, by abiding on it when his own Cause comes under Trial; May the Judges always discern the Right, and dispense Justice with a most stable, permanent Impartiality; Let this large, transparent, costly Glass serve to oblige the Attornys alway to set Things in a True Light, And let the Character of none of them be *Impar sibi*; Let them Remember they are to advise the Court, as well as plead for their clients. The Oaths that prescribe our Duty run all upon Truth; God is Truth. Let Him communicat to us of His Light and Truth; Let the Jurors and Witnesses swear in Truth, in Judgment, and in Righteousness. If we thus improve this House, they that built it, shall inhabit it; the days of this people shall be as the days of a Tree, and they shall long enjoy the work of their hands. The Terrible Illumination that was made, the third of October was Twelve moneths, did plainly shew us that our GOD is a Consuming Fire: but

it hath repented Him of the Evil. And since He has declar'd that He takes delight in them that hope in his Mercy, we firmly believe that He will be a Dwelling place to us throughout all Generations.

The Church Meeting was begun before I could get to it; Major Fitch and Mr. Oliver Nominated. Then were chosen by lifting up the Hand. Then Mr. Pemberton call'd on them to Nominat another; Som body said, Capt. Savage (I understood it of Ephraim); but Capt. Habijah Savage stood up and disabled himself because of the Dispute between his Unkle and him about the Pue. Then some body mentioned Mr. Phillips. After awhile, I said, Some have thought it might be convenient to have one of the Congregation. Mr. Pemberton assented. Mr. Jeffries was Nominated and voted. Mr. Pemberton said, Mr. Phillips was Nominated; but I had carried it over to the Congregation: whereas 'twas what he himself had introduc'd at the Meeting of the Overseers at his House. And I reckon'd Mr. Phillips not so fit because of the Controversy about the Pue. Concluded with Prayer: Pray'd that my son now call'd to more Constant Work might be blessed of GOD.

May, 6. Dr. Cotton Mather Pray'd again. Sir Ch. Hobby dines with us. Court adjourns without Day.

May, 7. Mr. Pemberton preaches the First Lecture in the New-built Meeting-house, from 2 Chron. 6. 18. But will God in very deed dwell with Men — very good Discourse.

10. Lord's day. Joseph preaches again.

Tuesday, May, 12, 1713. Joseph prays at the head of the Regiment: entertain Mrs. Elisa. Walley, her Bro<sup>r</sup> and Sisters, Mrs. Kath. and Bethiah Eyre and Mr. Jeffries &c.

May, 14. Dr. Cotton Mather preaches the Lecture Excellently.

May, 18, 1713. Col. Thomas and I set out for Ipswich by Winnissimmet, Benj. Smith waits on me. In the Butts

Brook<sup>1</sup> my Horse lies down, but I kept on his back, and had no hurt but wetting my feet, and breach of the Crooper. Din'd at Brother's; visited Col. Hathorne, who seems not to expect to go out of Salem any more. Visited Bro<sup>r</sup> and Sister Hirst. Call'd at Brother Gerrishe's and refresh'd till company came up. Got well to Ipswich in Season.

May, 19. Mr. Rogers prays at opening of the Court. Din'd at Smith's. At Noon Brother and I persuaded them of Artichoke precinct,<sup>2</sup> to Agree. I gave L<sup>t</sup> Moodey Five pounds, and Jn<sup>o</sup> Emery gave five pounds, and Moodey and others let fall their Review; went into Court, and said, They are Agreed. The Agreem't was made in Smith's Garret. Adjourned *sine die*. As the Post went along, he told us of Mr. Brattle's Death. He died between 11 and Twelve, 2<sup>d</sup> day a. m.

Midweek, May 20. The Rain hinder'd my Return. Visited Dr. Hale at Beverly who, o<sup>p</sup>ress'd with Melancholy, was a-bed at. 5. p. m. Visited Mr. Blower. Got to Brother's at Salem about 7. and lodg'd there. By this means I was not Entangled with the Riot<sup>3</sup> Co<sup>m</sup>mitted that night in Boston by 200 people or more, breaking open Arthur Mason's Warehouse in the Co<sup>m</sup>on, thinking to find Corn there; Wounded the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> and Mr. Newton's Son; cry'd Whalebone. Were provoked by Capt. Belchar's sending Indian Corn to Curasso. The Select-men desired him not to send it; he told them, The hardest

<sup>1</sup> We have not been able to identify this brook. It was, evidently, on the road from Chelsea to Salem. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Artichoke River is in Newbury, and the reference is obviously to the dispute about the Episcopal Church there. (See *ante*, pp. 337, 338.) — Eds.

<sup>3</sup> We find no other mention of this tumult, the only "bread riot," probably, that Boston has ever witnessed. Belcher had exported grain before in a time of scarcity, just previous to the arrival of Admiral Walker's fleet. Oct. 14, 1713, the Selectmen voted to petition the Legislature for an act prohibiting the export of grain; and when a cargo arrived, December 10, it was apportioned among the bakers. So the scarcity was real. — Eds.

Fend off! If they stop'd his vessel, he would hinder the coming in of three times as much.

May, 21. Went to Boston, Lit at the Meeting-house door, and heard Mr. Colman's Lecture; had just begun Prayer.

May, 24. Joseph preaches again.

May, 27. Col. John Appleton and I administer the Oaths &c. to the Deputies. Mr. Samuel Treat preaches the Election Sermon from PS. 2. 8. Ask of me. — Encourag'd Rulers to be Faithfull; Christ would meet them with better Revivals and Refreshm'ts than Melchizedec met Abraham with. Gave this advice as to choice of Rulers, whatever other accomplishments were; yet, *Si profanus* is to be avoided. Din'd at the Green Dragon. Went late to the Election. 102 Voters at first: Mr. Addington had all but his own, 101. Col. Hutchinson and I had 97. each. But tis to be lamented that Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop had but 46. and was left out. He was the great Stay and Ornament of the Council, a very pious, prudent, Couragious New-England Man. Some spread it among the Deputies, that he was out of the province, and not like to Return. (Has been absent ever since April, 1712. but through Sickness.) Lieut Gov<sup>r</sup> said he was a Non-Resident. Staid the Election; but voted not, said 'twas against his principles; the Councillors ought not to vote. Said of voting by papers, It was a Silly way! I took no notice of it. Thus Mr. Winthrop is sent into Shade and Retirem't while I am left in the Whirling Dust, and Scorching Sun.

So falls that stately Cedar! whilst it stood  
It was the truest Glory of the Wood.<sup>1</sup>

May, 28, 1713. The Four Churches<sup>2</sup> Treat the Minis-

<sup>1</sup> It will be seen that Mr. Winthrop was soon restored to his place. See August 6. — EDS.

<sup>2</sup> The four churches were the First (Mr. Bridge's), Second (the Mathers'),

ters, and Councillors in Town at the Exchange Tavern. Mr. Marion invited me.

Thursday, May, 28. All the Councillors are sworn except Major Brown, who was not in Town. In the Afternoon I declar'd to the Council, that Prayer had been too much neglected formerly; we were now in a New House, we ought to Reform; without it I would not be there. Mr. Secretary assented, and I was desired to see it effected. I rode with Col. Hutchinson in his Coach, and earnestly solicited Dr. Increase Mather to begin, and give us the first Prayer: He disabled himself by his Indisposition; He must take Pills. I press'd him, and came away with some hope; obliged Cuffee to call for him; Col. Hutchinson promised me; I went to his Master also, Capt. Thomas Hutchinson, for fear of failing.

May, 29. Dr. Increase Mather prays Excellently in the Council. L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> at the Castle. Went to Dr. Cotton Mather, and engag'd him.

May, 30. 1713. Dr. Cotton Mather prays very Excellently. Adjourn'd to June, 2. because of the Artillery.

June, 1. Mr. Stoddard of Chelmsford preaches the Election sermon, 1 Sam. 2. 30. Them that honor Me, I will Honor: made an Excellent Discourse.

June, 2. Mr. Veisy<sup>1</sup> of Braintry, and Constable Owen

the South (Pemberton and Sewall), and Brattle Street (Colman's). The Quakers', King's Chapel, and Baptist, were not counted.

We find here the recognition of a usage which gave origin to what is known in Boston as "Anniversary Week," though it is now but the shadow of what it once was. The May meeting of the General Court was chosen as the occasion on which the ministers of the country towns, thawed out from the isolation of a long winter, made an annual visit to Boston, where they found genial hospitality in friendly homes. "The Convention of Congregational Ministers" was formed to bring the pastors together mainly for a sermon and for a charitable collection for the widows and orphans of the brotherhood. On a day of "Election Week" the Congregational societies "treated" the ministers to a public dinner. This generous courtesy was continued till less than forty years ago. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> Mr. Veazie claimed to be of the Church of England, and objected to being taxed for the support of the Congregational Minister. He had been fined, in 1696, "for plowing on the day of Thanksgiving, &c." — Eds.

are heard ; about his distraining for a Rate of 26<sup>s</sup> toward Mr. Marshes Salary, when the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council had order'd him to forbear, till the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court, which order was sent by Veisy himself, who would not let Owen take a copy of him, and provok'd him, whereupon Owen took a Cow of Veisy pris'd at £4.0-0., offer'd Veisy the over-plus before Witnesses, which Veisy refus'd. The Gov<sup>r</sup> put the Vote whether the Cow should be return'd, which pass'd in the Negative. I said, The Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council had not Authority to rescind the Laws, by nulling an Execution. Mr. Secretary seconded me. Then the Gov<sup>r</sup> put it whether he should be bound over to the Sessions ; which was Voted. Gov<sup>r</sup> directed £50. But 'twas brought to £10. and £5 each Surety.

It was afterward thought advisable to dismiss this Bond, Chide him and let him go, which was done next day, upon his Submission and petition to be dismiss'd.

June, 4. Mr. Wadsworth preaches an excellent Sermon<sup>1</sup> from Mal. 2. 16. — therefore take heed to your Spirit, that ye deal not Treacherously. Aḡpointment of Officers was adjourn'd to Friday 2. p. m̄.

June, 5. Gov<sup>r</sup> Nominates Officers before Diṅer ; Lt Col. Spencer Phips made a Justice, and Capt. Cary of Charlestown. Mr. Daniel Parker is made Justice of the Inferiour Court instead of Col. Thacher deceased. Mr. Jewet a Coroner. Done of Billings-Gate ;<sup>2</sup> Worth of Edgartown, Justices. Charlestown Lecture being over, Col. Phillips came p. m. and found the Nomination over. He had spoken for my Classmate Capt. Sam<sup>l</sup> Phips to the Gov<sup>r</sup>, that would Nominat him for a Justice. Suḡos'd it

<sup>1</sup> The first Monday in June is now, and has long been the occasion, in Boston, for the preaching of a sermon before the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company.— Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Billingsgate precinct, in Eastham, was incorporated in 1763 as a town, and named Wellfleet. The origin of the first name is patent, but that of the second has remained a profound mystery.— Eds.

had been done; and the Gov<sup>r</sup> in a bantering way extorted Thanks from him.

Satterday, June, 6. The Rain-water grievously runs into my son Joseph's Chamber from the Window above. As went out to the Barber's I observ'd the water to run trickling down a great pace from the Coving. I went on the Roof, and found the Spout next Salter's stop'd, but could not free it with my Stick. Boston went up, and found his pole too big, which I warn'd him of before; came down a Spit, and clear'd the Leaden-throat, by thrusting out a Trap-Ball that stuck there.<sup>1</sup> Thus a small matter greatly incōmodes us; and when God pleases, tis easily remov'd. The Rain that fell the two Nights and Lords-day following was in such Abundance, we had been almost Drown'd, if the Spout had not been cleared.

Satterday, June, 6. Am Chair-man of the Comittee for L<sup>t</sup> Tuthill's Accounts: I express'd to him my dislike of his reflecting on Capt. Homes; if he were dead he would not be willing to be so serv'd. From 3<sup>s</sup> 9<sup>d</sup> advanced his allowance to 4. 6<sup>d</sup> $\frac{1}{4}$  per week for a man. Note. He said he did not reflect; and yet when I mention'd *the drinking water*, Tuthill answer'd, it was sworn by two men.

June, 7. Lord's Su<sup>p</sup>er, I could not discern that Mr. Pemberton pray'd for my son; observ'd not so much as the ordinary prayer for him that is to preach in the Afternoon. The Lord Help!<sup>2</sup>

June, 8. Mr. Bridge comes to our house, I accompany him to the Council-Chamber, and there he prays 3 p. m. After Adjournment, Gov<sup>r</sup> goes to Mr. Comissaries, who

<sup>1</sup> It is refreshing to be able to presume that the small boy of Puritan times played ball, and then, as now, threw or struck the same into places not intended to receive it; but how many householders of to-day would be moved thereby only to a strictly pious reflection? — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> We note again the sensitiveness of Sewall on a matter which so engaged his paternal and his devotional feelings. — Eds.



Treats with Wine, Walnuts, Raisins. I was there. It seems the Provinces Sloop is stricken with the Lightning, Mast, and two Planks of the Deck; They write from Piscataqua, that the Indians will not meet the Gov<sup>r</sup>. Gov<sup>r</sup>. Vaudrel advises them to the contrary.<sup>1</sup> Third day, June, 9.

June, 10. Last night Mr. Sergeant and I Walked about the Town from about 10. to 2. Had Constable Howell with us, Sam. Greenleaf, and Mat. Smith's Dupee. This day Mr. Pemberton comes to our House, desires me to take my Letter again; would not have me resign my Seaters place now. I took it. Would have Joseph ordain'd in August; Marry first, that might lose no time. I again express'd myself desirous that it might be before changes from England. Best to be fix'd before such Temptations arrive.

As I came from Mr. Stephens's Meeting, Mr. Pemberton join'd himself to me. Told me of the Governour's vehement pressing that Col. W<sup>m</sup> Dudley might be made College-Treasurer.

June, 11<sup>th</sup> Thursday, Dr. C. Mather preaches the Lecture. Gov<sup>r</sup> dines with the Lieut-Gov<sup>r</sup>. I at Mr. Hirst's, where was Mr. Willoughby. Now about the Gov<sup>r</sup> procures a Letter to be written to the Gov<sup>r</sup> of Rhode-Island, that Comitties might from this Governm<sup>t</sup> and Coñecticut, with one from Rode Island Lay out the Rodes in the Narraganset.<sup>2</sup> Spake of his being president there once.

June, 12. Capt. Moodey of Casco-Bay is in Town, and

<sup>1</sup> Though this was a time of peace between the home governments, the influence of the French in Canada and in Acadia, under the prompting of the Governor (and of some of the Jesuit Priests, as was, with apparent good reason, believed), was strongly employed to inflame and excite the eastern Indians against the English settlements. There is no question but that the "infamous" Father La Loutre was an effective agent of mischief in the years that followed. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Hutchinson (Hist. II. 201-206) dwells upon the settlement, which was made in 1713, of the boundary between Massachusetts and Connecticut. — Eds.

contradicts what Mr. Penhallow writ about the Indians refusing to come and meet the Gov<sup>r</sup>

June, 13. Court is adjourn'd to Monday 15. p. m. Tom brings a load of Faggots from Brooklin, and tells us of their Health.

Lords-day, June, 14. Dr. Incr. Mather preaches for Mr. Pemberton p. m. Prays very much for Mr. Pemberton that God would continue him long a great Blessing: for Joseph thus, that other Servant upon whom their eyes are that God would fit him and furnish him.

Friday, June, 12. I went to Mrs. Betty Wally<sup>1</sup> to persuade her to marry before ordination. Madam Pemberton was at our House this day, staid a considerable time which I knew not of till I came home at night.

June, 29. Went with Mr. Bromfield to the Funeral of Col. Hunt. Bearers, Gov<sup>r</sup>, Sewall; Townsend, Bromfield; Cushing, Quinsey.

June, 26. Mr. Stoddard of North-Hampton, and Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Williams. About 9 Captives come from Canada by way of Albany. Mr. Schyler could not prevail with Mr. William's daughter to come away.

July, 1. Went to Comencement with my son and Cousin Hale. I observ'd no strangers save Mr. Pitkin, and Col. Whiting, the Connecticut Comissioners. Sir Hall made the Oration very well. President crav'd a Blessing in the Hall, and Mr. Stoddard return'd Thanks. Came home with Dr. C. Mather, and his Son Increase<sup>2</sup> in a Calash. Son came over in the same Boat.

July 2. Mr. Thair marries his Unkle Townsend's eldest Daughter. Mr. Secretary thinks Col. Townsend Married them.

July 2<sup>d</sup> Mr. Stoddard preaches the Lecture. Dine

<sup>1</sup> Joseph Sewall's intended bride. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This was the youth whose ill courses were so grievous a sorrow to the father, and of whom, when the father hears of his death abroad, he makes in his Diary the pathetic entry: "Increase, My Son! My Son!" — Eds.

with us, Mr. Webb, Mr. Moses Hale, Mr. Lorin, Mr. Metcalf, Mr. Rawlins, Cous. Tho. Sewall.

July, 4. 'Tis known that L<sup>t</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Williams died at Derefield last Tuesday night to the great grief of his Father.

July, 5. Thunder and Rain at Noon. Mr. Stoddard preaches p.  $\bar{m}$ . Prays for my Son that God would prepare him, and that he might live long to be a Rich Blessing. At the close a $\bar{p}$ oint  $1\frac{1}{2}$  staff in the first part 40<sup>th</sup> PS. I try'd to set Low-Dutch Tune and fail'd. Try'd again and fell into the tune of 119<sup>th</sup> Psalm, so Capt. Williams read the whole first part, that he might have Psalm to the Tune. Partial Rainbow in the evening.

July, 6. Major Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop comes to Town being sent for by Express by reason of Madam Winthrop's Sickness.

July, 12. Comes to Church p.  $\bar{m}$ ., puts up a large Note, and Mr. Pemberton prays accordingly. Was not at Church in the Forenoon, when my Son preached.

July, 28. At the Superior Court at Cambridge, the Chief Justice, and the four other Justices were present; made a full Court. Mr. Brattle pray'd. I gave the President and him the reading of Mr. Sewell's Answer to the Bp. Salisbury's new preface;<sup>1</sup> which Answer is very sharp. Gave each of them Maroll's<sup>2</sup> Martyrdom, Marbled. Concluded the Court that day, went and came in the Chief J.'s Coach: Col. Thomas accompanied on Horseback. Call'd at the Governour's and my Son's going; and at the

<sup>1</sup> The then Bishop of Salisbury was Gilbert Burnet. The "new preface" seems to be that to the Third Part of his History of the Reformation. The answer was by William Sewel, the historian of the Quakers. Possibly this Sewel was one of the family connections mentioned by the journalist on his trip to England. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Louis de Marolles, a persecuted Huguenot. The history of his sufferings (translated from the French) appeared in 1712. It was republished by Dr. Priestlëy, and may be found among the tracts in the collection of his works. — Eds.

Governour's again coming home, though late at night. Gov<sup>r</sup>, Mr. Commissary and others went to Notim̄y [Menotomy, now Arlington] this day a-fishing.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 5. Gen<sup>l</sup> Court meets, Makes not a House.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 6. Gov<sup>r</sup> makes his Speech. In the Afternoon Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop is chosen into the Council in the room of Col. Hunt, deceased.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 7. Takes the Oaths, and his place at the Board, which I look at as a great Blessing of GOD. The Deputies will not vote an Address on the head of the Peace,<sup>1</sup> but only to be finished and Signed, when it is here proclaimed.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 8. Court Rises.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 12. Wednesday, Mr. Sheriff [Giles] Dyer dies, after long Languishing, about 6. M. Church-Bell rings just before the School Bell, so both ring together. I went to Dr. Increase Mather to ask when he would have a Com̄missioners Meeting; He inclin'd to Monday. Dr. Cottor Mather not having answer'd my Letter nor look'd upon me on his Lecture day last Thursday; I was in a strait to know what to do, as to the disposal of my Proposals; and let none go.<sup>2</sup> Now Dr. Incr. Mather spake pleasantly

<sup>1</sup> Of the treaties which collectively bear the name of the Peace of Utrecht, that which was concluded between France and Great Britain bears date of March 31, 1713, O. S., and April 11, N. S. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This was Sewall's book entitled "Proposals touching the accomplishment of Prophecies humbly offered by Samuel Sewall, M. A., and sometime Fellow of Harvard College, in New England . . . Massachusetts; Boston, Printed by Bartholomew Green, 1713. Pp. 12." At the end are certain verses upon the new century, a part of which we have already printed (*ante*, p. 28); but as Sewall here adds three more stanzas we reprint the whole:—

"Wednesday, January 1, 1701, a little before Break-a-Day, at Boston of the Massachusetts.

"Once more! Our God, vouchsafe to Shine:  
Tame Thou the Rigour of our Clime.  
Make haste with thy Impartial Light,  
And terminate this long dark Night.

to me ; of his own accord thank'd me for my book, said his Son had shew'd it him ; I was fond of America. After I came home I sent him Two Duz. by Bastian about 2 a-clock. At 3. or 4. p. m. Council was held. Mr. Sturgis and Thacher made Justices at Yarmouth, Mr. Hubbard at Braintree, Col. W<sup>m</sup> Dudley at Roxbury.

Thursday, Aug<sup>t</sup>. 20. is appointed for another special Council for Nomination of a Sheriff ; and the Capt. Savage, the Coroner, is directed to officiat in the mean time. I accompany Mr. Addington to the Funeral of Col. Winthrop's John, 6 months old. After this I went to Cous. Dumer's. He not being at home I gave his wife 6 Proposals : She gave her sister Coney one ;<sup>1</sup> I gave her another for Mr. Coney. Then went to Mr. Pemberton and

“ Let the transplanted English Vine  
Spread further still: still call it Thine:  
Prune it with Skill: for yield it can  
More Fruit to Thee the Husbandman.

“ Give the poor Indians Eyes to see  
The Light of Life: and set them free;  
That they Religion may profess,  
Denying all Ungodliness.

“ From hard'ned Jews the Vail remove;  
Let them their Martyr'd Jesus love;  
And Homage unto Him afford,  
Because He is their Rightfull Lord.

“ So false Religions shall decay,  
And Darkness fly before bright Day;  
So Men shall God in Christ adore;  
And worship Idols vain, no more.

“ So Asia and Africa,  
Europa with America:  
All Four, in Consort join'd, shall Sing  
New Songs of Praise to Christ our King.”

— Eds.

<sup>1</sup> Jeremiah Dummer married Hannah Atwater, and her sister Mary (widow of John Clark) married John Coney, of Boston.— Eds.

gave him four; prayed his favourable Acceptance; He might have as many more as he pleas'd. *Copia errandi.* Mr. Pemberton spake of some Gen<sup>l</sup> Meeting to morrow night in order to call a Church Meeting referring to Joseph's ordination, said I need not expect any other Notice: I said I needed not.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 13. Mr. Colman preaches from PS. 132. 8., his 2<sup>d</sup> Sermon: Shew'd that a due worshiping of God was a people's Strength and Safety. Spake much of the Sabbath. Bewail'd that the Word of GOD was not publickly honoured by being Read to the Assemblies on the Lords Day.<sup>1</sup> A little after 7. Met at Mr. Pemberton's, Winthrop, Sewall, Sergeant, Bromfield, Stoddard, Sim. Hill, Williams, Checkley, Mr. Nathan<sup>l</sup> Williams, Schoolmaster, Major Fitch, Mr. S. Phillips, Mr. Borland, Mr. Dan<sup>l</sup> Oliver, Capt. Winlow, Mr. Campbell. Conferred about the Ordination in order to have the Churches' Aprobation. Propounded Wednesday, the Sixteenth of September, That Mr. Pemberton should give the Charge, as Mr. Willard gave him. Twas debated whether Joseph should preach, or some other. Some thought it was better for some other to tell Joseph and the people their Duty: Others said, His Duty would be told him by the Charge. Finally, twas left to the Church Meeting which is to be next Tuesday at 10. m. in the Meetinghouse. One Bell to be Rung. Churches to be sent to, Old, North, Colman, Cambridge, Charlestown, Roxbury, Dorchester, Milton, Weymouth.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 14. Am invited to be a Bearer to the Sheriff. I enquired of Mr. Secretary, who was a Bearer, whether there was a Sermon, he told me yes, Mr. Harris was to

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<sup>1</sup> It will be remembered that one of the distinctive principles on which Mr. Colman's church in Brattle Street was founded was that the Scriptures should be read at each service. This was not the usage in the other churches, in which the Scriptures were read only in connection with comments. — Eds.

preach;<sup>1</sup> and seem'd to make no doubt of [my] going to hear him: I now begun to be distress'd: Jn<sup>o</sup> Roberts told me the Governour excus'd himself from being a Bearer because of his inability to go. In the evening, I sent one to call out Jn<sup>o</sup> Roberts, and told him it so fell out, I could not be a Bearer; and bid him drop such a word that I had rather wear a pair of Gloves for his sake.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 14. Joseph and Jn<sup>o</sup> Gerrish bring home Hañah and Judith. Are both well. *Laus. Deo.*

Aug<sup>t</sup> 15. I have a pair of Gloves sent me. Bearers are Sir Charles Hobby, Col. Hutchinson; Mr. Secretary, Mr. Edward Lyde; Mr. Robt Howard, Mr. Thomas Newton. Col. Hutchinson was put in stead of the Gov<sup>r</sup>, and Mr. Lyde in stead of me. Gov<sup>r</sup> went in his Coach. L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> and Major Gen<sup>l</sup> Winthrop follow'd the Relations; Mr. Cooke and I next. All seem'd to be, for going to hear the Sermon, except the Major Gen<sup>l</sup> and I. Went in to Col. Townsend's; when had drunk, the Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> and I went away. I call'd at the Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup>, and read the order for holding a Special Court. Then went and visited Capt. Belchar, sick of a Fever.

Lord's Day, Aug<sup>t</sup> 16. In the Afternoon, after Sermon and Prayer and Contribution, Mr. Pemberton Warn'd a Church-meeting next Friday, at Ten in the morning at the Meetinghouse, One Bell to be rung. To agree about Mr. Sewall's Ordination, the Time and Circumstances of it.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 17. Went to the Funeral of Mr. Elisha Cook's little Daughter, near a year and half old. In the forenoon, the Chief Justice, Mr. Lynde, Sewall a<sup>p</sup>ointed Wednesday Aug<sup>t</sup> 26. for the Trial of David Wallis, comitted for Murther, Mr. Cook, our Clerk, and the Attorney Gen<sup>l</sup> were with us.

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<sup>1</sup> Giles Dyer was a warden of King's Chapel, and the funeral sermon was by Rev. Henry Harris, of that church. Hence Sewall's desire to avoid attendance thereon. — EDS.

Tuesday, Aug<sup>t</sup> 18. 1713. Mr. Hirst, his wife, daughters Mary and Hañah, went to Salem; I tooke leave of them at the Salutation.<sup>1</sup>

Aug<sup>t</sup> 19. The president visited me, and discours'd about Mogungug Lands;<sup>2</sup> I gave him Six Proposals. He says Mr. Flint Studies the Revelation. When I got home from Mr. Tilly's Meeting, I found B. Larnell there: Mr. Rawson sent him with a very patheticall Letter, sent his son John with him. Mrs. Elisa. and Lydia Walley were here to see my wife, intending to journey towards Bristol next day.

Aug<sup>t</sup> 26. A Special Court of Assize is held at Boston by all the Justices, and Dr. Cotton Mather pray'd at opening the Court. Grand-jury brought in *Billa vera* against David Wallis in the Morning, he was arraign'd and remanded to prison till after Dinner; and then Tried; Capt. Thomas Gilbert foreman of the Jury; as Mr. Joshua Gee was of the Grand-Jury. They brought David Wallis in Guilty. Being ask'd what he had to say, He Beg'd a little Time. The Chief Justice pronounced the Sentence.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 5. Mr. Justice Corwin, Lynde, Sewall set out for Bristol. The two former lodge at Frenches, I at Dagget's. In the morning I ride to Attleborough Meeting and hear Mr. Shortt, who preaches well. I dine, and lodge at his house.

7<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> I ride with Hasting to Rehoboth; from thence with Corwin and Lynde, to Carpenter's at Swansey. Dine there. Was met at the Gate by the Sheriff, Col. Pain, Mr. Mackintosh, Capt. Davis, and others.

<sup>1</sup> This tavern was on the corner of North Street and Salutation Alley. The sign, usually representing two friends accosting each other, is common in England, and has been traced back to some Biblical scene as the original. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Undoubtedly in Hopkinton, formerly called Quansigomog. A hill there was named *Megonko*. See *post*, p. 416. — Eds.



7r. 8. Mr. Sparhawk prays Excellently at opening the Court.

7: 11<sup>th</sup> Mr. Mackintosh has us in his Coach to his house to Su<sup>per</sup>: had a splendid Treat. Adjourn'd till morn.

7: 12. Capt. Churches Review goes against him. Adjourned *sine die*. Breakfast at Mr. Newgate's. We set out for Rehoboth about Noon. Mr. Mackintosh, Sheriff, Mr. Pain; son and one or two more accompanied us part of the way. Baited late at Rehoboth. Twas dark before we got to Dagget's.

7: 13<sup>th</sup> Rode to Wrentham, and there kept the Sabbath. Mr. Man Preach'd upon the Subject of the high Wind, from Ps. 107. 25. For he comāndeth, and raiseth the Stormy Wind. To stir us up wisely to observe and improve this providence of God. PS. 28. 5. Dine at Mr. Man's.

7: 14<sup>th</sup> went home; had Mr. Belchar's company at Fisher's. Got home about 5. p. m. found all well, *Laus Deo*.

Just about Sun-set Mr. Secretary brings me the Govr<sup>r</sup> Letter about David Wallis, Chief Justice being sick.

7: 15. Cloudy, raw Wether, so that I fear'd a sore N. E. Storm next day: but it Rain'd great part of the Night, and clear'd in the morning, and was a very comfortable day. 7: 16<sup>th</sup> for the Ordination. Began a little after Ten m.

Dr. Cotton Mather begun with Prayer, Excellently, concluded about the Bell ringing for Eleven. My son preached from 1 Cor. 3. 7. So then neither is he that planteth any thing, nor he that Watereth; but God that gives the Increase. Was a very great Assembly; were Elders and Messengers from 9 Churches viz. North, Old [First], Colman, Cambridge, Charlestown, Roxbury, Dorchester, Milton, Weymouth. Twelve Ministers sat at the Table by the Pulpit. Mr. Pemberton made an

August Speech, Shewing the Validity and Antiquity of New English Ordinations. Then having made his way, went on, ask'd as Customary, if any had to say against the ordaining the person. Took the Churches Handy vote; Church sat in the Gallery. Then declar'd the Elders and Messengers had desired the Ministers of Boston to lay on Hands (Mr. Bridge was indispos'd and not there). Dr. Increase Mather, Dr. Cotton Mather, Mr. Benjamin Wadsworth, Mr. Ebenezer Pemberton and Mr. Benjamin Colman laid on Hands. Then Mr. Pemberton Pray'd, Ordain'd, and gave the Charge Excellently. Then Dr. Increase Mather made a notable Speech, gave the Right Hand of Fellowship, and pray'd. Mr. Pemberton directed the three and Twentieth Psalm to be sung. The person now Ordain'd dismiss'd the Congregation with Blessing. The chief Entertainment was at Mr. Pemberton's; but was considerable elsewhere. Two Tables at our House, whereat were Mr. Gerrish of Wenham, Mr. Green, Mr. Graves, Mr. Holyoke, Mr. Robie, &c. &c. At night Mr. Pemberton was taken very ill with his old distemper, that could not sit down, took little or no[thing]. On the Sabbath 7<sup>r</sup> 20. Mr. Rowland Cotton preaches for Mr. Pemberton, and will preach in the Fore-noon, that may preach at the North p. m. Felix trembled &c. J. S. preach'd p. m. from Jn<sup>o</sup> 1. 29. Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the Sin of the world. Spake well to the Condemned prisoner, who was in the Assembly. Bap-tiseth Thomas Robinson,<sup>1</sup> great Grand-son of Mr. John Woodbridge by his daughter, Martha Ruggles; this was the First; bap-tis'd also Deborah Simson, and John Merriwether.

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<sup>1</sup> Rev. John Woodbridge, according to Savage, bred at Oxford, came here in 1634, and died in 1695. His daughter Martha married Samuel Ruggles, July 8, 1680, and her daughter Patience married James Robinson, July 3, 1711. These were the parents, we presume, of the child here mentioned. Mrs. Ruggles lived until 1738. — Eds.

Tuesday, 7<sup>r</sup> 22. I go to Roxbury, wait on the Gov<sup>r</sup> with the Letter of Mr. Justice Corwin, and Lynde. Gov<sup>r</sup> tells me a sad story of Sam, as if he were disguis'd with Drink in the Salt-Marsh; His wife comes in with little Hañah: I sit a little while, and go away to Brooklin, find Sam very hard at Work mowing up Stalks.

7<sup>r</sup> 23. Sam. comes to our house, goes home late after the Rain that Tom might come to the Execution as tis promised him.

7<sup>r</sup> 24. Very vast Assembly. Mr. Colman preaches excellently, PS. 51. Deliver me from Blood-guiltiness. Condemned Wallis present. In the Fore Seat were only Sewall, Sergeant, Lynde of Charlestown. Mr. Peter Thacher of Milton. Mr. Mix and White of Gloucester dine with us.

About 3 or 4. p. m. Wallis is executed to general Satisfaction. Training warn'd.

7<sup>r</sup> 25. A great number of Guns fired on account of Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Geffries marrying Mr. Clark's daughter.<sup>1</sup> p. m. I walk a-foot to Roxbury and talk largely with Mr. Walter about Sam.

Lord's Day, 7<sup>r</sup> 27. a. m. Mr. Pemberton still kept in by Sickness, his Collegue preaches from Philip. 2. 8. Being found in fashion as a Man, he humbled himself to death, even the death of the cross. Administred the Lords Supper to good Satisfaction. Mr. Bromfield and Mr. Sergeant congratulated me upon it: p. m. Mr. Flynt preaches. Thomas Hatch baptised.

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<sup>1</sup> John Jeffries, son of the emigrant David Jeffries, married Anne, daughter of Thomas Clarke, by his second wife. Her half-sister, Jane Clarke, married Rev. Benjamin Colman. Mr. Clarke was very wealthy, and Mr. Jeffries, by inheritance and otherwise, acquired a large estate. He was town treasurer for many years, and lived on Tremont Street, where the Albion is, being, of course, a near neighbor of Sewall. He had an only daughter, who died young, and his heir was his nephew, David Jeffries, in whose line the name is perpetuated. A few years ago, a number of papers belonging to this John Jeffries were discovered in the ceiling of a room in Faneuil Hall. — Eds.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 1. Fifth-day, Dr. C. Mather preaches Mrs. Rock's Funeral Sermon, from PS. 25. 13. His Soul shall dwell at ease.<sup>1</sup> Sam was here, I invited him to come to us on the Lords Day; The Lords Sup<sup>r</sup> being administred at both churches in Roxbury, and he under disadvantages to partake.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 4. Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Barnard<sup>2</sup> preaches a Sermon too much savoring of Arminianisme. p. m. Son preaches from ps. 37. 37. on occasion of Mrs. Rock's death. Samuel Eliot, son of Andrew Eliot, Baptis'd. Sam. here all day. Sup'd here. went home about 7.

Second-day, 8<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> I goe to Brooklin, meet my daughter Sewall going to Roxbury with Hañah, to dine with her Bro<sup>r</sup> Winthrop. Sam. and I dined alone. Daughter return'd before I came away. I propounded to her that Mr. Walter might be desired to come to them and pray with them. She seem'd not to like the motion, said she knew not wherefore she should be call'd before a Minister! I urg'd him as the fittest moderator; the Gov<sup>r</sup> or I might be thought partial. She pleaded her performance of Duty, and how much she had born. Mr. Hirst came in and smok'd a pipe and we came away together. I gave Sarah a Shilling. Hañah ditto and cake, the sick Indian Boy a cake, Tom. a Shilling.

Got home a little before 7.; visited Mr. Sergeant confin'd to his house: was not abroad on the Lords Day.

8<sup>r</sup> 6. Sam. comes to Town on account of his Sick Boy.

<sup>1</sup> This sermon was printed. In S. Mather's list it is called "An Essay upon a Soul at ease; a funeral sermon for Mrs. Mary Rock." — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This eminent man, one of the first of the New England clergy who relaxed the rigidity of its Calvinism, was born in Boston, in 1681. For a while he assisted Dr. Colman, in Brattle Street, was chaplain and historian of the expedition to Port Royal, in 1707 went to London, where he received much respect, and declined, as a non-conformist, a chaplaincy offered him by Lord Wharton, returned home, was ordained Minister of Marblehead in 1716, and died in 1770, seventy years after he had graduated at Harvard. — Eds.

8<sup>r</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Din'd with the Court which sits the longest of any; had 147. Actions, 98. New. Jury not dismiss'd till Satterday 8<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> near Sun-set.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 12. Col. Townsend and I prepare to set out in our Journey to the Vinyard. But my Horse is taken out of the Stable and gon; and cânt be recover'd: and the day doubtfull. While were thus Bustleing, Capt. Wade's Guns were heard, in whom comes Col. Nicholson: and are by Maxwell warn'd to Council. I call to see sick Mr. Sergeant by the way. While there it Rain'd very hard; was held there by it awhile. Then proceeded, and with Col. Townsend, Stoddard, Capt. Moodey went to the Governour, who was waiting upon the New wharf, and waited hours in a Warehouse. At last Col. Nicholson came ashor; Cheers, Guns from Capt. Wade, Capt. Brown, Ships, North, South Battery. Capt. Clark's Guns spake very audibly, and the wind favour'd their Report.

Went to the Town-House; From thence to Homes's, to Diñer. None with him that I see but Mr. Net-maker, who is his Secretary. At my motion Mr. Colman was sent for, and crav'd a Blessing. Mr. Myles came in, and the Gov<sup>r</sup> desired him to return Thanks. Col. Nicholson said to me, He was glad that I held out so well.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 13. 1713. *Feria tertia*. Last night was very Tempestuous, with Lightening, Thunder, Rain. Morning Cloudy: A Council was warn'd, which made us too late to Charlestown. Mr. Stevens ordained. Mr. Stephens was in his Sermon—from Dan<sup>l</sup> 12. 3. The Seats were so fill'd that I went into Col. Phillips Pue, and Mr. Secretary follow'd, where had good Hearing and View. Mr. Bradstreet Pray'd; and declar'd that Dr. Increase Mather was desired to Ordain, and be Moderator in the Affair, which he perform'd. He, Dr. Cotton Mather, Mr. Bradstreet, Mr. Brattle, Mr. Barnard of Andover laid on Hands. Dr. Incr. Mather pray'd, Ordain'd, Charg'd, pray'd; Declar'd Mr. Stephens to be a Minister of Christ and a pastor of

the Church in that place. Dr. Cotton Mather made an August Speech, shewing that the Congregational Churches early declar'd against Independency, that all the Reformation of the Continent of Europe ordain'd as New England did; shew'd that their Ordination had no other Foundation. Declar'd what was expected of the Ordained person, what of the church, and then gave the Right Hand of Fellowship. 3 last Staves of the 32<sup>d</sup> PS. sung. Capt. Phips set the Tune, and read it. Col. Hutchinson and Townsend sat in the Pue next Col. Phillips. Capt. Belchar, and Mr. Bromfield in the Deacon's Seat. Gov<sup>r</sup> came over afterward, He and Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson went into the Fore-Seat, L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> Taylor into the Fore-Seat.

Wednesday, Octob<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup>. Gen<sup>l</sup> Court meets About 4. p. m. Gov<sup>r</sup> sends for the Deputies in, makes his Speech.

Thursday, 8<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> About 9. m. a portentous Birth at the North-end in Prince street. Mr Bridge preaches, 112. PS. To the Upright Light ariseth out of Darkness. Pray'd for Col. Nicholson, who sat in Mr. Addington's Pue. Gov<sup>r</sup> not at Meeting. p. m. L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> propounds me, Col. Jn<sup>o</sup> Apleton, and Col. Higginson to join with Capt. Hutchinson, Capt. Oliver and Mr. Mather, a Committee to consider of Grain, to prevent its Exportation. I shew'd it the Gov<sup>r</sup> when he came in, who a<sup>p</sup>rov'd.

The Deputies made a Motion to Congratulate Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson's safe Arrival. Gov<sup>r</sup> Nominated Mr. Addington, Mr. Eliakim Hutchinson, Col. Higginson, Capt. Belcher To Congratulate, and to say *they were ready to receive Her Majesties Comānds, and to do their Duty so soon as they knew them.*

But the Deputies drew up another, leaving all out but Congratulations. Their Names were, Mr. Clark, Davenport, Gill, Porter. I observ'd Two Leather Chairs were set at the end of the Council Table, and the Elbow Chair set aside: But when Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson staid not to sit down

they were remov'd, and the Governour's Arm'd Chair took place again.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 16. 1713. I went to see the portentous Birth; it seems to be two fine Girls to whom an unhap̄y Union has been fatal. The Heads and Necks, as low as a Line drawn from the Arm-pits, are distinct. A little below the Navel, downward again distinct, with distinct Arms and Legs; Four of each. I measured across the perfect Union about the Hips and found it to hold about eight Inches. Oh the Mercies of my Birth, and of the Birth of Mine! *Laus Deo!* Dr. Cotton Mather introduc'd me and Mr. John Winthrop to this rare and awfull Sight.<sup>1</sup>

Octob<sup>r</sup> 19. Mr. Winslow of Marshfield comes to Town; Set out so long before Sun-rise that he was here about 3. p. m. and in the Council-Chamber, in his own Hair.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 20. He appears with a Flaxen Wigg, I was griev'd to see it, he had so comly a head of black Hair.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 21. Now about two Leather Chairs are set at the end of the Council Table, and Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson sits at the Governour's Right Hand. Gov<sup>r</sup> speaks of sending Mr. Williams and Mr. Stoddard to Canada.<sup>2</sup>

Octob<sup>r</sup> 22. I go to Salem, visit Mrs. Epes, Col. Hathorne. See Mr. Noyes marry Mr. Aaron Porter and Mrs. Susan Sewall, at my Brother's. Was a pretty deal of Company present; Mr. Hirst and wife, Mr. Blower, Mr. Prescott, Mr. Tuft Sen<sup>r</sup> and jun<sup>r</sup>, Madam Leverett, Foxcroft, Goff, Kitchen; Mr. Samuel Porter, Father of the Bridegroom, I should have said before. Many young Gentlemen and Gentlewomen. Mr. Noyes made a Speech, said Love was the Sugar to sweeten every Condition in the married Relation. Pray'd once. Did all very well. After the Sack-

<sup>1</sup> A more prosaic generation has in these days, this year, exhibited for money, a few rods from Sewall's door, a similar combination, under the name of the "Double-headed Nightingale, Millie." — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> About negotiating the redemption of prisoners. — Eds.

Posset,<sup>1</sup> &c. Sung the 45th. Psalm from the 8th verse to the end, five staves. I set it to Windsor Tune. I had a very good Turkey-Leather Psalm-Book which I look'd in while Mr. Noyes Read: and then I gave it to the Bridegroom saying, "I give you this Psalm-Book in order to your perpetuating this Song: and I would have you pray that it may be an Introduction to our Singing with the Choir above." I lodg'd at Mr. Hirst's.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 23. I set out for Boston a little before noon, Cousin Henry accompanys me to Lewis's; gave him half a crown. Mr. Leverett and Pemberton at the head of Schoolstreet. Mr. Pemberton welcom'd me from the Wedding. Mr. President enquired after his wife. Got home a  $\frac{1}{4}$  of hour before Sun-set. Being weary with Journy, I went not to the Meeting at Madam Willard's, where my Son preached. Meeting was Thin.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 24. I go to Council. I help'd Mr. Secretary to compare the Bill for Medway, the new Town on the West of Charles River.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 25. In the Night after 12. Susan comes, and knocks at our chamber door, said she could not sleep, was afraid she should dye. Which amaz'd my wife and me. We let her in, blew up the Fire, wrapt her warm, and went to bed again. She sat there till near day, and then return'd; and was well in the morning. *Laus Deo.* I was the more startled because I had spilt a whole Vinyard Cañ of water just before we went to Bed: and made that Reflection that our Lives would shortly be spilt.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 26. I visit Dr. Increase Mather, who is sick upon his Bed, has not been abroad since Mr. Stephens's Ordination. Tells me he hears Col. Banks is like to be our Governour.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> "Sack-Posset" appears not to have been a beverage to be drunk from a glass, but a compound of milk, spirit, and other ingredients, partaken of with a spoon. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> We are unable to identify this Colonel Banks. There was, at the time,



Octob<sup>r</sup> 27. Have a Meeting of the Co<sup>m</sup>missioners in the Evening at the Council Chamber. This day Joseph Homes, father of Capt. Nath<sup>l</sup> Homes, is buried with a very thin Funeral.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 28. Privat Meeting at Bro<sup>r</sup> Thornton's joining to the Draw-Bridge that was. I think have not Met at his House since the Fire till now.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 29. Ipswich Hamlet petitions the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court to give them the Powers of a Precinct. Dr. Cotton Mather preaches. Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson not at Meeting; Judg of Admiralty at New-found-Land sits in Mr. Addington's Pue. In the Evening Mr. Ebenezer Pemberton marries my Son Joseph Sewall, and Mrs.<sup>l</sup> Elizabeth Walley. Wait Winthrop esqr., and Lady, Samuel Porter esqr., Edmund Quinsey esqr., Ephraim Savage, esqr. and wife, Madam Usher, Mr. Mico and wife, Jer. Du<sup>m</sup>er esqr., Cousin Sam. Storke, Cous. Carter, and many more present. Sung out of the 115<sup>th</sup> Ps. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  staves from the 11<sup>th</sup> to the end. W. which I set. Each had a piece of Cake, and Sack-Posset. Mr. Pemberton craved a Blessing and Return'd Thanks at eating the Sack-Posset. Came away between 9 and 10. Daughter Sewall came in the Coach with my Wife, who invited her to come in and lodge here with her Husband; but she refus'd, and said she had promis'd to go to her Sister Wainwright's, and did so.

Friday 8<sup>r</sup> 30. Sam. and his Wife dine here, go home together in the Calash. William Ilsly rode and pass'd by them. My son warn'd him not to lodge at his house; Daughter said she had as much to doe with the house as

a family of the name settled at Revesby Abbey, co. Lincoln, the head of which was Joseph Banks, M. P. for Grimsby. His great-grandson and representative was Sir Joseph Banks, Bart., the distinguished president of the Royal Society. — EDS.

<sup>1</sup> It hardly needs to be mentioned that the appellation of "Mrs." or "Mistress" was, by courtesy, attached to the names of maidens of high social station, as well as to those of married women. — EDS.

he. Ilsly lodg'd there.<sup>1</sup> Sam. grew so ill on Saterdag, that instead of going to Roxbury he was fain between Meetings to take his Horse, and come hither; to the surprise of his Mother, who was at home. Lord save him and us! Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Williams preached for my son in the morn, and went at Noon to preach for Mr. Walter. About 9. on Saterdag night, Mr. Bridge was taken with another paralytick Fit, was in danger of falling into the fire.

Joseph and his Bride sat in Mr. Walley's Pue.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 2. Sam. is somthing better, yet full of pain; He told me with Tears that these sorrows (arising from discord between him and his wife) would bring him to his Grave. I said he must endeavour to be able to say, O Death, where is thy sting? O Grave, where is thy victory? Hé is refresh'd by discoursing with Simon Gates of Marlborough, and Amos Gates. They tell us that Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Sparhawk is like to dye at Cambridge. I visit the Bride-Groom and Bride, and Mr. Bridge.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 5. I first see Col. Tho. Noyes in a swash Flaxen Wigg; At Dinner I told him, in going home he must keep Ipswich Rode and not goe to Salem; his cousin would take him to doe.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 6. The Council invite Col. Nicholson to diñer at Mr. Davenport's, house  $\frac{1}{2}$  Mile from the Town House; so the Super-Court kept their Diñer at the Exchange Tavern.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 8. Mr. Flint preaches for my son.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 9. I set out for Salem with David about 10. m. Had a very good passage to Winnisiñet; Got to Salem near an hour before Sunset; At the parting of the ways Mr. Attorney fell in with me.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 10. Finish'd the Business of the Court by Candle-light; visited Major Brown, Bro<sup>r</sup> Hirst.

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<sup>1</sup> We seem to get a hint here that jealousy had something to do with the junior Sewall's domestic troubles. The Ilsleys were a Newbury family, the emigrant being a William. We have no means of identifying the one named in the text. — Eds.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 11. Came home, Visited Cousin Porter sick of the Measles. Got home about 4 p. m. Went to the Funeral of Mrs. Mather,<sup>1</sup> who died last Monday; Bearers, Col. Hutchinson, Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson; Mr. Dallie,<sup>2</sup> Wadsworth; Pemberton, Colman. Visited Hañah Parkman.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 12. Mr. Pemberton preaches Forenoon and Afternoon. Between Meetings, Mr. Bromfield and I go to Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson, and desire him to forbear the intended Bonfire: He Treats us very Civilly, and sends for Col. Redknap, who he said was the Engineer, and agreed to it; we took leave with Thanks. When I came home from Salem found Mr. Mayhew here, come from New-London. Goes to Roxbury to keep Thanksgiving for fear of the Measles. Gov<sup>r</sup> sends his Coach for his sons Dudley, and Wainwright to Dine with him. Sam went to Meeting.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 15. Sam. goes to Meeting, Mr. Mayhew also goes.

Tuesday, 9<sup>e</sup> 17. Sam. rides home though the wether were bad.

9<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> Mr. Mayhew goes homeward before Lecture. Mr. Wadsworth preaches. Elder Cop pray'd for as dangerously sick. Mr. Addington marries Madam Wainwright at Col. Winthrop's before Mr. Colman.

<sup>1</sup> This was the second wife of Rev. Cotton Mather, of whom his son Samuel writes: "She was one of finished Piety and Probity, and of an unspotted Reputation; one of good sense, and bless'd with a compleat Discretion in ordering an Household; one of singular good-Humour and incomparable Sweetness of Temper; one with a very handsome engaging Countenance; and one honourably descended and related. 'Twas Mrs. Elizabeth Hubbard, who was the Daughter of Dr. John Clark. She had been a Widow four Years, when Dr. Mather married her, which was Aug. 18, 1703. He rejoiced in her as having great spoil, and in finding her found great Favour of the Lord. They lived together in perfect Content and Harmony ten Years: She died Nov. 8, 1713, with Willingness: the Fear of Death was extinguished in her: She committed herself into the Hands of her Saviour, and in the same gracious Hands She left her Children. She was much beloved and greatly lamented." — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> It is pleasant to notice that the minister of the Huguenot congregation in the town was in such fraternal relations with the other pastors as to be asked to this service. — Eds.

9<sup>r</sup> 20 p. m. Elder Cop dies. Meeting at Mr. Pember-ton's.

9<sup>r</sup> 21. Very Cold; Sam. comes to Town on foot. Capt. Arthur Savage arrives, 5 weeks passage.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 22. Very Cold Wether; Sam. partakes at the Lord's Su<sup>p</sup>er.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 23. I visit Mr. Addington and his Bride at Col. Winthrop's.

Nov<sup>r</sup> 24. Went to the Funeral of Elder David Cop, aged 79 years; was buried in the North.<sup>1</sup> Bearers, Mr.

<sup>1</sup> It would be inexcusable to pass over the name of Copp without a note. Copp's Hill is a part of the history of the town; and, though we cannot enter upon full details, the following facts may be of use: The emigrant was William Copp, whose wife is called Goodith by Drake (Hist. p. 549), and Judith by Savage. His will (Suff. Wills, Vol. VIII. f. 32), dated 1662, proved 1670, mentions sons David and Jonathan, daughters Lydia and Ruth, and daughter Tewksbury. Undoubtedly a daughter Joanna married Samuel Norden; Ann married Herman Atwood, and Martha married, first, William Harvey, and secondly, Henry Tewksbury.

Of these Jonathan left issue probably; and David certainly, by wife, Obedience Topliff, had four sons, David, Jr., and Samuel, of Boston, and Jonathan, of Stonington, and John, of Norwalk, who divided his estate, March 29, 1714. (Suff. Deeds, Vol. XXIX. f. 118.)

William Copp had, originally, as appears by the Book of Possessions, "one house and lot of half an acre in the mill field, bounded with Thomas Buttolph south-east, John Button north-east, the marsh on the south-west, and the river on the north-west."

May 1, 1706 (Suff. Deeds, Vol. XXII. f. 531), certain depositions were made by David Copp, David Copp, Jr., and David Farnum, to the effect that about 1674 or 1675, Jacob Willett, merchant, of London, took into his hands all the estate of Mr. Thomas Broughton, except a part of a house and garden actually occupied by said Thomas Broughton. When Willett went away, he left these affairs in the hands of said David Copp, Sen.; and this estate "is now and has been for some years in the use and possession of Joshua Gee, shipwright."

June 13, 1689 (Suff. Deeds, Vol. XXII. f. 1), Joseph Osborn, of East Hampton, Long Island, and wife, Elizabeth, sold to David Copp land at the north end of Boston, bounded north-east on the street from the North Meeting-house towards Centre Haven, 103 feet; north-west, on the old highway, next the Mill-Pond, 150 feet; south-west, by Osborn, 27 feet; south-east, by Osborn, 101 feet. This land David Copp gave, Aug. 31, 1704 (Suff. Deeds, Vol. XXII. f. 2), to his grandchildren, William and Anne Cobb, children of son William, deceased, mariner; he gives the same

Thomas Oakes, Mr. Thornton; Capt. Atwood, Mr. Maryon; Deacon Tay, Deacon Hubbard. Follow'd the Mourners, Mr. Cook, Hutchinson; Sewall, Col. Lynde; E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Col. Townsend; Dr. C. Mather, and Mr. Wadsworth there. A pretty many Men but few Women. Mrs. Boon and Feño buried this Afternoon. I could be at neither of the Funerals, because of this.

Tuesday, 9<sup>r</sup> 24. Joseph visits us after his sickness of the Measles; dines with us. David brings Susan's Mother from Braintree to tend her.

25<sup>th</sup> Henry Farwell of Dunstable talks with me about a Meeting at Woburn of the Non-residents.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 23. at Noon. Great Rain, I went not to the Meeting.

26. Dr. Mather preaches. I could not discern that he return'd any Thanks for Joseph's Recovery, though he knew he was at Lecture. Return'd Thanks Expressly for Mr. Bridge. Mr. Thacher of Milton, Son of Brooklin, and Cousin Quinsey din'd with us.

27. I get a Grist of Wheat among the many that were pressing for it.<sup>1</sup> I think tis this day that Mr. Edw. Hutchinson buries his only child, a daughter of  $\frac{1}{2}$  year old: The Lord comfort him and his wife. Very cold day.

28. Sam. comes to Town from Brooklin, dines with us, comes to keep the Sabbath with us. I visit Mr. Pemberton. Very cold day. John Gerrish has the Measles at Mr. Lowder's.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 6. Sam. keeps Sabbath with us.

bounds, except that the Osborn land appears to be in the hands of Joshua Gee.

We do not learn when the name of Copp's Hill first appears in use. It is on Page's map, of 1775, and is there applied to the whole elevation, over which various streets extend; but forty years later it seems restricted to the triangle bounded by Snow-hill, Prince, and Commercial Streets. The deeds of David Copp and his sons (Suff. Deeds, Vol. XXIX. ff. 118-121, and Vol. XXX. f. 170) do not give us sufficient data to establish the oldest limits. — Eds.

<sup>1</sup> We have already noticed the scarcity of wheat at this time. (*Ante*, p. 384.) — Eds.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 6. 1713. Sun is Eclipsed just about the beginning of the Fore noon Exercise; when well enter'd many Guns are Fired by Capt. Brown Going down to Nantasket. Mr. Holyoke observes the Eclipse in the Town House Turret. Very clear day. I saw it plain as I came home at Noon.

xr. 8. Major Fitches son Thomas died last night, of a Relapse after the Measles.

xr. 9. Nurse Hañah Cowell buried, Bearers, Mr. Odlin, Tho. Walker; Deacons Maryon, Hobart; Brother Wheeler, Foreland. Was a very pious Woman, and a true Lover of the first Ways of New-England. Col. Hutchinson, Sewall, E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Townsend, Mr. Wadsworth, Colman, followed after the Mourners.

Thursday, xr. 10. Mr. Wadsworth preaches in Mr. Bridges Turn; PS. 69. 5. Mr. Bridge not abroad. Mr. Francis Burroughs<sup>1</sup> buried after Lecture; Bearers, Mr. Winthrop, Townsend; Belcher, Bromfield; Checkley, Ballantine. He is Lamented as having been an intelligent Exemplary Christian. Buried in Mr. Heath's Tomb, New burying place.

Dec<sup>r</sup> the Eleventh. Mr. Thomas Fitch his son Thomas buried: <sup>2</sup> Great Funeral; Bearers, Major W<sup>m</sup> Dudley, Capt.

<sup>1</sup> This was the merchant from London whom John Dunton found here, and who furnished the necessary security that Dunton should not "be chargeable to the town." He married here, as his second wife, Dec. 29, 1709, Elizabeth (Gross), widow of — Heath. His daughter Sarah married Captain John Brown, of Salem. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Thomas Fitch, who died June 23, 1736, *vide* "News Letter," was a very distinguished citizen. He was Colonel of the Boston Regiment, Captain of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, Representative and Councillor for nearly twenty years. His name is also closely connected with Boston Common. May 21, 1714 (Suff. Deeds, Vol. XXVIII. f. 107), he bought, of George Waldron, land at the south end of the Common or Training Field, bounded east by land of Edward Bromfield 300 feet, north by the Common 261 feet, west by the Common 361 feet, south by Frog Lane 438 feet. June 9, 1757, Andrew Oliver, Jr., and wife, Mary, sold (Suff. Deeds, Vol. LXXXIX. f. 64) to the town land east 320 feet on land of Mrs. Martha

Josiah Willard, Mr. Borland. White Scarves and Rings; Gov<sup>r</sup>, L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson, Col. Vetch had Scarves. Ministers. I had Gloves sent. Was laid in Mr. Wilson's Tomb old Burying place.

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Allen; south on Frog Lane 321 feet, north on the Common 189½ feet, west on the Common, on a bevelling line, 355 feet.

Oliver also bought, May 5, 1755, from Mrs. Allen (Suff. Deeds, Vol. LXXXVII. f. 21) her lot, bounded east, on the highway, 324 feet; north, on the Common, 324 feet, 5 inches; west, 302 feet, 3 inches; south, 281 feet, 9 inches. Thus Fitch's heirs must have bought all the land on the north side of Boylston Street. As we have seen, Oliver sold the burying ground lot to the town, and the remainder he sold to William Foster, March 25, 1780; and Foster, Oct. 6, 1787 (Suff. Deeds, Vol. CLXII. f. 125), sold it to the town.

As to Thomas Fitch's pedigree, we find, by his will (proved June 30, 1736, Wills, Vol. XXXII. f. 459) that he left a daughter, Martha Allen, and grandson, Andrew Oliver, *alias* Thomas Fitch Oliver; daughter-in-law, Martha Fitch; wife, Abiel; sister, Sarah Warren; nephew, Jabez Hunt; nieces, Priscilla and Mary Hunt, and Sarah Watts. These Hunts were the children of Thomas and Mary Hunt; Thomas Warren married Sarah Fitch, Dec. 14, 1694.

Hence we conclude that he was the son of Thomas and Martha (Fiske) Fitch, of Boston, who had Martha, born Nov. 9, 1656; Mary, Feb. 17, 1658; Sarah, June 14, 1661; Elizabeth, Aug. 2, 1664; and Thomas, Feb. 5, 1668-69. Administration was granted to Martha, widow of Thomas Fitch, Aug. 21, 1678. He left considerable property, his house being valued at £250.

Colonel Thomas Fitch married Abiel, daughter of Rev. Samuel Danforth, of Roxbury (Suff. Deeds, Vol. XXI. f. 537), and had Mary, born April 21, 1695; Thomas, Sept. 21, 1697; Samuel, Aug. 31, 1703; Martha, Sept. 25, 1704; Mary, Oct. 28, 1706; John, Oct. 19, 1709. The sons seem all to have died before him, administration being granted July 1, 1735, to James Allen and Andrew Oliver, on estate of their brother-in-law, John Fitch, merchant. (Suff. Wills, Vol. XXXII. f. 197.) Mary Fitch married, June 20, 1728, Andrew Oliver, afterwards Lieutenant Governour, and had three children, of whom only Andrew lived. This Andrew, Jr., was the progenitor of the Salem line, which took the popular side, and remained here at the Revolution; the children of Lieutenant-Governor Oliver, by his second wife (Mary Sanford, sister of Mrs. Hutchinson), nearly all were refugees. Dr. Fitch Edward Oliver has a good portrait of his ancestor, Thomas Fitch.

We have not been able to trace the Fitches back of Thomas Sen., but it is very probable that he was son of Zachary Fitch, of Reading, and brother of Jeremiah and Benjamin, both of Boston. They seem not to be related of the Norwalk family, of which one Thomas Fitch was Governor of Connecticut, 1754-1766. — Eds.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 12. Great storm of Snow.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 13. Mr. Bridge preaches again.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 14. Several Ministers pray with and for Mr. Sergeant; Mr. Danforth of Dorchester, Mr. Wadsworth, Pemberton, Colman, Sewall. Began between 1 and 2 p. m. Candles were lighted before Mr. Pemberton had ended.

This Afternoon Mr. Matthew Skinner (A young Merchant of about 32 years old, Capt. Keeling's partner, Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson says has Good Friends in London), was buried. Died by a Fall from his Horse, Nov<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup>, near Lyndsey's, coming from Salem. Was brought to Town last Friday. That very day I Travelled from Salem home by Charlestown, and rec'd no Hurt. *Laus Deo!*

The widow Gibs's Eldest Son was buried this day.

Novemb<sup>r</sup> 17. Thursday is a Cloudy and very Cold Day, which made the Fast-Assemblies the thinner in the 4. Congregations in Boston; yet the Work was carried on. Two Sermons. In the Afternoon £103. was gather'd at the South Church, 68. at the old, about 70. at Mr. Colman's, £126. at the North.

Satterday, Nov<sup>r</sup> 19. A Council is call'd; Sit round the Fire: Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson blames the observing a Fast without the order of Authority; the Queen was Head of the Church: seem'd to be Warm. The Lieut Governour seem'd to intimat that their Church [King's Chapel], the members of it, were Treated as if they were Heathen. Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson mention'd it as graviminous that the Shōps were shut up. The Governour said, Twas voluntary; none was order'd to shut up his Shop. Country-men brought wares to Town as on other days; that he himself came to Town as supposing the Episcopal Church had observ'd the Fast: when he saw they did not, he went to Mr. Colman's; I was surpris'd with this uncomfortable Talk, and said Nothing! At length a Motion was made, I think by Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson, that there might be a Gen<sup>l</sup> Fast. I was of Opinion there was great need of it, and



readily voted for it. The Gov<sup>r</sup> pitch'd upon the 14<sup>th</sup> January.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 20. The weather is much more moderat: my Son administers the Lord's Su<sup>p</sup>er.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 22. Mr. Secretary reads the Order for the Fast, which is pass'd in Council, and bears Date this Day.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 23. Midweek I went to Cambridge in a Calash, visited Mr. Brattle, who has been very sick. Gave him an Angel<sup>1</sup> to buy him and Madam Brattle a pair of Gloves. I din'd there in his Study.

xr. 24. Dr. C. Mather preach'd of God's Punishing Sin with Sickness. After Lecture I went to the Funeral of Mrs. Bodin,<sup>2</sup> Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Campbell's eldest Daught, of about 26 years old: a vertuous Woman.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 25. Being moderat weather, A great abundance of provisions, Hay, wood, brought to Town; and Shops open as at other times. In the Afternoon I went to the Funeral of Mr. Francis Clark's daughter Hañah, between 9 and 10 years old, a desirable Child. Were 3. Funerals in the South-burying place together.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 31. Stormy Weather; the Gov<sup>r</sup> not at Lecture, nor Lieut-Gov<sup>r</sup>: No Council for Nominating Officers.

Friday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 1. There is a Council. Gov<sup>r</sup> propounds Officers. — Goreham, a Sheriff for Barnstable. I humbly offer'd my Advice that there was not a Council to such

<sup>1</sup> The angel was a coin whose value, probably, differed at times. Worcester pronounces it worth six shillings, eight pence; but Coles, in 1701, called it worth ten shillings. — EDS.

<sup>2</sup> This enables us to make certain Savage's conjecture that Sarah, wife of James Bowdoin, was the daughter of John Campbell. The first of the name was Pierre Baudouin (see Andros Tracts, III. 79, 80), a Huguenot refugee. The oldest son, James, settled in Boston, and his descendants have been famous here, though the name is now extinct in the male legitimate line. Another son of the emigrant was John, who went to Virginia, where his descendants continued the name. As additional proof of this branch, it may be noted that in Massachusetts Archives, Vol. LXIII. f. 210, 224, are business letters, &c., from John Bowdoin, of Williamsburg, Va., dated in 1712, in which he refers to his brother, James Bowdoin, of Boston. — EDS.

purposes. Gov<sup>r</sup> said He had adjourn'd the Council. I answer'd, The Council did not meet yesterday, and therefore could not be adjourn'd. However the Gov<sup>r</sup> went on. I think were but just 7. I mention'd Lothrop as a fit person: but I voted for no body, as knowing there was no Council for that purpose.

Tuesday, Jan<sup>y</sup> 5. I go to the Funeral of Capt. Beñet's daughter Butler;<sup>1</sup> is said to be the most desirable of his daughters, but about 25 or 6. years old. Cousin Moodey strikes in, and I go in the middle between him and Joseph S. Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Moodey of York lodges here.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 6. I visit Cousin Mrs. Anna Duñer. In the evening, Mr. Walter, Cousin Moodey and I had discourse about my son at Brooklin, his Circumstances. Yesterday after Mrs. Butler's Funeral, I visited Mr. Pemberton, who has Sore Eyes.

Fifth-day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 7th, Son J. Sewall preaches the Lecture, which is the first Sermon he has preached in the old church. 1 Cor. 6. 19. 20. Was invited, and din'd with the Court at Holms's. Was a very great Fogg all day. Rain'd toward night. Visited Mr. David Stoddard<sup>2</sup> and his

<sup>1</sup> The Boston records say that Joanna, wife of Stephen Butler, died Jan. 3, 1713 (*i. e.*, 1713-14). When Stephen died a few years later, administration was granted (Suff. Wills, Vol. XIX. f. 145, 175) to John Bennet, gent., on the estate of "his son-in-law," Stephen Butler, blacksmith, at the request of the widow, Mary Butler. The only relative mentioned is his mother, Tabitha Butler; but we may presume that he was a grandson of Stephen Butler, of Boston, who had several sons.

John and Joanna Bennet had Peter, born June 17, 1687; *Joanna*, Jan. 7, 1688-89; James, Sept. 4, 1694. There were, at least, two Johns, at this date, in Boston. One John married Hannah Denison, June 17, 1703 (perhaps he had married Elizabeth Gilman, May 15, 1701), and had Mary, born June 23, 1707; William, March 19, 1709-10. But John and Sarah Bennet had Jonathan, born May 14, 1701; and John and Ruth had Jonathan, Oct. 16, 1701, and Mary, July 5, 1704. A John Bennet died Nov. 17, 1717, but left no will. Very possibly these are grandchildren of Samuel Bennet, of Lynn and Chelsea. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> David Stoddard married Elizabeth (Richardson), widow of Samuel Shrimpton, Jr., and had three daughters. — Eds.

Bride, who was married privately last Wednesday was 14 night, by Mr. Colman. Visited Mr. Sergeant, who is very feeble and lame of his Right foot and Thigh.

Sixth-day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 8<sup>th</sup>. Went to the Funeral of Mrs. Mary Phillips,<sup>1</sup> widow, who was born at Sea, is within a few Moneths of 80: a good Woman. Bearers, Mr. Cooke, Elisha Hutchinson; Mr. Addington, Townsend; Mr. Dumer, Ephraim Savage.

Seventh-day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 9<sup>th</sup>. very great Storm of Wind and Snow last night, and today. About  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour past 8 m. was considerable Thunder and Lightening.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 14<sup>th</sup>. Fast-day, Mr. Sergeant is so weak that he keeps his Chamber; where to my surprise I find him at Noon. Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Moodey takes Leave in the evening, intending to sup at Mr. Hirst's, and Lodge at Tim<sup>o</sup> Green's that may be near the Ferry, and forward the folding and Stitching 100. of his Sermons now wrought off.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 15<sup>th</sup>. Goes homeward by Charlestown. Now about Mr. Secretary reads a Petition in Council upon the Act for shortening the years for Marriage from 7. to 3.<sup>2</sup> whereas

<sup>1</sup> The will of widow Mary Phillips, dated July 2, 1709, proved Jan. 30, 1713-14 (Suff. Wills, Vol. XVIII. f. 233), mentions her daughters Mehitable, wife of Thomas Savage, and Elizabeth, wife of Benjamin Sweetser, her sons Timothy and Samuel (but Timothy did not live to administer), grandsons Henry Phillips, Eleazer Phillips, and John Phillips, Jr., grand-daughter Anne Bly, and all her great-grandchildren who should be alive at her death: cousin Sarah Fausdicke. House and land in Pudding Lane are bequeathed.

These data enable us to identify her as Mary, daughter of John Dwight, and third wife of Henry Phillips, butcher, of Dedham and Boston, who died in February, 1686. The above items also add considerably to Savage's note on this family. The Dwight Genealogy, I. 97, states that Mary is called, on the Dedham record, "the first child born in Dedham," which conflicts with Sewall's statement that she was born at sea. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> This Act, passed in 1698, "in addition to and explanation of" an act of 1694, reduces, from seven to three years (in the sole case of the supposed loss of a vessel bound on a voyage of not more than three months), the term of absence of either husband or wife, after which the remaining party may marry again. In such case the Governor and Council are authorized to grant a license. Sewall's point seems to have been that the clause "or shall only

the Man sail'd from hence but November was 12 Moneths : I quasht it, saying our Laws must not be so sham'd ; Secretary said was more in the Law ; viz. or so heard of. But I said the 3 years must precede : The Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council had nothing to doe with it. It was dismiss'd. Lord's Day, Jan<sup>y</sup> 17. Mr. Sergeant makes his Will.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 18. Great Snow falls last night. I pay Sir Charles Hobby Fifty pounds. He asks to see the Commission from the Corporation, I shew'd it him. Then he ask'd to carry it away to copy it ; that I refus'd, saying it was comitted to me. He began to huff ; but I persisted.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 14. Tuesday. There is a Meeting of the Trustees for Mr. Edward Hopkins's Legacy,<sup>1</sup> upon due Warning. Present Joseph Dudley esqr. W<sup>m</sup> Tailer esqr. Isaac Addington esqr. Wait Winthrop esqr. S. S. Bromfield, E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, P. Townsend, S. Stoddard, Dr. Cotton Mather, Mr. John Leverett, Jer. Du<sup>m</sup>er Esqr. Mr. Dan<sup>l</sup> Oliver, Mr. Thomas Fitch, Mr. John Burhil. A Letter to my Lord Chancellour,<sup>2</sup> and another to Sir William Ashhurst, pen'd by the President, were voted with some Amendments. After this Meeting I consulted with the Co<sup>m</sup>issioners about giving Sir Charles the mentioned Comission ; a copy of it : None appear'd to allow it save Dr. C. Mather ;

be heard of under such circumstances as may rather confirm the opinion, commonly received, of the whole company's being utterly lost," could not have the effect to reduce the period of three years, even if such circumstances became known before the end of that time. (Province Laws, I. 171, 354.) — EDS.

<sup>1</sup> Quincy (Hist. Harvard College, I. 205) states that, after more than fifty years from the death of Edward Hopkins, the college took steps, in 1709, to claim the legacy left it. In March, 1712-13, a decree in Chancery gave it £800, which was placed in the hands of trustees. When Quincy wrote, the fund, despite various accidents, amounted to nearly thirty thousand dollars. — EDS.

<sup>2</sup> The letter to Lord Chancellor Harcourt is probably the one printed in Quincy's History, I. 521. — EDS.

many spake against it ; all concluded twas not to be done without calling a meeting.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 20. 171 $\frac{3}{4}$ . Mr. Sergeant speaks very passionately against Capt. Tim<sup>o</sup> Clark and his judgm't for storehouse Room of 100. Barrels of powder ; and against Mr. Dudley and Nowell's Arbitration concerning his wives portion in her Bro<sup>r</sup> Shrimpton's Hands. Desir'd me to deal honestly as to the Stable he had built ; he had laid out Sixty pounds. I have many times ask'd for the Writing I gave him, the Agreement ; that I might take a Copy of it : But it cañot yet be found. When I first went in, he said he was just going ; I answer'd, I hope to Canaan. Meeting, that has been a Considerable time discontinued by the sickness of the Widow Emons, was now held at Mr. Stevens's beyond the Bowling Green.<sup>1</sup> I read the Priestly and Prophetical Offices of CHRIST out of Mr. Jer. Burroughs,<sup>2</sup> which Discourses were very refreshing to me. Christ can teach the heart, teach them that are of Weak Understandings.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 21. Dr. Cotton Mather preaches ; 1 Jno. 5. 16. Sin no more — tells us will finish this time Six weeks. Gov<sup>r</sup> not at Meeting. Mr. Secretary Sick a-bed, was taken about 9. last night when had scarce finish'd Essecombewit's Submission. In Council I spake against the Submission in my L<sup>d</sup> Bellomont's time, Autumn 1699.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 22. Mr. Secretary Recovers.

<sup>1</sup> Drake says the Bowling Green was, in 1722, the space between Cambridge Street, the Mill Pond, and Sudbury Street. That is, the space bounded by the present Bowdoin Square, and Court Street line, extending to Pitts Street, and extending northerly to the water's edge as it then was. In the lists of streets in 1708, we find " the way leading from Emmons's corner, passing by Justice Lynd's pasture, extending from thence westerly to the sea, Cambridge street." — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Rev. Jeremiah Burroughs, who died in 1648, was an eminent non-conformist, " an excellent scholar, a good expositor, a popular preacher." He was one of the small number of " Dissenting Brethren " in the Westminster Assembly. — Eds.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 24. Mr. J. Sewall baptiseth John Butler; the Grandfather, Capt. Ephra. Savage, holds it up.

January, 25. I watch'd last night with Mr. Peter Sergeant; was with him from 9. at Night to Seven in the morning.

He slept a great part of the night: is pretty free from pain. Takes only Liquids; and then he presently Vomits up. Madam Sergeant sat up till past one; and from thence Nurse Wheeler and I manag'd the Task.

January 25. 171 $\frac{3}{4}$ . Judge Thomas visits me; he came to Town last week. I gave him Cousin Moodey's Warning.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 26. 1713. Rode in Wardell's Slay with the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Lynde, and Mr. Attorney, to the Ferry; pleasant comfortable Weather for holding the Court; Mr. Bradstreet and Stephens dine with us. This day my son, Mr. Joseph Sewall, Removes into the Church's House and Lodges there.

Midweek, Jan<sup>y</sup> 27. As I pass along I call at my Son's, and wish the Blessing of Winthrop, Norton, Willard, Pemberton to come upon him.<sup>1</sup> Judge Lynde was with me, coming out from Mr. Sergeant's just as I came by in the Coach; says Mr. Sergeant had a Fainting Fit yesterday. Issue the Court by Candle-Light and get over well and home in the Coach.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 28. Mr. Bridge preaches from PS. 27. 11. — because of my Enemies, Observers. Capt. Belcher and I write a Letter to Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson, giving Account of the Contribution for St. Christophers.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 29. Great Storm of Snow began about 3. p. m. yesterday: Last night, about Midnight, was a dreadfull Cry of Fire; was stop'd at Mr. Blunt's Work-house where it begun. *Laus Deo*. This day I sent Joseph my Pole's Synopsis Criticorum. I have enjoy'd them one and Thirty

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<sup>1</sup> All of whom had resided on the site. — Eds.

years; and now have the pleasure to bestow them on a worthy Minister, my Son. O the patience, Longe Suffering, and Goodness of GOD!

Jan<sup>y</sup> 30. 1714<sup>2</sup>/<sub>4</sub>. Serene Cold Weather. Last night Ephraim Becon, going over the Neck with his Sled, Wandered to the Left hand, towards Dorchester, and was frozen to Death. One of the Horses is found dead. I presented my Son and daughter with six silver spoons, cost about 21<sup>s</sup> a piece, bought of Capt. Winslow this day: and 6. Alchimy<sup>1</sup> spoons, of Mr. Clark, cost 3. 6<sup>d</sup> Before diñer, the chief justice, S. S. and Mr. E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson sign'd the Letter to my L<sup>d</sup> Chancellor, and another to Sir William Ashhurst. About 4 p. m. I procured Mr. Sergeant to Sign them, after I had read them to him. Went to the Funeral of Mr. Calf's only son, about 2 years old. Last night Dr. Noyes's House was in danger of being burnt.

Seventh-Day, Feb<sup>r</sup> 6. I went to the Town-house on the occasion of the Queen's Birthday; Mr. Bromfield and I sat a-while in one of the windows, Table being full; afterward sat in. A little before Sun-set I went away. Mr. Eliakim Hutchinson seeing me about to rise up, Said we would go and see Mr. Sergeant; I went with him. Mr. Sergeant took my Hand and held it with great Affection. My neighbour Colson knocks at our door about 9. or past to tell of the Disorders at the Tavern at the South-end in Mr. Addington's house, kept by John Wallis. He desired me that I would accompany Mr. Bromfield and Constable Howell thither. It was 35. Minutes past Nine at Night before Mr. Bromfield came; then we went. I took Æneas Salter with me. Found much Company. They refus'd to go away. Said were there to drink the Queen's Health, and they had many other Healths to drink. Call'd for more Drink: drank to me, I took notice

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<sup>1</sup> Alchimy or occamy is a term for an inferior mixed metal, probably alloyed with copper. — Eds.

of the Affront to them. Said must and would stay upon that Solemn occasion. Mr. John Netmaker drank the Queen's Health to me. I told him I drank none; upon that he ceas'd. Mr. Brinley put on his Hat to affront me. I made him take it off. I threaten'd to send some of them to prison; that did not move them. They said they could but pay their Fine,<sup>1</sup> and doing that they might stay. I told them if they had not a care, they would be guilty of a Riot. Mr. Bromfield spake of raising a number of Men to Quell them, and was in some heat, ready to run into Street. But I did not like that. Not having Pen and Ink, I went to take their Names with my Pensil, and not knowing how to Spell their Names, they themselves of their own accord writ them. Mr. Netmaker, reproaching the Province, said they had not made one good Law.

At last I address'd my self to Mr. Banister. I told him he had been longest an Inhabitant and Freeholder, I expected he should set a good Example in departing thence. Upon this he invited them to his own House, and away they went; and we, after them, went away. The Clock in the room struck a pretty while before they departed. I went directly home, and found it 25. Minutes past Ten at Night when I entred my own House. About 5. in the Morning there was a cry of Fire; Bells rung. Son J. Sewall came to our Chamber door and acquainted us.

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<sup>1</sup> Referring to Chap. XXII. Province Laws, Acts of 1692-93, an Act "for the better observation and keeping the Lord's Day." It inflicts a fine of five shillings on every person remaining in a public house, "drinking, or idly spending his time on Saturday night, after the sun is set, or on the Lord's Day, or the evening following." Other provisions prohibit travelling on that day by any persons "except they were belated and forced to lodge in the woods, wilderness, or highways, the night before, and in such case to travel no further than the next inn or place of shelter."

Also magistrates were "to restrain all persons from swimming in the water, unnecessary and unseasonable walking in the streets or fields in the town of Boston or other places, Keeping open their shops or following their secular occasions or recreations," on the Lord's Day, the evening before, or that following that day. — Eds.



But quickly after our rising, the Bells left off ringing, and I saw no Light. Mr. Webb's Malt-house, near Mr. Bronsdon's, was burnt down. Twas a great Mercy that the Fire was not spread all over the North-End. Part of the house of Mr. Bronsdon, the Landlord, began to burn.

Lord's Day, Febr. 7. A Note is put up for Mr. Sergeant in the morning, to pray for him as near his End, which my Son read, and pray'd Excellently for him.

Monday, Feb<sup>r</sup> 8. Mr. Bromfield comes to me, and we give the Names of the Offenders at John Wallis's Tavern last Satterday night, to Henry Howell, Constable, with Direction to take the Fines of as many as would pay; and warn them that refus'd to pay, to appear before us at 3. p. m. that day. Many of them pay'd. The rest appear'd; and Andrew Simpson, Ensign, Alexander Gordon, Chirurgion, Francis Brinley, Gent. and John Netmaker, Gent., were sentenc'd to pay a Fine of 5<sup>s</sup> each of them, for their Breach of the Law Entitled, An Act for the better Observation, and Keeping the Lord's Day. They all Appeal'd, and Mr. Thomas Banister was bound with each of them in a Bond of 20<sup>s</sup> upon Condition that they should prosecute their Appeal to effect.

Capt. John Bromsal, and Mr. Thomas Clark were dismiss'd without being Fined. The first was Master of a Ship just ready to sail, Mr. Clark a stranger of New York, who had carried it very civilly, Mr. Jekyl's Brother-in-Law.

John Netmaker was fin'd 5<sup>s</sup> for profane cursing; saying to — Colson, the Constable's Assistant, God damn ye; because the said Colson refus'd to drink the Queen's Health. This he paid presently. Then Mr. Bromfield and I demanded of the said Netmaker to become bound in a Bond of Twenty pounds, with two Sureties in Ten pounds a-piece, to Answer at the next Gen<sup>l</sup> Session of the Peace for Suffolk, his Contempt of Her Majesties Government of this Province and vilifying the same at the house of John Wallis, Innholder in Boston, last Satterday night. Mr. Banister declin'd being bound; and none else offer'd

(To imbarass the Affair as I conceiv'd). Upon this Mr. Netmaker was dismiss'd, giving his Word to appear on Tuesday. at 10. m. that he might have Time to provide Sureties.

Tuesday, March, 9th. Mr. Bromfield and I waited till past 11. and dismiss'd the Constables Howell and Feño, supposing No body would come. Constable met Mr. Netmaker at the door, and came back again with him: He came all alone. Mr. Bromfield and I spent much time with him to bring him to some Acknowledgment of his Error, but all in vain. Offer'd not so much as his own Bond: which constrain'd us to Write a Mittimus, and send him to Prison. Angry words had pass'd between him and Const. Howell; he Threatn'd Const. Howell what he would do to him; or his Servants for him. For this reason I dismiss'd Constable Howell; sent for Mr. John Winchcomb, and gave him the Mittimus, out of respect to Mr. Netmaker; and he took it kindly. This about  $\frac{1}{4}$  past 12. at Noon by my Clock. Went into Town; Mr. W<sup>m</sup> Pain spake with me near the Townhouse; express'd himself concern'd that Mr. Netmaker was in prison; he would pay his Fine that he might be releas'd. I told him there was no Fine. Went on, visited Hañah Parkman, saw the place, where the Malt-house was burnt down. As I return'd, went to the Funeral of Mrs. Green. There, Mr. Secretary (who was a Bearer), Told me, a Council was Warn'd to meet after the Funeral. Accordingly I went. Present, Gov<sup>r</sup>, L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, Winthrop, Elisha Hutchinson, Sewall, Mr. Addington, Townsend, E<sup>m</sup> Hutchinson, Belchar, Bromfield. It was late and Duskish, and Col. Elisha Hutchinson went away before any thing was Voted. Sat round a little Fire; I hapen'd to sit next Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson. He aply'd himself to me and Mr. Bromfield, ask'd whether did not know that he was here with the Broad Seal of England? I answer'd, Yes! Ask'd whether did not know that Mr. Netmaker was his Secretary? I answer'd, Tis generally so receiv'd. Then with a Roaring Noise the Gen<sup>l</sup> said, I

demand JUSTICE against Mr. Sewall and Bromfield for sending my Secretary to prison without acquainting me with it! And hastily rose up, and went down and walk'd the Exchange, where he was so furiously Loud, that the Noise was plainly heard in the Council-Chamber, the door being shut. The Governour vehemently urg'd the Discharge of Netmaker; argued that Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson was as an Ambassador; his Servant ought to have been delivered to him. I said, Mr. Netmaker was upon his Parole from Monday to Tuesday; in which time he might have acquainted Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson with his Circumstances. The Gov<sup>r</sup> said, Mr. Bromfield and I ought to have acquainted him our selves. Would have had the Vote so Worded. Would have had us that committed Mr. Netmaker to have released him. I objected to that; saying, we had com̄ited him: but I did not know that we had power to release him. Then the Keeper was sent for with the Mittimus, which Mr. Secretary read by Candle-Light, in these words;

Seal.

MASSACHUSETTS,  
SUFFOLK SS.

To the Keeper of Her Majesties Goal in Boston,  
Greeting,

Seal.

We herewith send you the body of John Netmaker, Gent: who being Order'd by our selves, two of Her Majesties Justices for Suffolk, to give Bond with Sureties, to appear at the next General Sessions of the Peace to be held for the County of Suffolk, to make Answer for his Contempt of Her Maj' Government of this Province, and Vilifying the same at the house of John Wallis, Innholder, in Boston in the Night Between the Sixth and Seventh of this Instant February: Refus'd so to doe;

You are therefore in Her Majesties Name required to receive the said Netmaker, and him safely keep till he be discharged by due course of Law.

Given under our Hands and Seals in Boston, this Ninth day of February 1714 *Annoque Regni Annæ*, Reginae Magnae Britannicæ &c., Duodecimo,

SAMUEL SEWALL.

EDW. BROMFIELD.

Upon reading this, Mr. Secretary drew up an Order, importing that those general Words would not hold him, and order'd his Discharge. The Governour Ordered the Keeper to discharge Mr. Netmaker, and the Secretary should give him a Copy of the Council's Order. And order'd Mr. Secretary to Copy it out, and wait upon Gen<sup>l</sup> Nicholson with it in the Morning. They that voted being hardly drawn to it. Some of them, were L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, Mr. Addington, Eliakim Hutchinson, Penn Townsend, Andrew Belchar; Mr. Winthrop was in the Negative; said he understood not how it belong'd to the Council to meddle with it. Sewall and Bromfield were the parties complain'd of. If they had withdrawn, there had been no Council left; but the Gov<sup>r</sup> charg'd that none should withdraw. This was pretty hard, seeing a General Council was to meet the next day; and the Bond required, was but Twenty pounds the principal, and Ten pounds a piece two Sureties.

Lords-Day, Febr. 7<sup>th</sup> My son preaches the first Sermon after the New Watch being set up. Mr. Pemberton Preach'd not by reason of his Lame Legg.

Fourth-day, Febr. 10. The New Capt., Stephen Minott, new Lieut, Gyles Dyer, &c. bring the Gov<sup>r</sup> to Town. Mr. Banister open'd his sashes, to whom the Gov<sup>r</sup> made a deep bow as he rode along. The Gen<sup>l</sup> and Lieut. Gov<sup>r</sup> visited the said Banister last Lords-Day when the Afternoon Exercise was over.

Febr. 11<sup>th</sup> Mr. Colman prays.

Sixth-day, Febr. 12. The Storm of Snow is so violent, that Jn<sup>o</sup> Roberts gives notice Mr. Sergeant's Funeral will not be to-day.

7<sup>th</sup> day, Febr. 13. Serene pleasant Weather. Mr. Sergeant interr'd. Bearers, Winthrop, Elisha Hutchinson; Sewall, Addington; Townsend Belcher; Scarvs, Rings, Gloves Escutcheons. Laid in his Tomb in the New Burying place a-while before Sun-set.

Third day, Febr. 16. My Son, Mr. Joseph Sewall, Prays at the opening of the Council, which is the first time [Prays?], 17. 18. 19. 20.

Febr. 23. 24. Dr. Cotton Mather prays. This Court a large Township, of 12 miles square, is granted near Wadchuset, out of which my 1000. Acres are excepted. I was surpris'd, not having seen it, till twas pass'd by the Deputies. Gov<sup>r</sup> is uneasy till the Word *Associats* be inserted. Will have it call'd Rutland: I objected because that was the name of a shire. The chief Justice said twas not convenient except the Land was Red. But the Gov<sup>r</sup> would not be diverted. I suppose the Quantity might be one thing inclin'd his Excellency to this Name. Westfield Petition is granted as to a small addition of Land for the sake of Wood, and Building-Stone.

March, 27. 1714. Mr. Corwin and I set out for Plimouth: David waits on me. Mr. Lynde meets us at Braintrey. Rode in the Rain from Weymouth to Cushing's. Mr. Corwin was so weak and faint with his Cold that he kept in his Quarters on the Lords Day, March, 28.

March, 29. Mr. Corwin returns homeward, Mr. Thacher accompanying him. We pass on to Plimouth.

March, 30. Court open'd.

March, 31. *Ædem intravi.*<sup>1</sup>

April, 3. Set out for Sandwich.

April, 5<sup>th</sup> for the Vinyard with Major Thaxter, had a very prosperous Journey through the Goodness of God. See my Journal.

[Among the MSS. of Judge Sewall in the Cabinet of the Society is a small parchment bound volume, with a strong brass clasp, on the cover of which is inscribed, "Magunkaquog, Octob. 11, 1715."]

<sup>1</sup> It will be noticed that it was Sewall's custom, when away from home, at some hour on his birthday, March 28, or on one as near to it as was convenient, to go alone into the meeting-house of the place where he might be, for a private religious exercise. We cannot suppose that he regarded the edifice as peculiarly sacred, but that he merely sought privacy. — Eds.

The word is the Indian name of Hopkinton. It contains a most miscellaneous collection of entries, chiefly abstracts of sermons which he heard while absent from home, also sketches of conversations, brief references to cases before the courts, accounts of money loaned, or disbursed, &c. Probably he carried this little volume with him, on his longer journeys, instead of his larger volume of journal for the time being, in which to make entries, though he did not transfer them to the latter on his return home. It is evidently to this little supplementary volume that he refers in the words: "See my Journal." We are thus enabled to supply from it the narrative of his very interesting journey for the performance of his official duties as a commissioner of the English Society for the Propagation of the Gospel among the Indians.

The extracts made from the Magunkaquog volume will begin and close between asterisks. Some entries made previous to the account of the journey are copied as they stand on the pages.]

\* April 3. 1714, Expended,

At Morey's . . . . .	0.	4.	2.
At Newcomb's, Sandwich . . . . .	0.	8.	6.
7: 11 <sup>th</sup> 1714. Bristol Circuit Dedham . . . . .	0.	4.	0.
7: 12. Billings . . . . .	0.	5.	6.
Contribution . . . . .	0.	5.	0.
7: 13. Wear . . . . .	0.	6.	4.
Rehoboth, Millar . . . . .	0.	1.	4.
Swanzy, Carpenter . . . . .	0.	2.	10.
7: 15. Bristol Barber . . . . .	0.	1.	2.
„ 16. Postage 2 Letters and the News Letter . . . . .	0.	1.	2.
„ „ Lantern . . . . .	0.	0.	5.
„ 17. Osburn . . . . .	1.	13.	0.
Mr. Hale . . . . .	1.	0.	0.
Lantern . . . . .	0.	0.	6.
„ 18. Mrs. Osburn . . . . .	0.	2.	0.
Barber . . . . .	0.	1.	0.
Reynolds . . . . .	0.	13.	4.
Ferriage to Febt . . . . .	0.	0.	6.
Millar . . . . .	0.	2.	6.
19. Attleborough . . . . .	0.	7.	8.
20. Slack . . . . .	0.	12.	6.
25. To John Cornish for himself and Horse . . . . .	3.	0.	8.
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3. 13. 4. Received.

5. 8. 1.\*

\* Dr. Calamy, 2<sup>d</sup> volume of the Ejected Ministers, p. 222. Plymouth: Mr. George Hughes, B. D. Born in Southwark, 1603. His Mother was then 52 years of age, and had never a child before, though she had three Husbands before Mr. Hughes's Father. And her Age was as remarkable afterwards: for she lived to her 96<sup>th</sup> year. He was entred in Corpus Christi College, in Oxon, 1619.

The Elector George Lewis born May, 28. 1660; Hanover. The Electoral Prince George Augustus, Duke and Marquis of Cambridge, Earl of Milford Haven, Viscount Alerton and Baron of Tewksbury, born Octob. 30. 1683. He gives the greatest Hopes of himself that we or any people on Earth can desire. The present Prince of Brunswick, his son, born Jan. 30, 1706.

HON<sup>BLE</sup> SIRs, His Excellency has intimated a General Council to meet at the Council Chamber in Boston upon Thursday, the Seventh of April next, for Consideration and Settlement of Civil Officers, and other the important necessary Affairs of Government. Your Presence in Council is then expected and desired, and that you will not fail of attending on this extraordinary occasion accordingly.

I am your Honor's most Humble Serv<sup>t</sup>

JOS. HILLER, Cler. Coun.

J<sup>no</sup> Cushing and Isaac Winslow, Esq<sup>r</sup>  
on His Majesty's Service. To the honorable J<sup>no</sup>  
Cushing, Esq. Situate. To be communicated.

Instructions for the Honourable Samuel Sewall, Esq. and Penn Townsend, Esq. Agents for the Company for Propagating Religion among our Indians, employed now by their Commissioners in a Journey to Martha's Vinyard for the Regular Disposing of the Land lately purchased by the Honourable Corporation for the Service of the Indians there.

I. The Gentlemen are to enquire of them, whom they take to be the most capable of advising them, among the Inhabitants of the Island, and hear what Advice they may offer concerning the best Methods for the Settlement and Improvement of the Land at Gay-Head and elsewhere; that it may answer the Ends of the Honourable Company in Purchasing it.

II. Competent and Convenient Portions of this Land, are to be by them assigned unto the Indians for to be Inhabited and Cultivated by the Indian Families. Each of the Families to know their own Allotments. But whether they shall be Equal Allotments, or proportioned unto the Condition of the several Families, tis left unto the Discretion of the Agents when they arrive upon the place.\*

\* III. That part of the Land which will remain after the Indians have their Portions allotted unto them, shall be Leased out unto Tenants, at such Rates and for such Terms, as by the Agents may be thought most Reasonable, that so there may be something of a Revenue from thence towards the Support of Schools, and other good Interests among the Indians of that Island. And the Indians are to be fully informed that what Revenues doe arise from this Land Will be wholly applyed for their Benefit and Advantage.

IV. There should be some suitable Factor for the Commissioners left on the Spot, who may after the Return of the Agents go on with such Things as they may be forced for want of Time to leave unfinished; and pursue such Directions as the Commissioners may from time to time Transmit unto him, about agreeing with Lessees and receiving of Rents, and other Points that may call for the Management of some Discreet person there. The Commissioners will rely on the Nomination which these their Agents may make for this purpose.

By Order of the Commissioners,

PETER SERGEANT.<sup>1</sup>

Boston, September the 21<sup>st</sup> 1713.\*

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<sup>1</sup> In Judge Sewall's Letter Book, the publication of which it is proposed by the Society shall follow that of the Journal, will be found abundant evidence of the interest, zeal, and devotion which he gave to his official duties as a commissioner of the corporation having in view the civilizing and converting of the Indians. He took a most warm, humane, and Christian interest in every thing that was attempted or done for the welfare of the natives. As he came into manhood just at the period when the havoc, desolation, massacres, and burnings on our frontiers in "King Philip's War," threw all the colonists of New England into a panic of dismay over the horrors and apprehensions of the times, he, of course, sympathized with, and took part in, the measures and warlike acts to which the community had recourse, either for protection or vengeance. But he still reserved a place in his feelings for considerate pity, and for works of mercy. The Benjamin Larnell mentioned in previous pages was an Indian young man in whom Sewall took such an interest as to provide for his education and to send him to Harvard College; but he proved a failure, and died early in his course. From the experiences of that fearful crisis in the almost desperate fortunes of New England, is to be dated a manifest change in the feelings of the great mass of the people towards the Indians, precisely like that which showed itself, nearly a century afterwards, among the frontier settlers of Pennsylvania and Virginia, during the direful atrocities of Pontiac's war. A degree of toleration and commiseration had previously been exercised towards the Indians. The General Court of Massachusetts had proposed and enacted some measures for their protection and just treatment. Some considerable interest—but by no means so



\* *Feria Sexta*, April 2, 1714. Plimouth. I went up the Burying Hill to take a Prospect, 6. m. and saw the Land all round about covered with Snow. The Quantity of it on the Ground everywhere \*

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considerate, extensive, sympathetic, and practically generous, as has been often supposed — was taken in the attempts to civilize the Indians. Eliot, Gookin, and others of the most devoted laborers in this work, do not conceal their regret that so few of their brethren were ready and hopeful in it, and that from many they received slight and discouragement. Still the work had progressed, — advanced, mainly, as is soon to be stated, by aid from abroad, — and showed some fair prospect of success, till the dread crisis just referred to came with its appalling shock upon the people, especially those in the farming towns of our frontiers. From that period an embitterment of feeling, contempt, disgust, and rage, became widely entertained here against the Indians; and, as has since been noticed on our frontiers, with each successive belt of advance of civilization over our continent, those who had had experience of Indian warfare came to regard the natives simply as vermin and wild beasts, to be exterminated.

From Sewall's Letter Book, from the Records of the Commissioners of the United Colonies, from the small publications by Eliot, the Mayhews, Gookin, and others, relating to their labors in behalf of the Indians, may be gathered information which might, perhaps, surprise some who are but slightly informed about the history of those times. They might learn, from those sources, to how great an extent a work which was done here for the Indians, and for which our own colonists have had the credit, was prompted, encouraged, sustained, and actually paid for, by influence and funds from abroad. In fact, no earnest and vigorous efforts were made here in behalf of the Indians till rebukes and reproaches from friends of the colonists in England, censuring the indifference and neglect of our magistrates and ministers in the cause, had provoked them to action. Then the Corporation, formed in England in Cromwell's time, and revived by Charles II., furnished wise counsels and generous pecuniary grants and salaries to carry on the work. Incidentally, too, the New England Colonies, and Harvard College especially, received valuable helps from the Corporation in objects not always limited to the Indians. The first edifice of brick in the College Yard was built from the funds of the Society, intended for the accommodation of twenty young Indian scholars; but it very soon served other uses. A printer, fonts of type, and paper, were sent over by the Society, for printing Eliot's Bible, primers, catechisms, tracts, &c. Eliot, and other preachers and schoolmasters to the Indians, received regular salaries from England. As the Indian village in Natick was about reaching its most hopeful stage, the Society sent over a cargo of tools, household and farm implements, &c. The vessel was cast away on Cohasset Rocks, but some of its valuable cargo was saved. The pious and strong-hearted Eliot cheered his neophytes in their dismay over such a baffling providence, by telling them that, though Satan, in his rage, to withstand a holy enterprise, had wrecked the vessel, God, in his mercy, had saved some of her lading. — Eds.

\* makes the dismal face of Winter like February. Major Thaxter, who came to us yesterday, says he saw a man Sledding. The Out [East]-Wind has prevented a hard Frost.

Last night at Mr. Thomas's had Discourse about the Body. Mr. Dudley maintained the Belly should not be raised, because he knew no use of it. I maintained the Contrary, because Christ saw no Corruption. Saints shall be conformed to Him. The Creator in his infinite Wisdom will know what use to make of them.

*Dudley.* What use of Tasting, Smelling?

*Sewall.* Tis possible the bodies of the Saints may have a Frangency attending them.

*Dudley.* Voice is Laborious.

*Sewall.* As much Labour as you please, the more the better, so it be without Toil, as in Heaven it will be. I dare not part with my Belly, Christ has Redeemed it; and there is danger of your breaking in further upon me, and cutting off my Hand or Foot. *Obsta Principis.* Wee'l Continue this Action to the next Term.<sup>1</sup>

This morning comes to my mind. I can't believe the blessed Womb that bore our Saviour, will always be buried. Her Son, her Father, her God will Redeem it from the prevailing power of the Grave.

David Toby, Brother-in-Law to Amos Sipson, moves to have their Charges that they may go home.

To Jocelyn — Twenty Shillings, £1. 0. 0.

Seventh-Day, April 3, 1714. Mr. Thomas' Daughter Mary, of 3 years old: his only Daughter, died last night, a little before Break of Day. We saw her in her Mother's Lap last Thursday night when we were there. It grieves me the more that it should be just after we had been so kindly Treated there. Cloudy Morning. When left Plimouth, about 9 or 10 m, I had in my Bills of Credit — £35. 7. 0.

Major Thaxter and I rid to Sandwich accompanied by Mr. Justice Parker, Capt. John Otis, our Pilot, Mr. John Denison our Chaplain. It did not Rain, but Wet, being an Out-Wind. But part of the Way the Sun appeared through the Clouds, and the Weather was Comfortable. Got to Newcomb's, where we Dined. I treated the Barnstable Gentlemen. Mr. Cotton came to us and invited Major Thaxter and me to his House. He had invited me at Plimouth. Mr. Justice Lynde returned homeward, having Mayo for his Pilot. Mr. Cooke \*

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<sup>1</sup> We have in the biographies of English and American judges and lawyers many graphic sketches of the manner in which they occupied leisure hours on a circuit. But this discussion between Judge Sewall and the Attorney of the Province, Paul Dudley, Esq., may be regarded as unique. — Eds.

\*intended to keep the Sabbath with his Kinsman, Counsellour Winslow.

In the Evening Mr. Cotton made a short Speech of God's Mercies in the Week past, Sung part of the 103 Ps. W. Pray'd.

Lord's Day, April 4. Mr. Cotton [in the family] reads the 29<sup>th</sup> of Deut., sings the 12. 13. 14 verses of the 19 Psalm, Y[ork] *memoriter*.

[As Judge Sewall wrote in his little book abstracts of the two Sermons which his host, the Rev. Rowland Cotton, Minister of Sandwich, preached on this day, one of them, that of the afternoon, is here copied.]

*Post meridiem.* Ps. 118, 4<sup>th</sup> part, D.

2 Corin. 4. 4. In whom, the god of this ☉ [world], Man is undone by Sin. Christ is the only Helper; the Gospel directs how we may come at it; yet men don't; men won't regard it.

Doct. That the reason why the Gospel is hid to many to whom it is revealed, is, because the god of this ☉ has blinded their Eyes.

First, though the Gospel be granted, many do not believe. All men have not Faith. Who hath believed our Report?

Use. To persuade all to take care that it may not be said of them, They believe not.

2. They that live under the Gospel and yet don't believe. The reason is because the god of this ☉ has blinded their Eyes. Query, Who is the god of this ☉? Answer. It is certain the Lord Jehovah is the God of the whole Earth. He made all, and is the Proprietor. What men's desires rest in is said to be their god. But the Devil is here intended. *This World* is usually in Scripture taken in an ill sense. John 12. 41. Prince of this world: 14. 40. Prince of this—Ephes. 6. 12. 96 [Psalm?] 5. Idols, 106 [?] 47. Idols, Devils, 1 Corin. 10. 20. Sacrificed to Devils, 1 John, 5. 19. He rules in the Children of Disobedience. Ephes. 1. 2. Men of this ☉ prefer him before Jesus Christ. Is not any god by right of Creation, but by the Wickedness that is in the hearts of men. Taken Captives by him at his will.

Query. How comes he to blind men?

God may permit men to be blinded. Isai. 6. 10. Make the ☉ (heart of this people fat) 1 Kings 22. 2 Thess. 2. 11. God sends them strong Delusions, to believe a Lye. Devil blinds several ways.

(1) By keeping men in Ignorance. Men are naturally gone out of the Way. Hinders Children from learning their books. Keeps men from attending the public worship.

(2.) By leading men into Error. Revel. 16. 14. 2 Corin. 11. 14. Into an angel of light: his suggestions are taken for great beams of light: presents men with errors suiting their Constitutions.\*

\* (3). By taking advantage of what mens Affections are set on. Matt. 19. 22. rich young man. How can you believe who seek honor one of another? What to think of parting with all for Christ! Covetous, Ambitious, Voluptuous.

(4) By prejudicing men against those that teach them the Truth. Undervaluing the Ministers of the Gospel.

Use 1. Those under the Gospel who do not believe may truly be said to be under the dominion of the Devil. Isai. 49. 4. Christ delivers the Lawfull Captive. In Baptism God becomes the Guardian of the Baptised. All are naturally under the Kingdom of Satan, till rescued by Christ. Covenant for Substance is the same. Not a word said to forbid the baptising Children. Suffer little children to come to Me.

Use 2. Since not ignorant of this let us beware we be not deceived with the Devices of Satan.

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Eldad Tupper and John Osburn were baptised. 103 [Ps.] 17. 18. W. Second-day. April 5. 1714. We pass on to Fische's by a brave Pond, where we bait our Horses. Then proceed to Falmouth, to Capt. Lothrop's. Got thither about Noon. William Basset was our Pilot. Din'd there on Bacon and Eggs. Mr. Metcalf with us. Mr. — Butler; but I neither saw him nor knew him, and so missed speaking with him. He lost his Anchors in the Sound. Went to the Ferry. Mr. Metcalf and Capt. Lothrop accompanied us, and our pilot. At Weeks' I saw Mr. John Robinson, who waits there for the calling of a sloop to take a family and him in to carry them to Coñecticut. Is about 74 years old. I gave him my Ten Biskets and 5<sup>s</sup>.

In our Passage we were becalmed, and the Tide against us [so] that were 2½ hours getting over. Were fain to row to the west side of Oukakemy Bay, where we landed, the Sloop coming to an Anchor. Our Horses were forced to leap into the Sea. By that time had tackled them was duskish.

Major Thaxter discovered some men and Horses, as he thought, upon the Beach, at a distance. When came to them found Thomas Paul, a Lame Indian, on Horsback with his Net on his shoulder, to catch Fish by Night. Upon my speaking to him to Pilot me, he left his Net and did it very well. We were ready to be offended that an Englishman, Jonathan Lumbard, in the Company spake not a word to us, and it seems he is deaf and dumb. Got to Mr. Allen's a little before 9. at night.

Third-day, April 6. I am somthing indispos'd; resolved not to goe abroad. Mr. Thomas Mayhew, Mr. Allen, Father, Mr. Haws,\*

\* and others come in to see us. Mr. Mayhew writes a Letter in Indian to Saul, which I subscrib'd, to notify the Indians of the Gay Head to come together something before Noon. I would speak with them after Mr. Mayhew's Lecture. I writ a Letter to Mr. Mayhew of the same import. Sent them by Mr. Haws, who is going to Normans Land. Discours'd Mr. Mayhew largely of the Indian Affairs. I was glad to hear that the Gay Head Indians had of their own accord met together and run a Fence across the Neck. Mr. Mayhew had advised them to it many years agoe, but they did it not till this Spring. Mr. Mayhew was with them at their Consultation. He tells me that a Ditch four foot wide and two deep which he effected the last, will cost but 6<sup>s</sup> per Rod. Mr. Torrey and Cathcart dine with us, and Mr. Homes, who boards at Mr. Allen's, to teach School.

In the Evening Mr. Ralph Thacher and his son Ralph call in and Wellcom me to the Island. They tell us of a Governour coming over for us; had been gone three Weeks: to take Ireland in his way. They had this News from Mr. Otis, of Sandwich. They reckon a Ship is come in from England. Mr. Otis read the Letter. They lodg'd at Fish's last Monday Night. After they were gone, Mr. Experience Mayhew came in to see me, and invited us to Dine or Sup with him after the Lecture, in our Return home.

Midweek, April 7. 1714. Very Serene, Sunshiny Morning, the most pleasant we have had since we came from home.

Memorandum. If any of the Gay Head be to be Leased out, Mr. Ebenezer Allen, our Landlord, desires he may have the first Refusal of some Pasturage, if it may stand with the Main design of benefitting the aboriginal Natives.

Indian Boy, Josiah Hassit, jun'r. Psalm Book.

Abel Sacuchassauet, Promised, sent a New Testament, July 5. 1714. Major Thaxter and I went to the Gay Head, accompanied by Mr. Thomas Mayhew, Mr. Josiah Torrey, Mr. Ebenezer Allan, Mr. Robert Cathcart, Mr. Benjamin Haws, Mr. John Denison, Mr. Robert Homes, David Sinclar. Major Skiff, and Mr. Experience Mayhew, we took in our Way. About one Hundred Men and Wómen were gathered together besides Children. Mr. Mayhew directed Joash Pannos, Minister of Gay-Head, to begin with Prayer; then Mr. Mayhew preached from Ephes. 1. 11.— who worketh all things after the Counsel of his own Will. Sung 4 verses of the 111<sup>th</sup> Psalm. Mr. Torrey set the Low-Dutch Tune. Mr. Mayhew gave us the heads of his Sermon in English; a good Discourse. Isaac Ompane concluded with Prayer. I enquired if any could read English; proclamation was made. At last only two young men were produced. I set him \*

\* to read in my Psalm-book with red Covers, and then gave it him. Promised a Testament to the 2<sup>d</sup>

Fifth-day. April, 8. 1714, at Mr. Ebenezer Allen's, in Martha's Vinyard; sent for Mr. Benjamin Mayhew, who has Land adjoining to the Gay-head Neck. I informed him that the Gay-head Indians have made their Half of Fence, on the side towards the Sound, and desired him to make his Half, that the Neck might be closed; which he agrees to. And he is promis'd that his so doing shall not alter any Lease he has of Sam. Osowit for about 10 or 12 Acres just within the Neck. To Sarah Japhet, widow, 12<sup>s</sup>, to help Fill her Land. Bethiah, Nicodemus' widow, who died at Port Royal, is her daughter, and dwells with her. Bethiah has one son, of 22 years old, who is helpless by reason of Sickness; have one Servant 17 years old.

April 8. 1714. Jonas Aosome, saith that he took up with Gov: Dungan's [Dongan] Terms, brought a Red-Ear of Indian Corn to Mr. Thomas Mayhew to signify it. Terms were to pay a Peck of Wheat yearly for a while, and then to pay a Bushel of Wheat *per annum*, which Conditions he has not perform'd. Yet he expects to hold the Land, because his House is there, and that is the place Major Mat. Mayhew assign'd him. Dont understand he has any Evidence of it. He also gave Elezer Sonamog three pounds and Ten shillings for his Forty Acre Lot at the Gay-head Neck, which Sonamog took up as he, the said Jonah, took up his.

In answer to Thomas Paul, of Christian Town, who is angered that Isaac Ompane, of the same Town, lives in the Town's English House Rent-free. It is directed and Ordered, that Isaac Ompane for the future pay Twelve Shillings *per annum* Rent for the said House so long as he dwells in it, which shall go towards reimbursing the Widow Abigail's Lease. And it is very necessary that the Town speedily join together as one Man, and pay what is owing to the said Widow. And then the Twelve Shillings *per annum* shall be employed in some other public use of the Town, and shall be paid accordingly to the Select-Men thereof by Isaac Ompany, who has been a principal Doer and Sufferer in Recovering the same. Sewall, Thaxter, Thomas Mayhew, Esq. Benjamin Skiff, Esq. April 8. 1714. This day, April 8, was exceeding dark at one Time in the morning. I have hardly seen such Thick Darkness. Great Rain, considerable Lightening and Thunder before Night.

Sixth-day, April 9. 1714. Fair Wether; Cold Northerly Wind. Visit Abel's Widow. Go to the top of Prospect Hill, from thence to the Sound, and by Mr. Thomas Mayhew's direction view'd the River falling into the Sound, and the Shoar all along to the end of the 327 \*

\* Rods which extends Southward to the middle Line, containing about 1000 Acres which belongs to the Corporation.

CHILMARK, April, 9. 1714. Receiv'd of Samuel Sewall Twenty Shillings in full of all Demands for Services done by me as under-Sheriff, or otherwise, in Recovering some Lands of Oukakemy to the Indians. I say, received in full by me,

THOMAS TRACY.

5. I give further to my daughter Hanah and my Grandson Jno. Harlock all such Land or Lots of mine, which are not mentioned in this my last Will, and I add to my daughter Hañah half the Whale at Natyk which I had forgot.

June 16. 1681. THOMAS MAYHEW.

Samuel Sarson's Patent. 8<sup>r</sup> 18. 1687. To pay 25<sup>th</sup> March yearly, One Bushel of Wheat, and at the death of the Tenant, or entring of every new Tenant, for ever, such sum as the above demised premises would or might yield if to Farm-Letten for the Term of one full year.

Thomas Lothrop, One Hundred Acres, Nov. 24, 1704. One Ear of Corn yearly, and every 21<sup>st</sup> year the full Value of One Year's Rent.

CHILMARK, April 10, 1714.

GENTLEMEN,—I intend, God Willing, to go off the Island this Day. Desire and order you to take Mr. Benjamin Mayhew with you and Repair to the Entrance of the Gay-head Neck and Stake the Line between the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Corporation and him, the said Benjamin Mayhew, and then Call upon him speedily to make up his Part of the fence towards the South-Sea, that the Corporation Gate may be set up and the Neck Closed, and then let a Ditch of four-foot Wide and two foot Deep be made all on the outside of the Hedge, and set within Thorns or Barberries all along the top of it this Spring, or the Next, if it prove too late now. In consideration of the whole Ditch being made on Mr. Mayhew's Side, I will be at all the Charge of making it at the first, and Mr. Benjamin Mayhew shall keep his part in Good Repair from time to time. I hope the advancing Spring will Quicken your dispatch.

This is what Major Thaxter and I have Agreed upon and Ordered, and have accordingly set to our hands.

SAMUEL SEWALL.

SAMUEL THAXTER.

To THOMAS MAYHEW, Esq. and Mr. EBENEZER ALLEN.

In Chilmark.\*

\* April 10. 1714. The Wind being excessive high we did not goe to Homes' Hole, but viewed Watsha Neck all over, being conducted by Mr. Simon Athern and B. Haws: find much of it good for Herbage and Tillage. Sat awhile in the Wigwam where Elisabeth, Stephen Spoko's Widow, dwells: eat roste Alewife and very good Hasty Pudding. Gave the Widow at coming away 10<sup>s</sup>. Get to Mr. Worth's between 3 and 4. Demanded Rent of Mrs. Worth for the Neck. Went to Mr. Mat. Mayhew for a Copy of another Letter of Attorney of his Father.

Seventh-day, April 10. 1714. The last night was very Cold. Plenty of Ice was to be seen in the Road between Mr. Allen's and Cathcart's, past Ten a clock in the fair sun-shine.

Edgartown; April 11<sup>th</sup> 1714. Serene Day. Ps. 90. 1-6. L. By Mr. Sam! Wiswall, A. M.

Eccles. 9. 10. Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might, for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom in the Grave, whither thou goest.

This Life is our season for design, counsel, work. This a time of Probation.

Doct. Men ought with the utmost diligence to prepare for the Eternal Estate while this Life lasts, because this is the only time to prepare in.

Prop. 1. This Life is a space of probation and preparation for Eternity. If we are irreligious here, we must needs be miserable for ever. We are here upon our good Behaviour. Eccles. 3. 26. Spirit of a man goes upward, is immortal. Heaven is a state of Eternal Blessedness, Hell of Eternal Misery. Rom. 2. 7. Dan. 12. 2. Thes. 1. 9. Do not rightly acknowledge these Truths except we give them agreeable Entertainment, Govern our Lives by them.

Prop. 2. It is a work of the greatest Importance to prepare for Eternity. Believe in Christ, Repent of our Sin, fly from the Wrath to come. One thing is Necessary.

Prop. 3. This Life is the only opportunity to prepare for Eternity in. Heb. 9. 27. A<sup>p</sup>ointed to all men once to dy, and after death the Judgment. Lazarus died and his Soul Convoyed to Abraham's bosom, to the Society of the Spirits of Just men made perfect. Dives — [the Judge leaves a gap here.]

Our Life is very short, Ps. 90., 70 years soon cut off, and we fly away. Those who live the longest very short in itself, compared with those before the flood. Especiall if we compare it with the Eternal Abode in the next life, which is consequent upon it.

(2) Tis very Uncertain, compared to a Shadow, Prov. 27. Boast not thyself of tomorrow; James 4. 13. 14. 15. What is your Life?\*



\* Prop. 4. We ought to use our utmost Diligence in preparation for Eternity. This is the whole Duty of man. Deut. 32, 46, 47. It is your Life. Engage our Souls most intense Resolution, most industrious Endeavours. Work out our Salvation with Fear and Trembling. If we are not prepared, if Death surprise us, we are Everlastingly Undone.

[Of course there was an afternoon service, and the Judge has notes of the Sermon, which was a second part of the morning discourse, but we omit it.]

Contribution. Mr. Jonathan Duñam made a short pithy prayer, and then pronounced the Blessing, taking in that the Priests were to give. He seems to breathe a Spirit of Holiness.

In the evening visited Mrs. Lothrop. As we went we met Capt. Dogget and Mr. Mat. Mayhew coming to see us. Mrs. Lothrop has eight Children. They are all well. Mr. Wiswall eat with us between 4 and 5, p. m. Their Custom is not to dine. Capt. Dogget expresses a great desire that Mr. Wiswall may continue, with fears lest he should be discouraged and remove. Would have me endeavour to persuade him to stay among them. Two Sloops sailed yesterday; One for Boston, the other for Wood's Hole.

Second-day, April 12. 1714. Major Thaxter and Mr. Denison go to Mr. Mayhew for the Letter of Attorney and an extract of the Deed. Yet our Landlady scruples paying Arrears. Thinks I may be able to demand only what has grown due since my Lord Lymerrick made conveyed [*sic*] his Lands and Lordship to the hon<sup>ble</sup> Company whereof Sir William Ashurst is Governour.

Mr. Samuel Sarson left two Daughters that are now living, viz: Anne Sarson and Jane Sarson, who are descended from Mrs. Jane Sarson, Widow of Mr. Thomas Mayhew,<sup>1</sup> Minister, lost in Garret, whom Mr. Richard Sarson<sup>2</sup> married, and by her had Samuel Sarson, brother by the Mother's side, to Major Matthew Mayhew; and Mehetabel Sarson, (now Lothrop.) To S. W[iswall] 10<sup>s</sup>.

Rode to Homes's Hole accompanied by Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Worth, Capt. \*

<sup>1</sup> This was Thomas Mayhew, Jr., son of Thomas Mayhew, the pioneer English settler at Nantucket, the founder of an honored family. The son was well educated, a good classical scholar, and a devoted friend of the Indian, to whom he was the first English preacher in their own language. He was in his thirty-seventh year, when, in 1657, on a voyage to England, he was on board a vessel the fate of which was never known. — Eds.

<sup>2</sup> Savage enters Richard Sarson under the head of "Sansom," though he corrects it in the *errata*. He was made a Justice of the Peace, Dec. 8, 1692, and acted until 1697. He seems also to have been a special Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for Duke's County. — Eds.

\* Doggett, Mr. Matthew Mayhew, Benj. Haws, John Tolman. Came off about 25 minutes past 10. m. To Job Soumauau, Schoolmaster, at Christiantown, Ten Shillings. Had a good passage over with young Mrs. Dagget of Attleborough. Wood's Hole, left with young Mrs. Weeks, for Rachel Pepeena, who has no feet, Five Shillings. Din'd at Capt. Lothrop's. It began to Rain, [so] that I would have had the Horses set up again. But Mr. Thaxter and Mr. Denison were for standing along. Capt. Lothrop accompain'd us to the River. Baited at Fish's, where were sundry Indians; had brought Elisha Sonamog going in his way homeward. He administer'd the Lord's Su<sup>p</sup>er yesterday at Mashpan. Rain'd hard, yet being warm, and not Driving, got comfortably to Mr. Cotton's a little before Sunset. Mr. Cotton is gon to Boston. Madam Cotton tells us that Mrs. Maria Mather died April 4. Mr. Attorney sued by Col. Nicholson in an £1800 Action. Governour bound for him. Mr. Stoddard and Dav-enport, Sureties.

Sandwich, April 13. 1714. Cold Storm of Rain and Snow.

To Caleb Pampoüet £0. 4. 0.

To Mouniment Peter, a pair of Pumps 0. 4. 0.

To Mr. Jn<sup>o</sup> Denison, Forty Shillings.

The Rain ceasing we set out from Sandwich about 2. p. m: got well to Plymouth a little before Sunset, just as men were returning from the Funeral of Lieut. Sam<sup>l</sup> Bradford, who was buried this day at Duxbury, 46 years old; is Lamented. Col. Thomas says Mrs. Maria Mather should have been buried on Thursday; but the Stormy weather hinder'd, and she was buried on Friday. Col. Fr. Wainwright's daughter lay dead at Mr. Addington's. Visited Mr. Thomas and his Wife, to condole the Loss of their Daughter.

In the Night, long before we went to Bed, twas fear'd Sam. Toon, an Indian, was drown'd. He was Servant to Capt. Church, and our Landlord Willard. They gave £24 for him. The dead Corps was found before. Somebody sent him to fetch 2 Fish from a vessel, and tis conjectur'd miss'd in stepping from his Canoe to the Sloop. Was about 26 years old. Every body says he was in no way disorder'd with Drink.<sup>1</sup> Mr. Sheriff shows me the Proclamation for dissolving the General Court, dated April 6.\*

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<sup>1</sup> The poor and forlorn condition of the scattered remnants of the Indian tribes in the region visited by Sewall officially, may be taken as illustrating the fate of many others of the aboriginal race at the time, and of those that survived soon after, till all of them vanished as now from the soil of New England, except the few still left on the Penobscot, in westerly Rhode Island, and in occasional patches of our territory. In the volumes of the earlier series of the Collections of the Society are found many fragments of history

\* Midweek, April 14. 1714. Between 6 and 7 I went on board the Sloop Success, John Davis Master, burdened about 42 Tuns, Loaden \*

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of biography, and of local descriptions, and sketches of missionary effort for the Indians, which give evidence alike of the conscientious attempts, at much cost of patience, money, and hard labor, in their behalf, and of the discouragements and failure which shadowed and saddened the results. Primers, catechisms, tracts, and Bibles, were printed in their own languages. Schools were established for Indian children. Tools and implements for agriculture, and for household thrift, were generously furnished. Guardians and overseers were sent into the bounds reserved for the Indians to teach them agriculture and profitable industry. About the time of Sewall's visit to Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket, there were a score of graduates from Harvard who, as preachers, were capable of conducting religious services in the language and dialect of the natives, while eight of the red men had been trained and ordained to the work of the ministry to their own people. But contact and intimacy with the white man and with civilization, in almost every case, demoralized the Indians, robbing them of such wild manhood as they might have had in their savage condition and in their forest life, and making them degraded and humiliated in the presence of a superior race. No community of Indians, in New England at least, has ever advanced much beyond a stage of semi-civilization, and it is very rarely that a single one is now to be seen among us of pure, unmixed, native blood: while in the vast regions of our western and northwestern territory it is estimated that a very large proportion of the Indian tribes are half-breeds, chiefly of a French mixture; and while such tribes in the Indian Territory as the Creeks, the Choctaws, the Chickasaws, the Seminoles, and the Cherokees, as have made the most advance in civilization, show a commingling of the blood of all European nationalities, as well as of the African. The negro blood predominates among those who represent the natives in New England. The sketches from life given in the papers in our Collections, above referred to, though showing the devotedness of such hopeful friends of the Indians as Shepherd, the Mayhews, Eliot, Gookin, Cotton, and others, were regarded by contemporaries as overstating and over-coloring the real truth. The prevailing opinion was the cheerless one that labor, in behalf of the Indian, was wasted. An abject demeanor, a spiritless dejection, a squalid mode of life in a hovel so surrounded with mud and filth as to be more forbidding than a smoky wigwam, and subsistence on the dole of pauperism, marked the aspect and condition of the former lords of the soil in presence of those who supplanted them. The kind-hearted Sewall distributed among those whom he saw his private gifts, and gave, or promised, religious books to the children, who he thought would value what he so prized. The poor waif whose sad fate by drowning — under the relieving qualification that he might not have been intoxicated — he relates so sympathetically in his Journal, was one of many of his race at the time scattered over our farming towns, who did laborious and menial service for the whites for a bare subsistence, showing how complete was the transformation from their natural state, in which they refuse and despise all work. — Eds.

\* with Wheat, Rye, Barley, Pork, &c. They that carried me aboard saw the Indian's Canoo upon the Beach, Lanch'd it and Tow'd it to Town with them. Just as I came to the Wharf Mr. Thomas, the Coroner and Jury were viewing the body of the poor Indian. Thus I, in many respects, a greater Siñer, am suffer'd to go well away, when my poor namesake, by an unlucky Accident, has a full stop put to his proceedings, and not half so old as I.

Dine with Pork and Pease. I had my New York Biscuit to eat, and a Bottle of Wine. Four Men in the Sloop: John Davis, Thomas Davis, Timothy Mulford, of East Hampton, Owners, and John King whom they hire to go with them. The Owners speak very well of Mr. Hunting, the Minister.

Cargo: 600 Bushels of Wheat: 280 Barley: 40 Rye: 40 Indian: 50 Oats, to Mr. Jekyl: 70 Barrels of Pork, 40 Barrels of Beef, 16 firkins Butter, 19 Boxes Candles, about 80 pounds a Box, Some Tallow and Bay-Berry Wax, 500 Weight, Few Feathers, Furrs. They clear at New London, and we drunk New London Water. They have a privilege of late that the East End of Long Island may clear at New London.

Got up with the Castle just about Sunset. Were becalm'd, and Collins and Marshall, coming by in a small Boat, landed me at the Long Wharf. I visited my Son, who very heartily welcomed me. He had been taking Physick. Got into my own House just about Eight, and found all well. David complains of the Heat of the Day, which confirms me I did best to come by Water. *Laus Deo.*

April 16. To Mr. Stedman for David's Horse to the Vinyard and home, 30: \*

Return'd to my own home April 14, 1714. By water from Plimouth. *Laus Deo.* Mrs. Maria Mather was buried in my absence.

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