

Articles of A Government betwixt the Town of ~~London~~  
and our Inhabitants at oyler Point

- 1 That is to say the Inhabitants of Oyler Point shall have full Liberty to Enjoy one third Part of the Rents of the Townships and other Tenements that shall be due to the same for the Accomodations of Ministry amongst them.
- 2 and till they doe enjoy one third they are to contribute to the Ministry of the Works of Land of sound; or at anytime when they are without above foure monthes they doing the like to them in the like case.
- 3 That of oyler Point not exempting them selves from any other Publick Charges nor Rents but shall be liable to all ~~other~~ Services as formerly.
- 4 The Bounds of the Inhabitants of oyler Point for the Accomodation of the Ministry is the Inhabitants that are or shall be situated from the next Water point on the north side below the mouth of the said Point and from thence by a strait line to the head of the Johnsons Creek to the West thear and from thence by a west line to the End of the Town Bound As also all the Inhabitants on the South side of that line that either are or shall be situated are likewise to pay to the Ministry thear Excepting all the Inhabitants on the opposite side that are or shall be in the loose Baye

We Joseph names as here under written being chosen and sworn have made a Donation of the 10th and 11th Lots upon the Bank of sound being in Controversie betwixt John Jam and James Nutt with Donation we have jointly a good apent to beon from the water side betwixt the aforesaid John and James thear Lots upon a North west and by west line Dated this 18: 9: 57

With witness  
John Jam *his mark*  
James Nutt  
Wm Furber

23: 12: 56

Ordered the first men appointed upon oath to lay out land in Controversie shall have for thair labor for laying out all Grants of 10 acres or under 6d p Acre and all Grants above 10 Acres 4d p Acre; and for any land in part not layd out the owners of the said land shall pay Equally thear parts Com in Controversie the delinquent shall pay the charge If it shalld be ordered that all such as shall be appointed for every twenty Acre Lot or under 4d p Acre and for all Lots above twenty Acres 2d p Acre and All former Orders concerning pay for laying out of Land is hereby Repealed

5:10:52

Given and Granted unto William Wentworth his heirs and assigns  
for ever forty acres of upland to the northward of the  
hallways swamps layd out and bounded according to order  
By Capt Richard Wallden and John Heard as followeth that is to  
say on the North side of the forty acre lot of John Heard and so  
a long the Cartway that passeth to the mare forty acres in  
breadth and one hundred and sixty rods in length all with bounds  
hadth bin layd out by Capt Wallden and John Heard

5:10:52

Given and granted unto Witt Wentworth his heirs and assigns  
fifty acres of upland near the Great Hill at Gotherhad  
to be layd out and bounded by Capt Wallden and John Heard  
as followeth that is to say on the east side of the Great Hill  
one hundred rods in breadth and on the the north side of the  
Cart waye fowr score rods in breadth all with bounds  
hadth bin layd out by Capt Wallden and John Heard according  
to order

5:10:52

Given and Granted unto John Heard his heirs and assigns  
for ever fifty acres of upland under the Great Hill at  
Gotherhad layd out and bounded according to order By Capt Wallden  
and Witt Wentworth as followeth that is to say on the south side  
of the Great Hill to be the Cartway at the South end of  
of the hill and so to the southward fifty rods in breadth  
and fowr score rods in length

5:10:52

Given and granted unto John Heard his heirs and assigns  
forty acres of upland to the northward of the hallways swamps  
Layd out and bounded By Capt Richard Wallden and  
William Wentworth as followeth that is to say on the north side  
a 20 acre lot of granted to James Outway and so  
forty rods in breadth by the Cartwaye over and with  
breadth to the mare and 160 rods in length Dated  
the 26:12:55

Whar as there was a grant of forty acres of upland given and  
Granted unto John Sam Sinyor his heirs and assigns for ever  
in the year 52 and all by twenty acres of upland unto John Sam  
Tunor his heirs and assigns At Woolfman's Cove in the year  
56 All with threescore acres of land or layd out and bounded  
By William Furber and Henry Lankester according to order  
hadth was attested by the townes soe to doe the definition is as  
followeth that is to say By the water side threescore and ten rods  
wide and six score and fower rods long adjoining to the left  
of Eldon nutter on the south and Richard Daffar on the north  
at dooth a piece by the the water under the hands of William  
Furber and Henry Lankester Dated the 11:10:56  
John Sam Sinyor hadth assigned the above mentioned  
forty acres of upland unto John Sam Tunor  
the 6:12:57

Given and Granted unto Thomas Layton his heirs executors and assigns  
 one hundred acres of land adjoining to his twenty Acre lott he bought of  
 Mr Gibbins with was Mr Rogge's wife said lot of one hundred acres was laid out  
 and bounded according to order by John Darn and William Furber who have  
 laid it out as followeth that is to say at the head of the twenty acre lott  
 Sixtytwo Acre by the noother moste branch of Chalks wood to the head of the  
 brooke and soe up the foot of Sixtytwo and thirtie poole the brooke being  
 on the south side the Frenchmans brooke bounding this lot on the north  
 and soe up in to the woods Sixtytwo and thirtie poole which is the hoolle length  
 of the lot Dated 16: 10: 56

Whereas there was a Grant of forty acres of vland at wolfe mans close  
 unto Thomas Layton in the year 62 with said forty acres of land hath bin  
 layd out and bounded by William Furber and Henry Lankester who were  
 appointed by the town the bounds are as followeth that is to say ten acres one  
 forty poole and Sixtytwo poole in length the spring at the head of the manys  
 is to be the Roman the south bound of this lott is to a great rock toward  
 Longe point with a lane from William Furber's close the Layton his  
 lot of 4 poole in breadth and soe to the north west side of the hill in  
 Cedar millers lot and soe to bloody point Dated 11: 10 56

Whereas by order of Generall Court there was sever hundred acres  
 of vland given to the inhabitants that have manys in the Great Bay  
 the town having ordered Elder Nutter with stowdy Henry Lankester  
 with Furber to lay out and bound unto the particuler inhabitants there  
 portion of vland to their manys who have according to order layd out and  
 bounded unto the Layton this his Acre of vland adjoining to his manys  
 in the great Bay that is to say adjoining to Elder Nutter his vland on the one side  
 and his own manys towards Longe point

Whereas by order of Generall Court there was sever hundred  
 Acres of vland Given to the inhabitants that have manys in the  
 Great Bay the town having ordered Elder Nutter William Stowdy  
 William Furber Henry Lankester to lay out and bound unto the particuler  
 inhabitants there portion of vland to their manys who have according to  
 order layd out and bounded unto John Nuttall thirty acres of  
 vland to his manys on the north west side of his manys Dated this 19: 8 57

Whereas by order of Generall Court there was sever hundred acres of vland  
 given to the inhabitants that have manys in the great Bay the town having ordered  
 Elder Nutter William Stowdy William Furber Henry Lankester to lay out and  
 bound unto the particuler inhabitants there portion of vland to their manys  
 who have according to order layd out and bounded unto John Darn Sixtytwo  
 thirty acres of vland as followeth that is to say on the south side of his  
 manys toward Longe point Sixtytwo and thirtie poole  
 at the head of his manys being bounded by the foot of that goeth toward  
 bloody point that is to say Sixtytwo poole up the foot of that goeth toward  
 Sixtytwo poole wide Dated the 10: 10: 56

Whereas there was by order of the Generall Court ~~there~~  
four hundred Acres of <sup>upland</sup> ~~land~~ Granted to the Inhabitants  
that have manors in the Great Bay the Towne having ordered  
Elder Nutt William Storer William Furber Henry Lanfiter  
to lay out and bound unto the ~~particular~~ Inhabitants their  
severall portions of upland to thear manors ~~as~~ <sup>as</sup> have according to order  
have layd out and bounded unto Thomas Henry his manor thirty acres  
of upland bounding on William Furber on the north west side  
and on Thomas Weller on the South East side Dated the 19: 8: 57

Whereas by order of the Generall Court there was four hundred  
Acres of upland Given unto the Inhabitants that have manors  
in the Great Bay the Towne having ordered Elder Nutt  
William Storer William Furber Henry Lanfiter to lay out and  
bound unto the ~~particular~~ Inhabitants their severall portions  
of upland to thear manors ~~as~~ <sup>as</sup> have according to order layd out  
and bounded unto Elder Nutt thirty acres of upland  
adjoyning to his manor with it to say on the ~~East~~ <sup>West</sup> side adjoyning  
to John Dand his upland twenty two Acres and ~~four~~ <sup>four</sup> acres  
and four Acres adjoyning to Thomas Laytons upland on the  
South west side of the brooke Dated this 10: 10: 56

Whereas by order of the Generall Court there was ~~four~~  
four hundred Acres of upland Given unto the Inhabitants  
that have manors in the Great Bay the Towne having ordered  
Elder Nutt William Storer William Furber Henry Lanfiter  
to lay out and bound unto the ~~particular~~ Inhabitants their  
severall portions of upland to thear manors ~~as~~ <sup>as</sup> have according  
thirty acres of upland that is to say twenty acres on the same  
side John Nutt is on with it the north west side and ten  
acres on the other side of the brooke with it the South ~~East~~ <sup>West</sup> side this  
19: 8: 57

Whereas by order of the Generall Court there was four hundred Acres  
of upland Given unto the inhabitants that had manors in the Great Bay  
the Towne having ordered Elder Nutt William Storer William Furber  
Henry Lanfiter to lay out and bound unto the ~~particular~~ Inhabitants  
their severall portions of upland to thear manors ~~as~~ <sup>as</sup> have according  
to order layd out and bounded unto John Roberts thirty acres of  
upland to his manor that is to say ~~it~~ <sup>it</sup> entered in page 54

Henry holes chosen an inhabitant the 15: 12: mo 1658  
the 15 first month 57 58  
Capt maldorne chosen ~~for~~ <sup>for</sup> the Governour  
for this year

At A Meeting of the select men the 2<sup>d</sup> of the 12 month 1658  
Granted to Elder Halseall Nutt 200 acres of Land next adjacent  
to William Sheffield's for a farm

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whereas Capt Waddon was chosen Treasurer the 16th of the  
second month 1555 the selectmen doe give him power  
power to receive in to his hands all such rates from the Constables  
as are allotted to them and to dispose of the same for the discharge  
of the engagements of the town as he in his wisdom shall see most  
meet for the attending the said intended witness our hands the  
15th 11th 55

Hatfield Miller  
John Skirland  
Henry Langley  
Job Clement

Know all men

16:4:57: Capt Waddon, Treasurer being required for the Town of Dorchester

To: a rate 4 <sup>th</sup> 10 <sup>th</sup> month: 54: for Curie	08:13:04
To: a rate 15 <sup>th</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> month: 55:	06:04:06
To: so much more of that rate	59:15:10
To: the Provision, rate	73:00:02
To: the Indian Corn, rate	36:12:01
To: Rent for 70m, Troland	50:00:00
To: Rent at quanshagon	29:00:00
To: a fine of Water, 100	16:00:00
To: action, money	03:10:00
To: a fine of Phillip Chilly	05:00:00
To: Rent of Richard Waddons	51:00:00
To: Weaver, 100	01:12:00
To: Debates Charges	12:10:00
To: 38: Masts at 10: & mast by Rich: Waddons	19:00:00
To: Rent of Joseph Astin	24:00:00
To: Rent of fresh Creek	18:00:00
To: Rent of quanshagon	10:00:00
To: a fine of Goodman, Gales	02:00:00

515:15:11

Cont: Credittors: (1657)

By: Several presentments esp. Anno: 7	541:07:03
By: mony to the Treasurer	020:00:00

561:07:03  
515:15:11

045:11:04

Richard Waddon, Debtor: mony to the Towne of	20:00:00
Scour w <sup>th</sup> hat, not brout in, for: from, W. Fletcher	15:07:03
from, W. Ragnor	10:00:00
To: a fine of James Rids	10:00:00

45:07:03  
45:11:04

Right to Balances — 00:04:01

These Presents Witness that on the 30th day of June 1657  
The Aco: of Capt: Richard Walden, Treasurer for the Towne doe  
here By fully acquit the said Capt: Walden, for the some of five hundred  
Sixty one pounds three Shillings & two pence as appears By his Aco:  
Drawne unto us: this: 30<sup>th</sup>: 8: mo: (1657)  $\frac{69}{561:3:2}$   
no: Say Received

Witness our hands this: 30<sup>th</sup>: 8: mo: (1657)

Wald Hill  
Walter Juter  
White Hurber  
Walter Jaintworth  
Ralph Hill

At A Publick Towne Meeting  
the 15<sup>th</sup> of the first month 1658

Capt Richard Walden Chosen Debtor  
for the Generall Court next in coming  
19: 2: 58

Resolved at their publick meeting that this order  
following shall be an instruction for our  
Debtors that is to say our Debtors Capt Richard Walden  
shall not consent to the passinge and full Consenting  
the Enfringing of our acknowledged Consenting Debtors  
or the other way or any acknowledged with former  
we have enjoyed but shall Enter his Debtors Against  
all such acts as shall or may take away our former Right  
and that our Debtors doe bring all such laws as are  
made at this Court at other Debtors doe

19: 2: mo 58

Townsmen Chosen

Left Hall  
The Layton Edward Starbucke Comptroller  
The Warden  
The Footman

Robert Burnum they are to stand for one hoole year  
or untill the time of their according to order  
and likewise they have the same power the president  
Sollertmen had at the same time resolved that  
the Sollertmen now in being have power from the  
towne to Call Capt Walden to answer for all the  
writing that he hath Consenting the townes  
acknowledged or other Consentments from the Generall Court

At a publick Town Meeting held y<sup>e</sup> 19: 2<sup>mo</sup> (58)  
 Capt. Waldrons & M<sup>r</sup> Hill Chosen Associates for this next  
 Court

At the same time

Eldor Dutter

Siegt. Hall

William Pomfret, Chosen Commissioners for y<sup>e</sup> ending of  
 small Causes —

At y<sup>e</sup> same Town Meeting

Voted that y<sup>e</sup> select men now in beinge have power to call  
 Capt. Waldrons to Account for all the writings that  
 concern the Towne p<sup>r</sup>sentdayes, and also, & likewise  
 to receive them of him, & to be delivered to the Towne  
 Clerke to be recorded.

At a publick Town Meeting y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>mo</sup> (58)

William Furber

Anthony Nutt, appointed to lay out Edward  
 Langstaffes Lott of two hundred Acres, & his Lott  
 where Stephen Codders house was

at the same time

Henry Langstaffe

Anthony Nutt, appointed to lay out William  
 Furbers Ground.

At y<sup>e</sup> same time

Ordered that Henry Langstaffe, & William Furber  
 are to lay out all the Lands of bloody poynts fild &  
 the Little Bay, that are granted at present, or hereafter  
 shall be

By y<sup>e</sup> select men 26: 2<sup>mo</sup> (58)

Ordered appropriate & lay out & bound for y<sup>e</sup> use of the  
 Towne one parcell or Ground of mine Acres, lying & beinge  
 on the Norwest side of the Little Bay, half a Mile or  
 thereabouts from a Creek commonly called the Longe Creek  
 bounded upon the South by Thomas Billeys his Grant

At the same time

John Birtford, John Jarvis, Thomas footman appointed  
 to lay out all the high wayes for Oyster Quays & the  
 hundred Acres of Land granted to the poynt for firwood

At a meeting of the select men y<sup>e</sup> 26. 2<sup>Mo</sup> (5-01)

It is agreed upon that the Rate that was last made for the clearing of the Towns debts shall go forthwith to be levied & gathered in by the Constables, or whom the select men shall deput.

2<sup>dly</sup> That if in case it doth appear that y<sup>e</sup> forty pounds w<sup>ch</sup> is to be paid for the agreement w<sup>ch</sup> the owners be made appear to belong to the proprietors of the Marshes, although it now be paid by the whole Town, that then the proprietors of the Marshes shall pay the said forty pounds back again to the Town

3<sup>dly</sup> That w<sup>ch</sup> the select men doo make Choyce of Lieutenant Hall, & Robert Burnam to put up a petition to the next Courts at Proce<sup>m</sup>ents for their solution concerning Ratings of Saw Mills, & other visible estates belonging to the Towns —

4<sup>thly</sup> If any of the Inhabitants doo find themselves to be over Rated, they may repair to the present select men, or any three of them, upon just cause they shall have Relief, & likewise If it be found that any of our Inhabitants be not Rated according to their Real & visible estates, as they were at the making of the Rates, they are to be brought into the Rate now, & that the persons whom the Order concerneth shall appear at Court at Lieutenant Hall's house upon y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> day of May at mid of the Clock in the morning —

At the same time granted unto Thomas Curwin & William Edilton Liberty to gather seauntie Loads of mire & knots upon the Commons upon the West of Land between Dyster & the Barre River, provided they come not into any mans grants, & in consideration of the said Grant the foresaid Thomas & William have engaged themselves to pay unto Thomas Canny the sum of three pounds ten shillings between the date hereof, & the nine and twentieth of September next —

At the same time given Lieutenant Hall order to receive the Rents of the Mills, & the Charges of Masts due to the Town, & to pay, when the Town is Indebted —



In a publicke Towne Meeting y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> Mon.  
 1658  
 voted by the Inhabitants in generall a forerand time  
 that the first engagement & promise of the Towne  
 unto Mr. Remer, of one hundred & twenty pounde yearly  
 is satisfied & confirmed to be made good unto him, onely  
 w<sup>th</sup> amendinge the said first promise & limitations, as will  
 both stand w<sup>th</sup> the true meaninge thereof, & may serue  
 the Towne from such burthens & pressures, as are feared  
 to come upon them thereby: As first, that hee except of  
 Ministry & Office in the Church, & continue therein  
 accordinge to the Rule of Gods word; 2<sup>d</sup>ly that mens  
 estate generally in the Towne be not observably decayed,  
 nor the Rents belonginge to the Towne impaired, w<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>d</sup>  
 onely, nor the other, from what they are in the Towne  
 present undertakings for one hundred & twenty pounde  
 yearly: But if so be the Towne be impaired, & decayed at any  
 time in their estate & Rents, then accordingly for such  
 time & no longer, the yearly stipend may by the Towne  
 be lowered, onely if thereby the Maintenance fall below  
 one hundred pounde yearly, without probability of its rising  
 afterwards, & that he cannot therew<sup>th</sup> comfortably carry  
 on family orations, I may make use of some other help  
 for his comfortable continuance here, or removinge to some  
 other place without offence: 3<sup>d</sup>ly, in case it be satisfied to  
 him by the Towne or his Major parts thereof that their  
 expence for this or that present year are about what they  
 are usually in respect to more then ordinary or urgent  
 orations, & that y<sup>e</sup> wife of their estate is not such, as  
 they can comfortably bear it, & yet make good the  
 summe agreed upon, in such a case y<sup>e</sup> Towne may be at  
 liberty, to take of from y<sup>e</sup> said summe w<sup>th</sup> respect to  
 such expence for y<sup>e</sup> present time, as may seeme meet to  
 them, provided it be not about twenty pounde or thereabouts.

The first of these notes is that of hastwell  
 which says he exchanged into Sergeant John Hall  
 all my land and more in the <sup>vicinity of</sup> <sup>the</sup> <sup>mouth</sup> of the Great  
 Bay being and being now into that ~~the~~ ~~same~~ ~~own~~  
 farms for all the ~~good~~ ~~land~~ ~~which~~ ~~and~~ ~~hold~~ the  
 aforesaid Sergeant John Hall hath or ever had or  
 hold had in two parcels of land in the Back River  
 that is to say his twenty <sup>and</sup> <sup>lot</sup> <sup>given</sup> <sup>him</sup> <sup>by</sup> <sup>the</sup>  
 town and his wife on a parcel of <sup>more</sup> <sup>land</sup> <sup>on</sup> <sup>the</sup> <sup>east</sup> <sup>side</sup>  
 of the Back River and this agreement is to stand firm  
 to them and their heirs for ever Dated the 23<sup>th</sup>  
 of the 8<sup>th</sup> mo (49)

An Agreement Between Exiter & Dours

At a meeting at Exiter between certain men of Exiter & others of  
 Exiter & others by the Towns for the settling of the Bounde  
 between y<sup>e</sup> Towns It was concluded by them whose names are here  
 underwritten, that the West by North Line from the lower falls of  
 Lampress River running up into the Country six miles shall stand  
 as the consideration following to say that y<sup>e</sup> lower falls of  
 Passassink w<sup>ch</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Mill Hanson shall belong to Exiter w<sup>ch</sup> the  
 Inhabitation of Exiter belonging thereto, being a mile  
 a quarter from the Mill towards the upper falls w<sup>ch</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Mill  
 w<sup>ch</sup> work of land possessed by John Edward & others the  
 Marsh possessed at present by Exiter men to belong to Dours  
 And for y<sup>e</sup> land w<sup>ch</sup> y<sup>e</sup> line w<sup>ch</sup> y<sup>e</sup> west of y<sup>e</sup> line to  
 belong to Dours, provided, that Exiter shall have free  
 passage for their Cattle upon the said land, and also the  
 Owners of the Mill shall have the work of land on the  
 East side of Passassink River down to Lampress River  
 only six rods by y<sup>e</sup> River (as excepted) And also convenient  
 Cartways from y<sup>e</sup> upper falls to y<sup>e</sup> lower falls of y<sup>e</sup> said River,  
 As also y<sup>e</sup> Owners of the Mill, to say M<sup>r</sup>. Thomas Gomball,  
 William Hilton, & Robert Smart shall have sixty Acres of land  
 a piece for tillage to be adjacent to their Mill on y<sup>e</sup> narrowest  
 side of the said River to hold & to have the said land to be  
 their Heirs & Assigns for ever w<sup>ch</sup> out paying any Rates to  
 Dours either for y<sup>e</sup> Mill, or y<sup>e</sup> said Land, witness our hands  
 the 14<sup>th</sup> of Aprile (1657)

Edward Hilton  
 Gal: Hill  
 John Balford D. Sen. his mark  
 John Gillman  
 William Furber

At a publick Town Meeting held the 16<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 11 M<sup>o</sup> (56)

It is this day voted that the Charges of the fitting up the two Meeting houses of Dover & Oyster River shall be carried on distinctly by the Neighbourhood or Inhabitants of each place that is to say the Charges of Dover Meeting house by the Neighbourhood of that & the Charges of Oyster River Meeting house by the Neighbourhood of Oyster River

At the same time voted that the former order concerning Rulings of the Line at the head of our Townships given by Order of our Town to William Furber, & Peter Coffin, is null & void

At the same time voted that Siffenant Hall, Deaton Hall Robert Burnam shall lay out forthwith the Bounds of the Town between Lampwell River & Miscoonamit River as also the head Line at our utmost Bounds

Whereas the Order of the General Court there was made in the year of replant Union to the inhabitants of Dover that have made in the Great Bay the town having ordered Eldon Nuttall w<sup>ch</sup> steward Henry Lankester William Furber to lay out and bound on to the particular inhabitants their portion of replant to the amount of 100 <sup>acres</sup> ~~acres~~ laid out and bounded on to John Robert this 10<sup>th</sup> of replant to his mark that is to say 10 acres on the northerly side up to the head of the mark and 20 acres on the southerly side witness our hands the 17: 8 (56) Haterill Nuttall William Furber William Shury Henry Lankester

where as, by Evidence <sup>it appears</sup> that Richard Gimbham had fifty acres of land given and granted unto him next adjoining to with Tomsons 50 acres beyond Cochcha Legg Swamp in the year 1636 which sd Land is laid out and bounded as followeth that is to say on the south East by the affore said 50 acres of with Tomsons on the north East on the Comans on the norwest on the Comans on the south west on Collemans Bank River this Land was laid out by Eldor will went worth half hall and John hall the 17: 1 (58) (59)

At a publick Town Meeting held 10. 11 M. 58  
It is ordered that Elder Nathaniel Thomas Layton  
John Samson, William Story, Lieutenant Hall,  
to journey to town to lay out Bound, the twenty  
two lots over by Barbs River according to the  
first grant (James Nicks Letter to phd)

At y<sup>e</sup> same time Thomas Lundall, Richard Hubbards,  
Henry Brown, Patriarch Tompson, Edward Crown,  
Walter Jackson, James Murry, Thomas Dowty,  
James Air, James Middleton, all the Inhabitants  
the day above said

At A meeting of the selectmen  
the 10 th 3 mo 58

Ordered that all the Comedog that is lying on the south  
side of the not yet granted out, shall be for the Comedog  
unto the inhabitants and that no grant shall be  
made without the consent of the Inhabitants thereof

At A meeting of the selectmen  
the 28 of the first mo 58 59

Ordered that Doudor now let by Peter Kinor Dorochaw  
have the same lobster for their Comedogs  
as was granted to Blodowent

At A <sup>publick</sup> Town Meeting holden the  
6: 4: 59

Ordered that the present selectmen have power with the  
maiores part of all our inhabitants in Queeris of our respective  
plantations <sup>to grant land as they see fit</sup> with the consent of the maiors part of our  
Inhabitants in Queeris of our severall respective plantations  
and further that the present selectmen have power  
to order all y<sup>e</sup> prudentiall affaires concerning the  
towne and likewise the present selectmen have power  
to sell the town house that m<sup>r</sup> Keener lieth in a Covenant  
to Covenant and to sell the said house to m<sup>r</sup> Keener or  
any other man as they see cause  
this interlining to grant land was done in the presence  
of the selectmen

page 57 At A meeting of the selectmen the  
28:1 mo (58/59)

Given and Granted in to Beniaman Hull one hundred  
Acres of land long adjacent to the bounds of <sup>Winstock</sup> Mill  
mill on the south west of <sup>Winstock</sup> Campwell fall not in being upon  
and former Grant ~~put~~ forward

was howe named or under written do you propose  
this to your consideration whether by a unanimous  
consent we were legally chosen as former  
other townsmen were before us and that all our  
legal acts shall be ratified and confirmed and that  
you take at us as legal selectmen for the  
town of Dover at being for the year 1658  
this is voted by the major part of the town  
to pass for an act

A towns meeting holden by  
the publique inhabitants the 6:4:59

voted that All the inhabitants of this town of Dover  
that have taken their oath of fidelity have their free vote  
in choice of their selectmen and all other officers conforming  
the towns affairs and that the former ~~act~~ of the choice of  
selectmen made the 17th 4th mo 57 in point of time  
is nullified and of no effect

At the same time selectmen chosen left Gaph Hall James Nutt  
Richard Gled Robert Brumum Henry Lanister John Hall Deaton  
chosen for commissioners these are to stand for one hole year or until  
now be chosen elder Nutt chosen Moderator

At the same time ordered that the present selectmen have power  
to receive the towns books from the town clerk now in being  
and to take in to them soe many of the inhabitants as they shall see  
fitt to view the books and order such defects as they shall see  
to be done and to give a discharge under their hands to the  
said town clerk and like wise to deliver the said books to the  
new town clerk After he hath taken his oath

At the same time John Hall Deaton chosen town clerk  
At the same time <sup>this could not be done by reason the County</sup> would not give them chosen clerk his  
John Beaman chosen Constable  
John Birchard chosen

At A public town meeting  
holden the 6:4 (59)

Ordered that whereas ab thear health bin sinx<sup>d</sup> and severall  
Grants of land made to severall of our inhabitant  
that all these inhabitant with hand Grants of land shall  
bring them in to the present selectmen who have power  
to conferme them into them with Grants as to be brought  
in to the selectmen betwain this present month and the  
20th of the first month next insuing

At the same time Given and Granted unto me David  
Londesack Edlin 2 Acres of upland upon the <sup>North</sup> side  
if the place that he shall find out for his convenience  
will afford it but not to exceed 2 acres to be layd out  
by Capt Nathl Hall and John Hall Deaton

Whereas ab it dooth appear by Quence that  
William hackett had thirty Acres of land Granted  
unto him at a public town meeting holden in  
the year 56. It is layd out and boundd unto  
him in the year 59 the 29<sup>th</sup> day of the 8<sup>th</sup> month  
with bound as follows that is to say on the  
northwest partly by thomas Noels Land and  
partly by thomas Beards Land and on the southwest  
with on Bottoms banks for 1/2<sup>th</sup> and on the  
southwest by the 1/2<sup>th</sup> that goes from Bottoms  
banks fall to Booths has and on the northeast  
by the Roman all with bound will appear  
by the marked trees marked with W: H ab also  
this lot is to have a her way throu it whereas  
the town shall so much this lot was layd  
out and boundd by Elders William Wadsworth  
of Nathl Hall John Hall Deaton

At a meeting of the select men the 10<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> month 54

Given and granted unto Benjamin Malley on Little Plot of  
marsh at the head of the Little Bay with the Neck of Land there

of me William Pomfret Towns Clerk  
at a public Town meeting holden at 16:2<sup>m</sup> (61

Given and granted unto Ensign John Davis one hundred Acres of  
of Land by Lamporells River next unto Robert burrums two hundred  
acres Lot and twenty acres more next Jonas Bines twenty acre Lot  
Recorded in the old Book page 4. 60<sup>th</sup>

This is a true Copie of the originall upon Record  
of me William Pomfret Towns Clerk

At A Publike Towne Meeting holden the year 1656 Given and  
 Granted unto m<sup>r</sup> John Reynors 12 Acres of land one souer necke  
 on the East side thereof bounded as followeth being in two parts the one  
 by the River side bounded on the North by Thomas Downes his lotte  
 and on the East by the River on the south by Gaphel Tnamby lotte  
 and on the west by A highway that cometh from John D. bond his house  
 into the woods the other part lieth A bond the Aforemensioned  
 highway bounded on the North by the Common and on the west by the  
 Common on the south by Toddias Andrews his lotte and on the East by the  
 highway Aforemensioned all with Gromises was layd out and  
 bounded Aording to order By order William Wentworth  
 left Gaphel Hall and Deacon John Hall the year 1658 the 10th  
 month thereof - -

At the same time Granted to Thomas Downes fifty acres of land  
 next m<sup>r</sup> Reynors farme about Gochochia on the South east side of

At A Publike Towne meeting holden in the year 1656

Given and Granted unto m<sup>r</sup> Reynors fower hundred Acres  
 of land lying Beyond Gochochia bounded as followeth that is  
 to saye on the North East partly by two hundred Acres of land  
 layd out to William Duffett and partly by An hundred Acres of land  
 with was layd out to William Sheffield and on the South East by  
 fifty Acres of land layd out unto Thomas Downes and on the South  
 South west by Gochochia River for lett on the North west by the  
 Common All with bounds will Appear by the markt Trees marked  
 with F.R By order William Wentworth left Gaphel Hall  
 John Hall Deacon Aording to order in the year 1658 the  
 11th month thereof

At A Publike Towne meeting  
 holden the 13:4 1660

voted that the yowest selectmen shoulde  
 yowen from the Towne with Elder nuffe  
 left Hall Richard et al to treat with m<sup>r</sup>  
 Droughton and make a finall determination  
 of the defect betwain the Towne and  
 him concerning the grant of the same fall

• it is Evidenced by John Bickford son and with Sheffield it is Evidenced  
 that Ensigne John Davis had forty Acres of Land granted him in the  
 year (56) to be Layd out to Joyns unto his Land that he bought of  
 M<sup>r</sup> Hill as also an hundred Acres of Land behind William Goods  
 dated the 16: 2: 59 J. m<sup>r</sup> William Duffett Towne Clerk

At A Public Towne Meeting holden  
the 11th of March 1666

Noted that whereas Some wall of our Grants made  
to our Inhabotante run to them and theare heirs and  
Assignes other Grants run to such a particular person  
Nowe That All our Inhabotante may have and  
Enjoye y<sup>e</sup> proprietye A like maner Every particular  
Grant made unto them w<sup>ch</sup> order that all grants  
that run to Any particular person his Wrights  
heires and Assignes that run to them theare

Layd out and Bounded unto Summe thirtie Acres of  
Land w<sup>ch</sup> was granted to Joseph Affin in the year 1656  
w<sup>ch</sup> land lieth on the Norwest side of Lotall Johns Wicks  
bordering on the South south East partly on Lotall Johns Wicks  
Marle and partly on Lotall Johns Wicks that is to say  
Soo far as the Marle runn upward from the Wicks mouth  
bordering on the Marle and upward a bowe the Marle it  
bordereth on the Wicks on the South south west on the Back River  
and on the Nor Norwest on the Woman on the Nor Nor East all the  
8<sup>e</sup> former mentioned bounds may appear by certain marked trees  
with H V there is to be A sufficient highway throug this lott  
to y<sup>e</sup> Mass betwixt Dover and Gocherhad this lott was  
layd out by Williem Wintworth and John Hall

As here as it doth appear on Dover record that Henry Hobbs  
son had a grant of four Acres of Land on doubt neck  
on the East side of Kettleberry hill and was laid out and  
bounded by the Lott Lairs the 17<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> month 1668  
1668 the subscribers have knowne the bounds of the s<sup>d</sup> four  
Acres of Land as followeth to say beginning at Thomas Roberts  
fence near Mr Job Clements is Land and run a west and  
North Joynt 20 Rods from thence south and west 32 Rods  
and from thence East and south 20 Rods to s<sup>d</sup> fence and so  
on a straight Line to the first bounds by the 17 day of  
March 1714

Zacharias Field  
Thomas Roberts  
Joseph Roberts



Whereas there was twenty Acres of Land Given to Henry Magoun  
 At A y<sup>e</sup> publick town meeting in the year 56 as hath bin made appear  
 By Evidence and Confirmed and According to order laid out and Bounded by  
 Eld<sup>r</sup> Wentworth left Hall John Hall his now Abing by the townes part to give  
 have laid out onto the Above mentioned Henry Magoun his twenty  
 Acres as followeth that is to say the south East Albons Court  
 By the Court side toward Northwamick bounded on the south west end by the  
 River and on the south west by the highway being betwix the lot of  
 John Hall and his lot on the north west side of and the north west end  
 By the Common fence Woods a bow for a highway to the Court the lot  
 Entered the first of 11 mo 57

At A Publick town meeting  
 in the year 56

Given and granted in to Thomas Nothe his heirs Executors  
 and assignes three Acres and a halfe of exland on the west side  
 of some more bounded as followeth that is to say on the north side  
 south side by Richard Wintem and on the north by Thomas Nothe  
 his lotte Provided that the Springs be left for the y<sup>e</sup> publick use of  
 the town ~~at~~ this was layd out by Thomas Layton and John Sam  
 According to order Dated this 5: 12: 57

Whereas It doth appear by Evidence that Lieutnant Ralph  
 Hall had two hundred Acres of Land granted him by the  
 Select Men then in being in the year 56 w<sup>ch</sup> two hundred  
 Acres is layd out according to his Grant used to be w<sup>ch</sup>  
 of Land granted to the Proprietors of fresh Creek on  
 the four Rivers side on the Grant w<sup>ch</sup> goes towards  
 Northwamick being the first lot of that Range  
 or Tract of Land Bounded S. Albons Court & Quampygon  
 Bounded on the south side by the North of Land given  
 to Capt. Waldrons & the Proprietors of fresh Creek  
 Sawmill Grant, the line on this side about mentioned  
 to run two hundred & forty poles upon a straight line  
 from the flowings of the River at S. Albons Court  
 towards fresh Creek a long by the four mentioned North  
 granted to Capt. Waldrons & the Proprietors of fresh  
 Creek Sawmill Grant, bounded on the West end by the  
 Common, on the North east side by John Roberts his lot  
 on the South east end by Mrs. Chwamick Rivers, A Right  
 Way of four poles wide to goe throu this lot, where it  
 shall be thought most convenient by the Town, this lot  
 was layd out & bounded by William Wentworth & John  
 Hall, & Ralph Hall: y<sup>e</sup> 12: of y<sup>e</sup> 11 Mo 57

These horse mares for hire under winter have layd out and bounded unto elder william wentforth land as followeth the 23 th. 10: 58

That is to say on hundred and sixty acres of land near the great yfoud ioyning Joseph Atkin's land on the nor nor east side on the south south west end by Richard Gles his land on the east south west end by the woman on the nor north west end by the Great yfoud at the head on hundred acres of this land was granted in 52 and sixty acres in the year 58 there is a bonusmint ~~his~~ way of fowre yoll broad to goe throug this land

This Grant a lone man yoned is a sind oute from elder wentforth unto Joseph Atkin in ex change with him for Emerys farme with in twelve acres of meare and fifty acres of upland toing to it bounded from the head of the meare to the fall this ex change was made the 15 th. 10: 58 Dated this 24 th. 10: 58

By select men

1: 2: 58  
Given and granted unto elder will wentforth and layd out and bounded six ~~acres~~ <sup>score</sup> acres of land as followeth on the south by Emerys farme on the east side by the woman on the north end by the woman on the west side partly by Richard Gles his land and partly by Emerys medows this ~~the~~ land was granted in the year 58

The Grant of ex change made betwix elder wentforth and Joseph Atkin of Emerys farme and his hundred ~~and~~ and sixty acres of upland lying and being near the great yfoud with farm of Emerys to it bounded from the head of the meare to the fall this ex change was made the 15: 10: 58

it is whel granted ~~near~~ ~~the~~ ~~where~~ as there was on hundred acres of land that it is to be removed three score of it to toing to Joseph Atkin's land near to the great yfoud and three score of it beyond the meare in case it intenth not upon a me former grant this order was made 23 th. 10: 58 by the select men the Layton the Gandy Rafter Hall

By the selectmen the 10: 11 58

Given and Granted unto Elder William Wentworth Sixty Acres of land adjoining to his land lying beyond Cochechee first meadow provided it in length not apon any former Grant with land between the north & side of the aforesaid meadow

By the Selectmen the 1: 2 1658

Given and Granted unto Elder William Wentworth Six Acres of land for a house lot on the west side of a new road being laid out and grounded as follows on the East side by the highway on the south side by James Eids lot on the west side by the Back Lane on the north by Thomas Eids lot

At a meeting of y<sup>e</sup> Select Men, y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> of the 2<sup>d</sup> M<sup>o</sup> (50)

Given & granted unto William Shepheard twelve acres of upland near Thomas Hansons Grant, w<sup>ch</sup> grant is laid out & bounded as follows; on the Nor-west side by a little brook that runs by his house; & upon a straight line to Thomas Hansons lower corner market cross; on the South west side by Thomas Hansons lot & the South East side; & on the North East side by the Common, w<sup>ch</sup> bounds will appear by the market cross. This land laid out by William Wentworth, John Hall & Ralph Hall, the 29<sup>th</sup> of December (50) this is recorded in page 67

In the year (56)

It hereas it doth appear by evidence that Richard Obis had fifty Acres of Land given unto him, it is laid out & bounded as follows; on y<sup>e</sup> West North west side by a high way; on the East North East side by y<sup>e</sup> Common, on the South East side by Peter Wentworths Land; on the South west side by a high way. This Land lyeth on Cochechee great hill, w<sup>ch</sup> said Grant was laid out & bounded by William Wentworth, Ralph Hall, & John Hall.

In the year (16)

Whereas it doth appere by evidence that Richard Ovis had  
 an hundred Acres of Land given & granted unto him w<sup>ch</sup> said  
 hundred Acres of Land lyeth on the great hill, beyond Cottes  
 fresh Marsh, bounded as followeth, on the West by, North side  
 by Josephs Duffins Land, on the North End by the Common, on  
 the East by, South side by the Common, on the South End by,  
 Elder Wentworths Land. This Land was granted by the select Men  
 & laid out by, William Wentworth, Ralph Hall, & John Hall

Laid out & bounded unto the Richard Ovis his heire, Acres  
 of Land, ten of it was granted by the select men in the  
 year (16) to be joynd to an other formerly granted him,  
 bounded as followeth, on the West South west end by, a high  
 way, on the West Northwest side by a high way, on the Eastern  
 end by a high way, partly, & partly by the Common, on the  
 East South east side by, John Courvings his Lott. This  
 Land out & bounded by, Elder Wentworth, Ralph Hall  
 & John Hall.

In the year (16)

Whereas it is testified that Nathaniel Starbuck had as much  
 Land granted to him by the select men at a publick Town  
 Meeting as would make his five & forty Acres, w<sup>ch</sup> his  
 father Edward Starbuck gave him two hundred Acres  
 to be joynd together, lying on the North East side of  
 Cottes fresh River, w<sup>ch</sup> said Grant is laid out &  
 bounded as followeth, on the South South west end by,  
 Cottes River, on the West Northwest side partly by,  
 John Hards Lott, & partly by the Common, the North West east  
 end partly by the great pond, & partly by, Richard Ovis  
 his Lott, the East South east side partly by, Richard Ovis  
 his Lott, & partly by, William Waters Lott, & partly by  
 Elder Starbuck's Lott, there is a foot way thorough his Lott  
 from Cottes to Cottes end, & a Cart way through it of  
 four pole wide to the Common wher it is most convenient, &  
 this was bounded & laid out the 22<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. (16)  
 by William Wentworth, Ralph Hall, & John Hall