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April 15. 1674 At a meeting of the Select  
 Men in 1674 present E. Holyoke Esq. Codr  
 N. Dyer Esq. John Kier  
 Compt. for my town by writ on ye 8th instant  
 by y<sup>e</sup> warrant of Tho. Willer & Chas. Cooper Junr  
 viewrs of y<sup>e</sup> houses sh<sup>d</sup> first on ye 10th June  
 sh<sup>d</sup> Rintt opposit to y<sup>e</sup> Town and diverse  
 y<sup>e</sup>long for deforcemeny in their houses of y<sup>e</sup> first  
 the Select men issuing out warrants they sh<sup>d</sup>  
 presented sh<sup>d</sup> appear this day at 7 a clock in  
 ye morning the Select wayte at eight till 10.  
 a clock & neither y<sup>e</sup> viewrs appd to y<sup>e</sup> house  
 their compt nor any suggestion sh<sup>d</sup> be made to  
 defend answer any complaint: only J<sup>n</sup> M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup>  
 who was to mend some by y<sup>e</sup> M<sup>r</sup> J<sup>n</sup> J<sup>n</sup> J<sup>n</sup> appd  
 who sayth he had no warning to amend the  
 fence & the M<sup>r</sup> J<sup>n</sup> also sayth y<sup>e</sup> he had no  
 warning of any y<sup>e</sup> place of his fence y<sup>e</sup>  
 mend repair till the said 8th day of this  
 instant was by one of y<sup>e</sup> owners of any or  
 ficiency of fence ought to have 3 or 4 days  
 warning to amend them before they sh<sup>d</sup> be  
 present for such deforcemeny: & sayth  
 were defunct: yet also it is now said that  
 the fences were repaired 4 or 5 days  
 ago: others also were ordered by y<sup>e</sup> viewrs for  
 deforcemeny of fence to y<sup>e</sup> John Scott & W<sup>m</sup> J<sup>n</sup>  
 J<sup>n</sup> P<sup>r</sup>etty & E. Holyoke & Tho. M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> who could  
 have nothing said to y<sup>e</sup> for y<sup>e</sup> reasons above dyff<sup>d</sup>.

April. 29<sup>th</sup> 1679. At a Meeting of a Select Men  
from w<sup>ch</sup> s<sup>er</sup>pent E: Holyoke K: Ely. B. Parsons. J: Karp:  
There being com<sup>pl</sup> made by Miles Maxtan J<sup>r</sup>. Bag-  
viewers of a fence dar<sup>re</sup>ffed into Ch<sup>ur</sup>ch<sup>ur</sup> on a  
w<sup>ch</sup> side of a fence dar<sup>re</sup>ffed into Ch<sup>ur</sup>ch<sup>ur</sup> on a  
offering of his fence belonging to that parish: the  
said Viewers testifying that he have no rod of fen-  
cing there as yet had been sufficient to this day: but  
places may be said to be specially complained  
concerning they testify that have given him a warning  
several times to amend there way but he  
does not amend each warning it so they might if  
possibly could prevent him but they testify those  
to amend there are not sufficiently repaired:  
Jonathan Ashby the Select Men upon hearing  
the case on both sides judge that the said Jonathan  
Ashby shall pay a rate of 18<sup>s</sup> or 9<sup>s</sup> 8<sup>d</sup> to  
the Viewers of 9<sup>s</sup> 8<sup>d</sup> by the Town

But for a bunch as yet of water from is left up in  
Kind of ancient tape <sup>way</sup> by yr groom's to suffer the

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Dec. 29. 1679. The Town is Dr.

|                                                                         | l. | s. | d.  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|----|-----|
| To Rowland Thomas for killing 1 wolf                                    | 0  | 10 | 00  |
| To Saml. Holyoke & Charles Henry for 1 wolf                             | 0  | 10 | 00  |
| To Anth. Dorchester for 4 wolves                                        | 2  | 00 | 00  |
| To Euf. Cooky for 1 wolf                                                | 0  | 10 | 00  |
| To Jno. Stewart for iron for 1 pound                                    | 0  | 05 | 03  |
| To David Morgan for 1 pound gate                                        | 0  | 05 | 00  |
| To Brnj. Mann for ringing 1 bell                                        | 3  | 00 | 00  |
| To Nath. Ely for use of his house at 1/2 grade                          |    |    |     |
| Town Meeting miff box <del>for 3/4</del> 3/4 for                        |    |    |     |
| another Town Meeting at his house. Hebr 16 last                         |    |    |     |
| the like summa of 3/4. 00. for Towns fund miff                          | 0  | 12 | 00. |
| In August 18th 1674 - 5/8.                                              |    |    |     |
| To Capt Holyoke for his 2 <sup>d</sup> & 3 <sup>d</sup> journey to find | 5  | 00 | 00. |
| Eliz. for depty 1673                                                    |    |    |     |
| And for making 1/2 rates this December 1674                             | 1  | 00 | 00  |
| To for writing up the town book this year past                          | 0  | 05 | 00  |
| To Jonathan Ashby for gambulation between us                            | 0  | 03 | 00. |
| Wiff 3 years ago                                                        |    |    |     |
| To Miss Dymcher for paynt to C. Smith                                   | 0  | 00 | 00  |
| To R. St. Ashby for carrying 1/2 truck of 1/2 town                      | 0  | 03 | 00  |
| It 1/2 town depty for 1/2 grade 1/2 depty 1/2                           | 4  | 00 | 00  |
| To Goodman Ely for 2 days house room for 1/2 depty 1/2                  |    |    |     |
| meeting to find 1/2 lands of 1/2 town wiff to make rates                | 0  | 10 | 00  |
| In Jan: 74                                                              |    |    |     |
| To Eli. Holyoke for writing a dm for 1/2 land                           | 0  | 10 | 00. |
| bought of Waguagan & Wacombo                                            |    |    |     |
| for entering a list of the Voters & affirming con                       |    |    |     |
| fimation of guarantymy Town book                                        | 0  | 03 | 00  |

Dec: 74. The Towne is Cr.

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By rent of ye Land at Chirk for summer 1674  
their crops being viewed by select men all the  
select judges & they shewed & rated one halfe of ye rent  
so as now they are to pay } 18. 3.  
3. 15 00.  
By Jonath Ashley fyne for deficient fence at Chirkopp } 0-09-00.  
the last summer  
By a rate on the Town Jan: 74 } 101 00. 00

of Goodman: Bagg  
May 21<sup>st</sup> 75 Rued 15 bush of Ind: corn  
3 bush of wheat wch is part of payment for by } 2. 08: 00  
2 last years rent the whole was to 55.

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Jan: 74 At a Meeting of y<sup>e</sup> Select Men  
they bring all present:

The Committee y<sup>e</sup> have chosen for ordering  
matters concerning building a new meeting  
house declaring to y<sup>e</sup> Select Men that  
there is need of raising 150<sup>th</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> Inha-  
bitants of this Town for that Work, the  
Select Men have ordered that such a rate  
be made towards y<sup>e</sup> carrying <sup>one</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> works:

at a meeting off the Select men february the 8. 74  
namely Quaker Cotton John Dumbelton Henry Chapin  
Jerimihorton and Samuell Marshfield

Choise was made off new way at fences for the generall  
fieldes also the Constable being present choise was made  
off a scale for waights and measures and John Lamb  
was chosen and the Constable appointed to report him to  
the Court to be sworn for Long Medo field Nathaniell butt  
and Samuell Ely

for the home lot about  
in the Towne Nathaniell prichard and  
for the field over the river right over ~~miss~~ Morgan  
for Chilab field one the west side the John doxistox  
river John bagg and Joseph bartholmea Richard Exell  
agreed with Samuell Marshfield to make a good paire  
of flocks of eight foot in length with fine holes in  
them for which worke he is to have ten shillings  
payd by the town

The select having Consideration about faine and newing  
and ordax in the town book page 15 and with the abatement  
at the penalty in this book made february 12: 1668  
do ordax the said ordax to stand in force in all respect of it  
if in this book for this yeare

The select men appoint John Dumbelton and Samuell Marshfield  
to take care that some things be done to the repairing of the  
pond one the west side the river

Complaint being made for want of new way off fences about  
the field at Skymuck The select men have chosen Thomas John  
Clockmire and Charly Henry to view the fences off the field both  
at Skymuck and Chilab

Having Consideration off the Great Damage which is done in the  
severall feilds belonging to the towne in Cathe being suffered in  
the feilds lat in the springs which is a great wronge to winter  
come The select men do order that all Cathe and fenne  
shall be cleared out off the severall feilds by the tenth  
off next and it is expected that all feilds be made up  
by the 10 of March if the season of the year will permit  
and at Harthill by the 20 of March

finding and order in the Towne book that shall require the  
select men to Consider off seating passengers in the meeting  
house yearly. The select men meeting this 5 of February 7  
and finding <sup>no</sup> house or not sufficient to seat all we  
Conclude to make no alteration till more house be found  
The select men Taking in into Consideration of  
the Cause at thos days how that often company  
have bene more for want of it in breache we have  
set out 2 rods finding that good man minkys hence is  
wille in the road at both ends and we appoint him to set  
his fence in to the stakes set up, and so the Cause will have  
its due

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The town's Debet January the 31. 1675

|                                                                       |    |    |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|----|----|---|
| To paying the meeting house and ringing the bell                      | 02 | 10 | 0 |
| * by one woff to samuell fowles and Jonathan Taylor                   | 00 | 20 | 0 |
| * by one woff to Mat <sup>or</sup> pinchon which William brookes kept | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| * by one woff to Nathaniel Bliff                                      | 0  | 10 | 0 |
| * by the select men's expences                                        | 17 | 0  | 0 |
| by laying out the bounds between 3 fishing                            | 0  | 3  | 0 |
| South field and Springfield                                           | 0  | 3  | 0 |
| To samuell hobyak for a woff                                          | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| by making of the rates                                                | 01 | 00 | 0 |
| The hobli                                                             | 6  | 19 | 0 |

The Town's Debet February the 5. 1676

|                                                               |    |    |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----|----|---|
| To ringing the bell and paying the meeting house              | 02 | 10 | 0 |
| To making the rates                                           | 01 | 00 | 0 |
| To enteraine meat at the select men's 5 dayes nothing allowed | 01 | 00 | 0 |
|                                                               | 4  | 10 | 0 |

The select men this gave out

Eulene Cooley Anthony Dolchiff  
 Jonathan Burr John hit Cock  
 samuell Marshfield

The Towne Credit is  
• by the rent of Chilab Land — 05 — 05 — 0

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February 5: 76 the select men Grant philymatous  
liberty to abide in the town: also Jack Gleason  
and Jack Calkbread are admitted inhabitants of  
this town

*The general manuscript had*  
Received off 1750 primary six bushels of rye 05 03 0

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this was concluded on by us  
of the select men Benjamin Cooly  
John Keese John Highzol Jonathan  
Asust

June: 2<sup>d</sup> 1679.

At a meeting of the select men, being present: Deacon  
Benja: Parsons. In Dumbleton Henry Chapin In Holyoke,

It having been formerly at a Town meeting propounded to y<sup>e</sup>  
Town, that they would set up ~~up~~ a school-house for the Town,  
they concluded that such an house should be erected, & appointed the  
select men to bargain w<sup>th</sup> any meet person or persons to build such  
an house for such a fee. accordingly they have bargained w<sup>th</sup> Tho:  
Stebbins Jun<sup>r</sup>, to get timber for such a building & frame it  
whose length is 22 foot, & breadth 17 foot: & stud 8 foot & halfe.  
& he the said Thomas Stebbins is to carry the frame to place &  
to nail the clapboards close on both sides & ends, & to <sup>make</sup> ~~to~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>lights</sup>  
shingle the roofe, & to make <sup>three</sup> light spaces on one side & two on  
one end, & to set up a mantle piece, & set up a rung Chimney, & to  
raile it, & the said Thomas ~~that~~ is to have for his worke so done  
fourteen pounds paid him by the Towne, & in case it so prove  
that the said Thomas Stebbins shal have on hand bargain, it  
is hereby agreed that he shal have 10<sup>s</sup> more of the Towne  
Thomas Stebbins

at a meetin of the select men  
February the 7<sup>th</sup> 1795  
There was made of newers of fenses for the lots  
for the Longe meadow Haazk Coulton Jamwell  
for over the greynet — Elip Ganger  
Joseph Leaven  
for Chicopee field — Rees Bothin da  
John Grote  
for the home lots — Thomas Day  
John Redmon  
The select men doo order that all thes fenses  
be made up by the tenth of march next

At A Towne Meeting:  
Hebr. 23. 1675.

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This meeting being called to make supply of a select man & also of one to enter things God having taken away Capt Holpocke:

Sam<sup>l</sup> Marshfield was by a cleave vote choise a select man, to make up 1 Number for the yeare ensuing.

Jonath Burt is chosen Towne Clarke to enter all writings, & take care for 1 Recording Towne affairs, & keeping 1 Records of 1 Towne.

Sam<sup>l</sup> Holpocke is made choise of for Clarke of 1 writts to be grounded. to 1 County Court for Confirmation in 1 office.

Mathias de Foot was voted an inhabitant of the Town  
also m<sup>r</sup> Denton voted an inhabitant  
also it was voted that the Town would forty fy  
and give for the mill a Cong with the gabbyson  
p<sup>o</sup>det

At a Towne June 8 by 6<sup>122</sup>  
god in his providence having taken  
a way John Loop by death  
Anthony Darhottet was chosen by a  
plurality of the plantations a  
select man to supply that want for  
the year ensuing

At a Towne meeting June 21 by 6<sup>122</sup>  
John Domblaton was chosen  
by a plurality of the Towne a scribe  
to goe with the select men for  
to make the County rates both for  
the present and also for the year  
ensuing

march: 16: 1682/ At a meeting of the select men. viz.  
Joseph Parson Jonathan Burt. Tho: Day Jr. Willeholke Jr. Holyoke  
the said select men did bargain or indent w<sup>th</sup> J<sup>r</sup> Miller & Tho: Taylor  
to set up a pound on the West side of the River, & to do all the Car-  
penters workes for the beginning worke to the compleat finishing  
thereof. that is to say they are to set up four lengths of railes on  
the four sides, six good substantial railes in a length, & ten foot  
long between the postes, being white oake. Posts mortized, & a  
well braced Gate well hung w<sup>th</sup> a cross peice on the top of the gate  
postes, they also to pin the upper taile of each length, by the  
tenths of April next in such place as the said select men shall  
appoint, & the said select men do Covenant to give the said  
Miller & Taylor fifty & five shillings, which is to be paid by  
the next Towne Rate —

123/ October 2: 1676.

The select men have let out to John Pety  
that parcel of land in Chissey plaine 35 or 40  
acres more or les for the term of six years  
his land lyeth on the west side the great river  
and the said John Pety doth promise and engage  
to pay in to the select men five pound for  
the first year and make up the fines and  
yearly after wards he is to pay five pound  
ten shillings yearly and for the major of  
payment if in case the said shall produce  
suitable crops of wheat then the said John  
Pety is to pay three pound ten shillings in  
wheat at a current price but if not in his  
promises shall last his crops of wheat then  
he shall pay the full price in money or in  
pence and two at the current price as it  
payeth from man to man in the town  
and the said John Pety is to secure the fence  
from year to year at the term of six years  
and to leave the fence in good repair  
at the end of his term of six years  
to this agreement the said John Pety hath set to his hand  
The mark of John Pety

April 21: 81

Anna Pety the Relict of John Pety deceased doth  
covenant & engage to the present select men, that she will  
fulfill the conditions above mentioned w<sup>th</sup> her husband to the  
above said term of years, & accordingly doth her to set to her hand  
Anna Pety  
her mark

Febr: 13. 1681.

Samuel Owen doth covenant to the present select men to fulfill the  
conditions above mentioned about payment for the Town Land at  
Chissey, & in special that he engages the crop for security for the  
full satisfaction of the rent, but as he shall need for his family bread, the select  
men to allow him what they Judge meet for his family bread.

Samuel Owen his Mark

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February the 12: 1676

At a mee of the select men

|                     |                 |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| servitors of fenees | Georg Coulton   |
| for the Longmedo    | John Drumblton  |
| nathanol Burt, and  | Ben Parsons     |
| samuel Stebin       | John Dorchester |
| for the kmloff      | Henry Chasim    |

samuel Blis senar

Thomas Stebing Juner

for the felds ofer the great rifer and agwam  
James Tayler and Thomas miler

for chipapig feild on the west sid of the  
great rifer sargent morgin and John last  
where as wee find that fenees ar much  
wemolished and cannot be so speedily put up  
therefor it is ordered that him shall be  
run by the 10: of march and to be kept run  
un til the 10: of november. for this year

120) And ther is chosen Samuel ball to  
ring the siren on this sid of the river  
and Samuel Taylor on the west sid of  
the river and to have 8 pence D. for  
ring of them in case the overs ring  
them not them selfs

it is ordered that all coman fences be  
made up by the 10 of march next in  
case the frost hinders not & and that  
every man set up stakes with his nam  
upon it and in case any man neglect  
setting up his stake with his nam upon it  
he shall pay 6 pence for his dole

At a meeting of the selectmen April  
the 23: 1677 they being all present  
ther was an account <sup>taken</sup> of doles of  
select men's fences:

At a meeting of the selectmen the 25th  
the 24: 1677 ther was chosen for Prisons  
Jas. Chapin Saml Warener Samuel Ely

the Town of Dorchester the 1<sup>st</sup> 1677 (120)  
 by on woolf To Samuel Harman 00 10 00  
 To John ~~Sam~~ Dorchester for carrying 00 02 00  
 down the meeting house bol  
 by the town of Dorchester in January the 21<sup>st</sup> 1678 06 19 00  
 8 more for one woolf & more for one woolf  
 Major, black mather (add) 00 10 00  
 by the town of Dorchester in February the 16<sup>th</sup> 1678 10 00  
 by ringing the bol and freymint 02 10 00  
 the meeting house January the 6<sup>th</sup> 1677  
 To quartermaster Coulton for being debt 04 00 00  
 to Mr Glouster's rate 80 00 00  
 to Thomas Day for carrying of clay 01 02 00  
 To ~~John~~ <sup>John</sup> and day raising at the town house 00 02 00  
 to John Dorchester to too days raising 00 04 00  
 to naysell by quartermaster Coulton  
 and naysell cooly 5<sup>th</sup> thousand of 5<sup>th</sup> 02 10 00  
 more to 5<sup>th</sup> thousand and ~~an hundred~~  
 of 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> hundred 02 02 03  
 more to 8<sup>th</sup> thousand of 4 01 16 06  
 To George Coulton and Ben Cooly for bring  
 ing up the naysell 00 08 00  
 To one bush of Indian Corn to George Coulton 00 02 06  
 To nicksen Hicks for building the town  
 house 70 00 00  
 for building the chimney 10 00 00  
 by glass to the town house 06 00 00  
 202 117 10

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 to m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly for 2 bush of wheat meal : 00 : 02 : 00  
 to 3 days work to m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly about } 00 : 06 : 00  
 the farm house  
 to Joseph Crook for mending the pound 00 : 01 : 03  
 to <sup>Sam<sup>l</sup> Day</sup> for m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly for mending the pound } 00 : 10 : 00  
 m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly  
 m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly to m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly in 76 00 : 04 : 00  
 m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly to the charge of taking down } 00 : 02 : 06  
 the bol  
 by charge about ne young l<sup>ts</sup> 00 : 04 : 00  
 by entertainment of m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly } 00 : 04 : 06  
 to m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly the 24  
 to making a drum cord and mending the } 00 : 02 : 06  
 drum  
 to m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly to m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly of m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly } 00 : 04 : 00  
 to m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly the 7 : 77  
 to making the ratel 01 : 00 : 00  
 to the m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly for m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly and all the thing } 01 : 01 : 02  
 for and about m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly house  
 for the select m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly and m<sup>rs</sup> Cooly } 00 : 03 : 4  
 in august 27 : 77  
 4 - 5 - 3  
 115 2 3  
 119 7 3

Febr<sup>y</sup>. 5<sup>th</sup>. 1677.

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The Town is Creditor by a rate of 122. 10.  
as also something for ye rent of ye  
Towns land at Chickuppi:

The Account of y<sup>e</sup> Towns Debts: 119. 7. 3.  
y<sup>e</sup> acc<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Towns Credits: 122. 10. 0.  
Examined by S<sup>r</sup> Samuel Marshfield

& J<sup>o</sup> Holyoke & w<sup>o</sup> f<sup>r</sup>ing  
Town Credits by 3. 2. 9

Febr<sup>y</sup>. 11<sup>th</sup>. 1677.

At a meeting of the select men viz  
Samuel Marshfield Japhet Chapin.  
John Hitchcock, Nathaniel Burr, J<sup>o</sup> Holyoke.

At this meeting of ye select men Viewers of tenures  
ye fields were chosen.

Charles Farny.  
for y<sup>e</sup> long meadow { Charles Farny  
Nath<sup>l</sup> Blis  
for Chickuppi field Jos. Bodurtha  
Jonath<sup>l</sup> Ashley  
For y<sup>e</sup> fields { Sam<sup>l</sup> Taylor  
on west side of { Abel Conant  
River.  
For y<sup>e</sup> fields { Sam<sup>l</sup> Ely.  
Cots. { Jam<sup>s</sup> Dorchester

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Whereas notwithstanding al laws or orders to p<sup>r</sup>vent Damage  
by Swine, much Damage & trouble is done, It is now ordered

that all swine above 3 months old shalbe both ringed & yoked  
from ye 20<sup>th</sup> of march: & so continued to ye 20<sup>th</sup> of october,  
And in case that any mans swine from ye 1<sup>st</sup> of April shalbe  
found in y<sup>e</sup> streets or common in or about the Towne vnringed  
or vnyoked, for al such offences y<sup>e</sup> owners of such swine shal pay 6<sup>d</sup>  
p<sup>r</sup> swine, & in case that such swine shalbe found in y<sup>e</sup> howets me-  
dowes orchards gardens common fields vnringed or vnyoked, y<sup>e</sup> owners  
shal pay 3<sup>d</sup> p<sup>r</sup> swine. whereof halfe shal go to y<sup>e</sup> Informer, & the  
other halfe to y<sup>e</sup> Towne shal be added by y<sup>e</sup> select men to such  
persons next rate: — And Luke Hitchcocke & Henry Gilbert  
are appointed to se to y<sup>e</sup> performance of this order.

And it is further ordaind that thys<sup>e</sup> persons so appointed shal have  
power both to yoke & ring such swine, & for y<sup>e</sup> encouragement  
they shal have <sup>pay</sup> 10<sup>d</sup> p<sup>r</sup> swine by y<sup>e</sup> owners of the swine.

And for the west side of y<sup>e</sup> River Josiah Taylor Jun<sup>r</sup> & Ebenezer  
Jones are appointed for to se to y<sup>e</sup> performance of this order.

And beinge beinge this order reaches not for swine under 3 mo-  
neths, It is now ordaind <sup>for</sup> that swine above one month & under three  
monthes age that shal be found trespassing as aforementioned  
y<sup>e</sup> owners of those swine shal be lyable to y<sup>e</sup> same <sup>as before mentioned</sup> penalty.

It is also further ordaind that y<sup>e</sup> fences of common fields be  
set up by ye 10<sup>th</sup> of March ensuing, & that every person fit  
up a stake w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> first letters of his Name thereon, at one end of  
his portion of fence, those letters facing to y<sup>e</sup> other end of his  
proportion — of fence.

The names of such persons as were absent at y<sup>e</sup> general town meeting  
febr. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1677, & sent no reason for y<sup>e</sup> absence viz: Robert Ashloy  
& Jonathan Ashloy: whose penalty is two shillings apiece — accord-  
ing to town order.

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The names of such persons as <sup>afterwards</sup> did absent <sup>themselves</sup> in y<sup>e</sup> time of y<sup>e</sup> town meeting  
without leave from y<sup>e</sup> moderator or y<sup>e</sup> major part of y<sup>e</sup> inhabitants, &  
present no reason for y<sup>e</sup> absenting themselves. vizt:

Henry Chapin, John Riley, Obadiah Miller, Edward Foster  
Joseph Leonard, ~~Thomas Day~~, J<sup>n</sup> Clarke, J<sup>n</sup> Bliss, J<sup>n</sup> Matthews,  
Quartem Colton, Ephraim Colton, Sam<sup>l</sup> Bliss Jun<sup>r</sup>. Sam<sup>l</sup>  
Stebbin, whose penalty is two shillings according to Town  
order. The Town abated y<sup>e</sup> fine of these fines: the next general meeting  
1668. 9. 10. 7.

April: 26. 1670.

At a meeting of y<sup>e</sup> proprietors of y<sup>e</sup> Great field on y<sup>e</sup>  
west side of y<sup>e</sup> River, at y<sup>e</sup> meeting, for the doing of the water  
fence at widows millers, Jonathan Bull engaging to make & main-  
tain the same a sufficient fence. It was voted & concluded by y<sup>e</sup>  
proprietors to whom that reason fence belongs to give y<sup>e</sup> same  
Jonathan: weekly five shillings, <sup>for his work</sup> wh<sup>ch</sup> y<sup>e</sup> worshipful Major Syn-  
on promises to be him paid; The select men taking care that a Rate be  
made & for the collecting of the said sum: y<sup>e</sup> proprietors of y<sup>e</sup> said field to pay this  
Rate: those on y<sup>e</sup> east side of the River, the proprietors of y<sup>e</sup> west side being to make & main-  
tain y<sup>e</sup> fence: It was further voted & concluded that y<sup>e</sup> said fence of y<sup>e</sup> said field  
shall be kept up in sufficient repair throughout the year, as also that  
all cattle that shall come in the said field from the beginning of liberty  
(next ensuing) shall be accounted as trespassing & be impounded.

At the same time, it was by the select men agreed that Goodman  
Dimablon's yard be accounted & made up of as a pound for the west  
side of the Great River till such time as a new pound be made.  
May: 3. 78.

It is agreed that Sam<sup>l</sup> Ely's yard shall be esteemed  
& made use of as a pound until such as y<sup>e</sup> Town pound be  
repaired.

131) May: 8: 78.

At a meeting of y<sup>e</sup> proprietors off y<sup>e</sup> gr<sup>te</sup> field on y<sup>e</sup> west side  
off y<sup>e</sup> great River, the proprietors being warned to appear by  
the viewrs off y<sup>e</sup> same field to answer their complaints w<sup>ch</sup> in former  
y<sup>e</sup> disputes in y<sup>e</sup> fences, & of stakes: y<sup>e</sup> underwritten proprietors  
did meet according to warning a<sup>ft</sup>r Octur: viz. Sam<sup>l</sup> Marsh-  
field: Tho: Minick Jr. Bar<sup>r</sup>. Sen<sup>r</sup>. John Holyoke James Sikes  
Jonathan Burk; widow Blise.

June: 3: 1678.

At a meeting of the select men. at w<sup>ch</sup> meeting Sam<sup>l</sup>  
marshfield Japhet Chapin J<sup>n</sup> Hicheocke J<sup>n</sup> Holyoke were present  
upon the desire off y<sup>e</sup> worshipful Mayo<sup>r</sup> Pyrkon to have the  
Liberty to set up a flauker <sup>into the street</sup> at the east end of his New house, y<sup>e</sup>  
is now building ~~where he had~~ on the North side of his own homble  
where the flauker he desires may be so he may have liberty to  
set into y<sup>e</sup> street five foot broad & ten foot in length. the w<sup>ch</sup>  
his duty they do hereby grant. unto him for long time as y<sup>e</sup>  
may be need of a flauker: in also they do admit his building there  
to the priviledges of the commonage of this Town.

Sept: 20: 1678. At a meeting of the select men being present:  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Marshfield Japhet Chapin J<sup>n</sup> Hicheocke J<sup>n</sup> Holyoke.

The fence viewrs complaining ag<sup>st</sup> several persons for y<sup>e</sup> breachings  
their fences belonging to y<sup>e</sup> gr<sup>te</sup> field on y<sup>e</sup> east side off y<sup>e</sup> gr<sup>te</sup> River viz:  
J<sup>n</sup> Scott: ~~Samuel~~ Ebenezer Jones, J<sup>n</sup> Stubbins Edward Stubbins; & also  
Ebenezer Stubbins. The case being read Joseph  
Stubbins alledg<sup>d</sup> he had not particular notice & was accepted promising  
forthwith to make his fence good: Edward Stubbins was found Culpable.  
& having agreed w<sup>th</sup> the fence viewrs for y<sup>e</sup> parts, was fined 5<sup>s</sup> to y<sup>e</sup> Town  
soe was Ebenezer Jones, who agreed w<sup>th</sup> fence viewrs for y<sup>e</sup> parts & was fin<sup>d</sup>.

25<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> to y<sup>e</sup> Towne: & y<sup>e</sup> fact for Defaults was fined 10<sup>th</sup> to y<sup>e</sup> same view & 5<sup>th</sup> to y<sup>e</sup> Towne: /

Dec: 26<sup>th</sup> 78. At a meeting of the select men, & were a p<sup>re</sup>s<sup>ent</sup> / at the meeting Samuel & Samuel Terry, Luke Hitchcock were chosen appraisers of Town stock.

Luke Hitchcock desiring liberty to entertaine Thomas Brisinton until the next may, is accepted therein:

Roland Thomas Japhet Chapin Abel Wright Charles Ferry & Tho: Cooper Jonathan Bush, have y<sup>e</sup> buildings allowed off, as also at those prisons who have builded up y<sup>e</sup> ruins, have y<sup>e</sup> buildings allowed off

Jan<sup>y</sup> 1678.

The Towne is debter

|                                                                                                  |            |           |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| To the ministry or minister                                                                      | 80         | 00        | 00        |
| To the Committee for y <sup>e</sup> new meeting house                                            | 50         | 00        | 00        |
| To the Committee for m <sup>d</sup> gloves house                                                 | 06         | 00        | 00        |
| To the schoolm <sup>d</sup> & y <sup>e</sup> Towne: & 6 <sup>th</sup> 10 <sup>th</sup> Chickupps | 12         | 40        | 00        |
| To y <sup>e</sup> sweep <sup>st</sup> the meeting                                                | 02         | 10        | 00        |
| To Sam: Ely for expen <sup>ce</sup> at his house & 1 <sup>st</sup> qu: Rion. 1.                  | 13         | 06        |           |
| To G. Parsons for his team 1 day for y <sup>e</sup> flunker                                      | 0          | 05        | 00        |
| To make a pound: & y <sup>e</sup> for <sup>there</sup> must be money                             | 2          | 00        | 00        |
| To making y <sup>e</sup> sales. 20 <sup>th</sup> to Jace: 10 <sup>th</sup> for a plank           | 1          | 01        | 00        |
| To Sam: mayfield for making y <sup>e</sup> stocks. 4 <sup>th</sup> 5                             | 0          | 09        | 00        |
|                                                                                                  | <b>196</b> | <b>04</b> | <b>00</b> |

|                                                                 |            |           |           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| The Towne is creditor by a rate made for m <sup>d</sup> gloves  | 80         | 00        | 00        |
| By a rate made for y <sup>e</sup> new meeting house             | 50         | 00        | 00        |
| To a Towne rate                                                 | 20         | 00        | 00        |
| It by y <sup>e</sup> rate of m <sup>d</sup> gloves              | 05         | 00        | 00        |
| It by y <sup>e</sup> Board: of y <sup>e</sup> same house        | 01         | 00        | 00        |
| It by y <sup>e</sup> Towne can <sup>d</sup> at Chickupps: 6. 10 | <b>006</b> | <b>10</b> | <b>00</b> |
|                                                                 | <b>162</b> | <b>10</b> | <b>00</b> |

(33) The Accounts of the Townes Credits on other page: 162 10. 0  
& the accounts of the Townes debts in ye same page 156 09. 0  
being examined by us Quarters Colston 006 09. 0  
& Henry Chapin

wee that there remaines due to y<sup>e</sup> Town: 06. 09. 0.  
giving yet liberty to such persons as have ought  
due to y<sup>e</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Town, to bring in an account of  
what is yet remaining due to y<sup>e</sup>

fix paid above mentioned was sett affe with sufficient  
findings for keeping the meeting house the year 79 and 80

Febr: 19. 1678

At a meeting of select men when  
were present

J<sup>n</sup> Bumbleton Benj. Parsons: Henry Chapin J<sup>n</sup> Halyoke.

At this meeting vintners of Frances to y<sup>e</sup> get filds  
were chosen

For the Home lots (J<sup>n</sup>o. Mitrick: J<sup>n</sup>o. West Jam: Wanner  
(Increase Sikes.) Side ye - J<sup>n</sup>o. Bonchester.  
River.  
For Chickuppi. J<sup>n</sup>o. Bag Joseph Ashley For Longmed. J<sup>n</sup>o. Cooley.  
J<sup>n</sup>o. Bliss J<sup>n</sup>o.

Then inhabitants are desired to take notice that the former  
order for making or repaying of al the fences to al the general  
filds remaine still valid; viz al be substantially done by ye 10<sup>th</sup> of  
march next & that each person sit up a stake to the first letters of  
their names to their portion of fence

For the prevention of Damages & troubles to & between neighbors  
that is wont to be by reason of swine, It is ordered that al swine  
above 3. y<sup>e</sup> months old be ringed by the first week in march & so  
to continue till the latter end of october. & In case that any  
such swine shall be found by the first week in march in the streets



be brought to y<sup>e</sup> fencing of this high way, or that we do not bindly  
engage to maintain the fence or any pt of it always in hint to come but  
desire & sh<sup>d</sup> be to y<sup>e</sup> judgment of y<sup>e</sup> County Court next at Springfield or  
of indifferent men.

It was further voted that Sam<sup>l</sup> Marshall & J<sup>no</sup> Barber Sen: &  
Edward Foster sh<sup>d</sup> attend to they laying out or measuring of this  
new high way.

may: 28: 1679: Att a meeting of the Proprietors  
of the Long meadow, together w<sup>th</sup>  
the select men, p<sup>se</sup>nt: Benja: Parsons  
J<sup>no</sup> Humbleton: Henry Chapin & J<sup>no</sup>  
Holyoke.

1. At this meeting it was voted & concluded, that each particu-  
lars fence, or portio<sup>n</sup> of fence on the brooke below the  
meadow sh<sup>d</sup> be by at at one place.

2: That if so be in this ordering of the brooke fence,  
any of the p<sup>se</sup>ntes portions of brooke fence there,  
which formerly was in two places, being now laid together,  
sh<sup>d</sup> happen to be where there is no fence, y<sup>t</sup> then such  
persons as happen to have such fence on the brooke, &  
that make an equal proportio<sup>n</sup> of new fence for them.

3. It was voted & agreed, that Ensigne Cooley, J<sup>no</sup> Dillse  
& Ephraim Colton be the persons to lay out this fence  
on the brooke.

4. It was voted & agreed that in this new model of fence y<sup>t</sup>  
that they sh<sup>d</sup> lay out or begin to lay out mens particular  
portion at & fro the lower end of the brooke.  
only w<sup>th</sup> respect to Ephraim Colton & Sam<sup>l</sup> Cooley, because  
they have engaged to<sup>do</sup> the water fence at the lower end  
the meadow, fro the top of the bank into the River, for

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the security of the feild for ever, the proprietors did reengage to them that this fence this water fence should be accounted to <sup>as</sup> thirty rod of fence on the brooke, & if fifteen rod a peice, As also that if they prove to have any more portion of fences on the brooke, the proprietors promise that it shal be next to their water-fence there —

5. It was further agreed to lay out or order each particular mans portion of fence up to this brooke, by the way of casting of lots: — The lot being cast the disposition thereof, fel 1. To J<sup>n</sup> Clarke 2. To Sam<sup>l</sup> Blisse Jun<sup>r</sup>. 3. To Ensigne Cooley. 4. To Sam<sup>l</sup> Blisse Sen<sup>r</sup>. 5. To Sam<sup>l</sup> Stebbins. 6. To Quarrt<sup>r</sup> Colton. 7. To Benja: Parsons. 8. To Jonathan Burt Sen<sup>r</sup> & widow Burt. 9. To Thomas Mittrick. 10. To Harman 11. To Obadiah Cooley. 12. To J<sup>n</sup> Blisse. 13. To Nathan Burt. 14. To Nathan Pritchard. 15. To J<sup>n</sup> Keeps Land. 16. To James Colton. 17. To James Osbotne. 18. To Charles Fetterey.

6. It was also voted & agreed & consented to on both party that Ensigne Cooley would & should doe, make, & maintain the gate & the water fence at the upper end of the Long meadow for ever, & that this work should be accounted to him as the doing of twenty rod of the upland fence belonging to the Long meadow feild, As also that he shal have liberty, if he sees meet to translate that gate & water fence & whole cross fence to the lower side of his son Chakins Cooley's lot there, <sup>207</sup> provided it be no prejudice to the feild.

17. It was further voted & concluded that ye upland fences be-  
longing to the 1<sup>st</sup> long meadow should be anno measured & laid  
out to each proprietors, as near as may be, in the particular  
places, where they have al along made & maintained y<sup>e</sup>  
portions of fence there. And that Isaac Cotton Sam<sup>l</sup>  
Oliver Jun<sup>r</sup> & Sam<sup>l</sup> Stebbins shal be to measure th<sup>e</sup> up-  
land fence: /

Aug: 4<sup>th</sup> 79. At a meeting of the proprietors of ye feild on  
the west side the River,

It was voted & agreed ~~that~~ ye proprietors of that feild  
w<sup>l</sup> sit down on the east of the River to allow fifteen shil-  
lings for satisfact<sup>n</sup> for the daming the feilds portion of y<sup>e</sup>  
water fence below Thomas millers pasture -

It was further voted & agreed that Sam<sup>l</sup> March feild, miles  
Morgan, & James Saylor, should do their proportion of  
theire fence that they used to doe above Peter Swinckes at  
the feilds portion of fence between the feilds & the millers  
pasture:

November: 3<sup>rd</sup> 1679

At a meeting of the select men

This 3<sup>rd</sup> of Novemb<sup>r</sup> Rolland Thomas his bul was hired <sup>which</sup>  
for the use of the upper end or part of the Town, for they  
engage that it the 1<sup>st</sup> Thomas shal have 20<sup>sh</sup> shillings  
paid him by the inhabitants of the 1<sup>st</sup> upper part of the Towne  
& that they w<sup>l</sup> see him paid. his Cowes being exempted fro the rate  
that shal be made to levy this 20<sup>sh</sup> - here

Dec: 18<sup>th</sup> 79. At a meeting of the select men

Thomas Stebbins Jun<sup>r</sup>: Charles Perry J<sup>r</sup> Harman  
were chosen for to be the apprizers of the  
Towns stocke: /

~~Dec: 15. 79~~ ~~The Towne & Sch.~~

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~~To John M... for killing 1. wolfe.~~ ~~7. 10. 00~~

Dec: 29. 1579: The Towne & Sch.

To Goodman: mirricle for his house for schooling: . 00. 10. 00.  
To Goodman: Parson for better maile, for y<sup>e</sup> schoole house }  
29<sup>th</sup> 6. 8. & 1. 8. for ferrage of his horse, & his own him & b<sup>e</sup> } 1. 15. 02:  
4<sup>th</sup> B.P. & horse: 2. dayes 20<sup>th</sup> p<sup>r</sup> day: 4. 0. . . . .  
He to Goodman: Parson for worke about the pound: 5. 6. & for }  
worke about the school house, viz casting stone. 7. 10. . . . } 0. 16. 6.  
He to Benja. Knowlton for helping about the pound & gate: . 0. 06. 0.  
To J<sup>n</sup> Steward for making an eye for the gate: . . . . 0. 01. 0.  
To David Lumbard for killing 1. wolfe. . . . . 0. 10. 0.  
To Sam: Ely for select men. Febr. 78. Aug: 79. Dec: 79 & }  
for entertaining the Schoole House vassers. } 1. 5. 0.  
To m<sup>r</sup> Denton for his labor in Schoole worke: . . . . 10. 0. 0.  
To Tho: Stebbins Junr: for his worke about y<sup>e</sup> school house: 10. 0. 0.  
To m<sup>r</sup> Glovers stipend . . . . . 100.  
To Sam<sup>l</sup> Ely paying to m<sup>r</sup> messenger 1. 8. & entertaining Qu<sup>a</sup> }  
Colton 1. night: 14<sup>th</sup> 6. & by eig<sup>th</sup> receiptione forgot: Anno 1678 } 0. 3. 8.  
To Goodman: Marshfeild by mending the stockes & staple. . 0. 1. 0.  
To m<sup>r</sup> Pynckon for flint. . 10. 8. . . . . 10. 0.  
To m<sup>r</sup> Pynckon for flint. . 10. 8. . . . . 1. 00. 0.  
To m<sup>r</sup> Pynckon for flint. . 10. 8. . . . . 0. 10. 0.  
To Recorder for recording 4 Deeds for the Indians. . . 0. 10. 0.  
To the worshipful m<sup>r</sup> Pynckon for 4. of powder }  
for the use of the Guard } 0. 14. 0.  
By 20<sup>th</sup> 6. allowed to J<sup>n</sup> Pynckon for his making of furell }  
rates Anno 1678: w<sup>ch</sup> should have been made divvys y<sup>e</sup>re before: } 0. 12. 6.  
Declarat<sup>n</sup> of m<sup>r</sup> Pynckon of m<sup>r</sup> Pynckon of m<sup>r</sup> Pynckon }  
To Goodman: Casting. 1. day & pay for y<sup>e</sup> school house. . 0. 05. 0.

139) Jan: 14<sup>th</sup> 79. Town C<sup>l</sup>.

by 2 ministers take . . . . . 100. 00. 00  
by the Town Rate. . . . . 029. 02. 00:

Feb: 3. 1679. We whose names are under-  
written being appointed to examine ye  
last select mens accounts of the Townes debts  
& credits & we find ye Townes Credit is.

01. 04. 2

Samuel Marshall

Sam<sup>l</sup> & L<sup>y</sup>

Febr: 7. 1679.

The Towne is debter to Major Pyncheon  
for the freight of 3 barrells of powder fr<sup>m</sup>  
Boston to Hartford the last sum<sup>2</sup> w<sup>h</sup> was not  
brought to account 6<sup>0</sup> 8. & by paym<sup>t</sup> to  
Tho: Miller 3<sup>0</sup> 9 & for bringning those 3  
barrells of powder fr<sup>m</sup> Hartford. . . . .

00. 9. 9

The 00-9-9 above specified was payd out of  
ye 1-04-2 above mentioned.

February 12 1679  
at a meeting of the select men where were  
present Benjamin Dooly James Mearns  
John Hitchcock Jonathan Hunt Gaphet Chapman  
at this meeting newes of fencers were chosen  
for the generall fencibles

for the town lots (Samuel Lumbord) (West) (for the fencer) (James Mearns)  
(John Norton) (the younger) (James Mearns)  
for the fencibles (Jonathan Morgan) (Long) (Thomas Mearns)  
(Samuel Botham) (Meadow) (Dooly)

The select men doe order that at generall fencibles  
be made and fencibles be the 15 of march next  
unless the fencibles be such that the fencibles neede  
shall give notice for sooner doing of the same fencibles  
it is also ordered that all swine ringed and marked  
that are about 3 months old from the 15 of  
march to the 15 of october next and in case  
any swine shall be found in the streets common  
or borne land in or about the town unringed  
and unmarked the shall pay for pence per head  
or swine and in case such swine be found in the  
home lots meadows or thar's garden's owners  
unringed and unmarked the owners shall pay  
pence for each such swine where of half shall  
goe to the informer and half to the town  
Benjamin Knowlton and Richard Wright to  
be the reformers of this order and the person  
have power to make any thing and for  
incorment the shall have pence and for  
ten pence per swine paid them by the owners

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at a meeting of the select men February the 4<sup>th</sup>  
it is ordered that all male persons that are above  
fourteen years of age and under twenty years  
of age shall and are required to attend the  
work of the clearing the highway or what may  
uncover the highway and commons about this town  
and to accommodate the burning of sheep as the  
country laws requires all such persons are in-  
vited to attend this work either personally or  
by a sufficient hand in their rooms on day in June  
and another in August next when they shall be  
called by the select men and he that shall  
not attend when he is warned shall pay as  
followeth from 6 years of age to 16 years  
shall pay 30 a day and from under 16 and  
above 16 shall pay 20 a day and this to  
be imposed to clear the commons: and  
hears are only spent the worshipful major  
petition and our reverent Councillor Mr  
Polatiah Glover

it is also ordered by the select men that all  
youths or boys under the age of twelve years of  
age sit on that seat to under the Dorens seat  
and also on that seat against it and on the  
stage only they must not look up the stairs  
when Mr Glover comes and seats that about  
and all parents doe order their boys and  
children to sit there unless such as sit with  
their parents (under this age a bond man)  
Asper magister Henry but Samuel Parsons  
Samuel Chapman is ordered at the end of  
the Dorens seat against the stage to sit  
the select men doe request our friends Thomas  
Good and Dorens Parsons to lend an eye to their boys

what as there have ben for a longe tyme  
groat disorders in our assembly, by many young  
persons flocking out of the morning house before  
the closing to provoke many of them to thought  
to have any necessity so to doo and there  
being a winter law that doth extend it to the  
select mens rate and it being the persons mind  
we doe declare and order that no person so doe  
except he shall be a necessary reason:  
and we doe request and order every just  
to keep the East door and shuttles close  
and Benjamin Thomas to look to the South  
door  
and we doe request Lieutenant Adam to a person  
of the guard to see to the youth that a  
bout that there be no disorderly practice by the  
youth and doe appoint Samuel Bliss one of  
to look to the youth about the East door  
which men are young to tomorrow and dis  
orderly persons and if they will not be reformed  
then to make returns of the persons to the  
select men

we find that The Towne debts being paid the year 79  
by a rate and other ways as may appear by the following  
account and by the Community appointed to examine the same  
account the Towne was Credit one pound four shilling 2 pence  
which is in the hands of Samuel Fox Constable that  
year and received the Towne rate  
but the Towne being indebted to maffax pyrchau 9 and 9  
for freight of 3 barrels of powder from Boston to Hartford  
and from Hartford to Springfield the Towne due where  
this is paid the maffax will be 14 shilling and 5 pence

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Aug: 20. 1680.

At a meeting of the select men:

The select men have let out the Townes meadow in the boggy meadow on the East side of the high way to the round Hill, ~~which~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~piece of meadow~~ <sup>by his</sup> ~~they let out~~ <sup>holdes</sup> ~~containing~~ <sup>for</sup> ~~five~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~to~~ <sup>full</sup> ~~to~~ <sup>term</sup> ~~to~~ <sup>of</sup> ~~twenty~~ <sup>years</sup> ~~years~~. The first Eleven yeeres the said m<sup>r</sup> Denton is to have full power & liberty to occupy & improve the whole said meadow, provided he do bog & clear the said meadow & bring it to be mowable meadow, & fence it w<sup>th</sup> good sufficient fence front & rear & <sup>so leave it</sup> flanks: & the After ten yeeres the said m<sup>r</sup> Denton is to occupy & improve the said meadow conditioned he pay to the Town forty shillings p annum & maintain the said fences & leave the same in good repair. yet giving leave to the said m<sup>r</sup> Denton that in case he judge this bargain of allowing forty shillings p annum & fencing the said meadow as abovesaid too hard for him that he shal have liberty to desert the foresaid bargain at any time between the beginning of y<sup>e</sup> Twelfth yeer & the end of the one & twentieth yeer of this Lease. In witness whereof the said m<sup>r</sup> Denton hath hereto set his name. this 20<sup>th</sup> of August. 1680.

Benjamin B Cooley: Jonathan

his marke.

Burt

Jouant Marshfield

John Hitchcock

Japhat Chayin

Dall<sup>d</sup> Denton

September 4<sup>th</sup> 1680

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The widows of soldiers making payments  
to the select men of several soldiers of soldiers  
in the field on the west side of the great  
range and the select men have heard the  
the worshipful major pincen

|                             |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| John Tomblon                | 0-2-0 |
| Widow Miller                | 0-2-0 |
| Thomas Miller               | 0-1-0 |
| Thomas Miller               | 0-4-0 |
| Thomas Miller               | 0-2-0 |
| Thomas Miller               | 0-1-0 |
| Samuel Nathaniel Bliss      | 0-3-0 |
| John Warner Nathaniel Bliss | 0-3-0 |
| Widow Bliss                 | 0-2-0 |

Samuel Graves of Hatfield propounding to  
the select men that he might be admitted an  
inhabitant the select men do grant him  
his desire and Quaker Master Cotton Cole  
in gage in the sum of twenty pounds to  
secure the town from any charge spring  
the 30<sup>th</sup> January 80  
Liftenant Stibbings paid the year 80  
3 p and for the meeting house which was set off  
in what should have been paid him for his  
keeping the same house

Below bury bull is hired by the select men  
for the use of the town end of the town  
for the year 80 & he is hired till Michaelmas next  
and he is to have 1 p and 10 p and 10 p by the  
way of the town end

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|                                                      |              |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| To repairing the Long medo bridge                    | — 03 — 5 — 6 |
| To the Deputy                                        | — 04 — 0 — 0 |
| To Mr Denton                                         | — 10 — 0 — 0 |
| To money to pay the remainder of the                 | 8 — 0 — 0    |
| Scott house                                          | — 10 — 0 — 0 |
| To Samuel Marshall for Killingworth                  | 0 — 10 — 0   |
| repairing the Drum for the sabottys use              | 0 — 05 — 0   |
| To Jonathan Taylor for Killingworth                  | 0 — 10 — 0   |
| To Abiah Miller for Killingworth                     | 01 — 00 — 0  |
| the year beginning the 1 <sup>st</sup> of January 80 |              |
| To Lieutenant Hibings for sweeping                   | } 1 — 10 — 0 |
| the meeting house and beating the                    |              |
| Drum he desiring part of his pay                     |              |
| we concluded to raise only                           |              |
| To Samuel Chappell for the Constable                 | 0 — 1 — 6    |
| his at times when he repaired the rates              | 00 — 16 — 0  |
| To select mens expense                               |              |
| To housing and firewood to entertain the             | 00 — 4 — 0   |
| Towne at the Generall meeting February               | 01 — 0 — 0   |
| To making the rates                                  |              |
| To Luk Hitchcock for fittling me                     | 0 — 05 — 0   |
| youngtown in 76                                      |              |
| To Jonathan Taylor for Killing                       | 0 — 10 — 0   |
| worth                                                |              |
| To Mr halpox for weighting                           | 0 — 04 — 0   |
| To Mr pincheon of Harbait for the                    | 0 — 11 — 6   |
| stock house                                          |              |
| also having not wheat to pay the Deputy              | 00 — 00 — 0  |
| but taking in Indian Corn at 2 pax bushell           | 0 — 15 — 0   |
| it addeth 15 shillings to the Towne det              | 00 — 00 — 0  |
| also by James Knollen for house come to Joseph       | 33 — 18 — 6  |
| To Samuel Bliss Junr for Killingworth                | 0 — 10 — 0   |
|                                                      | 34 — 3 — 6   |

The Towne Clerk January the 20: 1680

by vote of ————— 35 — 0 — 0

by fines for default of some  
men that were presented by } 0 — 12 — 6

The verways — received of ye select men in ye year

Feb: ye 1<sup>st</sup> 1680

1680 for pounds for schooling  
Dant Denton

Wee whose names are underwritten being  
appointed to examine ye last select mens  
accounts off ye townes debts & Credit

Wee find ye townes Credit to bee —

to sh. sh.

more not allowed by ye } 1 — 9 — 0  
towne to God: fees } — 0 — 2 — 6

Dant Denton

Sam<sup>l</sup> Ely

men not answering to their  
names at ye town Meeting

Feb: ye 1<sup>st</sup> 1680

Henry Chapin

John Bag

Grace Bodortha

Obadiah Miller

Edw: Foster

Sam<sup>l</sup> Ferry

Ensign Cooley

Quart Caulten

Eph<sup>l</sup> Caulten

Wack Caulten

Memoranda

Due to ye town in

Godin Ferrys hand

Upon County Gate

in David Meargans hand

in Sam<sup>l</sup> Elys hand — 8 — 14 — 0

of ye town Gate

Feb: y<sup>e</sup> 7 1680 At A meeting of y<sup>e</sup> select Men  
present Quartermaster Coulton Mr Holyoke Deacon  
parsons John Sumblton Dea<sup>t</sup> Denton  
Hence viewers Made Choice of:

For y<sup>e</sup> Home lots Charles Herry  
Thomas Merick

For y<sup>e</sup> Field over y<sup>e</sup> River ~~James~~ Nathaniel  
Thomas Miller Sykes

For skidmaw Jeremiah Horton  
Joseph Thomas

For y<sup>e</sup> Long Meadow Eliakim Goly  
Nathaniel Bliss

For Chickapee Elice Bodorthe  
John Bag

The first day of Feb<sup>r</sup> I wold Tid by Isaac Coulton y<sup>e</sup> head  
brought in according to law

The select men doe Ratifie the order made by the town  
men in y<sup>e</sup> year: 79: about y<sup>e</sup> yeaping & Ringing off swine &  
doe appoint John Clark Sen<sup>r</sup>: & Benjamin Knouten to see  
after y<sup>e</sup> performance off y<sup>e</sup> order

It is ordered by y<sup>e</sup> select men that all fences about y<sup>e</sup>  
corn fields shall bee set up & repayed by y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> of march  
next & y<sup>e</sup> the fence viewers shall have lib<sup>ty</sup> & aye impow  
ered to view y<sup>e</sup> fences & to proceed against all defective fences  
according to Law & y<sup>e</sup> orders off off y<sup>e</sup> town

1748  
It is further ordered by y<sup>e</sup> town Men that the prop-  
rietarys off y<sup>e</sup> field on y<sup>e</sup> other side y<sup>e</sup> River shall  
provide either a pound or a strong substantiall yard  
for y<sup>e</sup> securing off such Cattle or Swine as shall  
be found in y<sup>e</sup> field contrary to order.

Likewise y<sup>e</sup> proprietors in y<sup>e</sup> field at long Medow  
shall doe ye like.

And it is further ordered y<sup>e</sup> John Hamilton shall  
take care y<sup>e</sup> y<sup>e</sup> above sayd be performd on y<sup>e</sup> other  
side y<sup>e</sup> River: & Quartermaster Coulter at y<sup>e</sup>  
long Medow

At A meeting of y<sup>e</sup> select men March  
ye 2<sup>d</sup> 1680 present M<sup>r</sup> Holyoke  
Deacon Sparfong John Durillo Sam<sup>l</sup> Denton  
Agreed upon y<sup>e</sup> James Brown shall have notice  
given him y<sup>e</sup> hee is not admitted as an in-  
-bitant in y<sup>e</sup> town And that hee is to  
leave y<sup>e</sup> town vnless hee produce some  
approved person that will enter into a bond  
off twenty pounds to free y<sup>e</sup> town  
from any charge y<sup>e</sup> shall by him or his  
happen to y<sup>e</sup> town John Hamilton is desired  
to give James Brown notice off  
y<sup>e</sup> order

This writing Witness and agreement betwene the  
select men of Springfield for the year 1673 being  
Lieutenant Caspar quartermaster Cotton John Dime  
but one Henry Chapin Samuel Marshfield: and Joseph  
Crofoot the said Crofoot doth Covenant and promise  
to and with the said select men to get stuff  
of good substantiall whit oke post and good nailles  
and the pound is to be of the same bignes as the  
former and to be of six nailles in height the  
said Crofoot is to get the stuff draw it in place  
frame it and set it up every way well finished  
by the 25 of March next insuling and so to take  
of the holl Care and Charge of the said work  
and what ever Damage may arise to the said  
select men for the not doing of it: and the  
select men doth promise to se the said  
Crofoot payd 3 pound for the said work  
so finished this pound is to be set up by the  
meeting house where the old pound standeth  
and to the transporance the said Crofoot  
shall set to his hand this 3 of february 1673  
Witnessance

Benjamin

Sponson

The mark  
of Joseph Crofoot

John Dime

March 16. 1682 the s<sup>ent</sup> select men have agreed w<sup>th</sup> J<sup>n</sup>. Miller & the  
m<sup>r</sup>. may tailor to make <sup>or set up</sup> a pound on the west of the line  
to do all that shal belong to the compleat finishing of it for the s<sup>ent</sup>  
works <sup>which</sup> pound is to be made of four lengths of rail  
on each side of the 4 sides 8/10 foot length between  
Sealckaway at p. at a meeting June 21. 1676

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March 4<sup>th</sup> 1680 James Brown making  
application to y<sup>e</sup> townsmen & desiring liberty  
to stay in y<sup>e</sup> town y<sup>e</sup> summer & the townsmen  
did give him leave to continue in y<sup>e</sup> town till  
michalmas next ensuing.

At a meeting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen Feb: 7<sup>th</sup> 1680  
fishing Men made choice of (viz) =  
Serjeant Morgan & Thomas Day  
& John Warner for this side &  
Jonathan Ball for y<sup>e</sup> other side  
the River.

March 8<sup>th</sup> 1680: David Morgan  
& Sam<sup>l</sup> Lamb brought a wolfs head  
into y<sup>e</sup> Constable wh<sup>ch</sup> Constable attested  
under his hand.

Sam<sup>l</sup> Marshfield 2 wolves  
Anno 1680

At a town Meeting of y<sup>e</sup> select Men being <sup>(151)</sup>  
present Mr Holyoke Quarter Coulter Deacon  
parsons & Daniel Denton: July y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 1681  
Agreed vpon y<sup>t</sup> a stranger y<sup>t</sup> for some tyme  
hath had his Residence at y<sup>e</sup> widdow pettys  
& alsoe Mr Brice have both of them notice  
given them to depart y<sup>e</sup> town

July y<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1681 A meeting of y<sup>e</sup> selectmen  
present Mr Holyoke quartermaster  
Coulter Deacon parsons & Daniel Denton  
whereas y<sup>e</sup> townsmen at y<sup>e</sup> Hoarmer <sup>Arthur Dually</sup> Meeting was  
according to order ward out of y<sup>e</sup> town & now  
making his application to y<sup>e</sup> townsmen they  
give him a months liberty to answer his ingage-  
ment to y<sup>e</sup> widdow petty:  
Goodman Merick & Charles Frey fence viewers  
for y<sup>e</sup> home lots being in default as followeth  
James warreiner 2 defects for 3 dayes six shillings  
Goodm. Clerk 2 defects 6 shillings John Hitch-  
cock one defect 3 shillings Saml Bliss one 3<sup>sh</sup>  
Increase Sykes one 1<sup>sh</sup> which y<sup>e</sup> towns-  
men order to be payd according to law  
Saml Jones 12<sup>sh</sup> damage to John dochoe  
for his defective fence

August ye 29<sup>th</sup> 1681

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David Morgan appearing before y<sup>e</sup> select  
men & Committee appointed for calling for  
former Constables to an account for overplus  
mony did Compound & agree to pay to y<sup>e</sup>  
town forty shillings as overplus Mony  
in his Country Rates when hee was  
Constable <sup>was the y<sup>e</sup> due to Country Treasurer & for</sup>  
<sup>transporting Country Corn to Hartford to Boston &c</sup>  
<sup>the y<sup>e</sup> due to the Town give David Morgan to pay 3<sup>d</sup></sup>  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Ferry Sen: also appearing on y<sup>e</sup>  
same account did agree to pay six  
Bushells off indean Corn (being overplus  
mony in his Country Rates when hee  
was Constable) to y<sup>e</sup> town.

At a meeting of y<sup>e</sup> select men December  
ye 7<sup>th</sup> 81 present M<sup>r</sup> Holyoke & hear  
persons Sam<sup>l</sup> Denton  
prizes made Choyce off for this pre-  
sent year viz Sam<sup>l</sup> Ball Abadial  
Cooly & Nath: Bliss:

January: 1681: The Townes charges appearing to be  
215 32<sup>d</sup> or upward. It was made to the sum

373

Dec: 31: 1681.

The Towne of DL

|                                                                                                                                                                            |             |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| By 100 <sup>th</sup> for & Reverend Teachr.                                                                                                                                | 100. 00. 00 |
| By what is due to the worship <sup>th</sup> Maj <sup>r</sup> :                                                                                                             | 001. 05. 02 |
| By what is due to the schoolm <sup>n</sup> :                                                                                                                               | 10. 00. 00. |
| By what is due to Deacon Parsons.                                                                                                                                          | 01. 02. 03. |
| By J <sup>n</sup> Hoyle for making rates & for hooking & weighing of the 1. dayes worke of the town foot.                                                                  | 08. 06.     |
| By Tho: Bay for bolts.                                                                                                                                                     | 00. 01. 06. |
| By David Morgan his making a door for y <sup>e</sup> school.                                                                                                               | 00. 01. 06. |
| To G. Lamb 1. dayes worke for the same.                                                                                                                                    | 00. 01. 06. |
| To Holland Thomas for boards.                                                                                                                                              | 00. 01. 06. |
| To Sam <sup>l</sup> Ely for interviewing about making rates: & the committee when they called the Constables to the Examining Country Rates.                               | 04. 19. 09. |
| To J <sup>n</sup> Pape for what the committee in part promised him, & for what loss he sustained in making a pulpit in y <sup>e</sup> church p <sup>er</sup> Dracoms seat. | 1. 0. 0.    |
| To J <sup>n</sup> Peppin for 3 dayes worke for a: Newham 3 dayes worke.                                                                                                    | 00. 11. 0.  |
| To Ben Knowlth. 1. day. to David Foster for 1 day.                                                                                                                         | 00. 00. 0.  |
| To Tho: Miller: for George Minto Jose Leonard 2 dayes.                                                                                                                     | 00. 00. 0.  |
| To Increase for boards 14/5. To Harry Rogers 1. day. etc.                                                                                                                  | 00. 11. 0.  |
| To J <sup>n</sup> Dochester for 4 dayes & Lardb <sup>r</sup> 11/5.                                                                                                         | 00. 09. 0.  |
| To Henry Chapin for 4 dayes: 4/5 & J <sup>n</sup> Dochester                                                                                                                | 00. 09. 0.  |
| To Jose Leonard for a cellar window.                                                                                                                                       | 00. 00. 0.  |
| To Goodson Marshfield for killing 2. weevils.                                                                                                                              | 00. 00. 0.  |
| To Joseph Bodurtha for a journey for the same.                                                                                                                             | 00. 00. 0.  |
| To David Morgan Sam Lamb: for killing 1. wolfe. 10/5.                                                                                                                      | 00. 10. 0.  |
| To James Cotton for killing 2. wolfe: 10/5.                                                                                                                                | 00. 10. 0.  |
| To John McEbert for sweeping & mending house. &                                                                                                                            | 00. 00. 0.  |
| To the committee for mending house.                                                                                                                                        | 00. 00. 0.  |
| To the committee for mending house.                                                                                                                                        | 00. 00. 0.  |
| To the committee for mending house.                                                                                                                                        | 00. 16. 6.  |

Jan: 1681:

[illegible]

1587  
Febr: 3. 1681: The Constable Joseph Stebbin  
informed of a wolfe killed by m<sup>r</sup> Samuel Glover & Sam<sup>l</sup>  
Bliss the Third:

as also of two wolves killed by Benjamin Stebbin  
& J<sup>n</sup> Mirricle:

Febr: 7: 81: also one wolfe more was killed by Ben. Stebbin &  
J<sup>n</sup> Mirricle: also one wolfe by Edward Stebbin: Febr: 10  
march: 28: 81: one wolfe more killed by Ben. Stebbin & J<sup>n</sup> Mirricle: 1 81.

Febr: 7: 1681:

The Committee chosen to examine the select  
mens accounts for the p<sup>re</sup>sent year.

So find the Townes Debt:  $32 = 18 \text{ } 2$  s.

& the the Towne Credite by

Rate by J<sup>n</sup> Miller 32. 10. 9.

& by troops mo<sup>re</sup> 20 00.

ney w<sup>ch</sup> by to be 306. 18. 0

paid in Country

pay: 306. 18. 0

So y<sup>e</sup> the Townes Debt is but 4. 3.

& the Towne Credite is in Country pay: 6: 18. 0.

Joseph parson

Jonathan Burt pay

March 10: 1681

The select men chose then subscribed persons to run the  
bound between us & Suffolk & Westfield viz Tho. Miller  
John Dorchester John Dorchester  
to be done the first Monday in March next, & in case of foul we  
the next fair day, & Westfield men to meet at the Church

Feb: 13: 1681:

At a meeting of the select men being  
Cornet Basson. Deacon Burt. Tho: Day. Jno: Hiteheo  
Jno: Holyoke.

At this meeting some views were chosen for the common  
for home lots. { Sam: Bliss: Senr. } for long meadow { Nathl: Burt.  
Tho: Hebert: Junr. } { Eph: Collier.  
for the field over River { Edw: Foster. } for Chickuppi: { Jore: Bodwell.  
Sam: Miller. } { Nicko: Rust.

Tithing men { Rolmond & Thomas James Warriener & Jacob  
Borchester for this side. J<sup>r</sup> Marshall  
for the other side of the river Nathl Burt for Congill

It was ordered that no swine, from the first of  
be permitted to go up and down the street  
& that Isaac Onorgan & Saml: Braham do see to  
ance of this order, & that they do ring such swine  
find not ringed, & that they shall have 4d. for  
their pains paid by owners of such swine.

It was further ordered that a pound should be made only  
side the river, & that Tho. Day & Jno: Hiteheo, do consult  
Neighbo: of whom to let this pound, & that the said select  
men do bargain to any what person, without objection what  
the Towne shall allow for this work.

It is ordered that the order for putting up or repairing of fences be  
was ordered y<sup>e</sup> year 1679:

It was agreed with Deacon Burt to give him 100 for a year, & y<sup>e</sup>  
the Neighbo: for Jno: Harman's Towne to do pay this year should be  
by rate made according the number of Cows Deacon Burt's cows  
being not taken into the number:

Mustar Counters due from the  
of the year 4 pound  
one bushell of indian corn 2 sh 6 pence all y<sup>e</sup> 10-00-3  
of the year 4 shilling  
going the bonds between sufficient and the  
of the year 9 shilling 2 pence

one his own rat - 4 - 2 - 2 Dally - 5 - 11 - 8  
his son Jacky - 1 - 2 - 6  
to Samuel Masfield rest into him - 4 - 8 - 7

of account for extra taining the felst men  
of by account 17 shillings  
going the bonds between the towns and sufficient  
of making the rats 76 1 pound  
of the felst men 5 days 76 1 pound  
of 1 pound 14 shilling and 8 pence 4-14-2

has agreed with Samuel Ely that he should  
acquire the Towne of 8 money quart rate  
Towne requiring or discharging him of y<sup>e</sup> seven pounds  
of the Towne upon the account of 200 money  
of him 100 money at Towne price  
which is done, if 100 is paid Sam: Ely  
13. 21. one wolfe killed by Jore: Athley.  
14. one wolfe killed by m<sup>r</sup> Sam: Ely & his partners.  
15. one wolfe killed by E. Hilebrook & Obadiah Miller. June:  
16. one wolfe by m<sup>r</sup> Ely & his partners.  
17. one wolfe by Constable Jesse: Stobbin.  
18. one wolfe killed by Ben: Stobbin & J<sup>r</sup> Murrice.

an a Count of the Co.  
delivered by August 1875  
September 75 } Reese Bothford & Count  
of 75 } of the Co. —

75 } Jesse Bomer  
 Griffith Gons —  
 John Barber x  
 John God —  
 September } William Hunter x  
 10 75 } Walter Holaday x  
 obadiah miller 3  
 John Smith x2  
 Jonathan Taylor 3  
 John Goff —  
 Saml. Ho — x  
 Nathan Groll —  
 Henry Rogers 1  
 Nathan Rich — 8  
 Amos Rich — x 1  
 Victory Rich — x 1  
 Jonathan Burt 3  
 John Clark 2  
 75 } Saml. Lumber 2  
 Nathan Wright x 1  
 Nathan Harman 1  
 Sargent Hebm x  
 Littenant Cooper x  
 Thomas Miller 3  
 Sam Hebm —  
 Benjamin Colby —  
 September } John N.Y. — 1  
 14 75 } Nathan With — 1  
 Sargent Crayon x  
 for John Bomer

August 12 from words  
 of powder for the year  
 gun left at major's direction  
 and 3 pounds of that from  
 from 1781

August 12 75 218  
 Goodman 0004 x 4  
 August 15  
 Mt. Glover 2  
 Goodman 0004 2  
 2 1  
 2  
 2

March 30 76  
 200 Hancock 1  
 12 James Henson 1  
 6 1/2 June 24 76  
 2 1/2 James Mun 1

a part of Townes Rock  
 put into Goodman's hands  
 to dispose of as needed.



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Handwritten text on a piece of aged, torn paper. The text is written in a cursive script, likely from the 18th or 19th century. The paper is yellowed and has irregular edges. The text is arranged in several lines, with some lines being more legible than others due to fading and damage. The paper is mounted on a larger, lighter-colored sheet.

in select men where were present. Corndt  
in Corp<sup>t</sup> Hitchcocke & J<sup>n</sup>o Holgate

to James Sicks that for this time he should keep  
that he should have for his paining & dur-  
ure 6<sup>rs</sup> p<sup>r</sup> week: & that he should God p<sup>r</sup>mit  
to 10<sup>th</sup> of Sept<sup>r</sup> next,

to say also ordered that no proprietors or owners of sheep  
- their sheep to go on the common rules they put  
- the land of the said shephord under the penalty of  
- 10<sup>rs</sup> or that they liable to pay the shephord, as  
keep their sheep, unless they keep up in their  
whole of sheep keeping,

men agreed to Goodwife Munnike to encourage her  
training up children in  
the work of teaching children to read, that she  
- 3<sup>d</sup> to write for every child that she takes to perform  
that work for.

May: 30: 1682.

At a Meeting of the Select men

wheras there is an agreement of  
to fence upon the bank by the River  
& then is now Complaint made the  
lots have damage done by the the  
raining full is not fenced according  
appears that Goodman the Mirrick of  
granted by the select men (March: 13: 1682)  
might landing place, against the the  
men of son to have those lands the  
Mirrick to secure those lots, as to the  
place of want place any such ground  
holding refuse or neglect to secure the  
liberty of having a landing place, the  
said Bal to fence the said bank, or to do  
as to have those lots be other & further damage

June: 1682: Lord:

Symon was warned by the select men  
to move & go to place of his proper habitation