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TO HER,  
ONE OF THE  
“WITCHES OF NEW-ENGLAND,”  
WHO BEWITCHED ME IN MY YOUTH,  
AND WHO HAS SINCE BEEN  
MY HEART’S SUNLIGHT,  
AND THE ANGEL OF MY HOME;  
TO OUR BOYS, HARLOW AND CLARENCE,  
AND THE LITTLE CLARIBEL,  
WHO HAVING GONE BEFORE WE MAY NOT SEE, BUT WHO,  
WE HOPE, STILL LOOKS UPON US WITH LOVING EYES,  
BY THE HUSBAND AND FATHER,  
WHOSE NAME MAY NEVER APPEAR UPON ANOTHER  
TITLE PAGE,  
THESE VOLUMES ARE  
AFFECTIONATELY INSCRIBED.



## P R E F A C E .

SOME years ago while examining the documents and other mementoes of the "Salem Witchcraft," so carefully preserved in the Archives of Essex County, Massachusetts—on being informed that only detached portions had ever been printed and thus made accessible to the public—it occurred to me that no more acceptable contribution to the library of the American collector could be made than a volume which should embody these records, and, at the same time, place them beyond the contingency of destruction or loss. . . .

The original intention was, first to procure copies of the records, and then in *that golden future of leisure* to which all men look, to offer them to the public with suitable comments and annotations; but the increasing and never-ending cares of an occupation which gives no respite in

the present and promises none in the future, warned me that if the public were ever to see these documents, through any effort of mine, I must forego this cherished purpose.

Accordingly, after long keeping, I placed the sheets in the hands of the printer as they came from the transcriber, and they are now presented without addition or diminution, *verbatim et literatim*, copies of every one of the original papers at present existing; and, now, as I look at the ponderous volumes, I am rather happy than otherwise that I have not added to them by attempting to do what each reader can, perhaps, better do for himself.

To Hon. Asahel Huntington, Clerk of the Courts, and to the Commissioners of Essex County, I desire here to tender my thanks for the kindness and liberality with which they placed at my disposal every facility for the execution of my purpose. Such men receive no honor from office—they reflect honor on the positions which they hold.

How well Mr. Munfell has done his work is plainly to be seen, so far as general appearance is concerned; but the painstaking care with which the ancient orthography and punctuation, or rather the lack of this last have been followed, can only

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be appreciated by those who have compared the volumes with the original records.

With no more of explanation or apology the volumes are submitted with the hope that to at least a few students of American History, they will prove not altogether unacceptable. W.

Mt. Pleasant,  
Roxbury, Mass., Sept. 12, 1864.







## SALEM WITCHCRAFT.

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*Oath of Thomas Newton as Attorney-General.*



YOU Thomas Newton, Gen<sup>l</sup>, being appointed to perform the Office of their Maj<sup>ties</sup> Attorney-Gen<sup>l</sup> in the prosecution of the several persons, to be indicted and Tryed before their Maj<sup>s</sup> Justices of Oyer and Terminer now sitting, and from time to time to sit, by virtue of the Commission now published, and in all other matters that may be requisite in the Execution of the same, Do swear that according to your best skill you will act truly and faithfully on their Majesties behalf as to Law and Justice doth appertain, without any favour or Affection. So help you God.

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Salem June 2<sup>d</sup> 1692. Thomas Newton tooke  
the oath above sayd in open Court before me  
WM. STOUGHTON.

*Oath of Stephen Sewall as Clerk.*

You being Appointed to officiat as Clerk of this  
Court, Do Swear, that you will carefully uprightly  
and truly execute and perform whatsoever unto  
your Duty in that Place of a Clerk doth appertain.  
So help you God.

Salem June 2<sup>d</sup> 1692. Stephen Sewall in open  
Court made oath as above to doe the duty of his  
place as Clerke.

Coram me

WM. STOUGHTON.

*Warrant for Jurors.*

To the Sheriff of the County of Effex.

You are Required in their Maties Name to Im-  
pannel and return—Forty good and lawful men of  
the ffreeholders and other Freemen of yo<sup>r</sup> Baili-  
wick duly qualified to Serve on the Jury of Tryals  
of life and death, at the next Seffion of their Maties  
Special Court of Oyer and Terminer, in Salem  
upon Tuesday the Sixth day of September next at  
nine in the morning whome you are by your Selfe,  
Under Sheriffe or Deputy, to Summon to attend  
the faid Court, at the time above specified.

You are alike Required in their Maties name to

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give notice and Summon the Grand Juro<sup>rs</sup> that were Impannelled and Sworn at the last Session of said Court to attend again upon Tuesday the said Sixth of September next by the time above mentioned. Hereof you may not faile.

\*\*\*\*\*  
Seal Given under my Hand and Seal. At Boston  
the 31<sup>th</sup> day of August 1692. In the  
\*\*\*\*\* fourth year of their Ma<sup>ties</sup> Reign.

WM. STOUGHTON.

*Warrant vs. Sarah Good.*

Salem ffeby the 29<sup>th</sup> 169<sup>½</sup>

Whereas M<sup>rs</sup> Joseph Hutcheson, Thomas Putnam, Edward Putnam, and Thomas Preston, Yeomen of Salem Village in ye County of Essex, personally appeared before vs and made Complaint on Behalfe of their Majest<sup>s</sup> against Sarah Good the wife of William Good of Salem Village aboves<sup>d</sup> for suspicion of Witchcraft by her Committed, and thereby much Injury donne by Eliz. Paris, Abigail Williams, Anne Putnam and Elizabeth Hubert all of Salem Village afores<sup>d</sup> Sundry times within this two moneths and Lately also don, at Salem Village Contrary to y<sup>e</sup> peace of our Souer<sup>n</sup> L<sup>d</sup> and Lady W<sup>m</sup> & Mary, King & Queen of Engld &c—You are therefore in their Majesties names hereby required to apprehend & bring before vs, the said Sarah Good to morrow aboute ten of y<sup>e</sup> clock in y<sup>e</sup> forenoon at y<sup>e</sup> house of Lt Nathaniele Ingersalls in Salem Village or as soon as may be then and there

to be Examined Relating to y<sup>e</sup> aboves<sup>d</sup> premises  
and hereof you are not to faile at your perile.

Dated. Salem, febr<sup>r</sup> 29th 169 $\frac{1}{2}$

JOHN HATHORNE } Affis<sup>ts</sup>.  
JONATHAN CORWIN }

To Constable George Locker.

*Officers Return*

I brought the person of Saragh Good the wife  
of William Good according to the tenor of the  
within warrant, as is Attest by me

1 March 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  GEORGE LOCKER—Constable

*Indictment vs. Sarah Good, No. 1.*

Anno : Regis et Reginee Willm et Mariae  
nunc Anglice &c. Quarto

Essex ss.

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady  
the King and Queen, present, That Sarah Good  
the wife of William Good of Salem Village in the  
County of Essex, Husbandman, the Second Day of  
May in the forth year of the Reigne of our Sove-  
reigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by the  
Grace of God of England, Scotland ffraunce &  
Ireland King and Queen Defenders of the ffaith  
&c and Divers other Days and times as well before  
as after, certaine Detestable arts called Witchcrafts  
and Sorceries, Wickedly and ffeloniously hath vsed,  
Practised and Exorcised, at and within the Town-



ship of Salem in the County of Effex aforesaid, in, upon and against one Sarah Vibber wife of John Vibber of Salem aforesaid, Husbandman, by which said wicked Arts, she the said Sarah Vibber the said Second Day of May in the fourth year abovesaid and divers other Days and times as well before as after was and is Tortured Afflicted, Pined, Consumed, wasted and Tormented, and also for Sundry other Acts of witchcraft by said Sarah Good committed and done before and since that time ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of our Sovereigne Lord & Lady the King & Queen their Crowne and Dignity and ag<sup>t</sup> the forme of the Statute in that case made and Provided.

Witneses

Sarah Vibber Jurat  
Abigail Williams Jurat  
Elizabeth Hubbard “  
Ann Putnam Jurat  
Jno Vibber Sworne

*Indictment vs. Sarah Good, No. 2.*

Anno Regis et Regine Willm et Mariae nunc  
Anglice & Quarto

Effex. ss.

The Juro<sup>s</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen, p<sup>e</sup>sents That Sarah Good Wife of William Good of Salem Village in the County of Effex husbandman, the first Day of March in the forth year of the Reigne of our Soverigne Lord and Lady, William and Mary by the Grace of God of England, Scotland ffrence and Ireland, Defend-

ers of the faith &c and divers other Days and times as well before as after, certaine Detestable artes called witchcrafts and forceries, wickedly and feloniously hath used, Practised & Exercised at and within the Towne Ship of Salem in the County of Essex aforefaid in upon and against one Elizabeth Hubbard of Salem aforefaid Singlewoman, by w<sup>ch</sup> faid wicked arts the faid Elizabeth Hubbard, the faid first Day of March in the fourth year aforefaid, and at Divers other Days and times as well before as after was and is tortured, afflicted, Pined, wasted and Tormented, as also for Sundry other acts of witchcraft by f<sup>d</sup> Sarah Good committed and done before and since that time agt the Peace of our Sovereign Lord and Lady King and Queen of England and agt the forme of the Statute in that case made and Provided.

Witnesses Elizabeth Hubbard. Mary Walcott  
Jurat in luria June 28 1692. Anne Putman.  
jurat Abigaill Williams Jurat.

*Indictment vs. Sarah Good, No. 3.*

The Jurors for our Sovereigne Lord & Lady King William & Queen Mary Doe present: That Sarah Good ye wife of William Good of Salem Village In the County of Essex husbandman upon y<sup>e</sup> first day of March in ye fourth year of y<sup>e</sup> Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord & Lady W<sup>m</sup> & Mary by y<sup>e</sup> Grace of God of England Scotland ffrance & Ireland King & Queen defend<sup>rs</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> faith &c &

Divers other days & times as well before as after, Certaine Detestable Arts, Called Witchcrafts & Sorceries, wickedly & feloniously hath used practiced & Exercised at & within y<sup>e</sup> Township of Salem aforesaid, In upon & against An Puttman Singlewoman of Salem Village, by which said Wicked arts, the said An Puttman y<sup>e</sup> said first day of March in y<sup>e</sup> fourth year abovesaid & divers other days & times, as well before as after, was and is hurt; Tortured, afflicted, Pined, Consumed, wasted & Tormented, & also for Sundry acts of Witchcraft by said Good Committed & done before & since that time against y<sup>e</sup> peace of our Sovereigne Lord & Lady y<sup>e</sup> King & Queen Their Crowne & dignity and against y<sup>e</sup> forme of Statutes In that Case made & provided.

Witnes. Ann Putman Jurat. Eliz Hubbard  
Abigall Williams Jurat.

*Mittimus vs. Sarah Good.*

To the Keeper of their Majest<sup>ys</sup> Goale in Boston

You are in their Majest<sup>ys</sup> names hereby required to take into your care and safe Custody the Bodys of Sarah Good the wife of W<sup>m</sup> Good of Salem ffarmes husbandman and Tituba an Indian Woman belonging vnto Samuell parris of Salem Village minester, who stand Charged on behalfe of their Majest<sup>ys</sup> for their feloniously Committing Sundry acts of Witchcraft at Salem Village on y<sup>e</sup> Bodys of Elizabeth Parris Eliz Hubbert Abigail Williams

and Ann Putnam of Salem Village, whereby great hurt hath benne donn to their Body contrary to y<sup>e</sup> peace of our Sou<sup>r</sup> L<sup>d</sup> & Lady W<sup>m</sup> & Mary of England &c King & Queen.

Whome you are well to secure vntill they shall thence be delivered by due order of Law and hereof you are not to faile.

Dated Boston May the 25th, 1692.

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*Witnesses against Sarah Good.*

William Allen  
 John Hughes  
 Samuel Brabrooke  
 Mary walkut  
 Mercy Lewis  
 Sarah Vibber  
 Abigg<sup>ll</sup> Williams  
 Elizabeth Hubbard  
 Tittube indian  
 Richard Patch.

*Summons for Witnesses vs. Mary Good.*

W<sup>m</sup> & Mary By y<sup>e</sup> grace of God of England  
 Scotland ffrance & Ireland King & Queen  
 def<sup>rs</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> faith &c

To Samuel Abbey & his Wife, Joseph Herrick  
 & his Wife, Goodwife Bibber, Abigal Williams,

Elizabeth Hubbard, Mary Wolcott, Ann Putman,  
Marcey Lewis, Samuel Braybrook

We comand you and Every of you all Excuses  
fet apart to appear at y<sup>e</sup> Special Court of Oyer and  
Terminer to be held at Salem for y<sup>e</sup> County of  
Effex, on ye 28<sup>th</sup> of this Instant Month at nine of  
y<sup>e</sup> Clock in y<sup>e</sup> morning, there to testify y<sup>e</sup> truth to  
y<sup>e</sup> best of your knowledge on Seuerall Indictments  
then and there to be Exhibited against Sarah Good  
for Sundry acts of Witchcrafts by her Committed  
and done. hereof make return fail not.

Dated in Salem. June 27, 1692.

STEP: SEWALL. Clerc.

To y<sup>e</sup> Conftables of Salem or any of them.

Greeting.

*Officer's Return.*

Dat. 28 June 1692. I have warned the parsons  
above named accorden to tenor of this Summonce  
by me

JOHN PUTNAM Conft of Salam.

*Examination of Sarah Good.*

The examination of Sarah Good before the wor-  
shipfull Afts John Harthorn Jonathan Curran  
(H.) Sarah Good what evil Spirit have you  
familiarity with

(S. G.) None

(H.) Have you made no contracte with the devil

Good answered no.

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(H.) Why doe you hurt these children

(g) I doe not hurt them. I scorn it.

(H) Who doe you imploy then to doe it.

(g) I imploy no body

(H) What creature do you imploy then.

(g) no creature but I am falsely accused.

(H) why did you go away muttering from M<sup>r</sup> Parris his house.

(g) I did not mutter but I thanked him for what he gave my child.

(H) have you made no contract with the devil.

(g) no.

(H) desired the children all of them to look upon her and see if this were the person that had hurt them and so they all did looke upon her, and said this was one of the persons that did torment them—presently they were all tormented.

(H) Sarah Good do you not see now what you have done, why doe you not tell us the truth, why doe you thus torment these poor children

(g) I doe not torment them.

(H) who do you imploy then.

(g) I imploy nobody I scorn it.

(H) how came they thus tormented

(g) what doe I know you bring others here and now you charge me with it

(H) why who was it.

(g) I doe not know but it was some you brought into the meeting house with you.

(H) wee brought you into the meeting house.

(g) but you brought in two more.



(H) who was it then that tormented the children.  
(g) it was osburn.  
(H) what is it you say when you go muttering  
away from persons houses  
(g) if I must tell I will tell.  
(H) doe tell us then  
(g) if I must tell, I will tell, it is the command-  
ments. I may say my commandments I hope.  
(H.) what commandment is it.  
(g) if I must tell I will tell, it is a psalm.  
(H) what psalm.  
(g) after a long time shee muttered over some  
part of a psalm.  
(H) who doe you serve  
(g) I serve God  
(H) what God doe you serve.  
(g) the God that made heaven and earth. though  
shee was not willing to mention the word God.  
her answers were in a very wicked spitfull man-  
ner. reflecting and retorting against the authority  
with base and abusive words and many lies shee  
was taken in it was here said that her husband had  
said that he was afraid that she either was a witch  
or would be one very quickly. the worth. Mr.  
Harthon asked him his reason why he said so of  
her, whether he had ever seen any thing by her,  
he answered no, not in this nature, but it was her  
bad carriage to him, and indeed said he I may say  
with tears that shee is an enemy to all good.

Salem Village March the 1<sup>st</sup> 169 $\frac{1}{2}$

Written by Ezekiell Chevers

Salem Village March th 1<sup>st</sup> 169 $\frac{1}{2}$

*Salem Witchcraft.**Examination of Sarah Good.*

Salem Village March the 1<sup>st</sup> 169 $\frac{1}{2}$

Sarah Good the wife of W<sup>m</sup> Good of Salem Village Labourer Brought before us by George Locker Constable in Salem to Answer, Joseph Hutcheson Thomas Putnam &c of Salem Village yeomen (Complainants on behalfe of their Majesties) against s<sup>d</sup> Sarah Good for Suspition of witchcraft by her Committed and thereby much Injury don to the Bodys of Elizabeth Parris Abigaile Williams Anna Putnam and Elizabeth Hubert all of Salem Village afores<sup>d</sup> according to their Complaints as p<sup>r</sup> warrants

Dated Salem March 29<sup>th</sup> 169 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Sarah Good upon Examination denyeth y<sup>e</sup> matter of fact (viz) y<sup>t</sup> she ever used any witchcraft or hurt y<sup>e</sup> above said children or any of them.

The above named Children being all present positively accused her of hurting of them Sundry times within this two months and also y<sup>t</sup> morneing.

Sarah Good denied y<sup>t</sup> she had benne at their houses in s<sup>d</sup> tyme or neere them, or had don them any hurt. all the abovesaid children then presente accused her face to face upon which they were all dreadfully tortured and tormented for a short space of tyme and y<sup>e</sup> affliction and torters being over thay charged said Sarah Good againe that she had then soe tortured them, and came to them and did itt, althow she was personally then kept at a Considerable dystance from them.

Sarah Good being Asked if, y<sup>t</sup> she did not then hurt them who did it. And the children being again tortered she looked upon them And said y<sup>t</sup> it was one of them wee brought into the house with vs. Wee Asked her who it was, she then Answered and sayd itt was Sarah Osburne, and Sarah Osburne was then vnder Custody and not in the house; And the children being quickley after recouered out of theire fitt sayd y<sup>t</sup> it was Sarah Good and also Sarah Osburne y<sup>t</sup> then did hurt & torment or afflict them—althow both of them at y<sup>e</sup> same time at a distance or Remote from them personally:—their ware also fundry other Questions put to her and Answers given there vnto by her according as is also given in.

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*Evidence vs. Sarah Good.*

Titabes Confession and Examination ag<sup>t</sup> her selfe and Sarah Good abstracted.

Charges Sarah Good to hurt the Children and would have had her done it. 5 were with her last night and would have had her hurt the Children w<sup>ch</sup> she refused and that Good was one of them.

Good with others are very strong and pull her with them to Mr. Putnams and made her hurt the child. Good C<sup>r</sup> rode with her upon a poole behind her takeing hold of one another, doth not know how they goe for she never sees trees nor path but are p<sup>r</sup>sently U\*\*\*\*

Good Cr tell he she must kill somebody with a Knife and would have had her killed Tho: Putnams child last night the child at the same time affirmed she would have had her cutt of her own head if not Titabe would doe it and complained of a knife cutting her.

Good came to her last night when her Mr was at prayer and would not let her hear, hath one yellow bird and stopped her Eares in prayer time, the yellow bird hath been seen by the children and Titabee saw it suck Good between the forefinger and long finger on the right hand.

Saw Good Cr practice witchcraft.

Saw Good have a Catt besides the bird and a thing all over hairy Cr.

Sarah Good appeared like a wolfe to Hubbard going to Proctors and saw it sent by Good to Hubbard

Good Cr hurt the children again and the children affirme the same Hubbard knew th\*\*\* not being blinded by them and was once or twice taken dumb herselfe

Good caused her to pinch the children all in their own persons.

Saw Goods name in the booke, and the devell told her they made the marks C said to her she made this marke C it was the same day she went to prison.

Good Cr came to ride abroad with her C the man shewed Goods name in the book

Good Cr pinched her on the leggs C being searched found it soe after confession.

Nota S. G. mumbled when she went away from Mr Parris and the children after hurt.

Dorathy Goods charge ag<sup>t</sup> her mother Sarah Good. That she had three birds, one black, one yellow and that these birds hurt the children and afflicted persons.

*Her own Confession.*

Nota None here sees the witches but the afflicted and themselves. Charges Sarah Osburne with hurting the children—looking vpon them at the same time and not being afflicted must consequently be a witch

*Deliverence Hobbs Confession.*

being at a meeting of the witches in Mr. Parishes field when Mr. Borroughs preached and administered the sacram<sup>t</sup> to them saw Good amongst the rest and this fully agrees with what the afflicted persons relate 22<sup>th</sup> Apr. (92)

*Abigaile Hobs Confession.*

was in company with Sarah Good and knowes her to be a witch and afterwards was taken deafe and Mary Walcott C<sup>r</sup> saw Good and Osburn run their fingers into this      ears and a little after she spoke and i<sup>d</sup> Good told her she sh<sup>d</sup> not speake.

*Mary Warrens Confession.*

That Sarah Good is a Witch and brought her the booke to signe to it.

Elizabeth Hubbard

Mary Walcott



Ann Puttnam

Mercy Lewis

Sarah Vibber

Abigail Williams afflicted by Sarah Good and saw her shape.

Richard Patch

W<sup>m</sup> Allen y<sup>t</sup> she app<sup>r</sup>d to him when abed

W<sup>m</sup> Good y<sup>t</sup> she hath a strange Tett or wort.

John Hughes y<sup>t</sup> he saw strange fights.

Sam; Braybrooke y<sup>t</sup> she said she would not confess unless proued ag<sup>t</sup> her and y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>r</sup> was but one Evidence and y<sup>t</sup> an Indian and y<sup>r</sup> for did not fear.

*Samuel Abbey & Ux vs. Sarah Good.*

Samuel Abbey of Salem Village Aged 45 years or thereabouts and Mary Abbey his wife aged 38 years or thereabouts, Deposeth and Saith.

That about this Time Three Years past W<sup>m</sup> Good and his wife Sarah Good being destitute of a house to dwell in, these Deponents out of Charity; they being Poor lett them live in theirs some time vntill that the said Sarah Good was of so Turbulant a Sperritt, Spitefull and so Mallitiously bent, that these Deponents could not suffer her to Live in their howse any Longer and was forced for Quiett-ness sake to turne she y<sup>e</sup> said Sarah with her husband out of their howse ever since, which is about two years  $\frac{1}{2}$  agoe, the said Sarah Good hath carried it very Spitefully and Mallitiously, towards them, the winter following after the said Sarah was gone from



our house we began to Love Cattle and Lost several after an vnvsall manner, in a drupeing condition Condition and yett they would Eate: and your Deponents have Lost after that manner 17 head of Cattle within this two years besides Sheep and Hoggs, and both doe believe they Dyed by witchcraft, the said William Good on the last of May was twelve months went home to his wife the f<sup>d</sup> Sarah Good and told her, what a sad Accident had fallen out, she asked what, he answered that his neighborr Abbey had lost two Cowes, both dyeing within halfe an hower of one another, the f<sup>d</sup> Sarah good said she did not care if he the said Abbey had Lost all the Cattle he had as y<sup>e</sup> said Jno Good told vs. Just that very Day that the said Sarah Good was taken up, we y<sup>r</sup> Deponents had a Cow that could not rise alone, but since presently after she was taken up, the said Cow was well and could rise so well. as if she had ailed nothing. she the said Sarah good ever since these Deponents turned her out of their howse she hath behaved herselfe very crossely and mallitiously to them and their Children calling their Children vile names and hath threethened them often.

Jurat in Curia.

*Sarah Gadge vs. Sarah Good.*

The deposition of Sarah Gadge y<sup>e</sup> wife of Thomas Gadge agee about 40 years, this deponent testifieth and saith that about two years and an halfe agone. Sarah Good Came to her house and would have

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come unto y<sup>e</sup> house, but said Sarah Gadge told her she should not come in for she was afraid she had been with them that had y<sup>e</sup> Small pox and with that she fell to mutring and scolding extreamly and soe told f<sup>d</sup> Gadge if she would not let her in she should give her something and she answered she would not have any thing to doe with her and the next morning after to f<sup>d</sup> Deponents best remembrance one of f<sup>d</sup> Gades Cowes Died in A Sudden terrible and Strange unusuall maner soe y<sup>t</sup> some of y<sup>e</sup> neighbors and said Deponent did think it to be done by witchcraft and further faith not.

*Thomas Gadge vs. Sarah Good.*

And Thomas Gadge husband of f<sup>d</sup> Sarah testifieth y<sup>t</sup> he had a Cow soe Died about ye time above mentioned and though he and some neighbors opened ye Cow yet they could find no naturall Cause of f<sup>d</sup> Cowes Death and further faith not.

Thomas Gadge and Sarah Gadge owned this to be the truth on their oath before us; the Juriars for Inquest, this 28 of June: 92.

*Joseph Herrick Sr. and ux vs. Sarah Good.*

The Deposition of Joseph Herrick senr. who testifieth and faith that on the first day of March 169<sup>½</sup> I being the Constable for Salem, there was delivered to me by warrant ffrom the worshipfull Jno Hathorne and Jonathan Corwin Esqrs. Sarah Good for me to cary to their majesties Goal at Ips-

wich and that night I sett a gard to watch her at my own house, namely Samu<sup>l</sup> Braybrook Michaell dunell Jonathan Baker and the affore named parsons, Informed me in the morning that that night Sarah Good was gon for fume time from them both bare foot and bare legde, and I was also Informed that that night Elizabeth Hubbard one of the afflicted parsons Complained that Sarah Good came and afflicted her being foot and bare legged, and Samuell Sibley that was one that was attending of Eliza Hubbard Strock Sarah Good on the Arme as Elizabeth Hubbard said, and Mary Herrick the wife of the abouesaid Joseph Herrick testifieth that on the 2<sup>th</sup> March 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  in the morning I took notis of Sarah Good in the morning and one of her Armes was bloody from a little below the Elbow to the wrist, and I also took notis of her Armes on the night before, and then there was no signe of blood on them.

Joseph Herrick senr and Mary herrick appeared before us the Jury for Inquest, and did on the oath which the had taken owne this their evidence to be the truth this 28. of June 1692

Sworne in Court.

*Batten and Shaw vs Sarah Good.*

The testimony of William Batten aged 76 years or there abouts and William Shaw aged about 50 years and Deborah his wife aged about 40 years, these all testifie and say that this day was a weeke agoe Sufannah Shelding being at the house of Will-

iam Shaw shee was tied her hands a rope in such a manner we were forced to cut the string before we could get her hand loosed and when shee was out of her fit she told us it *was* Goode Dustin that did tye her hands after that manner, and 4 times shee hath been tyed in this manner in towe weeks time, the 2 first times shee sayeth it was Goode Dustin and the 2 last times it was Sarah Goode that did tye her, we furder testifie that when ever shee dooth but touch this string shee is presently bit.

We furder testifie that in this time there was a broome carried away out of the house in to us and put in a apple tree two times and a shirt once and a milk tube once was carried out of the house three poles from the house into the woods and she faith that it this parsons a bove named upon their oath owned this their testimony to be the truth before vs Juriars for Inqwest, this 28 of June, 1692.

Jurat in Curia

*Johanna Chibbun vs Sara Good.*

The deposition of Johanna Chibbun testifieth and saith that upon 2<sup>d</sup> of June 1692 that the apparition of Sarah Good and her least child did appear to her and the child did tell its mother that she did murrder it, to which Sarah Good replyed that she did it because that she could not atend it, and the Child tould its mother that she was a witch and then Sarah Good said she did give it to the divell.

*Henry Herrick and Jonathan Batchelor  
vs Sarah Good.*

The deposition of Henry Herrick aged about 21 one years this deponent testifieth and saith that in Last March was two yeare Sarah Good came to his fathers house and desired to logde there and his father forbid it and she went away Grumbling and my father bid us follow her and see that shee went away clear, lest she should lie in ye barn: and by smoking of her pipe should fire ye barn and sd deponent with Jonathan Batchelor seeing her make a stop near ye barn, bid her be gone or her would set her further of. to which she replied that then it should Cost his father Zachariah Herick one or two of ye best Cowes which he had

And Jonathan Batchelor aged 14 year testifieth ye same above written and doth further testifie that about a weeke after two of his grandfathers Master Catle were removed from their places and other younger Catle put in rooms and since that feveral of their Catle have bene set loose in a strange manner

Jurat in Curia

*Elizabeth Hubbard vs Sarah Good.*

The Deposition of Elizabeth Hubbard agged about 17 years, who testifieth and saith that on the 28 February 1691-92 I saw the Apperishion of Sarah Good who did most greivously afflect me by pinching and pinching me, and so she continued



hurting of me tell the first day of March being the day of her examination, and then she did also most grievously afflict and tortor me also dureing the time of her examynation and also several times sence she hath afflicted me and urged me to writ in her book. also on the day of her examination I saw the apperishtion of Sarah Good goe and hurt and afflict the bodyes of Elizabeth Parish Abigail Williams and Ann Putnam junr and also I have seen the the Apperishtion of Sarah Good afflicting the body of Sarah Vibber

Elizabeth <sup>mark</sup> † Hubbard

also in the night after Sarah Goods Examination: Sarah Good came to me barefoot and barededged, and did most grievously torment me by pricking and pinching me and I veryly beleue that Sarah Good hath bewicked me and also that night Samuell Sibly that was then attending me stroke Sarah Good on her Arme.

*Sufannah Sheldon vs Sarah Good.*

The Deposition of Sufannah Sheldon agged about 18 years who testifieth and faith that sence I have ben afflicted I have very often ben most grievously tortured by Apperishtion of Sarah Good who has most dredfully afflicted me by bitting pricking and pinching me and almost choaking me to deth, but on the 26 June 1692 Sarah Good most violently pnllled down my head behind a cheast and tyed my

hands together with a whele band and almost choaked me to death and also feuerall times fence the Apperishtion of Sarah Good has most grevously tortured me by biting pinching and almost Choaking me to death, also William Battin and Thomas Buffington Juner, ware fforced to cutt the whele band from ofe my hands for they could not unty it.

And farther sd Shelden vpon giving in this testimony to the grand jury was seized with sundry fits w<sup>ch</sup> when she came to her self, she told the sd jury, being askd, that it was the sd Good that afflicted her and a little after Mary Warren falling into a fit sd Sheldon affirmed to the Grand jury that she saw sd Good vpon her and also a fauser being by invisible hands, taken from a Table and carried out of doors, sd Sheldon affirmed she saw said Sarah Good carry it away and put it where it was found abroad.

Sufannah Shelden oned this har testimony to be the truth before the Juriars of Inquest on the oath which she had taken this. 28. of June 1692.

*Ann Putnam Jr. vs Sarah Good.*

The Deposition of Ann putnam Ju<sup>r</sup> who testi-  
fieth and saith, that on the 25<sup>th</sup> of february <sup>1691</sup>/<sub>92</sub> I  
saw the Apperishtion of Sarah Good which did  
tortor me most grevously, but I did not know her  
name till the 27<sup>th</sup> of february and then she told  
me hir name was Sarah good and then she did prick  
me and pinch me most grevously, and also fence

feuerall times urging me vehemently to writ in hir book and also on the first day of March being the day of hir Examination Sarah Good did most grevously tortor me and also sewerall times fence, and also on the the first day of March 1692. I saw the Apperishtion of Sarah Good goe and afflect and tortor the bodys of Elizabeth parish Abigail Williams and Elizabeth Hubbard also I have seen the Apperishtion of Sara Good afflecting the body of Sarah Vibber.

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Ann † putnam

Ann Putnam owned this har testimony to be the truth on har oath; before the Juriars of Inqwest this 28: of June 1692.

And further says that shee verily believes that Sarah Good doth bewitch and afflicte her.

Sworne before the Court

*Sarah Vibber vs. Sarah Good.*

The Deposition of Sarah Viber aged about 36 years, who testifieth and faith, that fence I have been afflected I have often seen the Apperishtion of Sarah Good but she did not hurt me tell the 2 day of May 1692 tho I saw her Apperishtion most grevously tortor Mercy Lewis and Jno Indian att Salem on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April 1692, but on the 2: May 1692 the Apperishtion of Sarah Good did most grevously torment me by preffing my breath almost out of my body and also she did Immediately

afflict my child by pinching of it that I could hardly hold it, and my husband seeing of it took hold of the child but it cried out and twisted so dreadfully by reason of the tortor that the Apperishtion of Sarah Good did afflict it with—all that it gott out of its farther's Armes, to also severally times sence the Apperishtion of Sarah Good has most grievously tormented me by pinching and beating me and almost Choaking me to death and pricking me with pinnes after a most dreadful manner,

Sarah Viber owned this har testimony to be the truth one the oath she had taken; before us the Juriars for Inqwest this 28: <sup>dy</sup> of June 1692.

Sworne in Court June 29th 1692.

And further Add<sup>s</sup> that shee very believes upon her oath that Sarah Good had bewitched her.

*Sarah Vibber vs. Sarah Good.*

The Deposition of Sarah Biber aged 36 years, testifieth and sayeth that the Saterdag night before Goode Duftin of Reding was examined I saw the apparition of Sarah Goode standing by my bedside and shee ptt pulled aside the curtain and turned down the sheet and looked upon my child about 4 years old and presently upon it the child was strake into a great fit that my husband and I could hardly hold it.

Sarah Viber one her oath did owne this her testimony before the Juriars for Inqwest this 28: of June 1692

Jurat Sarah Viber

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*Mary Walcott vs. Sarah Good.*

The Deposition of Mary Wolcott agged about 17 years who testifieth and saith that sence I have been afflicted I have often seen the aperishtion of Sarah Good amongst the witches who has also afflicted me and urged me to writ in her book

The mark of  
Mary Walcot

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Mary Welcott owned this har testimony to be the truth one har oath before the Jurrars for Inqwest this 28: of June 1692

Also Mary Walcott testifieth that I hawe seen Sarah Good afflecting Mercy lewes and Elizabeth Hubberd and Abigail Williams and I verily believe she bewitched me

*Abigail Williams vs. Sarah Good.*

For Evidence of Abigail Williams vs Sarah Good see evidence of said Abigail Williams vs Sarah Osborn page 40.

*William Allen, John Hughes and Samuel Braybrook vs. Sarah Good.*

For evidence of William Allen John Hughes and Samul Braybrook vs Sarah Good see evidence of said William Allen, John Hughes and Samuel Braybrook vs Sarah Osborn page 38.



*Examination of Sarah Osburne.*

Salem Village March the 1<sup>st</sup> 169 $\frac{1}{2}$

Sarah Osburne the wife of Alexander Osburne of Salem Village brought before vs by Joseph Herrick constable in Salem, to answer Joseph Hutcheson and Thomas putnam &c yeomen in f<sup>d</sup> Salem Village Complainants on behalfe of their Majest<sup>ts</sup> against f<sup>d</sup> Sarah Osburne for Suspition of Witchcraft by her Committed and thereby much Injury don to the bodys of Elizabeth Parris, Abigail Williams Anna Putnam and Elizabeth Hubert, all of Salem Village aforesaid, according to their Complaint, according to a Warrant, Dated Salem ffebu<sup>y</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 169 $\frac{1}{2}$

Sarah Osburne vpon Examination denyed y<sup>e</sup> matter of fact (viz) y<sup>t</sup> she ever vnderstood or vsed any Witchcraft, or hurt any of y<sup>e</sup> aboue f<sup>d</sup> children.

The children aboue named being all personally present accused her face to face which being don, thay ware all hurt, afflicted and tortured very much; which being ouer and thay out of their fitts thay sayd y<sup>t</sup> said Sarah Osburne, did then come to them and hurt them, Sarah Osburne being then kept at a distance personally from them. S. Osburne was asked why she then hurt them, she denyed it, it being asked of her how she could soe pinch and hurt them and yet she be at that distance personally from y<sup>m</sup>, she Answered she did not then hurt them, nor never did, she was asked who then did it, or who she Imploy to doe it, she Answered she did

not know y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Divell goes aboute in her likenes to doe any hurt. Sarah Osburn being told y<sup>t</sup> Sarah Good one of her Companions had vpon Examination accused her, she notwithstanding denied y<sup>e</sup> same, according to her Examination, w<sup>ch</sup> is mor at Large giuen in as therein will appeare.

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|        | JONATHAN CORWIN |           |

*Examination of Sarah Osburn.*

(H) what evil spirit have you familiarity with.  
 (O) none.  
 (H) have you made no contract with the devill.  
 (O) no I never saw the devill in my life.  
 (H) why doe you hurt these children.  
 (O) I doe not hurt them.  
 (H) who do you imploy then to hurt them.  
 (O) I imploy no body.  
 (H) what familiarity have you with Sarah Good.  
 (O) none. I have not seen her these 2 years.  
 (H) where did you see her then.  
 (O) one day a going to town.  
 (H) what communications had you with her.  
 (O) I had none, only, how doe you doe or so,  
 I did not know her by name.  
 (H) what did you call her then.  
 Osburn made a stand at that, at last said, shee  
 called her Sarah.  
 (H) Sarah Good saith that it was you that hurt  
 the children.

(O) I doe not know that the devil goes about in my likenefs to doe any hurt.

Mr Hathorn desired all the children to stand up and look upon her and see if they did know her, which they all did and every one of them said that this was one of the women that did afflict them, and that they had constantly seen her in the very habit, that shee was now in, their evidence do stand that shee said this morning that shee was more like to be bewitched, than that shee was a witch. Mr Hathorn asked her what made her say so, shee answered that shee was frightened one time in her sleep and either saw or dreamed that shee saw a thing like an indian all black which did prick her in her neck and pulled her by the back part of her head to the dore of the house

(H) did you never see anything else.

(O) no.

it was said by some in the meeting house that shee had said that shee would never be tied to that lying spirit any more.

(H) what lying spirit is this, hath the devil ever deceived you and been false to you.

(O) I doe not know the devil I never did see him.

(H) what lying spirit was it then.

(O) it was a voice that I thought I heard.

(H) what did it propound to you.

(O) that I should goe no more to meeting, but I said I would and did goe the next Sabbath day.

(H) were you never tempted further.

(O) no.

(H) why did you yield thus far to the devil as never to goe to meeting since

(O) Alas. I have been like and not able to goe. her husband and others said that shee had not been at meeting this yeare and two months.

*William Allen John Hughes William Good and  
Samuel Braybrook vs. Sarah Osburn.*

March 5<sup>th</sup> 169 $\frac{1}{2}$

W<sup>m</sup> Allin saith y<sup>t</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> of March att night he heard a strange noyse not useuall heard, and so continued for many times so y<sup>t</sup> hee was afrighted and coming nearer, to it he there saw a strange and unuseall beast lyeing on the Ground so y<sup>t</sup> goeing up to it, y<sup>e</sup> sd Beast vanished away and in y<sup>e</sup> sd place starte up 2 or 3 weemen and fled from mee not after y<sup>e</sup> manner of other weemen but swiftly vanished away out of our sight which weemen wee took to be Sarah Good, Sarah Osburne an Tittabeye time was about an hour within night and I John Hughes, saith y<sup>e</sup> same beeing in Company then w<sup>th</sup> sd Allen. as wittness our hands.

William Allen  
iohn hughef.

William Allen further saith y<sup>t</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> day of March ye sd Sarah Good uisfabley appeared to him in his chamber sd allen beeing in bed and brought an unuseuall light in w<sup>th</sup> her, y<sup>e</sup> sd Sarah came and fate upon his foot y<sup>e</sup> sd allen went to kick att her upon which shee vanished and y<sup>e</sup> light with her.

William Good faith y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> night before his sd wife was Examined he saw a wart or tett a little belowe her Right shoulder which he never saw before and asked Goodwife Engersol whether she did not see it when shee searched her.

John Hughes. further faith y<sup>t</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> day of March y<sup>t</sup> comeing from Goodman Sibleys aboute Eight of ye clock in y<sup>e</sup> night hee saw a Great white dogg whome he came up to but he would not stire but when he was past hee ye sd dogg followed him about 4 or 5 pole and so disapeared y<sup>e</sup> same night y<sup>e</sup> sd John Hughes beeing in Bed in a closed Roome and y<sup>e</sup> dore being fast so y<sup>t</sup> no catt nor dogg could come in y<sup>e</sup> said John Saw a Great light appear in y<sup>e</sup> sd Chamber and Risieing up in his bed he say a large Gray Catt att his beds foot.

March ye 2d Sam<sup>l</sup> Braybrook faith y<sup>t</sup> Carrieng Sarah Good to ippswich y<sup>e</sup> said Sarah leapt of her horse 3 times which was between 12 and 3 of ye clock, of ye same day we<sup>ch</sup> ye daughter of Thomas Puttman declared ye same att her fathers house, y<sup>e</sup> sd Brabrook further Saith y<sup>t</sup> sd Sarah Good tould him that shee would not oune herselfe to bee a witch unless she is proud one, shee faith y<sup>t</sup> there is but one evidence and y<sup>t</sup> an Indian and therefore she fears not, and so continued Rayling against ye Magistrates and she Endeavored to kill herselfe.

*Eliz<sup>h</sup> Hubbard v. Sarah Osburne.*

The Deposition of Elizabeth Hubbard aged about 17 years, who testifieth and faith that on the 27<sup>th</sup>



of february  $\frac{1691}{92}$  I saw the Apperishtion of Sarah Osborn the wife of Alexander Osborn who did most greviously tortor me by pricking and pinching me most dreadfully and so she continued hurting me most greviously till the first of March  $\frac{1691}{92}$  being the day of hir Examination and then also Sarah Osborn did tortor me most greviously by pinching and pricking me most dreadfully and also severall times since Sarah Osborn has afflicted me and urged me to write in hir book.

*Ann Putnam v Sarah Osborn.*

The Deposition of Ann Putnam who testifieth and saith that on the 25<sup>th</sup> of february  $\frac{1691}{92}$  I saw the apperishtion of Sarah Osborn the wife of Alexander Osborn who did Immediately tortor me most greviously by pinching and pricking me dreadfully, and so she continued most dreadfully to afflict me, till the first day of March, being the day of hir examination and then also she did tortor me most dreadfully in the time of hir examination and also severall times since. Sarah Osborn has afflicted me and urged me to writ in hir book.

*Abigail Williams v. Sarah Osborn and Sarah Good.*

The testimony of Abigail Williams testifyeth and saith that severall times last February she hath been much afflicted with pains in her head and other parts and often pinched by the apparition of Sarah Good, Sarah Osburne, and Tituba Indian all of

Salem Village, and also excessively afflicted by the said apparition of said Good Osburne and Tituba at their examination before authority the 1<sup>st</sup> of March last past 169 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Further the said Abigail Williams testifyeth that she saw the apparition of Sarah Good at her examination pinch Eliz. Hubbard and set her into fits and also Eliz. Parris, and Ann Putman

The Mark of  
Abigail A. W. Williams

Testified before vs by Abigaile Williams. Salem  
May the 23<sup>d</sup> 1692

JOHN HATHORNE  
JONATHAN CORWIN  
p'ord<sup>r</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Gov'er & Councill.

*Mercy Lewis v. Sarah Osborn.*

Murcy lewes agged about 19 years who testifieth and . . . . of April 1692 the Apperishtion of Sarah Osborn . . . flected me urging me to writ in hir book.  
Salem ffeb<sup>r</sup> the 29<sup>th</sup> day 169 $\frac{1}{2}$

*Warrant vs. Tituba.*

Whereas Mrs. Joseph Hutcheson Thomas Putnam Edward Putnam and Thomas Preston yeomen of Salem Village in y<sup>e</sup> County of Essex personally appeared before vs. And made complaint on behalfe of their Majestees against Sarah Osborne the wife of Alex<sup>r</sup> Osburne, of Salem Village aforesd, and Titibe an Indian Woman Servant of mr. Sam<sup>l</sup>

Parris of f<sup>d</sup> place also; for Suspition of witchcraft, by them committed and thereby much injury don to Elizabeth Parris Abigail Williams Anna Putnam and Elizabeth Hubert all of Salem Village afore<sup>d</sup> Sundry times within this two months and lately also don: at f<sup>d</sup> Salem Village Contrary to y<sup>e</sup> peace and Laws of our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady W<sup>m</sup> & Mary of England &c King and Queene.

You are there fore in theire Maj<sup>s</sup> names hereby required to aprehend and forthwith or as soon as may be bring before vs y<sup>e</sup> abouef<sup>d</sup> Sarah Osburne and Titibe Indian at y<sup>e</sup> house of Lt Nath<sup>l</sup> Ingerfalls, in f<sup>d</sup> place. and if it may be by tomorrow aboute ten of y<sup>e</sup> clock in y<sup>e</sup> morning then and there to be Examined Relateing to y<sup>e</sup> abouef<sup>d</sup> premises. You are likewise required to bring at y<sup>e</sup> fame tyme Eliz. Parris Abig<sup>l</sup> Williams Anna Putnam, and Eliz Hubert, or any other person or persons y<sup>t</sup> can giue evidence in y<sup>e</sup> abouef<sup>d</sup> Case.. and hereof you are not to faile.

Dated Salem ffebr<sup>r</sup> 29. 169<sup>½</sup>

JOHN HATHORNE }  
JONATHAN CORWIN } Affists.

To Constable Joseph Herrick Const. in Salem.

*Officer's Return.*

According to this warrant I have apprehended the parsons with In mentioned and haue brought them accordingly and haue made diligent farch for Images and such like but can find none.

Salem Village this 1<sup>st</sup> March 169<sup>½</sup>

p me JOSEPH HERRICK Constable.

*Tituba's Examination.*

Salem Village March 1<sup>st</sup> 1691.

Titiba an Indian woman brought before vs by Const Joseph Herrick of Salem vpon Suspition of witchcraft by her committed according to y<sup>e</sup> complaint of Jos. Hutcheson and Thomas Putnam &c of Salem Village as appears p warrant granted Salem 29 ffebr<sup>y</sup> 169<sup>½</sup> Titiba vpon examination and after some deny all acknowledged y<sup>e</sup> matter of fact according to her examination giuen in more fully will appeare, and who also charged Sarah Good and Sarah Osburne with y<sup>e</sup> fame

Salem Village March y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 169<sup>½</sup>

Sarah Good, Sarah Osborne and Titiba an Indian Woman all of Salem Village being this day brought before vs vpon Suspition of Witchcraft &c by them and every one of them Committed, titibe an Indian woman acknowledging y<sup>e</sup> matter of fact, and Sarah Osburne and Sarah Good denying y<sup>e</sup> fame before vs, but there appearing in all their Examinations sufficient ground to secure them all. And in order to further examination they were all p mittimus sent to y<sup>e</sup> Goale in y<sup>e</sup> County of Effex.

Salem March 2<sup>d</sup> Sarah Osburne againe examined and also titiba as will appear in their Examinations given in

Titiba againe acknowledged y<sup>e</sup> fact and also accuse ye other two.

Titiba againe f<sup>d</sup> y<sup>e</sup> fame.

Salem March 3<sup>d</sup> Sarah Osburn and Titiba Indian againe Examined

y<sup>e</sup> examination now Giuen in Titiba againe f<sup>d</sup> y<sup>e</sup> fame.

Salem March 5<sup>th</sup> Sarah Good and Titiba againe examined, and in their examination, titiba acknowledged y<sup>e</sup> fame she did formerly and accused y<sup>e</sup> other two about<sup>l</sup>

p. vs.                      JOHN HATHORNE } Affists.  
                                 JONATHAN CORWIN }

Salem March the 7<sup>th</sup> 169<sup>½</sup>

Sarah Good, Sarah Osburne, and Titiba an Indian Woman all sent to the Goale in Boston according to their mittimusses then sent: to their Majest<sup>ts</sup> Goale Keeper.

*Examination of Titiba Indian.*

The examination of Titibe.

(H) Titibe whan evil spirit have you familiarity with.

(T) none.

(H) why do you hurt these children.

(T) I do not hurt them.

(H) who is it then.

(T) the devil for ought I know.

(H) Did you never see the devil.

(T) The devil came to me and bid me serve him.

(H) Who have you seen.

(T) Four women sometimes hurt the children.

(H) Who were they.



(T) Goode Osburn and Sarah Good and I doe not know who the other were. Sarah Good and Osburne would have me hurt the children but I would not the further faith there was a tale man of Boston that she did see.

(H) when did you see them.

(T) Last night at Boston.

(H) what did they say to you.  
they said hurt the children

(H) and did you hurt them

(T) no there is 4 women and one man they hurt the children and they lay all upon me and they tell me if I will not hurt the children they will hurt me.

(H) but did you not hurt them

(T) yes, but I will hurt them no more.

(H) are you not sorry you did hurt them.

(T) yes.

(H) and why then doe you hurt them.

(T) they say hurt children or wee will doe worse to you.

(H) what have you seen.

an man come to me and say serve me.

(H) what service.

(T) hurt the children and last night there was an appearance that said kill the children and if I would no go on hurting the children they would do worse to me.

(H) what is this appearance you see.

(T) Sometimes it is like a hog and sometimes like a great dog, this appearance shee faith shee did see 4 times.

(H) what did it say to you

(T) it / the black dog said serve me but I said I am afraid he said if I did not he would do worse to me.

(H) what did you say to it.

(T) I will serve you no longer. then he said he would hurt me and then he looked like a man and threatens to hurt me, shee said that this man had a yellow bird that kept with him and he told me he had more pretty things that he would give me if I would serve him.

(H) what were these pretty things.

(T) he did not show me them.

(H) what also have you seen

(T) two rats, a red rat and a black rat.

(H) what did they say to you.

(T) they said serve me.

(H) when did you see them.

(T) last night and they said serve me, but I said I would not

(H) what service.

(T) shee said hurt the children.

(H) did you not pinch Elizabeth Hubbard this morning

(T) the man brought her to me and made me pinch her

(H) why did you goe to Thomas Putnams last night and hurt his child.

(T) they pull and hall me and make me goe

(H) and what would have you do.

Kill her with a knif.

Left. Fuller and others said at this time when the child saw these persons and was tormented by them that she did complain of a knife, that they would have her cut her head off with a knife.

[H] how did you go

[T] we ride upon stickes and are there presently.

[H] doe you goe through the trees or over them.

[T] we see nothing but are there presently.

[H] why did you not tell your master.

[T] I was afraid they said they would cut of my head if I told.

[H] would you not have hurt others if you could.

[T] They said they would hurt others but they could not

[H] what attendants hath Sarah Good.

[T] a yellow bird and shee would have given me one

[H] what meate did she give it

[T] it did suck her between her fingers.

[H] did not you hurt Mr Currins child

[T] goode good and goode Osburn told that they did hurt Mr Currins child and would have had me hurt him two, but I did not.

[H] what hath Sarah Osburn.

[T] yellow dog, shee had a thing with a head like a woman with 2 legges, and wings. Abigail Williams that lives with her Uncle Parris said that she did see the same creature, and it turned into the shape of Goode Osburn.

[H] what else have you seen with Osburn.

[T] another thing, hairy it goes upright like a man it hath only 2 leggs.

[H] did you not see Sarah Good upon Elizabeth Hubbard, last Saturday.

[T] I did see her set a wolfe upon her to afflict her, the persons with this maid did say that she did complain of a wolfe.

T. shee further faith that shee saw a cat with good at another time.

[H] What cloathes doth the man go in

[T] he goes in black clouthes a tal man with white hair I thinke

[H] How doth the woman go

[T] in a white whood and a black whood with a top knot

[H] doe you see who it is that torments these children now.

[T] yes it is Goode Good, shee hurts them in her own shape

[H] and who is it that hurts them now.

[T] I am blind now. I cannot see.

Salem Village                      Written by Ezekiell Cheevers.  
March the 1<sup>st</sup> 169 $\frac{1}{2}$     Salem Village March 1<sup>st</sup> 169 $\frac{1}{2}$

*Elizabeth Hubbard vs. Tituba.*

The depofytion of Elizabeth Hubbard agged about 17 years who testifieth that on the 25th February  $\frac{1691}{92}$  I saw the Apperifhtion of Tituba Indian which did immediately most greviosly torment me by pricking pinching and almost choking me, and so continued hurting me most greviously by times till the day of hir examination being the first of March and then also at the beginning of hir

examination but as soon as she began to confess, she left off hurting me and has hurt me but little since.

*Ann Putnam v. Tituba Indian.*

The deposition of Ann Putnam who testifieth and saith that on the 25<sup>th</sup> of February 1691-92 I saw the Apparition of Tituba Mr Parishes Indian woman which did torture me most grievously by pricking and pinching me most dreadfully till the first day of March, being the day of her examination, and then also most grievously, also at the beginning of her examination, but since she confessed that she hurt me but little.

*Sam. Parris v. Tituba Indian.*

The deposition of Sam: Parris aged about thirty and nine years, testifyeth and saith that Eliz: Parris jun<sup>r</sup> and Abigail Williams and Ann Putnam jun<sup>r</sup>, and Elizabeth Hubbard. were most grievously and severall times tortured during the examination of Sarah Good, Sarah Osburne and Tituba Indian, before the magistrates at Salem Village, 1 March 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  And the said Tituba being the last of the abovesaid, that was examined, they the above - - - afflicted persons were grievously distressed untill the said Indian began to confess, and then they were immediately all quiet the rest of the said Indian womans examination.



*Tho. Putnam & Ezek Cheevers v. Tituba Indian.*

Also Thomas Putnam aged about fourty years and Ezekiel Cheevers, aged about thirty and six years, testify to the whole of the above - - - - and all the three deponents aforesaid further testify that after the said Indian began to confesse, she was herself very much afflicted and in the face of authority, at the same time and openly charged the above<sup>d</sup> Good and Osburne as the persons that afflicted her the aforesaid Indian.

Salem. May the 23<sup>d</sup> 1692. Before vs.

JOHN HATHORNE

JONATHAN CORWIN

P ord<sup>r</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Govener & Councill

Mr. Paris on his oath owned this to be the truth, before the Juryars for inqwest, this 28 of June, 1692

Jurat in Curia

*Warant vs. Martha Corey.*

Salem, March the 19<sup>th</sup> 169<sup>½</sup>

There being complaint this day made before vs. By Edward Putnam and Henry Keney yeomen both of Salem Village Against Martha Corey the wife of Giles Cory of Salem ffarmes for fuspition of haueing Committed fundry acts of witchcraft, and thereby donn much hurt and injury vnto the bodys of Ann Putnam the wife of Thomas Putnam of Salem Village yeoman. And Anna Putnam y<sup>e</sup> daughter of said Thomas Putnam and Marcy Lewis

Single woman Liueing in sd Putnams famyly also Abigaile Williams one of Mr Parris his family and Elizabeth Hubert Doctor Grigs his maid.

You are therefore in theire Majest<sup>ts</sup> names hereby required to apprehend and bring before vs. Martha Cory the wife of Giles Cory abouefaid, on Monday next, being the 21<sup>st</sup> day of this Instant month at the house of Lt. Nathaniell Ingerfalls. of Salem Village aboute twelve of the Clock in y<sup>e</sup> day, in order to her examination Relateing to the premises and hereof you are not to faile.

Dated. Salem. March. the 19<sup>th</sup>. 169<sup>½</sup>

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| p vs | JOHN HATHORNE   | } Affists. |
|      | JONATHAN CORWIN |            |

To George Herrick Marshall of the County of Effex, or any Constable in Salem.

March. 21<sup>st</sup>. I have taken Martha Cory and brought to y<sup>e</sup> house of Leut. Nath Engersoll where she is in y<sup>e</sup> custody of some persons by mee required, and is forth coming att demand. per mee.

JOSEPH HERRICK, Constable for Salem.

*Indictment v. Martha Cory.*

Province of y<sup>e</sup> Massachusetts Bay in New England.

Anno. Regis. et Reginae Willm. et Maria.

nunc. Anglice & <sup>vs</sup> Quarto.

Effex. ss

The Juror<sup>s</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen p<sup>r</sup>sents, That Martha Corey

wife of Gyles Corey of Salem husbandman, the 21: day of March, in the fourth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary, by the Grace of God, of England, Scotland, France and Ireland King and Queen Defend<sup>rs</sup> of the faith &c. and Divers other Days and times as well before as after certain Detestable Arts called Witchcrafts and forceries, weckedly and feloniously hath vsed, Practised and Exercised at and within the townshipp of Salem, in the County of Essex, aforesd, in vpon and against one Elizabeth Hubbard of Salem singlewoman, by which said wicked arts the said Elizabeth Hubbard, the 21 day of March, in the year abovesd, and Divers other Days and times as well before as after, was and is tortured afflicted Pined Consumed and tormented and also for sundry other acts of witchcraft by said Martha Cory Committed and Cone, before and since that time ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen their Crowne and Dignity and ag<sup>t</sup> the fform of the statute in that case made and provided.

Witneses

Eliz Hubbard & Jury of womens return

Marcy Lewis

Edward Putnam

Ann Putnam

Ezek. Cheever.

*Mittimus v. Martha Cory.*

To the Keeper of their Majes<sup>ts</sup> Goale in Boston.

You are in their Majes<sup>ts</sup> names hereby required to take into your care and safe custody the bodys of

Martha Cory the wife of Giles Cory of Salem  
ffarmes husbandman, Rebecha Nurse the wife of  
ffranc<sup>s</sup> Nurse of Salem Village husbandman, Doro-  
thy Good the daughter of William Good aforefd  
husbandman Sarah Cloyce the wife of Peter Cloyce,  
of Salem Village husbandman, John Proctor of  
Salem ffarmes husbandman, and Elizabeth the wife  
of said John Proctor of Salem ffarmes husbandman,  
who all and every one of them, stand charged in  
behalf of their Majest<sup>ts</sup>, for feloniously commit-  
ting Sundry acts of Witchcrafts lately at Salem  
Village on the bodys of Ann Putnam the daughter  
of Thomas Putnam Abigail Williams Elizabeth  
Hubbert, and others of Salem Village aforefd  
whereby great hurt hath benne donne to their  
bodys Contrary to y<sup>e</sup> peace of our Sou<sup>r</sup> L<sup>d</sup> & Lady  
W<sup>m</sup> and Mary of England &c. King and Queen,  
whome you are all well to secure vntill thay shall  
be delivered by due order of Law and hereof you  
are not to faile

Dated. Boston May 25<sup>th</sup> 1692.

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| p. vs. | JOHN HATHORNE   | } Affists. |
|        | JONATHAN CORWIN |            |

*Summons v. Martha Cory.*

W<sup>m</sup> and Mary by y<sup>e</sup> Grace of God of England  
Scotland France and Ireland, King and Queen  
defenders of y<sup>e</sup> faith &c

|       |                                                  |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------|
| ***** | To y <sup>e</sup> Sheriffe of Effex or deputy or |
| L. S. | Constable or Constables of Salem,                |
| ***** | Topsfield and Boxford. Greeting.                 |

Wee command you and either of you to warn and give notice vnto Jonathan Putnam James Darlin Samuel Abbey of Salem, Daniel Clarke of Topsfield and Samuel Smith of Boxford, Edward Putnam Ezek. Cheever, Jno Parker Sen<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Braybrook, Mary Walcott Ann Putnam Sarah Vibber Marcey Lewis, Elif Hubbard, that they and every of them be at y<sup>e</sup> next Court of Oyer and Terminer, holden at Salem on Twesday next at Twelue of y<sup>e</sup> clock or as soon after as may be there to testify y<sup>e</sup> truth to y<sup>e</sup> best of their knowledge on Seuerall Indictments Exhibited against Mary Easty, and Sarah Cloyce, Giles Corey and Martha Corey his wife. Hereof make return fail not.

Dated in Salem. Sep<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1692, and in y<sup>e</sup> fourth year of Our Reign

STEPHEN SEWALL, Clerk.

*Officer's Return.*

To the Clark of Salem. I have accordenely to warrent Summond danile clarke of Topsfield. And Samuel Smith of Boxford

JOSEPH ANDREWS Constable  
of Boxford.

*Ephraim Sheldon v. Martha Cory.*

The deposition of Ephraim Sheldon aged Apr. 10<sup>th</sup>: 92. 20 years, who testefieth and faith I this deponent being at the house of Lewetent Ingerfol when Mercy lewes was in one of her fits I heard



her cry out of Goodwife Cloyce and when she came to herselfe she was asked who she saw, she answered she saw nobody, they demanded of her whether or noe she did not see Goodwife Nurse or Goodwife Cloyce, or Goodwife Gory she answered she saw no body.

*Samuel Parris, Nathaniel Ingersoll and Thomas Putnam v. Martha Corey.*

The deposition of Sam: Parris aged about 39 years and Nathanall Ingersoll aged about fifty and eight yeares and Thomas Putnam aged about forty yeares all of Salem. testifyeth and saith that severall of the bewitched persons were much afflicted at the examination of Martha Kory wife to Giles Kory of Salem. before the honoured magistrates 21 March 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  and particularly that before her hands were held severall of the afflicted were pincht and when said Martha bit her lip severall of them were bitten: and that some of the afflicted said there was a black man whispering in her ear namely Mary Walcot and Abigail Williams both of which also were bit and pincht by her as they said.

*Giles Corey v. Martha Corey.*

The evidence of Giles Choree testifyeth and saith y<sup>t</sup> last Satturday in the Evening Sitting by the fire my wife asked me to go to bed. I told I would go to prayer and when I went to prayer I could not utter my desires w<sup>h</sup> any sence, not open my

mouth to speake, my wife did perceive itt and came towards me and said she was coming to me. After this in a little space I did according TO MY MEASURE attend the duty.

Sometime last weeke I ficht an ox well out of the woods about noone and he lay ng down in the yard. I went to raise him to yoake him, but he could not rise but dragd his HINDER PARTS as if he had been hipt shott, butt after did rise. I had a catt sometimes last weeke strangely taken on the suddain, and did make me think she would have died presently my wife bid me knock her in the head butt I did not and since SHE IS WELL.

Another time going to duties I was interrupted for a space butt AFTERWARD I was helpt according to my poore measure. My wife hath ben wont to sett up after I went to bed and I have perceived her to kneel down on the harth as if she were at prayer but heard nothing

March 24<sup>th</sup> 169<sup>½</sup>.

*Edward Putnam & Eliziel Cheever v. Martha Corey.*

The deposition of Edward Putnam, aged about 36 years and Ezekiel Cheever aged about 37 years testifieth and sayeth that wee being often complained unto by An Putnam that Goode Corie. did often appear to her, and tortor her by pinching and otherways thought it our duty to goe to her and see what shee would say to this complaint shee being in church covenant with us.

And according upon the 12<sup>th</sup> day of March

about ten of the clock we appointed to goe about the middle afternoon, and we desired Ann Putnam to take good notice of what cloathes Goode Corie came in that so we might see whither she was not mistaken in the person, and accordingly wee went to the house of Thomas Putnam before we went to Goode Corie to see what An could say about her cloathes, and she told us that presently after we had told her that we would goe and talke with Goode Corie. shee came and blinded her but told her that her name was Corie and that shee should see her no more before it was night, because shee should not tell us what cloathes shee had on, and then shee would come again and pay her off. then wee went both of us away from the home of Thomas Putnam to the house of Giles Corie, where we found go the abovesaid Corie all alone in her house, and as soone as we came in in a smiling manner shee sayeth, I know what you are come for, you are come to talke with me about being a witch, but I am none I cannot helpe peeples talking of me. Edward Putnam answered her that it was the afflicted person that did complain of her, that was the occasion of our coming to her, shee presently replied but does she tell you what cloathes I have on, we made her no answer to this at her first asking, whereupon shee asked us again with very great eagerness, but does shee tell you what cloathes I have on. at which questions with that eagerness of mind with which shee did aske made us to thinke of what An Putnam had told us before wee went

to her, and wee told her no shee did not, for shee told us that you came and blinded her and told her that shee should see you no more before it was night that so shee might not tell us what cloathes you had on, shee made but little answer to this but seemed to smile at it as if she had showed us a pretty trick.

Wee had a great deal of talke with her about the complaint that was of her, and how greatly the name of God and religion and the church was dishonored by this meanes, but shee seemed to be no ways concerned for any thing about it but only to stop the mouthes of peeple that they might not say thus of her, shee told us that shee did not thinke that there were any witches, wee told her we were fully satisfied about the first three that they were such persons they were accused for, shee said if they were wee could not blame the devill for making witches of them, for they were idle sloathfull persons and minded nothing that was good. but we had no reason to thinke so of her, for shee had made a profession of Christ and rejoyced to go and hear the word of God. and the like. but wee told her it was not her making an outward profession that would clear her from being a witch, for it had often been so in the wourld that witches had crept into the churches. much more discourse we had with her, but shee made her profession a cloake to cover all, shee further told us that the devill was come down amongst us in great rage, and that God had forsaken the earth, and after much discourse with her being

to much here to be related, we returned to the house of the abovesaid Thomas Putnam and we found that shee had done as she said shee would for she came not to hurt the abovesaid Putnam as Ann Putnam told us all this time but after we were gone we understand that shee came again as shee did use to doe before greatly afflicting of her.

We doe further testify that vpon her examination she according to what was said of her that shee would open thee yes of the magistrates and ministers, so shee did for shee made a most clear discovery witchcraft for by biting her lip it was observed that the afflicted persons were bit when that was discovered then we observed that she would pinch them by nipping her fingers together, and when that was discovered, and her hands held, then shee afflict them by working with her foot, and when that was discovered then shee pressed upon the seate with her breast and Mistris Pope. was greatly afflicted by great pressure upon her stomack.

Jurat in Curia. Sept. 8. 92.

Mr. Ezekells Cheevers affirmd to ye Jury of Inquest that he saw Martha wife to Giles Cory examined before ye Magistrates, at which time he observed that y<sup>e</sup> sd Cory sometimes did bite her lip and when she bit her lip Mercy Lewis and Eliza<sup>th</sup> Hubbard and others of y<sup>e</sup> afflicted persons, were bitten, also when sd Cory pinched her fingers together, then Mercy Lewis and Elizabeth Hubbard and others were pinched, and according to y<sup>e</sup> motions of sd Martha Coryes body, so was y<sup>e</sup> afflicted



persons afflicted, this he affirmed to be true according to y<sup>e</sup> best of his observation. Mr Edward Putnam affirmed y<sup>e</sup> same to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inquest, that Mr Cheever doth. Mr. Thomas Putnam affirmed ye same all upon oathe all of them.

*Indictment vs. Jno. Proctor No 1.*

Anne Regis et Reginee Willm : et Mariee. nunc :  
Anglice &c. Quarto.

Effex. ss.

The Juro<sup>vs</sup> for for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen p<sup>es</sup>ents, That John Procter of Salem Husbandman , in the County of Effex. the eleventh day of Aprill in the fourth year of the Reegne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady, William and Mary by the Grace of God of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland King and Queen defenders of the ffaith &c. And divers other dayes and times as well before as after Certaine detestable acts called witchcraft and forceries wickedly and ffellon iously hath used Practised and exercised al and within the towneship of Salem in the County of Effex. aforefaid, in vpon and ag<sup>t</sup> one Mary Wolcott of Salem Village in y<sup>e</sup> County of Effex. Singlewoman. by which faid wicked arts, the faid Mary Wolcott the 11<sup>th</sup> day Aprill in the year abovesaid and Divers other Dayes and times as well before as after was and is tortured. afflicted Pined Consumed wasted tormented ag<sup>t</sup> the peace of our Sovereigne Lord

and Lady the King and Queen and ag<sup>t</sup> the form of the Statute in that case made and provided.

Witneſſes Mary Wolcott Jurat

Mercy Lewis. Jurat. Ann Putnam  
Jurat.

*Indictment v. Jno Procter No 2.*

Anno Regis. et Reginee. Willm et Mariee  
nunc Anglice. &c. Quarto.

Essex ss.

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen p<sup>e</sup>ſents, that John Procter of Salem in y<sup>e</sup> County of Essex, in New England, husbandman the 11<sup>th</sup> day of Aprill. in the forth year of the Reigne of our Sovereign Lord and Lady William and Mary by the Grace of God of England, Scotland France and Ireland King and Queen defenders of the ffaith &c. and Divers other days and times as well before as after certaine Detestable arts called witchcrafts and forceries wickedly and feloniously hath vsed practised and Exercised at and within the township of Salem in the County of Essex aforesd, in vpon and against one Mercy Lewis of Salem Village in y<sup>e</sup> County of Essex, aforesd singlewoman by which said wicked arts the said Mercy Lewis, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of Aprill in the forth year abouesd. and Divers other Days and times as well before as after, was and is tortured afflicted Pined consumed, wasted and tormented, and also for sundry other acts of witchcrafts by said John Proctor committed and done before and since that time ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of

our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen  
and against the form of the Statute in that case  
made and provided.

Witnesse

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| Mercy Lewis | } | Sworne |
| Ann Putnam  |   |        |

*Indictment v. John Procter. No 3.*

Anno Regis et Reginee. Willm et Mariee nunc  
Anglice &c. Quarto.

Effex. ss.

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the  
King and Queen p<sup>e</sup>sents that John Procter of Salem  
in ye County of Effex, husbandman the 26<sup>th</sup> Day  
of March in the fourth Year of the Reigne of our  
Sovereign Lord and Lady William and Mary by  
the Grace of God of England, Scotland ffrance  
and Ireland. King and Queen Defenders of the  
ffaith &c. and Divers other Days and times as well  
before as after certaine detestable arts called witch-  
crafts and forceries wickedly and ffelloniously hath  
vsed Practised and Exercised at and within the  
township of Salem in the County of Effex. Afores<sup>d</sup>  
in vpon and ag<sup>t</sup> one Mary Warren of Salem in ye  
County of Effex, singlewoman, by wich said wicked  
arts the said Mary Warren the twenty sixth Day of  
March in the fourth year abovesaid and Divers  
other Days and times as well before as after was  
and is tortured, afflicted pined Consumed, waisted  
and tormented ag<sup>t</sup> the peace of our Sovereign Lord

and Lady the King and Queen and ag<sup>t</sup> the fform  
of the statute in that case made and provided.

Witnesſes Mary Warren Jurat. Mary Wolcott  
Jurat.

*Return of Searching Committee v. John Proctor and  
John Willard.*

We whose names vnder written haueing ſearched  
y<sup>e</sup> bodyes of John Proctor ſen<sup>r</sup> and John Willard  
now in y<sup>e</sup> Goale and doe not find anything to far-  
ther ſuſpect them.

Dated June 2. 1692.

N Roudel ap<sup>re</sup>teſtis

John Rogers.

Joſhua Rea Jun<sup>r</sup>.

John Cooke.

J. Barton Chyrge

John Gyles.

William Hyne.

Ezekel Cheever.

The morning after y<sup>e</sup> examination of Goody  
Nurſe Sam Sibley met John Proctor, about Mr  
Phillips we called to ſaid Sibley as he was going to  
ſd Phillips and aſkt how y<sup>e</sup> folks did at the village.  
He answered he heard they were very bad laſt  
night, but he had heard nothing this morning.  
Proctor replied he was going to fetch home his  
jade, he left her there laſt night and had rather  
given 40 c than let her come up, ſd Tibley aſkt  
why he talkt ſo. Proctor replied if thay were let  
alone fr. we ſhould all be devills and witches quickly  
they ſhould rather be had to the whipping poſt,  
but he would fetch his jade home and thruſt the  
Devil out of her and more to the like purpoſe cry-  
ing hang them, hang them. And alſo added that

when she was first taken with fits he kept her close to the wheile and thrdtend to thresh her, and then she had no more fits till the next day he was gone forth and then she must have her fits again forsooth &c.

Jurat in Curia.

Proctor ownes he meant Mary Warren.

Attest.

ST. SEWALL. Cler.

*Abigail Williams v. John Proctor.*

1692. Apr. 4. *Abig Williams.* complained of Goodm. *Proctor* and cryed out w<sup>t</sup> are you come to, are you come to you can pinch as well as your wife and more to that purpose.

6. At night she complained of Goodm *Proctor* again, and beat upon her breast and cryed he pinched her.

The like I hear at Tho: Putmans house.

12. Day. when the marshall was sent up to enquire of John *Proctor* and the others, and I was writing some what there of as above I met with nothing but interruptions by reason of fits vpon John Indian and Abigail, and Mary Wolcott happening to come in just before, they one and another cryed out there is Goodm: *Proctor* very often, and Abigail said there is Goodm: *Proctor* in the magistrates lap. at the same time Mary Wolcott was sitting by a knitting, we askt her if she saw Goodm: *Proctor*, [for Abigail was immediately seized with a fit] but she was deaf and dumb, yet still a knitting. then Mary recovered herselfe and



confirmed what Abigail had said that Goodm Proctor she saw in the magistrates lap, Then John cried out to the Dog under the table to come away for Goodm Proctor was upon his back; then he cried out of Goody Cloyce, O you old witch, and fell immediately into a violent fit that 3 men and the marshall could not without exceeding difficulty hold him. In which fit Mary Walcott that was knitting and well composed, said there was Goodm. Proctor and his wife and Goody Cloyse helping of him, but so great were the interruptions of John and Abigail by fits while we were observing these things to notify them, that we were fain to send them both away that I might have liberty to write this without disturbance, Mary Walcott abiding composed and knitting whilst I was writing and the two other sent away, yet by and by whilst I was writing Mary Walcott said there Goody Cloyse has pincht me now

Note Mary Walcott never saw Proctor nor his wife till last night coming from the examination at Salem and then she saw Goody Proctor behind her brother Jonathan all the way from the widow Gidneys to Phillips, where Jonathan made a little stay, But this day and time I have been writing this, she saw them many times.

Note Just now as soon as I had made an end of reading this to the Marshall, Mary W\*\*\*\*\* immediately cried O yonder is Good: Proctor and his wife and Goody Nurse and Goody Korey and G\*\*\*\*\* Cloyse and Goods child and then said O

Goodm: Proctor is going to choake me and immediately she was choaked.

Munday 11<sup>th</sup> 111 ditto. Lut. Nath: Ingersoll declared y<sup>t</sup> John Proctor tould Joseph Pope, y<sup>t</sup> if hee hade John Indian in his Custody hee would svone beat y<sup>e</sup> devell out of him, and so said severall others.

*Sarah Vibber v. John Proctor.*

The deposition of Sarah Vibber agged about 36 years who testifieth and saith, that on the 3 June 1692. Jno: Proctor: sen<sup>r</sup>: came to me and did most grievously. torment me by pinching pricking and almost pressing me to death urging me to drink drink as red as blood, which I refusing he did tortor me with variety of tortors and immediately he vanished away also on the same day I saw Jno Proctor most grievously tortor Susanna Sheldon by claping his hands on her throat and almost choaking hir, also severall times sence Jno Proctor sen<sup>r</sup> has most grievously tortured me a grat many times with a variety of tortors,

Sara Vibber owned this har testimony to be the truth on har oath before the Juriars of Inquest this 30: of June. 1692.

Jurat in Curia.

*Mary Warren v. Jno. Proctor.*

Mary Warrens Confession ag<sup>t</sup> Jo: Proctor & vp Charges them personally to cause her to signe or make a mark in there book and both of them com-

mitting acts of witchcraft. & being so & personally threatened the exmt with tortures if she would not signe & since con\*\*\*\*\* have of times afflicted & tormented her. large in her confessions vide.

*Elizabeth Hubbard v. Jno. Procter.*

The deposition of Elizabeth Hubbard agged about 17 years, who testifieth and saith that I never saw the Apperishtion of Jno: Proctor sen<sup>r</sup> before the day of his examination which was the 11<sup>th</sup> April. 1692. but sence that the Apperishtion of Jno Proctor senr. has most greivously afflicted me, a grat many times by pinching pricking and beating me almost choaking me to death urging me vehemently to writ in his book.

<sup>mark</sup>  
Eliz † Hubbard

Jurat in Curia.

*Ann Putnam Jr. v. Jno. Procter.*

The deposition of Ann Putnam Jun<sup>r</sup> who testifieth and saith I have often seen the Apperishtion of Jno Proctor senr. Amongst the witches but he did not doe me much hurt tell a little before his examination which was on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April 1692. And then he set upon me most greivously and did tortor me most dreadfully, also in the time of his examination he afflicted me very much, and feuerall times sence the Apperishtion of John Proctor seur, has most greivously tortured me by pinching and allmost choaking me urging me vehemently to writ

in his book. also on the day of his examination I saw the apparition of Jno: Proctor sen<sup>r</sup>. goe and afflict and most grievously tortor the bodys of Mistris Pope. Mary Walcott Mercy Lewis. Abgail Williams and Jno Indian and he and his wife and Sarah Cloyes kept Elizabeth Hubbard speechless all the time of their axamination.

Ann <sup>mark</sup> † Putnam

Ann Putnam owned what is above written vpon oath before and vnto y<sup>e</sup> Grand inquest on the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1692.

*Sam: Parris Nath<sup>l</sup> Ingersoll. and Thomas Putnam  
v. Jno: Procter.*

The deposition of Sam: Parris. aged about 39 years and Nathanael Ingersoll. aged about fifty and eight years and also. Thomas Putman aged about fourty years all of Salem.

testifieth

and faith that divers of the afflicted by witchcraft were much tortured at the examination of John Proctor of Salem. Farmer. before the honoured Magistates the 11<sup>th</sup> April 1692. And particularly when Mr Joseph Popes wife was severall times afflicted Ann Putman junr. and Abgail Williams testified that it was by John Proctor aforesaid and his wife Elizabeth and also when Mercy Lewes was much afflicted at the same examination, said Ann witnessed that it was by said Proctor and his wife and Goody Cloyse also when Goody Bibber was

much afflicted Abig: Williams just before cryed out there is Goodman Proctor going to hurt Goody Bibber, and also said Abigail cryed out there is Goodman Proctor going to hurt Mary Walcot and immediatly Mary Walcot was seised with a violent fit

*Mary Warren v John Procter.*

The deposition of Mary Warrin aged 20 years he testifieth. I have seen the apparition of John Proctor sen<sup>r</sup>. among the wiches and he hath often tortured me by penching me and biting me and choakeing me, and pressing me one my Stomack tell the blood came out of my mouth and also I saw him tortor Mis Poap and Marcey lues and John Indian a pon the day of his examination and he hath also tempted me to right in his book. and to eat braid which he brought to me, which I refuseing to doe, Jno Proctor did most greivously tortor me with variety of tortures, allmost Redy to kill me.

Mary Warrin owned the above written vpon her oath before and vnto y<sup>e</sup> Grand Inquest on ye 30 Day of June 1692

*Elizabeth Booth v. Jno: Proctor.*

The deposition of Eliz: Booth agge 18 years who testifieth and saith that sence I have been afflicted I have been most greivously tormented by my neighbor John Proctor sen<sup>r</sup> or his appearance also I have seen John Proctor sen<sup>r</sup> or his appearance most greivously torment and afflict Mary



Walcott Mercey lewes and Ann Putnam Jun<sup>r</sup> by pinching twisting and almost choaking them.

Jurat in Curia

*Thomas Putnam & Jno Putnam v. Jno. Proctor.*

The deposition of Thomas Putnam agged about 40 years and John Putnam aged 36 yeares who testifieth and faith that we haveing ben conversant with divrs of the afflicted parsons as Mary Lewes Abigail Williams and Ann Putnam and Elizabeth Hubbert, and have seen them most greivously tormented and often complaining of John Proctor for hurting them, also on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April 1692. being the day of John Proctors examination the afforenamed parsons were much afflicted dureing the time of his examination also severall times sence we have seen the afforesaid parsons most dreadfully afflicted and complaining of John Proctor for hurting them and we verly beleive that John Proctor the prisoner att the barr has many times afflicted and tormented the affore said parsons by acts of witchcraft.

Thomas Putnam.

Jon Putnam.

Jurat in Curia.

*Abigail Williams v. Jno. Proctor.*

The testimony of Abigail Williams witnesseth and faith that divers times in the month of April. last past. And particularly on the 4: 6: cleven & 13:

days of the same month she the said Abigail hath been much vexed with the apparition of John Proctor senior of Salem Husbandman, by which apparition she the said Abigail hath been often pinch<sup>t</sup> and otherwise tortured.

May 31. 1692. Attested before.

*Mary Walcott & Eliz Hubbard v. John Proctor.*

The deposition of Mary Walcutt and Elizabeth Hubbard, sd that on the 29th of May 1692. we came to see James Holton, how lay greuefely tormented and we then saw John Proctor, and his wife his son W<sup>m</sup> Proctor, Sarah Proctor, and all of them a presing of him to there hands one his stomach and tormenting of him most greuefely and then quickly after they fell vpon vs, and afflicted vs. most dredfully for a considerable time.

Jurat in Curia by both

*James Holton v. John Proctor.*

James Holton testifieth and sd. that as soon as Mary Walcutt and Elizabeth Hubbard was afflicted that at that same time I had ease of my pains.

Jurat in Curia.

*Petition in Favor of Jno. Proctor and Wife.*

The Humble & Sincere Declaration of us Subscribers Inhabitants in Ipswich on y<sup>e</sup> behalf of o<sup>r</sup> Neighb<sup>rs</sup>. Jn<sup>o</sup> Proctor and his wife now in Trouble and und<sup>r</sup> Suspition of Witchcraft.

Too the Hon<sup>r</sup>able Court of Affistants now sitting  
In Boston.

Hon<sup>r</sup>ed & Right Worshipfull

The foresd John Proctor. may have great reason to Justifie the Divine Sovereigntie of God under those severe Remarqs of Providence upon his Piece and Hon<sup>r</sup> und<sup>r</sup> a due reflection upon his lese past And so the best of us have reason to Adoar the Great Pittie and Indulgence of Gods Providence that we are not exposed to the utmost shame y<sup>t</sup> the Divell can Invent und<sup>r</sup> the p<sup>e</sup>missions of Sovereigntie tho not for y<sup>t</sup> sin fore named y<sup>t</sup> for our many Transgretions for we do at present suppose it may be A Method w<sup>th</sup> in the Seveerer But Just Transactions of the Infinite Majestie of God y<sup>t</sup> he sometimes may permitt Sathan to p<sup>r</sup>sonate, Dissemble and thereby abuse innocents, and such as Do in the fear of God Defie the Devill and all his works. The Great Rage he is p<sup>r</sup>mitted to attempt holy Job w<sup>th</sup> The abuse he does the famous Samuel in Defquieting his silent Dust by Shaddowing his venerable p<sup>r</sup>son in answer to the charms of Witchcraft. and other instances from Good hands may be Arg<sup>d</sup> Besides, the unsearchable foot stepps of God's Judgments, y<sup>t</sup> are brught to Light every morning y<sup>t</sup> Astonish or weaker Reasons, To teach us Adoration Trembling and Dependance &c But.

We must not Trouble your Hon<sup>rs</sup> by Being Tedious, Therefore we being smitten with the Notice of what hath happened, we Recon it w<sup>th</sup> in the Duties of or Charitie, that Teacheth us to do

as we would be done by; to offer thus much for the Clearing of o<sup>r</sup> Neighb<sup>rs</sup> Inocencie: viz: That we never had the least knowledge of such a Nefarious wickedness, in o<sup>r</sup> said Neighbours, since they have been w<sup>thin</sup> o<sup>r</sup> acquaintance. Neither do we remember any such thoughts in us concerning them, or any action by them. or either of them. Directly tending that way no more than might be in the lives of any other p<sup>rs</sup>ons, of the Clearest Reputation as to any such Evills. What God may have left them to, we cannot go into Gods pavilions Cloathed w<sup>th</sup>e Cloudes of Darknes, Round About.

But as to what we have ever seen or heard of them upon o<sup>r</sup> consciences we Judge them Innocent of the crime objected.

His Breeding hath been amongst us and was of Religious Parents in o<sup>r</sup> place, and by reason of Relations and Properties w<sup>thin</sup> o<sup>r</sup> Towne hath had constant intercourse w<sup>th</sup> us.

We speak upon o<sup>r</sup> p<sup>rs</sup>onall acquaintance and observations: and so leave our neighbours and this our Testimonie on their behalfe to the wise thoughts of y<sup>r</sup> Honours. &c.

Subscribe &c.

William Story Senr.

Isaac Foster.

Frienalld—.—Foster.

John Barnam junr

Thom<sup>s</sup> Chote

William Goodhue

John Burnham s<sup>r</sup>

Isaac Perkins.

William Thomfonn.

Nathaniell Oershins

Tho: Low Sen<sup>r</sup>

Thomas Wilkins.

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| William Cogswell.              | Benjamin Marshall |
| Thomas Varny.                  | John Andrews jr   |
| John Fellows.                  | William Bullen    |
| John Wife.                     | William Andrews.  |
| William Cogswell j in          | John Andrews.     |
| Jonathan Cogswell.             | John Chote fer    |
| John Cogswell jun <sup>r</sup> | Joseph Proctor.   |
| John Cogswell                  | Samuel Giddings   |
| Thomas Andrews                 | Joseph Eveleth.   |
| Joseph Andrews                 | James White.      |

*Warrant v. Dorcas Good.*

To the Marshall of Effex or his Dept.

You are in theire Majests names hereby required to bring before vs. Dorcas Good the Daughter of W<sup>m</sup> Good of Salem Village tomorrow morning vpon suspition of acts of witchcraft by her committed according to complaints made against her by Edw<sup>d</sup> Putman and Jona<sup>t</sup> Putnam of Salem Village and here of faile not.

Dated Salem. March 23<sup>d</sup> 169<sup>½</sup>

pvs      JOHN HATHORNE } Affists.  
             JONATHAN CORWIN }

March 23<sup>d</sup>. 169<sup>½</sup>. I doe apoint Mr San<sup>ee</sup> Bra-  
brook to bee my lawfull Deputy, to serve this sum-  
ons and to make a true returne.

p<sup>r</sup>. GEORGE HERRICK Marshall of Effex.

*Officer's Return.*

March 24. 169<sup>½</sup> I have taken y<sup>e</sup> body of Dor-



cas Good, and sent her to y<sup>e</sup> house of Leut Nath Ingersol, and is in custody.

\*\*\* mee SAMEWELL BRABROOK  
Barshall's Deputy.

*Mercy Lewis v. Dorcas Good.*

The deposition of Mercy lewes aged about 19 years who testifieth and saith, that on the 3<sup>d</sup> April 1692. the Apperishtion of Dorrithy Cood, Sarah Goods daughter came to me and did afflect me urging me to writ in hir book and feuerall times fence Dorithy Good hath afflected me biting pinching and choaking me urging me to writ in hir book.

*Mary Walcot v. Dorcas Good.*

The deposition of Mary Walcot aged about 17 years who testifieth that about the 21. March  $\frac{1691}{92}$  I saw the Apperishtion of Dorothy Good. Sarah Goods daughter com to me and bit me, and pinch me and so she continued afflecting me by times tell 24 March being the day of hir examination and then she did torment and afflect me most grievously during the time of hir examination and also feuerall times fence the Apperishtion of Dorothy Good has afflected me by biting pinching and almost choaking me. urging me to writ in hir book.

*Ann Putnam v. Dorcas Good.*

The deposition of Ann Putnam who testifieth and saith that on the 3<sup>th</sup> March  $\frac{1691}{92}$  I saw the Apperishtion of Dorythy Good Sarah Good's daughter

who did immediately almost choak me and tortured me most grievously, and so she hath severall times since tortured me by biting and pinching and almost choaking me tempting me also to writ in hir book, and also on the day of hir examination being the 24th March 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  the Apperishtion of Dorithy Good did most grievously tortor me dureing the time of hir Examination and severall times since.

*Warrant v. Rebecca Nurse.*

To the Marshall of Effex. or his deputie.

There Being complaint this day made (before vs by Edward Putnam and Jonathan Putnam yeomen both of Salem Village, against Rebecca Nurse the wife of fran<sup>cs</sup> Nurse of Salem Village for vehement suspection of haueing committed Sundry acts of witchcraft and thereby haueing donne much hurt and Injury to the Bodys of Ann Putnam the wife of Thomas Putnam of Salem Village and Ann Putnam y<sup>e</sup> daughter of said Thomas Putnam and Abigail Williams &c.

You are therefore in their Majesties names hereby required to apprehend and bring before vs. Rebecca Nurse the wife of ffron<sup>c</sup> Nurse of Salem Village to Morrow aboute Eight of y<sup>e</sup> clock in the afternoon at the house of Leut Nathaniell Ingersoll. in Salem Village in order to her examination Relateing to y<sup>e</sup> abouesd premises and hereof you are not to faile Salem. March. the 23<sup>d</sup> 169 $\frac{1}{2}$

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| p vs | JOHN HATHORNE   | } Affists. |
|      | JONATHAN CORWIN |            |

March 24<sup>th</sup> 169 $\frac{1}{2}$ . I have apprehended y<sup>e</sup> body  
of Rebeca Nurse and brought her to y<sup>e</sup> house of  
Leut. Nath : Ingersal where shee is in Custody  
p<sup>r</sup> GEORGE HERRICK Marshall of Essex.

*Indictment v. Rebecca Nurse No. 1.*

Anno Regni Regis et Reginee et Marice nunc  
Anglice &<sup>t</sup> Quarto.

Essex. ss.

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady  
the King and Queen p<sup>es</sup>ents that Rebecca Nurse  
the wife of ffrancis Nurse se of Salem Village. in  
the County of Essex. husb. the four and twentieth  
day of March in the ffourth year, of the Reigne of  
our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary  
by the Grace of God of England Scotland ffrance  
and Ireland King and Queen defend<sup>rs</sup> of the ffaith  
&<sup>c</sup>. and divers other days and times as well before  
as after certaine detestable arts called Witchcraft  
and Sorceries wickedly and ffelloniously hath vsed  
practised and exercised at and within the Towneship  
of Salem, in the County of Essex aforesaid, in upon  
and ag<sup>t</sup> one Ann Puttnam Jun<sup>r</sup> of Salem Village  
afores'd in the County afores'd single-woman, by  
w<sup>ch</sup> said wicked arts the said Ann Puttnam Jun<sup>r</sup>  
the fd four and twentieth day of March in the fourth  
year aboves'd and Divers other days and times as well  
before asafter and is hurt, tortured afflicted consumed  
Pined wasted and tormented ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of our  
said Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King & Queen

and ag<sup>t</sup> the fforme of the statute in that case made and provided.

Witneffes.

Ann Puttnam Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Mary Walcott

Abigail Williams.

Elizabeth Hubbard.

*Endorsement.*

Memorand<sup>m</sup>.

In this Trayall are Twenty Papers, besides this Judgment. and there were in this tryall as well as other Tryalls of y<sup>e</sup> same nature severall evidences viva voce which were not written and so I can give no copies of them, some ffor and some against y<sup>e</sup> parties some of y<sup>e</sup> confessions did also mention this and other persons in their severa<sup>l</sup> declarations which being premised and considered y<sup>e</sup> sd 20 papers herewith fild. is y<sup>e</sup> whole Tryall

Attest.

STEPH. SEWALL, Cler

Copy of y<sup>e</sup> above wrote on y<sup>e</sup> Judgment w<sup>ch</sup> I gave out to y<sup>e</sup> Nurfs.

Bill Avara John Rucke fforman in the nam of the Rest.

*Indictment v. Rebecca Nurse No. 2.*

Anno Regni Regis et Reginee, et Marice nunc :

Anglice &<sup>t</sup> Quarto :

Effex. ss :

The Juror<sup>s</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord & Lady the King and Queen presehts. that Rebecca Nurse the wife of ffrancis Nurse sen<sup>r</sup>. of Salem Village in the County of Effex, husb. the four and twentieth day

of March in the ffourth year of the Reign of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William & Mary by the Grace of God of England Scotland ffance and Ireland, King and Queen defenders of the ffaith &<sup>t</sup> and divers other Dayes and times as well before as after certaine detestable arts called witchcrafts and Sorceries, wickedly and feloniously vsed Practised and Exercised at and within the township of Salem, in the County of Effex aforesd. in and upon and ag<sup>t</sup>. one Mary Walcott of Salem Village aforesd. in the County aforesd. husb. by w<sup>ch</sup> said wicked arts y<sup>e</sup> said Mary Walcott the sd four & twentieth Day of March in the fforth year abouesd. and Divers other Days and times as well before as after was and is hurt tortured afflicted consumed Pined, wasted and tormented ag<sup>t</sup>: the peace of our sd Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen, and ag<sup>t</sup> the forme of the statute in that Case made and Provided.

Witneses.

Mary Walcott.

Ann Putnam jun<sup>r</sup>.

Abigaile Williams

Elizabeth Hubbard

*Endorsement.*

Bill. Avara. John Rucke fforman in in the nam  
of the Rest.

*Indictment v. Rebecca Nurse No. 3.*

Anno Regni Regis et Reginee et Mariee nunc :

Anglice &<sup>c</sup> Quarto :

Effex ss.

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord & Lady the



King and Queen p<sup>re</sup>sents, that Rebecca Nurse the wife of ffrancis Nurse sen<sup>r</sup> of Salem village in the County of Effex, husb: the four and twentieth day of March. in the ffourth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary, by the Grace of God of England, Scotland france and Ireland King and Queen Defend<sup>rs</sup> of the ffaith &<sup>d</sup> and Divers Dayes and times as well before as after, certaine Detestable arts of witchcrafts and forceries, wickedly and ffelloniously hath vsed practised and Exercised, al and within the towneship of Salem, in the County of Effex aforefd. in upon and ag<sup>t</sup> one Elizabeth Hubbard of Salem Village aforefd. in the County aforefd. Singlewoman, the fd four and twentieth day of March, in the ffourth year abouesfd. and divers other Dayes and times as well before as after was and is hurt tortured afflicted Pined wasted consumed and tormented ag<sup>t</sup>: the Peace of our fd Sovereigne Lord and Lady y<sup>e</sup> King and Queen and ag<sup>t</sup> the forme of the statute in that case made and Provided.

Witneffes.

Elizabeth Hubbard.

Abigail Williams

Mary Walcott.

Ann Putnam Jun<sup>r</sup>.

*Endorsement.*

Bill Avara. John Rucke fforman in the name of the Rest.

*Indictment vs. Rebecca Nurse No. 4.*

Annno Regni Regis et Reginee et Mariee nunc Anglice & Quarto:

Essex: ss:

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen p<sup>r</sup>sents. That Rebeckah Nurse the wife of ffrancis Nurse fen<sup>r</sup> of Salem Village in the County of Essex. husb. the four and twentieth Day of March in the ffourth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by the Grace of God of England, Scotland ffrance and Ireland, King and Queen Defenders of the ffaith &<sup>r</sup> and divers other Days and times as well before as after certaine detestable acts called witchcrafts, and Sorceries wickedly and ffelloniously hath vsed practised and exercised at and within the towneship of Salem in the County of Essex. afore-  
sd: in vpon and against one Abigail Williams of Salem Village afore<sup>d</sup>. singlewoman, by which said wicked arts the said Abigail Williams the said four and twentyeth Day of March in the ffourth year abou<sup>d</sup> and divers other Dayes and times as well before as after was and is hurt tortured Afflicted consumed Pined wasted and tormented ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace. of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen and ag<sup>t</sup> the forme of the statute in that case made and Provided,

Witneses.

Abigail Williams  
Mary Walcott

Elizabeth Hubbard.  
Ann Puttnam Jun<sup>r</sup>.

*Endorsement.*

Bill. Avara John John Ruck fforeman in the name of the Rest.

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*Summons vs. Rebecca Nurse.*

William and Mary by y<sup>e</sup> Grace of God of England &c.

To Abigail Williams Ann Putnam Mercy Lewi,  
Elizabeth Hubbard, Mary Walcott, Ann Putnam  
sen<sup>r</sup>. Sufanna Sheldon, uill comand that they and  
every of them all excuses set aside appear before  
theire Maj'ties Justices of Court of Oyer and Termi-  
ner Holden this present Thursday being 2<sup>d</sup> June.  
at eight of y<sup>e</sup> clock in y<sup>e</sup> morning to Testifie y<sup>e</sup>  
truth of what they know, vpon certain Endictments  
Exhibited at our Id Court on behalfe of our Sove-  
reigne agt. Rebecka Nurse here of fail not at your  
perill. and make return.

Stephen Sewall, cler.

To y<sup>e</sup> Conftable of Salem.

*Officers return.*

I have summoned the within written persons.  
by me John Putnam of Salem Conftable.

*Examination of Rebecca Nurse.*

The Examination of Rebeckah Nurse at Salem  
Village 24. Mar. 169 $\frac{1}{2}$ ,

Mr Harthorn. Wat do you say (speaking to one  
afflicted) have you seen this woman hurt you.

yes, she beat me this morning.

Abigail. have you been hurt by this woman?

Yes.

Ann Putnam in a grevous fit cryed out that she hurt her.

Goody Nurse: here are two: An: Putnam the child and Abigail Williams, complains of your hurting them What do you say to it

N. I can say before my Eternal Father I am innocent and God will clear my innocency

Here is never a one in the Assembly but desires it. but if you be Guilty Pray God discover you.

Then Hen: Kenney rose up to speak.

Goodm, Kenney what do you say,

Then he entered his complaint and farther said that since this Nurse came into the house he was seized twise with an amas'd condition.

Here are not only these but here is y<sup>e</sup> wife of Mr Tho Putnam who accuseth you by creditable information and that both of tempting her to iniquity and of greatly hurting her.

N. I am innocent and clear, and have not been able to get out of doors these 8. or 9. dayes.

Mr. Putman give in what you have to say.

Then Mr Edward Putman gave in his relate.

Is this true Goody Nurse.

I never afflicted no child no never in my life.

You see these accuse you. is it true.

No.

Are you an innocent person relating to this witchcraft

Here Tho: Putmans wife cryed out Did you not bring the Black man with you, did you not bid me tempt Cod and dye. How oft have you eat and

drunk your own damnation What do you say to them

Oh Lord, help me, and spread out her hands and the afflicted were grievously vexed

Do you see what a solemn condition these are in? when your hands are loose the persons are afflicted

Then Mary Walcot, (who often heretofore said she had seen her but never could say or did say that she either bit or pincht her, or hurt her) and also Elis Hubbard. under the like circumstances both openly accused her of hurting them.

Here are then 2 grown persons now accuse you what say you? Do not you see these afflicted persons, and hear them accuse you

The Lord knows: I have not hurt them: I am an innocent person

It is very awfull for all to see these agonies and you an old professor, thiffcharged with contracting with the devil by the effects of it, and yet to see you stand with dry eyes when there are so many whet.

You do not know my heart.

You would do well if you are Guilty to confess give Glory to God.

I am as clear as the child unborn.

What uncertainty there may be in apparitions I know not yet this with me strikes hard upon you, that you are at this very present, charged with familiar spirits this is your bodily person they speak to: they say now they see these familiar spirits come to your bodily person, now what do you say to that.

I have none. Sir.



If you have confest. and give Glory to God I pray God clear you, if you be innocent, and if you be Guilty discover you And therefore give me an upright answer: have you any familiarity with these spirits?

No I have none but with God alone.

How came you sick for there is an odd discourse of that in the mouths of many.

I am sick at my stomach.

Have you no wounds.

I have not but old age.

You do Know whether you are Guilty and have familiarity with the devil, and now when you are here present, to see such a thing as these testify a black man whispering in your ear and birds about you, what do you say to it.

It is all false. I am clear.

Possibly you may apprehend you are no witch but have you not been led aside by temptations that way.

I have not.

What a sad thing it is that a church member here and now another of Salem, should be thus accused and charged

Mr<sup>s</sup> Pope fell into a grievous fit and cryed out a sad thing sure enough. And then many more fell into lamentable fits.

Tell us, have not you had visible appearances more than what is common in nature?

I have none nor never had in my life.

Do you think these suffer voluntary or involuntary.

I cannot tell.

That is strange every one can judge.

I must be silent

They accuse you of hurting them, and if you think it is not univellingly but by designe, you must look vpon them as murderers.

I cannot tell what to think of it.

Afterwards when this was somewhat infisted on she said: I do not think so: she did not understand aright what was said.

Well then give an answer now do you think these suffer against their wills or not.

I do not think these suffer against their wills.

Why did you never visit these afflicted persons.

Because I was afraid I should have fits too.

Note Upon the motion of her body fits followed upon the complainants, abundantly and very frequently.

Is it not an unaccountable case that when you are examined these persons are afflicted?

I have got no body to look to but God.

Again vpon stirring her hands the afflicted persons. were seized with violent fits of torture.

Do you beleive these afflicted persons are bewicht.

I do think they are.

When this witchcraft came vpon the stage there was no suspicion of Tituba (Mr Parris's Indian woman) she professit much love to that child Betty Parris, but it was her apparition did the mischief, and why should not you also be guilty for your apparition doth hurt also.

Would you have me bely myself.

she held her neck on one side, and accordingly so were the afflicted taken.

Then authority requiring it, Sam: Parris read what he had in Characters taken from Mr Tho: Putmans wife in her fitts.

What do you think of this.

I cannot help it, the Devil may appear in my shape.

This a true account of the sume of hir examination but by reason of great noyses, by the afflicted and many speakers, many things are pretermitted memorandum

Nurse held her neck on one side and Eliz Hubbard. (one of the sufferers) had her neck set in that posture whereupon another patient Abigail Williams, cryed out, set up Goody Nurses head, the maid's neck will be broke. and when some set up Nurse's head. Aaron Wey. observed y<sup>t</sup> Betty Hubbards was immediately righted.

Salem Village March. 24th. 169 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

The Rever<sup>t</sup> mr Samuell Parris being desired to take in urighting y<sup>e</sup> examination of Rebeckah Nurse hath retured itt as aforesaid.

Vpon hearing the afores<sup>d</sup> and seeing what wee then did see together with y<sup>e</sup> charge of the persons then present wee committed Rebekah Nurse y<sup>e</sup> wife of ffrans<sup>s</sup> Nurse of Salem village vnto their Majest<sup>ys</sup> Goale in salem as p amittimus then given out. in order to farther Examination

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| JOHN HATHORNE   | } Assist |
| JONATHAN CORWIN |          |

*Ann Putnam jr v. Rebecca Nurse.*

The deposition of Ann Putnam junr, who testifieth and saith that on the 13<sup>th</sup> March  $\frac{1691}{92}$ . I saw the Apperishtion of Gooddy Nurs, and she did immediately affect me but I did not know what hir name was then : she I knew where she used to sitt in our Meeting house but sence that she hath grievously affected by biting pinching and pricking me : urging me to write in hir book. And also on the 24<sup>th</sup> of March being the day of hir examination I was grievously tortured by hir during the time for hir examination and also severall times sence, and also dureing the time of hir examination, I saw the apperishtion of Rebekah Nurs goe and hurt the bodys of Mircy Lewes Mary Wolcott Elizabeth Hubbard and Abigail Williams.

Ann Putnam Junr : did one the oath which she hath taken : this har evidens to be truth before us the : Juriers for Inquest this 4<sup>day</sup> of June. 1692.

*Mary Walcott. v. Rebecca Nurse.*

The deposition of Mary Walcott, aged about 17 years who testifieth and saith, that on the 20<sup>th</sup> March  $\frac{1691}{92}$  I saw the Apperishtion of Rebekah Nurs. the wife of Frances Nurs senr : but she did not hurt me tell the 24 March being the day of hir examination but then the Apperishtion of Rebekah Nurs. did most grievously torment me dureing the time of hir Examination and also severall times sence she

hath most grievously afflicted me by biting pinching and almost choaking me urging me vehemently to writ in hir book or elce she would kill me and on the 3<sup>d</sup> of May in the evening the Apperishtion of Rebekah Nurse told me she had a hand in the deaths of Benjamin Holton John Harrod Rebekah Sheppard and severall others, and also at the time of hir examination I saw the Apperishtion of Rebekah Nurs. goe and hurt the bodys of Ann Putnam Mircy Lewes Elizabeth Hubbard and Abigaill Williams.

Mary Wowlcot on the oath which she hath taken did owne this har testimony to be truth. before us the Juriars of Inquest this 3<sup>d</sup> of June. 1692.

*Elizabeth Hubbard v. Rebecca Nurse.*

The Deposition of Elizabeth Hubbud agged about 17 years who testifieth and saith that about the 20<sup>th</sup> March. 1692. I saw the apperishtion of Rebekah Nurs the wife of francis Nurs sen<sup>r</sup>. sen<sup>r</sup>. tho: she did not hurt me till the 24<sup>th</sup> March being the day of hir examination and then she did hurt me most grievously dureing the time of hir examination, for if she did but look upon me she would strich me down or almost choak me and also severall times sence the apperishtion of Rebekah Nurs has most grievously afflicted me by pinching pricking and almost choaking and urging me to write in hir book, and also on the day of hir examination I saw the apperishtion of Rebekah Nurs, goe and hurt the bodys of Ann Putnam sen<sup>r</sup> and Mary



Walcott and Abigaill Williams and Ann Putnam Junr.

Elizabeth Hubbard upon har oath she had taken did owns this testimony before us the Juriars of Inquest, this 3<sup>d</sup>

*Abigail Williams v. Rebecca Nurse.*

The testimony of Abigail Williams witnesseth and saith that divers times in *the month* of March last past particularly on the 15. 16. 19. 20. 21. 23. 31 dayes of that *month and* in the month of April following at severall times, particularly on the 13. & 1<sup>\* of</sup> that month, and also in this present month of May. the. 4<sup>th</sup> and 29. days she *the said* Abigail has been exceedingly perplexed with the apparition of Rebeka Nurse of Salem Village, by which apparition she hath been pulled violently *and* often pinched and almost choked and tempted sometimes to leap into the *fire and* sometimes to subscribe a book the said apparition brought, and also *she saith* that she hath seen this apparition at a sacrament, fitting next to \*\*\*\*\* [the man?] with an high crowned hat, at the upper end of the table and farther *saith that* said apparition hath sometimes confessed to her the said Abigail its guilt in committing severall murders together with her sister Cloyse as vpon old Goodm: Hanwood, Benj<sup>n</sup> Porter and Rebek: Shepard and saith shepard's\*\*\* May 31<sup>st</sup> 1692. attested before.

Abigail Williams did owne this har testimony *on the* oath which she had taken, to be the truth be-

fore us *the* Juriars of Inquest this 3. day of June :  
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*Sarah Viber v. Rebecca Nurse.*

The depofition of Sarah Viber agged about : 36 : years who testifieth and faith : that on the 2 day of May 1692 : I saw the Apperifhtion of Rebekah Nurs the wife of ffrances Nurs sen<sup>r</sup>. most greivously tortor and affleēt the bodyes of Mary Walcott, Mercy lewes, and Abigaill williams by pinching them and almost choaking them to death, but I doe not know that she hurt me tell the 27<sup>th</sup> June 1692. and then the Apperifhtion of Rebekah Nurs. did most greivously torment me by pinching me and almost choaking me feuerall times.

Jurat in Curia.

*Sam : Parris. N. Ingersoll & T. Putnam v. Rebecca Nurse.*

The depofition of Sam : Parris aged about 39 years and Nathaniel Ingersoll aged about fifty and eight yeares and Thomas Putnam aged about fourty years all of Salem. testifyeth and faith that Ann Putnam sen<sup>r</sup> and her daughter Ann and Mary Walcot and Abigail Williams were feuerall times and greivously tortured at the examination of Rebekah Nurse wife to Francis Nurse of Salem before the Honoured Magistrates the 24 : March 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  and particularly that when her hands were at liberty some of the afflicted were pinched and vpon the motion of her head and fingers, some of them were

tortured : and farther that some of the afflicted then and there affirmed that they saw a black man whispering in her ear, and that they saw birds fluttering about her.

Jurat in Curia.

*Sam : Parris & Jn<sup>o</sup> Putnam sr. v. Rebecca Nurse.*

The Deposition of Sam : Parris aged about 39 years and John Putnam sen<sup>r</sup>. aged about 63 years, both of Salem Village. testifieth and saith that this 18 : instant June being at the house, of Jonathan Putman whom we found very ill after a little while Mercy Lewes sent for on purpose came into said Jonathan Putman's house and was presently struck dumb, but being bid to hold up her hand if she saw any of the witches afflict said Jonathan whereupon she presently lift up her hand and after fell into a Trance and when said Mercy came to herself she saith she saw Goody Nurse and Goody Carrier, holding said Jonathan's head, and further saith not.

Jurat in Curia.

*Johannah Childen v. Rebecca Nurse.*

The deposition of Johannah Childen testifieth and saith that upon the 2<sup>d</sup> of June. 1692. that the apparition of Goody Nuss, and Goodman Harrwood, did appeare to her and the said Harrwood did look Goodey Nuss in the face, and said to her : that she did murder him by pushing him off the Cart and stroch the breath out of his body.

*Edward Putnam v. Rebecca Nurse.*

The Deposition of Edward Putman aged about 30 years, he testifieth and faith upon the 25 day of March 1692. Ann Putnam seener was bitten by Rebekah Nures as she said did, about 2 of the clock the same day she was strock with her chane the mark being in a kind of a round ring and 3 stroaks a Cros the ring, she had 6 blos with a chane in the space of half an ower, and she had one remarkable one with 6 straakes across her arme. I saw the mark boath of bite and chane.

Jurat in Curia.

*Sarah Holton v. Rebecca Nurse.*

The deposition of \*\* *Sarah Holton* \*\* Relique of Benjamin Holton, deceased who testifieth and faith that about this time three years my deare and loueing husband Benjamin Holton Deceased, was as well as ever I knew him in my life, tell one Saterdag morning that Rebekah Nurs who now stands charged for witchcraft, came to our house and fell a railing at him, because our piggs gott into hir field: tho: our piggs ware sufficiently yoaked and their fence was down in feuerall places, yett all we could say to hir could no ways passifie her, but she continewed Railing and scolding a grat while together calling to hir son Benj Nurs to goe and git a gun and kill our piggs and let non of them goe out of the field: tho my poor husband gave hir never a mis beholding word and within a

short time after this my poor husband goeing out very early in the morning: as he was a coming in againe he was taken with a strange fitt in the entery being struck blind and strucken down two or three times so that when he came to himself he tould me he thought he should never have come into the house any more and all summer after he continued in a languishing condition being much pained at his stomach and often struck blind: but about a fortnight before he dyed he was taken with strange and violent fitts acting much like to our poor bewitched parsons, when we thought they would have dyed, and the Doctor that was with him could not find what his distemper was, and the day before he dyed he was very chearly but about midnight he was againe most violently fised upon with violent fitts tell the next night about midnight he departed this life by a cruel death.

Jurat in Curia.

*Ann Putnam v. Rebecca Nurse.*

The depofition of Ann Putnam the wife of Thomas Putnam who testifieth and saith that on the first day of June. 1692. the Apperishtion of Rebekah Nurs did again fall upon me and almost choak me, and she tould me that now she was come out of prison she had power to afflect me and that now she would afflect me all this day long and would kill me if she could for she tould me she had killed benjamin Holton and John fuller and Rebekah Shepard and she also tould me that she and her



sister Cloyse and Ed : Bhishop wife of Salem Village had kiled young Jno Putnams child because yong Jno Putnam had said y<sup>t</sup> it was no wonder they ware witches for their mother was so before them, and becaufe they could not aveng themselves on him they kill his child and Immediately their did appear to me six childeren in winding sheets which called me aunt, which did most greivously affright me and they tould me that they were my sisters Bakers children of Boston and that Gooddy Nurs, and Mistris Cary of Charlestown and an old deaf woman att Boston had murthered them, and charged me to goe and tell these things to the magistrates or elce they would tare me to pieces, for their blood did cry for vengeance also their appeared to me my own sister Bayley and three of hir children in winding sheets and tould me that gooddy Nurs had murthered them.

*John Putnam & Hannab Putnam v Rebecca Nurse.*

The Deposition of John Putnam weaver and Hannah his wife, who testifieth and saith that our child which dyed about the middle of April. 1692. was as well and as thriueing a child as most was: tell it was about eight weeks old, but awhile after that, I the said Jno. Putnam had Reported sum thing which I had hard consarning the mother of Rebekah Nurs, Mary Estich and Sarah Cloyes I myself was taken with strange kind of fitts, but it pleased Almighty God, to deliver me from them, but quickly after this our poor yong child was

taken about midnight with strange and violent fits which did most grievously affright us acting much like to the poor bewitched parsons, when we thought they would indeed have died, whereupon we sent for our mother putnam in the night immediately as soon as she came and she our child she told us that she feared there was an evil hand upon it: and also as fast as possibly could be we got a Doctor to it, but all he did give it could do it no good, but it continued in strange and violent fits for about two days and two night, and then departed this life by a cruel and violent death, being enuf to pierce a stony hart, for to the best of our understanding it was near five hours a dying.

Jurat in Curia.

*Tho. Putnam & Ed. Putnam v. Rebecca Nurse.*

The Deposition of Tho: Putnam aged about 40 years and Edward Puntman aged about 38 years. witnesseth and faith that haueing been severall times present with Ann Putman junr. in and after her fits and saw her much afflicted being bitten, pinched, her limbs distorted and pins thrust into her flesh, which she charges on Rebekah Nurse, that she was the Actor there of and that she saw her do it.

The deponants farther testify that on the 24 march last past, at the publick examination of said Nurse we saw the said Ann Putman, Abigail Williams and Elis Hubbard. often struck down upon the glance of the said Nurse eye. upon said William

Putman, and Hubbard several times and the said Putman Williams and Hubbard was then afflicted according to the various motions of said Nurse, her body in time of examination, as when said Nurse did clinch her hands, bite her lips, or hold her head aside the said Putman Hubbard and Williams was set in the same posture to her great torture and affliction.

Jurat in Curia.

Thomas Putnam.

Edward Putnam.

*Jno Tarball for Rebecca Nurse & Samuel Nurse  
for Rebecca Nurse.*

John tarbell being at the house of thomas putnams upon the 28 day of this instant March, being the yeare 1692 upon deiscourse of many things I asked them some questions and among others I asked this question wheter the garle that was afflicted did first speack of of Goody Nurs. before others mentioned her to her, they said she told them she saw the apparishtion of a pale fast. woman that sat in her gran mothers seat, but did not know her name then I replyed and said, but who was it that told her that it was Good nurs: mercy lewes said it was Goody Putnam that said it was Goody nurs: Goody Putnam said it was Mercy lewes that told her: thus they turned it upon one another, Saying it was you and it was you that told her, this was before any was afflicted at thomas putnams beside his daughter, that they told his daughter it was

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Goody nurs : Samuel Nurs. doth testifei to all  
above written

*Rebcah Preson & Mary Tarbel for Rebecca Nurse.*

We whos names are underwritten cane testifie  
if cald to it that Goodde Nurs. haue beene troubled  
with an infirmity of body for many years, which  
the juree of women seem to be affraid it should be  
something else.

Rebcah Preson.

Mary Tarbel.

*Rebecca Nurse petition to the Court.*

To ye Honour'd Court of Oryer and Terminer  
now sitting in Salem this 28<sup>th</sup> of June An<sup>o</sup> 1692.

The humble petition of Rebbecca Nurse of Sa-  
lem Village.

Humbly Sheweth

That whareas sum women did sarch your Pe-  
tission<sup>er</sup> At salem, as I did then conceive for sum  
Supernaturall Marke, And then one of the sd. women  
which is known to be, the Moaste Antiente skilfull,  
prudent person of them all as to any such concerne :  
Did expresse himself to be : of a Contrary opinion  
from the Rest, and Did then Declare that shee saw  
nothing in or aboute yo<sup>er</sup> Hono<sup>r</sup>s poare pettissione<sup>r</sup>  
But what might Arise from a Naturall cause : And  
I then rendered the said persons a sufficient knowne  
reason as to myselfe of the moueing cause thereof  
which was by Exceeding weaknesse : decending  
partly from an ouerture of Nature and difficult  
Exigences that hath Befallen me In the times of

my travells, And therefore yo<sup>r</sup> yettiffione<sup>r</sup>: Humbley prayes I that yo<sup>u</sup> Honou<sup>r</sup>s would be pleased to Admitt of some other women to Enquire into this Great : concerne, those that are Moast Grand wife and skillfull : namely : Ms : Higginson sen<sup>r</sup> : Ms Durkstone : Ms : Woodbery two of them being Midwives : Ms : Porter : together with such others, as may be choafen on that Account : before I am Brought to my triall : All which I hoape yo<sup>r</sup>. Honou<sup>r</sup>s will take into yo<sup>r</sup>. prudent Consideration. and find it requisite foe to doe : for my Life Lyes now in yo<sup>r</sup> Hands, under God : And Being Confcious of my owne Innocency. I humbly begg that I may haue liberty to manifest it to the wourld partly by the Meanes abouefaid : And yo<sup>r</sup> Poare pettiffione<sup>r</sup> shall Euermore pray as in duty bound &c.

Rebecca Nurse :

hir Marke †

*Complaint vs. Elizabeth Proctor.*

This 4<sup>th</sup> April 1692 Capt. Jonathan Walcott, and Leut Nathanill Ingerfoll personally appeared before us and exhibited their complaint in behalfe of their Majestyes ffor y<sup>m</sup>selves and severall of their Neighbours against Sarah cloyes of Selem Village and *Eliz.* Procter y<sup>e</sup> wife of Jno Proctor of Salem for high suspcion of severall acts of witchcraft donne or committed by y<sup>m</sup> upon y<sup>e</sup> bodyes of Abigail Williams and John Indian of y<sup>e</sup> family of Mr Sam : Parris. and Mary Walcott daughter of one of y<sup>e</sup>



complainants and Ann butnam and Mercy Lewis. of ye family of Thomas Putnam. Whereby great hurt and damage hath bin donne to ye bodyes of fd persons, and therefore craued Justice.

*Warrant v. Elizabeth Proctor.*

Salem. Aprill. 4<sup>th</sup>. 1692.

There Being complaint this day made (before us) by Capt. Jonat<sup>h</sup> Walcott, and Lt. Nathaniell Ingerfull, both of Salem Village, in behalfe of their Majesties for themselves and also for severall of their neighbors against Sarah Cloyse the wife of Peter Cloyce of Salem Village and Elizabeth Proctor the wife of John Proctor of Salem ffarmes for high suspition of Sundry acts of witchcraft donne or committed by them vpon the bodyes of Abigaile Williams and John Indian both of Mr. Sam: Parris his family of Salem Village and Mary Walcott daughter of one of the above said complainants and Ann Putnam and Marcy Lewis, of the famyly of Thomas Putnam of Salem Village, whereby great hurt and damage hath beene donne to the bodyes of fd persons, abouenamed therefore Craued Justice.

You are therefore in their Majest<sup>ts</sup> names hereby required to apprehend and bring before us Sarah Cloyce the wife of Peter Cloyce of Salem Village and Elizabeth Procter the wife of John Proctor of Salem ffarmes on Munday morning next, being the Eleuenth day of this Instant Aprill aboute Eleven of the Clock, at the publike meeting house in the towne, in order to their examination Relate-

ing to the premises abovesaid and hereof you are not to faile.

Dated Salem. Aprill 8<sup>th</sup>. 1692

JOHN HATHORNE } Assists.  
JONATHAN CORWIN }

To George Herrick Marshall of the County of  
Essex.

You are likewise to warn and order Elis Hubert and Mary Warren not to faile of being present at y<sup>e</sup> abovesaid tyme and place to give in w<sup>t</sup> evedence they know therein.

Aprill. 11<sup>th</sup>. 1692. I have taken the persons of Sarah Cloyce and Elizabeth Proctor and brought them before this honorable Courte to answer as above.

I have also warned y<sup>e</sup> above named Elizabeth Hubbard to answer as above.

pr GEORGE HERRICK Marshall of Essex,

*Mittimus v. Elizabeth Proctor.*

Salem. At a Councill held at Salem

Aprill 11. and present.

1692.

Thomas Danforth Esq<sup>r</sup>. Dept. Gou<sup>er</sup>.

James Russell.— Maj<sup>er</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup>. Appleton.

John Hathorne. Capt. Samuell Sewall.

Jsaac Adington. Jonath. Corwin Esq<sup>rs</sup>.

Whereas complaint was Exhibited by Cap<sup>t</sup> Jonathan Walcott and Leiut. Nathaniell Ingersoll both

of Salem Village on behalfe of their Majest<sup>ies</sup>. not only for themselves but also for severall of their neighbours, Against Sarah Cloyce the wife of Peter Cloyce of Salem Village and Elizabeth Proctor, the wife of John Proctor of Salem ffarmes for high suspicion of Sundry acts of witchcraft. donne or committed by them vpon the bodys, of abigail Williams and John Indian both of Mr Sam<sup>l</sup> Parris, his famyly in Salem Village Mary Walcot, Ann Putnam and Marcy Lewis &c. accordg to sd compl<sup>t</sup> appears.

Salem Aprill 8<sup>th</sup> And warrant being given forth for their apprehention said Cloyce and Proctor were by George Herrick Marshall of Effex, brought, before vs, and Mr Samuell Parris being desired and appointed to wright y<sup>e</sup> examination did take y<sup>e</sup> fame And also read itt before y<sup>e</sup> Counci<sup>l</sup> in publicke.

And John Proctor of Salem ffarmes being then personally present was by Abigail Williams and Anne Putnam Charged with seuerall acts of witchcraft, by him committed on y<sup>e</sup> person of Mrs Pope y<sup>e</sup> wife of Mr Joseph Pope, and others who ware at said tyme accordingly afflicted apparent to all, likewise Marcy Lewis and Gold, charged sd John Proctor at sd tyme, vpon which sd Jno Proctor, and his wife and Sarah Cloyce ware all committed to prison per advise of y<sup>e</sup> Councill.

Also further information being Giuen against said Jno Proctor, by Mr Samueell Parris, Aprill 12<sup>th</sup> as appeares.

Aprill 12th. 1692.

John Proctor and Elizabeth Procter his wife and Sarah Cloyce, also. Rebecka Nurse. Martha Cory and Dorothy Good, ware sent to Boston Goale per Marshall Geo. Herrick—vpon high suspition as abouesd.

*Indictment. vs. Elizabeth Proctor. No. 1.*

Anno Regis, et Reginee Willm et Mariee nunc Anglice, &c. Quarto.

Essex. ss

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen, p<sup>re</sup>sents, That: Elizabeth Proctor th wife of Jno Proctor of salem, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of Aprill in the fourth year of the Reigne of our soveraigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by the Grace of God of England, Scotland ffrance and Ireland King and Queen, Defenders of the faith &c. and Divers other Dayes and times as well before as after certaine detestable arts called witchcraft and forceries wickedly and ffelloniously hath vsed Practised and Exercised at and within the towneship of Salem in the County of Essex afore-said in upon and ag<sup>t</sup> one Mary Walcott of salem Village singlewoman, by which said wicked arts the said Mary Walcott, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of Aprill in the forth year as abouesaid and Divers other Dayes and times as well before as after was and is Tortured, afflicted, Pined, Consumed wasted, and Tormented, and also for fundry other acts of witchcraft by said Elizabeth Proctor committed and donne before and

since that time ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen, ag<sup>t</sup>. the fforme of the Statute in that case made and Provided.

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| Witneses | Mary Walcutt. | } Sworn, |
|          | Ann Putman    |          |
|          | Mercy Lewis.  |          |

Anno Regis et Reginee Willm et Mariee nunc  
Anglice &c. Quarto.

Effex. ss.

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen p<sup>re</sup>sents, that Elizabeth Proctor wife of John Procter of Salem husbandman, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of Aprill in the forth year of the reigne of our Soverigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by the Grace of God of England Scotland ffraunce and Ireland, King and Queen, defenders of the ffaith &c, and divers other Days and times as well before as after, certaine Detestable arts called witchcrafts, and forceries wickedly and ffeloniously hath vsed Practised and Exercised at and within the towneship of Salem, in the County of Effex afores'd, in vpon and agt, one Marcy Lewis of Salem village in the County afores'd, Singlewoman, by which said wicked arts, the said Marcy Lewis, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of Aprill in the forth year abouesaid and Divers other Dayes and times as well before as after was and is tortured afflicted Pined Consumed wasted & tormented and also for sundry other acts of witchcraft by the said Elizabeth Procter committed and donne before and since that time ag<sup>t</sup> the peace of our



Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen  
and ag<sup>t</sup> the fforme of the statute in that case made  
and provided.

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| Witnesses | Marcy Lewis.  | } Sworn. |
|           | Ann Putman.   |          |
|           | Eliz. Hubbard |          |

*Eliz<sup>b</sup> Hubbard v. Eliz<sup>b</sup> Proctor.*

The Deposition of Elizabeth Hubbard, aged  
about 17 years who testifieth and saith that about  
the begining of April: 1692. I saw the Apperish-  
tion of Elizabeth Procktor the wife of John Prock-  
tor senr. and she did Immediatly tortor me most  
greviously almost redy to choak me to death, urg-  
ing me to writ in hir book, and so she continewd  
afflecting of me by times, tell the day of hir exam-  
ination, being the 11th of Aprill. and then also I  
was tortured most greviously dureing the time of  
hir examination, I could not speak a word and also  
seuerall times fence the Apperishtion of Elizabeth  
Procktor has tortured me most greviously by biting  
pinching and almost choaking me to death urging  
me dreadfully to writ in hir book.

Eliz <sup>mark</sup> † Hubbard  
Jurat in Curia.

*Mary Warren v. Eliz<sup>b</sup> Proctor.*

The deposition of Mary Warrin aged about 20  
years ho testifieth and saith, I have often seen the  
appreartion of Elizabeth Procter the wife of John  
Proctor among the witches and she hath often tor-

tored most grievously by biting me and choakeing me and pinching me, and pressing my stomack tell the blood came out of my mouth and also upon the day of hir examynation I saw her tortor Mary Walcott Marcy lues ann putnam Elizabeth Habbert abigell Williams and she hath ever fence at times tortured me most grievously. Mary Warrin owned this har testimony to be the truth before the Juriars of Ingwest. this 30 of June 1692.

Jurat in Curia.

*Abigail Williams v. Elizabeth Proctor.*

The testimony of Abigail Williams wittnesseth and faith that divers times in the month of March last past, particularly on the, 14. 21. & 29. dayes of the same month and also divers times in the month of April last past particularly on the 2. & 13. dayes she the said Abigail hath grievously vexed with the apparition of Eliz: Proctor, the wife of John Proctor of Salem, by which apparition she hath been grievously pinched, had also her bowels almost pulled out, by this together with the apparition of Rebekah Nurse, and by the afore<sup>d</sup> apparition of Elizabeth Proctor has been tempted by the offer of fine things to subscribe to a book the said apparition tendered her the said Abigail Williams.

May 31. 1692.  
attested before

Abigail <sup>The mark of</sup> *AW* Williams

Abigail Williams owned to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inquest that ye above writen evidence is y<sup>e</sup> truth. June 30: 92.

*Mary Walcott v. Eliz<sup>b</sup> Proctor.*

The depofition of Mary Walcott agged 17 years who testifieth and faith that I never saw the apperifhtion of Elizabeth Proctor the wife of J<sup>no</sup> Proctor before the day of hir examination being the 11<sup>th</sup> Aprill 1692. but fence that time the apperifhtion of Elizabeth Proctor has most grievously affected me by biting pinching and almost choaking me urging me to writ in hir book.

Mary <sup>mark</sup>  
*m w* Walcott.  
<sub>hir.</sub>

Mary Walcott owned her depofition aboue written vpon her oath before and vnto y<sup>e</sup> Grand Inqueft on y<sup>e</sup> 30th day of June. 1692.

Jurat in Curia.

*Ann Putnam Jr. v. Eliz<sup>b</sup> Proctor.*

The Depofition of Ann Putnam Junr. who testifieth and faith that on the 3<sup>th</sup> of March <sup>1691</sup>/<sub>92</sub> I saw the Apperifhtion of Gooddy Procktor amongst the witches and she did almost choake me Immediatly and bite and pinch me but I did not know who she was till the 6th of March, that I saw hir att meeting and then I told them that held me that that woman was one that did affect me and feuerall times fence she hath grievously affected me by biting pinching and almost choaking me urging me vehemently to writ in hir book, but on the 11<sup>th</sup> April 1692. the Apperifhtion of Elizabeth Procktor the wife of John Proctor sen<sup>r</sup>. did most

greviously torment me dureing the time of hir examination and also feuerall times fence by biting pinching and allmoſt choaking me to death urging me vehemently to writ in hir book, alſo on the 11th April, being the day of the examination of Elizabeth Proctor I ſaw the Apperſhion of Elizabeth Proctor goe and afflect the bodys of Miſtris Pope, Mary Walcott, Mircy Lewes Abigail Williams, and alſo all the time of hir examination ſhe and hir huſband and Sarah Cloys did moſt greviously afflect Elizabeth Hubbard and would not let hir ſpake a word as I herd.

Ann Putnam owned this har testimony to be the truth one har oath, before the Juriars of Inqueſt this 30: day of June, 1692.

Jurat in Curia.

*Stephen Bittford v. Eliz<sup>b</sup> Proctor.*

The Depoſition of Steephen Bittford agged about 23 years who testiſieth and ſaith that about the beginning of April 1692 about midnight as I was a bed att the houſe of James Darling, of Salem. I being parſittly awake, I ſaw ſtanding in the chamber Rebekah Nurs and Elizabeth Procktor the wife of John Procktor, whom I very well knew and I was in very grate pain in my neck, and could not ſtir my head nor ſpake a word, but I cannot ſay that it was they that hurt me, and for 2 or 3 dayes after, I could not ſtir my neck, but as I moved my wholl body.

Stephen <sup>mark</sup> O Bittford  
his.

Stephen bittford owned this his testimony to be the truth on his oath before the Juriars of Inquest this 30: of June: 1692.

Jurat in Curia.

*Mercy Lewis v. Eliz<sup>th</sup> Proctor.*

The Deposition of Mircy lewes, aged about 19 years, who testifieth and *saith* that on the 26th March 1692. I saw the Apperishtion of Elizabeth Proctor, the wife of Jn<sup>o</sup> Proctor. senr. and she did most grievously tortor me by biting and pinching me most grievously urging me to writ in hir book, and she continewed hurting me, by times tell the 11th April 1692, being the day of hir examination and then also dureing the time of hir examination she did tortor me most grievously and also feuerall times sence, also on the day of hir examination I saw the Apperishtion of Elizabeth Proctor

Mercy Lewes.

Marcy lewes owned this har testimony to be the truth one har oath before the Juriars of Inquest this 30 of June. 1692.

*William Rayment v. Eliz<sup>th</sup> Proctor.*

The testimony of William Rayment aged 26 yeares or there about, testifieth and *saith* that I being at the hous of Left<sup>nt</sup> Ingarfols, some time in the later end of March. there discourfing conferring the examyning of fewerall persons, suspected for withes I was saying that I hard that



Goody Proctor was to be examyned to morrow, to which Goody Ingarfoll replied she did not beleve it for she hard nothing of it: Some of the afflicted persons being present, one of them or more cryed out, there Goody proctor, there goody Proctor; and old wiche Ile have her hang, Goody Ingarfoll sharply reproved them, then they seemed to make a jest of it.

*Thomas Putnam & Edward Putnam v. Eliz<sup>h</sup> Procter.*

The Deposition of Thomas Putnam agged 40 years and Edward Putnam agged 36 years, who testifie and say that we haveing been conversant with diuers of the afflicted persons, as Mary Walcott, Mercy lewes Elizabeth Hubburt, and Ann Putnam and we have seen them most dreadfully tormented and complaining of Elizabeth Procter, for hurting them, but on the 11th April 1692. being the day of hir examination the afforesaid persons, were much afflicted dureing the time of hir examination also severall times sence we have seen the afforesaid persons most dreadfully tormented as if all their bones would haue been disjoyned complaining of Goody Proctor for hurting them and we verily beleue in our hearts, that Eliz: Proctor the prisoner at the barr as very often afflicted the afforesaid persons, by acts of witchcraft. and y<sup>t</sup> they haue seen many bites one y<sup>e</sup> afflicted persons which they said was Elizabeth Proctor that did it. Jurat in Couria.

Attest. STEPHEN SEWALL. Clk.

*Eliz: Booth v. Eliz: Proctor.*

The depofition of Eliz Booth agged about 18 years, who testifieth and faith, that on the 27 June Elizabeth Proctor came to me and did most grievously tortor me by biting pinching and pricking me and allmost cheaking me and tould me that my mother nor I would not beleue that she was a witch but she said she would make me know she was a witch before she had don with me.

Eliz: Booth.

Elizabeth Booth owenid this har testimony to be the truth on har oath before the Juriars of Inqwest this 30. day of June 1692. Jurat in Curia.

*Eliz: Booth v. Eliz: Proctor.*

The testimony of Elesebeth Booth Aged 18 years, or their about testifieth and faith y<sup>t</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> 8 day of June father \*\* Lau Shafing Apered vnto me and said y<sup>t</sup> Elesebeth Proctor kiled him because my mother would not seand for doctor grigs to giue him feseke and also because she was not sent for when he was first taken siche.

Elesebeth Booth.

The testimony of Elesebeth Booth Aged 18 years or their about, testifieth y<sup>t</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> 8 day of June Robert Stone senyer Apered vnto me and told me y<sup>t</sup> John Proctor senyer and Elesebeth his wife kiled him because they had som difference in a rekninge, and also at y<sup>e</sup> same time Robert Stone Juner.

Apered vnto me and told me that John Proctor & Elesebeth his wife kiled him because he too e his fathers part. Elesebeth Booth,

*Eliz Booth v. Eliz Proctor.*

The testimony of Elisebeth Booth Aged 18 years or thereabouts testifieth y<sup>t</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> 8 d of June, hugh Joanes Apered unto me and told me that Elesebeth Procter kiled him be Cause he had a poght of sider of her which he had not paid her for Elesebeth Booth.

The testimony of Elesebeth Booth Aged 18 years or theirabout testifieth y<sup>t</sup> one y<sup>e</sup> 8 d of June. Elesebeth shaw Apered vnto me and told me, y<sup>t</sup> Elesebeth, Procter, and John Willard kiled Her, Because she did not use those doctors she Advised her too. Elesebeth Booth.

The testimony of Elesebeth Booth Aged 18 yers or their about testifieth y<sup>t</sup> one y<sup>e</sup> 8 of June. y<sup>e</sup> wife of John Fulton Apered vnto me and told me that Elesebeth Proctor kiled her because she wold not giue her Aples when she sent for sum. Elesebeth Booth.

The testimony of Elesebeth Booth, Aged 18 yers or theirabout testifieth y<sup>t</sup> one y<sup>e</sup> 8 of June Doc<sup>r</sup> Jerubabel Endicot Apered unto me and told me Elesebeth Procter kiled him because they differed in their judgments about thomas veries wife and lickwis y<sup>e</sup> said Elesebeth Proctor woold have kiled doc Endecotts wife But cold not But lamed her a good while. Elesebeth Booth.

All the Depositions of Elisabeth Booth written in this side of paper were acknowledge by said Booth before and vnto the Grand inquest on y<sup>e</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> day of June. 1692. vpon oath.

*Joseph Bayley v. Eliz: Proctor.*

The deposition of Joseph Bayley aged forty four years. testifyeth and saith, that on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of May last my self and my wife being bound to Boston, on the road when I Came in sight of the house where John Proctor did liue, there was a very hard blow strook on my brest which caused great pain in my Stomoc and amalement in my head, but did see no person near me only my wife behind me on the Same hors, and when I came against said Proctors, house according to my understanding I did see John Proctor and his wife att sd house Proctor himself loocked out of the windo and his wife did stand Just without the door. I tould my wife of it. and shee did looch that way and could see nothing but a littell maid att the dore, I saw no maid there but Proctor's wife according to my understanding did stand att the dore, afterwards about half a mile from the aforesaid house I was taken spechless for some short time my wife did aske me seuerall questions and desired me that if I could not speak I should hold up my hand which I did and immediatly I could speak as well as ever and when we came to the way where Salem road cometh into Ipswich road there I received another blow on my brest which caused much pain that I could not fitt

on my hors, and when I did alite off my hors to my understanding I saw a woman coming towards us about sixteen or twenty pole from us but did not know who it was, my wife could not see her when I did get up on my hors againe to my understanding there stood a cow where I saw the woman, after that we went to Boston without any further molestation but after I came home againe to Newbury I was pinched and nipt by sum thing inwifible for sum time but now through Gods goodnes to me I am well againe.

Jurat in Curia by both persons.

*Samuel Barton & John Houghton for Eliz: Proctor.*

the testimony of Samuel Barton aged 28 years, or thearabouts who testifieth and saith that I being at Thomas Putnams a helping to atend the afflicted ffolks I heard them talking who the children complained of and I heard them tell Mercy lewes that she cryed out of Goody Procktor and Mercy lewes said that she did not cry out of Goody Proctor nor nobody, she said she did say there she is, but did not tell them who and Thomas Putnam and his wife and others, told her that she cryed out of Goody Procter and Marcy lewes said if she did it was when she was out in her head for she said she saw nobody, this being the 20 of March in the year 169 $\frac{1}{2}$

John Houghton aged 23. testifieth and saith I this deponent was present at the same tyme aboue written, and I heard Thomas Putnam and his wife



say that Mercy Lewis saw or named the wife of John Proctor in her fitt and we heard the sayd Mercy Lewis affirme that she newer sayd that euer she saw her.

*Petition in favor of Jno Proctor & Elis Procter.*

We whose names are vnderwitten hauing seuerall yeares knowne John Proctor and his wife do testefy that we neuer heard or vnderstood that they were euer suspected to be guilty of the crime now charged vpon them and seuerall of us being their neare neighbours do testefy that to our apprehension they liued christian life in their famely and were euer ready to helpe such as stood in need of their helpe.

Nathaniel Holton sen. and Mary his wife.

Samuel Marsh and Prescilla his wife

James Houlton. and Ruthy his wife.

John Holton.

Nathaniel Holton jun.

Samuel ffraytt and An his wife.

Zachariah Marsh and Mary his wife.

Samuel Endecott. and Hannah his wife.

Samuel Stone

George Locker.

Samuel Gaskil. & provided his wife.

George Smith.

Edward Gaskile.

*Daniel Elliott for Eliz Procter.*

the testimony of Daniel Elet, aged 27 years or thereabouts who testifieth and saith that I being at

the house of leutenant ingafons one the 28 of March, in the year 1692 there being preafent, one of the afflicted perfons which cryed out and faid thears Goody Proctor William Raiment being theare pre-fent, tould the gearl he belued fhe lyed for he faw nothing then Goody ingerfon told the garl fhe told a ly for theare was nothing then the garl faid that fhe did it for fport they muft have fome fport.

This may certifie all whome this writting fhall come before that on the 15th of October 1692. Arthur Abbut fent for me Daniel Epps and Capt. Thomas Wade Efqs. both of Ipfwich, finding himfelfe very weake and Ill by reafon of fome fad diftempers vpon him in order to the making his will and leaving fomething that might be to the view of the world. Referring to the evidence that he had giuen in the Honored Court of Oyer and Terminer held at Salem a little before, which was as followeth: viz:

I Arthur Abbut hauing a great impulfе vpon me to declare vnto the Honoured Court (as abouefayd fitting in Salem. fome things that I had formerly difcourfed with Goodwife Proctor at Salem, about and feen in her Houfe And gaue evidence there of vnto y<sup>e</sup> fd Honored Court, being a fhort time after fent for by worth. Samuel Appleton Efqr. And by him accused for taking a falfe oath therein. I doe humblie acknowledge my weakenes and reale for-row for mentioning ftateing the time or any way infifting vpon that, Bett being extraordinarily charged with falfe hood as to the things I had both

seen and heard in her house, I did with more than ordinary expression attest the truth there of. And doe as in the presence of God before whose tribunall both the accuser and the accused must appeare certinly affirme vpon good Consideration and deep meditation, that to be true. which I had before declared to the Court neither did I intend any of those great and solem expressions, at Majore Appleton's should any way be understood as to the time but the things themselves and this I desired to leaue to the world not knowing how it might please God to deale with me.

This was taken from Arthur Abbut at his earnest request at the time aboue mentioned, by vs

DANIELL EPPS. J: P.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> of November 1692.

I also affirme y<sup>t</sup> I did hear y<sup>e</sup> said Arthur Abbut y<sup>e</sup> day aboue mentioned (when Capt. Epps was present) declare and affirme, y<sup>t</sup> what he had before said was y<sup>e</sup> truth according as is aboue expressed, it being read to him or y<sup>e</sup> like words after it was taken doune from his mouth

Witness. THO<sup>s</sup>. WADE. J. P.

*Warrant v. Mary Warren.*

Salem. Aprill the 18th. 1692.

There being complaint, this day made (before vs) by Ezekiell Chevers, and John Putnam Junr. both of Salem Village yeomen; in Behalfe of their Majesties, for themselves and also for their neigh-

bours Against Giles Cory and Mary Waren both of Salem ffarmes, and Abigaile Hobs, the daughter of William Hobs, of the towne of Topsfield and Bridgett Bishop y<sup>e</sup> wife of Edward Bishop of Salem Sawyer for high suspition of fundry acts of witchcraft donne or Committed by them vpon the Bodys of Ann Putnam Marcy Lewis and Abig<sup>l</sup> Williams and Mary Walcot and Elis Hubert of Salem Village whereby great hurt and dammage hath beene donne, to the Bodys of said persons abouenamed therefore Craued Justice.

You are therefore in their Majesties names hereby required to apprehend and bring before vs. Giles Cory and Mary Waren, of Salem ffarmes, and Abigail Hobs the daughter of William Hobs of y<sup>e</sup> towne of Topsfield and Bridgett Bishop y<sup>e</sup> wife of Edward Bishop of Salem To morrow aboute eight of the clock in the forenoone at y<sup>e</sup> house of L<sup>t</sup> Nathaniells Ingerfalls, in Salem Village in order to their examination relateing to the premises abouesd, and hereof you are not to faile.

Dated Salem. Aprill. 18th. 1692.

JOHN HATHORNE. } Assists.  
JONATHAN CORWIN. }

To George Herrick Marshall of the County of Essex.

*Summons for Witnesses v. Mary Warren.*

You are likewise required to summons. Margaret Knight. Lydya Nichols, Elisabeth Nichols and Elezabeth Hubert, Jonathan Putnam and Hephzibah Rea & John Hewes all and every one of them

to appear before us at y<sup>e</sup> abouesd time and place to giue in w<sup>t</sup> evidence thay know relateing to y<sup>e</sup> abouesd or like casses depending.

Salem Aprill 18th. 1692.

*Officers Return.*

Aprill, 18th, 1692. I have taken the within named persons and brought them *to the* house of leut Nath<sup>l</sup> Ingersoll according to y<sup>e</sup> tenner of this warrent

Pr me GEORGE HERRICK Marshall of Effex.

Aprill. 18th. 1692. I haue summoned the within named to apeare att y<sup>e</sup> time and place within mentioned to Giue in whatt Euidence thay know Relateing y<sup>e</sup> premises.

Per me GEO: HERRICK Marshall of Effex.

*Examination of Mary Warren.*

The Examination of Mary Warren, At a Court held at Salem Village by. John Hathorne } Esqrs.  
Jonath: Corwin }

As soone as she was coming towards the bar, the afflicted fell into fits.

Mary Warren, you stand he charged with sundry acts of witchcraft, what do you say for your selfe are you guilty or not?.

I am innocent.

Hath she hurt you (speaking to the sufferers) some were dumb. Betty Hubbard testified agst her and then said Hubbard fell into a violent fitt.



You were a little while ago an afflicted person, now you are an afflicter: How comes this to pass.?

I looke up to God and take it to be a great mercy of God.

What, do you take it to be a great mercy to afflict others?

Betty Hubbard testified that a little after this Mary was well she the said Mary, said that the afflicted persons did but dissemble.

Now they were all but John Indian grievously afflicted and Mrs Pope also who was not afflicted before hitherto this day, and after a few moments, John Indian fell into a violent fit also.

Well here was one just now, that was a tormentor in her apperition, and she owns that she had made a league with the Devil.

Now Mary Warren fell into a fit, and some of the afflicted cryed out that she was going to confess, but Goody Korey and Proctor and his wife came in in their apparition and struck her down and said she should tell nothing.

Mary Warren continued a good space in a fit, that she did neither see, nor hear, nor speak.

Afterwards she started vp, and said I will speak and cryed out, Oh! I am sorry for it, I am sorry for it, and wringed her hands, and fell a little while into a fit again and then came to speak, but immediately her teeth were set, and then she fell into a violent fit and cryed out, oh Lord help me! Oh Good Lord save me!

And then afterwards cryed again, I will tell I will tell and then fell into a dead fit againe.

And afterwards cryed I will tell, they did, they did they did and then fell into a violent fit again.

After a little recovery she cryed I will tell they brought me to it and then fell into a fit again which fits continueing she was ordered to be had out, and the next to be brought in, viz. Bridget Bishop

Sometime afterwards she was called in again but immediately taken with fits, for awhile,

Have you signed the Devils book?

No.

Have you not toucht it?

No.

Then she fell into fits again and was sent forth for air,

After a considerable space she was brought in again but could not give account of things by reason of fits and so sent forth,

Mary Warren called in afterwards in private, before magistrates and ministers.

She said I shall not speak a word: but I will I will speak Satan.—she saith she will kill me. Oh! she says she owes me a spite and will claw me off.

Avoid Satan, for the name of God Avoid and then fell into fits again: and cryed will ye, I will prevent ye in the Name of God,——

Tell us, how far have you yielded?

A fit interrupts her again.

What did they say you should do and you should be well?

Then her lips were bit so that she could not speak so she was sent away.

Note that not one of the fuffurers was afflicted during her examination after once she began to confels. tho they were tormented before.

Salem Village Aprill 19th. 1692.

Mr Samuel Parris being desired to take in wrighting of Mary Warren, hath deliuered it as aforesaid. And vpon hearing the same and seeing what wee did then see together with y<sup>e</sup> charge of the afflicted persons then present. Wee committed said Mary Warren.

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| JOHN HATHORNE   | } Affists. |
| JONATHAN CORWIN |            |

*Examination of Mary Warren.*

Mary Warrens Examination in Salem Prison.

She Testefys that Her master Proctor was always very averse to putting vp Bills for publick prayer.

Qu: Did you not know it was the Devils book when you signed?

A: No. But I thought it was no good book.

Q: after you had a Mark in the Book, what did you think then?

A. Then I thought it was the Devil's book.

Q. How did you come to know your Master and Mistris were witches

A. The Sabbath eve after I had put up my note for thanks in publick, my Mistris appeared, to me and puld mee out of the bed, and told mee that shee was a witch and had put her hand to the book she told me this in her bodily person, and that this

examinant might have known she was a witch, if She had but minded what Books she read in.

Q. What did she say to you before you tormented the children?

A. the night after she told me she was a witch she in person told mee this Examinant, that myself and her son John would quickly be brought out for witches.

This Examinant saith that Giles Cory in apparition told her the night before, that the Magistrates were going vp to the farme, to bring down more witches to torment her, moreover being in a dreadful fit in the prison, she charged it on Giles Cory who, was then in close prison affirming that he came into the Room where she was and afflicting her charged her not to Come into the other Room while he was examining, But being sent for, and he Commanded to look vpon her, He no sooner turned his face to her, but shee fel into a dreadful fit again, and vpon her Recovery Charged him to his face with being y<sup>e</sup> procurer of it. Moreover the said Cory in prison formerly threatened her that he would fitt her for itt, because he told her she had caused her Master to ask more for a piece of Meadow than he was willing to give she likewise in her fitt in the other room before she had seen Giles Cory in person charging him with afflicting of her, described him in all his garments, both of hat, Coat and the colour of them, with a Cord about his wast, and a white Cap on his head and in Chains, as severall then in company can affirm.

*Examination of Mary Warren.*

Mary Warins examination April 21. 1692.

Being Asked by y<sup>e</sup> Hon<sup>d</sup> MaJestrates whether y<sup>e</sup> bible that then was Showed her : was y<sup>e</sup> book : y<sup>t</sup> was brought : to her to touch and that she saw the flourish in, answered no she see she was deceived.

being asked whether she had not told Marcy Lewis that she had fined to a book : Answered : no :

she was Asked whether her Mistris had brought a book to her to sign, Answered her Mistris brought none, but her Master brought one, being Asked whether she signed to it, answered, not vnless putting her finger to it was signing.

being Asked whether she did not se a spot where she had put her finger, Answered, there was a spot.

she was Asked what coullar y<sup>e</sup> spot was. Answered : black,

She was Asked whether her master did not threater her to run y<sup>e</sup> hot tongs downe her throat if she did not sign. Answered that her M<sup>r</sup> thretted her to burn her out of her fitt

being asked whether she had made a mark in ye book. Answered she made no mark but with her top of her finger.

She was asked what she dipt her finger in when it made y<sup>e</sup> mark : Answered in nothing but her mouth.

She was asked whether her finger was wett when she touched y<sup>e</sup> book w<sup>t</sup> it. Answered she knew



not that it was wett or whether it was wett w<sup>t</sup> sweat or with Sider that she had been drinking of she knew not: but her finger did make a marke and y<sup>e</sup> mark was black.

she was asked whether any but her M<sup>r</sup> and M<sup>r</sup><sup>s</sup> was with her; when she was threttened with ye hot tongs answered none but them.

She sd her Mastr put her hand to ye book and her finger made a black spott which made her tremble then she sd she was undon body and soul and cryed out greivously she was told her y<sup>t</sup> it was he own Vellantary act she would have denyed it but she was told y<sup>e</sup> devil could have done nothing: if she had not yielded and y<sup>t</sup> she for ease to her body not for any good to her soul: had done it with this she much greived and cryed out, she sd her Mastr & Mistris thretned to drown her and to make her rund through y<sup>e</sup> hedges.

she cvas asked whether she had not seen her Mastr & Mistris since she came to prison answered she thought she saw her Mastr and dare say it was he, she was asked what he sayd to her, answered nothing.

After a fitt she cryed out, I will tell: I will tell: thou wicked creature it is you stopt my mouth: but I will confes y<sup>e</sup> little that I have to confes, being asked who she would tell off whether good-wife Proctor or no:: answered O Betty Proctor it is she: it is she: I lived with laft. she then cryed out it shall be known, thou wrech; hast thou undone me body and soul, she said also she wishes she had made me make a thorough league.

she was again asked what her finger was blacked with when she toucht y<sup>e</sup> book.

Answered. she knew not that her finger was black till she se it black y<sup>e</sup> book, and after she had put her finger to y<sup>e</sup> book, she eat, bread and butter and her finger blacked y<sup>e</sup> bred and butter also.

being asked: what her mistris now said to her: when she complained of her mistris, she s<sup>d</sup> her mistris bid her not tell y<sup>r</sup> that her mistris was a witch.

Coming out of another fit s<sup>d</sup> she would tell she would tell she s<sup>d</sup> her master now bid her not tell, that he had sometimes gone: to make away with himselfe for her master had told her that he had ben about sometimes to make away with himselfe becaus of his wives quarrilling with him, being asked how she knew: goodwife procter was a wich she coming out of a fit s<sup>d</sup> she would tell she would tell and she s<sup>d</sup> her mistris procter s<sup>d</sup> she might know she was a witch if she harkened to what she used to read. she sayd her mistris had many books and her mistris carried one book with her to Reddin when she went to see her sister.

being asked whether she knew her mistris to be a wich before she touched y<sup>e</sup> book, and how she knew it: she s<sup>d</sup> her mistris told her she had set her hand to y<sup>e</sup> divels book that same night: that: I was thrown out of bed: s<sup>d</sup> she: which was ye same night after she had a note of thanksgiving: put up at y<sup>e</sup> meeting house.

she s<sup>d</sup> her mistris came to her: her body: not

her shape as far as she knew, she affirmed her mistress was a wick. being asked whether she had seen any of y<sup>e</sup> wickes since she came to prison. sd she had seen good man cory and Sarah Good they brought y<sup>e</sup> book to her to Sign,

but she would not own that she knew her master to be a wick or wizzard. being asked whether she did not know her finger would make a marke if she touched y<sup>e</sup> book with it. she answered no. but her master and mistress asked her to read and she sd y<sup>e</sup> first word she read was Moses: y<sup>e</sup> next word she could not tell what it was but her M<sup>r</sup> and Mistress bid her if she could not pronounce y<sup>e</sup> word she should touch ye book.

being asked why she would not tell the whole truth. she sd she had formerly not told all y<sup>e</sup> truth because she was threatened to be torn in pieces, if she did, but now she would and had told y<sup>e</sup> truth.

being asked whether she did not suspect it was y<sup>e</sup> devils book that she touched. answered she did not suspect it before she se her finger blacked it.

she was asked why: she yielded to do as she did: answered that her master sd if she would not: when she was in her fit she should run into y<sup>e</sup> fire or water if she would and destroy herselfe.

being asked whether she had not bin instrumentall to afflict ye afflicted parsons. Answered no but when she heard they were afflicted in her shape she began to fear it was the devil.

being asked whether she had images to stick pins or thorns into to hurt people with, answered, no.

She was asked whether y<sup>e</sup> devil never asked her consent to hurt in her shape, answered, no. she had her M<sup>r</sup> and Mistris tell of images and of sticking of thorns in them to hurt people with.

she was asked whether she knew of any images in y<sup>e</sup> house, sayd no.

being asked if she knew of any oyntment they had in y<sup>e</sup> house she sd her M<sup>rs</sup> oynted her once for some ayll she had. but it was with oyntment that came from Mrs Bassett of Lynn the coullor of it was greenish she was asked how it smelt, sayd very ugly to her

she sd when : she toucht y<sup>e</sup> book she went to put her finger to another line but still her finger went to y<sup>e</sup> same place where her finger had blackt

Mr Noyes told her she had then touched ye book twice and asked her whether she did not suspect it to be y<sup>e</sup> devils book before she toucht it y<sup>e</sup> second time : she sd she feared it was no good book, being asked what she meant by no good book, she sd a book to deceiv.

*Examination of Mary Warren.*

Mary Warrens Examination May 12<sup>th</sup>. 1692.

Q. Whether you did not know y<sup>t</sup> itt was y<sup>e</sup> Devills book when you signed.

A I did nott know itt then but I know itt now to be sure itt was y<sup>e</sup> Devills book, in ye first place to be sure I did sett my hand to ye devills book : I have considered of it since you were here last and itt was y<sup>e</sup> devills book y<sup>t</sup> my Master Proctor brought

to me and he tould me if I would sett my hand to y<sup>t</sup> book I should beleuve and I did sett my hand to itt but y<sup>t</sup> w<sup>th</sup> I did itt was done with my finger. he brought y<sup>e</sup> book and tould me if I would take ye book and touch itt that I should be well and I thought then y<sup>t</sup> itt was y<sup>e</sup> Devills book.

Q. Was there nott your consent to hurt y<sup>e</sup> children when you were hurt?

A. Noe Sir. but when I was afflicted my master Proctor was in y<sup>e</sup> Roome and said if y<sup>u</sup> are afflicted I wish y<sup>e</sup> were more afflicted and you and all: I said Master what makes you say so. He answered, because y<sup>u</sup> goe to bring out Innocent persons, I tould him y<sup>t</sup> that could not bee. and whether y<sup>e</sup> Devill took advantage att y<sup>t</sup> I know not to afflict y<sup>m</sup> and one night talking about y<sup>m</sup> I said I did nott care though y<sup>e</sup> were tormented if ye charged me

Q Did you euer see any poppets?

An. Yes once I saw one made of cloth in Mistris proctor's hand

Q whoe was itt like, or which of ye Children was itt for?

An I cannott tell, whether for Ann Putnam or Abigail Williams for one of y<sup>m</sup> itt was I am sure, itt was in my mistris's hand.

Q What did you stick into y<sup>e</sup> poppitt?

An I did stick in a pin about ye neck of itt as itt was in proctors hand

Q How many more did you see afterwards?

An I doe nott remember y<sup>t</sup> euer I saw any more, yes I remember one and y<sup>t</sup> Goody parker brought



brought a poppitt unto me of Mercy Lewis and she gave me another and I stook itt some where about y<sup>e</sup> wafts and she appeared once more to me in ye prison and shee said to me what are you gott here? and she tould me y<sup>t</sup> she was comeing here herself. I had another person y<sup>t</sup> appeared to me, itt was Goody Pudeator and said she was coming to see me there. itt was in apparition and she brought me a poppitt itt was like to Mary Walcott and itt was a piece of stick y<sup>t</sup> she brought me to stich into itt. and somewhere about hir armes I stook itt in.

Q Where did she bring itt to you?

An vp att Proctors. Goody Proctor towld me she had bin a witch these 12 years and more; and pudeator tould me y<sup>t</sup> she had done damage and tould me y<sup>t</sup> she had hurt James Coyes child taking it out of y<sup>e</sup> mothers hand.

Q whoe brought ye laft to you?

An. my miftris and when she brought itt, she brought itt in hir owne person and hir husband with his owne hands brought me y<sup>e</sup> book to Signe and he brought me an Image w<sup>ch</sup> looked yellow and I believe itt was for Abigail Williams being like hir and I putt a thing like a thorne into itt this was done by his bodily person after I had fighned. the night after I had fighned y<sup>e</sup> book while she was thus confessing Parker appeared and bitt her extremely on hir armes as she affirmed unto us.

Q Whoe have you seen more?

An Nurfe and Cloys and Goods child after I had fighned

Q What sayd y<sup>y</sup> to you?.

An They sayd y<sup>t</sup> I should never tell of them nor any thing about y<sup>m</sup> and I have seen Goody Good hirself.

Q Was that true of Giles Cory yt you saw him y<sup>t</sup> he afflicted you the other day.?

An Yes. I have seen him often and he hurts me very much and Goody Oliver hath appeared to me and afflicted me and brought the Book to tempt me and I have seen Goody Cory. the first night I was taken I saw as I thought y<sup>e</sup> Apperition of Goody Cory and catched att itt as I thought and caught my master in my lap thoo I did not see my master in the place att y<sup>e</sup> time, upon wch my master said itt is noe body, but I itt is my shaddow y<sup>t</sup> you see, but my master was nott before me y<sup>t</sup> I could desarne but Catching at y<sup>e</sup> apperition y<sup>t</sup> looked like Goody Cory I caught hold of my master and pulled him downe into my lap; upon w<sup>ch</sup> he said I see there is noe heed to any of your talkings, for you are all possessit with y<sup>e</sup> Devill for itt is nothing but my shape; I have seen Goody Cory att my masters house in person, and she tould me y<sup>t</sup> I should be condemned for a witch as well as she cry out and bring out all.

Q was this before you had fighned?

An Yes before I had my fitts

Q Now tell ye truth about y<sup>e</sup> Mountebank what writeing was y<sup>t</sup>.

An I do not know. I asked hir what itt was about but she would not tell mee saying she had promised nott to lett any body see itt.

Q Well, but whoe did you see more?

An I dont know any more

Q How long hath your Mas<sup>r</sup> and Mistris bin witches?

An I dont know they never tould me

Q What likenes or appearance have you had to bew<sup>ch</sup> you?

An They never gave me any thing. while I was reading this over vpon y<sup>e</sup> coming in of Mr Higginson and Mr Hale as soon as I read y<sup>e</sup> name parker she immediately ffell into dreadfull fitts. as shee affirmed after her fitt was over by ye appearance of Goody Parker. and Mr Hathorne presently but naming Goody Pudeater she also appeared and tormented hir very much and Goody Parker in the time of hir examination in one of Warren's fitts tould this examinant y<sup>t</sup> she had bewitched y<sup>e</sup> examinant's sifter and was y<sup>e</sup> cause of hir dumbnes as also y<sup>t</sup> she had lately killed a man abourd a vessell and tould me y<sup>t</sup> his name was Michaell Chapleman a board ye vessell in y<sup>e</sup> harbour after they were come to anchor and y<sup>t</sup> he dyed with a paine in his side and y<sup>t</sup> she had done itt by striking something into his side and y<sup>t</sup> she had strook this examinants sifter dumb y<sup>t</sup> she should never speak more and Goody Pudeater att y<sup>e</sup> same tyme appeared and tould this examinant yt she had throwne John Turner off of a cherry tree and almost killed him and Goody Parker sd y<sup>t</sup>

ſhe had caſt away Capt Prices ketch Thomas Weſtgate maſter, and Venus Colefox in itt and preſently tould her y<sup>t</sup> John Lapſhorne was loſt in itt and and that they were ffoundered in y<sup>e</sup> ſea, and ſhe ſaith y<sup>t</sup> Goody Pudeater tould hir y<sup>t</sup> ſhe went up to Mr Corwins houſe to bewtch his mare y<sup>t</sup> he ſhould nott goe up to y<sup>e</sup> ffarmes to examine y<sup>e</sup> witches alſo Mr Burroughs appearing at ye ſame tyme and afflicting her tould hir y<sup>t</sup> he went to tye Mr Hathornes horſes legges when he went laſt to Boſton and y<sup>t</sup> he triyd to bewitch him tho he could not his horſe Goody Pudeater tould hir y<sup>t</sup> ſhe killed hir huſband by giving him ſomething where by he fell ſick and dyed. itt was ſhe tould hir about 7 or 10 years ſince and Goody parker tould her y<sup>t</sup> ſhe was Inſtrumentall to drowne Orne's ſon in ye harbour alſo ſhee ſd ſhe did bewitch Jn<sup>o</sup> Scarlet's boy to death as his maſter was carrying him out to ſea ſoe y<sup>t</sup> he was forced to bring him back againe, alſoe Burroughs tould her y<sup>t</sup> he killed his wife off of Cape Ann. Parker tould hir alſoe that Margaret Jacobs was a witneſs againſt her and did charge hir yeſterday vpon hir (that is Jacobs') examination.

*Eliz Book vs. Mary Warren.*

Salem May the 18<sup>th</sup> 1692

Elizabeth Booth aged 18 years or therabouts, Teſtifieth and ſaith that the three firſt fitts ſhe had ſhe ſaw nothing: but afterwards in her fitts this Deponant ſaw Daniell Androfs who told her though

Mary Warren could not hurt her the night before now he would : and withall Broght a Book and bid this deponent sett her hand to it : but the night before as she lay in her bed Mary Warring went to her bedside and brought a little baby to this Deponent and told her that she might sett her hand to the book and not know of it : but this Deponent told y<sup>e</sup> said Andros she would not : then he told the said Deponent that he would afflicted still since this Deponent hath been afflicted severall times by the said Andros, : and others that she knows not.

*Eliz<sup>b</sup> Hubbard v. Mary Warren.*

mary waring brought the book to elizabeth hubard and would have her set her hand to the book which she brought unto her and she said i wont i wont i wont a if you set your hand to the book you shall be well for i did so and I am well and I told hir i would not then he told me i should never be well then i told hir i would not if i am never well o you wicked rech mary waring why will you do so

*Edw<sup>d</sup> Bishop Sarah Bishop and Mary Estey v. Mary Warren.*

Edward Bishop Aged Aboute 44 yeares Sarah Bishop Aged Aboute 41 yeares And Mary Estey Aged Aboute 56 yeares all Testifie and say that Aboute three weekes Agoe, to say when wee was in Salem Goale then and there wee heard Mary Warrin severall times say that the Magistrates might



as well examine Keyfar's Daughter that had Bin Distracted many Years. And Take Noatice of what shee said : as well as any of the Afflicted p<sup>er</sup>sons for said Mary Warrin when I was Afflicted I thought I saw the Appariffions of A. hundred persons : for shee said hir Head was Distempered that shee could not tell what shee said. And the said Mary Tould us that when shee was well againee shee could not say that shee saw any of the Appariffions at the Time aforesaid.

*Mary English v. Mary Warren.*

1. June. 1692. Mary English Aged about 39 years Testifyeth that about a month ago at Salem That I heard the said Mary Warrine to speak the same words (as is Testified too by Edward Bishop, Sarah Bishop and Mary Eastey) that she said that the Magistrates might as well Examen Keyfers Daughter that had bene Distracted many years, And take notice of what she said as well as any of the afflicted perions &c.

as witness my hand                      Mary English.

*Indictment v. Bridget Bishop No. 1.*

Anno Regni Regis et Regina Willim et Mariee  
nunc Anglice 7<sup>th</sup> Quarto:  
Essex. ss.

The Jurors for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen p<sup>re</sup>sents that Bridget Bishop als Oliver the wife of Edward Bishop of Salem in

the County of Effex. Sawyer the nyneteenth day of April in the ffourth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by the Grace of God of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland King and Queen Deffenders of the faith ye and Divers other dayes and times a well before as after certaine Detestable arts called witchcrafts and Sorceries, wickedly and feloniously hath used Practised and Exorcised at and within the Township of Salem in the County of Effex afore<sup>d</sup>. in vpon and ag<sup>t</sup> one Mercy Lewis of Salem Village in the County afore<sup>d</sup> finglewoman by which said wicked arts the said Mercy Lewis the sd nyneteenth day of April in the ffourth year above<sup>d</sup>. and divers other Dayes and times as well before as after, was and is hurt Tortured Afflicted Pined Consumed, wasted and tormented ag<sup>t</sup>: the Peace of our said Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen and ag<sup>t</sup> the forme of the Statute in that case made and provided  
Witneses

|                                                                   |                                |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Mercy Lewis                                                       | Nath <sup>ll</sup> Ingerfoll   |
| Mr Sam <sup>ll</sup> Parris                                       | Thomas Putnam Jun <sup>r</sup> |
| Mary Walcott.                                                     | Ann Putnam Jun <sup>r</sup>    |
| Elizabeth Hubbard                                                 | Abigail Williams               |
| Billa vera John Rucke fforeman in the name of<br>the Grand Jurie. |                                |

*Indictment v. Bridget Bishop No. 2,*

Anno Regni Regis et Reginee Willim et Mariee  
nunc Anglice 7<sup>t</sup> Quarto :

Essex : ss :

The Jurors for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen p<sup>r</sup>sents that Bridgett Bishop als Olliver the wife of Edward Bishop of Salem in the County of Essex Sawyer the nyneteenth day of Aprill in the ffourth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by the Grace of God of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland King and Queen Defend<sup>rs</sup> of the faith p<sup>t</sup> and Divers other Dayes and times as well before as after, certaine Detestable Arts called witchcrafts and Sorceries : wickedly and feloniously hath vsed Practised and Exercised at and within the Towneship of Salem in the County of Essex afores<sup>d</sup> in vpon and ag<sup>t</sup> one Abigail Williams of Salem Village in the County of Essex afores<sup>d</sup> singlewoman, by which said wicked arts y<sup>e</sup> said Abigail Williams the nyneteenth day of April afores<sup>d</sup> in the fourth year above<sup>d</sup>. and divers other Dayes and times as well before as after was and is Tortured Afflicted Pined Consumed wasted and Tormented ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of our Said Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen and ag<sup>t</sup> the forme of the Statute in that case made and provided.

Witnesses.

|                                     |                                   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Abigail Williams                    | Jn <sup>o</sup> Bligh and Rebekah |
| Mr Sam <sup>ll</sup> Parris sworne  | his wife sworn.                   |
| Nath <sup>ll</sup> Ingersoll sworne | Samuell Shattuck and Sa-          |
| Thomas Putnam sworn                 | rah his wife sworn                |
| Mercy Lewis                         | William Bligh sworne              |
| Ann Puttnam Junr                    | William Stacey sworne             |
| Sworne                              | John Loader sworne                |

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Mary Walcott Sworne      Elizabeth Hubbard  
Sworne

Billa vera John Ruch fforeman in the name of  
the Rest.

*Indictment vs. Bridget Bishop No. 3.*

Anno Regni Regis et Reginee Wellime et Mariee  
nunc Anglice &<sup>t</sup> Quarto :

Effex. ss.

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen p<sup>r</sup>sents that Bridgett Bishop als Olliver the wife of Edward Bishop of Salem in the County of Essex. Sawyer the nyneteenth Day of Aprill in the ffourth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by the Grace of God of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland King and Queen Defen<sup>rs</sup> of the ffaith &c<sup>t</sup>. and Divers other Dayes and times as well before as after, certaine Detestable arts called witchcraft and Sorceries, wickedly and ffelloniously hath vsed Practised and Exercised at and within the Towneship of Salem in the County of Essex afore<sup>d</sup> in and upon and ag<sup>t</sup>: one Elizabeth Hubbard of Salem Village in the County afore<sup>d</sup> singlewoman—by which said wicked arts the said Elizabeth Hubbard the sd nyneteenth day of April in the ffourth year above<sup>d</sup>. and divers other Dayes and times as well before as after was and is hurt tortured Afflicted Pined Consumed, wasted and tormented ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of our sd Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen and ag<sup>t</sup>.

the forme of the Statute in that case made and Provided.

Witnesſes

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|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Elizabeth Hubbard           | Mercy Lewis.                 |
| Mr Sam <sup>ll</sup> Paris. | Nath <sup>ll</sup> Ingersoll |
| Thomas Puttnam.             | Ann Puttnam Jun <sup>r</sup> |
| Mary Walcott.               | Abigail Williams.            |

Billa vera John Rucke foreman in the name of the Rest.

*Indictment vs. Bridget Bishop No. 4.*

Anno Regni Regis et Reginee Willim et Mariee  
nunc Anglice &<sup>t</sup> Quarto :

Effex : ss :

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen p<sup>r</sup>sents that Bridgett Bishop als Olliver the wife of Edward Bishop of Salem in the County of Effex, Sawyer, the nyneteenth Day of April in the ffourth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by the Grace of God of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland, King and Queen Defenders of the faith &<sup>t</sup> and divers other Dayes and times as well before as after certaine Detestable arts called Witchcrafts and Sorceries wickedly and feloniously hath vsed Practised and Exercised at and within the Towneship of Salem afore<sup>d</sup> in vpon ag<sup>t</sup> one Ann Puttnam of Salem Village in the County afore<sup>sa</sup>id finglewoman by which sa<sup>id</sup> wicked arts the sa<sup>id</sup> Ann Puttnam the 1d nyneteenth Day of April in the ffourth year abou<sup>esd</sup> : and Divers other Dayes and times as well



before as after was and is hurt tortured Afflicted  
Pined Consumed wasted and Tormented ag<sup>t</sup> the  
Peace of our said Sovereigne Lord and Lady the  
King and Queen and against the forme of the  
statute in that case made and Provided.

Witnesses

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|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Ann Puttnam Jun <sup>r</sup>                                | Mercy Lewis.       |
| Mr Sam <sup>ll</sup> Paris                                  | Mary Walcott.      |
| Nath <sup>ll</sup> Ingersoll                                | Abigail Williams   |
| Thomas Puttnam.                                             | Elizabeth Hubbard. |
| Billa vera. John Rucke fforeman in the name<br>of the Rest. |                    |

*Examination of Bridget Bishop No. 1.*

The Examination of Bridget Byshop at Salem  
Village 19. Apr. 1692.

By John Hathorn & Jonath : Corwin Esq<sup>rs</sup>.

As soon as she came near all fell into fits.

Bridget Byshop you are now brought before  
Authority to give acc<sup>o</sup> of what witchcrafts you are  
conversant in

I take all this people (turning her head and eyes  
about) to witness that I am clear.

Hath this woman hurt you speaking to y<sup>e</sup> af-  
flicted.

Eliz Hubbard, Ann Putnam, Abigail Williams  
and Mercy Lewes affirmed that she had hurt them.

You are here accused by 4 or 5 for hurting  
them, what do you say to it?

I never saw these persons before, nor I never was  
in this place before.

Mary Walcott said that her brother Jonathan stroke her appearance and she saw that he had tore her coat in striking, and she heard it tare.

Upon some search in the Court a rent that seems to answer what was alledged was found.

They say you bewicht your first husband to death

If it please your worship I know nothing of it.

—She shake her head and the afflicted were tortured.

—The like again upon the motion of her head.

Sam : Braybrook affirmed that she told him to day that she had been accounted a witch these—10—years, but she was no witch the Devil cannot hurt her

I am no witch

Why if you have not wrote in the book, yet tell me how far you have gone?

I have no familiarity with the devil.

How is it then, that your appearance doth hurt these?

I am innocent.

Why you seem to act witchcraft before us by the motion of your body which seems to have influence upon the afflicted.

I know nothing of it. I am innocent to a witch I know not what a witch is.

How do you know then that you are not a witch

I do not know what you say.

How can you know, you are no witch, and yet not know what a witch is.

I am clear : if I were any such person you should know it.

You may threaten, but you can do no more than you are permitted.

I am innocent of a witch

What do you say of those murders you are charged with?

I hope, I am not guilty of murder,

Then she turned vp her eyes, and the eyes of the afflicted were turned up :

It may be you do not know, that any have confessed to day, who have been examined before you, that they are witches.

No. I know nothing of it.

John Hutchinson and John Lewis in open Court affirmed that they had told her.

Why look you, you are taken now in a flat lye.

I did not hear them.

*Note Sam :* Gold saith that after this examination he aske<sup>d</sup> Bridget Byshop if she were not troubled to see the afflicted persons so tormented, said Byshop answered no she was not troubled for them : Then he ask<sup>t</sup> her whether she thought they were bewicht she said she could not tell what to think about them. Will Good and John Buxton jun<sup>r</sup> was by and he supposeth they heard her also.

Mr Sam<sup>l</sup> Parris being desired to take in wrighting the Examination of Bridget Bishop, hath delivered it as aforesaid. And vpon hearing ye same and seeing what wee did then see together with the charge of the afflicted persons then present ; Wee committed said Bridget Olliver

JOHN HATHORNE.

*Examination of Bridget Bishop No. 2.*

The examination of Bridget Bishop before the Worshipfull John Hathon and Jonathan Curren esq<sup>rs</sup>.

Bridget Bishop being now coming in to be examined relating to her accusation of suspicion of sundry acts of witchcrafts, the afflicted persons are now dreadfully afflicted by her as they do say.

(Mr Hathon) Bishop what doo you say you here stand charged with sundry acts of witchcraft by you done or committed vpon the bodyes of Mercy Lews and An Putnam and others.

(Bishop) I am innocent I know nothing of it I have done no witchcraft.

(Mr. Hathen) Looke vpon this woman and see if this be the woman that you have seen hurting you. Mercy Lewes and An Putnam and others doo doo now charge her to her face with hurting of them.

(Mr Hathen) What doe you say now you see they charge you to your face

(Bish) I never did hurt them in my life I did never see these persons before I am as innocent as the child unborn.

(Mr Harth) is not your coat cut.

(Bish) answers no, but her garment being Looked vpon they find it cut or torn two ways Jonathan Walcoate saith that the sword that he strucke at Goode Bishop with was not naked but was within the scabbard so that the rent may very probablie

be the very same that Mary Walcoate did tell that shee had in her coate by Jonathan's striking at her appearance.

The afflicted persons charge her with having hurt them many wayes and by tempting them to fine the Devills booke at which charge she seemed to be very angree and shaking her head at them saying it was false they are all greatly tormented (as I conceive) by the shaking of her head.

(Mr Har) Good Bishop what contract have you made with the devill.

(Bish) I have made no contract with the devill I never saw him in my life. An Putnam sayeth that shee calls the devill her God.

(Mr Har) what say you to all this that you are charged with can you not find in your heart to tell the truth.

(Bish) I doe tell the truth I never hurt these persons in my life I never saw them before.

(Mercy Lewes) Oh goode Bishop did you not come to our house the Last night and did you not tell me that your master made you tell more than you were willing to tell.

(Mr Har) tell us the truth in this matter how comes these persons to be thus tormented and to charge you with doing

(Bish) I am not come here to say I am a witch to take away my life.

(Mr H) who is it that doth it if you doe not they say it is your likeness that comes and torments them and tempts them to write in the booke, what Booke is that you tempted them with.



(Bish) I know nothing of it I am innocent.

(Mr Harth) doe you not see how they are tormented you are acting witchcraft before us what doe you say to this why have you not an heart to confesse the truth.

(Bish) I am innocent I know nothing of it. I am no witch I know not what a witch is.

(Mr H) have you not given consent that some evill spirit should doe this in your likenes

(B) no I am innocent of being a witch I know no man woman or child here.

(Marshall Herrick) how came you into my bed chamber one morning then and asked me whether I had any curtains to sell. Shee is by some of the afflicted persons charged with murder.

(Mr Harth) what doe you say to these murders you are charged with.

(B) I am innocent I know nothing of it.

now shee lifts vp her eyes and they are greatly tormented

(Mr Har) what doe you say to these things here horrible acts of witchcraft.

(Bish) I know nothing of it I doe not know whether be any witches or no

(Mr Har) no have you not heard that some have confessed

(Bish) no I did not. two men told her to her face that they had told her, here shee is taken in a plain lie. now shee is going away they are dreadfully afflicted 5 afflicted persons doe charge this woman to be the very woman that hurts them

This is a true account of what I have taken down at her examination according to best understanding and observation I have also in her examination taken notice that all her actions have great influence vpon the afflicted persons and that have been tortured by her  
Ezekiel Cheever.

*Examination of Bridget Bishop & als. No. 1.*

1692. Salem June 2<sup>d</sup> aboute 10 in Morning.

Wee whose names are vnderwritten being commanded by Capt George Corwine Esq<sup>r</sup>. Sheriffe of y<sup>e</sup> County of Effex, this 2<sup>d</sup> day of June 1692 for to vew y<sup>e</sup> bodyes of Bridgett Bishop alias Oliver.

Rebecca Nurse

Elizabeth Proctor.

Alice Parker

Sufanna Martine

Sarah Good

The first three, namely : Bishop. Nurse : Proctor by diligent search haue discouered a preternatural Excrefence of flesh between y<sup>e</sup> pudendum and Anus much like to tetts and not vsuall in women and much vnlike to y<sup>e</sup> other three that hath been searched by us and y<sup>t</sup> they were in all y<sup>e</sup> three women neer y<sup>e</sup> same place

J BARTON Chyrurg<sup>en</sup>

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Pickering

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| <small>her</small> |                                                                                   | <small>marke</small> |
| Elanor             |  | Henderfon            |
| <small>her</small> |                                                                                   | <small>marke</small> |
| Rebecah            |  | Sharpe               |
| <small>her</small> |                                                                                   | <small>marke</small> |
| Lydia              |  | Peckman              |
| Hannah             |                                                                                   | Kezeir.              |

Sworne in Court June 2<sup>d</sup> 1692

Attest STEP SEWALL Cle.

*Examination No. 2.*

Salem aboute 4 afternoon June 2<sup>d</sup> 1692.

We whose names are subscribed to y<sup>e</sup> w<sup>thin</sup> mentioned, vpon a second search aboute 3 or 4 houres distance, did find y<sup>e</sup> said Bridgett Bishop alias Oliver in a clear and free state from any p<sup>e</sup>ternaturall Excrefence as formerly seen by vs as alsoe Rebecah Nurse instead of that Excrefence w<sup>thin</sup> mentioned it appears only as a dry skin w<sup>thout</sup> sence and as for Elizabeth procter which Excrefence like a tett red and fresh, not any thing appears, but only a proper procedeulia Ani and as for Sufanna Martine whose breast in y<sup>e</sup> morning search appeared to vs very full : ye nibbs fresh and starting, now at this searching all lanche and pendant which is all at p<sup>e</sup>sent from y<sup>e</sup> w<sup>thin</sup> mentioned subscribers and that that piece of flesh of Goodwife Nurseses formerly seen is gone and only a dry skin nearer to y<sup>e</sup> anus in another place.

J. BARTON Chyrurg<sup>en</sup>

Rebecah  Sharpe

marke

Alice  Pickering

marke





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| Eli / zabeth Hill                                                                               |  | Marjery  Williams |
| Lidia  Pickman |  | Anna  Stephens    |
| her marke                                                                                       |  | Jane  Wollings     |
| Eleanor // Henderson                                                                            |  | marke                                                                                                |
| her marke                                                                                       |  |                                                                                                      |

Sworne in Court June 2<sup>d</sup> 1692.

*Deliverance Hobbs v. Bridget Bishop.*

Deliverance Hobbs. Exam<sup>e</sup> May 3. 1692 Salem Prison.

Q. w<sup>t</sup> have you done since whereby y<sup>re</sup>. is further trouble in your appearance?

An. nothing att all.

Q: but have you nott since ben Tempted?

An. yes S<sup>r</sup> but I have nott done itt, nor will nott doe itt

Q. here is a great change since we last spake to you for now you afflict and torment againe: now tell us y<sup>e</sup> truth whoe tempted you to fighne againe?

An. itt was Goody Olliver; shee would have mee to fett my hand to y<sup>e</sup> book: butt I would nott neither have I. neither did consent to hurt y<sup>m</sup> againe.

Q. was y<sup>t</sup> true y<sup>t</sup> Goody Wills appeared to you and tempted you?

An. yes that was true.

Q. have you bin tempted since?

An. yes about fryday or Saturday night last.

Q. did y<sup>t</sup> bid you that you should nott tell.

An. yes they tould me foe.

Q. but how farr did they draw you or tempt you and how farr did you yield to y<sup>e</sup> temptation? but doe nott you acknowledge y<sup>t</sup> that was true y<sup>t</sup> you tould us formerly?

An. Yes.

Q. and you did fighne then att y<sup>e</sup> ffirst did you nott?

An. Yes I did itt is true.

Q. did you promise y<sup>r</sup> to deny att last what you said before?

An. Yes I did and itt was Goody Olliver alias Bishop y<sup>t</sup> tempted me to deny all y<sup>t</sup> I had confessed before

Q. doe you nott know y<sup>e</sup> man w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> wenne?

An. no I doe not know whoe itt is. all y<sup>t</sup> I confessed before is true.

Q. whoe were y<sup>se</sup> you named formerly?

An. Osburne, Good. Burroughs, Olliver, Wilds, Cory and his wife, Nurse, procter and his wife.

Q. who were w<sup>th</sup> you in y<sup>e</sup> chamber? (itt being informed y<sup>t</sup> some were Talking with her there)

An. Wilds and Bishop or Olliver, Good and Osburne, and y<sup>a</sup> had a ffeast both of Roast and Boyled meat and did eat and drink and would have had me to have eat and drink w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>m</sup>, but I would not and y<sup>a</sup> would have had me Sighned, but I would nott y<sup>n</sup> nor when Goody Olliver came to me.

Q. nor did nott you consent to hurt these children in your likenefs.

An. I doe not know y<sup>t</sup> I did.

Q. What is y<sup>t</sup> you have to tell w<sup>ch</sup> you cannott tell yett you say?



*William Stacey v. Bridget Bishop.*

William Stacey of the Towne of Salem aged Thirty Six years or thereabouts Deposeth and Saith

That about fourteene years agoe this Daponant was visited with the Small Pox, then Bridget Bishop did give him a visitt and withall Proffessed a great Love for this Deponant in his affliction more than ordinary, at which this deponant admired some time after this Deponant was well the said Bishop got him to do some work for her for which she gave him three pence which seemed to his Depo<sup>t</sup> as if it had been good money, but he had not gone not above 3 or 4 Rods before he Looked in his Pockett where he put it for it, but could not find any. sometime after this deponent met the said Bishop in ye Streete a goeing to mill, She asking this Deponant whether his father would grind her grist: he put it to y<sup>e</sup> said Bishop why she asked: she answered because folks counted her a witch this Depo<sup>t</sup> made answer, he did not question but that his father would grind it: but being gone about 6 Rod from he y<sup>e</sup> said Bishop, with a small load in his cart suddenly y<sup>e</sup> Off wheele Plumped or Sunk down into a hole upon Plain ground, that this Deponent was forced to get one to help him gett y<sup>e</sup> wheele out afterwards this Deponent, went back to look for said hole where his wheele sunk in but could not find any hole, sometime after in the winter about midnight this deponent felt something betweene his lips Preffing hard ag<sup>t</sup> his teeth and withall was very

cold in so much that it did awake him so y<sup>t</sup> he gott up and sat upon his beed he at the same time seeing the said Bridget Bishop sitting at ye foot of the bed, being to his seeming it was then as light as if it had been day, or one in the said Bishops shape, she having then a black cap and a black hat and a Red coate with two Eakes of two Coalers then she the said Bishop or her shape clapt her coate close to her legges and hopt vpon the bed and aboute the Roome and then went out. and then it was Dark, againe some time after the said Bishop went to this Depon<sup>t</sup> and asked him whither that which he had reported was true that he had told to severall, he answered y<sup>t</sup> was true, and y<sup>t</sup> it was she and bid her denigh it if she dare, the said Bishop did not denigh it and went away very angry and said y<sup>t</sup> this Depo<sup>t</sup> did her more mischief than any other body, he asked why: she answered because folks would believe him before any body Elce: sometime after the Said Bishop thretned this Deponent and told him he was the occasion of bringing her out about the brass she stole; some time after this deponent in a Dark night was going to y<sup>e</sup> Barn, who was, suddenly taken or hoisted from y<sup>e</sup> Ground and threw ag<sup>t</sup> a Stone wall, after that taken up againe a throwed Down a bank at the end of his house; sometime after this deponent mett the said Bishop by Isaac Stones brick kill after he had Passed buy her this Deponents horse stood still with a small load going up the hill so y<sup>t</sup> the horse striueing to draw all his Years and tackling flew in pieces and the cart fell downe.

Afterward this Deponent went to lift a Bagge of Corn of about 2 bushells, but could not budge it with all his might.

This Deponent hath mett with feuerall other of her Pranks at feuerall times which would take up a great time to tell of.

This Deponent doth verily believe that the said Bridget Bishop was Instrumental to his daughter Precilla's death: aboute two years agoe, the child was a likely Thriveing child. And suddenly screached out and foe continued in an unusual manner for aboute a fortnight and foe dyed in y<sup>t</sup> lamentable manner.

Sworne Salem May the 30th 1692.

before vs.      JOHN HATHORNE } Affists.  
                     JONATHAN CORWIN }

Jurat in Curia June 2<sup>d</sup> 1692.

*Samuel Gray v. Bridget Bishop.*

Samuell Gray of Salem aged aboute 42 yeares Testifieth and sayth that aboute fourteen years agoe he goeing to bed one Lord's Day at night, and after he had beene asleep some time, he awakened and looking vp, saw the house light as if a candle or candles were lighted in it and the dore locked and that little fire there was Raked vp he did then see a woman standing betweene the cradle in the Roome and the bed-side and seemed to look upon him so he did Rise vp in his bed and it vanished or disappeared then he went to y<sup>e</sup> dore and found it locked and vnlocking and opening ye dore he went to ye entry dore and loacked out and then againe

did see the same woman he had a little before seene in y<sup>e</sup> Roome and in the same Garbe she was in before then he said to her in the name of God, what doe you Come for. then she vanished away soe he locked y<sup>e</sup> dore againe and went to bed and between sleepeing and waking he felt something Come to his mouth or lips cold and thereupon started and looked vp and againe did see the same woman with something betweene both her hands holding before his mouth vpon which she moued and the Child in the cradle gaue a great screech out, as if it was greatly hurt and she disappeared. and takeing y<sup>e</sup> child vp could not quiett it in some howers from which tyme, the child y<sup>t</sup> before was a very likely Thriueing child did pine away and was never well althow it Liued some months after, yet in a sad condition and soe dyed: some tyme after within a weeke or less he did see y<sup>e</sup> same woman in y<sup>e</sup> same Garbe and cloathes that appeared to him as aforesaid, and althow he knew not her nor her name before. Yett both by her Countenance and Garb doth testifie y<sup>t</sup> it was the same woman y<sup>t</sup> thay now call Bridget Bishop alias Oliuer of Salem

Samuell Gray.

Sworne Salem May 30<sup>th</sup> 1692.

before mee JOHN HATHORNE Assist.

*John Hale v. Bridget Bishop.*

John Hale of Beuerly aged about 56 years testifieth and saith that about 5 or 6 years agoe Christian y<sup>e</sup> wife of John Trask (living in Salem bounds

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bordering on y<sup>e</sup> abovesaid Beuerly) being in full communion in o<sup>r</sup> church came to me to defier y<sup>t</sup> Goodwife Bishop her neighb<sup>rr</sup> wife of Edw: Bishop ju might not be permitted to receive y<sup>e</sup> Lord's Supper in our church till she had given her y<sup>e</sup> said Trask satisfaction for some offences y<sup>t</sup> were against her: viz: because y<sup>e</sup> said Bishop did entertaine certain people in her house at unseasonable hours in y<sup>e</sup> night to keep drinking and playing at shovel board whereby discord did arise in other families and young people were in danger to be corrupted and y<sup>t</sup> the sd Trask knew those things and has once gone into ye house and fynding some at Shovel board had taken y<sup>e</sup> peices thay played with and thrown them into the fyre and had reproved y<sup>e</sup> said Bishop for promoting such disorders But received no satisfaction from her about it.

I gave sd Christian Trask direction how to proceed farther in this matter if it were clearly proved And indeed by the information I have had otherwise I doe fear y<sup>t</sup> if a stop had not been putt to those disorders Edward Bishop's house would have been a house of great prophainness and iniquity.

But as to Christain Trask y<sup>e</sup> next news I heard of her was y<sup>t</sup> she was distracted and asking her husband Trask when she was so taken, he told mee shee was taken distracted y<sup>t</sup> night after shee came from my house when shee complained against Goody Bishop.

She continueing some time distracted wee Sought y<sup>e</sup> Lord by fasting and prayer and ye Lord was



pleased to restore y<sup>e</sup> ld Trask to y<sup>e</sup> vse of her reason agen I was w<sup>th</sup> her often in her distraction (and took it then to be only distraction y<sup>t</sup> fearing sometimes some y<sup>t</sup> worse) but since I haue seen y<sup>e</sup> fitts of those bewitched at Salem village I call to mind some of hers to be much like some of theirs.

The said Trask when recovered (as I understood it did manifest strong suspicion y<sup>t</sup> shee had been bewitched by y<sup>e</sup> ld Bishop's wife and showed so much avernses from having any converse \*\*\*\* her that I was then troubled \*\*\*\* as hoping better of Goody Bishop at that time \*\*\*\*\* At length said Christian Trask \*\*\* *was* \*\*\* agen in a distracted fit on a Sabbath day in y<sup>e</sup> forenoon at ye publick meeting to a publick disturbance and so continued some times better sometimes worse unto her death manifesting y<sup>t</sup> shee was under temptation to kill herselfe or somebody else.

I enquired of Marg<sup>rs</sup> Ring who kept at or nigh y<sup>e</sup> house, what shee had observed of ld Trask before this last distraction shee told mee, Goody Trask was much given to reading and searck ye prophecys of scripture.

The day before she made y<sup>t</sup> disturbance in ye meeting house shee came home and said shee had been with Goody Bishop and y<sup>t</sup> thay two were now friends or to y<sup>e</sup> effect.

I was off praying w<sup>th</sup> and counselling of Goody Trask before her death and not many days before her end being there shee seemed more rational and earnestly desired Edw Bishop might be sent for y<sup>t</sup>

shee might make friends with him. I asked her if shee had uronged Edw Bishop shee said not y<sup>t</sup> shee knew of unless it were in taking his shovel board peices when people were at play w<sup>th</sup> them and throwing them into the fyre and if shee did evill in it she was very forry for it and desiered he would be friends with her or forgive her. this was ye very day before shee dyed or a few days before.

Her diftraction (for bewitching) continued about a month and in those intervalls wherein she was better she earnestly desiered prayers, and y<sup>e</sup> Sabbath before shee dyed I received a note for prayers on her behalf which her husband said was written by herselfe and I judge was her owne hand writing being well acquainted with her hand.

As to ye wounds she dyed of I observed 3 deadly ones; a peice of her wind pipe cutt out. and another wound above yt threw ye wind pipe and Gulle to y<sup>e</sup> veine thay call jugular,, So that I then jugud and still doe apprehend it impossible for her w<sup>th</sup> so short a pair of cissars to mangle herselfe so without some extraordinary work of the devill or witchcraft.

Signed 20. May 1692. by John Hale.

To severall parts of this testimony nu witnesses Maj<sup>r</sup> Gedney Mr Paris Joseph Herrick junr and his wife Thomas Raiment and his wife John Traske Marget King Hannah wife of Cornel Baker Miles and others.

As also about y<sup>e</sup> fd Goody Bishop Capt William Raiment his son W<sup>m</sup> Raiment about creatures strangely dying. James Kettle and y<sup>e</sup> abovefd Jos.

Herrick and Tho : Rayment about Sundry actions  
y<sup>t</sup> have y<sup>e</sup> appearance of witchcraft.

*Sam<sup>ll</sup> Shattuck v. Bridget Bishop.*

Sam<sup>ll</sup> Shattoch aged 41 years testifieth y<sup>t</sup> in y<sup>e</sup> year 1680. Bridget Oliuer formerly wife to old Goodman Oliuer, now wife to Edward Bishop did come to my hous pretending to buy an old hh<sup>d</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> tho I asked very little for and for all her pretended want She went away w<sup>th</sup>out it and Sundry other tymes she came in a Smooth flattering maner in very Slightly Errants: we have thought Since on purpose to work mischief: at or very near this tyme or Eldest Child who promised as much and understanding, both by countenance and actions as any other children of his years: was taken in a very drooping condition, and as she came oftener to the hous he grew wors and wors: as he would be standing at y<sup>e</sup> door would fall out and bruis his face vpon a great step stone as if he had been thrust out bye an invifible hand often tymes falling and hitting his face ag<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> sides of y<sup>e</sup> hous, bruising his face in a very miserable manner. After this y<sup>e</sup> abouesaid Oliuer brought me a pair of fleeces to dye and after y<sup>t</sup> Sundry peeces of lace Som of w<sup>ch</sup> were Soe Short y<sup>t</sup> i could not judge y<sup>m</sup> fit for any use: she pd me 2<sup>d</sup> for dying y<sup>m</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> I gave to Henery Williams w<sup>ch</sup> liued w<sup>th</sup> me he told me put it in a purs among som other money which he locked up in a box and y<sup>t</sup> ye purs and money was gon out of y<sup>e</sup> Box he could not tell how: and neuer found it after. just

after y<sup>e</sup> dying of these things this child taken in a terrible fit: his mouth and eyes draune aside and gasped in such a maner as if he was upon y<sup>e</sup> point of death: after this he grew wors in his fits and out of y<sup>m</sup> would be almost allways crying. y<sup>t</sup> for many months he would be crying till nature's strength was spent and then would fall a sleep and y<sup>n</sup> awake and fall to crying and moaning: y<sup>t</sup> his very countenance did bespeak compassion: And at length we p<sup>r</sup>ceived his understanding decayed. Soe y<sup>t</sup> wee feared (as it has Since proved) y<sup>t</sup> he would be quite bereft of his witts, for Euer Since he has bin Stupefied and voide of reason his fitts still following of him: after he had bin in this kind of Sicknes Som tyme he has gone into the garden and has got upon a board of un inch thick w<sup>ch</sup> lay flat upon y<sup>e</sup> ground and wee have called him: he would com to the Edge of y<sup>e</sup> board and hold out his hand and make as if he would com but Could not till he was helped of y<sup>e</sup> board: other tymes when he has got upon a board as aforesaide my wife has said she has offered him a Cake and money to Com to her and he has held out his hand and reacht after it but Could not Com till he had bein helpt of y<sup>e</sup> board: by w<sup>ch</sup> i judge som inchant<sup>mt</sup> kept him on, about 17 or 18 months after y<sup>e</sup> first of this Ilnes there came a Stranger to my hous and pittied this Child and said among other words wee are all borne Som to one thing and Som to another: I asked him and w<sup>t</sup> doe you say this child is borne too he replied he is born to be bewitched and is

bewitched. I told him he did not know: he said he did know and said to me you have a neighbor y<sup>t</sup> liues not far of y<sup>t</sup> is a witch. I told him wee had no neighbor but w<sup>t</sup> was honest folke, he replied you haue a neighbor y<sup>t</sup> is a witch and she has had a falling out w<sup>th</sup> yo<sup>r</sup> wife and said in her hart yo<sup>r</sup> wife is a proud woman, and she would bring downe her pride in this Childe: I paused in my selfe and did remember y<sup>t</sup> mye wife had told me y<sup>t</sup> Goodwife Oliuer had ben at y<sup>e</sup> hous and spoke to her to beat Henery Williams y<sup>t</sup> liued w<sup>th</sup> vs and y<sup>t</sup> she went away muttering and she thought threatning: but little before o<sup>r</sup> child was taken ill: I told y<sup>e</sup> aforesaid Stranger y<sup>t</sup> there was such a woman as he spoke of: he asked where she liued for he would goe and see her if he knew how: I gave him money and bid him ask her for a pot of Sydr away he went and I sent my boy w<sup>th</sup> him, who after a short tyme, both returned: ye boys face bleeding and i asked w<sup>t</sup> was y<sup>e</sup> matter they told me y<sup>e</sup> man knocht at ye door and Goody Olivier came to y<sup>e</sup> door and asked y<sup>e</sup> Stranger w<sup>t</sup> he would have, he told her a pot of sydr. she saide he should have none and bid him get out and took vp a spade and made him goe out She followed him and when she came w<sup>thout</sup> ye poarch She saw my boy and ran to him and scratched his face and made it bleed: Saying to him thou roague w<sup>t</sup> dost thou bring this fellow here to plague me: now this man did say before he went: y<sup>t</sup> he would fetch blood of her. And euer Since this child hath bin followed w<sup>th</sup> greui-



ous fitts as if he would never recover moor: his hed and Eyes drawne aside so as if they would never Come to rights moor: lying as if he were in a maner dead falling anywhere Either into fire or water, if he be not constantly looked too, and generally in such an uneasie and restless frame almost allways running too and fro acting foe Strange y<sup>t</sup> I cannot judge otherwise but y<sup>t</sup> he is bewitched and by these circumstances doe beleieve y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> aforesaide Bridget Oliuer now called Bishop is y<sup>e</sup> caus of it and it has bin y<sup>e</sup> judgment of Doctors Such as liued her and ferrugriers y<sup>t</sup> he is under an Evill hand of witchcraft.

Sam<sup>ll</sup> Shattuck and

Sarah Shattock.

affirmeth vpon y<sup>e</sup> oath they haue taken to the truth of what is aboue written.

Attest STEPHEN SEWALL. Cler.

Jurat in Curia June 2<sup>d</sup>. 1692.

*John Londer v. Bridget Bishop.*

John Londer of Salem aged about Thurtey two years Testifieth and sayth y<sup>t</sup> aboute seaven or eight years since I then liuing w<sup>th</sup> Mr John Gedney in Salem and haueing had some Controversy with Bridget Bishop y<sup>e</sup> wife of Edw Bushop of Salem Sawyer aboate her fowles y<sup>t</sup> vsed to Come into our orchard or Garden. Some little tyme after which, I goeing well to bed: aboute y<sup>e</sup> dead of y<sup>e</sup> night felt a great weight vpon my Breast and awakening looked and it being bright moon-light did clearly see sd Bridget Bushop or her likenes fitting vpon

my stomacke and puting my armes of of y<sup>e</sup> bed to free myself from y<sup>t</sup> great oppression, she presently laid hold of my throat and almost choked mee and I had noe strength or power in my hands to resist or helpe myselfe and in this condition she held mee to almost day. some tyme after this my Mistres Sufannah Gedney was in our orchard and I was then with her, and said Bridget Bishop being then in her orchard w<sup>ch</sup> was next adjoining to ours, my Mistres told sd Bridget y<sup>t</sup> I said or affirmed y<sup>t</sup> she came one night and satt vpon my brest as afore sd which she denyed and I Affirmed to her face to be true and y<sup>t</sup> I did plainly see her, vpon w<sup>ch</sup> discourse with her she threatend mee. And some tyme after that I being not very well stayed at home on a Lords day and on y<sup>e</sup> Afternoon of sd day the doors being shutt I did see a black pig in the Roome Coming towards mee soe I went towards itt to kick it and it vanished away.

Immediately after I satt down in an narrow Bar And did see a black thing jump into y<sup>e</sup> window and came and stood Just before my face vpon y<sup>e</sup> bar y<sup>e</sup> body of itt looked like a Munkey only y<sup>e</sup> feete were like a Cock's feete w<sup>th</sup> claws and y<sup>e</sup> face somewhat more like a mans y<sup>n</sup> a munkey and I being greatly affrighted not being able to speake or helpe myselfe by reason of fear I suppose, so the thing spake to mee and said I am a Messenger sent to you for I understand you are troubled in mind and of you will be ruled by mee you shall want for nothing in this world, vpon which I Endeavored to clap my

hands upon itt, and said you devill I will kill you but could feel noe substance and itt Jumped out of y<sup>e</sup> window againe, And Imediately came in by y<sup>e</sup> porch althow y<sup>e</sup> doors ware shutt and said you had Better take my Councill, where-vpon I strooke at it with a sticke but strook y<sup>e</sup> Groundsell and broak y<sup>e</sup> stick, but felt noe substance and y<sup>t</sup> arme with which I strook was presently disenabled, then it vanished away, and I opened y<sup>e</sup> back dore and Went out and goeing towards ye house End I Espied sd Bridget Bushop in her orchard goeing towards her house, and seeing her had no power to set one foot forward but returned in againe and goeing to shutt y<sup>e</sup> dore. I againe did see y<sup>t</sup> or y<sup>e</sup> like creature y<sup>t</sup> I before did see within dores in such a posture as it seemed to be agoeing to fly at mee, vpon which I cryed out; y<sup>e</sup> whole amor of God to be between mee and you. Soe itt sprang back and flew ouer y<sup>e</sup> appletree flinging ye dust w<sup>th</sup> its feet against my stomake, vpon which I was struck dum and soe continued for aboute three days tyme and also shook many of y<sup>e</sup> apples of from the tree w<sup>ch</sup> it flu ouer:

John Lowder apearid before us this 2 day of June 1692 and one the oath that he had taken did own this testimony to be the truth before us the Juries of Inqwest.

Jurat in Curia.

Bridget Bishop alias Oliuer on her Tryall denied y<sup>t</sup> she knew this deponent though y<sup>e</sup> orchard of this depon<sup>t</sup> and y<sup>e</sup> orchard of said Bishop Goined and they often had differences for some yeares.

*J<sup>n</sup> Bly Sr & W<sup>m</sup> Bly v. Bridget Bishop.*

June 2<sup>d</sup> 1692. John Bly Senior agett about 57 yeers and William Blye aged about 15 years both of Salem Testifieth and sayth y<sup>t</sup> being Employed by Bridgitt Boshop Alias Oliuer of Salem to helpe take downe ye Cellar wall of The Owld house she formerly Lived in wee y<sup>e</sup> sd Deponents in holes in y<sup>e</sup> sd owld wall belonging to y<sup>e</sup> sd Cellar found feuerall popitts made vp of Raggs And hoggs Bruffells w<sup>th</sup> headles pins in Them. w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> points outward and this was about Seaven years Last past.

Jurat Curia.

*Ric<sup>d</sup> Coman v. Bridget Bishop.*

Richard Coman aged aboute 32 years. Testifieth that Sometime aboute Eight years since I then being in bed with my wife at Salem, one fift day of the weeke at night Either in y<sup>e</sup> Latter end of may y<sup>e</sup> Beginning of June, and a light burning in our Roome I being awake, did then see Bridget Bishop of Salem Alias Oliuer come into ye Roome wee lay in and two women more with her w<sup>ch</sup> two women ware strangers to mee I knew them not, but sd Bishop came in her Red paragon Bodyce and the rest of her cloathing y<sup>t</sup> she then v<sup>s</sup>ually did ware, and I knowing of her well also y<sup>e</sup> garb she did vse to goe in did clearly and, plainly know her, and testifieth that as he locked the dore of the house when he went to bed soe he found it afterwards when he did rise, and quickly after they appeared

the light was out and the Curtaines at y<sup>e</sup> foote of y<sup>e</sup> bed opened where I did see her and presently came And lay vpon my Brest or body and soe oppressed him y<sup>t</sup> he could not speake nor stir noe not soe much as to awake his wife althow he Endeavored much soe to do itt: y<sup>e</sup> next night thay all appeared Againe in like manner and she sd Bishop Alias Oliuer tooke hold of him by the throate and almost hauled him out of the bed, the Satterday night following: I haueing benne y<sup>t</sup> day telling of what I had seene and how I suffered the two nights before, my kinsman W<sup>m</sup> Coman told me he would stay with mee and Lodg with mee and see if they would come againe and aduised me to lay my sword on thurt my body, quickly after wee went to bed y<sup>t</sup> sd night and both, well awake and discoursing together in came all the three women againe and sd Bishop was the first as she had benne the other two nights soe I told him. W<sup>m</sup> heer thay be all come againe and he was Immediatly strook Speechless and could not moue hand or foote and Immediatly they gatt hold of my sword and strued to take it from mee but I held soe fast as thay did not get itt away and I had then Liberty of speech and Called W<sup>m</sup>. also my wife and Sarah Phillips y<sup>t</sup> lay with my wife. Who all told mee afterwards thay heard mee but had not power to speak or stir afterwards. And y<sup>e</sup> first y<sup>t</sup> spake was Sarah Phillips and said in ye name of God Goodm Coman w<sup>t</sup> is y<sup>e</sup> Matter with you, soe thay all vanished away.

Sworne Salem June 2<sup>d</sup>. 1692. Before mee

Jurat in Curia

JOHN HATHORNE.



*Sus Sheldon v. Bridget Bishop.*

The Deposition of Susannah Sheldon aged about 18 years who testifieth and saith that on the 2 June 1692 I saw the apparition of Bridget Bishop and Immediately appered to little children and said that they were Thomas two twins and told Bridget Bishop to her face that she had murdered them in setting them into fits where of they dyed.

*John Cooke v. Bridget Bishop.*

John Cooke aged about 18 yeares testifieth that about five or six yeares agoe one morning about Sun rising as I was in bed before I rose I saw Goodwife Bishop Alias Oliuer Stand in y<sup>e</sup> chamber by y<sup>e</sup> window and she looked on me and Grinned on me and presently struck me on y<sup>e</sup> side of y<sup>e</sup> head w<sup>ch</sup> did very much hurt me and then I saw he goe out under y<sup>e</sup> End window at a litle Ceuise about so bigg as I could thrust my hand into. I saw her again ye same day w<sup>ch</sup> was y<sup>e</sup> Sabbath Day about noon walk acrofs y<sup>e</sup> Roome and hauing at y<sup>e</sup> time an apple in my hand it flew out of my hand into my mothers lapp who sate fix or eight foot distance from me and then she disappeared and though my mother and seuerall others were in y<sup>e</sup> same room y<sup>t</sup> they affirmed they saw her not.

John Cooke appearid before ws the Juriers of Inqwest and did owne this to be his testimony on the oath that he hath taken: this 2: day of June. 92.

Jurat in Curia.

*John Bly sr & Rebeccah Bly v. Bridget Bishop.*

John Bly sen<sup>r</sup> and Rebecka Bly his wife of Salem, both Testifie and say y<sup>t</sup> sd Jno Bly Bought a Sow of Edwd Bishop of Salem Sawyer and by agreement with sd Bushop was to pay ye price agreed vpon vnto Lt Jeremiah Neale of Salem. and Bridgett y<sup>e</sup> wife of Said Edward Bushop because she could not haue the money or vallue agreed for payd vnto her, she came to the hous of the deponents in Salem and Quarrelled w<sup>th</sup> them aboute it, soon after which the sow having pigged, she was taken with strange fitts Jumping vp and knocking her head against the fence and seemed blind and deafe and would not Eat neither Lett her pigs suck but foamed at the mouth which Goody hinderfon heaveing of sayd she beleived she was ouerlooked and y<sup>t</sup> they had their cattle ill in such a manner at y<sup>e</sup> eastward when she liued there and vsed to cure them by giving of them, Rod Okar and Milk which wee alsoe gaue the sow: Quickley after eating of which she grew Butter and then for the space of neere two howres together she getting into ye street did sett of Jumping and running betweene y<sup>e</sup> house of sd deponents and sd Bushops as if she ware stark mad, and after that was well againe and we did then apprehend or Judge and doe still y<sup>t</sup> sd Bishop had bewitched sd sow.

Jurat in Curia.

*Eliz<sup>b</sup> Balch v. Bridget Bishop.*

The depotion of Elizabeth Balch of Beuerly Aged Aboute Eight and thirty years and wife vnto Benjamin Balch ju<sup>r</sup> This deponant testifieth hereby and faith that she being at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> very day that Cap<sup>t</sup> George Corwin was buried and in y<sup>e</sup> euening of sd day coming from sd Salem vnto sd Beuerly on horse back with her sister then known by the name of Abigail Woodburie now Abigail Waldron Liueing in Wenham wife vnto Nathaniell Waldron Rideing behinde her and as they were Rideing as before and were come so far as Crane Riuer Common Soe called Edward Bishop and his wife ouertook vs (on horseback) who are both in u in prison vnder Suspition of witchcraft and had some words of Difference it seemed vnto vs. sd Bishop rideing in to ye brooke, pretty hastily she finding fault with his soe doing and said that he would throw her into y<sup>e</sup> water or words to that purpose, sd Bishop answered her that it was noe matter if he Did or words to that effect: and soe wee rode along all together towards Beuerly and she blamed her husband for Rideing soe fast and that he would doe her a mischiefe or words to that purpose, and he answered her it was noe matter what was done vnto her or words to that purpose, And then sd Bishop directed his speech vnto us as we Rode along and sd that she had ben a bad wife vnto him euer since they were marryed and reckoned vp many of her miscarriages towards him,

but now of late she was worfe than euer she had ben vnto him before (and that the Devill did come bodyly vnto her and that she was familiar with the Deuil and that she fate vp all y<sup>e</sup> night Long with y<sup>e</sup> Deuill) or words to that purpose and with such kinde of discourse he filled vp y<sup>e</sup> time vntill we came to sd Bishops dwelling house and this Depo-  
nent did reprove sd Bishop for speaking in such a manner vnto his wife sd Bishop Answered it was nothing but what was truth and sd Bishops wife made very little reply to all her husbands discourse Dureing all y<sup>e</sup> time we were with them and further faith not.

The mark of *E* elezebeth Balch.  
her Answer. the mark *A* of Abigail Walden.  
if it be foe you had neede pray, for mee.

*Sus Sheldon v. Bridget Bishop.*

on the foarth day at night came Goody Olliuer and Mrs English and Goodman Corie and a black man with a hi crowned hatt with books in their hands Goody Olliuer bad me toach her booke i would not i did not know her name shee told mee her name was Goody Olliuer and bid me touch her booke now I bid her tell mee how long shee had been a witch shee told mee shee told m<sup>r</sup> had been a witch aboue twentie years then there came a streched snake creeping ouer her shoulder and creep into her bosom. Mrs English had a yello bird in her bosom and Goodman Corie had two turcles hang to his coat and he opened his bosom

and put his turcles to his brest and gave them suck then Goodman Cove and Goody Oliuer kneeled downe before the black man and went to prayer, and then the blackman told mee Goody Olliver had been a witch twenti years and an half then they all fet to biteing mee and so went away, the next day came Goodman Corie Mrs English in the morning and told mee i should not eat no uittals i took a spoon and put on Spoonfull in my mouth and goodman Corie gaue me a blow on the ear and allmost choaked mee. then he laughed at mee and told mee i would eat when he told mee I should not then he clenched my hands that they could not be opened for more than a quarter of an our then came Phillip English and and told mee if i would touch his booke he would not bite mee but if i refused then he did bite mee and went away

the fixth day at night came Goody Olliver and Mrs English Goodman Core and his wife.

Goodwife Core presented mee a booke i refused it and asked her whear she liued, shee told mee shee liued in offton prisson then shee puled out her brest and the black man gave her a thing like a blake pig it had no hairs on it and shee put it to her brest and gave it suck and when it had sucked on brest shee put it to the other and gaue it suck their. then she gave it to the black man then they went to praier to the blak man, then Goody Olliver told mee shee had kiled four women two of them were the fosters wives and John Traskes wife and did not name the other then they did all bitt mee and

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went away, then the next day came Goody Core choaked mee and told mee i would not eat when my dame bid mee but now i should eat none.

*Eliz<sup>b</sup> Hubbard v. Bridget Bishop.*

now whilst i was righting thes lines thar came in Mary waring and another woman with hur which woman mary waring thap said was Goody oliur and that woman came in hur shift.

*Death Warrant v. Bridget Bishop.*

To George Corwin Gent<sup>m</sup> high Sheriffe of the County of Effex. Greeting.

Whereas Bridgett Bishop als Olliver the wife of Edward Bishop of Salem in the County of Effex, Sawyer, at a speciall court of Oyer and Terminer held at Salem the second Day of this instant month of June for the Countyes of Effex' Middlesex' and Suffolk before William Stoughton Esq<sup>r</sup> and his Associate Justices of the said Court was Indicted and arraigned upon five severall Indictments for vseing practiceing and exercising on the nyneteenth day of April last past and divers other dayes and time before and after certain acts of Witchcraft in and vpon the bodyes of Abigail Williams Ann puttnam Jun<sup>r</sup> Mercy Lewis Mary Walcott and Elizabeth Hubbard of Salem Village Singlewomen whereby their bodyes were hurt afflicted pined, consumed Wasted and tormented contrary to the forme of the Statute in that Case made and provided.

To which Indictm<sup>ss</sup> the said Bridgett Bishop pleaded not guilty and for tryall thereof put herselfe vpon God and her Country whereupon she was found guilty of the ffelonys and witchcrafts whereof she stood Indicted and senlence of Death accordingly passed ag<sup>t</sup> her as the Law, directs.

Execution where of yet remains to be done.

These are therefore in the name of their Maj<sup>ties</sup> William and Mary now King and Queen ouer England &c to will and Comand you That vpon Fryday next being the Tenth day of this instant month of June betweene the hours of Eight and twelve in the aforenoon of the same day you safely conduct the sd Bridget Bishop als Oliver from their Maj<sup>ties</sup> Goal in Salem aforesd to the place of Execution and there cause her to be hanged by the neck untill she be dead. and of your doings herein make returne to the Clerke of the sd Court and p<sup>s</sup>cept.

And hereof you are not to faile at your peril.



And this shall be your sufficient Warrant. Given under my hand and seal at Boston the Eighth day of June in the ffourth yeer of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary now King and Queen over England &c Annoq Dom 1692.

*W<sup>m</sup> Stoughton*

June 10<sup>th</sup> = 1692.

According to the within Written precept I have taken the body of the within named Boigett Bishop

out of theire Majesties Goale in Salem and Safely  
Conveighed her to the place provided for her  
Execution and caused y<sup>e</sup> sd Brigett to be hanged  
by the neck untill shee was dead all which was  
according to the time within Required and So I  
make Returne by me

*George Corwin Sheriff.*

*Abigail Hobbs Examination No. 1.*

Abigail Hobbs's Examination 20. April 1692 in  
Salem Prison.

This Examinant declares that Judah White a  
Jersey maid that Lived with Joseph Ing<sup>r</sup>son at  
Calcoe but now lives at Boston with whome this  
Examinant was very well formerly acquainted came  
to her yesterday in apperition together with Sarah  
Good as this Examinant was going to Examination  
and advifed her to fly and not to goe to be Examined  
shee told them that She would goe. They Charged  
her if she did goe to Examination not to confes  
anything. She said that She would Confes all that  
She knew. They told her Also that Goody Osborn  
was a witch. This Judah White came to her in  
fine cloathes in a Sad coloured Silk Mantel with a  
Top knot and an hood.

She confesseth further that the Devil in the  
Shape of a man came to her and would have her  
to afflict Ann Putnam Mercy Lewis And Abigail  
Williams and brought their Images with him in  
Wood like them and gave her thorns and bid her

prick them into these images which she did accordingly into each of them one and then the Devil told her they were afflicted which accordingly they were and Cryed out they were hurt by Abigail Hobbs, She confesseth She was at the great meeting in Mr Parris's Pasture when they administered the Sacram<sup>t</sup> and did eat of the Red Bread and drink of the Red wine at the same time.

*Abigail Hobbs Examination No. 2.*

Abigail Hobbs Examination att Salem Prison  
May 12 1692

Q. Did Mr Burroughs bring you any of the poppets of his wives to stick pinns into

An I do not remember that he did

Q. Did he of any of his children or of the Eastward Sould<sup>rs</sup>

A. No.

Q. Have you known of any that have been killed by witchcraft

A. No. No Body.

Q. How came you to speak of Mr Burroughs wives yesterday

A. I dont know.

Q. Is that true about Davis's Son of Cascoe and of those of y<sup>e</sup> village?

A. Yes it is true.

Q. What service did he put you upon? and who are they you afflicted

A I cannot tel who, neither do I know whether they dyed

Q. Were they strangers to you that Burroughs would have you afflict.

A. Yes

Q. and were they afflicted accordingly

A. Yes.

Q. Cant you name some of them?

A. No I cannot remember them.

Q. Where did they live?

A. Att the Eastward.

Q. have any vessells been cast away by you?

A. I do not know.

Q. Have you consented to the afflicting any other besides those at the village?

A. Yes.

Q. Who were they?

A. I cannot tell But it was of such who Lived att the fort side of the river about half a mile from the fort toward Capt Brackett.

Q. What was the hurt you give to them by consent?

A. I dont know.

Q. was their any thing brought to you like them?

An. Yes.

Q. what did you stick into them

A. Thorns.

Q. did some of them dy

A. Yes. one of them was Mary Laurence that dyed.

Q. Wher

Q. where did you stick the thorns?

A. I do not know



Q was it about the middle of her body?

A. Yes and I stuck it right in.

Q. what provoked you, had she displeased you?

A. Yes by some words she spoke of mee.

Q who brought the image to you?

A. it was Mr Burroughs.

Q How did he bring itt to you?

A. In his own person bodily.

Q. where did he bring it to you?

A. abroad a little way of from o<sup>r</sup> house.

Q. and what did he say to you then?

A. he told me he was angry with that ffamily.

Q. how many years Since was it?

A. Before this Indian war.

Q. How did you know Mr Burroughs was a witch?

A I dont know. She owned againe she had made two Covenants with the Devil first for two years and after that for four years and she confesseth herself to have been a witch thefe six years

Q. did the maid complain of pain about the place you stuck the thorn in.?

A. Yes but how long she Lived I dont know.

Q. How do you know Burroughs was Angry w<sup>th</sup> Laurence's ffamily?

A. Because he told me so.

Q where did any other live that you afflicted?

A. Just by y<sup>e</sup> other toward James Andrews's and they dyed also.

Q. How many were they more than one?

A Yes.

Q. And who brought those poppets to you?

A. Mr Burroughs.

Q. Whatt did you stick into them?

A. Pinns. and he gave them to mee.

Q. Did you keep those poppets?

A. No he carryed them away with him

Q Was he there himselfe with you in Bodily person?

A. Yes and so he was when he appeared to tempt mee to set my hand to the Book he then appeared in person and I felt his hand at the same time.

Q. Were they men women or children you killed?

A. They were both Boys and Girls.

Q. Was you angry with them yourself?

A Yes tho I dont know why now.

Q. Did you know Mr. Burrougs wife?

A. Yes.

Q. Did you know of any poppits pricked to kill her?

A. No I dont.

Q. Have you seen feuerall witches at ye Eastward?

A. Yes, But I dont know who they were.

*Abigail Hobbs Examination No. 3.*

Examination of Abigail Hobbs *before theire*  
Maj<sup>ties</sup> Justices June 29 1692

Saith y<sup>t</sup> on Friday last John Proctor Sen<sup>r</sup> being  
in a Roome w<sup>th</sup> her alone told her y<sup>t</sup> she had bet-

ter to afflict than be afflicted and y<sup>t</sup> she should not be hanged & but Enjoyned her to afflict Ann Putnam and persuaded her to Set her hand to y<sup>e</sup> Book and Guided her hand personally to do it and after this his appearance brought me a poppet and a Thorne wh<sup>ch</sup> I stuck into y<sup>e</sup> poppit to afflict sd Ann Putnam a friday.

*Lydia Nichols v. Abigail Hobbs.*

Lydia Nichols aged about 17 years testifieth and saith that about a yeare & halfe agoe I asked abigaille hobs how she darst lie out a nights in y<sup>e</sup> woods alone she told me she was not a fraid of any thing for she told me she had sold herselfe boddy & soule to y<sup>e</sup> old boy.

and fins this about a fortnight agoe y<sup>e</sup> said abigaille hobs & her mother came to our hous my father & mother being not at home She begane to be rude & to behave herselfe unseemly I told her I wondered she was not ashamed She bide me hold my tong or elce she would rays all the folks thereabouts and bid me look there was old “ or else old cratten sate ouer y<sup>e</sup> bedsted then her mother told her shee little thought to a bin mother of such a dafter.

Elizabeth Nichols aged about 12 years testifieth y<sup>e</sup> same she said at our house about a fortnight agoe.

*Prescilla Chub v. Abigail Hobbs.*

The deposition of prisceller chub aged about 31 : years, this deponent testifieth and saith that

sum time the last winter I was discourfing with Abigaill Hobbs about her wicked cariges and disobedience to hir father and Mother and she tould me she did not care what any body said to hir for she had seen the divell and had made a covenant or bargain with him.

*Margaret Knight v. Abigail Hobbs.*

The depofition of margarett knight aged about 18 years who testifieth and faith that about a year agoe Abigail Hobbs and hir mother ware att my fathers house: and Abigail Hobbs said to me Margaret have you baptized and I said yes, then said she my mother is not baptized but said I will baptise her and immediately took watter and sprinckled in hir mothers face and said she did baptised hir in the name of the ffather Son and Holy Ghost.

*Mercy Lewis v. Abigail Hobbs.*

The depofition of mircy lewes agged about 19 yeares who testifieth that about the 17<sup>th</sup> of April. 1692. I saw the apperifhtion of Abigail Hoobs the daughter of William Hobbs com and afflect me by pinching and almost choaking me urging me to writ in hir book and so she continued hurting of me by times till the 19<sup>th</sup> of April, being the day of hir examination but as soon as she began to confels she left off hurting me.

*Mary Walcott v. Abigail Hobbs.*

The deposition of Mary Walcott aged about 17 years who testifieth and saith that about the 14<sup>th</sup> April. 1692 I saw the Apperishtion of Abigail Hoobs, the daughter of William Hoobs com and afflict me by pinching and almost choaking me urging me to writ in hir book and so the continewed to afflict me by times till the day of hir examination being the 19<sup>th</sup> April but as soon as she began to confesse she left offe afflicting me.

*Ann Putnam v. Abigail Hobbs.*

The deposition of Ann Putnam who testifieth and saith that about the 13<sup>th</sup> of April. 1692 I saw the Apperishtion of Abigail Hoobs the daughter of William Hoobs com and afflict me by biting pinching and almost choaking me urging me to writ in hir book and so she continewed by times hurting me till the 19<sup>th</sup> of April being the day of hir examination but as soon as she began to confesse she left offe hurting me.

*Eliz<sup>b</sup> Hubbard v. Abigail Hobbs.*

The deposition of Eliz : Hubbard who testifieth and saith that I was afflicted and tormented by Abigail Hoobs : seuerall times before hir examination, also on the day of hir examination she did most greivously torment me also I saw Abigail Hoobs on her appearance most greivously afflict and torment Mercy Lewes Mary Walcott and Ann



Putnam on the 19<sup>th</sup> April. 1692 being the day of her examination, but as soon as she began to confess she left off affecting of us. and I belev in my heart y<sup>t</sup> Abigail Hobbs was a witch and that she has often affected both me and the abovesaid persons by acts of witchcraft.

Eliz Hubbard owned the truth of ye abouewritten evidence To y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inquest vpon oath Sept. 10 1692.

*Warrant vs. Sarah Wilds & als.*

Salem Aprill. the 21<sup>th</sup>. 1692.

There Being Complaint this day made (before vs) by Thomas Putnam and John Buxton of Salem Village Yeomen, in behalfe of their Majest<sup>ies</sup>, for themselves and also for severall of their neighbours Against William Hobs husbandman Deliv<sup>e</sup> his wife, Nehemiah Abot junior weaver, Mary Easty. the wife of Isaac Eastey and Sarah Wilds the wife of John Wilds. all of the Towne of Topsfield or Ipswich and Edward Bishop husbandman and Sarah his wife of Salem Village and Mary Black A negro of Leut Nath Putnams of Salem Village also. And Mary English the wife of Philip English Merchant in Salem for high Suspition of Sundry acts of witchcraft donne or Committed by them Lately vpon the Bodys of Anna putnam and Marcy Lewis belonging to the famyly of y<sup>e</sup> aboues<sup>d</sup> Thomas Putnam complain<sup>t</sup> and Mary Walcot y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Capt Jonath<sup>n</sup> Walcot of sd Salem Village and others, whereby great hurt and dammage hath beene

donne to ye bodys of said persons abouenamed therefore craued Justice.

You are therefore in their Majest<sup>ies</sup> names here by Com-required to Apprehend and bring before vs William Hobs husbandman and his wife Nehemiah Abot Jun<sup>r</sup> weaver Mary Easty the wife of Isaac Easty and all the rest abouenamed tomorrow aboute ten of the clock in the forenoon at the house of Leiut Nath<sup>l</sup> Ingerfalls in Salem Village in order to their examination Relatiing to the premises abouesayd and here of you are not to faile.

Dated Salem. Aprill 21<sup>th</sup> 1692.

JOHN HATHORNE } Affists.  
JONATHAN CORWIN }

To George Herrich Marshall of Essex: and any or all of y<sup>e</sup> Constables in Salem or Topsfield or any other Towne.

*Examination of Sarah Wilds.*

The examination of Sarah Wilds at a Court held at Salem Village 1692.

by the wop<sup>==</sup> John Hathorn & Jonathan Corwin.

The Sufferers were seized with fou  
the accused came into the Court

Hath this woman hurt you?

Oh she is vpon the beam.

Goody Bibber that never saw her before says  
she saw her now vpon the beam & then  
said Bibber fell into a fit.

What say you to this are you guilty or not?

I am not guilty. Sir.

Is this y<sup>e</sup> woman speaking to ye afflicted  
 Thay all, or most, said yes, & then fell *into fits*.  
 What do you say, are you guilty  
 I thank God. I am free.

Hear is a clear evidence that *you have*  
 been not only a Tormenter *but that*  
 you have caused one to *signe the*  
 book, the night before last. *What*  
 you say to this?

*I* ever saw the book in my life *and I never*  
*saw these persons* before.

*Some of the* afflicted fell into fits  
*Do* you, deny this thing that is  
 All fell into fits & *confirmed*  
 that the accused hurt them

Did you never consent that *these should*  
 be hurt?

never in my life.

She was charged by some *ivith*  
 with hurting John Hemcks mother

The accused denied it.

Capt How gave in a relation *and*  
 conformation of the charge before made.  
 she was ordered to be taken away &  
 they all cryed out she was upon the  
 Beam & fell into fits.

*Examination of W<sup>m</sup> Hobbs.*

The Examination of  
 William Hobbs at the Same Court.  
*Hath* this man hurt you?

Several answered yes.

*Goody Bibber* said no.

*What* say you, are you guilty or not?

*I* can speak in the presence of God safely as  
*I* may look to give account another day  
that *I* am as clear as a new born babe.

Clear of what?

Of witchcraft

Have you never hurt these?

No.

Have you not consented that they should  
be hurt?

*Abigail Williams* said he was going to *Mercy  
Lewes* and quickly after said *Lewes* was seized with  
a fit.

Then said *Abigail* cried he is coming to *Mary  
Walcot* and said *Mary* presently fell into a fit also.

*How* can you be clear when the children  
*saw* something come from you & afflict  
these persons?

Then they fell into fits & halloo'd  
*suffe* red greatly.

er wife before you God wa  
open her mouth and she ha  
fession and you seem to  
before us.

*I* am clear of any witch.

*What* do you call it, an over look *ing* of  
*thern*? you look upon them & they are  
hurt none of them.

Then they all fell into grede fits again

When were you at any publick Religious meeting  
Not a pretty while  
Why so?

Because I was not well: I had a distemper.  
that none knows.

Can you act witchcraft here & by casting your  
eyes turn folks into fits.

You may judge your pleasure my soul is clear.

Do you not see you hurt them by your look

No. I do not know it.

You did not answer to that question  
dont you overlook them?

No. I dont overlook them

What do you call that way of looking vpon  
persons and striking them downe?

You may judge your pleasure.

Well but what do you call it?

It was none of I.

Who was it then?

I cannot tell who they are.

Why they say they see you going to hurt persons  
& immediately hurt persons.

Abig: Williams said he is going to hurt Mercy  
Lewesn and imediately sd Mercy fell into a fit and  
divers others

Can you now deny it?

I can deny it to my dying day.

What is the reason when you go away when *there*  
is any reading of the Scripture in your *family*

He denied it.

Nath<sup>l</sup> Ingersol & Tho Haynes testified  
that this Hobbs daughter had told them *so*



As soon as your daughter Abigail & after  
to day your wife confessed they left torturing  
& so would you if you would confess: can you  
still deny that you are guilty?

I am not guilty.

If you put away God's ordinances, no wonder  
that the Devil prevails with you to keep his coun-  
sell. Have you never had any apparition?

No. Sir.

Did you never pray to the Devil that your  
daughter might confess no more?

No Sir.

Who do you worship?

I hope I worship God only.

Where?

In my heart

But God requires outward worship  
not worship him in publick nor

worship him in my heart

worship him in your family

and may speak the truth

not given the Devil advantage

you thereby?

He was silent a considerable space  
then said yes

Have you not known a good while how  
that your daughter was a witch?

No. Sir.

Do you think she is a witch now

I do not know

Well if you desire mercy from God own  
the truth

I do not know anything of that nature  
 What do you think these people aile?  
 More than ordinary?  
 But what more than ordinary  
 \_\_\_\_\_ silent

Why do you not answer what is they aile?  
 I do not know what they aile I am forry  
 It is none of I.

What do you think they aile?  
 There is more than ordinary  
 What is that?

I cannot tell  
 Do you think they are bewicht.  
 I cannot tell.

Now tell when your wife & daughter o  
 Did not you give consent that they should be *hurt*  
 Never in my dayes.  
 What do you think cused your wife she was

these the other day  
 nal God in Heaven knows  
 know that. We do not ask that  
 ther you do not know what cused  
 t tell I know nothing  
 man said he told me that if his wife  
 not write in the book he would kill her  
 was the same time that she did figne  
 ppears by the time of her appearing as a  
 ember of Mr Parris family & others.

Did not you say so?  
 I never said so.

Salem Village Aprill 22<sup>th</sup>. 1692.

Mr Sam<sup>l</sup> Parris being desired to take  
in wrighting y<sup>e</sup> Examination of  
and W<sup>m</sup> Hobbs  
Sarah Wilds <sup>^</sup>deleured it a afore<sup>d</sup>  
and upon hearing y<sup>e</sup> same and seeing  
what wee did see at y<sup>e</sup> time of h<sup>er</sup>  
examination together with ye charge of  
y<sup>e</sup> affected persons against her we  
committed her to their Majt<sup>s</sup> Goale  
John Hathorne.

*John Wilds for Sarah Wilds.*

John Wiells testifieth that he did hear y<sup>t</sup> Mary  
the wife of Jno Reddinton did raise a report y<sup>t</sup> my  
wife had bewitched her and I went to y<sup>e</sup> saide Jno  
Reddinton and told him I would arest him for his  
wife: defaming of my wife but y<sup>e</sup> saide Reddinton  
desired me not to do it for it would but waste his  
estate and y<sup>t</sup> his wife would a done w<sup>th</sup> it in tyme  
and y<sup>t</sup> he knew nothing she had against my wife—  
after this I got my brother Averill to goe to y<sup>e</sup> saide  
Sarah Reddinton and my sd Bro<sup>r</sup> told me y<sup>t</sup> he told  
y<sup>e</sup> saide Sarah Reddinton y<sup>t</sup> if she had anything ag<sup>st</sup> my  
wife y<sup>t</sup> he would be a means and would help her to  
bring my wife out: and y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> saide Sarah Reddinton  
replyed y<sup>t</sup> she knew no harm my wife had done  
her: y<sup>t</sup>

*Eph<sup>m</sup> Wilds for Sarah Wilds.*

The testimony of Ephraim Willdes aged about  
27 or thereabouts testifieth and saith that about

four yers agoe there was som likly hode of my haueing one of Goody Simonds dafter and as the maid towld me hur mother and father were ueriy willing I should have haue but after some time I had a hint that Goodeey Simonds had formerly said she beleued my mother had done her wrong and I went to hare and toch Marke how that is now dead who dyed at the Eastward: along with me and before both of us she denied that euer she had eney grounds to think any halme of my mother only from what Goodiey Redington had saide and afterwards I left the house and went no more and euer since she bene ueriy angriey with me and now she will reward mee.

Ephraim Willdes.

*Eph<sup>m</sup> Wilds for Sarah Wilds.*

This may inform this Honered Court that I Ephraim Willdes being constabell for topsfield this yere and the Marshall of Sallem coming to fetch away my mother he then shered me a warrant from authority directed to the constabel of topsfelld wherein was William Hobbs and Deliverence his wife with many others and the Marshall did then require me forthwith to gow and aprehend. the bodyes of William hobs and his wife which acordingly I did and I have had fereous thoughts many times sence whether my fezing of them might not be some case of here thus a cusing my mother thereby in some mesure to be revenged of me the

woman did shew a ueriey bad spirit when I sezed :  
on might almost se revenge in har face she looked  
so malishosly on mee as fore my mother I neuer  
saw any harm by har upon aniey such acout neither  
in word nor action as she is now a cused for she  
hath awlwais instructed me well in the christian  
religon and the wais of God euer since I was abell  
to take instructions and so I leue at all to this honred  
Cort to consider of it. Ephraim Willdes.

*Warrant v. Phil. English and als.*

To The Marshall of the County of Essex or his  
Lawfull Deputy.

You are in theire Majest<sup>ies</sup> names hereby required  
to Apprehend and bring before us Phillip English  
of Salem, merchant, Sarah Murrell of Beverly and  
Dorcas Hoare of Beuerly widdow all in the Coun-  
ty of Essex,, on Munday next beign the second day  
of the month of May next ensueing y<sup>e</sup> date here of,  
aboute Eleven of ye clock in y<sup>e</sup> forenoon at the house  
of L<sup>t</sup> Nathaniell Ingersalls in Salem Village in order  
to theire Examination Relateing to high Suspition  
of Sundry acts of witchcraft donne or Committed  
by them upon y<sup>e</sup> Bodys of Mary Walcot Marcy  
Lewis Abigail Williams Ann Putnam and Elizabeth  
Hubbert and Sufannah Sheldon : viz : vpon some  
or all of them belonging to Salem village or farmes  
whereby great hurt and dammage hath benne  
donne to y<sup>e</sup> Bodys of sd persons according to com-  
plaint of Capt Jonathan Walcot and Serjent Thomas



Putnam in behalf of their Majesties for themselves  
and also for severall of their neighbours And here  
of you are not to faile at your perill Dated Salem  
Aprill 30<sup>th</sup>. 1692.

pvs.      JOHN HATHORNE      } Affists,  
             JONATHAN CORWIN }

May 2<sup>d</sup> 1692. I have taken y<sup>e</sup> bodys of y<sup>e</sup>  
aboue named Sarah Murrell and Dorcas Hore and  
brought them unto ye house of leut Nathaniell  
Ingerfoll att y<sup>e</sup> time abouesaid p<sup>r</sup> mee

GEORGE HERRICK  
Marshall of Effex.

Mr Phillip English not being to bee found  
p<sup>r</sup> G. H.

*Warrant v. P. English.*

To the Marshall Generall or his Lawfull Deputie  
Whereas Complaint hath bin made by Capt  
Jonathan Walcott and Thomas Putnam of Salem  
Village vpon the 30th of Aprill last past in behalfe  
of their Majesties Against Phillip English of Salem  
Merchant for high suspition of Diuers acts of witch-  
craft donne or Committed by him vpon the Bodys  
of Ann Putnam Marcy Lewis Susannah Sheldon  
&c of Salem village or farmes and whereas warrant  
hath benne for some time since granted out for  
apprehending of the said Phillip English to bring  
him vpon examination and he not appearing or  
found since in y<sup>e</sup> County of Effex,

You are therefore in their Majesties names hereby

required to apprehend the said Phillip English of Salem Mer<sup>ct</sup> and him convey vnto Salem in y<sup>e</sup> County of Effex and deliuer him into the Custody of the Marshall of said County of Effex, or some lawfull authority there, that he may be Examined Relating to y<sup>e</sup> abouesd premises Either by such as Shall be appointed therevnto or to the Magistrates in said place and hereof you are not to faile. Dated Boston May 6, 1692.

p vs      JOHN HATHORNE } Affists.  
                 JONATHAN CORWIN }

In obedience to the within written warr<sup>t</sup> the within remanded Phillip English was arrested and committed by the Marshall Generall to the Marshall of Effex, on the 30<sup>th</sup> of May instant and in pursuance of the sd warrant the sd phillipp English was brought before the within mentioned John Hathorne and Jonathan Corwin Esq<sup>rs</sup> the 31<sup>st</sup> May 1692 to answer the with accusation by me.

pr me Jacob Manning marfell depuy,

*Sufanna Sheldon v. P. English.*

The complaint of SSufanna Sheldon against Phillip English, the sd Sufanna Sheldon bieng at meeting on the Sabbath day being the 24 of Aprill shee being afflicted in a very sad manner she saw Phillip English step ouer his pew and pinched her and a womane which came from boston wich saith her name is good n<sup>e</sup> when shee were coming home against William Shaws house their methier Phillip

English and a black man with a hy crowned hatt on his head and a book in his hand houlding the book to her and Phillip english told her that Black man were her God and if shee would tuch that boock he would not pinch her no more nor no body els should.

on the next day phillip English came again and pinched her and told her that if shee would not toutch the book hee would kill her.

on the Second day at night apeared to her two women and a man and brought their books and bid her touct them shee told them shee would not shee did not know wher they liued on of them told her they lived at the village and heald the book to her again and bid her touch it. shee told her shee did not know their names on of them told her shee was old Goodman buck lyes wife and the other woman was her daughter Mary and bid her touch the book, shee told no shee had not told her how long she had beene a witch, then shee told her shee had beene a witch ten years and then shee opened her brest and the black man gau her two little things like yong cats and she pit them to her brest and suckled them they had no hair on them and had ears like a man.

then they ofered her their books and shee refused them then they pinch her and the man struck her on the head and went away.

on the third day they apeared a woman without the dore sat lafeing at her and came into the house and hopted up and down and profered her the book

and told her if shee would touch it shee would not pinsh her shee told her *f* wud: not did she did not kno her *f* liued *f* told her she liued at Boston, shee held her book to to her again shee told her shee did not know her name shee told her her name was Goodwife white, the same day came Goody buckli and her daughter and boought books with them and told her if shee would touch their books they would not pinch her, but shee refused then they pinshed her and went away, then I was fitting on the inside of the dorefill and Goody buckly came and stoped my mouth and carried mee a wai i know not how and near a mile and told mee that now shee had mee at her command if i would not fet my hand to her booke shee would kill mee then william show being plowing in his fathers field heard a fearfull cry in a thicket of yong wod went to it and found her in a terribel manner scveaming and breaking of sticks and fighting in a violent manner.

*Warrant v. Susanna Martin.*

To the Marshall of the County of Essex, or his  
Lawfull Deputie or to the Constable of Amesbury.

You are in their Majest<sup>ies</sup> names hereby required forthwith or as soon as may be to apprehend and bring (before vs) Susannah Martin of Amesbury in ye County of Essex widdow at ye house of Lt Nathaniell Ingersalls in Salem Village in order to her Examination Relating to high Suspition of Sundry

Where by great hurt and dammage hath benne to y<sup>e</sup> bodys of said persons according to Complt of Capt Jonathan Walcot and Serg<sup>t</sup> Thomas Putnam in behalfe of their Majest<sup>s</sup> this day Exhibited before vs for themselves and also for feuerall of their neighbours and here of you are not to faile at your perill. Dated Salem Aprile 30<sup>th</sup> 1692.

according to this warrant I have apprehended  
Sufanna Mratin widdow of Amesbury and have  
brought or caused hir to be brought to the place  
appointed for hir Examination

Salem Village this 2<sup>th</sup> May 1692.

Anno Regis et Reginae Willim et Mariee nunc  
Anglice &<sup>c</sup> Quarto.

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen p<sup>re</sup>sents that Sufanna Martin of Amesbury in the County of Essex, widdow the Second day of May in the forth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary



by the Grace of God of England Scotland France  
and Ireland King and Queen Defenders of the faith  
&c and divers other Dayes and Times as well be-  
fore as after certaine detestable arts called witchcrafts  
and Sorceries wickedly and feloniously hath vsed  
Practised and Exercised at and within the Town-  
ship of Salem in the County of Essex, aforesaid in  
vpon and agt one Mary Wallcott of Salem Village  
singlewoman, by which said wicked arts the said  
Mary wallcott the second day of May in the forth year  
aforesd and at Divers other Dayes and times as well  
before as after was and is Tortured Afflicted Pined  
wasted and Tormented as also for Sundry other acts  
of witchcrafts by said Susannah Martin committed  
and donne before and Since that time agt y<sup>e</sup> Peace of  
our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary  
King and Queen of England theire Crowne and  
Dignity and agt the forme of the statute in that  
case made and Provided.

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| Witneses.           | Mr Sam <sup>ll</sup> Parris Sworn |
| Sarah Vibber Sworn. | Elizabeth Hubbard                 |
| Mary Walcutt Sworn. | Marcy Lewis.                      |
| Bella Vera.         |                                   |

*Indictment vs. Susannah Martin No. 2.*

Ann Regis et Reginee Willm et Mariee : nunc  
Anglice &c Quarto.  
Essex : ss.

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady  
the King and Queen : p<sup>r</sup>sents That Susannah Mar-  
tin of Amfbury in the County of Essex widdow the

second day of May in the forth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by the Grace of God of England Scotland ffraunce and Ireland King and Queen Defenders of the faith &c and divers other Dayes and times as well before as after certaine detestable arts called witchcrafts and Sorceries wickedly and ffelloniously hath vsed, practised, and Exercised at and within the Towneship of Salem in the County of Effex, afore<sup>d</sup> in and vpon and ag<sup>t</sup> one Marcy Lewis of Salem Village Singlewoman by which said wicked arts y<sup>e</sup> said Marcy Lewis the said second day of May in the forth year aforesaid and at divers other Dayes and times as well before as after was and is Tortured afflicted Pined wasted and Tormented as also for Sundry other acts of witchcraft by said Sufannah Martin Committed and done before and since that time against the Peace of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William & Mary King and Queen of England their Crowne and Dignity and ag<sup>t</sup> the fforme of the Statute in that case made and Provided. .

Witneffes.

Marcy Lewis.

Mr Sam<sup>ll</sup> Parris. Sworn. Sarah Bibber Sworne.

Anne Puttman Sworn. Elizabeth Hubbard

Mary Wallcott Sworne in Court June 2<sup>d</sup> 1692,,

*Examination of Sufannah Martin No. 1.*

The Examination of Sufan Martin 2. May 1692.

As soon as she came in many had fits.

Do you know this woman

Abig. Williams faith it is Goody Martin she hath hurt me often. Others by fits were hindered from speaking. Eliz Hubbard said she hath not been hurt by her. John Indian said he hath not seen her. Mercy Lewis pointed to her and fell into a little fit. Ann Putnam threw her glove in a fit at her. The examinant laught.

What, do you laugh at it?

Well I may at such folly

Is this folly? The hurt of these persons?

I never hurt man woman or child

Mercy Lewis cryed out she hath hurt me a great many times and pulls me down

Then Martin Laught againe

Mary Walcot faith this woman hath hurt me a great many times Sus Sheldon also accused her of afflicting her.

What do you say to this?

I have no hand in witchcraft.

What did you do? Did not you give your consent?

No never in my life.

What ails this people?

I do not know.

But w<sup>t</sup> do you think?

I do not desire to spend my judgm<sup>t</sup> upon it.

Do not you think they are Bewitcht?

No I do not think they are?

Tell me your thoughts about them?

Why my thoughts are my own, when they are in, but when they are out they are anothers.

You said their Master —— who do you think is their master?

If they be dealing in the black art you may know as well as I.

Well what have you done towards this?

Nothing.

Why it is you or your appearance.

I cannot help it.

That may be your master.

I desire to lead myself according to the word of God.

Is this according to God's word?

If I were such a person I would tell you the truth.

How comes your appearance just now to hurt these?

How do I know?

Are not you willing to tell the truth?

I cannot tell: He that appeared in Sam: shape a glorified saint can appear in any one's shape.

Do you believe these do not say true?

They may lye for ought I know.

May not you lye?

I dare not tell a lye if it would save my live.

Then you will speak the Truth.

I have spoke nothing else. I would do them any good

I do not think you have such affections for them whom just now you insinuated had the devill for their Master.

Eliz Hubbard was afflicted and then the Marshall wo was by her said she pinchd her hand.

Severall of the afflicted cryed out they saw her vpon the beam.

Pray God discover you, if you be guilty.

Amen : Amen : A false tongue will never make a guilty person.

You have been a long time coming to the Court to day you can come fast enough in the night said Mercy Lewis.

No, sweetheart, said the examinant, and then Mercy Lewis and all or many of the rest were afflicted

John Indian fell into a violent fit and said it was that woman, she bites, she bites, and then she was biting her lips.

Have you not compassion for these afflicted ?

No I have none.

Some cryed out there was the black man with her and Goody Bibber who had not accused her before confirmed it.

Abig Williams upon trial could not come near her. Nor Goody Bibber. Nor Mary Walcot, John Indian cryed he would kill her if he came near her but he was flung down in his approach to her.

What is the reason these cannot come near you ?

I cannot tell : It may be the Devil bears me more malice than another.

Do not you see how God evidently discovers you ?

No. not a bit for that.

All the congregation think so.

Let them think what they will.

What is the reason these cannot come near you ?



I do not know but they can if they will, or else if you please I will come to them.

What is the black man whispering to you?

There was none whispered to me.

*Examination of Sufannah Martin No. 2.*

The Examination of Sufannah Martin 2. May. 1692.

As soon as she came into the meeting house many fell into fits.

Hath this woman hurt you?

Abig: Williams faith it is Goody Martin she hath hurt me often. Others by fits were hindered from speaking

Eliz: Hubbard said she had not hurt her. John Indian said he never saw her Mercy Lewis pointed at her and fell into a fit. Ann Putnam threw her glove in a fit at her.

What do you laugh at it?

Well I may at such folly.

Is this folly to see these so hurt?

I never hurt man woman or child.

Mercy Lewes cyled out she hath hurt me a great many times and plucks me down.

Then Martin laugh againe

Mary Walcot faith this woman hath hurt her a great many times.

Sufannah Sheldon also accused her of hurting her.

What do you say to this?

I have no hand in witchcraft.

What did you do? Did you consent these should be hurt?

No never in my life.

What ails these people?

I do not know.

But what do you think ails them?

I do not desire to spend my judgment upon it.

Do you think they are bewitched?

No I do not think they are.

Well tell us your thoughts about them.?

My thoughts are mine own when they are in, but when they are out they are an others

You said their Master—Who do you think is their Master?

If they be dealing in the black art you may know as well as I.

What have you done towards the hurt of these?

I have done nothing.

Why it is you or your appearance.

I cannot help it.

That may be your master that hurts them.

I desire to lead my life according to the word of God.

Is this according to the word of God?

If I were such a person I would tell you the truth.

How comes your appearance just now to hurt these?

How do I know?

Are you not willing to tell the truth?

I cannot tell: He that appeared in Sam's shape can appear in any one's shape.

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Do you believe these afflicted persons do not say true?

The may lye for ought I know.

May not you lye?

I dare not tell a lye if it would save my life.

Then you will not speak the truth, will you?

I have spoken nothing else I would do them any good.

I do not think that you have such affections for them whom now you insinuated had the Devil for their Master

The marshall said she pincht her hands and Eliz Hubbard was immediately afflicted?

Severall of the afflicted cryed out they saw her upon the Beam.

Pray God discover you if you be Guilty.

Amen. Amen. A false tongue will never make a guilty person.

You have been a long time coming to day said Mercy Lewes you can come fast enough in the night.

No sweet heart ——— &

And then said Mercy and all the afflicted beside almost were afflicted.

John Indian fell into a fit and cryed it was that woman she bites she bites, And then said Martin was biting her lips. Have not you compassion on these afflicted —

No I have none.

They cryed out there was the black man along with her and Goody Bibber confirmed it.

Abig: Williams went towards her but could not come near her, nor Goody Bibber tho she had not accused her before: also Mary Walcot could not come near her. John Indian said he would kill her if he came near her, but he fell down before he could touch her.

What is the reason these cannot come near you?

I cannot tell it may be the Devil bears me more malice than an other.

Do you not see God evidently discovering you?

No, not a bit for that.

All the congregation besides think so.

Let them think what they will.

What is the reason these cannot come to you?

I do not know but they can if they will or else if you please I will come to them.

What was that the black man whispered to you?

There was none whispered to me.

*Mittimus v. S. Martin.*

To the Keeper of their Majest<sup>ies</sup> Goale in Boston.

You are in their Majest<sup>ies</sup> names hereby required to take into your care and safe custody the Bodys of Sufannah Martin of Amesbury widdow, Lydia Duffin of Reddin widdow, Dorcas Hoar of Beverly widdow and Sarah Merrill also of Beverly who all stand charged with high Suspition of Sundry acts of witchcraft done or Committed by them vpon the Bodys of Mary Walcot Marcy Lewes abigail Williams Ann Putnam Elizabeth Hubbert and

Sufannah Sheldon and Goody viber of Salem Village or farmes whereby great hurt and dammage hath beene donne to ye bodyes of said persons according to complaint of Capt Jonathan Walcot & Serg<sup>t</sup> Thomas Putnam of Salem Village yeoman Exhibited Salem April the 30th 1692. Whome you are to secure in order to their further Examination or Tryall and hereof you are not to faile.

Dated Salem Village May 2<sup>d</sup> 1692.

JOHN HATHORNE } Affists.  
JONATHAN CORWIN }

*Summons to Witnesses v. S. Martin.*

William & Mary by ye Grace of God of England Scotland ffrance & Ireland King King & Queen Defend<sup>rs</sup> of ye faith &c

To John Allen Barnard Peacke Joseph Ringg William Brown Jarvis Ringg James ffreeze John Kimball, John Pressy Ensigne Joseph Knight Mr. John Atkinson & his wife & Son and Mary the wife of Nathaniell whitteer the wife John Pressy & Jo<sup>n</sup> Kimball Greeting.

Wee comant you and eury of you all Excuses fet apart to be and appear at ye Speciall court of Oyer & Terminer hold at Salem ye 28<sup>th</sup> of this Instant month then and there to Testify y<sup>e</sup> truth to ye best of their knowledge on feuerall Indictments to be exhibited against Sufanna Martin of Amesbury. here of make return fail not.



Dated in Salem June 27<sup>th</sup> 1692 & in ye fourth year of Our Reign.



STEP SEWALL Cleee.

To y<sup>e</sup> sheriff of Effex, or deputy.  
or Constables of Newbury Salsbury  
& Amesbury. Greeting.

also warne those persons that w<sup>th</sup> James ffreeze  
or at any other time heard Sufanna Martin threaten  
relating to John Allen's oxen or any other thing  
what so <sup>E</sup>uer & make return as aboue.

STEP SEWALL Cleer.

28 June 92. by uartue of this Supeny then was  
warned Mr John Akinson his wife and his Son  
Nathaniell to their parsnall apperance at y<sup>e</sup> court  
of oyer and terminer holden at Salem 28: of this  
instant June. ensigne Joseph Knight was warned  
before by me Samuell hills constall for Newbury  
This on these supenys weare obserued and serued  
upon the seuerall persons therein mentioned accord-  
ing to y<sup>e</sup> tenour thereof namely upon Mr. John  
Allen and Barnard Peach and Joseph Ring and  
William Browne and Jamifs Ringg and Mary y<sup>e</sup>  
wife of Nathaniell Whitiker and y<sup>e</sup> same read to  
them the twenty ninth of this instant June Anno  
1692.

Tme JOSEPH EATON Constable ffor Sallisbury.

This Supeny was serued according to y<sup>e</sup> Tenor  
theare of upon y<sup>e</sup> persons therein mentioned be-

longing to our towne namely vpon John Pressly & his wife and John Kimball & his wife and y<sup>e</sup> same read to them y<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> of this Instant June Anno 1692.

T me. JOSEPH LANCISTER Sen<sup>r</sup> Constable  
for Amesbury.

*Abig Williams v. S. Martin.*

The Testimony of Abigail Williams witnesseth and saith that she has seuerall times seen, and been afflicted by the apparition of Susannah Martin of Amesbury widdow at and before the 2 may 1692.

*W<sup>m</sup>. Brown v. S. Martin.*

The Deposition of William Browne of Salisbury aged : 70 years or ther about, who testifying sayth. That about on or to and thirty years ago Elizabeth his wife being a very rational woman and Sober and on that feared God as was well known to all that knew her and as prudently Carefull in her famly which woman going vpon a time from her owne house towards the mill in Salisbury Did ther meet with Susana Martin the then the wif of Georg Martin of Amesbury Just as they came together the sd Susana Martin vanisht away out of her sight w<sup>ch</sup> put the sd Elizabeth into a great fright. After which time the said Martin did many times afterward appear to her at her house and did much trouble her in any of her occasions and this continued till about feb : following, and then when she

did com it was as birds pecking her Legs or pricking her with the motion of thayr wings and then it would rize vp into her stamak with pricking payn as nayls and pines of w<sup>ch</sup> she did bitterly complain and cry out like a woman in travail and after that it would rise up to her throat in a bunch Like a pullets egg and then she would tern back her head and say, wich you shant choak me, In the time of this extremity the church appointed a day of humitting to seek God on her behalfe and thereupon her trouble ceased and she saw Goodwif Martin no more for a considerable time for w<sup>ch</sup> the church instead of the day of humiliafion gave thanks for her Deliverance and she came to meeting and went about her businels as before this continued till Aprill following at w<sup>ch</sup> time somonfes were sent to the sd Elizabeth brown Goodwif Osgood by the Court to give thayr evidences concerning the said Martin and they did before the Grand Jury gaue a full account

After w<sup>ch</sup> time the sd Elizabeth told this deponent that as shee was milking of her cow the sd Sufanna Martin came behind her and told her that she would make her the miserablest creature for defaming her name at the Court and wep grevously as she told it to this deponent.

Aboute 2 months after this deponent came home from hampton and his said wife would not owne him but sd thay were divorst and Asked him wither he did not mett with one Mr Bent of Abey in England by whom he was divorst. And from that

time to this very day have been under a strange kind of distemper frensy vncapibl of any reasonal action though strong and helthy of body. he further testifyeth that when shee came into that condition this deponent procured Docter fuller and Crosby to come to her for her releaf but they did both say that her distemper was supernatural and no sicknes of body but that som evil person had bewitched her

Sworne the eleventh day of May Anno Dom 1692.  
before me ROBT PIKE. Alist.

Wm Browne made oath that y<sup>e</sup> above is a true relation according to his wife's complaint in y<sup>e</sup> day of it.

concerning the truth of w<sup>t</sup> is sworne by William Browne concerning his wife with respect to her being a Reasonal woman before she was so handled and of her now present condition and her so long continuance all that then knew her and now know her can testifie to the truth of it for shee yet remaines a miserable creater of w<sup>ch</sup> myself is on as wittnes my hand 16. 3. 1692.

ROBT PIKE.

*John Pressley v. Susanna Martin.*

The testimony of John Pressley of Amesbury aged 53 years or therabouts taken before me at my house at Salisbury the eleventh day of May: Ano: Dom. 1692 is as followeth. That about twenty fower years ago, he this deponent was at Amesbury fferry

vpon a Saturday in the eving near about the shutting in of the daylight (w<sup>ch</sup> was about three mile ffrom his house) and as he was going home a little beyond the field of George Martin at a hill called Goodals hill this deponant was bewildered and Lost his way and having wandered a while he came back againe to the same place which he knew by stooping trees in that place.

w<sup>ch</sup> pceiving he set out againe and steered by the moone w<sup>ch</sup> shone brite. and was againe Lost and came back againe to the same place.

And then sett out the 3<sup>d</sup> time in lik manner and was bewildered and came back but not so far as before but knew where he was and so sett himself in his way as before and in Less than half a mile going he saw a Light stand on his Left hand about too rod out of the way it seemed to be about the bignes of a half bushell. but this deponent hept on his way and Left it and in a matter of seven or eight rod going it appeared againe at the Lik distance from him as before and so it did againe the 3<sup>d</sup> time but the deponent past on his way and in Less than twenty rod going the same or such another Light Lay in his way and he hauing a stick in his hand did with the end of it indevered to stir it out of the place and to give it some small blows with it and the Light seemed to brush vp and move from side to side as a turkey cock when he spreads his tayle but went not out of the place. which pceiving this deponent Layd it on with his stick with all his might he thinks he gaue her at lest forty blows. and so was a going away and Leave it but as he was going



his heels were struk up and he Layed on his bak on the ground and was sliding into a deep place (as to him seemed) but taking hold of some brush or bushes and so recovered himself and having Lost his coat which he had upon his Arme went bak to the Light saw his coat and took it vp and went home without any more disturbanc there.

he farther say he do not know any such pitt to be in the place that he was sliding into. he also sayth that when he did strik at the Light he did certainly feel a substance with his stik.

he further sayth that after striking it and his recovering himself and going on his way as afore<sup>d</sup> when he had gone about 5 or 6 rod he Saw Susana Martine then wif of Georg Martin of Amesbury standing on his Left hand as the lights had done thar shee stood and Lookt vpon him and turned her face after him as he went along but said nothing nor did nothing to this Deponent, but that he went home as afore<sup>d</sup>. only he againe ouer went his owne house but knowing the ground that he was vpon returned and found his owne house but being then seized with feer could not speake till his wif spake to him at the dore and was in such condition that his family was afrayd of him. which story being caryed to the Towne the next day it was vpon enquiry understood (, that the sd Goodwif Martin was in such a miserable case and in such payn that thay swabbed her body (as was reported). This deponant further sayth that these things being noysed abroad Maj<sup>r</sup> Pike sent for this deponent and had an

account of the case, but seemed to be troubled that this deponent had not told him of it in season that she might have been vewed to have seen what her ayle was. John Pressy aforesayd made oathe to the truth of what is written in these two sides of the paper the eleventh day of May Anno Dom 1692.

before me ROBT. PIKE Assist.

Jurat in Curia.

*John Pressy & Mary Pressy v. S. Martin.*

The depofition of John Pressy aged 53 and Marah his wif: aged 46 or therabouts testifying sayth

That some years after that the sd John Pressy had givn his evidence against the sd Susana Martin thee the sd Martin came and took these deponents to do about it and reviled them with many foule words saying wee had took a false oathe and that we shoold never prosper and that we shoold never prosper for our so doing pticularly that we should never have but too cows and that if we were never so likely to have more yet we shoold never obtaine it.

we do further testify that from that time to this day we have never exceeded that number but some thing orother has prevented it, tho never so likly (to obtain it) tho they had vsed all ordinary means for obtaining it by hiring cows of others that were not thayr owne. this for twenty years space

John Pressy made oathe to the truth of all that is above written at my house in Salisbury the eleventh day of May Ano Domino 1692.

before me ROBT. PIKE Assist.

Mary Preſſy teſtifieth to all ye above Except  
Sufanna her thretning of ye not raiſing aboute two  
cowes.

Jurat in Curia by both.

*Barnard Peach v. S. Martin.*

The depofion of Barnard Peache aged 43 or  
there abouts, who teſtifying ſayth. That about fix  
or ſeven years paſt this deponent Living at the  
houſe of Jacob Morall in Salſbury being in bed on  
a Lord's Day night he heard a ſcrabbling at the  
window he this deponent ſaw, Sufana Martin wif  
of George Martin of Amefbury come in at the  
window and Jumpt Downe vpon the flower ſhee was  
in her whood and ſcarf and the fame drefs that ſhee  
was in before at meeting the ſame day. being com  
in ſhee was coming vp towards this deponents face  
but turned bak to his feet and took hold of them  
and drew vp his body into a hoope and Lay vpon  
him about an howr and half or 2 howrs in all w<sup>ch</sup>  
time this deponent could not ſtir nor ſpeake but  
feelling himſelf beginning to be Loofened or Light-  
ened he beginning to ſtrive he put out his hand  
among the clothes and took hold of her hand and  
brought it vp to his mouthe and bitt three of the  
fingers (as he Judg) to the breaking of the bones  
which Don the ſd Martin went out of the Cham-  
ber downe the ſtayres and out of the dore.

And as ſoon as ſhee went away this deponent  
called to the people of the houſe and told them w<sup>t</sup>  
was don and that ſhee ſd Martin was now gon out

of the dore this deponent did also follow her, but the people did not see her (as they sayd) but without the dore there was a buket of        on the left hand side and there was a drop of blod on the handle too more vpon the snow for thayr was a little flight of snow and there were the print of her two feett. about a foot without the threshall but no more ffootting did appear.

2. he further deposeth that som time after this as he supposeth about 3 weeks after after the said Martin desired this deponent to come and husk corne at her house the next Lord's Day night say that if I did not com it weer better that I did, but this deponent did not go being then Living with N<sup>m</sup> ofgood of the f<sup>d</sup> Salisbury and that night Lodged in the barne vpon the hay and about an hour or 2 in the night the sd Susana Martin and another came out of the shop into the barne and one of them said here he is and then came towards this deponent, he having a quarter staf made a blow at them but the ruff of the barne prevented it and they went away but this deponent followed them and as thay were going to ward the window made another blow at y<sup>m</sup> and struck them both downe but away they went out at the shop window and this deponent saw no more of them. and the Rumer went that the sd Martin had a broken hand at y<sup>t</sup> time but the deponent cannot speake to that vpon his owne knowledg.

Sworne May the eleventh 1692.

before me

ROBT PIKE Affist.

*Jarvis Ring v. S. Martin.*

Jarvis Ring of Salisbury maketh oath as followeth  
 That about seven or eight years ago he had ben  
 fewerall times afflicted in the night time by som  
 body or som thing coming vp vpon him when he  
 was in bed and Did sorely afflict by Laying vpon  
 him and he could neither move nor speake while  
 it was upon him but somtimes made a kind of noyse  
 that folks did hear him and com vp to him and as  
 soon as any body cam it would be gon this it did  
 for a long time bethor and since but he did never  
 see any body clearly but one time but on time in  
 the night it came vpon me as at other times and I  
 did then see the pson of Susana Martin of Amfbury  
 I this deponent did pfectly see her and shee came  
 to this deponent and took him by the hand and  
 bitt him by the finger by force and then came and  
 Lay vpon him awhile as formerly and after a while  
 went away the print of the bite is yet to be seen on  
 the little finger of his right hand for it was hard to  
 heale (he further sayth) That severall times he was  
 asleep when it came But at that time when bitt his  
 finger he was as fayerly awake as ever he was and  
 plainly saw her shape and felt her teeth as aforesd.

Sworne by Jarvis Ring obouefayd May the 13<sup>th</sup>  
 1692.

before me      ROBT. PIKE    Assit at Salisbury.  
 Jurat in Curia.

*Joseph Ring v. S. Martin.*

The depofion of Joseph Ring at Salisbury aged



27 years being sworne sayth. That about the Latter end of September last being in the wood, with his brother Jarvis Ring hewing of timber his brother went home with his team and left this deponent alone to finish the hewing of the peic for him. for his brother to cary w<sup>n</sup> he came againe but as soon as his brother was gone there came to this deponent the appearance of Thomas Hardy of the great Island at Patacataway and by some impuls he was forced to follow him to the house of tucker w<sup>ch</sup> was deserted and was about half a mile from the place he was at work in) and in that house did appear Susana Martin of Amfbury and the aforesayd Hardy and another female pson w<sup>ch</sup> the deponent did not know, ther they had a good fire and drink it seemed to be fide<sup>r</sup> thir continued most part of the night sd Martin being then in her naturall shape and talking as shee vsed to do, but toward the morning the sd Martine went from the fire made a noyse and turned into the shape of a black hoge and went away and so did the other to psons go away and this deponent was strangely caryed away allo and the first place he knew was by Sam<sup>l</sup> woods hous in Amfbury.

Sworne by Joseph Ring May ye 13<sup>th</sup> 1692.

before me ROBT PIKE Assist.

Jurat in Curia

*Joseph Ring v. S. Martin.*

Joseph Ring of Salisbury aged 27 years having been strangely handled for the space of almost to

year maketh this Relafon vpon oath as followeth, viz,

That in the month of June next after Casco Bay fort was taken this deponent coming between Sandy Beach and hampton Towne mett with Tho<sup>s</sup> Hardy of Great Island and a company of severall other creturs with him w<sup>ch</sup> said Hardy demanded of this deponent to shillings and with that dreadfull noyse and hideous shapes of these cretures and fire-ball this deponent was almost frightened out of his witts and in about an half an hour (or indeed he could not judg of the time) they left him and he came to hampton. About ten days after as y<sup>e</sup> deponent came from Boston betweene this deponent was overtaken by a company of peple on horsbak who past by him and after they were past by him The afore<sup>d</sup> Thomas Hardy turned about his horse alet and came bak to this deponent with his hors in hand and desired this deponent to go to Mrs Whits and drink with him w<sup>ch</sup> being refused he turned away to the Company and thay all came vp to gather such a weth that it seemed impossible scape being trod down by them but they went all past and then appeared no more.

About Oct following coming from hampton in Salfbury pine plane a company of horses with men and women vpon them overtook this deponent and the afore<sup>d</sup> Hardy being one of them came to this deponent as before and demanded his 2<sup>s</sup> of him an threatned to tear him in pieces to whom this deponent made no answer and so he and the rest went away and Left this deponent.

After this this deponent had divers strang appearances w<sup>ch</sup> did fore him away w<sup>th</sup> them into unknown places w<sup>r</sup> he saw meetings and festings and and many strange sights and from August Last he was Dum and could not speake till this Last Aprill. he also relates that there did vse to come to him a man that did present him a book to which he would have him sett his hand with promise of any thing that he woold have and ther wear presented all Delectable things psons And places Imaginall., but he refusing it, would usually and with most dreadful shapes noyses and screeking that almost scared him out of his witts and this was the vsuall manner of proceeding w<sup>th</sup> him and on time the book was brought and a pen offered him and to his apprehension there was blod in the Ink horne but he never toucht the pen. he further say that thay never told him w<sup>t</sup> he should writt nor he could not speak to ask them w<sup>t</sup> he shoold writ. he farther say in seuerall their mery meetings he haue seen Sufanas Martin appear among them.

And that day that his speech came to him againe which was about the end of April last as he was in bed she did stand by his beds sid and pincht him.

Joseph Ring abovesayd made oathe of the truth of all that is above written this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 1692.

before me ROBT PIKE Affist.

Jurat in Curia y<sup>e</sup> substance of it viva voce.

It is to be vnderstood that the matter about that  
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to shillings demanded of said Ring was this, viz, That when Casko was asalted before it was taken, Capt Cedrack Walt was going from Great Island in Puscataway with a party for thayr relief of which party sd Ring was one and sd Hardy coming vp into the Roome w<sup>r</sup> sd Ring before thay sayled and playd at Shuffl bord or som such lik game and urged sd Ring play, sd Ring told him he had no money and sd Hardy Lent him 2s and then sd Ring played with him sd Hardy who won his mony away from him againe so he could not then pay him

this accompt was by sd Ring given to me

ROBT PIKE Aft.

*John Kimball v. S. Martin.*

The depofion of John Kimbal of Ames bury aged 45 or vpwards testifying sayth. That about 23 years ago this deponent being about to remove from newbury to Amfbury having bought a peice of land of Georg Martine of Amfbury for which he was to pay him in cash or goods vpon a certaine day in March next following and when the Day of payment was come Martin and his wife came for the pay and the sd Kimbal offered them the choyce of three cows and other catle but did reserve two cows w<sup>ch</sup> they were not free to part with they being the first that ever thay had, and Martin himself was satisfied with other pay but Sufana his wife vnderstanding from this deponent and his wife that they would not part with on of

theſe 2 cows the ſd Suſana Martin ſayd (you had bin as good you had) for ſhee will never do you any more good (and ſo it came to paſs) for the next Aprill following that very Cow lay in the fayr dry yard with her head to her ſide (but ſtarc dead) and when ſhe was floaed no Impedement did appear in her for ſhee was a ſtout Luſty Cow.

and in a little while after another cow died and then an ox, and then other catle to the value of 30£ that ſpring.

Sworne by John Kimbal may the 16<sup>th</sup> 1692.

before ROBT. PIKE.. Affiſt.

Jurat in Curia.

John Kimbale of Amefbury afore menſioned further depoſeth That the ſame year after he was com to Live at Amſbery and was Dwelling in the houſe of Edmund Elliat he was needed to get a Dog and hearing that the wife of ſd George Martin had a bich y<sup>t</sup> had whelps and this deponent went to her to get one of her but ſhee not letting him have his choyce he did not abſolutely agree for any but ſd he heard on Bleſdell had a bich by w<sup>ch</sup> he may ſuply but if not ther was no whone els he woold have heod of her price.

but being vpon that accompt at ſd bleſdalls and marked the whelpe that I agreed for, Georg Martin coming by eſked me whether I woold not have on of his wifes whelpes to w<sup>ch</sup> this deponent made anſwer on the negative.

The ſame day Edmond Elliat ſayd that he was at the houſe of the ſd Martins and heard the ſd



Martin. Asked his wif why this deponent wear not to have one of her puppis and shee said he was then sayd he he have gott one at Goodman blezdalls and he saw him choose it and mark it (to w<sup>ch</sup> his fd wif sayd) If I Live Ill give him pupeys enough.

within a few days after this I this deponent coming from his Intended hous in the woods to Edmond Eliats house where I dwelt about the sun-fett or presently after and ther did arise a little blak cloud in the n. w and a few drops of Raine and the wind blew pretty hard in going betweene the house of John wod and the meeting house, this fd deponent came by severall stumps of trees by the wayfide he by Impuls he can give no reason of that made him tumble ouer the stumps on after another through tho he had his ax vpon his shoulder w<sup>ch</sup> put him in Danger and made him resolved to avoyd the next but coold not.

And when he came a litl below the meeting house ther did appear a litl thing lik a pupy of a darkish coler it shott betweene my Legs forwards and backwards as on that wear Distract the hay and this deponent being free from all fear vsed all possible indevers to cut it with his ax but coold not hurt it and as he was this belaboring with his ax the pupy gave a litl Jump from him & seemed to go into the ground.

in a litl further going there did appear a blak pupy fomut bigger than the first but as blak as a cole to his apprehension which came against him w<sup>th</sup> such violence as its quick mosions did exceed his mosions of his ax. Do w<sup>t</sup> he coold and it flew

at his belly and away and then at his throat and over his shoulder on way and go off and up att it againe another way and with such quicknes seized and violence did it afalt him as if it would tear out his throat or his belly while he was without fear. but at last I felt my heart to fayle and sink vnder it that I thought my life was going out and I recovered myself and gave a start vp and ran to the fence and calling vp on God and naming the name Jesus Christ and then it invisibly away my moaning is it looked y<sup>t</sup> out but this deponent made it not known to any body for fretting his wife.

The next morning Edmond Eliat (as he told abroad and in his owne house) sayd that he going toward the house of said Martin to Look his oxen went in to light his pipe and the sd Martins wif Asked him where kembal was (sd Eliat sd abed with with his wif for ought he knew) (sayd shee) they say he was frightened Last night) with w<sup>t</sup> sayd Eliat shee sayd with pupyes Eliat replied that he heard nothing of it and Asked whear shee heard of it and shee sayd about the Towne which story sd Eliat having told it was all the Towne over when this deponent came home at night for he had been all day alone in the woods at work at his frame work.

John Kimbale made oath to the truth of all that is written on both sides of this paper May the 16<sup>th</sup> 1692.

before me ROBT PIKE Affist.  
Jurat in Curia.

*Barnard Veach v. S. Martin.*

The depofion of Barnard Peache aged 42 or therabouts testifyeth That about ten years ago this deponent living with w<sup>m</sup> ofgood of Salfbury he fd ofgood had a boy & he haild him & George Martin of Amesbury defired to have fome of ther beef but was denyed and went away discontent And the next day one of the beft cows my fd mafter ofgood had was in fuch a med fright that too men had much ado to gett her into y<sup>e</sup> houfe w<sup>r</sup> fhee had ufually been tide vp fhee did run and fly about.

The next day fhee being Lett out and went a way w<sup>th</sup> the other catle and well and Lufty as far as wee coold difern) but came home at evening very Ill having *fores* under her eyes as bigg as wallnutts and dyed the fame night.

Sworne at Salfbury the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May Anno 1692  
before me                      ROBT PIKE Affift.

*John Allen v. S. Martin.*

The depofion of Left John Allen of Salfbury aged 45 years testifying fayth That in or about the year                      this deponent was haling timber for Mr Georg Car for building a vefsel at Amfbury at Mr Goodins building place and haueing Don and about to go home Susana Martin the wif of Georg Martin defired this deponent to cart ftaves for them which this deponent refused to do becaufe of

his oxen which were weake and needed now to gett flesh but shee seemed to be discontent (and as James ffreeze and others then present told this deponent) (that shee sayd) I had bin as good I had (for my oxen shoold never do me much more seruis) vpon w<sup>ch</sup> this deponent sayd Dost thretn me thou old witch or words to that effect resolving to throw her into a brook that was fast by w<sup>ch</sup> to avoyd shee flew over y<sup>e</sup> bridge and so escaped., but as he was going home on of his oxen tired that he was forst to vnyok him to get him home. And after they were com home, put the sd oxen to Salisbury beach where severall other oxen whear catl vsually are putt whear they had Long rang of meadow to feed on and whear catl did vse to gett flesh, but in a few days all the oxen vpon the beach we found by thayr tracks wear gon to the mouth of the River merri-mack but not returned from whence we thought they were run into the sd river but the next day sending to Plum Island found thayr tracks ther to be com a shore w<sup>ch</sup> tracks they followed to the other end of sd Island and a considerable way bak againe and then fate down w<sup>ch</sup> being opprizd by those that fought y<sup>m</sup> thay did vse all Immginall Gentlenes to them to som acquaintanc w<sup>ch</sup> som of them seemed to attend but all on a sudaine away thay all ran with such violence as if thay thayr motion had been dyabolical till they came neer the mouth of merimack river and then turned to the right hand and ran right into the sea all but to old oxen (w<sup>ch</sup> had before Left thayr Company) and all

the rest went to sea as far as thay could see them, and then on of them came bak againe with such swiftnes as was amazing to the beholders who stood redy to Im him and help his tired carcase vp, but Letting him Loose away he ran vp into the Island and from there through the marshes vp into newbury towne and so up into thayr woods and ther was after a while found about hartechok river over against Ambsbury. so that of: 14: good oxn only that was saved the rest were all cast vp som at Cap an som in oun plac and som in other of thay thay only had thayr hides, he further sayth that the abouesd James ffreeze did often move the psecuting of the sd Sufana Martin in the case *being* confident that she was a witch.

Left John Allen made oath to the truth of all that is above written June ye 7<sup>th</sup> 1692.

before me ROBT PIKE Affist.  
Jurat in Curia.

*Joseph Knight v. S. Martin.*

The Deposition of Joseph knight aged about 40 years

This Deponant doe testifie and saye that on the 20<sup>th</sup> Daye of October or therabouts in the yere of o<sup>r</sup> Lord 1686 Nath<sup>l</sup> Clarke Jun<sup>r</sup> of Newbery together with this Deponant going out into the woods together to fetch vp horses there met with Sufana Martine of Ambsbury with a litle Dog runninge by hir side and in my sight shee tooke vp sd Dog vnder her arme but comeing vp neere to hir



ſhe had a Kegg or a halfe firkin vnder the ſame arme, this deponant then lookt hir in the face and told hir that that kegg was a litte Dogg but nowe Nath<sup>l</sup> Clarke ſaid ſoe it was and then paſſing from hir we found our horſes and brought them to a ſmall cauſwaye but could not git them over, but there being a ſmall knowle of land nere our horſes ran round about it the greatiſt parte of that daye we often bringing them vp to the Cauſewaye but then they turned to that knowle and Ran about it the ſame waye but at length there Came a young man with a yoak of oxen to go ouer the Cauſewaye who with ſome difficulty got them ower for altho the Cauſewaye was very good yet one of the oxen hung back as though he ware frighted but at length were forct ower and then we got ower our horſes.

Joſeph knight ownid this his testimony to be the truth on his oath before the Juryors of Inqweſt this 29 of June 1692.

*Elizabeth Clark v. S. Martin.*

Elizabeth Clark who then was the wife of the obouſd Nathaniell Clarke doe teſtifie that when my ſd huſband Neth<sup>l</sup> Clarke came home he told me this deponant the matter mentioned in Joſeph knights testimony and he related to me the wholl of the matter and all the Sircumſtances related in ſd testimony excepting that my huſband told Joſeph knight that the Kegg vnder Goodwife Martins arme was or had bin a Dogg. This deponant doe further teſtifie that Goodwife Martine abouefd came

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to our house the same daye mentioned in Joseph knights testimony before my husband came home and comeing into the house our dog bit her by the leg as she said whereupon she being angry said that he was a churll like his master.

Elizabeth Clark ownid this har testimony to be the truth : on the oath which she had taken before the Jury for Inqwest. this 29 of June. 1692.

*Robt Downer v. S. Martin,*

The depofion of Robert Downer of Salsbury aged 52 years who testify and say.

That feveral years ago Sufanna Martin the then wif of Georg Martin being brought to Court for a wich the said Downer having som words with her (she at that time attending Mrs. Light at Salsbury) This deponent among other things told her he believed that shee was a wich by w<sup>t</sup> was fd or witnessed against her at w<sup>ch</sup> shee seemed not well affected fd that a shee devel woold fech him away shortly at w<sup>ch</sup> this deponent was not much moved but at night as he lay in his bed in his owne house alone ther came at his window the liknefs of a catt and by and by com vp to his bed took fast hold of his throat and Lay hard vpon him a Considerable while and was lik to throtl him at Length he minded w<sup>t</sup> Sufana Martin had thretned him with the Day before he strove w<sup>t</sup> he coold and sayd avoid thou shee devill in the name of the father and the son and the holy Ghost and then itt Lett him go

and flumpt down vpon the flower and went out at window againe.

he further sayth that the next morning before ever he had sayd anything of it fom of that family asked him about it (as from her owne)

*Mary Andras v. S. Martin.*

Mrs. Mary Andras aged 40 years testify that she did her the fd Sufana Martin thredtn or tell the fd Robt Downer that a shee divill woold fech him away shortly shee further sayth that from fom of her fathers family shee did hear that what the fd Su Martin told them how fd Downer was served wt night that he was afflicted as abouesd.

*Moses Pike v. S. Martin.*

Moses Pike aged 26: years or more testify that he did hear Sufana Martin tell how Ro Downer was handled and as he remembers it was the next day after it was don at night.

Sworne by Robt Downer. Mrs Mary Allin and Moses Pike June 30. 1692.

before me                      ROBT PIKE Affist.

*Tho. Putnam v. S. Martin.*

The depofition of Tho: Putnam aged 40 years and                      agged 38 yers who testifie and say that we have ben conversant with the afflicted persons or the most of them, as namly Mary Walcott Mercy lewes Eliz hubbard Abigaill Williams

and Sarah Vibber Ann Putnam Jun. and have often heard the affore-mentioned persons complain of Sufannah Martin of Amſbury tortoring them and we have ſeen the marks of ſeverall bitts and pinch which they ſaid Sufannah martin did hurt them with and alſo on the 2 day of May 1692 being the day of the Examination of Sufana Martin the affornamed parſons were moſt grievouſly tortured during the time of her examination for upon the glance of hir eyes they ware ſtrucken down or allmoſt choak and vpon the motion of hir finger we took notice they ware affected and if ſhe did but clench hir hands or hold hir head aſide the afflicted parſons afformentioned ware moſt grievouſly tortured in like manner and ſeuerall times ſince we have ſeen them tortured complain of Sufannah Martin for hurting them.

Thomas Putnam.

*N. Ingerſoll v. S. Martin.*

Nathaniel Ingerſoll teſtifieth to all y<sup>e</sup> aboue and both of them do Say on oath that they believe it is done by witchcraft.

Jurat in Curia.

*Sam<sup>l</sup> Parris, N. Ingerſoll & Tho. Putnam v. S. Martin.*

The Depoſition of Sam Parris aged about 39 years and Nathaniel Ingerſoll aged about fifty and eight yeares and alſo Tho: Putnam aged about fourty yeares all of Salem. teſtifyeth and faith that

Abigail Williams Mercy Lewis Mary Walcott Sufannah Shelding and John Indian were much afflicted at the examination of Sufannah Martin of Almsbury widdow, before the honoured Magistrates the' 2' May' 1692. and that Goody Bibber (who before had not accused her) and some others of the afflicted then and there testified that there was a black man whispering in her ear and also that the said Bibber Abigail Williams and Mary Walcot and John Indian could not come near said Martin whereupon in all they were ordered by the magistrates to attemptt it and their agonies and tortures they charged said Martin as the cause of and also we further saw that when the said Martin bit her lips they were bitten and when the afflicted were ordered to go towards her they were knockt down.

Jurat in Curia.

*Eliz<sup>b</sup> Hubbard v. Sufanna Martin.*

The Deposition of Elizabeth Hubbard agged about 17 years. who testifieth and faith that I have often seen the apperishtion of Sufannah Martin amongst the witches, but she did not hurt me tell the: 2 day of May being the day of hir examination, but then shee did afflict me most greviously dureing the time of hir examination for if she did but look parsonally upon me she would strike me down or allmost choake me and severall times sence the apperishtion of Sufannah Martin has most greviously affected me also on the day of her ex-



amination I saw the apperishtion of Sufannah Martin goe and afflect and almost choak Mary Walcott Mircy Lewes Abigaill Williams and Ann putnam Junr.

marke  
Eliz. † Hubbard.

*Mercy Lewis v. S. Martin.*

The Deposition of Mircy Lewes aged about 19 years who testifieth and said that in the latter end of April 1692 there appeared to me the Apperishtion of a short old woman which tould me hir name was Goody Martin and that she came from Amfbery who did most greivously torment me by biting and pinching me urging me vehemently to writ in hir book but on the 2 May 1692 being the day of hir examination Sufannah Martin did torment and afflect me most greivously in the time of hir examination for when she looked vpon me personally she would strike me down on almost choak me and feuerall times senc the Apperishtion of Sufannah Martin has most greivously afflicted me by pinching and almost choaking me to death urging me to writ in hir book and also on the day of hir examination I saw the Apperishtion of Sufannah Martin goe and hurt the bodys of Mary Walcott Elizabeth Hubbard Abigail Williams and Ann Putnam Junr.

Mercy lewes.

*Sarah Viber v. S. Martin.*

The Deposition of Sarah viber aged about 36 years who testifieth and saith. that on the 2 May 1692. the Apperishton of Sufannah Martin of Amisbury did most greivously torment me dureing the time of hir examination for if she did but look personally vpon me she would strike me down or almost choak me and also the same day I saw the Apperishton of Sufannah Martin most greivously afflekt the bodyes of Mary Walcutt Mercy lewes, and Ann Putnam by pinching and almost choaking them and severall times fence the Apperishton of Sufannah Martin has most greivously afflekted me by beating and pinching me and almost choaking me to deth. and that she beleives the sd Martin is a witch and y<sup>t</sup> she is bewitched by her.

Jurat in Curia.

*Ann Putnam Jr. v. S. Martin.*

The deposition of Ann Putnam Jun<sup>r</sup> who testifieth and saith some time in April 1692. there appeared to me the Apperishton of an old short woman that toold her her name was Martin and that she came from Amisbery who did Immediatly afflekt me urging me to writ in hir book but on the 2 May 1692. being the day of her examination Sufana Martin did most greivously afflekt me dureing the time of her examination for when she did but look personally upon she would strike me down

or almost choak and feveral times fenc the Apperifhtion of Sufannah Martin has moft grievoufly affe<ted me by pinching me and almoft choaking me urging me vehemently to writ in hir book alfo on the the day of hir Examination I faw the Apperifhtion of Sufanna Martin goe and affe&lt; the bodys of Mary Wallcott Mercy Lewes Elizabeth Hubbard and Abigail Williams.

*John Atkinson v. S. Martin.*

John Atkinson aged fifty fix years or thereabouts: Testifieth thatt fome time about five years fince, one of the fons of Sufannah Martin Sen<sup>r</sup> of Amfbury Exchanged a cow of his w<sup>th</sup> me ffor a cow w<sup>ch</sup> I bought of Mr Wells the minifter w<sup>ch</sup> cow he tooke ffrom Mr Wells his houfe, Aboute a weeke after I went to the houfe of Sufanna Martin to receive the cow of the young man her fon w<sup>n</sup> I came to bring the cow home nott-w<sup>th</sup>ftanding hamftringing of her and halting her fhe was fo madd thatt we could fcarce gett her along, butt fhe broke all the ropes ffaftened to her we putt the halter two or three times round a tree w<sup>ch</sup> fhe broke and ran away and w<sup>n</sup> fhe came downe to the fferry we were forct to run up to our wafts in water fhe was fo fierce butt after w<sup>th</sup> much adoe we gatt her into the boat fhe was fo tame as any creature w<sup>t</sup>foever. and further this Deponent Saith that Sufanna Martin Muttered and was unwellling this deponent fhould have y<sup>e</sup> Cow.

Jurat in Curia.

*Sarah Atkinson v. S. Martin.*

Sarah Atkinson aged forty eight years or thereabouts testifieth thatt some time in the spring of the year about eighteen years since Sulanna Martin came vnto our house att Newbury from Amfbury in an Extraordinary dirty season w<sup>n</sup> itt was nott fitt for any Pfon to travell she then came on foot w<sup>n</sup> she came into our house I asked her whether she came from Amfbury a ffoot she sayd she did I asked her how she could come in this time a ffoott and bid my children make way ffor her to come to the fire to dry herselfe she replied she was as dry as I was and turned her coats on Side and I could nott pceive thatt the Soule of her shows were wett I was startled att itt y<sup>t</sup> she should come soe dry and told her thatt I should have been wett up to my knees if I should have come so ffarr on ffoott shee replied thatt she scorned to have a drabled tayle.

Jurat in Curia.

*Warrant v. Eliz<sup>b</sup> Hart.*

To y<sup>e</sup> Marshall of ye County of Effex or his Deputy.

You are in theire Majestys Names hereby required to Apprehend and bring before vs upon Tuesday next be being y<sup>e</sup> seventeenth day of this instant May by of ye clock in ye forenoon att ye house of Leut Nath Ingersoll in Salem Village the bodys of Thomas ff rer sen<sup>r</sup> of Lin Husbandman and Elizabeth Hart ye wife of Ifaac Hart of  
Ee

Lynn Hasbandman whoe stand charged in behalf of theyr Majestys with high Suspittion of Sundry acts of witchcraft done or Committed upon the bodys of Ann Putnam Mercy Lewis, and others in Salem Village whereby great hurt hath bin done them And here of you are not to ffaile.

Salem dat<sup>d</sup> May 14. 1692.

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| JOHN HATHORNE   | } | Affists, |
| JONATHAN CORWIN |   |          |

May 15<sup>th</sup> 1692. I have apprehended y<sup>e</sup> above named persons and brought them att att y<sup>e</sup> time and place abouewritten to answer as aboue

P    GEORGE HERRICK Marshall of Effex,

*Sufana Sheldon v. Eliz<sup>b</sup> Hart.*

more ou<sup>r</sup> one the 19<sup>th</sup> day aboue written 92

Sufana Shelden faith that wife buchle did Afflickd [me & her dater Mary & Mifteres Hart.

*Ann Putnam v. Eliz<sup>b</sup> Hart.*

The Deposition of Ann Putnam who testifieth and faith that I have often seen the Apperishtion of Gooddy heart among the witches but I did not know who she was nor she did me no hurt tell the 13<sup>th</sup> of May 1692. that she came to my ffather house personally and tould me who she was and asked me if she had euer hurt me but ever sence that day she has hurt me most greviously feuerall times and urgeth me greviously to writ in hir book.



*Indictment v. Dorcas Hoar No. 1.*

Anno Regni Regis et Reginee Willm et Mariee  
nunc Anglice &c Quarto.

Province of y<sup>e</sup> Maffachusetts Bay in New England.  
Effex. ss.

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady  
the King and Queen p<sup>es</sup>ents. That Dorcas Hoar of  
Beverly in ye County of Effex : widow the Second  
day of May in the forth year of the Reigne of our  
Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by  
the Grace of God of England Scotland ffrance and  
Ireland King and Queen Defenders of the ffaith  
&c and Divers other Dayes and times as well be-  
fore as after certaine Detestable Arts called witch-  
crafts and Sorceries wickedly and feloniously hath  
vied Practised and exercised at and within the  
Towneship of Salem in the County of Effex, afore-  
said in and upon and against one Elizabeth Hub-  
b Hubbard of Salem Singlewoman by which said  
wicked arts the said Elizabeth Hubbard the Second  
day of May in the forth year abouesd.. and Divers  
other Dayes and times as well before as after was  
and is Tortured afflicted Pined consumed wasted  
and Tormented ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of our Sovereigne  
Lord and Lady the King and Queen and ag<sup>t</sup> the  
fforme of the statute in that case made and pro-  
vided.

Witneffes.

Elizabeth Hubbard

Mary Wolcott,

Ann Putnam,.

*Indictment v. Dorcas Hoar No. 2.*

Anno Regni Regis et Reginee Willm et Mariee  
nunc Anglice &c Quarto.

Province of y<sup>e</sup> Massachusetts Bay in New England.  
Essex. ss.

The Juro<sup>r</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady  
the King and Queen p<sup>e</sup>sents that Dorcas Hoar of  
Beverly in y<sup>e</sup> County of Essex, widow, the second  
day of May in the forth year of the Reigne of our  
Sovereigne Lord and Lady Willm and Mary by  
the Grace of God of England Scotland ffrence and  
Ireland King and Queen Defenders of the ffaith  
&c and Divers other Dayes and Times as well  
before as after certaine detestable arts called witch-  
craft and Sorceries wickedly and ffelloniously hath  
vsed practised and Exercised at and within the  
Township of Salem in the County of Essex, afore-  
said in and vpon and ag<sup>t</sup> one Mary Wolcott of  
Salem Village Singlewoman. by which said wicked  
arts the said Mary Wolcott the Second Day of  
May in the fourth year as abouesd. and Divers other  
dayes and times as well before as after was and is  
Tortured Afflicted Pined consumed wasted and  
Tormented ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of our Sovereigne Lord  
and Lady the King and Queen and ag<sup>t</sup> the forme  
of the statute in that case made and provided.

Witneses.

Mary Walcott

Elizabeth Hubbard.

Ann Putnam.

*Examination of Dorcas Hoar.*

The Examination of Dorcas Hoar 2. May 1692.  
Severall of the afflicted fell into fits as soon as she was brought in

*Eliz. Hubbard* said this woman had afflicted me ever since last Sab: was seven nights, and hurt me ever since and she choakt her own husband.

*Mary Walcot* said she told me the same.

*Abig Williams* said this is the woman that she saw first, before Tituba Indian or any else.

*Ann Putnam* said this is the woman that hurts her and the first time she was hurt by her was the Sab: was seven nights.

*Susan Sheldon* accused her of hurting her last moonday night.

*Abig. Williams & Ann Putnam.* said she told them that she had choakt a woman lately at Boston, *Eliz. Hubbard* cryed why do you pinch me, the mark was visible to the standers by. The Marshall said she pincht her fingers at that time.

Dorcas Hoar why do you hurt these?

I never hurt any child in my life.

It is you or your appearance.

How can I help it?

What is it from you that hurts these?

I never saw worse than myself.

You need not see worse. They charge you with killing your husband.

I never did nor never saw you before.

You sent for Goody Gale to cut your head off.  
What do you say to that?

I never sent for her upon that account.

What do you say about killing your husband.

Sufan: Sheldon also charged her that she came in with two cats and brought me the book & fell into a fit & told me your name was Goody Buxly.

No I never did I never saw thee before.

What black cats were those you had?

I had none.

Mary Walcot Sufan Sheldon and Abigail Williams said they saw a black man whispering in her ears.

Oh! you are liars and God will stop the mouth of liars.

You are not to speak after this manner in the Court.

I will speak the Truth as long as I live.

Mary Walcot and Sufan Sheldon and Eliz Hubbard said again there was a man whispering in her ear and said she should never confess.

*Goody Bibber* free from fits hitherto said there was a black man with her and fell into a fit.

What do you say to those cats that sucked your breast what are they?

I had no cats.

You do not call them cats that are they that suck you?

I never sucked none but my child.

What do you say. you never saw Goody Buxly.

I never knew her.

Goodm Bukly testified that she had been at the house often.

I know you but not the woman.

You said you did not know the name.

Many bystanders testified she disowned that she knew the name.

I did not know the name so as to goe to the woman.

Susan Sheldon and Abig. Williams cried there was a blew bird gone into her back.

The Marshall struck and several of the bystanders testified that they saw a fly like a Miller.

What did you see Goody Bibber who was looking up.

Goody Bibber was taken dumb.

What can you have no heart to confess.

I have nothing to do with witchcraft.

They say the Devil is whispering in your ear.

I cannot help it if they do see it.

cannot you confess what you think of these things?

Why should I confess that I do not know.

Susan Sheldon cried O Goody Hoar do not kill me, and fell into a fit and when she came to herself she said she saw a black man whispering in her ear and she brought me the book.

I have no book but the Lords book.

What Lords book.

The Lords book.

Oh said some of the afflicted there is one whispering in her ears.

There is some body will rub your ears shortly, said the examinant.

Immediately they were afflicted and among others Mercy Lewes.



Why do you threaten they should be rubb'd?

I did not speak a word of Rubbing.

Many testified she did.

My meaning was God would bring things to light.

Your meaning for God to bring the thing to light would be to deliver these poor afflicted ones, that would not Rubb them.

This is unusual impudence to threaten before Authority. who hurts them now.

I know not.

They were rubbed after you had threatened them.

Mary Walcot Abigail Williams and Eliz Hubbard were carried towards her, but they could not come near her.

What is the reason these can not come near you.

I cannot help it. I do them no wrong, they may come if they will.

Why you see they cannot come near you.

I do them no wrong..

Note. The afflicted were much distressed during her examination.

This is a true account of the examination of Dorcas Hoar without wrong to any party according to my original from characters at the moments thereof witness my hand Sam Parris.

*Rachel Tuck & Hannah Cox v. Dorcas Hoar.*

14, 3 mo. 1692.

The deposition of Rachell Tuck aged about 45

yers and Hannah Cox. aged about 30 years these deponents testifie and faith about three years before the date abouenamed That darkis Hoar the wife of William Hoar f<sup>r</sup> now deceased being very sick in her bed and several being at that time to watch with her namly Christopher Read her son in law and his wife and her daughter Jone Hoar with seuerall others these seuerall persons being then with said Darkes Hoar to look after her, and after some time went to the bede side to look after thayr mother and they found her gon out of the bead they know not how and being affrighted they ran out of dors and the last person that went out goodde hoar seat vpon the stepes or lador and held her fast and the person that was held fast cryed out, ffarther Hannah Cox one of the deponents before mentioned faith that the persons that rune out of the hous in a fright weere affraid ffor some time to goe into the hous but after a while did goe in and made lite to see who it was that held the person that said shee was held fast and they found it to be Goodee Hoar sitting vpon the stepes or lador dressed with her clothes and hat and cloke on. now; this aboue written was decleared to the aboue said deponants at the house of Thomas Cox, by Jone Hoar daughter to dorkes and further faith not.

Jurat in Curia.

*John Richards v. Dorcas Hoar.*

The deposition of John Richards aged about 46 yeares faith that some time this last winter past I

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being required by by the Constabell of Beuerly as one of the Jurores to vnderstand the Reason of the vntimely death of William Hoar being at the house of William hoar the rest of the Jury being there I the said Richards said to the Rest of the Jury that it was necessary that the naked body of the deceased should bee veiued and darcus hoar the wife of the deceased brake ot in a very greate passion wringing of her hands and stamping on the flore with her feete and said you wicked wretches what doe you think I have murdered my husband and the rest of the Jury blaming her for being in such a passion and then shee was something pacified.

Sworne Salem Village May. 23. 1692.

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| before vs | JOHN HATHORNE   | } Affits. |
|           | JONATHAN CORWIN |           |

*Sarah Bibber v. Dorcas Hoar.*

The Deposition of Sarah Viber agged about 36 years who testifie and saith that darcas Hoar of Beverly has most greivously tormented me agreat many times with variety of tortors: also vn the 2 May 1692 being the day of hir examination I saw Darcas Hoar or hir Appearance most greivously torment Mary Walcott Elizabeth Hubbed Abigaill Williams ann Putnam Jur and Sufannah Shelden by biting pinching and allmost choaking them, and I verily believe in my heart that Darcas Hoar is wieth for sence she went to prison she has most dreadfully tortured me with variety of tortors which I beleue if she wont a wieth she could not doe,  
Jurat in Curia.

Sarah Vibber owned to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inquest y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> aboue written evidence is truth vpon y<sup>e</sup> oath she had taken, July 2. 1692

Mary Warin testifieth before y<sup>e</sup> Jury of inquest that she saw Dorcas Hoare of Beaverly: hurt: and afflict Susanah Sheldon, then in y<sup>e</sup> prefence of y<sup>e</sup> sd Jury July 2 1692.

*Eliz Hubbard v. Dorcas Hoar.*

The depofition of Eliz Hubbard agged about 17 years who testifieth and faith I have been a long time afflicted by a woman that tould me hir name was Hoar but one the 2 May 1692. Darcas Hoar of Beuerly did most greivously torment me during the time of hir examination and then I saw that it was the very fame woman that tould me hir name was Hoar and if she did but look upon me she would strike me down or allmost choak me allso on the day of hir examination I saw Darcas Hoar or hir Appearance most greivously torment and afflict the bodys of Mary Walcott. Abigail Williams Ann Putnam by biting pinching and allmost choaking them to death also feveral times fince Darcas Hoar or hir Appearance has most greivously tormented me with variety of tortors and I verily believe that Darcas Hoar the prifoner att the barr is a witch for fenc she has been in prifon she or hir Appearance has come to me and most dreadfully tormented me with variety of tortors: which I beleue she could not doe without she ware a witch.

Eliz: Hubbard: owned to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of inquest that y<sup>e</sup> aboue written evidence: is ye truth July 2. 1692.

Jurat in Curia.

*Mary Walcott v. Dorcas Hoar.*

The depofition of mary walcott agged about 17 years, who testifieth and faith I have been a long time afflicted by a woman that tould me hir name was Hoar: but on the 2 May 1692. Darcas Hoar of Beuerly did most greivously torment me dureing the time of hir Examination for if she did but look parsonally upon me she would strick me down or allmost choak me to death, allso on the day of the examination of darcas Hoar I saw hir or hir Appearance most greivously torment and afflict the bodys of Eliz: Hubbard Abigaill Williams Ann Putnam and Sufannah Shelding also feuerall times fenc the aforefaid darcas hoar or hir Appearance has most greivously tormented me by biting pinching and allmost choaking me to death and I verily beleue in my heart that Darcas Hoar is a most dreadfull wieth for she or hir Appearance has come and most dreadfully tormented me fence she was put in prifon which I beleue she could not doe if she ware not a wieth. Mary Walcot owned to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inquest: y<sup>e</sup> aboue written evidence to be y<sup>e</sup> truth vpon oath: July: 2: 92.

Jurat in Curia.



*Ann Putnam Jr. v. Dorcas Hoar.*

The depofition of Ann Putnam Jun<sup>r</sup> who testi-  
fieth and faith that on the latter end of April 1692.  
ther came an old woman and did moft grievoufly  
torment me and tould me hir name was Hoar :  
but on the 2 May 1692 Darcas Hoar did moft  
dreadfully torment me dureing the time of hir  
Examination and then I faw that it was the very  
fame woman that tould me her name was Hoar  
allfo on the day of hir Examination I faw Darcas  
Hoar or hir Appearance moft grievoufly torment  
and afflict Mary Wallcott Eliz. Hubbard Sarah  
Vibber Abigail Williams and I verily beleue in my  
heart that Darcas Hoar is a witch for fence ſhe  
went to priſon ſhe or hir Appearance has come to  
me and moft grievoufly tormented me by biting  
pinching and almoſt choaking me to death.

Ann Putman owned this har testimony to be the  
truth one har oath before the Juriars of Inqueſt  
this 2 day of July 1692.

Jurat in Curia.

*John Hale v. Dorcas Hoar.*

John Hale aged 56 years Testifieth' 6. 7. 1692.  
That for ſeverall yeares agoe formerly were ſtorys  
told concerning Dorcas Hoar her beeing a fortune  
teller, And y<sup>t</sup> ſhe had told her owne fortune viz.  
y<sup>t</sup> ſhee ſhould live poorely ſo long as her huſband  
willm Hoar did live but y<sup>e</sup> ſaid will ſhould dye be-  
fore her and after y<sup>t</sup> ſhee ſhould live better. Allfo

ye fortune of Ens Corning and his wife who should dye first. and y<sup>t</sup> shee had had a book of fortune telling. About twenty two years agoe y<sup>e</sup> sd Dorcas minifisted to me great repentance for y<sup>e</sup> sins of her former life and y<sup>t</sup> she had borrowed a book of Palmstry and there were rules to know what should come to pass. But I telling her y<sup>t</sup> it was an Evill book and evill art shee seemed to me to renounce or reject all such practises Whereupon I had great charity for her severall yeares. But 14 yeares ago last spring I discovered an Evill practice had been between a servant of mine and some of sd Hoars children in conveying goods out of my house to ye sd Hoars and I had a daughter Rebecca then between 11 and 12 years old, whome I asked if she knew of y<sup>e</sup> Hoars stealing, she told me yea,, But durst not reveal it to me, and one reason was. she was threatened y<sup>t</sup> Goody Hoar was a witch and had a book by w<sup>ch</sup> shee cold tell what sd Rebecca did tell me in my house and if y<sup>e</sup> sd Rebecca told me of y<sup>e</sup> stealing, y<sup>e</sup> said Hoar would raise y<sup>e</sup> devill to kill her or bewitch her or words to y<sup>t</sup> Effect. (but whether she said y<sup>t</sup> Dorcas herselfe or her children told Rebecca these words I remember not) I asked Rebecca if she saw y<sup>e</sup> book. she said yea, she was shewed y<sup>t</sup> book. and there were many streaks and pictures in it by w<sup>ch</sup> (as she was told) ye said Hoar could reveale and work witchcrafts I asked her how big y<sup>e</sup> book was, she said it was like a gramer y<sup>t</sup> lay on y<sup>e</sup> table. And said shee now I have told you of the stealing Goody Hoar will bewitch me I perswaded my daughter not to think

so hardly of Goody Hoar. But she replied I know Goody Hoar is a witch (or to ye effect) and then told storys of strange things that had been acted in or about my house when I and my wife were abroad to fright sd Rebecca into silence about the theft, w<sup>ch</sup> said Rebecca judged to be acts of sd Hoars witchcraft the particulars I have now forgotten I called to minde y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> sd Hoar had told me of a book of Palmstry she had but not y<sup>e</sup> bigness of it therefore that I might be better satisfied I asked Thomas Tuck if y<sup>e</sup> knew Goody Hoar to have a book of fortune telling and he said yea shee had such a kind of book w<sup>ch</sup> he had seen w<sup>th</sup> streaks and pictures in it and y<sup>t</sup> it was about y<sup>e</sup> bigness of of such a book poynting to a gramer, or book of like magnitude this confirmed me in y<sup>e</sup> opinion y<sup>t</sup> my daughter had seen such a book and after my daughters death a friend told me y<sup>t</sup> my daughter said to her shee went in fear of her life by y<sup>e</sup> Hoars till quieted by y<sup>e</sup> script<sup>r</sup>. Fear not them w<sup>ch</sup> can kill y<sup>e</sup> boady &c.

About those times other things were spoken of y<sup>e</sup> sd Hor suspicians of her witchcraft whereupon a friend of mine did as I was informed acquaint Major Denison w<sup>th</sup> them for his consideration and as I was informed Major Denison took an opportunity to examine sd W<sup>m</sup> Hoare about a fortune book his wife had and W<sup>m</sup> Hoare answered y<sup>e</sup> book was John Samsons and his wife had returned y<sup>e</sup> book long agoe and so y<sup>e</sup> matter was left for y<sup>t</sup> time. When discourses arose about witchcrafts at y<sup>e</sup> village, then I heard discourses raised of Goody

Hoars fortune telling of later times and shee being comitted to Boston I did last May speake w<sup>th</sup> her of many things that I had known and heard of her. Shee told me y<sup>t</sup> her owne fortune y<sup>t</sup> she spake of she was told by a shipmaster when she was first maryed and Ens Corning's fortune. viz. y<sup>t</sup> his first wife should dye before him (w<sup>ch</sup> is since come to pass) she spake it from observing a certain streak under ye eye of sd Corning or his wife. But as I take it it was his wife had ye streak. And for seeing y<sup>e</sup> devill (w<sup>ch</sup> was one thing I spake to her off) she said shee never saw ye devill or any spirit but one and y<sup>t</sup> was soon after old Thomas Tuck dyed (w<sup>ch</sup> I take to be about ten years since) and y<sup>t</sup> shee took it to be ye Ghost of Thom Tuck, coming to speake w<sup>th</sup> her about some land sd Tuck had told her of before his death. But y<sup>t</sup> shee fled from y<sup>e</sup> Ghost and got away.

The fortune book she said was about y<sup>e</sup> bignes of ae high Psalter (w<sup>ch</sup> agrees w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>t</sup> of a gramer) But owned no other but y<sup>t</sup> of John Samsons w<sup>ch</sup> he had from her as she said above 20 years agoe and y<sup>t</sup> shee had not told fortunes since y<sup>e</sup> time I layed before her y<sup>e</sup> evill of it w<sup>ch</sup> is about 20 or 22 years since. I lately spake w<sup>th</sup> John Samsons and he told me y<sup>t</sup> he had a book of Palmistry when he lived at Goody Hoars w<sup>ch</sup> shee had seen But y<sup>t</sup> it was a book in quarto and he sold it at Casco-Bay about 30 years since and had not seen it since.

Jurat in Curia.

*Joseph Morgan v. Dorcas Hoar.*

The depotion of Joseph Morgan aged about 46 years or thereabouts Testifyeth and saith that goodey hoar being at my hous did pretend some things of forting telling and their said that I should dy before my wife and that my eldest dafter shuld not live to be a woman. and further saith that my eldest dafter shuld not live to be a woman. and further sayth that my self being caled to sit on the Juery to sarch the body of Goodman hore he dying very iudingly., that then on desiring to have his body stript thee said Goody hoar did fly out in a great pation and said what do you think that I have kiled my husband you wretches you and

*Deborah Morgan v. Dorcas Hoar.*

The depotion of Deborah Morgan aged 43 years, or their a boughts testifyeth and sayth that Goody hoer being at our hous said that my eldest dafter shuld never live to be a woman and I asking her how she knew shee told me that shee observed some veins about her eys by which shee knew. and ferther saith not

Jurat in Curia.

*Edward Hooper v. Dorcas Hoar.*

The deperfision of Edward Hooper aged about 13 years being with John Neal at Dorkus horss house when the sd Neal brought a hen of the sd whors which he had kiled doing damages in his

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master whitredge's Corn the sd whore did say then to the sd John Neall that he should be neuer the beter for it before the weak was out.

Jurat in Curia.

*Maria Gage v. Dorcas Hoar.*

The deposition of Marie Gadge about 48 years this deponent testifieth and faith that about nine years agon sd deponent and her son Josiah Wood being at y<sup>e</sup> house of John Giles in Beverly and Dorcas hoare being there alsoe. the sd Hoare told her that her child was not long lived and sd deponent asked her how she knew: the child being well then, sd Hoare replied it would not live long and bade her marke the end of it: and about a month after that her sd child was taken sick and dyed suddenly and about halfe a year after sd deponent asked sd Hoare how she could fortell ye death of y<sup>e</sup> child, her answer was she had acquaintance w<sup>th</sup> a docter that taught her to know and had a doctors booke by her. And sd deponent faith further y<sup>t</sup> about 2 years agon sd deponent being often concerned at y<sup>e</sup> house of Benjamin Balch sen<sup>r</sup> w<sup>th</sup> his son David being then sick: she heard sd David Balch often complaine y<sup>t</sup> he was tormented by witches: sd deponent asked him whether he knew who they were and sd David balch answered it was Goody wiles and her daughter and Goody Hoare and one of Marblehead he knew not by name, saying alsoe there was a Confederacy of them and they were then whispering together at his beds foot,

and desired Gabriell Hood to strike them: and when he did strike at y<sup>e</sup> place, where sd balch said they sate, sd balch said that he had struck Goody Viles and she was gone presently, and at severall other times sd Balch Cried out of Goody Hoares tormenting him and prayed earnestly to y<sup>e</sup> Lord to bring them out and discover them and further saith not.

Jurat in Curia.

*John Lovet v. Dorcas Hoar.*

The deperfsion of John Louet age about 25 years this deponent destifieth and say that he the sd deponant being at Boston sometime in June last past went into the prisn to see my granmother.

then goodee hor asked me the sd deponant whether I knew of any witneses that would come in or be brought in against her and I the sd deponant told her I did not know of any and then the sd hor asked me whether Goodm witredg would not come in against her about his cow I the sd deponant tould the sd hore I did believe he would the sd hore replied she did not know that he had ara cow, further saith not.

Jurat in Curia.

*Thomas Putnam & Edward Putnam v. Dorcas Hoar.*

The depofition of Thos Putnam aged 40 years and Edward Putnam aged 36 years who testifie and saith that we haueing been conversant with

Divers of the afflicted parsons as Mary Walcott Elizabeth Hubbard Ann Putnam and others and we have seen them most grievously tortured by biting and pinching and their bones almost put out of Joynt grievously complaining of one Goody Hore of Beuerly for hurting them, but on the 2. day of May 1692 being the day of the examination of Dorcas Hoar of Beuerly the aboue said affected parsons were most grievously tormented during the time of hir examination for vpon the glance of hir eies they were stricken down almost choke also severall times since we have seen the abouenamed parsons most grievously tormented and the marks of plaine bits on their flesh and complaining of gooddy Hoar for hurting them and we beleue that Dorcas Hoare the prisoner at the barr has often hurt the afforenamed parsons by acts of witchcraft.

Jurat in Curia.

*John Tuck v. Dorcas Hoar.*

The deperfiton of John Tuck aged about 18 years this deponent doth testif and say that I the sd deponant being at the hous of Darkas hore about 3 years agone with John Neal which was then Thomas whitridge Sarvant then the sd Neal brought a hen of the sd whores which he the sd Neal had killed doing dammage in his sd Masters Corn and I the sd deponant being there when the sd Neal presented the hen to hear the said whore did then brake out in great passion and tould the sd John

Neal that it should be the worst weaks worke that  
Euer he did funder faith not Jurat in Curia

*Joseph Tuck v. Dorcas Hoar.*

Joseph tuck aged about 15 years doth say that he  
being with his brother John tuck doth say that he  
can witness to the uery fame aboue written..

Jurat in Curia

*Warrant v. George Jacobs Sr.*

To: The Constables in Salem.

You are in their Majest<sup>ies</sup> names hereby required  
to apprehend and forthwith bring before vs. George  
Jacobs Sen<sup>r</sup> of Salem, And Margaret Jacobs the  
daughter of George Jacobs Jun<sup>r</sup> of Salem Single-  
woman Who stand accused of high suspition of  
sundry acts of witchcraft by them both Committed  
on sundry persons in Salem to their great wrong  
and Injury and hereof faile not. Dated Salem May  
10<sup>th</sup>. 1692.

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| T vs. | JOHN HATHORNE   | } Affists. |
|       | JONATHAN CORWIN |            |

To constable Joseph Neale.

May y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 1692. Then I apprehended the  
Bodies of George Jacobs Sen<sup>r</sup> and Margaret Jacobs  
daughter of George Jacobs Jun<sup>r</sup> Both of Salem  
According to the Tenor of the Aboue warrant P me  
JOSEPH NEALE Constable Jn Salem.

*Complaint v. George Jacobs Jr.*

Salem May the 14<sup>th</sup> 1692.

Lt Nathanill Ingersfall and Sergt Thomas Putnam, yeoman both of Salem Village personally appeared before vs and made complaint in behalfe of their Majest<sup>s</sup> against Daniell Andrew of Salem Village Bricklayer, George Jacobs Jun<sup>r</sup> of Salem Village husbandman And Jacobs the wife of said George Jacobs Buckley the wife of W<sup>m</sup> Buckley of Salem Village cordwayner and Mary Withridge of Salem Village daughter of said Buckley.

Hart the wife of Isaac Hart of Lynn Husbandman Thomas ffarrer sen<sup>r</sup> of Lynn husbandman, Elizabeth Colson of Reding Singlewoman And Bethia Carter of onburne daughter of Widow Carter of sd Towne for high Suspition of Sundry Acts of witchcrafts by them Committed or Donne lately on the body of Ann Putnam Marcy Lewis Mary Walcott and Abigail Williams and others of Salem Village whereby much hurt is done to their bodyes, therefore Craues Justice.

Nathaniel Ingersfall.

Thomas putnam

*Indictment v. George Jacobs Sr.*

Anno Regis et Reginee Willm et Mariee nunce  
Anglice F<sup>st</sup> Quarto.

Effex: ss.

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady  
the King and Queen p<sup>es</sup>ents. That George Jacobs



Sen<sup>r</sup> of Salem in y<sup>e</sup> County of Eff<sup>x</sup>, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May in the fourth Year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by the Grace of God of England Scotland ff<sup>r</sup>rance and Ireland King and Queen Defend<sup>rs</sup> of the ffaith &c. and Divers other Dayes and times as well before as after certaine Detestable Arts called Witchcrafts and forceries Wickedly and ffelloniously hath vsed Practised and Exercised at and within the Township of Salem in the county of Eff<sup>x</sup>. aforesaid in upon and ag<sup>t</sup> one Mary Lewis of Salem village Singlewoman by which said Wicked arts the said Marcy Lewis the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May in the fourth year above said and Divers other Dayes and times as well before as after was and is Tortured Afflicted Pined consumed wasted and Tormented and also for sundry other acts of witchcraft by said George Jacobs Committed and Done before and since that time ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen their Crowne and Dignity and ag<sup>t</sup> the forme of the Statutes in that Case made and provided.

Witnes<sup>ses</sup>.     Marcy Lewis.     Eliz : Hubbard  
                  Mary Walcott.     Sarah Churchill.

*Examination of George Jacobs Sr.*

The Examination of Geo Jacobs Sen<sup>r</sup> 10 May 1692.

Here are them that accuse you of acts of witchcraft.

Well, let us hear who are they and what are they.

Abigail Williams—Jacobs laught.

Because I am falsely accused.—Your worships all of you do you think this is true?

Nay, what do you think?

I never did it.

Who did it?

Dont ask me.

Why should we not ask you? Sarah Churchill accuseth you there she is.

I am as innocent as the Child born to night. I have lived 33 yeares here in Salem.

What then?

If you can prove that I am guilty I will lye under it

Sarah Churchwell said last night I was afflicted at Deacon Ingerfalls and Mary Walcot said it was a man with 2 staves it was my master.

Pray do not accuse me I am as clear as your worships You must do right judgments.

What book did he bring you Sarah?

The same that the other woman brought.

The Devill can go in any shape.

Did he not he appear on the other side of the river and hurt you did not you see him.

Yes he did.

Look there, she accuseth you to your face she chargeth you that you hurt her twise. Is it not true?

What would you have me say? I never wronged no man in word nor deed.

Here are 3 evidences.

You tax me for a wizard, you may as well tax me for a buzzard. I have done no harm.

Is it no harm to afflict these?

I never did it.

But how comes it to be in your appearance?

The Devil can take any likenesses.

Not without their consent.

Please your worship it is untrue, I never showed the book, I am silly about these things as the child born last night.

That is your saying, you argue you have lived so long, but what then Cain might live long before he killed Abel and you might live long before the Devil had so prevailed on you.

Christ hath suffered 3 times for me.

What three times.

He suffered the Cross & gale —

You had as good confess (said Sarah Churchwell) if you are guilty.

Have you heard that I have any witchcraft?

I know you live a wicked life.

Let her make it out.

Doth he ever pray in his family?

Not unless by himself.

Why do you not pray in your family?

I cannot read.

Well but you may pray for all that. Can you say the Lords prayer? Let us hear you?

He might in several parts of it and could not repeat it right after Mary Mialls.

Sarah Churchwell, when you wrote in the book you was showed your masters name you said.

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Yes Sir.

If she say so, if you do not know it what will you say?

But she saw you or your likeness tempt her to write.

one in my likeness, the Devil may present my likeness.

Were you not frightened Sarah Churchwell when the representation of your master came to you?

Yes.

Well! burn me or hang me, I will stand in the truth of Christ, I know nothing of it.

Do you know nothing of getting your son George and his daughter Margaret to signe?

No nothing at all.

The 2<sup>d</sup> Examination of said George Jacobs, 11. May 1692.

The bewitched fell into most greivous fits and screakings when he came in.

Is this the man that hurts you?

Abig Williams cryed out this is the man and fell into a violent fit.

Ann Putnam said this is the man and he hurts her and brings the book to her and would have her write in the book and she should be as well as his Grand daughter.

Mercy Lewis is this the man?

This is the man (after much interruptions by fits) he almost kills me.

Eliz Hubbard said the man never hurt her till to day he came upon the Table.

Mary Walcot is this the man?

After much interruptions by fits she said this is the man he used to come with two staves and beat her with one of them.

What do you say are you not a witch?

No I know it not, if I were to dye presently.

Mercy Lewis went to come near him but fell into great fits.

Mercy Lewis testimony read. What do you say to this?

Why it is false I know not of it any more than the child that was born to night.

Ann Putnam said yes, you told me so, that you had been so this: 40 yeares.

Ann Putnam and Abigail Williams had each of them a pin stuck in their hands and they said it was this old Jacobs.

Abigail Williams Testimony read

Are not you the man that made disturbance at a Lecture in Salem?

No great disturbance. Do you think I use witchcraft?

Yes indeed.

No I use none of them.

*Abigail Williams v. George Jacobs Sr.*

The Testimony of Abigail Williams witnesseth and saith that she hath severall times seen and been very much afflicted by the Apparition of Geo Jacobs Sen<sup>r</sup> of Salem at and before the 11 May 1692.



*Summons to Witnesses v. Geo. Jacobs Sr.*

W<sup>m</sup> and Mary by y<sup>e</sup> Grace of God of England  
&c King and Queen &c.

To y<sup>e</sup> Sheriff of Effex or deputy or Constables of  
Salem Greeting.

Wee comand you to Warn and give notice vnto  
Joseph flint John Waters sen<sup>r</sup> John Doritch Corp<sup>ll</sup>  
John ffofter Capt Puttman and his Rebecca his  
wife, that they and Euery of them be and appear  
forthwith at the Court of Oyer and Terminer  
holden at Salem there to Testifie y<sup>e</sup> truth to y<sup>e</sup> best  
of your knowledge on certain Indictments Exhibit-  
ed against George Jacobs Sen<sup>r</sup> hereof make return  
fail not.

Dated in Salem Aug<sup>t</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 1692 and in the fourth  
yeare of our Reigne

STEPHEN SEWALL Cler.

*George Herrick v. George Jacobs Jr.*

The Testimoney of George Herrick aged thirty  
fouer years or their abouts Testifyeth and Saith  
some time in May last by order of their Majesties  
Justices I went to the Prison in Salem to search  
George Jacobs Sen<sup>r</sup> and likewise William Dounton  
the Goale Keeper and Joseph Neal constable was  
in presence and concerned with mee in the search,  
where under y<sup>e</sup> sd Jacobs his Right sholder wee  
found a tett about a quarter of an inch longue or

better with a sharpe point Drupeing downwards so that I tooke A pinn from sd Dounton and Run it through the sd tett but there was neither watter blood nor corruption nor any other matter and so we make Returne.

William Dounton testifyeth the aboue written. and we farther Testify and say yt sd Jacobs was not in the least Senceable in what wee had done for after J had made Returne to the maiestrates and Returned I tould ye sd Jacobs. And he knew nothing before.

Sworne in Court Aug<sup>t</sup> 4. 92.

*Mary Warren v. George Jacobs Sr.*

Mary Warin afirmd : before ye Jury of Inquest : that George Jacobs sen<sup>r</sup> has afflicted her sd Warin and beat her with his staffe he or his Apperition : sd warin ses she has seen sd Jacobs or Apparition afflict Mary Walcot and beat her with his staffe : she sayd also that sd Jacobs has afflicte Ann Putnam sd warin verily thinks : sd George Jacobs is a wizard Aug<sup>t</sup> 4. 1692. upon her oath, Jurat in Curia.

*Eliz<sup>h</sup> Hubbard v. George Jacobs Sr.*

Elizabeth Hubbard Affirmed to ye Jury of Inquest that she hath seen George Jacob sen<sup>r</sup> afflict : Mary Walcot Ann Putnam and Abigail Williams : and sd Jacobs or his Apparition has forely afflicted her said Eliz Hubbard Aug 4. 1692. upon her oath. Jurat in Curia.

*Mary Walcot v. George Jacobs Sr.*

Mary Walcot Affirmed before y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inquest that she hath seen George Jacobs Sen<sup>r</sup> afflict Mary Warin and Ann Putnam and Elizabeth Hubbard and sd Jacobs or his Apperition hath hurt her sd Mary Walcot and beat her with his staffe Aug<sup>t</sup> 4. 92 upon her oath sd Walcot sd she verily beleived sd Jacobs is a wizzard and that on y<sup>e</sup> day and time of sd Jacobs his examination he afflicted her and Ann Putnam and Elizabeth Hubbard.

Jurat in Curia.

*Sarah Churchwell v. George Jacobs Jr.*

Sarah Churchwell Affirmed to ye Jury of Inquest that George Jacobs Sen<sup>r</sup> or his Appirftion has afflicted her sd Churchell by choaking of her and she verily beleeves that sd Jacobs did it by witchcraft.

Jurat in Curia

Sarah Vibber made oath y<sup>t</sup> she saw him y<sup>ts</sup> George Jacobs, at y<sup>e</sup> Gallows when Goody Olliver was executed and y<sup>e</sup> black man help him up and y<sup>t</sup> she saw him afflict Mary Walcot and beat her with his staffe.

Jurat in Curia.

*John Doritch v. George Jacobs Sr.*

John Doritch aged 16 years or thereabouts Testifieth and Saith.

That John Small and his wife Anne both de-

ceased, and formerly of the Towne of Salem doth both appear to this Deponent and told him that they would tare him to pieces if he did not goe and Declare to Mr Harthorn that George Jacobs senior Did kill them and Likewise that Mary Warrens mother did appear to this Deponent this day with a white man and told him that woodwife Parker and Oliver did kill her and Likewise Core Proctor and his wife Sarah Proctor Joseph Proctor and John Proctor did all afflict this deponent and do continually every day fence he hath begun to be afflicted, and would have him this deponent to sett his hand to a Booke but this deponent told them he would not: Likewise Phillip English and his wife Mary doth appear to this deponent and afflict him and all the above<sup>d</sup> persons Thretten to tare this Deponent in peices if he doth not Signe to a Booke: Likewise Goodwife Pease and Hobbs and her daughter Abigail doth Afflict him and thretten the same: and Likewise a woman appeares to this Deponent who lives at Boston at y<sup>e</sup> Vper end of the Towne whose name is Mary: she goes in black clothes hath: but one Eye: with a Crooked Neck and she saith there is none in Boston like her, she did afflict this deponent, but saith she will not any more. nor tell him her name.

Jurat all relating to ye prisoner at y<sup>e</sup> Barr.

*Mercy Lewis v. George Jacobs, Sr.*

The deposition of Mercy Lewes, who testifieth and saith that on 20<sup>th</sup> April. 1692: att or about

midnight there appered to me the apperishion of an old; very gray headed man and tould me that his name was George Jacobs and that he had had two wiues and he did tortor me and beate me with a stick which he had in his hand and urged me to writ in his book which I refused to doe, and so he hath continued euer fence by times coming sum-times with two sticks in his hands to afflict me, still tempting me to writ in his book, but most dredfull he fell upon me and did tortor me on the 9<sup>th</sup> of May at eueng after I came whom from the Examination of his maid: threatening to kill me y<sup>t</sup> night if I would not writ in his book because I did witness against his maid and perswaded her to confess but because J would not yeald to his hellish temtations he did torter me most cruelly by beating me with the two sticks which he had in his hands and allmost redy to putt all my bones out of joynt tell my strength and hartt was Redy to fail but being upheld by an Almighty hand and incouraged by them that stood by J indured his tortors that night. the 10<sup>th</sup> May he againe sett upon me and afflicted me most greivously a great many times in the day still urging me to writ in his book but att euening he againe tortured me most greivously by pinching me and beating me black and blue and threatening to kill me if I would not writ in his book but I tould him I would not writ in his book tho he did kill me and tare me all to peices then he profered me to giue me gold and many figne things if I would writ in his book but I tould him I would not writ in his book if he would give



me all the world then againe he did tortor me most greivously but at last went away from me, also on the 15<sup>th</sup> May 1692. being the day of the Examination of George Jacobs then I saw that it was that very man that tould me his name was George Jacobs and he did also most dreadfully torment me allmost redy to kill me and I verily beleue in my hart that George Jacobs is a most dreadfull wizzard and that he hath very often afflicted and tormented me by his acts of witchcraft.

Mercy Lewis declared to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inquest that  
y<sup>e</sup> aboue written evidence                      truth

*Joseph Flint v. George Jacobs Sr.*

The depoficon of Joseph Flintt aged 30 yeares saith y<sup>t</sup> being at y<sup>e</sup> house of Mr Thomas Beadles on y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> of May 1692 when y<sup>e</sup> Magistrates were Examining George Jacobs his Grandaughter and understanding that she had confessed I this deponent went into y<sup>e</sup> other room where George Jacobs, was and Told him y<sup>t</sup> his Grandaughter had confessed he asked me what she had confessed I told him y<sup>t</sup> she had confest she was a witch or that she had Set her hand to y<sup>e</sup> Deuil's booke.

Whereupon s<sup>d</sup> Jacobs said that She was charged not to confes and then I asked him who charged her not to confes, he then made a stop and at last said y<sup>t</sup> if she were Jnnocent and yet Confest she would be accessary to he owne death.

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Joseph † Flint

*Warrant v. John Willard.*

To y<sup>e</sup> Constable of Salem.

You are in theyr Majestyes Names Required to Apprehend and Bring before vs y<sup>e</sup> Body of John Willard of Salem Village husbandman to morrow being the eleventh day of this instant May by one of y<sup>e</sup> clock afternoone att y<sup>e</sup> house of Thomas Beadle in Salem whoe stand accused of high Suspition of Severall acts of witchcraft done or committed vpon y<sup>e</sup> bodyes of Sundry persons in Salem Village to theyr great hurt and Injury and hereof you are not to ffayle.

dated Salem May 10<sup>th</sup> 1692.

JOHN HATHORNE } Affists.  
JONATHAN CORWIN }

In prosecution of this warrant I went to the house of the usuall abode of John Willards and made searck for him, and in feuerall other houses and places butt could not find him, and his relations and friends then gaue me accompt that to theire best knowledge he was ffeled.

Salem May 12<sup>th</sup> 1692.

JOHN PUTNAM Jun. Constable Salem..

*Indictment v. Jno Willard No. 1.*

Anno Regni Regis et Reginee et Mariee  
nunc Anglice J<sup>t</sup> Quarto.

Essex. ss.

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen presents, that John Willard of

Salem Village in the County of Essex hush. the eighteenth day of May in the ffourth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by the Grace of God of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland King and Queen Defenders of the ffaith &<sup>th</sup> and Divers other Dayes and Times as well before as after certaine detestable arts called witchcrafts and Sorceries wickedly and feloniously hath vsed Practiced and exercised at and within the Towne of Salem in the County of Essex afores<sup>d</sup>. in vpon and ag<sup>t</sup> one Mercy Lewis of Salem Village afores<sup>d</sup> in the County afores<sup>d</sup>. single-woman by which said wicked arts the sd Mercy Lewis the sd Eighteenth Day of May in the ffourth year aboves<sup>d</sup>: and divers other Dayes and times as well before as after, was and is hurt tortured afflicted consumed Pined wasted and tormented ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen and ag<sup>t</sup> the forme of the Stat in that case made and Provided.

Witneses

Mercy Lewis.

Abigail Williams.

Mary Walcott.

bill vera

Sufanna Sheldon

John Rieche fforeman in  
the name of the Rest.

Ann Puttnam Sen<sup>r</sup>

Ann Pullnam Jun<sup>r</sup>

Elizabeth Hubbard

*Indictment v. John Willard No. 2.*

Anno Regni Regis et Reginee Wellm et Mariee  
nunc Anglice &<sup>th</sup> Quarto.

Essex. ss.

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord & Lady the King p<sup>r</sup>sents That John Willage of Salem Village in the County of Essex, husb<sup>n</sup> the eighteenth day of May in the ffourth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by the Grace of God of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland King and Queen Defenders of the faith &<sup>th</sup> and Divers other dayes and times as well before as after certaine detestable arts called Witchcrafts and Sorceries Wickedly and felloneously hath vsed and Exercised at and within the Towne of Salem in the County of Essex afores<sup>d</sup>. in upon and ag<sup>t</sup> one Ann Puttnam Jun<sup>r</sup> of Salem village afores<sup>d</sup> in the County afores<sup>d</sup> single woman. by which said wicked arts the said Ann Puttnam Jun<sup>r</sup> the sd Eighteenth day of May in the ffourth year aboves<sup>d</sup> and Divers other Dayes and times as well before was and is hurt tortured afflicted pined Consumed Wasted and Tormented against y<sup>e</sup> Peace of our said Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King & Queen and ag<sup>t</sup> the forme of the statute in that Case made and Provided.

|                                |                              |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Ann Puttnam Jun <sup>r</sup> . | Sufanna Sheldon              |
| Abigaile Williams,             | Mercy Lewis.                 |
| Mary Walcott.                  | Ann Puttnam Sen <sup>r</sup> |
| Elizabeth Hubbard.             |                              |

bella vera John Rucke foreman in the name of  
the Rest.

*Indictment v. Jno Willard No. 3.*

Anno Regni Regis et Reginee Willm et Mariee  
nunc Anglice &<sup>th</sup> Quarto.

Essex. ss

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord & Lady the  
King and Queen p<sup>es</sup>ents, that John Willard of  
Salem Village in the County of Essex husb: the  
Eighteenth day of May in the ffourth year of the  
Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William  
and Mary by the Grace of God of England Scott-  
land ffrance and Ireland King and Queen Defend-  
ers of the ffaith &c and Divers other Dayes and  
times as well before as after certaine detestable arts  
called Witchcrafts and Sorceries wickedly and fel-  
loniously hath used practised and Exercised at and  
within the Towne of Salem in the County of Essex  
aforesd in and upon and against one Sufannah Shel-  
don of Salem Village aforesd in the County aforesd.  
Singlewoman. by which said wicked arts the said  
Sufanna Sheldon the said Eighteenth day of May  
in the ffourth year abovesd and Divers other Dayes  
and times as well before as after was and is hurt  
tortured afflicted pined consumed Wasted and tor-  
mented ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of our Sovereigne Lord and  
Lady King and Queen and ag<sup>t</sup> the forme of the  
statute in that case made and Provided.

Witnesses.

Sufanna Sheldon

Abigail Williams.



Mary Walcott.                      Ann Putnam Sen<sup>r</sup>.  
 Ann Putnam Jun<sup>r</sup>.              Mercy Lewis.  
                                  Elizabeth Hubbard.

*Indictment v. Jno Willard No. 4.*

Anno Regni Regis et Reginee Willm et Marice  
 nunc Anglice et Quarto.

Essex ss.

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord & Lady the King and Queen p<sup>r</sup>sents, That John Willard of Salem Village in the County of Essex husb: the Eighteenth day of May in the ffourth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by the Grace of God of England Scotland ffraunce and Ireland King and Queen Defenders of the ffaith &<sup>c</sup> and Divers other Dayes and times as well before as after certaine Destab arts called Witchcrafts and Sorceries wicked and feloniously hath vsed practised and Exercised at and within the Towneship of Salem in the County of Essex afore<sup>d</sup> in vpon and ag<sup>t</sup> one Abigail Williams of Salem village in the County afore<sup>d</sup>. finglewomen by which said wicked arts the said Abigail Williams the sd Eighteenth Day of May in the ffourth year above<sup>d</sup>. and Divers other Dayes and times as well before as after was and is hurt tortured afflicted Pined Consumed wasted and tormented ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of our said Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen and ag<sup>t</sup> the forme of the statute in that case made and Provided.

Witnesses.

Abigail Williams.                      Mary Walcott.

Sufanna Sheldon.      Ann Puttnam Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Mercy Lewis.      Ann Puttnam Sen<sup>r</sup>  
Elizcibeth Hubbard.

bill Avera John Rucke foreman in the name of  
the Rest.

Indictments No. 5 and 6 are missing.

*Indictment v. Jno Willard No. 7.*

Anno Regni Regis et Reginee et Mariee nunc  
Anglice &<sup>th</sup> Quarto.

Effex : ss.

The Juro<sup>rs</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady  
the King and Queen p<sup>r</sup>ients That John Willard of  
Salem Village in the County of Effex husb : the  
eighteenth Day of May in the ffourth year of the  
Reighe of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William  
and Mary by the Grace of God of England Scott-  
land ffrance and Ireland King and Queen Defend<sup>rs</sup>  
of the ffaith and Divers other Dayes and times as  
well before as after certaine Detestable acts called  
Witchcrafts and Sorceries wickedly and feloniously  
hath vsed practised and Exercised at and within the  
Towneship of Salem in the County of Effex afore-  
said in vpon and ag<sup>t</sup> one Elizabeth Hubbard of  
Salem Village aforesd in the County aforesd single-  
woman by which said wicked arts the said Eliza-  
beth Hubbard the said Eighteenth day of May in  
the ffourth year aboues<sup>d</sup>. and Divers other Dayes  
and times as well before as after was and is hurt  
tortured afflicted consumed Pined wasted and tor-  
mented ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of our said Sovereigne Lord

and Lady the King and Queen and ag<sup>t</sup> the fforme  
of the statute in that case made and Provided.

Witnesſes

|                               |                               |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Elizabeth Hubbard.            | Mary Walcott.                 |
| Abigail Williams.             | Sufanna Sheldon.              |
| Ann Putnam Sen <sup>r</sup> . | Ann Putnam Jun <sup>r</sup> . |

Mercy Lewis

bill Avera John Rucke fforeman in the name of  
the Reft.

*Warrant v. Jno Willard.*

To The Marshall of the County of Effex, or to the  
Conſtables in Salem or any other Marshall or  
Marſhalls Conſtable or Conſtables within this  
theire Majest<sup>s</sup> Colony or Terretory of the Maſſa-  
chuſetts in New England.

You are in theire Majest<sup>s</sup> names hereby required  
to Apprehend John Willard of Salem Village huf-  
bandman, if he may be found in your precincts,  
who ſtands charged with fundry acts of Witchcraft  
by him donne or Committed on the Bodys of Bray  
Wilkins and Samuell Wilkins the ſon of Henery  
Wilkins both of Salem Village and others according  
to complaint made before us by Thomas fuller  
Jun<sup>r</sup> and Benj<sup>c</sup> Wilkins Sen<sup>r</sup> both of Salem Village  
aforeſd yeoman ; who being found you are to con-  
vey from Towne to Towne from Conſtable to  
Conſtable vntill he be Brought before vs or ſuch as  
may be in authority here in Salem and here of you  
are not to faile. Dated Salem. May the 15<sup>th</sup>. 1692,

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|-------|-----------------|------------|
| T vs. | JOHN HATHORNE,  | } Affiſts. |
|       | JONATHAN CORWIN |            |

To be prosecuted according to the direction of  
Constable John putnam of Salem Village who goes  
with the same.

I have apprehended John Wilard of Salem Vileg  
according to the tener of this warrant and brought  
him before your worships Date 18. May. 1692.

by me JOHN PUTNAM Constable of Salem.

*Summons to Witnesses v. Jno Willard.*

William and Mary by y<sup>e</sup> Grace of God of Eng-  
land &c King &c.

To Abigaile Williams Mary Walcott. Sufanna Shel-  
den, Nathaniell Putnam Ann Putnam Mercy  
Lewis. Greeting.

Wee comand you all Excuses set aside to be and  
personally appear before our Justices of Court of  
Oyer and Terminer. Held at Salem for y<sup>e</sup> County  
of Effex, on Thursday y<sup>e</sup> second of this Instant June  
at nine of y<sup>e</sup> Clock in y<sup>e</sup> morning then to Testifie  
y<sup>e</sup> Truth of your knowledge upon certain Endict-  
ments to be Exhibited at our said. Court ag<sup>t</sup> John  
Willard of Salem Village hereof you are not to faile  
1<sup>st</sup> June 1692. and in y<sup>e</sup> fourth year of our Reigne.  
&c Benj. Wilkins. STEPHEN SEWALL, Cler<sup>c</sup>.

To y<sup>e</sup> Constable of Salem.

I have warned the parsons within named.

P me. JONATHAN PUTNAM Constable  
in Salem

*Evidence v. Jno Willard.*

Evidences ag<sup>t</sup> John Willard,

Exicon vide.

Abigail Williams.

Mary Walcott.

Sufanna Sheldon.

Nath<sup>l</sup> putnam C<sup>t</sup> vpon murder.

Ann putnam.

Coron<sup>r</sup> Enquest.

Mercy Lewis.

Ann puttnam Sen<sup>r</sup>.

Sarah Churchill } y<sup>t</sup> Willard diswaded from  
Margaret Jacobs. } confession..

*Sufanna Sheldon v. Jhn Willard.*

May 17<sup>th</sup> in the yeare 92.

the Complaine of Seuzanna Shellton faith that Elizabeth Colson Remaynes in afflicting of the said Shellton night and day. And also Mrs White also John Willard Remaynes in Afflicting of hur both day and night also Mr. Jnglish and his wife Remaynes afflicting of hure both night and day.

George Jacobs and his wife afflicting of hur the last Lords day and tempting the said Shellton to fete herr hand to the booke thay both appering yesterday againe And would havehur fete hur hand to the booke, the said Shelton said she would not, then she said she would slabb hur then sudenly she Refeaud a fore wound on hur litle fide; then Elizabeth Colson stabbing at hur one the back Right against



the other woundes soe that she speate blood. then goody prochter Appearing to hur and afflicting of hur and tempting herr to sete hur hand to the booke And last night goody prockter Appearing againe and would have hur sete hur hand to the booke and tou'd hur that she hade sete hur hand to the booke a great while agoae. also sd Shelden has feuerall times seen John Procter afflect Mary Warin fenc they sd Prockter and his wife were in prison.

*Hannah Putnam v. Jno Willard.*

Hannah Putnam aged 30 years saith y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> shape of Sam<sup>ll</sup> Fuller and Lidia Wilkins this day told me at my owne house by y<sup>e</sup> bed side who appeared in winding Sheets y<sup>t</sup> if I did not Goe and tell Mr Hathorne y<sup>t</sup> John Willard had murdered them they would tare me to pieces I knew y<sup>m</sup> where they were liuing and it was exactly their resemblance and shape.

and at y<sup>e</sup> same time y<sup>e</sup> apparicon of John Willard told me y<sup>t</sup> he had killed Sam<sup>ll</sup> Fuller Lidia Wilkins. Goody Shaw and Fullers second wife and Aron Ways child and Ben Fullers child and this deponents child Sarah 6 weeks old and Phillip Knights child w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> help of W<sup>m</sup> Hobbs and Jonathan Knights child with of Ezch : Cheevers children with y<sup>e</sup> help of W<sup>m</sup> Hobbs, Anne Elliott and Isack Nickolls with help of W<sup>m</sup> Hobbs. and y<sup>t</sup> if Mr Hathorne would not beleive you Sam Fuller and Lida Wilkins Phape they would appear to y<sup>e</sup> majestrates Joseph Fullers apparicon y<sup>e</sup> same day

also came to me and told me y<sup>t</sup> Goody Corey had killed him y<sup>e</sup> Specter afore<sup>d</sup> told me y<sup>t</sup> vengeance vengeance was cried by fd fuller.

This Relacon is true.

marke  
Ann an Putnam

Sworne in Court June 2<sup>d</sup> 1692.

*Sam<sup>l</sup> Parris Nath<sup>l</sup> Ingersoll & Thos Putnam v.  
John Willard.*

The Deposition of Samuel Parris aged about 39 years and Nathaniell Ingersoll aged about fifty and eight yeares and also Thomas Putnam aged about fourty yeares all of Salem testifyeth and faith that Eliz Hubbard Mary Warren and Ann Putnam and John Indian were exceedingly tortured at the examination of John Willard of Salem husbandman, before the honoured Majistrates the. 18 May. 1692 and also that upon his looking upon Eliz Hubbard sh was knockt down and also that some of the afflicted and particularly Susannah Sheldon then and there testified that they saw a black man whispering him in the ear and that said Sheldon could not come near to said Willard but was knockt down and also that Mary Warren in a fit being carried to him the said Willard she said was presently well upon his grasping her arm and further that severall of the afflicted also then testified that divers of those he had murdered then rose up against him and further that he could by no means rightly repeat the Lords Prayer tho he made manifold affays.

Mr Samuel Parris and Nathaniel Ingerfoll and Thomas Putnam did upon the oath which they had taken did before us the Juries of Inqwest owne this there testimony this 3<sup>d</sup> day of June.— 92.

Sworne in Court by Mr. Parris & Tho Putnam.

*Sufannah Sheldon v. John Willard.*

The 9<sup>th</sup> of May 1692. this this is the first to be Read. the testimony of Sufannah Shelton aged 18 yeres or thereabout testifieth And saith y<sup>e</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> date hereof I sawe att natt Jngersons house the Apparitions of thos 4 persons William Shaw<sup>s</sup> first wife the widdow Cooke gooman Jons And his child And among these came the Apparition of John Willard to whome these 4 said you haue murdered vs thos 4 haueing said thus to Willard they turned As Red As blood And turning about to look on mee they turned As pale As deth, these 4 desiered mee to tell M<sup>r</sup> Hathorn.

Willard hering them pulled out A knife Saying if I did hee would cutt my throate,,

the Second to be Read.

The Sam day ther Apeared to mee Eleasabath Colson and shee took a book and would have mee to fet my hand to it and I would not and then shee Profered mee a blak Peas of money and faaid I might touch that and I shall be well. May the 10 on tusday ther apeared to mee the Sam apearations and another with them Jn the liknes of a man and they feaid J should gooe and tell Mr hathorn of it then the feaid Willard feaid he would break my

head and stop my legs that I should not goe. there did Appeared to mee A Shining Man whoe told J should goe And tell w<sup>t</sup> I had heard And seen to Mr Hathorn this Willard being there present tould mee If J did hee would Cutt my throate At this some time and place this Shining man tolde mee that if I did goe to tell this to Mr Hathorn y<sup>t</sup> I should bee well going And coming but I should be Afflicted there then said J. to the Shining man hunt Willard away And I would Beleue w<sup>t</sup> hee sa d y<sup>t</sup> hee might not choch mee with y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> shining man held vp his hand And Willard vanished away about to hours after the Sam aPeared to me againe and the seaid Willard with them and I asked them w e ther wonds were and they seaid ther would com a angell from heauen and would show them and forthwith the angell come I asked what the mans name was that aPeared to mee last and y<sup>e</sup> angell tould his name was Southereh and the angell lift up his winding sheet and out of his left side hee Pooled out a Pitch fork teang and Pot it in again and likewise hee opened all the winding Sheets and showed all ther wound and the whit man tould mee to tell Mr. Hathorne of it and I tould him to hunt Willard away and I would and he held vp his hand and he wanished away.

The second to be read.

the Euening of the Same day came to mee the Apparition of these three John Willard. Elizabeth Colson and one old man which I knew not whom tempted her with their Boocks And money And

Afflicted her forely All the fore parte of the night  
I saw this Willard suckle the Apparition of two black  
piggs on his breasts And this Colson suckled As it  
Appeared A yellow bird this old man which I knew  
not suckled a black snake, then Willard tempted  
mee A gaine with his Boocke I said to Willard how  
long haue you been a wizard hee told mee twenty  
years and forthwith they kneeled to prayer to the  
Black man with a long crowned hat which then  
was with them and then they vanished away.

May the 11. being on wensday—1692.

as J was coming to the tound by the brige J sawe  
the seaid Willard and the olld man coming ouere  
the waters they landed by George hackers In A dish  
and at the Preasent writige thes three apeared with  
A booke tempting mee after the Sam manner.

Swfannah Shelton : did this 3 day of June oune  
this har testimony before ws the Jurrers of Inqwest  
to be the truth.





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*Sarah Vibber v. Jno. Willard.*

june the 3. 1692.

**S**ARAH Vibber aged 36 yeares or thereabouts testifie and saith the day before Jno Willard was examined at the uilleg I being in Left Ingersols Chamber I saw ye aporition of john willard com to mary wolcot and mary luis and hurt them griuouly and almost choked Them Then I tould of it and emediatly ye said wiliard fel upon mee and tormented me greuelly and pinched me and threw me down. Sarah uibber ownid this har testimony before us the Jurrers for Inqwest this 3 of June 1692.

Jurat in Curia.

*Eliz Hubbard v. Jno Willard.*

The depofition of Elizabeth Hubburdagged about 17 years who testifieth and saith that on the 11  
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May 1692 I saw the Apperishtion of John Willard of Salem Village who did Immediatly torment me and urged me to writ in his book : but on the 18<sup>th</sup> of May being the day of his examination John Willard did most greivously tortor me during the time of his examination for if he did but look upon me he would Immediatly strick me down or almost choak me and also during the time of his examination I saw the Apperishtion of John Willard goe from him and afflict the bodys of Mary Walcott mircy lewes Abigaill Williams and Ann putnam Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Elizabeth Hubburt did one this testimony after the Reding of it before vs the Juries for Inqwest this 3 day of June : 92.

*Eliz Booth. v. Jno Willard.*

The Deposition of Eliz Booth agged about 18 yeares who testifieth and saith that severall times fence the later end of June 1692. I have been most greivously afflicted and tormented by John Willard or his Apperance by pinching pricking and almost choaking me to death. also I have often seen John Willard or his operance, most greivously tormenting and afflicting my Brother George Booth almost Redy to kill him.

Sufannah Sheldon also testifieth that within this fortnight she hath seen John Willard or his Appearance most greivously torment and afflict George Booth almost Redy to prese him to death.

*Lydia Nichols Margaret Knight v. Jno Willard.*

The deposition of Lydia Nicoles aged 46 yeares & of Margaret Knight aged 20 yeares, who testify and say, That the wife of John Willard being at her fathers house when the said Willard lived at Groton she made a lamentable complaynt how cruelty her husband had beaten her ; she thought herselfe that she should neuer recouer of the blows he had giuen her, the next morninge he was got into a litle hole vnder the stayres and then she thought some thinge extra ordinary had befallen him, then he ran out at the dore and ran vp a steep hill almost impossible for any man to run vp as she sayd then she tooke her mare and rid away, fearing some euil had been intended as against her and when she came to the house of Henery or Benjamin Willard she told how it was with her and the sayd Henery Willard or both went to looke after him and met him running in a strange distracted manner.

*Sam<sup>tl</sup> Wilkins v. Jno Willard.*

The Deposition of Samuell Wilknes agged about 19 years who testifieth and saith that sence Jno Willard has been in prizson I have been afflicted in a strange kind of maner for about the later end of June or begining of July as I was a weaving the yarn broak exceeding fast and as I was a tying a thread I had a stroak on my hand like a knife the blood being almost Redy to come out and I was also pinched feveral times by an unseen hand also

Riding to Marble head Just as I came to forrist River Bridge I was immediatly seized with a violent wait on my back and I saw a black hate and was immediatly pulled ofe my horse or mare and almost pulled into the Rivere but holding fast as last I gott vp againe awhile affter as I was once in the woods and agoing hom and a little boy with me I thought I must run and I said to the by let us Run and as soon as I ran there was a black hate ran along by me a while affter one morning about an hour by sun I was afflicted and I saw John Willard or his Appearance with a darke colored coot and a black hate very like that hate which I formerly saw : a little while affter this one night as soon as I was a bed John Willard whom I very well knew or his Appearance cam into the Room where I was a bed and another man and woman along with him which I did not know and they tould me they would carry me away before morning.

Jurat in Curia.

*Thomas Bailey v. John Willard.*

The deposition of Thomas Baly aged 36 yeares who testifieth and faith.

That I being at Groton some short tyme after John Willard as the report went, had beaten his wife I went to call him home and comeinge home with him in the night I heard such a hideous noyse of strange createres I was much affrighted for I never had heard the like noyse. I fearinge they might be some evil spirits I enquired of the said Willard what might it be that made such a hideous noyse the

sayd Willard sayd they ware Locust. the next day as I suppose the sayd Willards wife with a young childe and her mother being upon my mare ridinge betweene Groaton mil and Chemsford they being willing to goe on foote a litle desired me to ride: then I taking my mare being willing to let her feed a litle there as I remember I aprehend I heard the same noyse agayne where at my mare started and got from me

Jurat in Curia.

*Eliz: Bailey v. Jno Willard.*

The testimonie of Elizabeth Bayly aged twenty seven yeares ore there-about testifyeth and faith that John Willard lookeing his oxen met w<sup>th</sup> this deponent and told her that all the way from Francis Elliotts house to his owne home he veryly thought that the Deuell came before him or behind him all the way which dreadfully frightened him, the said Deponent asked him why he thought so he answered hee could not tell and emediatly fell a singing.

The marke of † Elizabeth Bayley  
Jurat in Curia.

*Rebecca Wilkins v. Jno Willard.*

The testomony of Rebeckah Wilkins aged nineteen years Doe testifie that 29<sup>th</sup> July at night shee se John Wilard seting in the Corner and hee said that hee wold afflict me that night and forthwith hee did afflick me and the nax day I ded se him afflick me soer by choaking and Polling one ear into Pea-



fes the nax day being the Lords day I being going to meeting I fe John Willard and hee afflickted me uery foer.

Jurat in Curia.

*Thos. Putnam & Edward Putnam v. Jno Willard.*

The depofition of Thomas putnam agged 40 years and Edward Putnam agged 38 years who testifie and fay that we haueing been conuerfant with feuerall of the afflicted parsons, as namly Mary Walcott mercy lewes Elizabeth hubbert abigail Williams and Ann Putnam Jun<sup>r</sup> and we haue seen them most greivously tormented by pinching and pricking and being all most choaked to death most greivously complaining of John Willard for hurting them but on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 1692. being the day of his examination the aforefaid afflicted parsons were most greivously tormented dureing the time of his examination for if he did but cast his eies upon them they were strochen down or all most choak also feuerall times sence we have seen the Afforesaid afflicted parsons most greivously tormented as if their bones would have been disjoyned greivously complaining of John Willard for hurting them, and we veryly beleue that John willard the prizoner at the bar has feuerall times tormented and afflicted the afforesaid parsons with acts of witchcraft.

Thomas Putnam

Edward putnam.

Jurat in Curia.

*Henry Wilkins jr. v. John Willard.*

The deposition of Henery Wilknes sen aged 41 yeares, who testifieth and sayth that upon the third of May last, John Willard came to my house and very earnestly entreated me to go uith him to Boston w<sup>ch</sup> I at length consented to go with him. my son Daniel comeinge and understandinge I was goinge with him to Boston and seemed to be much troubled that I would go with the said Willard and he sayd he thought it were wel if the sayd Willard were hanged w<sup>ch</sup> made me admire for I never heard such an expression come from him to any one beinge sinc he came to yeares of discretion, but after I was gone in a few days he was taken sicke and grew every day worse and worse whereupon we made application to a physitian who affirmed his sicknes was by some preter natural cause and would make no application of any phisicke Some tymes after this our neighbours coming to visit my son Mercy Lewis came w<sup>th</sup> them and affirmed that she saw the apparition of John Willard afflicting him quickly after came An Putnam and she saw the same apparition and then my eldest daughter was taken in a sad manner and the sayd An saw the sayd Willard afflicting her at Another tyme mercy lewes and mary Walcott came to visit him and they saw the same apparition of Willard afflicting him and this not but a little tyme before his death. Sworne in Court.

*Benj<sup>m</sup>. Wilkins & Tho<sup>s</sup>. Flint v. John Willard.*

The testimony of benjamin Wilkins aged about  
and Thomas flint aged about 46 years testi-  
fieth that one y<sup>e</sup> 16 day of May last 1692, we being  
at the hous of henry Wilkins where we saw his son  
daniell Wilkins as we judged at y<sup>e</sup> point of  
death and marcy lues and Mary wolcot being with  
us Tould us That John Willard and goody buckly  
were upon his throat and upon his breast and  
pressed him and choked him and to our bes judg-  
ment he was pressed and choked time we  
saw him almost to death,  
and the said benjamin wilkins continued with him  
till was about 3 hours after and he altered not  
in the manner condisthtion only grew wors and  
wors till he died.

Jurat in Curia by Ben Wilkins

*Bray Wilkins v. John Willard.*

The deposition of Bray Wilkins of Salem Vil-  
lage aged about eighty and one years with reference  
to John Willard of sd Salem lately charged with  
witchcraft, when he was at first complained of by  
the afflicted persons for afflicting of them he came  
to my houte greatly troubled desiring me with  
some other neighbours to pray for him. I told him  
I was then going from home and could not stay,  
but if I could come home before night I should not  
be unwilling, but it was near night before I came  
home and so I did not answer his desire, but I  
heard no more of him upon that account whether

my not answering his desire did not offend him, I cannot tell I was jealous afterward that it did A little after my wife & I went to Boston at the last Election when I was as well in health as in many yeares before & the Election day coming to my brother Left Richard Way's house at noon there were many friends to dine there, they were sat down at the Table Mr. Lawson and his wife & severall more John Willard came into the house with my son Henry Wilkins before I sat down & sd Willard to my apprehension look'd after such a sort upon me as I never before discerned in any. I did but step into the next room & I was presently taken in a strange condition so that I could not dine nor eat any thing. I cannot expresse the misery I was in for my water was suddenly stopt & I had no benefit of nature but was like a man in a Rock and I told my wife immediatly that I was afraid that Willard had done me wrong my pain continuing and finding no relief my jealousy continued: Mr. Lawson and others there were all amazed & knew not what to do for me. There was a woman accounted skilful came hoping to help me and after she had used means she asked me whether none of those evil persons had done me damage I said I could not say they had but I was fore afraid they had she answered she did fear so too as near as I remember I lay in this case 3 or 4 dayes at Boston and afterwards with the jeopardy of my life (as I thought) I came home and then some of my friends coming to see me (and at this time John Willard was run away) one of the afflicted persons mercy Lewes

came in with them & they asked whether she saw any thing: she said yes, they are looking for John Willard but there he is upon his Grandfathers Belly (and at that time I was in grievous pain in the small of my Belly) I continued so in grievous pain and my water much stopt till sd Willard was in chains and then as near as I can guess I had considerable ease, but on the other hand in the room of a stoppage I was vexed with a flowing of water so that it was hard to keep myself dry. On the 5 July last talking with some friends about John Willard some pleading his innocency and myself and some others arguing the contrary, within about 1-4 of an hour after that I had said it was not I nor my son Benj Wilkins, but the testimony of the afflicted persons and the jury concerning the murder of my grandson: Dan: Wilkins, that would take away his life if any thing did and within about 1-4 hour after this I was taken in the forest distressed & misery my water being turned into real blood, or of a bloody colour and the old pain returned excessively as before which continued for about 24 hours together.

*Philip Knight & Tho<sup>s</sup> Nickols. v. John Willard.*

The deposition of Philip knight aged 46 yeares and of Thomas Nicols 22 years who do testify and say. That Some tyme in April last there was discourse at the house of the sayd Philip knight about several of the village that were taken vp vpon suspicion



of witchcraft., John Willard being present then replied, hang them, they are all witches

*Mercy Lewis v. John Willard.*

The deposition of Mircy Lewes who testifieth and saith that I have often seen the Apperishtion of John Willard amongst the witches within this three weeks, but he did not doe me much hurt till the 11<sup>th</sup> of May 1692 and then he fell upon me most dreadfully and dis most grievously afflict me almost Redy to kill me urging me most vehemently to writ in his book, and so he hath continued euer since at times tortoring me most dreadfully beating and pinching me and almost Redy to choak me threatning to kill if I would not writ in his book also I being carried to wills hill on the 14<sup>th</sup> of may at euening to see the afflicted parsons there. I saw there the Apperishtion of John Willard grievously afflicting his grandffather wilknes and I also saw the apperishtion of John Willard there grievously afflicting the body of Daniell Wilknes who laid speechles and in a sad condition and John Willard tould me he would kill Daniell Wilknes within Two days if he could also I was at Henry Wilknes the 16 May a little before night and their I saw the apperishtion of John Willard a choaking Daniell Wilknes also on the 18<sup>th</sup> May being ing the day of his examination I was most grievously tortured by him dureing the time of his examination for if he did but look upon me he struck me down or almost choaked me to death and several times fence

the Apperishtion of John Willard has most grievously afflicted me by beating pinching and allmost choaking me to death, also dureing the time of his examination I saw the Apperishtion of John Willard goe from him and afflict the bodyes of Mary Wolcott Abigail Williams Elizabeth Hubbard and Ann Putnam Jun<sup>r</sup>.

*Benj<sup>m</sup>. Wilkins v. Jno Willard.*

The testimony of benjamin Wilkens aged about 36 years saith That about y<sup>e</sup> 12 of May last Mary lues being at my fathers house tould us that she saw John wilard and goody buckly upon my father wilknes preffing his belly and my father complained of extreme paine in his bely at y<sup>e</sup> sametime, then John putnam struck at y<sup>e</sup> aperistions then marcy lues fell down and my father had ease emidiatly.

*John Putnam v. John Willard.*

John putnam testifieth to y<sup>e</sup> same above written.

*Indictment v Ann Pudeater.*

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| the Massachusetts Bay    |                                     |
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The Juriors for our Sou<sup>s</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen Psent, That Ann Pudeator of Salem in the County of Effex, aforefaid widdow, The second day of July in the yeare aforefaid and diuers othere

days and times as well before as after certaine detestable arts called witchcraft & Sorceries Wickedly Mallitiously and felloniously hath used practised and exercised At and within the Towneship of Salem aforefaid in & upon and against one Mary Warren of Salem aforefaid single woman by which said wicked arts the said Mary Warren the second day of July aforefaid and diuers other days and times both before and after was and is tortured Afflicted Pined Consumed wasted and tormented and also for fundry other acts of witchcraft by the said Ann Pudeater Committed and done before and Since that time Agst the peace of o<sup>r</sup> Sou<sup>n</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen their Crowne and Dignity and agst the forme of the statute in y<sup>t</sup> Case made and Provided.

Witnesses Mary Warren Jurat.  
Sarah Churchel Jurat. Ann Putnam Jurat.

*Warrant. v. Ann Pudeater.*

To the Marshall of Essex or Constable in Salem.

You are in their Majest<sup>ies</sup> names hereby required forthwith to apprehend and bring before vs Allic Parker the wife of John Parker of Salem and Ann Pudeater of Salem widdow who stand charged with fundry acts of witchcraft by them committed this day Contrary to y<sup>e</sup> Laws of our Sou<sup>n</sup> Lord and Lady. ffaile not. Dated Salem May the 12<sup>th</sup> 1692.

Jvs.      JOHN HATHORNE      } Assists.  
             JONATHAN CORWIN      }

May 12<sup>th</sup> 1692. I have apprehended the above

named persons and Brought them att y<sup>e</sup> place appointed by your<sup>r</sup> honors

P mee    GEORGE HERRICK Marshall  
of Essex

*Sarah Churchill Confession.*

Sarah Churchwell confesseth that Goody pudeater brought the book to this examin<sup>t</sup> and she signed it but did not know her at that tyme, but when she saw her she knew her to be the same and that Goody Bishop als Oliver appeared to this Examinant and told her she had killed John Trasks child (whose child dyed about that tyme) and said Bishop als Oliver afflicted her as alsoe did old George Jacobs and before that time this Examin<sup>t</sup> being afflicted could not doe her service as formerly and her<sup>d</sup> Master Jacobs called her bitch witch and ill names and then afflicted her as above and that pudEater brought 3 Images like Mercy Lewis Ann Putnam Eliz<sup>a</sup> Hubbard and they brought her thornes and she stuck them in the Images and told her the persons whose likenels they were would be afflicted and the other day saw Goody Oliver fate vpon her knee.

Jurat in Curia by Sarah Churchill.

this confession was taken before John Hathorne  
and Jonathan Corwin Esq<sup>rs</sup> 1. Juni 1692. as attest.  
Th<sup>o</sup> Newton.

*Examination of Ann Pudeator.*

An Pudeater examined before y<sup>e</sup> Majestrates of Salem July 2. 1692

Sarah Churchwell was bid to say what she had to say of her.

You have charged her with bringing y<sup>e</sup> book to you.

A : Yes said Churchwell.

have you seen her since. A : no.

Goodwife puddeater, you have former ly bin complained of we now further enquire : here is one person saith you brought her y<sup>e</sup> book which is Sarah Churchell look on y<sup>e</sup> person ses. Churchill :

you did bring me y<sup>e</sup> book : I was at Goodman Jacobes.

Pudeater sd I never saw y<sup>e</sup>woman before now. it was told puddeater this mayd charged you with bringing her y<sup>e</sup> book at y<sup>e</sup> last examinat<sup>n</sup> Puddeater sd I never saw y<sup>e</sup> Devils book, nor knew that he had one.

L<sup>t</sup> Jer Neal was asked what he could say of this woman. Neal sd she had been an ill carriaged woman and since my wife has been sick of y<sup>e</sup> small pox this woman has come to my house pretending kindness and I was glad to see it she asked whether she might use our mortar which was used for my wife : and I consented to it, but I afterward repented of it : for y<sup>e</sup> nurs told me my wife was y<sup>e</sup> wors sence she was very ill of a flux which she had not before.

When the officer came for puddeater, y<sup>e</sup> nurs sd you



are come to late for my wife grew worfe till she dyed : sd Pudeater had often threatened my wife.

Eliz Hubbard sd she had seen sd Pudeater sd Mary Wolcot but she had not hurt her she had seen her with Goodwife nurs.

goody puddeater what did you do with y<sup>e</sup> ointments that you had in y<sup>e</sup> hous so many of them, she sd I never had ointment or oyl but meat tried out in my house since my husband dyed : but the constable Joseph Neal affirmed she had she had near 20 that had oyntment or greas in them, a little in a thing : she sde she never had any ointment but neats foot oyl in y<sup>e</sup> hous, but what was in these things y<sup>e</sup> constables speakes of.

A. It was grease to make sope of. but why did you put them in so many things, when one would have held all but answered not to y<sup>e</sup> porpose, but the constable sd oyntments were of several forts.

Sarah Vibber did you ever se this woman before now, answered no. An putnam sd she had never seen her, but since she come to Salem Town last : sd Putnam fell into a fitt and sd Puddeater was commanded to take her by y<sup>e</sup> wrift, and did and sd Putnam was well presently.

mary warin fell into two fitts quickly after one another and both times was helped by sd Puddeators taking her by y<sup>e</sup> wrift.

*Summons to witnesses v. Ann Pudeator.*

Wm & Mary by y<sup>e</sup> Grace of God of England,  
Scotland ffraunce & Ireland King and Queen,  
defend<sup>s</sup> &c.

To y<sup>e</sup> Sheriff of Effex or deputy.

L. S.

Greeting.

Wee commond you to warn John Wefgate John  
Bullock, Martha Dutch Sufanna Dutch Lt. Jere-  
miah Neale John Beckett John Best Jun<sup>r</sup> Jno  
Loader, Sarah parott. that they and every of them  
appear at y<sup>e</sup> next Court of Oyer & Terminer holden  
at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> next Tuesday at twelve of y<sup>e</sup> clock  
there to Testify y<sup>e</sup> truth to y<sup>e</sup> best of their knowl-  
edge on certain Indictments to be exhibited against  
Alice Parker and Ann Pudeater, hereof make return  
fail not

Dated in Salem Sept<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1692. in y<sup>e</sup> fourth year  
of our Reigne.

STEPHEN SEWALL cler

Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 1692. I have fumoned and have warned  
all the within named persons John Best Jun<sup>r</sup> Ex-  
cept 2<sup>d</sup> Best being Removed to Ipswich that thay  
and every of them appeare to Giue in their Euid  
&c att time and place within written.

P me GEORGE HERRICK dep<sup>t</sup> Sheriff.

*Sarah Churchill v. Ann Pudeater.*

Sarah Churchel affirmed to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of inqwest that  
Ann Puddeator has greatly afflicted her sd Churchel  
by choaking her pinching her and sticking pinse  
into her and by pressing of her and making her sett

her hands to y<sup>e</sup> book upon y<sup>e</sup> oath she hath taken  
Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> 1692.

Sworn in Court.

& brought poppits to her to stick pins to w<sup>ch</sup> she  
did & y<sup>e</sup> P<sup>sons</sup> afflicted by it.

*Mary Warren v. Ann Pudeator.*

Mary Warin upon her oath y<sup>t</sup> she hath taken affirms to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inquest that Ann Puddeator hath often afflicted me by biting me, pinching me, sticking pins in me and choaking me and particularly on y<sup>e</sup> 2 day of July att her examination sd Puddeator did afflict me greatly also she on her Apperishment did offer me the book to sign to, she told me also y<sup>t</sup> she was y<sup>e</sup> cause of Jno Turners ffalling off y<sup>e</sup> cherry tree : to his great hurt and which amazed him in his head and almost kiled him, she told me also she was the caus of Jeremiah Neals wifes death and I saw her hurt Eliz Hubbard, Mary Walcott and An Putnam y<sup>e</sup> last night she afflicted me also last night by her witchcraft and I doe verily beleev sd Ann Puddeater is a witch; she affirms Puddeator told her she kiled her husband Puddeator and his first wife and that she was an instrument of John Bests wifes death

Sept<sup>r</sup> 7: 1692. Sworne in Court.

*Eliz Hubbard v. Ann Pudeator.*

Eliz Hubbard affirmed upon y<sup>e</sup> oath she hath taken that she hath seen Ann Pddeator afflict Mary War-

rin and that she or her Apperiftion did hurt me and Mary Warin y<sup>e</sup> laft night. before y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inqueft Sept<sup>r</sup> 7. 1692 & that she hath afflicted her fince she came into Court.

Jurat in Curia.

*Ann Putnam v. Ann Pudeator.*

An Putnam affirmed upon her oath, to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inqueft that she hath feen Ann Puddeator afflict Mary Warin Mary Walcott and Eliz Hubbard often and particularly att y<sup>e</sup> time of her laft examination before y<sup>e</sup> MaJeftrates at Mr. Tho Beadles, she alfo hath afflicted me both then and at other times Sept<sup>r</sup> 7. 1692.

Owned her Euidence in Court.

*Sarah Vibber v. Ann Pudeator.*

Sarah Vibber upon her oath affirmed to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of inqueft that shee hath feen An Puddeator afflict Mary Warin Mary Walcot and An Putnam both at y<sup>e</sup> time of her examination at Mr. Tho Beadles and y<sup>e</sup> laft night she together with Goodwife Parker did afflict y<sup>e</sup> fornamed Warin Walcot and Putnam; fd Puddeator hath afflicted me to, and i do believe she is a witch. Sept<sup>r</sup> 7. 1692.

*Mary Walcott v. Ann Pudeator.*

Mary Walcot upon oath affirms to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inqueft that she hath feen An Puddeator afflict Mary Warrin An Putnam and Eliz Hubbard at y<sup>e</sup> time

*Salem Witchcraft.*

of her examination at Mr Tho Beadles : and also y<sup>e</sup> last night I saw her afflict Mary Warin An Putnam and Eliz Hubbard by witchcraft and I verily beleiv sd Puddeator is a witch September 7: 92. & that this day she hath afflicted this deponent.

Jurat in Curia.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 10. 92.

Attest S. SEWALL.

I find by my characters : which I took : at y<sup>e</sup> Examination of An Puddeator, that it was in y<sup>e</sup> 2 day of July that she was examined at Mr. Tho. Beadles thay bearing date so.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 7. 1692.

Simon Willard.

*Sam<sup>ll</sup> Pickworth v. Ann Pudeater.*

The testimony of Samuell Pickworth whow testifieth that a bowt fix weeks agoo : I this deponent was coming along Salem Strete between Ann Pudeatres hous and Captin higifon hous it being in the ewening and J this deponent saw a woman neare Captin higifonn corner., the which I supposed to be Ann Pudeatar and in a moment of time she pafid by me as swift as if a burd flwe by me and I saw said woman goo into Ann Pudeaters hows.

Jurat in Curia.

S. SEWALL cle.

Sam<sup>ll</sup> Pickworth affirmeth y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> above written evidence is y<sup>e</sup> truth : upon oath to : y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inquest Sept<sup>r</sup> 7. 92.

*Ann Putnam v. Ann Pudeater.*

Sept<sup>r</sup> 7. 92. Ann Putnam afarmed to the grand



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by a man in the neight into a hous

*John Bert Sr. v. Ann Pudeater.*

The Testimony of Jn<sup>o</sup> Bert Senior aged about 48  
yeres Testifieth & faith y<sup>t</sup> some yeers past y<sup>t</sup> I this  
deponant did often hear my wife saye y<sup>t</sup> Ann Pudeater  
would not Lett her alone vntill she had killd her By  
her often pinching & Bruſeing of her Till her Earms  
& other parts of her Body Looked Black by Reſon  
of her ſoer pinching of her in y<sup>e</sup> Time of her ſick-  
nels of my wife did affirm ag<sup>t</sup> itt woes an pudeater  
y<sup>t</sup> did afflict her & ſtood in y<sup>e</sup> Belefe of itt as Long  
as ſhe Lived.

Jurat in Curia.

Sept 7. th 92.

S. SEWALL. cler.

Jno Beſt affirmed to y<sup>e</sup> truth of y<sup>e</sup> aboue written  
before ye Jury of Inqueſt. Sept<sup>r</sup> 7 ; 1692.

*Jno. Beſt v. Ann Pudeater.*

The testimony of John beſt Jwnear how testiſieth  
uppon his. oath before the grant Inqweſt, that his  
mother did ſeuerall tims in har ſicknis complain of  
ann pudeater of Salem the wife of Jacob pudeater  
how ſhe had bewitched har and that ſhe did belieue  
ſhe would kill hor before ſhe had dun and ſoo ſhe  
ſaid ſeuerall tims duering hear ſicknis vntill har death  
allſo I this deponant did ſeuerall tims goo in to the  
woods to fech my fathers Cowes and I did driue

goode pudeaters cow bak from our Cowes and I being all alone ann pudeater would chide me when J came howm for turning the cow bak by Reson of which I this deponant did couclude said pudeater was a witch

Jurat in Curia.

*Petition of Ann Pudeator.*

The humble Petition of Ann Pudeater unto y<sup>e</sup> honoured Judge and Bench now Setting in Judicature in Salem humbly Sheweth.

That whereas your Poor and humble Petitioner being condemned to die, and knowing in my own conscience as I shall shortly answer it before y<sup>e</sup> Great God of heaven, who is the searcher and knower of all hearts : That the Euidence of Jn<sup>o</sup> Best Sen<sup>r</sup> and Jn<sup>o</sup> Best Jun<sup>r</sup> and Sam<sup>ll</sup> Pickworth w<sup>ch</sup> was given in against me in Court were all of them altogether false and untrue, and besides the abouesaid Jno Best hath been formerly whipt. and likewise is recorded for A Lyar, I would humbly begg of yo<sup>r</sup> honowrs to Take it into your Judicious and Pious consideration, That my life may not be taken away by such false Evidences and witneffes as these be likewise y<sup>e</sup> Euidence given in against me, by Sarah Church and Mary Warren I am altogether ignorant off and know nothing in y<sup>e</sup> least measure about it, nor nothing else concerning y<sup>e</sup> crime of witchcraft for w<sup>ch</sup> I am condemned to die as will be known to men and angells, att the great day of Judgment, begging and imploring your prayers att the throne

of grace in my behalfe and your poor and humble petition<sup>r</sup> shall for ever pray as she is bound in duty for your hon<sup>rs</sup> health and happines in this life and eternall felicity in y<sup>e</sup> world to come.

*Warrant v. Rebecca Jacobs.*

To the Constable in Salem.

You are in their Majest<sup>ies</sup> names hereby required to Apprehend and bring before vs, on Tuseday next being the seauenteenth day of this Instant month of May aboute ten of y<sup>e</sup> clocke in the forenoon at y<sup>e</sup> house of L<sup>t</sup> Nathaniell Ingersons, of Salem Village Daniell Andrews, of Salem Village Bricklayer George Jacobs Jun<sup>r</sup> of Salem Village hus bandman and Rebecca Jacobs the wife of said George Jacobs and Sarah Buckley the wife of W<sup>m</sup> Buckley of Salem Village Cordwayner And Mary Withridge the daughter of said Buckley who all stand charged in behalfe of their Majesties with high suspition of fundry acts of witchcrafts by them donne or committed on y<sup>e</sup> Bodys of Ann putnam Marcy Lewis Mary Walcot, and Abigail Williams and others of Salem Village (Lately) Whereby great hurt hath been donn them. And hereof you are not to faile.

Dated Salem May the 14<sup>th</sup> 1692.

JOHN HATHORNE }  
JONATHAN CORWIN } Affists.

In prosecution of this Warrant I have apprehended and brought the bodyes of Sarah Buckley and Mary withridg and Rebekah Jacobs all of Salem velage

according to the tenor of the within written warrant, and haue likewise made delegant sarch at the house of Daniell Andrew and at the house of Georg Jacobs for them likewise but cannot find them.

P me Jonathan Putnam Constable in Salem.

*Indictment v. Rebecca Jacobs.*

Essex in the Prouince Anno R. R<sup>s</sup> & Reginee Gu-  
of the Massachusetts { lielmi & Mariee Anglice &c<sup>c</sup>  
Bay in New England { Quarto Annog 3 Domini  
1692.

The Juriors for our Sou<sup>e</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen doe Psent, That Rebekkah Jacobs the wife of George Jacobs of Salem Villadge in the County of Essex afors<sup>d</sup> husbandman In the year aforesaid In Salem Villadge in the County of Essex aforesd Wickedly and feloniously a Couenant with the Euil Spiritt the Devill did make Contrary to the Peace of our Sou<sup>e</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen theire Crowne and Dignity. And the forme in the Stattute in that Case made and Provided.

*Eliz Hubbard v. Rebecca Jacobs.*

The depofition of Eliz Hubbard who testifieth and saith that one the begining of May 1692. I was afflicted by Rebecah Jacobs the wife of George Jacobs, but on the 18<sup>th</sup> May 1692. being the day of hir examination I saw Rebekah Jacobs or hir apperance most greivously afflict Mary Walcott Abigail williams and Ann putnam tho when she began to confels she left ofe hurting of us but feveral

times fenc that she has most greivously afflicted me and I beluee in my heart that Rebeckah Jacobs is a wieth and that she has often afflicted me and the aforesaid parsons by acts of wiethcraft.

Eliz : Hubbard owned y<sup>e</sup> truth of y<sup>e</sup> aboue written evidence before y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inques. Sept<sup>r</sup> 10, 1692.

*Warrant v. Roger Toothaker.*

To the Marshall of Effex or his dept or Constables in Salem

You are in theire Majest<sup>ts</sup> names hereby required to apprehend forthwith and bring before vs, (Roger Toothaker of Bilrica who stands charged with sundry acts of witchcraft by him committed or donne on y<sup>e</sup> bodyes of Eliz Hubert, Ann Putnam Mary Walcot &c of Salem Village in order to his examination Relateing to y<sup>e</sup> premises. faile not

Dated Salem May 18<sup>th</sup> 1692.

JOHN HATHORNE }  
JONATHAN CORWIN }

J order of the Gover<sup>r</sup> and Councill.

the person spicified in this warrant was Apprehended this day and brought before the corte Accordinge to ye tennor of this warrant by mee

JOSEPH NEAL.

Constable Jn Salem May 18 1692.

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*Mittimus v. Roger Toothaker.*

To the Keeper of Their Majesties Goale in Boston.

You are in their Majesties names hereby required to take into your care and safe Custody the Bodys of Roger Toothaker of Bilrica John Willard of Salem Village, husbandman Thomas ffarrer of Lyn husbandman and Elizabeth Hart the wife of Isaac Hart of Lyn husbandman who all stand charged with Sundry acts of witchcraft, by them and Euery one of them Committed on the Bodys of Mary Walcot Abigail Williams Mary Lewis Ann Putnam and others of Salem Village or farmes whom you are well to secure in order to their tryall for the same and vntill they shall be deliuered by due order of Law and hereof you are not to faile.

Dated Salem May 18<sup>th</sup> 1692.

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| JOHN HATHORNE   | } by order of y <sup>e</sup><br>Gouern <sup>r</sup> & Councill. |
| JONATHAN CORWIN |                                                                 |

*Tho Gage v. Roger Toothaker.*

The Deposition of Thomas Gage Aged aboute thirty six years. This Deponant saith & doth testifie that sometime this Last spring of y<sup>e</sup> year, that Doctor Toothaker was in his house in Beuerly (vpon some occasion) & we discoursed aboute John Marstons Childe of Salem, that was then sick and haueing vnwonted fitts and Likewise another Childe of Phillip Whites of Beuerly who was then strangely sick. I perswaded sd Toothaker to goe and see sd

Children and sd Toothaker answered he had seen them both already and that his opinion was they were vnder an Evill hand And farther sd Toothaker sd that his Daughter had Kild a witch and I asked him how she did it and sd toothaker answered readily that his daughter had Learned something from him J. asked by what means she did it and he sd that there was a a certaine person be witched and sd person complained of beeing afflicted by another person, that was suspected by y<sup>e</sup> afflicted person & further sd Toothaker sd that his sd Daughter gott some of y<sup>e</sup> afflicted persons urine and put it into an Earthern pott and stopt sd pott uery close and putt sd pott *into* a hott oven and stopt vp sd oven and y<sup>e</sup> next morning sd *childe* was dead, other things I haue forgotten and farther saith nott.

ias Pickworth Aged aboute thirty foure years testifieth to all that is aboue written.

Sworne by Thomas Gage. Salem Village May. 20<sup>th</sup> 1692

befor vs.  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{JOHN HATHORNE} \\ \text{JONATHAN CORWIN} \end{array} \right\} \text{Affists.}$

*Complaint of Mary Easty.*

Salem May the 20<sup>th</sup> 1692.

There being complaint this day made before mee by John Putnam Jun<sup>r</sup> and Benjamin Hutcheson both of Salem Village for themselves and also for their Neighbours in behalfe of their Majesties against Marah Easty the wife of Isaac Esty of Topshfield for fundry acts of witchcraft by her Commit-

ted yesterday and this present day of the date hereof  
vpon the bodys of Ann putnam Marcy Lewis, Ma-  
ry Walcot and Abigail Williams of Salem Village  
to y<sup>e</sup> urong and Injury of their bodys therefore  
crave Justice.

John Putnam Jun.  
Beniamin Hutchinson.

*Warrant v. Mary Easty.*

To the Marshall of the County of Essex or dept or  
Constables of Salem.

You are in their Majest<sup>ys</sup> names hereby required  
to apprehend and forthwith bring before me at ye  
house of Mr. Thomas Beadles in Salem, the Body  
of Mary Easty the wife Isaac Easty of Topsfield to  
Be Examined Relating to sundry acts of witchcraft.  
by her committed yesterday and this present day  
according to Complaint abouesd. and hereof you are  
not to faile. Dated Salem May 20<sup>th</sup> 1692.

JOHN HATHORNE Assist

May 20<sup>th</sup> 1692. J order of ye Councill.

I have taken the body of the abouenamed Mary  
Eastie and brought her at y<sup>e</sup> time and place aboue-  
named.

P<sup>e</sup> me. GEO HERRICK Marshall of Essex.

*Indictment v. Mary Easty No. 1.*

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| Province of y <sup>e</sup> Massachu | } Anno Regni Regiset Re-           |
| setts, Bay In New Eng-              |                                    |
| land Essex ss.                      |                                    |
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|                                     | nunc Anglice J <sup>o</sup> Quarto |
|                                     | Annog Dom. 1692.                   |

The Jure for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the

King and Queen P<sup>r</sup>sents that Mary Easty wife of  
Isaack Easty of Topsfield husbandman—on the  
twenty third day of May in the fourth year of our  
Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by  
the Grace of God of England Scotland ffrence and  
Ireland King and Queen Defenders of the faith &c.  
and divers other Day and times as well before as af-  
ter certaine Detestable arts called Witchcrafts and  
Sorceries wickedly and ffellonously hath vsed Prac-  
tised and Exercised at and within the Towneship of  
Salem in the County of Effex aforesaid in Vpon and  
against one Marcy Lewis of Salem Village Single-  
woman by which said wicked Arts the said Marcy  
Lewis the Twenty third day of May in the year  
abovesaid and Divers other Days and times as well  
before as after, was and is Tortured Afflicted Pined  
Consumed waisted and Tormented ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of  
our Sovereigne Lord & Lady the King and Queen  
and ag<sup>t</sup> the forme of the Statute in that case made  
and Provided—

Witnesfes

Marcy Lewis Jurat    Eliz Hubbard Jurat.  
Ann Putnam Jurat    Mary Wolcott Jurat.

*Indictment v. Mary Easty No. 2.*

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|                        | Annog Dom 1692.                |

The Juro<sup>s</sup> for our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the  
King and Queen p<sup>r</sup>sents That : Mary Easty wife of

Isaack Efty of Topsfield husbandman the twenty third day of May—in the fourth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady-William and Mary by the Grace of God of England Scotland ffrence and Ireland King and Queen Defenders of the faith &c and Divers other Dayes and times as well before as after certaine Detestable Arts called Witchcrafts & Sorceries Wickedly and ffelloniously hath Vfed Practised and Exercised at and within the Township of Salem in the County of Effex afores<sup>d</sup> in vpon and ag<sup>t</sup> one Elizabeth Hubbard of Salem Single women by which said Wicked Arts the said Elizabeth Hubbard the twenty third Day of May in the fourth year aboues<sup>d</sup> and Divers other Dayes and times as well before, as after was, and is, Tortured Afflicted Pined Consumed wasted and Tormented ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen and ag<sup>t</sup> the fform of the Statute in that case made and Provided.

Witneffes

Eliz : Hubbard Jurat Marcy Lewis Jurat.

. Ann Putnam Jurat.

*Geo : Herrick v. Mary Easty.*

May 20<sup>th</sup> 1692. The testimone of Geo: Herrick aged thirty four or thereabouts and John Puttnam Jun<sup>r</sup> of Salem Village agid thirty five yeares or there aboutes testifieth and faith y<sup>t</sup> beeing att the house of y<sup>e</sup> aboue fd John Puttnams both saw Mercy Lewis in a very Dreadfull and Solemn Condition : So y<sup>t</sup> to our apprehention shee could not continue



long in this world without A mittigation of thoes Torments wee saw her which Caused us to Expediate A hasty dispatch to apprehend Mary Esftick in hopes if possable it might saue her Life and Returneing y<sup>e</sup> same night to sd John Puttnams house aboute middnight wee found y<sup>e</sup> sd Mercy Lewis in a Dreadffull fitt but her reason was then Returned Againe she said what haue you brought me y<sup>e</sup> winding Sheet Goodwife Esftice, well J had rather goe into y<sup>e</sup> winding Sheet then Sett my hand to ye Book but affter that her fitts was weaker and weaker but still Complaining y<sup>t</sup> Shee was very sick of her Stomake aboute break of Day She fell a Sleep but still Continues Extream sick and was taken w<sup>th</sup> A Dread fitt Just as wee left her so y<sup>t</sup> wee perceaued life in her and that was all. Jurat in Curia.

Sep<sup>r</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 92.

Atest.

Geo. Herrick.

John putnam Jun.

*Jonathan Putnam, James Darling, Benj<sup>a</sup> Hutchinson & Sam. Braybrook v. Mary Easty.*

The deposition of Jonathan Putman, James Darling, Benj<sup>a</sup> Hutchinson & Sam: Braybrook w<sup>o</sup> testify and say that we together with divers others the 20: May. 1692. between eight and eleven oclock at night being with Mercy Lewes whom we found in a case as if death would have quickly followed, and to whom Eliz: Hubbard was brought (said Mercy being unable to Speak most of the day) to discover what she could see did afflict said Mercy, heard and observed that these two fell into fits by turns, the

one being well whilst the other was ill, and that each of them complained much of Mary Eastie, who brought the book to said Mercy severall times as we heard her say in her trances, and vexed and tortured them both by choking and seemingly breathless fits and other fits, threatening said Mercy with a winding sheet &, afterwards with a Coffin if said Mercy would not signe to her book, with abundance more of vexations the both received from her.

*Examination of Mary Easty.*

The Examination of Mary Eastie.

At a Court held at Salem village 22 : Apr. 1692.

By the Wop. John Hathorne & Jonathan Corwin.

At the bringing in of the accused severall fell into fits.

Doth this woman hurt you.

many mouths were stopt, and severall other fits seized them

Abig : Williams said it was Goody Eastie, and she had hurt her, the like said Mary Walcot, & Ann Putman, John Jackson said he saw her with Goody Hobbs.

What do you say, are you guilty ?

I can say before Christ Jesus, I am free.

You see these accuse you.

There is a God.

Hath she brought the book to you ?

Their mouths were stopt.

What have you done to these children?

I know nothing.

How can you say you know nothing, when you see these tormented, and accuse you that you know nothing?

Would you have me accuse myself?

Yes if you be guilty.

How far have you complied w<sup>th</sup> Satan whereby he takes this advantage ag<sup>t</sup> you?

Sir, J never complied but prayed against him all my dayes, J have no compliance with Satan, in this. What would you have me do?

Confess if you be guilty.

J will say it, if it was my last time, J am clear of this sin,

Of what sin?

Of witchcraft.

Are you certain this is the woman?

Never a one could speak for fits.

By & by Ann Putman said that was the woman, it was like her, and she told me her name.

It is marvailous to me that you should sometimes think they are bewitched, and sometimes not, when severall confess that they have been guilty of bewitching them.

well Sir would you have me confess that J never knew?

Her hands were clinch<sup>d</sup> together and then the hands of Mercy Lewis was clincht.

Look now you hands are open, her hands are open.

Is this the woman ?

They made signes but could not speak, but Ann Putman afterwards *Betty Hubbard* cryed out Oh. Goody Easty, Goody Easty you are the woman, you are the woman

Put up her head, for while her head is bound the necks of these are broken.

What de you say to this ?

Why God will know.

Nay God knows now.

I know he dos.

what did you think of the actions of others before your sisters came out, did you think it was Witchcraft ?

I cannot tell.

Why do you not think it is Witchcraft ?

It is an evil spirit, but wither it be witchcraft J do not know, Severall said she brought them the Book and then they fell into fits.

Salem Village March 24<sup>th</sup> 169<sup>½</sup>.

Mr Sam<sup>l</sup> parris being desired to take in wrighting the Examination of Mary Eastie hath deliuered itt as aforesaid.

Upon heareing the aforesaid, and seeing what we did then see, together with the Charge of the persons then present, Wee Committed sd Mary Eastie to theire Majest<sup>ts</sup> Goale.

JOHN HATHORNE } Affists,  
JONATHAN CORWIN }

*Sarah Vibber v. Mary Easty.*

Sarah Viber : affirmed vpon her oath : that she saw Mary y<sup>e</sup> wife of Isaac Easty upon Jn<sup>o</sup> Nortons bed ; when sd Norton was ill : and sd goody Easty flew out upon her : and afflicted her : sd Vibber : and sd Vibber affirmed : that since y<sup>e</sup> time of the last examination of sd Easty : sd Easty has hurt and afflicted mercy Lewis : and mary walcot and Ann Putman : she or her Apperition : and she sd Easty has some times hurt and afflicted her : sd Vibber also since sd, Easty her last examination : also : sd Vibber sd that sd Easty or her apperition has Afflicted Elis. Hubbard : this sd Vibber owned to be y<sup>e</sup> truth : before y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inquest

Aug<sup>st</sup> : 3 : 1692.

*Mary Warin v. Mary Easty.*

Mary Warin affirmed before the Jury of Inquest : that Goodwife Easty of Topsfield has afflicted her she or her Apperition : and that sd Easty hath afflicted Marcy Lewis : Elizabeth Hubbard & Mary Walcot and Ann Putman : upon ye oath : y<sup>t</sup> she has taken. Aug<sup>st</sup> 3 : 1692.

*Mary Walcott v. Mary Easty.*

The Depoeftion of Mary Walcott : who Testifieth and faith on the 20<sup>th</sup> of may 1692 : about twelve of the clock : I saw the Apparition of good-



dy Eastleck come and pinch and choake me : and terrified me much and she told me that she had blinded al our eyes, that ware afflicted only mersey Lewis for she said that she had not power anought to doe itt on that day she was cleared : on this 20<sup>th</sup> Instante of may : 92 about an hour by sun J went to m<sup>r</sup> John Putnams to see mersey Lewis : and their J saw the apparition of the aboue said gooddy Easteck : a choaking of mersey Lewis and pressing upon her breast with her hands and J saw hur put a chane aboute her neck and choaked her : and all the while J was their J saw her hurting of her grievously : and she told me that she would kill her this night if she could.

Sworne Salem Village May 23<sup>d</sup> 1692.

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| JONATHAN CORWIN |   |          |

mary Walcott further testifieth y<sup>t</sup> on 23 may 1692. mary Estick did most grievously torment me during the time of hir examination also ye day J saw hir or hir Apperanc most grievously torment mercy lewes Eliz : Hubbrt and ann putnam and I veryly beleve in my hart that Mary Estick is a most dreadful wi<sup>th</sup> and that she hath very often most dreadfully tormented me and persons aboue named by her acts of witchcraft.

Mary walcot declared before y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inquest y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> above written evidence and that on y<sup>e</sup> other side of this paper is ye truth, upon oath : Aug<sup>st</sup> 4 : 1692.

The Deposition of Abigaill williams Ann Putnam who testifieth and saith that we both goeing along with goodman Abby and Sarah Trask the 20<sup>th</sup> of may 1692. to the house of Constable Jn<sup>o</sup> Putnam to se Mercy lewes as we ware in the way we both saw the Apperishtion of Gooddy Estick the very same woman that was sent whom the other day : and also the apperishtion of that woman that was with hir the other day : and the Apperishtion of Gooddy Estick tould us both that now she was afflecting of mrcy lewes because she would not clear hir as others did and w<sup>n</sup> came to nircy lewes who laye speechless and in a sad condition we saw there the Apperishtions of gooddy Estick and Jn<sup>o</sup> willard and mary witheridge afflecting and choaking mercy lewes in a most dreadfull maner, which did most greivously affright us and jmmmediately gooddy Estick did fall upon us and tortor us, allso Redy to choake us to death.

Abigail Williams and An putnam Testified to y<sup>e</sup> truth of y<sup>e</sup> abouf<sup>d</sup> Evedence.

Salem Village May the 23<sup>d</sup>. 1692.—

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| JOHN HATHORNE   |
| JONATHAN CORWIN |

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Ann putnam further testifieth on 23 may 1692. being the last day of the examination of Mary Estick she did most greivously torment me dureing the time of hir examination also on the same day J saw Mary Estick or hir Apperance most greivously torment and afflect mary walcott, mercy lewes Eliz. Hubbard and abigail william and J veryly beleue

in my hart that mary Estick is a most dreadfull wieth and that she hath very often afflicted me and the persons affore named by hir acts of witchcraft.

Ann Putnam declared to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inquest y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> her above written evidence: is y<sup>e</sup> truth upon her oath. Aug<sup>st</sup>. 4: 1692.

*Eliz. Hubbard v. Mary Easty.*

The Deposition of Elizabeth Hubburt who testifieth and saith J being caryed vp to Constable J<sup>n</sup>o putnams house on the 20<sup>th</sup> of may 1692 to se Mircy lewes who laid speechless and in a sad condition J saw there the apperitions of gooddy estick the very same woman that was sent whom the other day: and J<sup>n</sup>o willard and mary witherridge Afflicting and tortoring of Mircy lewes in a most dreadfull maner which did affright me most grievously and immediately gooddy Estick did sett upon me most dreadfully and tortoree me almost Ready to choak me to death and urged me vehemently to writ in his book.

Sworne Salem Village May the 23<sup>d</sup>: 1692.

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| JOHN HATHORNE   | } Affists. |
| JONATHAN CORWIN |            |

we whose names are under writen heaving been along with Elizabeth Huburd this time aboue mentioned herd hir declare what is aboue writen and we read it to hir when we came away and she said it was all true this 21 may 1692.

Thomas putnam                      John putnam Jun.  
Jurat in Curia Sept<sup>m</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 1692.

Eliz. Hubbard further testifieth that on the 23 may 1692, being the last day of the examination of mary Estick she did most greivously affect and torment mary walcott mercy lewes Abigail williams and ann putnam by twisting and allmost choaking them to death and I verily beleve in my heart that Mary estick is a most dreadfull witch and that she hath very often afflicted and tormented me and persons aboue named by hir acts of witchcraft.

Eliz. Hubbard declared y<sup>e</sup> two aboue written evidences : in this paper before ye Jury of Inquest to be y<sup>e</sup> truth upon oath : August 4. 1692.

*Excuse of Mary Towne.*

To the Honored Court now Seting in Salem

Right honored : the Constable of Topsfield hath sarved a warant on me and too of my dafters ; to Apere this day at Salem I humby baig that your honer will not Impuet anything concerning our not coming as Contempt of athority for ware I myself or any of my famely sent for in any capafete of Coming we would com but we are in a straing condition and most of vs can scars, git of of our beds we are so wake and not abell to Reid at all : as for my dafter Rebeka she hath straing fitts sometimes she is knocked downe of a fodin :

Mary Towne.

Date y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> of September 1692.

*Summons of Mary Town.*

W<sup>m</sup> & Mary by y<sup>e</sup> Grace of God of England  
Scotland France & Ireland King & Queen de-  
fend<sup>rs</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> faith.

L. S. To Mary Towne Widow and Rebecka  
Towne her daughter.—Greeting :

Wee Comand you all Excuses Set apart to be and  
appear at ye Court of Oyer and Terminer holden  
at Salem to morrow morning at Eight of y<sup>e</sup> Clock  
precisely there to Testify y<sup>e</sup> truth to y<sup>e</sup> best of your  
knowledge on Seuer<sup>ll</sup> Indictments Exhibited against  
Mary Easty hereof fail not at your vtmost perill

Dated in Salem Sep<sup>r</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1692 and in y<sup>e</sup> fourth  
yeare of our Reign.

STEPHEN SEWALL cler

To y<sup>e</sup> Conftable of Topsfield hereof make return  
fail not.

I have warned the Widow town and her dafter  
to apear at the corte acording to time spoken of in  
the warant as atested.

by me EPHRAIM WILDES

constable of Topsfield

*Thomas Ffossfe & Elizabeth Ffossfe for Mary Easty.*

this may fartifie home it may cuncern  
that wee hows names are vnder Ritten  
Being dasired by some of the Realeations of  
mary estwcke to giue our absarvations how



she behaved herself while she Remained  
in Ipswech prison we dow afarme that  
wee sawe noe ell carreg or behaviour in  
hure but that hure daportment wofi  
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*Samuel Abby v. Mary Easty.*

The Deposition of Samuell Abby aged about 45  
years who testifieth and saith that on the 20th of  
may 1692 I went to the house of constable Jn<sup>o</sup>  
putnam about 9 a clock in the moring and when J  
came there : Mircy lewes lay on the bed in a sad  
condition and continueing speechless for about an  
hour : the man not being at whom : the woman  
desired me to goe to Tho : putnams to bring Ann  
putnam to se if she could se who it was that hurt  
Mircy lewes : accordingly J went : and found Abi-  
gail williams along with ann putnam and brought  
them both to se mercy lewes : and as they were  
a goeing along the way both of them said that they  
saw the Apperishtion of Goody Estick and said it  
was the same woman that was sent whom the other  
day : and said also that they saw the Apperishtion  
of the other woman that appered with gooddy est-  
ick the other day, and both of them allso said that  
the Apperishtion of gooddy Estick tould them that  
now she was afflecting of mircy lewes and when  
they came to Mircy lewes both of them said that

they saw the Apperishtion of gooddy Estick and Jn<sup>o</sup> willard and mary witheridge afflecting the body of mircy lewes : and J continueing along with mircy who contineued in a sad condition the greatest part of the day being in such tortors as no tounge can exprels ; but not able to spake : but at last said Deare lord Received my soule and againe said lord let them not kill me quitt, but at last she came to hir self for a little while and was very sensable and then she said that goody estick said she would kill hir before midnight because she did not cleare hir so as the Rest did, then againe presently she fell very bad and cried out pray for the salvation of my soule for they will kill me.

Jurat in Curia Sep<sup>r</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> '92.

*Sarah Trask v. Mary Easty.*

Sarah Trask aged about 19 years testifieth that she went along with Abigaill williams and Ann putnam and also hard them say what is aboue written they said : and also hard mercy lewes declare what is aboue written she said.

*Edward Putnam v. Mary Easty.*

the depofition of Edward Putnam aged about 38 years he testifieth and saith about 18 day of may 1692. mary easty the prisner now at the bar being then feat at liberty but one the 20 and 21 days of may marcy lues was so greuiously afflicted and tortred by her (as she herself and mary walcott ann putnam Elizabeth hubbart abigel williams)

saide) I myself being ther present with feveral others with marcy lues looked for nothing else : but present death with marcy lues for all most the space of two days and a night she was choked almost to death in so much we thought sumtimes she had banded her mouth and teath shut and all this uery often untill shuch time as we under stood mary easty was laid in Jrons, also upon the second day of mary eastys examination at the uilag marcy lues mary wallcott elizabeth hubbart ann putnam mary warin and abigell williams when mary easty came to the mar was choked in shuch a most greuious maner that the honred magestrats cold not proseed to her examination untell they desired me<sup>nd</sup> haile to go to prayer and in prayer time and sumtime after it they remaned in this sad condition of being almost choked to death and when they ware abul againe to speak they all with one Consent charged her that she did them that mischief. J all so haue hard sum of them Complain uery often of hur hurting them with the spindall of a wheel.

Jurat in Curia.

Edward Putnam.

*Samuel Smith v. Mary Easty.*

The depofition of Samuell Smith of Boxford aged about 25 yers who testifieth and saith that about five years sence J was one night at the house of Ifaac Estick sen<sup>r</sup> of Topsfield and J was as farr as I know to Rude in discorse and the aboue saide Esticks wife saide to me J would not haue you be so rude in discorse for J might Rue it here after and as

J was agoeing whom that night about a quarter of a mille from the said Esticks house by a stone wall J Received a little blow on my shoulder with I know not what and the stone wall rattled uery much which affrighted me my horse also was affrighted very much but I cannot give the reson of it.

*Margaret Redington v. Mary Easty.*

the depefiation of margret Redengton aged about feenty yees testifieth and faith that about three yers a gow J was at goodman Esties and talking with his wife about an Infermety J hade and presently after J fell jnto a most follom condifion and the thresday before the thankgiuing that wee hade laft Jn the afternone J was exfeding elle and that night godey Estiey apered to mee and profered me a pece of fresh mete and J tolld hare twas not fete for the doges and J wouldd haue non of ite and then she vanished awaye.

*Petition of Mary Easty.*

The humbl petition of mary Eastick unto his Excellencyes Sr W<sup>m</sup> Phipps and to the honour<sup>d</sup> Judge and Bench now Stting Jn Judicature in Salem and the Reuerend ministers humbly sheweth.

That wheras your poor and humble Petition being condemned to die Doe humbly begg of you to take it in your Judicious and pious considerations that your Poor and humble petitioner knowing my own Jnnocencye Blifed be the Lord for it and fee-

ing plainly the wiles and subtilty of my accusers by myselfe cannot but Judg charitably of others that are going ye same way of myselfe if the Lord stepps not mightily in i was confined a whole month upon the same account that J am condemned now for and then cleared by the afflicted persons as some of your honours know and in two dayes time J was cryed out upon by them and have been confined and now am condemned to die the Lord aboue knows my Jnnocencye then and likewise does now as att the great day will be known to men and Angells—I Petition to your honours not for my own life for J know J must die and my appointed time is sett but the Lord he knowes it is that if it be possible no more Jnnocent blood may be shed which undoubt- idly cannot be Anoydd Jn the way and course you goe in J question not but your honours does to the uttmost of your Power in the discouery and Select- ing of witchcraft and witches and would not by gulty of Jnnocent blood for the world but by my own Jnnocencye I know you are in the wrong way the Lord in his infinite mercye direct you in this great work if it be his blessed will that no more Jnnocent blood be shed J would humbly begg of you that your honors would be pleased to examine theis Afflicted Persons strictly and keep them apart some time and Likewise to try some of these con- fessing wiches J being confident there is severall of them has belyed themselves and others as will ap- peare if not in this word J am sure in the world to come whither J am now agoing and J Question not



but youle see an alteration of thei things they say myfelfe and others haueing made a League with the Diuel we cannot confesse J know and the Lord knows as uill shortly appeare they belye me and so J Question not but they doe others the Lord aboue who is the Searcher of all hearti knowes that as I shall answer it att the Tribunall seat that I know not the least thinge of witchcraft therefore J cannot J dare not belye my own soule J beg you honers not to deny this my humble petition from a poor dying Innovent person and J Question not but the Lord will giue a blessing to yor endeuers.

To his Excellencye Sr W<sup>m</sup> Phipps. Gouvern<sup>r</sup> and to the honoured Judge and Magistrates now setting in Judicature in Salem.

*Petition of Mary Easty & Sarah Cloys.*

The humble Request of Mary Easty and Sarah Cloys to the Honoured Court.

Hambly sheweth, that whereas we two Sisters Mary Easty and Sarah Cloys stand now before the Honoured court charged with the suspition of Witchcraft, our humble request is first that seing we are neither able to plead our owne cause, nor if counsell alowed to those in our condicion, that you who are our Judges, would please to be of counsell to us, to direct us wher in we may stand in neede, Secondly that wheras we are not conscious to ourselves of any guilt in the least degree of that crime, wherof we are now accused (in the presence of ye Living God we speake it, before whose awfull Tri-

bunall we know we shall ere Long appeare) nor of any other scandlouse evill, or miscaryage inconsistent with Christianity, Those who have had ye longest and best knowledge of vs, being persons of good report, may be suffered to Testifie upon oath what they know concerning each of vs, viz Mr. Capen the pastour and those of y<sup>e</sup> Towne and Church of Topsfield, who are ready to say something which we hope may be looked upon, as very considerable in this matter : with the seven children of one of us, viz Mary Efty, and it may be produced of like nature in reference to the wife of Peter Cloys, her sister, Thirdly that the Testimony of witches, or such, as are afflicted, as is supposed, by witches may not be improved to condemn us, without other Legal evidence concurring, we hope the honoured Court and Jury will be soe tender of the lives of such as we are who have for many yeares lived vnder the vnblemished reputation of Christianity as not to condemne them without a fayre and equall hearing of what may be sayd for us, as well as against us, And your poore supplyants shall be bound always to pray &c.

*Complaint v. Sarah Proctor.*

Salem May the 21<sup>st</sup> 1691. Thomas putnam and John Putnam of Salem Village yeomen made Complaint (before vs) on behalfe of their Majes<sup>ts</sup> against Bassett ye wife of Bassett of Lyn husbandman and Roote of Beverly widow, and Sarah proctor of Salem ffarms dafter of John proctor of

sayd place for Sundry acts of Witchcraft by them  
douned and Committed on the Bodys of Mary Wal-  
cot Abigail Williams, Marcy Lewis, ann putnam  
and others Lately whereby great hurt and Injury  
hath benne donne them therefore Craves Justice.

Thomas putnam

John putnam Jun.

This Compl<sup>t</sup> was Exhibited Salem 21<sup>st</sup> may  
1692.

Before vs. JOHN HATHORNE  
JONATHAN CORWIN

J ord<sup>r</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Govern<sup>r</sup> and Councill,

*Eliza Booth v. Sarah Procter.*

May. 20<sup>th</sup> : 1692. Elizabeth Booth aged 18  
years or thereabouts Testifieth and Saith. That  
Sarah Procter apeareed vnto her and brought her a  
Book and bid her sett her hand to it, this Deponent  
told her that she would not, ever fence this Depo-  
nent hath been greivously afflicted by her y<sup>e</sup> said  
Procter, and John Procter and his wife hath Pinch<sup>t</sup>  
and Pricked this Deponent Likewise severall times :  
and still continues to do so: day

*Eliz<sup>a</sup> Booth v. Sarah Procter & Mary Derish.*

May y<sup>e</sup> 23. 1692. Elizabeth Booth aged 18  
years or thereabouts depofeth and saith. That Sa-  
rah Procter and Mary Derish the wife of Michell  
Derish apeareed to this deponent in the night and  
called her Jade, Mary Derish asked her what made  
her say any thing about Sarah Procter, said it was

well she did not come to the Village that Day : and with all afflicted, and Pinched her, this Deponent most grievously and so Continues to afflict her this Deponent still, and John Procter and his wife Likewise whos name is Elizabeth Procter :

*Mary Walcott v. Sarah Procter.*

The Deposition of mary Walcott who testifieth and saith on the 20<sup>th</sup> omay 1692. saw the apparition of Sarah Procter : come and choake me and pinch me and terrified me much and urged me greivously to write in her book : but J told her I would not touch it and then she tormented me dreadfully.

Sworne Salem Village May 23<sup>d</sup>, 1692.

before vs.  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{JOHN HATHORNE} \\ \text{JONATHAN CORWIN} \end{array} \right\} \text{Affists.}$

*Susanah Sheldon v. Sarah Procter.*

The complaint of Susanah Sheldon of Mr andras and Sarah Procter 20 of this may they both afflicted me the next day Sarah Procter brought the book to me and Sarah Procter and andres and irog yato so they mad me def and dumb and blind al nigh and the next day teh 10 of clock then cam inges and brought his book and drod his knife and said if I would not touch it he would cut my throt, then thar A pered to me a ded man he told me his name was Joseph rabson then he looked upon ingles and told him that he murdered him and drouned him in the se thar was a nother man in the boot Along

with me and the boot tosed vp and down and turend ouer and my hand es ware clunched that J could not lay hold, the other man layd hold and was faued then he told me that J must tell muster hath-eren and told me that J should not rest tel J had told it then inglish told me that if J did he would cut my leges of then ther a pered to me a shinging and told me J should tell of it to morah then ingleshtold me that he would go kill the gouernor if he could he would go try he was the gretes innemy he had then he sayd that he would kil 10 folck in boston before next fix day if he was not tacken up the greter weemen a flicte me stil not.

*David Furneax & Jon<sup>a</sup> Walcott jr. v. Sarah Procter.*

The Deposition of David Furneax Aged 23 or their abouts and Jonathan Walcott Junior aged 21 : who testifieth and saith y<sup>t</sup> on the 20<sup>th</sup> of may 1692. about 12 of the clock we hearde mary Walcott in one of her fitts say that she saw the apparition of Sarah Proctor come and hurte her by choaking and pinching of her we both also heard her say that she brought the book to her and urged her to write in her book we ware then both presante and heard her say J would not write in your book though you kill me.

David Furneax  
Jonathan Walcott Junior.



*John Putnam jr. v. Sarah Procter.*

John putnam Juner testifieth that very latly he hath hard Elizabeth Huburd complaine of Sarah procter that she hath tortured hir very much and urgeth her vehemently to writ in hir book.

*Thomas Putnam v. Sarah Procter.*

The Deposition of Thomas putnam who testifieth and faith that within these few days I have hard Elizabeth Hubbard and Ann putnam Two of the afflicted persons greivously complaine of Sarah procter that she did tortor them very much and urged them vehemently to writ in hir book.

*Warrant v. Sufannah Roots.*

Salem May 21—1692.

To y<sup>e</sup> Constables of Beuerly.

Whereas, Complaint hath been this day made before us by Sergeant Thomas Puttnam and John Puttnam both of Salem village yeomen against Sufannah Roots of Beuerly widdow for Sundry acts of witchcraft by her committed on the bodys of Mary wallcott Abigal williams Marcy Lewis Ann Puttnam and others. You are therefore in their Majesties names hereby Required to apprehend and forthuith bring before us Sufannah Roots of Beuerly widdow who stands charged with Committing Sundry acts of witchcraft, as abou<sup>d</sup> to the wrong and Injury of the bodys of the abouenamed persons, in order to

her Examination Relating to y<sup>e</sup> abou<sup>d</sup> premises  
faile not. Dated Salem, May the 21<sup>st</sup> 1692.

JOHN HATHORNE  
JONATHAN CORWIN

To the Marshall of Effex or his Deputy.  
pr order of y<sup>e</sup> Gouverner & Councell.

vera Copia attest

GEO. HERRICK Marshall of Effex,

May 21. 1692. J doe apoint m<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Biles  
to bee my Lawffull Deputy to serve this warrant.

GEO. HERRICK Marshall of Effex,

I haue presented the within written warant and  
haue aprehended the person of the within men-  
tioned Sufannah Roots and Brought her before au-  
thority.

By me

JONATHAN BILES  
Cunstible of Beuerly.

*Andrew Elliott v. Sufannah Roots.*

An "information if it might be any help in the  
examination of y<sup>e</sup> person before you goode Roots,  
J being in y<sup>e</sup> house of m<sup>r</sup> Lauvonco Dennis some  
time since she was suspected for what she is now  
before you and there was Likewise Leonard Austen  
of our Town of Beuerly sd Austen then sd that he  
thought she was a bad woman, his reason was that  
he Living in ye house with sd Roots not Long Since  
and when he went to prayer at any time with his  
wife and thought sd Roots would accompany them  
in sd Duty but did not at any time but would with-

draw and absent herselfe and farther when my self  
and wife were gone to bed and she vnto her bed  
she would rise in ye night and we could hear her  
talk in y<sup>e</sup> roome below J lying in ye Chamber over  
f<sup>d</sup> roome a if there were 5 or six persons with her  
more f<sup>d</sup> Austen might speak if called therevnto as  
far as know more concerning Roots

Andrew Eliott.

*Complaint v. Benj<sup>a</sup> Procter.*

L<sup>t</sup> Nathanell Ingerfall and Thomas Rayment  
both of Salem village yeoman Complained on be-  
halfe of their Majest<sup>s</sup> against Benjamin procter the  
son of John Procter of Salem ffarmes, and Mary  
Derich y<sup>e</sup> wife of Michall Derich and dafter of  
William Basset of Lyn and                      pease the wife of  
Robert pease of Salem weaver for Sundry acts of  
Witchcraft by them Committed on y<sup>e</sup> bodys of  
mary Warren Abigaile Williams and Eliz. Hub-  
bard &c of Salem Village, whereby great hurt is  
donne them therefore Craues Justice.

Salem May 23<sup>d</sup> 1692.

Nathannil Ingerfoll  
the mark of

Thomas c Rayment

*Warrant v. Benj<sup>a</sup> Procter & als.*

To the Marshall of Effex or dep<sup>t</sup> or Constables in  
Salem.

You are in their Majest<sup>s</sup> names hereby required  
to apprehend and forthwith bring before us Benja-  
min procter the son of John Procter of Salem  
farmes and Mary Derich the wife of mic<sup>l</sup> Derich

of Salem ffarmes husbandman, and Sarah pease the wife of Robert pease of Salem Weaver who all stand charged of haueing Committed Sundry acts of Witchcraft on the Bodys of Mary Warren Abigail Williams and Eliz. Hubbert of Salem Village whereby great hurt is donne them Jn order to their examination Relating the abouefaid premises and hereof you are not to faile. Dated Salem May the 23<sup>d</sup> 1692.

JOHN HATHORNE,  
JONATHAN CORWIN.

J order of y<sup>e</sup> Gou<sup>r</sup> & Councill

I doe apoint m<sup>r</sup> John Putnam to bee my lawffull Deputy to ferue this warrant

p<sup>r</sup> GEO HERRICK Marshall of Esx.

I haue fefed the body of Beniemin prokter and haue brought him to the place w<sup>in</sup> expreffed.

by me, JOHN PUTNAM marshell Debety.

*Complaint v. Martha Carrier.*

Salem May the 28<sup>th</sup> 1692. Joseph Houlton and John Wallcot both of Salem village yeoman made Complaint in behalfe of their Majest<sup>ys</sup> against Carrier of Andover the wife of Thomas Carrier of f<sup>d</sup> Towne husbandman ffofdick of maulden or charlestown Reed of Marblehead the wife of Samull Reed of fd place Rice of Reding the wife of Nicholas Rice of fd Towne How the wife of James How of Topsfield Capt. John Alden of Boston mariner, William procter of Salem ffarmes.

Capt. John flood of Rumney marsh mariner, Mary Toothaker, the wife of Roger toothaker of Belrica and        Toothaker the dauster of f<sup>d</sup> Roger Toothaker        Abbott y<sup>t</sup> liues between Jp<sup>s</sup> Topsfield & wenham ffor fundry acts of Witchcraft by them and every one of them Committed on the bodys of Mary Walcot, Abigail Williams Marcy Lewis Ann putnam and others belonging to Salem Village or farmes Lately to the hurt and Injury of their bodys therefore Craues Justice.

Joseph houlton  
John Walcott.

*Warrant v. Martha Carrier.*

To the Marshall of Effex or his dep<sup>r</sup> or to the Constables of Andover

You are in their Majest<sup>ies</sup> names hereby required to apprehend and forthwith secure, and bring before us martha Carrier the wife of Thomas Carrier of Andover on Tuesday next being the 31<sup>st</sup> day of this Instant month of Maye about ten of the clock in the forenoon or as soon as may be afterwards at the house of L<sup>t</sup> Nathaniell Jngerfalls in Salem Village who stands charged with haueing Committed Sundry acts of Witchcraft on the Bodys of Mary Walcot and abigail Williams of Salem Village to their great hurt and injury in order to her Examination Relating to y<sup>e</sup> premises abouesaid faile not.

Dated Salem May 28<sup>th</sup> 1692.

J vs.    JOHN HATHORNE    } Affists.  
          JONATHAN CORWIN }



J haue apprehended the w<sup>in</sup> named parson and brought her to the place appointed.

by me JOHN BALLARD. const and ouer.

*Examination of Martha Carrier.*

The Examination of Martha Carrier 31 May.  
1692.

Abigail Williams w<sup>o</sup> hurts you ?

Goody carrier of Andover.

Eliz. Hubbard who hurts you ?

Goody carrier

Sufan Shelden who hurts you ?

Goody carrier, she bites me pinches me, and tells me she would cut my throat if I did not signe her book.

Mary Walcot said she afflicted her and brought the book to her.

What do you say to this you are charged with ?

I have not done it.

Sus: Sheldon cried she looks upon the black man.

Ann Putman complained of a pin tuck in her.

What black man is that ?

J know none.

Ann Putman testified there was.

Mary Warrin cryed out she was prickt

What black man did you see ?

J saw no black man but your own prefence.

Can you look upon these and not knock them down ?

They will dissemble if I look upon them.

You see you look upon them and they fall down.  
It is false the Devil is a liar.

J lookt upon none since I came into the room  
but.

Sufan Sheldon cryed out in a Trance J wonder  
what could you murder 13 persons?

Mary Walcot testified the same that there lay 13  
Ghosts. All the afflicted fell into most intollerable  
out cries and agonies.

Eliz Hubbard and Ann Putman testified the  
same that she had killed 13. at Andover.

It is a shamefull thing that you should mind  
these folks that are out of their wits.

Do not you see them?

If J do speak you will not believe me?

You do see them said the accusers.

You lye, I am wronged.

There is the black man wispering in her ear said  
many of the afflicted.

Mercy Lewes in a violent fit, was well upon the  
examinants grasping her arm.

The Tortures of the afflicted was so great that  
there was no enduring of it, so that she was ordered  
away and to be bound hand and foot with all ex-  
pedition the afflicted in the meanwhile almost  
killed to the great trouble of all spectators Magif-  
trates and others.

Note. As soon as she was well bound they all  
had strange and sodain ease. Mary Walcot told  
the Magistrates that this woman told her she had  
been a witch this 40 yeares.

H<sup>a</sup>

*Indictment v. Martha Carrier.*

Anno Regis et Reginee Willm et Maria nune  
Anglia &c. Quarto :

Effex fs. The Juro<sup>rs</sup> of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen p<sup>r</sup>sents That Martha Carrier wife of Thomas Carrier of Andover in y<sup>e</sup> county of Effex husbandman the 31 day of May in the forth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by the Grace of God of England, Scotland ffrence and Ireland King and Queen, defenders of the faith &c. c. And divers other Dayes and Times as well before as after, certaine detestable Arts called Witchcraft and Soceries, Wickedly and ffelloniously hath v<sup>s</sup>ed Practised and Exercised at and within the Towneship of Salem in the County of Effex afores<sup>d</sup> in, and Upon and ag<sup>t</sup> one Elizabeth Hubbard of Salem in y<sup>e</sup> County of Effex afores<sup>d</sup> by which said Wicked Arts the said Elizabeth hubbard the thirty first day of May in the fforth year abouesd and Divers other Dayes, and times, as well before as after was and is Tortured Afflicted Pined Consumed Wasted and Tormented ag<sup>t</sup> the Peace of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen : and ag<sup>t</sup> the fforme of the Statute in that case made and Provided.

Witneses.

|                   |        |             |
|-------------------|--------|-------------|
| Elizabeth Hubbard | Jurat. | Ann Putnam  |
| Mary Walcutt      | Jurat. | Mary Warren |

*Summons to witness v. Martha Carrier.*

W<sup>m</sup> & Mary by ye Grace of God of England  
Scotland ffance & Ireland King and Queen  
defend<sup>rs</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> faith &c<sup>a</sup>

L. S. To ye Constable or Constables of Andover Greeting.

Wee Comand you to Warn and give Notice vnto  
Allen Toothaker Ralph ffarnum Jun<sup>r</sup> John ffarnum  
son of Ralph farnum sen<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Abbot and his  
wife Andrew ffoster Phebe Chandler daughter of  
W<sup>m</sup> Chandler : Sam<sup>l</sup> Holt Sen<sup>r</sup> Samuel Preston  
Jun<sup>r</sup> that they and Euery of them be and personaly  
appear at ye Court of Oyer and Termina to be hed  
by adjournment on Tuesday next at Ten of ye  
clack in y<sup>e</sup> Morning there to testifie y<sup>e</sup> truth to y<sup>e</sup>  
best of their knowledge on certain Indictment to  
be Exhibited against Martha Carrier of Andover  
hereof fail not at your vtmost perill and make re-  
turn of your doings herein.

Dated in Salem July 30<sup>th</sup> 1692.

STEPHEN SEWALL Cler.

In obedience to this writ J haue timely warned  
the persons hose names are herein written and euery  
one of them this 1 day of August 1692.

By me JOHN BAILAY constable of Andover.

*Benj<sup>a</sup> Abbott v. Martha Carier.*

The testimony of Benjamin Abbutt aged about  
31 years Saith : last march was twelfe months, then

haueing some land granted to me by the Towne of Andover near to goodman Carriers his land, and when this land came to be laid out goodwiffe Carrier was very Angery, and said she would stick as Clofs to Benjamin Abbut as the bark Stooke to the Tree and that J should Repent of it afore feuen yeares Came to an End and that docter prescott could neuer cure me : These words were heard by Allin Toothaker she also said to Ralph farnam Jun<sup>r</sup> that she would hold my nos to Close to the grindstone as Ever it was held Since my name was Benjamin Abbut presently after J was taken with a Swelling in my ffoot and then was taken with a payne in my side Exkfedingly Tormented, wich bred to a fore, which was lancit by docter prescott and Seuerall gallons of Corruption did run out as was Judged and so Continued about six weeks very bad, and then one other fore did breed in my grine wich was lancit by doct. prescott also and Continued very bad awhile and then another fore breed in my grine which was also cutt and putt me to very great misery, So that it brough me almost to Deaths doore, & Continued, untill goodwiffe Carrier was Taken and Carried a waye by the Constable, and that very day J began to grow better, my soers grew well and J grew better Every day and so haue been well ever since and have great cause to think that the f<sup>d</sup> Carrier had a great hand in my sickness and misery.

beniamin Abbut.

Jurat in Curia Aug<sup>t</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> 1692.

Attest STEP. SEWALL Cler.



*Sarah Abbott v. Martha Carrier.*

The deposition of Sarah Abbott aged about 32 years testifieth that since my husband had a parcell of land granted by y<sup>e</sup> Towne, lying near ye land of Thomas Carrier, (which as J have heard) his wife martha Carrier was greatly troubled att and gaue out threatning words that my husband Benjamin Abbott has not been only afflicted in his body, as he testifies, but alsoe that strange and unusuall things has happened to his Cattle, for some have died suddenly and strangely, which we could not tell any naturall reason for, and one Cowe Cleaned a fourth-night before she Calved but y<sup>e</sup> Cowe died afterwards strangely though she calved well soe far as we could perceive, and some of ye Cattle would come out of ye woods w<sup>th</sup> their tongues hanging out of their mouths in a strange and affrighting manner, and many such things, which we can give noe account of ye reason of, unless it should be y<sup>e</sup> effects, of martha Carrier threatings.

Jurat in Curia. <sup>her mark</sup> Sarah † Abbott  
Aug<sup>t</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> 1692. attest. STEPH. SEWALL Cler.

*John Roger v. Martha Carrier.*

The deposition of John Rogger of Billreca aged 50 yeares or Thereabouts Saith, That about Seven yeares Since Martha Carrier being a Nigh Neighbour vnto this dpon<sup>t</sup> and there hapening some difference betwixt vs, She gave forth seuerall threat-

ning words as she often vsed to doe and in a short time after this deponent had two large lusty fowes w<sup>ch</sup> frequented home daily that were lost and this deponent found one of them dead nigh y<sup>e</sup> f<sup>d</sup> Carriers house w<sup>th</sup> both Eares cut of and y<sup>e</sup> other fow J Neuer heard of to this day, and y<sup>e</sup> same summer to y<sup>e</sup> best of my remembrance J had a Cow w<sup>ch</sup> vsed to give a good Mess of milk twice a day and of a sudden She would giue little or none Every Morning though a Night she gaue as formerly and this continued about ye space of a month in w<sup>ch</sup> time J had three meals milke on three Severall Mornings not Successively and no more though One Night three of vs Watched y<sup>e</sup> Cow all night yet J could have no milke in y<sup>e</sup> morning of her and about y<sup>e</sup> monthes End She gave milke as formerly she vsed by all w<sup>ch</sup> J did in my Conscience believe then in y<sup>e</sup> day of it and have so done euer since and doe yet believe that Martha Carrier was y<sup>e</sup> occasion of those Jll accidents by Meanes of Witchcraft she being a very Malicious woman and further faith not.

John † Rogger  
marke of

*Phebe Chandler v. Martha Carrier.*

The deposition of Phebe Chandl<sup>r</sup> aged about 12 years. Testifieth that about a fourtnight before Martha Carrier, was sent for to Salem to be examined, upon y<sup>e</sup> Sabbath day when ye psalm was singing, f<sup>d</sup> Martha Carrier took me f<sup>d</sup> deponent by ye

shoulder and shaked me, in ye meeting house and asked me where I lived, but J made her no answer, (not doubting but that she knew we, hauing liued some time the next door to my futhers house, on one side of y<sup>e</sup> way) and that day that f<sup>d</sup> Martha Carrier was ceased, my mother sent me to Carry some bear to y<sup>e</sup> folks y<sup>t</sup> were att work in ye lott, and when I came within y<sup>e</sup> fence, there was a voice in ye bushes (which J thought was Martha Carriers uoice, which J know well) but saw noe body, and y<sup>e</sup> voice asked me what J did there and whether J was going : which greatly frightened me, soe that J run as fast as J could to those att work, and told them what J had heard, about an hour & half or two hours after, my mother sent me again upon y<sup>e</sup> same occasion, to y<sup>e</sup> workmen about<sup>d</sup> and Comming home, near y<sup>e</sup> place about<sup>d</sup> where I heard that voice before, J heard y<sup>e</sup> same uoice, as J judged, ouer my head, saying J should be poysoned within two or three days, which accordingly happened, as J conceiue, for J went to my sifter Allens farm ye same day, and on friday following, about one half of my right hand was greatly swollen and exceeding painfull, and alsoe part of my face, which J can give no account how it came and Continued uery bad some days, and seuerall times since J haue been troubled with a great weight upon my breast, and upon my leggs, when J haue been going about, so that J could hardly goe, which J haue told my mother of : And y<sup>e</sup> last sabbath day was seauennight, J went to meeting very well in y<sup>e</sup>

morning, and went to my place where J used to sitt (ye ministers not being come) and Richard Carrier son of aboues<sup>d</sup> Martha looked uery earnestly upon me, and imediately my hand which had formerly been poysoned as aboues<sup>d</sup> began to pain me greatly, and J had a strange burning att my stomake and then was struck deaf that J could not hear any of ye prayer, nor singing till ye two or three last words of ye singing.

Jurat in Curia                      Phebe <sup>her mark</sup> † Chandler.

*Bridget Chandler v. Martha Carrier.*

Bridget Chandler aged 40 years mother ye <sup>fd</sup> Phebe Testifieth y<sup>t</sup> in ye day of it her daughter Complained as aboue is expresse<sup>d</sup>.

Jurat in Curia.

*Allen Toothaker v. Martha Carrier.*

The Deposition of Allin Toothaker aged about 22 years Saith, J heard martha Carrier say that Benjamin Abbutt would wish he had not medled with that land so Near our house for She would stick as Cols to him as the barck to the tree afore seauen years Com a but, and that docter prescott should Neuer Cure him, and about last march Richard Carrier and my selfe had Som difference and said Richard pulled me downe by the hair of my head to the ground for to beat me, J desired him to lett me Risse, when J was up J went to strike at him, but J fell down flatt upon my back

to the ground and had not power to stir hand Nor foote then J toold sayd Richard J would yeald to him and owne him the best man and then J saw Martha Carrier goe of from my brest, butt when J was Risen up J saw non of her, J was Wounded in the Warre, Martha Carrier toold me J should never be Cured, afore she was Aprehended J could thrust in my Wound a knitting nedle four Inches deep but, since She have been taken J am thoroughly healed, and haue had more Ease then J haue had in halfe a year before Sometimes when Martha Carrier and J had some difference she would Clap her hand at me and say J should get nothing by it, and so with in a day or two J lost a three year old heffer : Next a yealin, and then a Couw, and then had som little difference againe and lost a yearlin, And J know not of any naturall Causes of ye death of the abou<sup>d</sup> Creatures, but haue always feared it hath been ye effect of my Aunt Martha Carrier her malice :

Jurat in Curia.

*Allen † Toothaker*  
his mark

*Samuel Preston v. Martha Carrier.*

Samuel Preston aged about 41 years Saith y<sup>t</sup> about 2 yeares Since J had some difference w<sup>th</sup> Martha Carrier w<sup>ch</sup> also had hapened Seuer<sup>ll</sup> times before and soon after J lost a Cow in a Strange manner being Cast upon her back w<sup>th</sup> her heels vp in firm ground when she was very Lusty it being in June

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and within abo<sup>t</sup> month after this ye f<sup>d</sup> martha and J had some difference again at which Time she told me J had lost a Cow lately and it should not or should not be long before J should loose another w<sup>ch</sup> accordingly came to pass, for J had a Cow y<sup>t</sup> was well kept w<sup>th</sup> English Hay and J could not pceive y<sup>t</sup> she aild any thing and y<sup>t</sup> she pined and quickley lay downe as if she was asleep and dyed.

Jurat in Curia.

*Francis Dane Senr for Martha Carrier.*

R.<sup>vd</sup> Sr Whereas there haue been diuers reports rayf-  
ed, how and by what hands J know not, of the Towne  
of Andover, and the Jnhabitants, J thought it my  
bounden duty to giue an account to others, so farr  
as J had the vnderstanding of any thing amongst  
us. Therefore do declare that, J beleue the reports  
haue been Scandalous, and unjust neither will bear  
y<sup>e</sup> light. As for that, of the Sine, and bifers J ne-  
ver heard of it, till this last Summer, and the Sab-  
both after J spake publiqly concerning it since  
which J beleue it hath not been tryed, As for such  
things of Charmes, and ways to find their cattle,  
J never heard, nor doe J know any Neighbour that  
ever did so, neither have J any grounds to beleue  
it, I haue lived above Fortie foure yeares in the  
Towne, and haue been frequent among y<sup>e</sup> Jnhab-  
itants, and in my healthfull, yeares oft at their ha-  
bitations, and should certainly heard if so it had  
been. That there was a suspicion of Goodwife Car-  
rier among some of us before she was apprehended,

J know. As for any other persons, J had no suspicion of them, and had Charity been put on the Diuel would not haue had such an advantage against us, and J beleeve many Jnnocent persons haue been accused, and Imprisoned y<sup>e</sup> Conceit of Spectre Evidence as an infallible mark did too far prevaile with us Hence we so easily parted with our neighbours of honest and good report, and members in full Comunion, hence we so easily parted with our Children, when we knew nothing in their liues, nor any of our neighbours to suspect them and thus things were hurried on, hence such strange breaches in families, severall that came before me, that spoke with much sobriety, professing their innocency, though through the Devils Subtilty they were to much urged to confesse, and we thought we did doe well in so doing, yet they stood their ground professing they knew nothing, never say ye deuil, never made a Covenant with him, and ye like, and some children that we haue cause to feare that dread has overcome them to accuse themselves in that they knew not. Stephen Johnson Mary Barker y<sup>e</sup> daughters of Lieftenant Barker, and some others by what we had from them with suitable affections we haue cause to beeleeve they were in the truth, and so held to it, if after many indeavours they had not been overcome to say w<sup>t</sup> they never knew. This hath been a trouble to me, confederating how oft it, hath been sayd, you are a witch, you are guilty, and who afflicts this maid or the like, and more then this hath been sayd, charging persons with

witchcraft, and what flatteries haue past from ; and threats and telling them they must goe to prison and this I feare haue caused many to fall, our Sinne of Ignorance wherein we thought we did well, will not excuse us when we know we did amisse but whatever might be a stumbling block to others must be removed, else we shall procure divine displeasure, and Euills will unavoidably breake in upon us.

Yours S<sup>r</sup> who am though unworthie a friend to them y<sup>t</sup> are friends to Sion.

Andever Jan 2. 92.

FRANCIS DANE Ser.

Concerning my Daughter Elizabeth Johnson, J never had ground to suspect her neither have J heard any other to accuse her, till for Spectre evidence she was brought forth, but this J must say, she was weake, and incapacious, fearfull, and in that respect J feare she hath falsely accused herself and others Not long before that she was sent for she spake as to her owne particular, that she was sure she was no witch, and for her daughter Elizabeth, she is but simplish at ye best, and J feare the common speech that was frequently spread among us, of their liberty, if they would confesse, and the like expression, used by some, haue brought many into a snare, the Lord direct and guide those that are in place, and giue us all submissiue wills, and let the Lord doe with me, and mine, what seems good in his owne eyes.

*Warrant v. Elizabeth How.*

To ye Constable of Topsfield

You are in theyre Majestyes Names hereby Required to Apprehend and bring before us Elizabeth How y<sup>e</sup> wife of James How of Topsfield Husbandman, on Tuesday next being y<sup>e</sup> thirty first day of May about Ten of y<sup>e</sup> Clock in y<sup>e</sup> forenoon at y<sup>e</sup> house of Lev<sup>t</sup> Nathaniell Ingersolls of Sallem Village, Whoe Stand Charged w<sup>th</sup> Sundry Acts of Witchcraft done or Committed on y<sup>e</sup> bodyes of Mary Walcott, Abigall Williams and others of Salem Village, to theyr great hurt, in order to hir examination, Relateing to y<sup>e</sup> aboues<sup>d</sup> premises, and hereof you are nott to fayle.

Dat<sup>d</sup> Salem May 28<sup>th</sup> 1692.

J vs. 

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| JOHN HATHORNE   | } Affists. |
| JONATHAN CORWIN |            |

In obedience to this warrant J have apprehended Elizabeth How the wife of Jems how on the 29<sup>th</sup> of May 1692, and haue brought har unto the house of leftenant nathaniell englosons according too to warant as atested by me.

EPHRAIM WILDES constabell  
for the town of Topsfield.

Dated may 31<sup>st</sup> 1692.

*Examination of Elizabeth How.*

The examination of Eliz. How. 31. May 1692.

Mercy Lewis and Mary Walcot fell in a fit quickly after the examinant came in.

Mary Walcot said that this woman the examinant had pinch<sup>d</sup> her and choakt this month. Ann Putman said she had hurt her three times. What say you to this charge? Here are them that charge you with witchcraft.

If it was the last moment I was to live, God knows I am innocent of any thing in this nature.

Did not you take notice that now when you lookt upon Mercy Lewis she was struck down?

I cannot help it,

You are charged here, what doe you say?

I am innocent of any thing of this nature.

Is this the first time that ever you were accused?

Yes S<sup>r</sup>

Do not you know that one at Ipswich hath accused you?

This is the first time that ever I heard of it.

You say that you never heard of these folks before.

Mercy Lewis at length spake and charged this woman with hurting and pinching her. And then Abigail Williams cryed she had hurt me a great many times, a great while and she hath brought me the book, Ann Putman had a pin stuck in her hand.

What do you say to this?

I cannot help it.

What consent have you given?

Mary Warren cryed out she was prickt



Abig Williams cryed out that she was pincht, and great prints were seen in her arm.

Have not you seen some apparition?

No, never in all my life.

Those that haue confessed, they tell us they used images and pins, now tell us what you haue used.

You would not haue me confesse that which J know not.

She lookt upon Mary Warren, and said Warren violently fell down. Look vpon this maid viz: Mary Walcot, her back being towards the Examinant, Mary Warren and Ann Putman said they saw this woman upon her, Susan Sheldon saith this was the woman that carryed her yesterday to the Pond, Sus. Sheldon carried to the examinant in a fit and was well upon grasping her arm.

You said you never heard before of these people.

Not before the warrant was served upon me last Sabbath day, John Indian cryed out O she bites, and fell into a greivous fit; and so carried to her in his fit and was well upon her grasping him,

What do you say to these things, they can not come to you?

Sr I am not able to give account of it.

Cannot you tell what keeps them off from your body?

J cannot tell, J know not what it is?

That is strange that you should do these things and not be able to tell how.

This a true account of the examination of Eliz: How taken from my characters written at the time thereof. Witness my hand

Sam. Parris.

*Witnesses v. Elizabeth How.*

Witnesses against goody How.

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Samuel Pearly & his wife. | Deborah Pearly        |
| Timothy Pearly            | Sarah Andrews         |
| deacon Cummins his wife   | Thomas Heafons wife   |
| Sofeph Andrews & his wife | of boxford            |
| Boxford                   | John sherring of Ips- |
| Joseph Safford Jpfwich    | wich                  |
|                           | Abram Howe wife       |

*Indictment v. Elizabeth How.*

Anno Regis et Reginee Willm et Mariee nune  
Anglice &c Quarto.

Essex ss. The Jurors for our Sovereigne Lord  
and Lady the King and Queen Prsents That Eliza-  
beth How wife of James How of Ipswich the thir-  
ty first day of May in the forth year of the Reigne  
of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady, William & Mary  
by the Grace of God of England Scotland France,  
and Ireland King and Queen defenders of the  
ffaith &c. and Divers other dayes and times as well  
before as after Certaine Detestable Arts called witch-  
craft, and forceries wickedly and ffelloniously hath  
vsed Practised and Exercised at and within the  
Towneship of Salem in the county of Essex afore-  
said in upon and against one Mary Wolcott of Sa-  
lem Villiage finglewoman by which said wicked  
arts the said Mary Walcott the 31<sup>st</sup> day of May in  
the forth year as abouesaid and Divers other Dayes  
and times as well before as after was and is Tor-

tured Afflicted Pined Consumed waisted and Tormented and also for sundrey other Acts of witchcraft by said Elizabeth How Committed and Done before and since that time, agt the Peace of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen, and against the forme of the Statute in that case made and Provided.

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|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Mary Wolcott Jurat,             | Joseph Andrews & wife                |
| Ann Putman Jurat,               | Sarah Jurat                          |
| Abigall Williams                | Jno. Sherrin Jurat.                  |
| Sam <sup>ll</sup> Pearly & wife | Jos. Safford Jurat                   |
| Ruth. Jurat                     | ffrancis Lane Jurat.                 |
| Abraham ffofter wife Jurat      | Jfack Cumins Jun <sup>r</sup> Jurat. |

*Timothy Perley & Deborah Perley v. Elizabeth How.*

the first of iune 1692. the deposition of timothi Perley and Deborah Perley his wife, timoth Perley aged about 39 and his wife about 33 there being som diferance betwene goode how that is now seised namely Elizabeth How wife of James How Jun<sup>r</sup> and timothi Perli abouesaid about som bords the night folowing thereof our cous lay out and finding of them the next morning we went to milk them and one of them did not give but two or thre spoone fuls of milk and one of the other cous did not give above halfe a Pinte and the other gave aboute a quart and these cous used to give three or four quarts at a meale two of thes cous continued to giue litle or nothig four or five meals and yet thai went in a good inglesh pasture and within four

dais the cous gave ther full Proportion of milk that thai used to give.

further deborah Perley testifieth and as concern-  
ing hanah Perley Samuel Perleys daughter that was  
so fore afflicted her mother and she coming to our  
house hanah Perley being suddinli scared and f<sup>d</sup>  
the's that woman she goes into the oven and out  
again and then fell into a dredful fit and when J  
have asked her when she said that woman what  
woman she ment she tould me iams howswife  
sometime hanah Perley went along with me to  
iams hows an sone fell into a fitt goode how was  
ueri loving to her and when the garl and J came  
away i asked whi she talked so of goode How being  
she was so louing to her she tould me that if i were  
afflicted as she was that i would talk as bad of her  
as she did at another time i saw goode how and  
hanah Perley together and thai were veri louing  
together and after goode How was gone i asked her  
whi she was so louing to goode how when thai  
were together she tould me that she was afraide to  
doe other wife for then goode how would kil her.  
deborah Perley.

Timothy Pearly And Deborah his wife declared  
to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of inquest to all of y<sup>e</sup> above written evi-  
dence, on this side of this paper, that it is y<sup>e</sup> truth  
upon oath : June 30<sup>th</sup>

*Sam<sup>l</sup> Perley & ux v. Elizabeth How.*

the first of iune 1692. the deposition of Samuel  
Perley and his wife aged about 52 an his wife about

46 years of age we hauing a dafter about ten years of age being in a sorowful condition this being sone after a faling out thai had bene betwen ieams how and his wife and and miself our daughter told us that it was ieams hows wife that afflicted her both night and day fomtimes complaining of being Pricked with Pins and sometimes faling down into dredfull fits and often fai i could never afflict a dog as goode how afflicts me mi wife and i did often chide her for naming goode how being loth her name shold be defamed but our daughter would tell us that though we would not beleue her now yet you wil know it one day we went to feveral docters and thai tould us that she was under an evil hand our daughter tould us that when she came nere the fire or water this witch Puls me in and was often soreli burnt and she would tel us what cloaths she wore and would fai there she goes and there she goes & now she is gone into the ouen and at these sights faling down into dredful fits and thus our daughter continuing about two or three years constantli afirming to the last that this goode how that is now seised was the cause of her sorows and so Pined a wai to Skin and bone and ended her sorowful life, and this we can atest vpon oath nith Perleys mark

Sam<sup>ll</sup> Pearly and his wife declared y<sup>e</sup> above written to be y<sup>e</sup> truth upon oath, after this the abouesaid goode how had a mind to wyn to ipswich church thai being unsatisfied sent to us to bring in what we had against her and when we had declared to them what we knew thai see cause to



Put a Stop to her coming into the Church within a few days after J had a cow wel in the morning as far as we knew this cow was taken strangli runing about like a mad thing a litle while and then run into a great Pon—and drouned herself and as sone as she was dead mi sons and miself towed her to the shore and she stunk so that we had much a doe to flea her. As for the time of our daughters being taken ill it was in the yere of our lord 1682.

Sam<sup>ll</sup> Pearly Declared to ye Jury of inquest that all ye above written is y<sup>e</sup> truth upon oath, June 30<sup>th</sup> 92.

*Samuel Phillips for Elizabeth How.*

The testimony of Samuel Phillips aged about 67, minister of the word of God in Rowly, who sayth, that mr payson (minister of gods word alsoe in Rowley) and myself went, being desired to Samuel pearly of ipswich to se theire young daughter who was viseted with strang fitts and in her fitts (as her father and mother affirmed) did mention good wife How the wife of James How Junior of Ipswich, as if she was in the house and did afflict her: when we were in the house the child had one of her fitts but made noe mention of goodwife how: and when the fitt was over and she came to herself, goodwife how, went to the child and took her by the hand and askt her whether she had ever done her any hurt And she answered noe never and if J did complain of you in my fitts J knew not, that J did soe: J further can affirm vpon oath that young

Samuel Pearly, Brother to the afflicted girle looking out of a chamber window (I and the afflicted child being without dores together) and sayd to his sifter say goodwife How is a witch, say she is a witch, and the child spake not a word that way, but I lookt up to the window where the youth stood and rebuked him for his boldness to stir up his sifter to accuse the said goodw : How when as she had cleared her from doing any hurt to his sifter in both our hearing, and J added no wonder that the child in her fitts did mention Goodwife How, when her nearest relations were soe frequent in expressing theire suspitions in the childs hearing when she was out of her fitts that the sayd Goodwife How, was an Instrument of mischief to the child.

Rowley 3 June 1692.

Samuel Phillips.

I Edward Paifon of ye Towne above<sup>d</sup> tho' present at y<sup>e</sup> place and time afore<sup>d</sup> yet cannot evidence in all the particulars mentioned : Thus much is yet in my remembrance, viz<sup>t</sup> being in ye above<sup>d</sup> Pearleys house some considerable time before ye <sup>d</sup> Goodw How came in : their Afflicted Daughter upon something that her mother spake to her with tartness, presently fell into one of her usual strange fitts, during which she made no mention (as I observed) of ye above <sup>d</sup> How her name, or any thing relating to her, sometime after, the <sup>d</sup> How came in, when <sup>d</sup> Girl had recovered her capacity, her fitt being over <sup>d</sup> How took <sup>d</sup> Girl by ye hand, asked her whether she had ever done her any hurt ? y<sup>e</sup>

child answered no never : with several expreffions to y<sup>t</sup> purpose which I am not able particularly to recount, &c,

Rowley, June 3 1692. Edward Paifon.

*Deborah Hadley v. Elizabeth How.*

The Deposition of Debory Hadley aged about 70 yeares: this Deponant testifieth and f<sup>th</sup> that J have lived near to Elizabeth How (ye wife of James How Junior of Ipswich) 24 year and have found her a Neighbourly woman Consciencious in her dealing, fatthfull to her pmises and Christianlike in her Converfation fo far as I have observed and further faith n<sup>t</sup>

June 24. 1692. Deborah Hadley.

*Daniel Warner John Warner & Sarah Warner for Elizabeth How.*

from Jpſwich Ju- y<sup>e</sup> 25 : 1692. this may fer-  
tify hom it may conferne we being defired to wright  
ſome thing in y<sup>e</sup> behalfe of y<sup>e</sup> wife of Jeams how  
Junior of Ipſwich hoe is apprehended upon ſuſſpition  
of being guilty of ye Sin witchcraft and now in Sa-  
lem priſſon upon ye ſame account for ouer oun partes  
we haue bin well acquainted w<sup>t</sup> hur for aboute twen-  
ty yeers we never ſee but y<sup>t</sup> ſhe cared it very wel  
and y<sup>t</sup> both hur wordes and actions wer always ſuch  
as well become a good criſtian : we ofte ſpake to  
hur of ſome things y<sup>t</sup> wer reported of hur y<sup>t</sup> gave  
ſome ſuſſpition of y<sup>t</sup> ſhe is now charged w<sup>t</sup> and ſhe

always professing hur Inofency y<sup>r</sup> in offen desiring our prayers to god for hur y<sup>t</sup> god would keep hur in his fear and y<sup>t</sup> god would support her under hur burdin we have offen herd hur Speaking of thos persons y<sup>t</sup> raifd thos reports of hur and we never heerd hur Speake badly of y— for ye same, but in ouer hering hath offen said y<sup>t</sup> she desired god that he would santify y<sup>t</sup> affliction as well as others for hur spiritual good.

Daniel Warner sen<sup>r</sup>     John Warner sen<sup>r</sup>

*Simon Chapman & Mary Chapman for Elizabeth How.*

Ipswich June the 25<sup>th</sup>, 1652. The testimony of Simon Chapman agid About 48 years testifieth and sayth that he hath ben Acquainted with the wiuef of James how iunr as a naybar for this 9 or 10 yers and he never saw any harm by hur but that That hath bin good for J found hur Joust Jn hur delling faythfooll too hur promicifis I haue had ocation to be in the compiny of good wief howe by the fortnight togathar at Thayar hous : and at othar times and I found at all Tims by hur discors shee was a woman of asliktion and mourning for sin in hur selves And othars and when she met with eny Afliktion she semid to iostifi god and say that Itt was all better than she deffusid that it war. By falls aquations from men and she yust To bles god that she got good by asliktions for it med hur exfamin hur oun hart. I neuar herd hur refile any person that hath akusid hur with wichcraft but pittied

them and fayid i pray god for giue them for thay harm them selves more then me Thof i am a gret finar yit i am cler of that fayid she and fuch Kind of affliktions doth but fet me a exfaming my oun hard and J find God wondarfolly feportining me and comfarting me by his word and promifis she femid to be a woman thron in that gret work of conuiktion and conuersion which J pray god mak us all.

Simon Chapman

my wiuef Mary Chapman cane Testifi to the most of this abou retan as witnes my hand

Mary Chapman.

*Isaac Cummins Sr v. Elizabeth How.*

Jvn 27. 1692. The difpofition of Ifaac commins fyne<sup>r</sup> aged about fixty years or thare abouts who teftyfyeth and faith that about aight yers agon James how ivn<sup>r</sup> of ipfwech came to my hous to borow a hors J not being at home my fon ifaac, told him as my fon told me whan i cam home i hade no hors to ride on bot my fon ifaac did tell the faid how that his father hade no hors to ride on but he hade a mare the which he thought his father wovld not be wiling to lend this being vpon a thvrsday the next day being fryday J took the mare and my felf and my wif did ride on this maer abvte half a mile to an naighbours hovs and home again and when we came home J tvrned the maer out the maer being as well to my thinking as ever she



was next morning it being saterday abovt sun rising this said maer stood neer my doore and the said maer as i did aperehend did shew as if she had bin much abvsed by riding and here flesh as J thovg much wasted and her movth much semenly to my aperehantion much abvsed and hvrt with y<sup>e</sup> bridel bits J feing ye maer in fvch a sad condition J toke vp the said maer and pot her into my barn and she wold eate no maner of thing as for provender or ary thing w<sup>c</sup> i gave her then J sent for my brother thomas andros which was living in boxford the said Anderos came to my hovs, J not being at home when J came home a letil afore night my brother anders told me he head giving the said mear sonthing for the bots bvt as he coold pvrseve it did do her no good bvt said he J cannot tell but she may have the baly ach and said he i wil try one thing more my brother anders said he wold take a pipe of tobaco and lite it and pot itt in to the fvndement of the mare J told him that I thought it was not lawfvll he said it was lawfvll for man or beast then I toke a clen pipe and filled it with tobaco and did lite it and went with the pipe lite to the barn then the said anders vfed the pipe as he said before he wold and the pipe of tobaco did blaze and bvrn blew then I said to my brother anders you shall try no more it is not lawfvl he said I will try again once mor which he did and then thar arose a blaze from the pipe of tobaco which seemed to me to cover the bvtocks of the said mear the blaz went vp ward towards the roof of the barn and in the roof of the

barn thar was a grate crackling as if the barn would have falen or bin bvrnt which femed so to vs which ware within and som that ware with ovt and we hade no other fier in the barn bvt only a candil and a pipe of tobacco and then J said I thought my barn or my mear must goe the next day being Lords day J spoke to my brother anderos at noone to come to see the said mear and said anderos came and what h did J say not the same Lords day at night my naighbour John Hvnkins came to my hovs and he and J went into my barn to see this mear said hvnkins said and if I ware as you i wolvd cut of a pece of this mear and burn it J said no not to day bvt if she lived til to morrow morning he might cut of a pece off of her and bvrn if he would presentely as we hade spoken these words we stept ovt of the barn and emedeiatly this said mear fell down dade and never stvred as we could prrseve after she fell down but lay dead.

Jsa<sup>c</sup> Comings sen<sup>r</sup> declared to ye Jury of Inquest that ye above written evidence is ye truth upon oath June 30<sup>th</sup> 1692.

*Joseph Knowlton for Elizabeth C. How.*

from Ipswich June 27, 1692. Joseph knoulton being acquainte with the wife of James How Jun<sup>r</sup> as a neighbour and somtims bording in the house, and at my first coming to live in those parts which was about ten years ago J hard a bad Report of her about Samuell perleys garle which caused me to take speshall noates of her life and conversation

ever fence and I have asked her if she could freely forgive them that Raised such Reports of her she tould me yes with all her heart desiering that God would give her a heart to be more humble vnder such a prouidences and further she sayd she was willing to doe any good she could to them as had don vnneighbourly by her also this I have taken notes of that she would deny herself to doe a neighbour a good turn and also J have known her to be faithfull in he word and honest in her dealeings as fare as ever I saw

Joseph knoulton aged forty tu  
mary knowlton aged thury tu

*James How sen<sup>r</sup> for Elizabeth How.*

information for Elizebeth How the wife of Iames How Iun<sup>r</sup> Jams How Sen<sup>r</sup> aged about 94 sayth that he liuing by her for about thirty years hath taken notes that she hath caried it well becoming her place as a daughter as a wife in all Relation setting a side humain infurmitys as becometh a Chrif-tion with Respect to myself as a father very dutifully and a wifife to my son uery Carefull loveing obedient and kind considering his want of eye sight tenderly leading him about by the hand now desiering god may guide your honours to se a differans between predigous and Consentes. I Rest yours to Sarve  
James How sen<sup>r</sup> of Ipswich.

Dated this 28 day of June 1692.

*Isaac Cummins jr v. Elizabeth How.*

June 28<sup>th</sup> 1692. The testimony of Jsack Comings Juner aged about 27 years Testifieth and saith y<sup>t</sup> James Hough Juner came to my fathers house when he was not at home he asked me if my father had ever a hors and J told him no he asked me if he had Ever a maer and I told him yesh he asked me if J Thought my father would lend him his maer and J told him J did not Think he would vpon w<sup>ch</sup> in a short Tyme after my father and mother Ridd their maer to Their Neighbours house y<sup>e</sup> same maer w<sup>ch</sup> sd hough would have Borrowed w<sup>ch</sup> semingly was well when my fath<sup>r</sup> and moth<sup>r</sup> came home J seeing ye same sd maer y<sup>e</sup> nex morning could Judge noe other butt y<sup>t</sup> she had bin Rid ye other part of y<sup>t</sup> night or oth<sup>r</sup> ways horribly abused vpon w<sup>ch</sup> my fath<sup>r</sup> seeing w<sup>t</sup> a condition his maer was in sent for his Broth<sup>r</sup> Thomas Andros w<sup>ch</sup> when he came he gin her seuerall Things w<sup>ch</sup> he Thought to be good for her butt did her not any good vpon w<sup>ch</sup> he said he would try one thing moer w<sup>ch</sup> was a pipe and some Tobaco w<sup>ch</sup> he applid to her Thinking itt might doe her good against ye Belly ake Thinking y<sup>t</sup> might be her discease w<sup>ch</sup> when they vsed y<sup>e</sup> pipe w<sup>th</sup> Tobaco in itt abought y<sup>e</sup> sd maer y<sup>e</sup> pipe being Litt itt Blazed so much y<sup>t</sup> itt was as much as two persons could putt itt ought w<sup>th</sup> both of Their hands, vpon w<sup>ch</sup> my father said we will Trye no more brother my vncl<sup>e</sup> sd he would trye once more y<sup>e</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> he did ye pipe be-

ing Litt ye fyed Blazed out of ye fame ſ<sup>d</sup> pipe more vehemently than before vpon w<sup>ch</sup> my father answered he had Rather Looſe his maer yn his barn ye uery next night follo--ing ye ſ<sup>d</sup> maer folloing my father in his barn from one ſide to ye other ſide fell down imediately Dead againſt ye ſell of ye Barn before my fath<sup>r</sup> had well cleered him ſelfe from her —furth<sup>r</sup> ſaith not.

*Mary Cummings v. Elizabeth How.*

Jvn 27, 1692. The diſpoſition of mary cummings y<sup>e</sup> wif of iſaac commins ſen<sup>r</sup> aged about fixty yers or thare abovts teſeifieth and ſaith my huſband not being at home J was ſent to by ſom parſons of ipſweg ſent to me for to have me to write what J cold ſay of James how ivn<sup>r</sup> his wife eleſebeth conſcarning her life or converſation and that J would ſay what I cold ſay for or againſt her when the ſaid hows wife ſought to aioyn with ythe church at ipſweg and I ſpoke to my ſon Jſaac to write that we hade vſed no brimſton nor oyl nor no combvſtables to give to our mear becavs thare was a report that the ſaid hows wife hade ſaid that we hade given the mear brim brimſton and oyl and the like and a ſhort time after J hade written my teſtemony conſarning this hows wife my ſon Iſaac his maer was miſſing that he could not find her in to or thre days and in a ſhort time after my ſon iſaacs maer came in ſight not fare from the hovs and my ſon iſaac praid me to go ovt and look on his maer when J came to her he asked me what J thought on her



and J said if he wold have my thoughts i could not compair it nothing elce but that she was riden with a hot bridil for she hade divirses broses as if she had bin runing over rocks an mvch wronged and where the bridil went was as if it had been burnt with a hot bridil then J bide Jsaac take y<sup>e</sup> mare and have her vp amongst the naghbors that peopl might see her for I hered that James how wn<sup>r</sup> or his wife or both hade said that we kept vp ovr maer that popel might not see her and ifaac did show his maer to faveril and then the said how as i hered did report that ifac had riden to Sin spring and caryed his gairl and so svrfited the maer the which was not so.

Mary Comins owned this har testimony to be truth before the Juryes for Inquest this 29 of June 1692  
Jurat in Curia.

Jvn 27, 1692. J mary comins ageed abovt fixty yers or thar abovts the wife of ifaac comins syne<sup>r</sup> J being at my neighbour Samul parlys hovs samvel parlys davgter hannah being in a straing condition asked me if J did not see godee how in the hovs going round vpon the wall as the gvrl directed her finger along rovnd in won place and another of the hovs J teled her no J loked as dilegently as i cold and i could see nothing of her the gorls mother then did chek her and told her she was alwas fvll of svch kind of notions and bid her hold her tovg then she told her mother she wold belive it one day and somthing mor which shold have bin man-tioned as the garl poynted to show me whare goode

how was she asked me if J did not se her go ovt at that crak which she poynted at Mary Comins owned this har testimony one her oath to be the truth before the Juriars of Inquest this 29 of June 92. Jurat in Curia

Jvn 27-1692. The disposi-tion of Mary comins aged abovt sixty yers or there aboots ho teste-fieth and saieth that above too yeres agon J went to vifet my naighbovr sherins wife and she told me that James how ivn<sup>r</sup> had bin thare to give her a vifet and he did sharply talk to her asking her what hopes she hade of her salveation her answer was to him that she did bild her hopes vpon that sver rock Jesvs christ this the said serins wife did tell me and she told me also that she had never talked of the said how or his wife bot she was the wors for it afterwards, and she said also when she lay sick of the same sikness whareof she dyed that the said how would come som times into the roome to see her but she covld not tell how to bare to se him nor that he shovld be in the hovs.

Mary Comins ownid that this har testimony on har oath before the Juryars for Jnques, this 29 of June. 1692. Jurat in Curia.

*Francis Lane v. Elizabeth How.*

Francis Lane g-ged 27 yeares testifyeth and faith that about seauen yeares agoe James How the husband of Elizabeth How of Ipswich farmes hired s<sup>d</sup> Lane to get him a parcell of posts and railes and s<sup>d</sup> Lane hired John Pearly the son of Samuella Pear-

ly of Ipswich to help him in getting of them And after they had got said Posts and railes, the said Lane went to the said James How that he might goe with him and take delivery of said Posts and railes, and Elizabeth How the wife of <sup>sd</sup> James how told said Lane that she did not beleieve that <sup>sd</sup> Posts and railes would doe because that <sup>sd</sup> John Pearly helped him and she said that if he had got them alone and had not got John Pearly to help him she beleived beleived that they would have done but feing that said Pearly had helped about them she beleived that they would not doe, so <sup>sd</sup> James How went with said Lane for to take deliue-ry of <sup>sd</sup> Posts and railes and the <sup>sd</sup> James How toke severall of the said railes as they lay in heaps up by the end and they broke of, so many of them broke that said Lane was forced to get thirty or forty more and when said How came home he told his wife thereof and she said to him that she had told him before that they would not doe because said Pearly helped about them which railes said Lane testifyeth that in his Aprehention were good sound railes.

ffrancis Lane declared to ye Jury of inques to ye truth of y<sup>e</sup> above written evidence upon oath June 39<sup>th</sup> 1692.

Jurut in Curia.

*John How v. Elizabeth How.*

The Testimony of John How aged about 50 yers saith that one that day that my brother James his wife was Caried to Salem farmes upon exami-

nation she was at my house and would a have had me to go with her to Salem farmes J tould hur : that if she had ben sent for vpon allmost any aCount but witchcraft J would a have gone with hur bvt one that aCount I would not for ten pounds, but said I If you are a witch tell me how long you have ben a witch and what mischeve you have done and then J will go with you for said I to hur you have ben acufied by Samuell pearleys Child and suspaçted by Daken Cumins for witchcraft : she semed to be aingry with me, stell asked me to come on the morow I told hur I did not know but I might com to morow but my ocafhons caled me to go to Ipswich one the morow and came whome a bout sun faet and standing nere my door talking with one of my Naibours, I had a sow with six small pigs in the yard the sow was as well so fare as I know as ever one a fuding she leaped up about three or fouer foot hie and turned about and gave one squeake and fell downe daed I told my naighbour that was with me I thought my sow was bewitched for saied I think she is daed he lafed at me but It proued true for she fell downe daed he bed me cut of hur eare the which I did and my hand I had my knif in was so numb and full of paine that night and fauerall days after that I could not doe any work and is not wholly wall now and I fospected no other person by my <sup>ld</sup> sifter Elizabeth How.

Cap<sup>t</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> How declared ye above written evidence to be ye truth before ye Jury of inquest. June 30<sup>th</sup> 1692. upon his oath in court,

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*Jacob Foster v. Elizabeth How.*

The depofition of Jacob foster aged about 29 yeares this deponant faith that fome years agoe good wife How the wife of James how was a bout to Joyne with the church of Ipswich My father was an instrumentall means of her being denyed admision quickly after my mare was turned out to grafs on the tuesday and on thursday J went to seek my mare to go to lecture I fought my mare and could not find her I fought all friday and found her not on Saturday I fought till noon and I found my mare ftanding leaning with her buttocks againft a tree I hit her with a small whip she gave a heave from a tree and fell back to the tree again then I took of her fetters and ftuck her again she did the fame again then J fet my shoulder to her fide and thruft her of from the tree and moued her feet then she went home and leapt into the paufure and my mare lookt as if she had been miserably beaten and abused Jacob ffofter declared ye evidence to be ye truth before ye Jury of inqueft, on oath June 30. 92.

*Joseph Safford v. Elizabeth How.*

The depofition of Joseph Safford aged about 60, he testefyeth and faith that my wife was much afraid of Elizabeth how the wife of James how upon the Reports that were of her about Samuell perlleys child but upon a tim after thes Reportes James how and his wife coming to my house ne-



ther myfelfe nor my wife were at home and goodwife how asked my children wher ther mother was and thay faid at the next nayboaers hoves ſhe diſired them to Coll ther mother which they did, when my wife cam whom my wife told me that ſhe was much ſtartled to ſe goode how but ſhe took her by the hand and ſaid goode Safford, J believe that you are not ignorant of the grete ſcandall that I Ly under upon the euill Report that is Raifed upon me about Samuell perlleys child and other things Joſeph Safford ſaith that after this his wife was taken beyond Raſon and all perſwaſion to tek the part of this woman after this the wife of this Jams how propounded herſelfe to com into the church of Ipſwich wherupon ſum objection aRoſe by ſum unſatiſfied brethren wherupon ther was a meeting apinted by our elders of the church to conſidar of things brought in againſt her my wife was more then ordenary erniſt to goe to Lectur the church meeting being on that day notwithstanding the many arguments I uſed to perſwed her to the Contrery yet I obtained a promiſ of her that ſhe would not goe to the church meeting but meeting with ſom of the naybourhood they perſwaded her to go with them to the church meeting at eldar pains and told her that ſhe need<sup>d</sup> ſay nothing ther, but goodwife how then being Rether Rendred guilty than cleered my wife took her by the hand after meeting and told her though ſhe wer condemned before men ſhe was Juſtefied befor god, the next Sabath after this my ſon that caried my wife to Lectur was ta-

ken after a strang manar the Saturday after that my wife was taken after a Raving frenzy manar expref-ing in a Raging manar that goode how must Com into the church and that shee was a precious faint and though shee wer condemned befor men shee was Justefyed befor god and continued in this fram for the space of thre or four hours after that my wife fell into a kind of a tranc for the spac of two or thre minits shee then coming to herselfe opened her eye and said ha J was mistaken no answer was med by the standars by, and again shee said ha J was mistaken majar appletons wife standing by said wherein art mistaken J was mistaken said she for I thought goode how had bene a precious faint of god but now I see she is a witch for shee hath bewitched mee and my child and we shall neuer be well till ther is testemoney for her that she may be taken into the church, after this ther was a meeting of the eldars at my hous and thay desired that goode how might be at the meeting in sign wallis went with myselfe to inuite goode how to this meeting she coming in discours at that time shee said two or thre times shee was sory to se my wife at the church meeting at eldar pains after this shee said she was afflicted by the aparish-tion of goode how a few dayes after she was taken shee said the caus of her changing her opinion confarning goode how was becaus shee apeared to her throug a creuie of the clambouerds which she knew no good person could do and at thre feuerall tims after was afflicted by the aperish-tion of goode how

and goode olleuer and furdire this deponit faith that Rising erlly in the moring and kindling a fir in the other Room in wife shricked out I presently Ran into the room wher my wife was and as soon as euer I opened the dore my said ther be the evill one take them wherupon I Replyed whar are they I will take them if I can thee said you will not tak them and then sprang out of the bed herselfe and went to the window and said thar they went out thay wer both bigger than she and thay went out ther but she could not then J Replyed who be thay she said goode how and goode olleuer goode olleuer said J you never saw the woman in your Life no said she I never saw her in my Life but so she is Represented to me goode olleuer of Sallam that hurt william stace of Sallam the millar.

Joseph Safford declared to ye Jury of inquest that ye evidence above written and on ye other side of this paper is ye truth upon oath,

June 30<sup>th</sup> 1692. Jurat in Curia.

*Thomas Andrews v. Elizabeth How.*

July 1<sup>st</sup> 1692.

The Testimony of Thomas Andrews of Boxford aged about 50 years this deponant Testifieth and faith y<sup>t</sup> J<sup>s</sup>iah Comings, senio<sup>r</sup> of Topsfield sent for me to help a mare y<sup>t</sup> was not well and when I came thare y<sup>e</sup> mare was in such a condition y<sup>t</sup> I could not tell w<sup>t</sup> she ailed for J never sawe ye like her lips ware exceedingly swelled y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> In sides of Them

Turned outward and Looked Black and blew and gelled, her Tung was in ye same Condition J told ye said Comings I could not tell w<sup>t</sup> to doe for her J perceived she had not ye Botts w<sup>ch</sup> J did att first think she had butt J said she might have some great heat in her Body and I would applie a pipe of Tobacco to her and y<sup>t</sup> was concented to and I litt a pipe of Tobacco and putt itt vnder her fundiment and there came a Blew flame out of ye Bowle and Run along ye stem of s<sup>d</sup> pipe and took hold of ye haer of s<sup>d</sup> maer and Burnt itt and we tryed itt 2 or 3 times together and itt did ye same itt semed to Burn Blew butt Run Liki fyer y<sup>t</sup> is sett on ye grafs to Burn itt in ye spring Tyme and we struck itt outt w<sup>th</sup> our hands and y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Comings s<sup>d</sup> y<sup>t</sup> he would trye no more for s<sup>d</sup> he J had Rather loose my mare y<sup>n</sup> my barn and J this deponant doe testifi y<sup>t</sup> to y<sup>e</sup> Best of my vnderstanding was y<sup>e</sup> same mare y<sup>t</sup> James Hough Junior Belonging to Ipswich farmes husband to Elizabeth Hough would have have Borrowed of y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Comings.

Tho. Andrews.

*Warrant v. William Procter.*

To ye Constable of Salem,

You are hereby required in theyr Majestys Names to Apprehend and bring before us William procter of Salem ffarmes son of John procter of s<sup>d</sup> ffarmes Husbandman, upon Tuesday next being ye Thirti ffirst day of May about Tenne of the Clock in ye morning att ye house of Lev<sup>t</sup> Nath<sup>l</sup> Jnger-

folls in f<sup>d</sup> Village, Whoe stands charged w<sup>th</sup> Sundry Acts of Witchcraft done or Comitted upon the Bodys of Mary Walcott and Sufanah Shelden and others of Salem Village to theyr great hurt, in order to his examination, Relateing to ye above f<sup>d</sup> premises and hereof you are nott to fayle.

Dated Salem May 28<sup>th</sup> 1692.

J vs.  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{JOHN HATHORNE} \\ \text{JONATHAN CORWIN} \end{array} \right\} \text{Assists.}$

I have apprehended the parson above named and brought him to the place apinted  
by me JOHN PUTNAN Cunt of Salem.

*Indictment v. William Procter No. 1.*

Essex in the Province } Anno R R<sup>s</sup> & Reginee Guliel-  
of the Massachusetts, { mi & Mariee Angliee Quarto  
Bay in New Eng- { Annoq Domini 1692,  
land ss. }

The Juriors for our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen doe present that William Procter of Salem Jn the county of Essex Husbandman Jn and Vpon the Thirty first day of May Jn the yeare aforesaid and divers other days and times as well before as after Certaine detestable arts called Witchcrafts, and Sorceries Wickedly Mallitiously and feloniously hath used practised and Exercised at and in the Towneshipe of Salem aforesaid in upon and against one Elizabeth Hobert of Salem aforesaid Single Woman by which said Wicked acts the said Elizabeth Hobart the day and year aforesaid and di-



uers other days and times both before and after,  
 was and is Tortured Afflicted Consumed pined  
 Wasted and Tormented and also for sundry other  
 acts of Witchcraft by the said William procter  
 Comitted and done before and since that time  
 against Our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and  
 Queen theire Crowne and Dignity And the forme  
 in the stattute in that Case made and Provided,

Witness,

Mary Warren,

*Indictment v. William Procter No. 2.*

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| Essex in the Province | } Anno R R <sup>s</sup> & Reginee Gul- |
| of the Massachusetts  |                                        |
| Bay in New Eng-       |                                        |
| land fs.              | Anonq. Domini 1692.                    |

The Juriors for our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King  
 and Queen doe present that William Procter of Sa-  
 lem Jn the county of Essex husbandman in and vpon  
 the thirty first day of May Jn the yeare abovesaid  
 and diuers other days and time as well before as  
 after Certaine detestable art called Witchcrafts and  
 Sorceries Wickedly mallitiously and ffelloniously hath  
 used practised and Exercised at and in the Towne-  
 ship of Salem aforesaid in upon and against one  
 Mary Warren of Salem aforesaid Single woman by  
 which said Wicked Acts Mary Warren aforesaid  
 the day and year the aforesaid and diuers other days  
 and times tothe before and after was and is Tor-  
 tured afflicted Consumed Pined Wasted and Tor-  
 mented and also for sundry other acts of Witch-

craft by the said William Procter Comitted and done before and since that time against Our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen their Crowne and Dignity and the forme in the statute in that case made and Prouided.

Wittnefs,

Eliz. Hobert.

*Eliz<sup>a</sup> Hobert v. William Procter.*

elizabeth hubart dooth testify one har oath before the grand inquest that William Procter did afflicte me this deponant the 31 day of may 92. at the time of his examination, and allso I did see said William procter afflicte mary Warren at the time of his examination, and said William Procter hath aflikted me this deponant feuerall tims fins :

september the 8 day 1692.

*Warrant v. Willmot Reed.*

To the Constables of Marblehead,

You are in their Majest<sup>ts</sup> names hereby required to apprehend and bring before vs willmot Reed the wife of Samuell Reed of Marblehead, on Tuesday next being the 31<sup>st</sup> day of this Instant month of May aboute ten of the cloack in the forenoon at ye house of L<sup>t</sup> Nathaniell Ingersalls in Salem Village ; who stands charged with hauing Committed Sundry acts of Witchcraft on ye bodys of Mary Walcot and Marcy Lewis and others of Salem Village to their great hurt &c. in order to her Examination

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Relateing to y<sup>c</sup> above<sup>d</sup> premises and hereof you are not to faile.

Dated Salem May 28<sup>th</sup> 1692.

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| JOHN HATHORNE   | } | Affists. |
| JONATHAN CORWIN |   |          |

Jn answer to ye within mentioned warrant J have apprehended Willmott Reed wife to Sam<sup>l</sup> Reed of Marblehead and brought her to ye house of L<sup>t</sup> Jngerfals, May ye 31<sup>st</sup>, 92.

JAMES SMITH Con<sup>st</sup> for Marblehead.

*Indictment v. Wilmott Reed No. 1.*

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| Effex in the Province<br>of the Massachusetts<br>Bay in New England &c. | } | Anno R R <sup>s</sup> & Reginee Gulielmi & Marice Anglice &c<br>Quarto Annoq <sup>z</sup> Domini<br>1692. |
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The Jurors for our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen doe present that Willmott Redd wife of Samuel Redd of Marblehead, Jn the County of Effex ffisherman vpon the Thirty first day of May Jn the yeare afore<sup>d</sup> and diuers other days and times as well before as after Certaine detestable arts called Witchcraft and Sorceries Wickedly Maltiously and feloniously hath used practised and exercised At and in the Towne of Salem in the County of Effex aforesaid in upon and against one Eliz<sup>a</sup> Booth of Salem aforesaid Single Woman by which said Wicked acts ye said Eliz<sup>a</sup> Booth the day and year aforesaid and diuers other days and times both before and after was and is Tortured Afflicted Consumed Pined Wasted and Tormented and also for

Sundry other acts of Witchcraft by the said Willmott Redd Comitted and done before and since that time against the peace of our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen their Crowne and Dignity and the forme of the Stattute in that case made and Provided.

*Indictment v. Wilmott Reed No. 2.*

Effex in the province } Anno RR<sup>s</sup> & Reginee Guli-  
 of the Massachusets } elmi & Marie Anglice &  
 Bay in New England ss. } Quarto Annoq Domini 1692.

The Jvrs for our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen doe present that Willmott Redd wife of Samuel Redd of Marblehead In the County of Effex fisherman vpon the Thirty first day of May In the year aforesaid and divers other days and times as well before as after Certaine Detestable Arts called Witchcraft and Sorceries Wickedly Malliciously and feloniously hath vsed practised and Exercised at and in the Towne of Salem in the County of Effex aforesaid in Vpon and against one Eliz<sup>a</sup> Hobert of Salem aforesaid in the County of Effex aforesaid Single Woman by which said wicked Acts the said Eliz<sup>a</sup> Hobert the day and year aforesaid and Divers other dayes and times both before and after was and is Tortured afflicted Consumed Pined Waisted and Tormented and also for sundry other acts of Witchcraft by the said Willmot Redd Comitted and done before and since that time against the peace of our Soueraigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen their Crowne and Dignity

And the forme of the Stattute in that Cafe made and Prouided.—

*Examination of Wilmott Reed.*

The examination of Wilmot Redd wife of Sam<sup>l</sup> Redd of marblehead fisherman, 31 May 1692.

When this examinant was brought in Mercy Lewis Mary Walcot and Abigail Williams fell into fits.

Mercy Lewis said this Woman hath Pinch<sup>t</sup> me a great many times Mary Walcot said this woman brought the Book to her.

Ann Putman jun<sup>r</sup> said she never hurt her, but she hath seen her once upon Mercy Lewis and once upon Mary Walcot the last fast day,

Eliz. Hubbard said this Examinant had brought the book to her, and told her she would knock her in the head, if she would not write.

Ann Putnam said she brought the Book to her just now.

Eliz. Booth fell into a fit, and Mary Walcot and Ann Putnam said it was this woman afflicted her,

Susan Sheldon was ordered to go to the examinant but was knockt down before she came to her, and being so carryed to said Redd in a fit, was made well after said Redd had graft her arm.

Eliz. Hubbard dealt with after the same manner.

This examinant was bid by the Magistrates to look vpon Eliz: Hubbard and upon the examnants casting her eye vpon said Hubbard, she the said Hubbard was knockt down.



Abig. Williams and John Indian being carried to the examinant in a greivous fit were made well by her grasping their arms.

This examinant being often urged what she thought these Persons ailed, would reply, J cannot tell. Then being askt if she did not think they were Bewitched: she answered I cannot tell, And being urged for her opinion in the case. All she would say was: my opinion is they are in a sad condition.

*Summons v. Willmott Reed.*

W<sup>m</sup> and Mary by y<sup>e</sup> Grace of God of England  
Scotland ffrance and Jreland King and Queen  
L. S. defend<sup>rs</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> faith &c Effex fs. To y<sup>e</sup> Sheriff  
of Effex or deputy or Constable of Marble-  
head. Greeting.

Wee Comand you to Warm and give notice vnto  
y<sup>e</sup> wife and daughter of Thomas Dodd y<sup>e</sup> Wife  
and Daughter of Thomas Ellis John Caley David  
Shapley wife and daughter John Chin Marthah  
Beale Elias Henly jun<sup>r</sup> and wiffe Benjamin Gale  
Joane Bubbee, Charitty Pittman, and Jacob Worm-  
wood, That they and Every of them be and perso-  
naly appear at y<sup>e</sup> Court of Oyer and Terminer  
holden at Salem to morrow at Eight of y<sup>e</sup> clock in  
y<sup>e</sup> Morning there to Testify y<sup>e</sup> truth to y<sup>e</sup> best of  
your knowledge on Seuerall Indictments Exhibited  
against Wilmot Redd hereof make return fail not  
dated in Salem Sept<sup>r</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 1692. and in y<sup>e</sup> fourthe  
year of our Reign. STEPHEN SEWALL Ce.

J haue warn and fumoned all y<sup>e</sup> perfons within mentioned accordingly except John Calley and Ellis henly who are at sea, and beni. gale not well. Sept<sup>r</sup>ber y<sup>e</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> by 7 o'clock in y<sup>e</sup> morning.

P me JAMES SMITH Con<sup>t</sup> in Marblehead.

*Mary Walcott v. Willmott Reed.*

The depofition of mary Walcott who testifieth and faith J was for a confiderable time afflieted by a woman which tould me hir name was Redd and that she came from marblehead but on the 31 of may 1692 being the day of the examination of willmott Redd then J saw that she was the very fame woman that tould me hir name was Redd, and she did most dreadfully affliet and torment me dureing the time of hir examination for if she did but look upon me she would strike me down or almost choak me, also on the day of hir examination J saw willmott Redd, or hir Aperance most greivously affect and torment marcy lewes Eliz: Hubberd and ann putnam and J beleue in my heart, that willmott Redd is a witch and that she has often afflieted and tormented me and the afore<sup>d</sup> persons by acts of witchcraft

Jurat in Curia.

Mary Walcot upon her oath Affirmed to y<sup>e</sup> grand Inquest y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> above written evidence is y<sup>e</sup> truth, Sep<sup>t</sup> 14. 1692.

*Mary Warren v. Wilmott Reed.*

The depofition of mary warren who testifieth

and faith J canot say that willmott Redd ever hurt me but J saw willmott Redd on the 31 may 1692. most greivously afflect and torment mary walcott Abigaill williams and Eliz. Booth and elizabeth Hubard and Ann putnam and J verily beleue in my heart that willmott Redd is a witch and that she has often hurt the above said persons by acts of witchcraft.

Mary Warin vpon oath affirmed to y<sup>e</sup> grand Inquest to y<sup>e</sup> truth of y<sup>e</sup> above written evidence Sept<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 1692.

and this day she hath afflicted this deponant most Greivously.

Jurat in Curia.

*Ann Putnam v. Wilmott Reed.*

The deposition of Ann putnam who testifieth and faith that J was for a considerable time affected by a woman that tould me hir name was Redd and that she came from marblehead but on the 31 may 1692, being the day of the examination of wilmott Redd then J saw that she was the very same woman that tould me hir name was Redd and she did most greivously torment me dureing the tim of her examination for if she did but look on me she would strick me down or almost chook me also on the day of her examination J saw willmott Redd or hir aperance most greivously afflet and torment mary walcott Eliz Hubbard Eliz Both and Abigail williams and J very beleve that Willmott Redd is a witch and that she has often affle-

ted me and the aforefaid perfons by acts of witchcraft.

Ann Putnam ownd y<sup>e</sup> truth of y<sup>e</sup> above written evidence to y<sup>e</sup> grand inquest Sept<sup>r</sup>. 14. 1692. upon oath Jurat in Curia.

*Eliz<sup>a</sup> Hubbard v. Wilmott Reed.*

The depofition of Eliz. Hubburd who testifieth and faith that J was a confiderable time afflied by a woman w<sup>ct</sup> tould me hir name was Redd and that ſhe came from marblehead but on the 31 may 1692 being the day of the examination of willmott Redd then J ſaw that ſhe was y<sup>e</sup> very ſame woman that tould me hir name was Redd, and ſhe did moſt greivouſly afflied and torment me during the time of hir examination for if ſhe did but look upon me ſhe would ſtrick me down or almoſt choake me, alſo on the day of hir examination J ſaw willmott Redd or hir Apperance moſt dreadfully afflied and torment mary walcott Abigail williams and Ann putnam and J beleue that willmott Redd is wi<sup>ct</sup>h and that ſhe hath often afflied me and the affore ſaid perfons by acts of wi<sup>ct</sup>thcraft.

Eliz Hubbert upon her oath to ye grand inquest to ye truth of ye above written evidence, Sept<sup>r</sup> 14. 1692. Jurat in Curia.

*Charity Pitman v. Wilmott Reed.*

The Teſtimony of Charity Pitman of Marblehead.

This deponent aged twenty nine years affirms,

that about five years agoe, Mrs Symms of y<sup>e</sup> Towne haveing lost some linen which she suspected Martha Laurence the girle which then lived with Wilmott Reed had taken up desired the deponant to goe with her to Wilmott Redds, and demanding the same, having many words about the same, mrs Symms told her, that if she would not deliver them, she would go to Salem to m<sup>r</sup> Hathornes and gett a speciall warrant for her servante girl, upon which the f<sup>d</sup> Redd told her in my hearing, that she wished she might never mingere, nor cacare, if she did not goe, and some short time after the deponent observed, that the f<sup>d</sup> Mrs Symms was taken with the distemper of the dry Belly-ake and so continued many moneths dureing her stay in the Towne, and was not cured whilst she tarried in the Countrey,

Jurat in Curia.

*Sarah Dod v. Wilmott Reed.*

Sarah Dod Affirmed upon her oath to y<sup>e</sup> grand Inquest that she heard M<sup>rs</sup> Simse threatened to have Wilmot Redd before a Majistrate for some of f<sup>d</sup> Redds misdemeanures f<sup>d</sup> Redd wisht f<sup>d</sup> Simse might never any wayes ease nature before she did it, and soon after, to this deponants knowledge it fell out with M<sup>rs</sup> Simse, according f<sup>d</sup> Redds wish

this she ownd before f<sup>d</sup> Jury of inquest, Sept<sup>r</sup> 14 : 1692.

*Ambrose Gale v. Wilmott Reed.*

M<sup>r</sup> Ambros Gale Affirmed that M<sup>rs</sup> Simse was  
O<sup>a</sup>



abo<sup>t</sup> that time or soon after so afflicted ; as was then reported. Septem<sup>r</sup> 14, 1692.

Juriat in Curia.

*Complaint v. Eliz<sup>a</sup> Fosdick & Eliz<sup>a</sup> Paine.*

Salem May the 30<sup>th</sup> 1692.

Lt Nathaniell putnam and Joseph Whipple both of Salem Village made Complaint in behalfe of their majest<sup>ys</sup> against Elizabeth ffosdick of Maulden the wife of John ffosdick afore<sup>d</sup> Carpenter & Elizabeth paine of Charlstown the wife of Stephen paine of <sup>d</sup> husbandman for sundry acts of Witchcraft by them Committed Lately on the bodys of Marcy Lewis and Mary Warren of Salem Willage or farmes to their great hurt therefore craues Justice.

Nathanell Putnam

Joseph whipple.

The abouesayd Complaint was Exhibited before us Salem May the 30<sup>th</sup> 1692.

JOHN HATHORNE } Affist.  
JONATHAN CORWIN }

peter Tuft of Charlstowne also appeared before vs Salem June 2<sup>d</sup> 1692 and also Complained against both y<sup>e</sup> aboues<sup>d</sup> for acts of Witchcraft by them Committed on his negro Woman.

The mark of  
Peter † Tufts

*Warrant v. Elizabeth Fosdick & Elizabeth Paine.*

To the Marshall or Sheriff of the County of Middlesex or dep<sup>t</sup>

You are in theire Majest<sup>s</sup> names hereby required to apprehend and bring before vs at Salem forthwith or as soon as may be Elizabeth ffosdick the wife of John ffosdick of Maulden Carpenter and Elizabeth paine the wife of Stephen paine of Charlestowne husbandman, for fundry acts of Witchcraft by them Committed Lately on ye Bodys of Marcy Lewis Mary Warren &c of Salem Village or farmes to theire great hurt and Injury accord<sup>s</sup> to Complaint Exhibited before vs appears, fail not, Dated Salem June the 2<sup>d</sup> 1692 :

JOHN HATHORNE } Affists.  
JONATHAN CORWIN }

I doe Appoint Sam<sup>ll</sup> Gibson of Cambridge To Serue this warrant To Effect. June 2<sup>d</sup> 1692.

SAM<sup>ll</sup> GOOKIN Marsh<sup>ll</sup> for Mddx.

June 2<sup>d</sup> 1692. J haue Apprehended the aboue named Elizebeth paine and delivered her unto the Sheriff of the County of Essex att Salem in ye County afore<sup>d</sup> in order to her examination and waite in expectation of the above f<sup>d</sup> Elizabeth Fosdick by mee.

June 3, 92 J haue all so apprehended the body of Elizabeth ffosdick of mauldin and delivered her to the above said Sheriff of Essex,

SAM<sup>ll</sup> GIBSON ye mar<sup>sh</sup> dep.

Deacon Edward putnam and Thomas Rayment both of Salem Village Complained on behalfe of their Majesties against Mary Irefon the wife of Benjamin Irefon of Lyn husbandman for Sundry acts of Witchcraft by her Committed Lately on ye bodys of Mary Waren Sufana Shelden and Mary Walcot and others of Salem Village whereby great hurt hath beene donne to their bodys therefore Craves Justice,

Salem June 4<sup>th</sup> 1692.

also  
Eliz both  
Abe Williams  
Ann Putnam  
also

Edward Putnam  
the mark of  
Thomas † Rayment

To the Sheriffe of the County of Effex or his deputie or constable in Lyn.

You are in their Majesties names hereby required to apprehend and brig before vs Mary Irefon ye wife of Benjamin Irefon of Lyn husbandman on Munday next about ten of ye Clock in the forenoon at ye house of Thomas Beadles in Salem who stands Charged on behalfe of their Majesties with hauing Committed Sundry acts of Witchcraft on ye bodys of Marry Warren, Sufanah Shelden Mary Walcot and others whereby great hurt is donne to their bodys, in order to her Examination Relating to the aboue s<sup>d</sup> premises faile not.

Dated Salem June 4<sup>t</sup> 1692.

JOHN HATHORNE  
BARTH<sup>o</sup> GEDNEY  
JONATHAN CORWIN } Jpeace

*Examination of George Burrough.*

The examination of Geo: Burrough. 9 May,  
1692.

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| By the<br>Honourd | { W <sup>m</sup> Stoughton<br>John Hathorne<br>Sam. Sewall,<br>Jonath. Corwin } | { Esq <sup>s</sup> |
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Being ask<sup>t</sup> w<sup>m</sup> he partook of the Lords supper,  
he being (as he said) in full comunion at Roxbury.

He answered is was so long since he could not  
tell: yet he owned he was at meeting one Sab: at  
Boston part of the day, and the other a Charlestown  
part of a Sab: when that sacrament happened to  
be at both, yet did not partake of either. He de-  
nyed that his house as Casko was haunted, yet he  
owned there were Toads. He denyed that he made  
his wife swear, that she could not write to his father  
Ruck without his approbation of her letter to her  
Father. He owned that none of his children, but  
the eldest was Baptized. The above was in private  
none of the Bewitched being present. At his en-  
try into the Room many (if not all of the Be-  
witched) were greivously tortured.

1. Sus. Sheldon testified that Burroughs two  
wives appeared in their winding sheets, and said that  
man killed them.

He was bid to look upon Sus. Sheldon,

He looked back and knockt down all (or most),  
of the afflicted w<sup>o</sup> stood behind him.

Sus: Sheldon . . (one line gone) the soldiers

2. Mary Lewes deposition going to be read and he lookt upon her and she fell into a dreadful and tedious fit,

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| 3. Mary Walcot | { | Testimony going to be read<br>and they all fell into fits |
| 4 Eliz Hubbard |   |                                                           |
| Sufan Sheldon  |   |                                                           |

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| Sufan Sheldon                 | { | affirmed each of them that<br>he bought the Book<br>and w <sup>d</sup> have them<br>write. |
| 5 Ann Putman jun <sup>r</sup> |   |                                                                                            |

Being ask<sup>t</sup> w<sup>t</sup> he thought of these things. He answered it was an amazing and humbling Providence, but he understood nothing of it and he said (some of you may observe, that) when they begin to name my name, they cannot name it.

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| Ann Putman jun <sup>r</sup> | { | Testified that his 2 wives &<br>2, Children were destroyed<br>by him. |
| Sufan Sheldon               |   |                                                                       |

The Bewitched were so tortured that Authority ordered them to be taken away some of them.

6. Sarah Bibber testified that he had hurt her, tho she had not seen him personally before as she knew.

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| Abig. Hobbs.      | { | Testimony read |
| Deliverance Hobbs |   |                |
| Elizar Keiser     |   |                |

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| Capt Willard | { | Testimony about his great<br>strength and the Gun. |
| Jno Brown    |   |                                                    |
| Jno Wheldon  |   |                                                    |

Capt Putman testified about the Gun.



Capt Wormwood testified about the Gun and the Mallafloes. He denied that about the nalafloes. About the Gun he said he took it before the lock and rested it upon his breast,

John Brown testified about a bbl Cyder.

He denied that his family was affrighted by a white calf in his house.

Capt Putman testified that he made his wife enter into a covenant. 11 May 1692.

Abig : Hobbs in prison affirmed that Geo. Burroughs in his shape appeared to her, and urged her to set her hand to the Book, which she did, and afterwards in his own person he acknowledged to her, that he had made her set her hand to the Book.

The original minutes (of which the above is a true copy) is in the possession of I. F. Andrews Esq. and was found among Judge Hathornes papers. Aug. 8. 1843.

I. B. Curwine

*Summons v. Geo. Burrough.*

Wm & Mary by ye Grace of God of England  
L. S. and Scotland ffraunce & Ireland King defendr  
of ye faith &c<sup>a</sup>

To James Greenslit

Greeting—

Wee comand you all Excuses set apart to be and  
personaly app<sup>r</sup> at ye next Court of Oyer and Ter-  
mina held at Salem on y<sup>e</sup> first Tuesday in August  
next There to Testify y<sup>e</sup> Truth on certain Indict-

ments to be Exhibited against George Burroughs and not depart ye Court without lycense or leave of f<sup>d</sup> Court hereof faile not on penalty of One hundred poundes money to be leuied on your Goods chattels &c<sup>a</sup> Dated in Salem July 26<sup>th</sup> 1692.  
To y<sup>e</sup> Sheriffe of Effex. STEP. SEWALL, Cle.

July 26<sup>th</sup> 1692. J haue Sumoned the within named James Greinsley according to this within Sub. pena to Give in his Euidence att the time and place within mentioned. by me

GEO HERRICK Dept. Sheriff,

*View of body of Geo. Burroughs.*

Wee whoes names are under written hauing received an order from y<sup>e</sup> freife for to search ye bodyes of George Burroughs and George Jacobs wee find nothing upon y<sup>e</sup> body of y<sup>e</sup> above say<sup>d</sup> burroughs but w<sup>t</sup> is naturall, but upon ye body of George Jacobs wee find 3 tetts w<sup>ch</sup> according to y<sup>e</sup> best of our Judgments wee think is not naturall for wee run a pinn through 2 of y<sup>m</sup> and he was not finceible of it. one of them being within his mouth upon y<sup>e</sup> Inside of his right cheake and 2<sup>nd</sup> upon his right shoulder blade an a 3<sup>rd</sup> upon his right hipp.

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| Ed. Welch fworne   | Tom flint Jurat   |
| Will. Gill fworne. | Tom West fworne   |
| Zeb. Hill Jurat    | Sam Morgan fworne |
| John Bare Jurat.   |                   |

*Samuel Webber v. Geo. Burroughs.*

Samuell Webber aged about 36 yeares Testifieth and sayth y<sup>t</sup> aboute seauen or eight Yeares agoe J liued at Casco Bay and George Burroughs was then Minester there, and haueing heard much of the great strength of him 1<sup>st</sup> Burroughs ; he Coming to our house wee ware in discourse aboute the same and he then told mee y<sup>t</sup> he had put his fingers into the Bung of a Barrell of Malases and lifted it vp, and carryed it Round him and sett it downe againe. Salem August 2<sup>d</sup> 1692.

Jurat in Curia.

Samuell Webber.

*Ann Putnam v. Geo. Burroughs.*

The Deposition of Ann putnam who testifieth and faith that on 20<sup>th</sup> of April 1692 at euening she saw the Apperishtion of a minister at which she was greivously affrighted and cried out oh dreadfull : dreadfull here is a minister com, what are Ministers wi<sup>th</sup>thes to : whence com you and What is your name for J will complaine of you tho you be A minister : if you be a wizzard : and Jmmediately i was tortured by him being Racked and almost choaked by him : and he tempted me to write in his book which J Refused with loud out cries and said J would not writ in his book tho he tore me al to peaces but tould him that it was a dreadfull thing : that he which was a Minister that should teach children to feare God should com to perswad poor creatures to giue their souls to the de-

vill : Oh, dreadfull dreadfull, tell me your name  
 y<sup>t</sup> J may know who you are : then againe he tor-  
 tured me and urged me to writ in his book : which  
 J Refused : and then presently he tould me that his  
 name was George Burroughs and that he had had  
 three wives : and that he had bewitched the Two  
 first of them to death ; and that he kiled Mif<sup>t</sup> Law-  
 son because she was so unwilling to goe from the  
 village and also killed Mr Lawsons child because  
 he went to the eastward with Sir Edmon and  
 preached foe to the fouldiers and that he had be-  
 witched a grate many fouldiers to death at the east-  
 word when Sir Edmon was their, and that he had  
 made Abigail Hobbs a wi<sup>th</sup> and feuerall wi<sup>th</sup>es  
 more : and he has continwed ever sence ; by times  
 tempting me to write in his book and greivously  
 tortoring me by beating pinching and almost choak-  
 ing me feuerall times a day and he also tould me  
 that he was above a wi<sup>th</sup> he was a conjurer.

Jurat in Curia.

*Thomas Putnam, Peter Prescott, Robert Morrell &  
 Ezekiel Cheever v. Geo. Burroughs.*

wee whose names are under writen being present  
 with Ann putnam att the time aboue mentioned  
 hard hir declare what is aboue writen what she said  
 she saw and hard from the Apperishtion of Mr  
 George Burroughs and also beheld hir tortors and  
 perceived her hellish temtations by hir loud out  
 cries J will not J will not writ tho you torment me

al days of my life, and being conversant with hir  
euer sence have seen hir tortured and coplaining that  
Mr Burroughs hirt hir, and tempts hir to writ in  
his book,

Thomas putnam                      peter prescott  
                                                 Robert Morrell,

Ann Putnam declared her above written evidence  
to be ye truth before ye Jury of Inquest. Aug<sup>st</sup> 3.  
92. upon her oath

Ezekiel Cheever made oath to ye latter part of  
this paper. Jurat in Curia.

*Ann Putnam v. Geo. Burroughs.*

The depofition of Ann putnam who testifieth  
and faith that on the 3<sup>th</sup> of may 1692, at euening  
J saw the Apperishtion of Mr George Burroughs  
who greivously tortured me and urged me to writ  
in his book which J refused then he tould me that  
his Two first wives would appear to me presently  
and tell me a grat many lyes but J should not be-  
lieue them, then Jmmediately appeared to me the  
forme of Two women in winding sheats and nap-  
kins about their heads, att which J was gratly af-  
frighted, and they turned their faces towards Mr  
Burroughs and looked very red and angury and  
tould him that he had been a cruell man to them,  
and that their blood did crie for vengeance against  
him: and also tould him that they should be  
cloathed with white Robes in heauen, when he  
should be cast into hell, and immediately he van-  
ished away, and as soon as he was gon the Two



women turned their faces towards me and looked as pale as a white wall: and told me that they were Mr Burroughs Two first wives and that he had murdered them: and one told me that she was his first wife and he stabbed her under the left Arm and put a piece of sealing wax on the wound and she pulled aside the winding sheet, and showed me the place and also told me that she was in the house Mr parish now lived w<sup>r</sup> it was done, and the other told me that Mr Burrough and that wife which he hath now killed her in the vessel as she was coming to see her friends because they would have one another: and they both charged me that I should tell these things to the Magistrates before Mr Burroughs face and if he did not own them they did not know but they should appear their: the morning. also M<sup>s</sup> Lawson and her daughter Ann appeared to me whom I knew, and told me that Mr Burroughs murdered them, this morning also appeared to me another woman in a winding sheet and told me that she was Goodman Fullers first wife and Mr Burroughs killed her because there was some difference between her husband and him, also on the 9<sup>th</sup> may during the time of his examination he did most grievously torment and afflict Mary Walcott Mercy Lewis Eliz. Hubbard and Abigail Williams by pinching pricking and choking them. Jurat in Curia.

*Edward Putnam and Thomas Putnam v. Geo. Burroughs.*

we whose names are under written being present with ann putnam at the times aboue mentioned, saw hir tortured and hard hir refuse to writ in the book also hard hir declare what is aboue written: what she said she saw and hard from the Apperish-tion of Mr George Burroughs and from thof which accused him for murthering of them.

Edward putnam      Thomas putnam

Ann putnam ownid this har testimony to be the truth uppon her oath before the Juriars of Jnquest this 3<sup>d</sup> of Agust 92.

*Mercy Lewis v. Geo. Burroughs.*

the depofition of mircy Lewes who testifieth and faith that one the 7<sup>th</sup> of may 1692. att evening J saw the apperish-tion of M<sup>r</sup> George Burroughs whom j very well knew which did greivously tor-tor me and urged me to writ in his book and then he brought to me a new fashon book which he did not use to bring and tould me J might writ in that book: for that was a book that was in his studdy when J lived with them: but J tould him J did not beleve him for I had been often in his studdy but J never saw that book their: but he tould me that he had severall books in his studdy, which J never saw in his studdy and he could raise the diuell: and now had bewitched Mr. Shep-

pards daughter and J asked him how he could goe to bewitch hir now he was kept at Salem ; and he tould me that the divell was his farvant, and he sent him in his shap to doe it, then he againe tortured me most dreadfully and threatened to kill me for he said J should not witnes against him also he tould me that he had made Abigaill Hoobs a witch and severall more then againe he did most dreadfully tortor me as if he would haue racked me all to peaces and urged me to writ in his book or elce he would kill me but J tould him J hoped my life was not in the power of his hand and that J would not writ tho he did kill me : the next night he tould me J should not see his Two wives if he could help it because J should not witnes against him : this 9<sup>th</sup> may mr Burroughs carried me up to an exceeding high mountain and shewed me all the Kingdoms of the earth and tould me that he would give them all to me if J would writ in his book, and if J would not he would thro me down and brake my neck : but J tould him they ware non of his to give and J would not writ if he throte me down on 100 pichforks : also on the 9<sup>th</sup> may being the time of his examination mr. George Burroughs did most dreadfully torment me : and also feveral times sence.

marce lwis uppon har oath did owne this har testimony to be the truth before the Juriors for Inquest ; agust 3: 92.

*Thomas Putnam Edward Putnam v. Geo. Burroughs.*

we whose names are under written being present hard mircy lewes declare what is above written what she said she saw and heard from the Apperisition of Mr George Burroughs and also beheld his tortors which we cannot expresse for some times we were ready to fear that every joint of his body was ready to be displaced: also we perceived his hellish temptations by his loud out cries m<sup>r</sup> Burroughs I will not writ in your book tho you doe kill me.

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| Thomas putnam   | Edward Putnam. |
| Jurat in Curia. |                |

*Simon Willard v. Geo. Burroughs.*

The Deposition of Simon Willard aged about forty two years sayth J being at y<sup>e</sup> house of M<sup>r</sup> Rob<sup>t</sup> Lawrance at ffalmoth in Casco Bay in Septemb<sup>r</sup> 1689 f<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Lawrance was commending M<sup>r</sup> George Borroughs his strength: saying that we none of us could doe what he could doe: for f<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Borroughs can hold out this gun with one hand; Mr. Borroughs being there: sayd J held my hand here behind y<sup>e</sup> lock and took it up, and held it out, J f<sup>d</sup> deponant saw M<sup>r</sup> Borroughs put his hand on y<sup>e</sup> gun: to show us: how he held it and where he held his hand, and saying there he held his hand when he held f<sup>d</sup> gun out: but J saw him not hold it out then, f<sup>d</sup> gun was about seven foot barrill

and very hevie J then tryed to hold out f<sup>d</sup> gun with both hands, but could not do it long enough to take fight.

Simon Willard

Simon willard owned to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of inquest, that y<sup>e</sup> above written evidence is ye truth,

Aug<sup>st</sup> 3 : 1692.

Jurat in Curia.

*W<sup>m</sup> Wormall v. Geo. Burroughs.*

Cap<sup>t</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Wormall Sworne to y<sup>e</sup> above and y<sup>t</sup> he saw him Raife it from ye ground, himselfe.

Jurat in Curia.

The Deposition of Simon Willard aged about 42 years faith J being at Saco in ye year 1689 some in Cap<sup>t</sup> Ed Sarjants garison was speaking of m<sup>r</sup> George Borroughs his great strength saying he could take a barrill of molasses out of a Cannoe or boat alone, and that he could take it in his hands or arms out of y<sup>e</sup> Cannoo or boat and carry it and set it on y<sup>e</sup> shore and m<sup>r</sup> Burroughs being there say<sup>d</sup> that he had carryed one barrill of molasses or fider out of a cannoo that had like to have done him a displeasure: f<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Borroughs intimated as if he did not want strength to do it but y<sup>e</sup> disadvantage of y<sup>e</sup> shore was such, that his foot slipping in the sand : he had liked to have strained his legg.

Simon Willard

Simon Willard ownd to ye Jury of inquest, that y<sup>e</sup> above written evidence is y<sup>e</sup> truth.

Jurat in Curia.



*Sarah Vibber v. Geo. Burroughs.*

The depofition of farah viber who testifieth and faith that on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of may 1692. as J was agoeing to Salem village J saw the apperifhtion of a little man like a minifter with a black coat on and he pinched me by the arme and bid me goe along with him but J tould him J would not but when J came to the village J saw theire Mr George Burroughs or his Apparance moft greivoufly torment and affleēt mary walcott mercy luis Elizabeth Hubbert Ann putnam and abigaill williams by pinching twifting & almost choaking them to death alfo feuerall times fence m<sup>r</sup> George Burrougs or his Apperance has moft greivoufly tormented me with variety of tortors and J beleue in my heart that m<sup>r</sup> George Burroughs is a dreadfull wizzard and that he has moft greivoufly tormented me and the aboue mentioned parsons by his acts of wicthcraft.

Sarah Viber declared to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of inqueft that the above written evidence is the truth. Aug<sup>st</sup> 3 : 1692. the which ſhe owned on her oath

Jurat in Curia.

*Eliz<sup>a</sup> Hubbard v. Geo. Burroughs.*

May y<sup>e</sup> 9. 1692. Elizabeth bubord aged about 17 yers faith that y<sup>e</sup> laft ſecond day at night : There apeared a little black heard man to me in blackiſh aparill J asked him his name and he told me his name was borrous, Then he tooke a booke out

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of his pocket: and opened it and bid me set my hand to it J tould him J would not; y<sup>e</sup> lines in this book was read as blod, then he pinched me twise and went away: The next morning he appeared to me againe and tould me he was aboue a wizzard; for he was a conjurar and so went away but fins that he hath apeareed to me euery day & night uery often and urged me uery much to set my hand to his book, and to run a way telling me if J would do soe J should be well and that J should need feare no body: and withall tormented me feuerall ways euery time he came exept that time he told me he was a conjuror: This night he asked me very much to set my hand to his book or else he sayed he would kill me; withall tortoring me uery much by biting and pinching squeasing my body and running pins into me, also on the 9<sup>th</sup> may 1692. being the time of his examination m<sup>r</sup> George Burroughs or his Apperance did most greviously afflekt and torment the bodyes of mary walcott mercy lewes Ann putnam and Abigail williams for if he did but look upon them he would strick them down or almost choak them to death also feuerall times sence he has most dreadfully afflicted and tormented me with variety of torments and J beleue in my heart y<sup>t</sup> m<sup>r</sup> George Burroughs is a dreadfull wizzard and that he has very often tormented me and also the above named parsons by his acts of wiethcraft.

Jurat in Curia.

Eliz. Hubbard declared y<sup>e</sup> above written evidence to be ye truth, upon her oath, that she had taken:

this she owned before ye Jury of inquest: Aug<sup>ss</sup>  
3. 1692.

*Summons v. Geo. Burroughs.*

William & Mary by y<sup>e</sup> Grace of God of England  
Scotland ffrance & Jreland King & Queen de-  
fend<sup>rs</sup> of ye faith &c<sup>a</sup>  
m<sup>r</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Ruck m<sup>rs</sup> Eliz : Ruck m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Ruck  
and Samuel Ruck,

To Cap<sup>t</sup> William Worwood                                                  Greeting  
Wee comand you all Excuses set apart to be and  
personally appear at ye present Court of Oyer & Ter-  
mina held at Salem there to Testify ye truth to ye  
best of our knowledge on certain Indictm<sup>ts</sup> Exhib-  
ited against m<sup>r</sup> George Burrough : hereof fail not :  
dated in Salem Aug<sup>t</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1692. and in ye fourth  
year of Our Reign.

STEPHEN SEWAL Clee

August 5<sup>th</sup> The persons aboue Named where all  
 euery of them fumoned to appeare as aboue by me,  
 by me JOSEPH NEALE Conf<sup>tb</sup> in in Salem.

*Thos. Greenslett v. Geo. Burroughs.*

Th<sup>o</sup> Greenflett aged about forty years being deposed Testifieth y<sup>t</sup> about the first breaking out of the last Indian warre being att the house of Capt Joshua Scotts att Black point, he saw m<sup>r</sup> George Burrows who was lately executed at Salem lift a gunn of six foot Barrell or thereabouts putting the fore finger of his right hand into the musell of f<sup>d</sup>

gunn and that he held it out att arms end only w<sup>th</sup> thatt finger, and further this deponent testifieth that at the same time he saw the s<sup>d</sup> Burrows Take up a full barr<sup>ll</sup> of molasses w<sup>th</sup> butt two of fingers of one of his hands in the bung and carry itt from ye stage head to the door att the end of the stage w<sup>th</sup> out letting itt downe and that Liut Rich<sup>d</sup> Hunniwell and John Greinflett were then present and some others y<sup>t</sup> are dead.

Thomas Greenflit

his † marke. Jurat.

*Deliverance Hobbs v. Geo. Burroughs.*

Deliverance Hobs Confession.

That they were both at the generall meeting of the Witches in Mr Parishes Mr. Burroughs preached and administered to them.

*Hannah Harris v. Geo. Burroughs.*

The depotion of Hannah Harris Aiged twenty feuen years or thare abouts Testifieth and faith that she lived at y<sup>e</sup> hous of Georg Burros at falmouth and the aboue said hannah harres many times hath taken notis that when she hath had anny Discorse with the aboue said burrofs wife when the aboue said burros was from hom that apone his Returne he hath often scolded wife and told her that he knew what they said when he was abroad and further faith that apone a time when his wife had Laine Jn Not aboue one weake that he fell out with his wife and kept her by Discorce at the Dore till

she fell sicke In ye place and grew wors at night so that ye aboue said hannah harres was afraid she would dye and thay called In thare Naibours and the aboue said burroses Daughter told One of ye women that was thare ye cause of her mothers Ellness and ye aboue said burros chid his Daughter for telling and y<sup>e</sup> aboue said burros came to the aboue said hannah harres and told her Jf that his wif Did otherwise then well she should not tell of it & the aboue said hannah harres told him that she would not be confined to any such thing.

Jurat in Curia.

*Benj<sup>a</sup> Hutchinson v. Geo. Burroughs.*

Beniemin huchension f<sup>d</sup> that one the 21<sup>st</sup> aprell 92. abegetal Wiluams f<sup>d</sup> that there was a lettell black menester that Liued at Casko bay he told me so and f<sup>d</sup> that he had kild 3 wifes two for himself and one for m<sup>r</sup> Losen and that he had made nine weches in this plase and f<sup>d</sup> that he could hold out the heuest gun that is in Casko bay w<sup>th</sup> one hand w<sup>c</sup> no man can Case hold out w<sup>t</sup> both hands this Js about a 11 a clock and J ask her where about this lettell man stood f<sup>d</sup> she just where the Cart wheell went along J had a 3 graned irne fork in my hand and J thru it wher she said he stud and she presently fell in a letel feet and when it twas ouer Said She you have toren his coot for I herd it tare wherabouts said I one won side said she, then we come into the house of left. Ingerfall and I went into the great roome and abigle come in and said ther he



stands J said wher wher and presently drood my rapyer but he emmedetly was gon as she said then said she ther is a gray catt then i said wher abouts doth she stand ther f<sup>d</sup> she thar then J struck with my rapyer then she fell in a fitt and when it was ouer she said you kild hur and immedatly Sary good com and carrid hur away, this was about 12 a clock. The same day after leſttor in ye said : Jngerfolls chamber abigaill williams mary walcot said that goody hobs of topfell bitt mary walcot by ye foot then both falling into a fit as ſoone as it was ouer ye said william hobs and his wife goe both of them a longe ye table ye said huchefon tooke his rapier ſtabed gooddy hobs one ye fide as abigaill williams and mary walcot faide ye said abigaill and mar said ye roome was full of y<sup>m</sup> then ye said huchefon & Ely putnam ſtabed with their raperres at a uentor yn said mary and abigell you haue killed a greet black woman of Stonintown and an Indian that come with her for ye flore is all couered with blood then ye said mary and abigaill looked out of dores and said ye ſaw a greet company of them one a hill & there was three of them lay dead ye black woman and the indian and one more y<sup>t</sup> ye knew not.

This being about 4 a clock in ye after noone.

*Sufannah Shelden v. Geo. Burroughs.*

The Complaint of Sufannah Shelden againſt mr burros which brought a book to mee and told mee if i would not ſet my hand too it hee would tear mee to peeſſes i told him i would not then hee told

mee hee would starve me to death then the next morning hee tould mee hee could not starve mee to death, but hee would choake mee that my uitals should doe me but litl good then he tould mee his name was borros which had preached at the vilage the last night hee came to mee and asked mee whither i would goe to the uillage to morrow to witnes against him i asked him if he was examened then he told hee was then i told him i would goe then hee told mee hee would kil mee beefour morning then hee apered to mee at the hous of nathaniel ingolson and told mee hee had been the death of three children at the eastward and had kiled two of his wives the first hee smothered and the second he choaked and killed two of his own children.

*Major Brown, Thomas Ruck, Thomas Evans, Sarah Wilson, Martha Tyler & als v. Geo. Burroughs.*

Memorand<sup>m</sup> in m<sup>r</sup> George Burroughs Tryall besides ye written Euidences y<sup>t</sup> was Sworne Seu<sup>ll</sup> who gave y<sup>rs</sup> by word of mouth Major Browne holding out a heauy Gun w<sup>th</sup> one hand.

Thomas Ruck of his sudden coming in after y<sup>m</sup> and y<sup>t</sup> he could tell his thoughts.

Thomas Euans y<sup>t</sup> he carried out Barr<sup>els</sup> Moloffes and meat &c out of a canoo whilst his mate went to ye fort for hands to help out w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>m</sup> Sarah Wilson Confests y<sup>t</sup> ye night before m<sup>r</sup> Burroughs was Executed y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>r</sup> was a great meeting of ye witches Nigh Sarj<sup>t</sup> Chandlers y<sup>t</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Bur. was y<sup>r</sup> and yy had

ye Sac<sup>t</sup> and after yy had done he tooke leaue and bid y<sup>m</sup> Stand to y<sup>r</sup> faith, and not own any thing.

Martha Tyler faith ye fame w<sup>th</sup> Sarah Wilton & Seuerall others,

*Indictment v. Abigail Faulkner No. 1.*

Essex in the Prouince } Anno R R<sup>s</sup> & Reginee Gulielmi & Marice Anglice &c  
of the Massachusetts }  
Bay in New England s. } Quarto Anno Domini 1692.

The Iurers for o<sup>r</sup> Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady King and Queen do present that Abigaill ffalkner Wife of ffancis ffalkner of Andivor In the County of Essex afor<sup>d</sup> Husband<sup>m</sup> on or about the beginning of August In the year aforesaid and diuers othec dayes and times as well before as after Certaine Detestable Arts called Witchcraft and Sorceries Wickedly Mallistiously and feloniously hath vsed practised & Exercised at and in the Towne of Boxford in the County of Essex aforesaid in vpon and against One Martha Sprague of Boxford aforesaid Single Woman by which said wicked Acts the said Martha Sprague the day and year aforesaid and diuers other dayes and times both before and after was and is Tortur<sup>d</sup> Afflicted Consumed Pined Wasted and Tormented and also for Sundry other Acts of Witchcraft by the said Abigaill ffalkner Comitted and done Before and Since that time against the Peace of o<sup>r</sup> Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen theire Crowne and dignity and the forme of the Stattute in that Case made and Prouided.

*Indictment v. Abigail Faulkner No. 2.*

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| Essex in the province  | } Anno RR <sup>s</sup> & Reginee Gulielmi & Marie Angliee &c <sup>a</sup> |
| of the Massachusetts   |                                                                           |
| Bay in New England &c. |                                                                           |

Quarto Annoq Domini 1692.

The Jurors for our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen doe present That Abigaill ffalkner wife of ffrances falkner of Andivo<sup>r</sup> In the County of Effex Husbandman in and About the begining of August In the Yeare aforesaid and diuers and dayes and times as well before as after Certaine detestable arts called Witchcraft and Sorceries Wickedly Maliciously and feloniously hath vsed practised and Exercised at and in the Towne of Andivo<sup>r</sup> in the County of Effex aforesaid in upon and against one Sarah Phelps daughter of Samuel Phellps of Andivo<sup>r</sup> aforesaid husbandman by which said Wicked Acts the s<sup>d</sup> Sarah Phellps the day and yeare aforesaid and diuers other days and times both before and after was and is Tortured Afflicted Consumed Pined Wasted and Tormented, and also for sundry other acts of Witchcraft by the said Abigaill ffalkner Comitted and done before and since that time against the peace of our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen theire Crowne and Dignity and the forme of ye Stattute In y<sup>t</sup> case made and Provided.

*Examination of Abigail Faulkner.*

Abig<sup>l</sup> ffolkner examined Aug<sup>st</sup> 11 : 1692.  
 M<sup>r</sup> Hawthorne : M<sup>r</sup> Corwin ; and Cap. Higgin-  
 R<sup>a</sup>

son preſent when ſhe was brought into ye room : ye afflicted perſons fell down. m<sup>r</sup> Ha : you are heare apprehended for witchcraft : but anſw<sup>d</sup> J know nothing of it : with y<sup>e</sup> caſt of her eye Mary Walcot and ye reſt of ye afflicted mary warden and others fell down : it was ſ<sup>d</sup> to her do you not ſee. She ſ<sup>d</sup> yes but it is ye devill doſ it in my ſhape : mary Walcot ſ<sup>d</sup> ſhe had ſeen her 2 monthes : a good while agoe but was not hurt by her till laſt night : An Putnam ſayd ſhe had ſeen ſ<sup>d</sup> ffalkn<sup>r</sup> but was not hurt by her till laſt night and then ſhe pulled me off my hors : mary warin ſ<sup>d</sup> ſhe had ſeen her in company with other witches : but was not hurt by her till lately.

Mary Warin and others of ye afflicted were ſtruck down into fits and helped up out of their fits by a touch of Abig<sup>l</sup> ffolkn<sup>er</sup> hand : ſhe was urged to confeſſe ye truth for ye credit of hir Town : her Couz. Eliz Ionſon urged her with that but ſhe reſuſed to do it ſaying god would not require her to confeſſe that y<sup>t</sup> ſhe was not guilty of.

Phelpſes daughter complayned her afflicting her : but ſhe denyed that ſhe had any thing to doe with witchcraft : ſhe ſ<sup>d</sup> ffalkn<sup>r</sup> had a cloth in her hand, that when ſhe ſqueezed in her hand ye afflicted fell into grevous fits as was obſerved : y<sup>e</sup> afflicted ſayd Dan<sup>ll</sup> Eames and Capt ffloyd was upon that cloth when it was upon ye table.

She ſayd ſhe was ſorry they were afflicted : but ſhe was told and it was obſervd ſhe did not ſhed a tear : mary warin was pulld und<sup>r</sup> ye table and was



helpd out of her fitt by a touch of ſd ffaulkn<sup>r</sup> ſhe ſd ſhe had looked on ſome of theſe afflicted: when they came to Andov<sup>r</sup> and hurt them not: but ſhe was told it was before ſhe had began to afflicte them ſhe was told that it was reported ſhe uſed to conjure with a feiv. but ſhe ſd it was not ſo that ſtory was cleared up: and

Auguſt 30: 92. Abig<sup>l</sup> ffokner before their Majeſt<sup>rs</sup> Juſtices at firſt denyed witchcraft as ſhe had done before: but afterwards ſhe owned that ſhe was Angry at what folk ſd: when her Couz. Eliz. Jonſon was taken up and folk laught and ſd her ſiſter Jonſon would come out next and ſhe did look with an evil eye on y<sup>e</sup> afflicted perſons and did conſent that they ſhould be afflicted becav<sup>s</sup> they were y<sup>e</sup> cauſ of bringing her kindred out and ſhe did wiſh them ill and her ſpirit being raiſed ſhe did pinch her hands together: and ſhe knew not but that y<sup>e</sup> devil might take that advantage but it was ye devil not ſhe that afflicted them; this ſhe ſaid ſhe did at Cap<sup>t</sup> Chandlers garifon: y<sup>e</sup> Right after Eliz. Jonſon had bin examined before Capt Bradſtreet in ye day.

This is ye ſubſtance of what ſd Abig<sup>l</sup> ffolkners examination was taken out of my characters:

Atteſt,

Simon Willard.

The abouef<sup>d</sup> Examination was before John Hathorne Juſt<sup>t</sup> peace.

*Roſe Foſter v. Abigail Faulkner.*

The depoſition of Roſe ffoster who teſtifieth & ſaith J have ben moſt grievouſly affected and tor-

mented by Abigail ffalkner of Andeueour also J have seen Abigail ffalkner or hir Apperance most greviouſly affleſt and torment martha Sprague ſarah phelps and Hannah Bigsbe fence the begining Augſt and J veryly beleue that Abigail ffalkner is a wiſth and that ſhe has often affleſted me and the afforeſaid perſon by acts of wiſthcraft.

The abouenamed Roſe ffoſter affirmed beffore ye Jrand inqueſt that y<sup>e</sup> aboue written evidence is truth vppon her oath Sep<sup>r</sup> 17 : 1691.

*Mary Walcott v. Abigail Faulkner.*

The depoſition of mary walcott who teſtifieth and ſaith that about the 9<sup>th</sup> Auguſt 1692. J was moſt dreadfully affleſted by a woman that tould me her name was Abigail ffalkner but on the 11<sup>th</sup> of Auguſt being the day of the examination of Abigail ffalkner ſhe did moſt dreadfully affliſt me during the time of hir examination J ſaw Abigail ffalkner or hir Apperance moſt greviouſly affleſt and torment ſarah phelps and Ann putnam and J veryly beleve in my heart that Abigail ffalkner is a wiſth and that ſhe has often affleſted me and the afforeſaid ſaid perſons by acts of wiſthcraft.

The above named mary Walcott affirmed ye Grand inqueſt that y<sup>e</sup> aboue written Evidences is truth vpon her oath 17 Sept. : 1692.

*Martha Sprague v. Abigail Faulkner.*

The depoſition of Martha Spreague who teſtifieth and ſaith that J haue ben moſt greuiouſly af-

flected and tormented by Abigail ffalkner of Andevor fence the begining of August 1692. also J saw Abigail ffalkner or hir Apperance most greivously torment and afflict Hannah Bigsbe and Rose ffoster and Sarah phelps and J veryly beleue in my heart that Abigaill ffalkner is a wiſth and that ſhe has often afflicted me and ſeverall others by acts of witchcraft

The aboue named Martha ſprague affirmed before ye grand inqueſt that ye<sup>e</sup> aboue written evidence is truth vpon her oath 17 Sep<sup>r</sup> 1692.

*Mary Warren v. Abigail Falkner.*

The depofition of marry warren who testiſieth and ſaith that Abigail ffalkner of Andevor did moſt greivouſly afflict and torment me on 11<sup>th</sup> August 1692 dureing the time of hir examination for if ſhe did but look upon me ſhe would ſtrick me downe or almoſt choak me alſo on the day of her examination J ſaw Abigail ffalkner or hir Apperance moſt greivouſly afflict and torment mary walcott Ann putnam and Sarah phelps and J veryly beleue that Abigail ffalkner is a wiſth and that ſhe has often afflicted me and ſeverall other by acts of wiſthcraft

Mary Waren ownd upon her oath to ye grand Inqueſt that ye above written evidence is ye truth. Sep<sup>r</sup> 17 : 1692.

*Sarah Phelps v. Abigail Faulkner.*

The depofition of Sarah phelps who testiſieth and ſaith that about the begining of August 1692 J

was most grievously affected and tormented by Abigail ffalkner or hir Apperance : but most dreadfully she did torment on the 11 August being the day of her examination for if she did but loock upon me she would strick me down or almost choake me : also fence the begining of August J have seen Abigaill ffalkner or hir apperance most grievously affect and torment mary Walcott Ann putnam and Martha sprague and J veryly beleue in my heart that Abigail ffalkner is a witch and that she has very often affected me and the afforesaid persons by acts of witchcraft.

The aboue named Sarah Phelps affirmed before ye Grand inquest that ye aboue written evidence is truth vpon her oath ye aboue written evidence is truth vpon her oath ye 17 Sep<sup>r</sup> 1692. Jurat.

*Dorothy Faulkner, Abigail Faulkner, Martha Tyler, Johannah Tyler, Sarah Wilson, Joseph Draper v. Abigail Faulkner.*

dorritye fforkner and Abigale fforknor children to Abigall fforknor of Andouer now in prison confarfed befor the honoured majastrats vpon their examination heare in Salam the 16 day of this instant subtember 1692 that thire mother apared and mayd them witches and also marthy Tyler Johanah Tyler and Sarih willson and Joseph draper all acknowledge that they ware lead into that dreadfull sin of witchcraft by her meanse the fore<sup>d</sup> Abigale forknor The above named persons each and euery

one of them did affirm before ye Grand inquest that the aboue written evidences are truth : 17 sept 1692.

*Ann Putnam v. Abigail Faulkner.*

The depofition of Ann putnam who testifieth and faith that about the 9<sup>th</sup> of August 1692. J was afflected by a woman which tould me her name was ffalkner : but on the 11<sup>th</sup> of August being the day of the Examination of Abigail ffalkner she did most dreadfully torment me during the time of hir Examination also on the day of hir Examination J saw Abigaill ffalkner or hir Apperance most grievously afflect and torment mary walcott sarah phelps and J beleue that Abigal ffalkner is a wieth and that she has often afflected me and feveral others by acts of witchcraft.

The above named Ann Putnam affirmed before ye Grand inquest that ye aboue written evidence is the truth vpon her oath.

Sworne before y<sup>e</sup> grand Jury. Sept. 17. 1692.

*Indictment v. Ann Foster.*

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| Essex in the Province | } Anno R R <sup>s</sup> & Reginee Guliel- |                                     |
| of the Massachusetts, |                                           | mi & Mariee Angliee &c <sup>a</sup> |
| Bay in New Eng-       |                                           | Quarto Annoq Domini 1692.           |
| land fs.              |                                           |                                     |

The Juriors for ou<sup>r</sup> Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord & Lady King & Queen doe present that Ann ffoster of Andivor In the County of Essex Widow Jn and vpon the fifteenth day



of July In the year afore<sup>d</sup> and diuers other days and times as well before as after Certaine Detestable arts called Witchcraft and Sorceries wickedly and Malitiously and feloniously hath vsed practised & Exercised at and in the Towne of Salem in the County of Essex afore<sup>d</sup> in vpon and against one Eliz<sup>a</sup> Hobert of Salem in the County of Essex afore<sup>d</sup> Single Woman by which said wicked arts the said Elizabeth Hobert the day and yeare afore<sup>d</sup> and diuers other days and times both before and after was and is Tortured afflicted Consumed Pined wasted and Tormented and also for sundry other acts of witchcraft by the said Ann foster Comitted and done before and since that time against the peace of or Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen theire Crowne and Dignity, and the forme of the Statute in that Case made and Provided.

The examination and Confession of Ann foster at Salem Vilage 15 July 1692. after a while Ann foster confesed that the deuill apered to her in the shape of a bird at feveral Times, such a bird as she neuer saw the like before, and that she had had this gift (viz. of striking ye afflicted downe w<sup>th</sup> her eye euer) since, and being ask<sup>t</sup> why she thought y<sup>t</sup> bird was the diuill she answered because he came white and vanished away black and y<sup>t</sup> the diuill told her y<sup>t</sup> she should haue this gift and y<sup>t</sup> she must beleieve him and told her she should haue prosperity, and she said y<sup>t</sup> he had apered to her three times and was always as a bird, and the last time was a bout half a yeare since, and sat upon a table had two legs &

great eyes and y<sup>t</sup> it was the second time of his appearance that he promised her prosperity and y<sup>t</sup> it was Carriers wife about three weeks agoe y<sup>t</sup> came and perswaded her to hurt these people.

16 .July. 1692. Ann ffofter Examined confesed y<sup>t</sup> it was Goody Carier y<sup>t</sup> made her a witch y<sup>t</sup> she came to her in person about Six yeares agoe & told her if she would not be a witch y<sup>e</sup> divill should tare her in peices and cary her away at w<sup>ch</sup> time she promised to Serue the divill, y<sup>t</sup> she had bewitched a hog of John Loujoys to death and that she had hurt some persons in Salem Vilage, y<sup>t</sup> goody Carier came to her and would haue her bewitch two children of Andrew Allins and that she had then two popets made and stuck pins in them to bewitch ye said children by which one of them dyed ye other very sick, that she was at the meeting of the witches at Salem Village, y<sup>t</sup> Goody Carier came and told her of the meeting and would haue her goe, so they got upon Sticks and went said Jorney and being there did see m<sup>r</sup> Burroughs y<sup>e</sup> minister who spake to them all, and this was about two months agoe that ther was then twenty five persons meet together, that she tyed a knot in a Rage and threw it into the fire to hurt Timo. Swan and that she did hurt the rest y<sup>t</sup> complayned of her by squeeing popets like them and so almost choaked them.

18 July 1692. Ann ffofter Examined confesed y<sup>t</sup> ye deuil in shape of a man apered to her w<sup>th</sup> Goody carier about fix yeare since when they made

her a witch and that she promised to serue the diuill two yeares, upon w<sup>ch</sup> the Diuill promised her prosperity and many things but neuer performed it, that she and martha Carier did both ride on a stick or pole when they went to the witch meeting at Salem Village and that the stick broak : as they ware caried in the aire aboue the tops of the trees, and they fell but she did hang fast about the neck of Goody Carier and ware presently at the vilage, that she was then much hurt of her Leg, she further saith that she hard some of the witches say, that there was three hundred and fīue in the whole Country and that they would ruin that place y<sup>e</sup> Vilage, also saith ther was was present att that metting two men besides m<sup>r</sup> Burroughs y<sup>e</sup> minister and one of them had gray haire, she saith y<sup>t</sup> she formerly frequented the publique metting to worship god. but the diuill had such power ouer her y<sup>t</sup> she could not profit there and y<sup>t</sup> was her undoeing : she saith y<sup>t</sup> about three or foure yeares agoe Martha Carier told her she would bewitch James Hobbs child to death and the child dyed in twenty four hours.

21. July : 92. Ann ffofter Examined Owned her former confession being read to her and further confessed that the discourse amongst ye witches at ye meeting at Salem village was that they would afflict there to set up the Diuils Kingdome. This confession is true as witnese my hand :

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Ann † ffofter

Ann ffofter Signed and Owned the aboue Exam-  
ination and Confession before me

JOHN HIGGINSON Just peace  
Salem Septem<sup>br</sup> 1692.

*Indictment v. Mary Lacey.*

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The Jurors for o<sup>r</sup> Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King  
and Queen doe present that Mary Lacey Wife of  
Lawrence Lacey of Andivor in the County of Effex  
Husbandman vpon the Twentieth day of July In the  
year aforefaid and diuers other dayes and times as  
well before as after Certaine detestable Arts called  
Witchcraft and Soceries wickedly Mallitiously and  
ffelloniously hath vsed Practised and Exercised at  
and in the Towne of Salem in the County of Effex  
aforefaid in vpon and against one Elizabeth Hobert  
of Salem aforefaid Single Woman by which Said  
wicked Arts the said Eliza : Hobert ye day and year  
aforefaid and diuers other dayes and Times Both  
Before and after was and is Tortured afflicted Con-  
sum<sup>d</sup> Pined Wasted and Tormented and also for  
Sundry other Acts of witchcraft by the said Mary  
lacey comitted and done Before and since that time  
against the Peace of o<sup>r</sup> Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the  
King and Queen their Crowne and Dignity and  
the forme of the Stattute in that Case made and  
Provided

*Examination of Mary Lacey.*

21 July 1692. A part of Goody Lacey's 2<sup>d</sup> Examination and confession to be added to the first. Before maj<sup>r</sup> Gedney, M<sup>r</sup> Hawthorn & M<sup>r</sup> Corwin.

When Goody foster was upon examination the second tyme, Goody Lacey was brought in also, who said to her mother foster, we haue forsaken Jesus christ, and the devil hath got hold of us. how shall we get cleare of this evil one.

She confeses that her mother foster, Goody Carryer and herself rid upon a pole to Salem Village meeting, and that the pole broke a litle way off from the village, she sayth further that about 3 or 4 yeares agoe she saw mistres Bradburry Goody How and Goody nurse baptised by the old Serpent at newburry falls And that he dipped their heads in the water and then said they wer his and he had power over them, she sayes there were Six baptised at that tyme who were some of the chieff or heigher powers, and that there might be neare about a hundred in company at that tyme. It being asked her, after what maner she went to Newberry falls, answered the devil carryed her in his armes, And Sayth further that if she doe take a ragg, clout or any such thing and Roll it up together, And Imagine it to represent such and such a persone, Then whatsoever she doth to that Ragg or clout so rouled up, The persone represented thereby will be in lyke manner afflicted. It being againe asked her if what she had said was all true, She answered affirma-



tively, confessing also that Andrew Carryer was witch.

She confesses that she afflicted Timothy Swan in Comp<sup>a</sup> with mistress Bradbury Goody Carryer, Richard Carryer and her own daughter mary lacey, The afflicted him with an Iron spindle and she thinks they did once with a tobacco pipe.

She said she was in Swans chamber and it being ask't which way she got in answered the devil helpt her in at the window : She also remembers the afflicting of Ballards wife, and y<sup>t</sup> Rich<sup>d</sup> Carryer was y<sup>r</sup> also,

She said further the devil take away her memory and will not let her remember.

*Eliz : Hubbard v. Mary Lacey.*

Eliz : Hubert affirmed to ye grand Inquest that she hath seen Mary lasey sen<sup>r</sup> afflict Joseph Ballards wife of Andover she sayth also that s<sup>d</sup> Mary Lasey did at ye time of her examination afflict her s<sup>d</sup> Eliz Hubbert and mercy Lewis and she dos beleue s<sup>d</sup> mary lasey was a witch and afflicted me and ye above s<sup>d</sup> persons by witchcraft but she never afflicted her s<sup>d</sup> Hubberd since she confessed.

*Mercy Lewis v. Mary Lacey.*

upon oath Sept<sup>r</sup> 14 : 1692.

Mercy lewis affirmed to ye grand Inquest that he saw Mary Lasey sen<sup>r</sup> afflict Joseph Ballards wife of Andover she faith also : that mary Lasey sen<sup>r</sup> af-

fiicted her f<sup>d</sup> Lewis and Eliz Hubbert at y<sup>e</sup> time of her examination but since she has not hurt her : she sayth she beleeves f<sup>d</sup> Lacy was a witch and afflicted her and ye aboue named persons by witchcraft Sept<sup>r</sup> ye 14 : 1692. upon oath.

*Mary Warren v. Mary Lacey.*

Mary Warin affirmed to y<sup>e</sup> Grand Inquest that she saw Mary Lacy sen<sup>r</sup> Afflict Eliz : Hubbert & Mercy lewis at ye time of her examination : she owned it upon her former oath Sept 14 : 1692.

*Indictment v. Rebecca Eames No. 1.*

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The Juriors for our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen doe present. That Rebekah Eames wife of Robert Eames of Boxford in the County of Effex aforesaid In the yeare afores<sup>d</sup> and diuers other dayes and times as well before as After Certaine Detestable Arts called witchcraft and Sorceries Wickedly Mallitiously and ffelloniously hath vsed practised and Exercised at and in the Towne of Andivor in the County of Effex afores<sup>d</sup> in vpon and against one Timothy Swan afores<sup>d</sup> by which said wicked acts the said Timothy Swan the day and yeare afores<sup>d</sup> and Diuers other dayes and times both before and was and is Tortured afflicted Consumed Waisted Pined and Tormented and also for Sundry

other Acts of Witchcraft by the said Rebekah Eames Comitted and done before and since that time against the peace of our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen theire Crowne and dignity and the forme in the Statute In that case made and provided.

(Endorsement)

She acknowledged y<sup>t</sup> she afflicted Tim<sup>o</sup> Swann.

*Indictment v. Rebecca Eames. No. 2.*

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The Jurors for o<sup>r</sup> Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen doe present that Rebekah Eames Wife of Robert Eames of Boxford in ye County afores<sup>d</sup> About twenty six yeares past in the Towne of Boxford in the County aforesaid Wickedly and feloniously A covenant with The evill Speritt the Devill did make in and by which Wicked Couenant Shee the said Rebekah Eames hir Soule and body to the Deuill did giue and promised to Serve and obey him and Keep his wayes Contrary to the Statute of the first yeare of ye Reigne of King James the first in that case made and Provided And Against the peace of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen their Crowne and Dignity

*Examination of Rebecca Eames.*

Rebecca Eames examined before Salem, Majestrats, Aug<sup>st</sup> 19: 1692. She owned she had bin in

y<sup>e</sup> snare a monthe or 2 : and had bin perswaded to it 3 monthes and that y<sup>e</sup> devil apeare to her like a colt very ugly ye first time but she would not own y<sup>t</sup> she had bin baptised by him she did not know but y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> devil did persuade her to renounce god and christ and ffolow his wicked wayes and that she did take his Counsell and that she did afflict Timo : Swan she did not know but that y<sup>e</sup> devil might ask her body and soul and she knows not but y<sup>t</sup> she did give him soul and body after ward she f<sup>d</sup> she did do it and that she would forsake god and his works : and ye devil promised her to give her powr to avenge herselfe on them that offended her afterward she f<sup>d</sup> ye devil apeare to her 7 year agoe and that he had tempted her to ly and had made her to afflict persons but she could not tell their names that she first afflicted 2 who came w<sup>t</sup> ye devil when he made you a witch A : a ragged girl : they came together and they perswaded me to afflict : and J afflicte mary Warin and an other fayr face it is abot a quarter of a year agoe : J did it by sticking of pins : but did you afflict Swan : yes, but I am sorry for it : 2. where had you your spear A. J had nothing but an all but was it with yo<sup>r</sup> body or spirit you came to hurt these maydes : A. with my spirit : 2. but can you ask them forgivnes A : J will fall down on my knees to ask it of them : She would not own that she signd y<sup>e</sup> devils book when he askd her body and soul : but he would have had her done it nor to a burch Rign nor nothing : She f<sup>d</sup> ye devil was in ye Shape of a hors when he

caried her to afflict : but would not own anybody went with her to afflict but y<sup>e</sup> afflicted f<sup>d</sup> her son Dan<sup>ll</sup> went with her to afflict : 2. did you not say y<sup>e</sup> Devil baptised yo<sup>r</sup> son daniell. A. he told me so ; but ; did you not touch the book nor lay yo<sup>r</sup> hand on book nor paper. A : I layd my hand on nothing without it was a peice of board : and did you lay yo<sup>r</sup> hand on ye board when he bid you. A : yes ; mary Lascy f<sup>d</sup> she had given her son Dan<sup>ll</sup> to ye devil at 2 years old : and y<sup>t</sup> her apertion told her so : but she could not remember it : she was bid to take warin and lascy by y<sup>e</sup> hand and beg forgivnes and did so and they forgave her she f<sup>d</sup> if she had given her son Dan<sup>ll</sup> to ye devil it was in an Angry fitt she did not know but she might do it nor J do not know he is a wich but J am afrayd he is : mary lascy saw her son Dan<sup>ll</sup> stand before her and f<sup>d</sup> Dan<sup>ll</sup> bid his mother not confesse he was a Wich : his mother did not know she f<sup>d</sup> but she might se him for she saw a burlling thing before her : Mary Lascy f<sup>d</sup> she had baptized her son Dan<sup>ll</sup> and she had bin babtized in five mile Pond : she f<sup>d</sup> ye reason she feared Dan<sup>ll</sup> was a witch : was becaus he used dredfull bad words when he was Angry : and bad wishes ; being asked the age of Dan<sup>ll</sup> f<sup>d</sup> he was 28 years old ; she was told she had bin long a witch ; then, if she gave her son to ye devil at 2 years old she owned she had bin discontented since she had bin in league with y<sup>e</sup> devil : she knew not but y<sup>e</sup> devil might come once a day lik a mous or ratt : she f<sup>d</sup> she knew Sarah parker but did not know her



to be a wick : but she heard she had bin crofd in love and ye devil had come to her and kisd her : who was with you when you afflicted swan : A. nobody but my son Dan<sup>ll</sup> he was there when J came theether : she would have Dan<sup>ll</sup> perswaded to confes but was told she were best to perswade him becaus she knew him to be a wick : she was askt if she was at y<sup>e</sup> execution : she s<sup>d</sup> she was at y<sup>e</sup> hous below y<sup>e</sup> hill : she saw a few folk : the woman of y<sup>e</sup> hous had a pin stuck into her foot : but she s<sup>d</sup> she did not doe it : but how do you afflict : A : J Consent to it : but have you bin a wick 26 years : A : no, J cannot remember but 7 years and have afflicted about a quarter of a year : but : if you have bin a wick so long : why did you not afflict before seing you promised to Sen ye devil, A : others did not Afflict before and the devil did not require it : but : doth not ye devil threaten you if you not do what he ses : A, yes he thretens to tere me in peices : but did you use to goe to meeting on Sabbath dayes ; yes, but not so often as J should have done : what shape did the devil com in when you layd yo<sup>r</sup> hand on y<sup>e</sup> board : A. J cannot tell except it was a mous.

*Indictment v. Samuel Wardwell No. 1.*

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The Juriors for our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King

and Queen doe present that Samuel Wardell of Andivor Jn the County of Effex Carpenter on or about the fifteenth day of August Jn the yeare aforefaid and diuers other days and times as well before as after Certaine detestable arts called Witchcraft and Sorceries Wickedly Mallitiously and feloniously hath used practised and Exercised at and in the Towne of Boxford in the County of Effex aforefaid in upon and against one Martha Sprague of Boxford in the County of Effex aforefaid Singlewoman by which said wicked Acts the said Martha Sprague the day and yeare aforefaid and diuers other days and times both before and after was and is Tortured Afflicted Consumed Pined Wasted and Tormented, and also for fundry other Acts of Witchcraft by the said Samuel Wardell Comitted and done before and since that time against the peace of our Soueraigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen theire Crowne and dignity And the forme in the Stattute in that case made and Provided.

*Indictment v. Samuel Wardwell No. 2.*

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The Juriors for our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen p<sup>r</sup>sent Samuel Wardell of Andivor in the County of Effex Carpent<sup>r</sup> About Twenty yeares agoe in the Towne of Andivor Jn the County of

Effex aforefaid Wickedly and ffelloniously he the faid Samuel Wardell with the Evill Speritt the Devill A Couenant did make Wherin he promised to honor Worſhip and believe the devill Contrary to the Stattute of King James the firſt in that behalfe made and provided, And Againſt the peace of Sovareigne Lord and Lady the King and Queen their Crowne and dignity.

*Examination of Samuel Wardwell.*

The examination and Confeſſion of Sam<sup>l</sup> wardwell taken Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 92. before John Higginſon Eſq of their majties Juſtices of peace for the County of Effex.

After the returneing of negative anſwers to ſeverall queſtions He ſaid he was ſenſible he was in the ſnare of the devil, he uſed to be much diſcontented that he could get no more work done, and that he had been fooliſhly led along with telling of fortunes, which ſometymes came to paſs, He uſed alſo when any creature came into his field to bid the devil take it, and it may be the devil took advantage of him by that Conſtable foſter of Andover ſaid that this wardwell told him once in the woods that when he was a young man he could make all his cattell come round about him when he pleaſed. The ſaid wardwell being urged to tell o truth he proceeded thus, That being once in a diſcontented frame he ſaw ſome cattes together with the appearance of a man who called himſelf a prince of the aire & promiſed him he ſhould live comfortably and be a cap-

tain and requyred said wardwell to honor him which he promised to doe and it was about twenty years agoe: He said the reason of his discontent then was because he was in love with a maid named Barker who flighted his love, And the first Apperance of the catt then was behind Capt<sup>t</sup> bradstreets house, about a week after that a black man appeared in the day tyme at the same place and called himself prince and lord and told him the said wardwell he must worship and believe him, and promised as above, with this addition that he should never want for any thing but that the black man had never performed anything, and further that when he would goe to prayer in his family the devil wold begin to be angry. He saith also that at that tyme when the devil appeared and told him he was prince of the aire that then he Syned his book by makeing a marke like a square with a black pen and that the devil brought him the pen and Jnk: He saith further he couenanted with the devil untill he should arryve to the age of sixty years and that he is now about the age of 46 years And at that tyme the devil promised on his part, as is above exprest, he said it was about a f<sup>n</sup>ight agoe since he began to afflict, and confesses that mary Lilly and Hannah Tayler of Ridding were of his company, Further he saith that martha Sprague was the first he afflicted, that the devil put him upon it and threatned him y<sup>r</sup> unto And that he did it by pinching his coat and buttons when he was discontented, and gave the devil a commission so to doe, He sayes

he was baptized by the black man at Shaw thin river alone and was dypt all over and beleues he renounced his former baptisme

John Higginson

Sam<sup>ll</sup> Wardwell owned to y<sup>e</sup> grand Inquest that ye above written confession was taken from his mouth and that he said it but he f<sup>d</sup> he belyed himselfe he also f<sup>d</sup> it was alone one he knew he should dye for it whether he ownd it or no.

Sept<sup>r</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 1692.

*Martha Sprague v. Sam<sup>l</sup> Wardwell.*

Martha Spreag Aged 16 years Affirmed to ye grand Inquest : that Sam<sup>ll</sup> Wardwell has afflicted her both before his examination and at ye time of it by pinching and sticking pinse into her and striking me downe and yesterday when I had a warrant to come to court said wardwell did greivously afflict me J also have seen f<sup>d</sup> wardwell afflict Rose ffofter and her mother and I veryly beleewe he is a wizzard and that he afflicted me and ye above mentioned by acts of witchcraft,

Sep<sup>tr</sup> 14; 1692 Jurat.

*Mary Warrin v. Sam<sup>l</sup> Wardwell.*

Mary Warin affirmd to Jury of Inquest that Sam<sup>ll</sup> Wardwell hath often afflicted her and that he now before y<sup>e</sup> grand inquest hath afflicted her also she fd that y<sup>t</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> day and at ye time of f<sup>d</sup> wardwels examination he did afflict Martha Spreag and



she verily beleevs <sup>sd</sup> Wardwell is a wizzard and y<sup>t</sup> he afflicted her and martha Spreag by witchcraft.

Jurat Sep<sup>r</sup> : 14 : 1692 upon her oath.

*Mary Walcott v. Sam<sup>l</sup> Wardwell.*

Mary Walcot affirmed to ye grand Inquest that she saw Sam<sup>ll</sup> Wardwell or his Apperition pull Martha Spreag off from her horse as she was riding out of Salem and verily beleevs he did it by witchcraft. Sept<sup>r</sup> 14 : 1692 upon oath Jurat.

*Ephraim Foster v. Sam<sup>l</sup> Wardwell.*

The depofetion of Ephraim ffofter of Andover aged about thirty four years this deponant testifyeth and fayeth that he heard Samuell Wordwell the prifoner now at the bare tell my wife that she fhould haue five gurls before she fhould have a fon ; which thing is come to pafe : and J heard him tell dority Eames hur fortien and J have heard faid dority fay after that she belived wardwell was a witch or els he cold neuer tell what he did and J took knotes that faid wardwall would look in their hand and then would caft his eyes down upon y<sup>e</sup> ground allways before he told Enything this I have both feen and heard feuerall times and about feveral perfons, and y<sup>t</sup> he could make cattle come to him when he pleased. Jurat in Curia.

*Thomas Chandler v. Sam<sup>l</sup> Wardwell.*

The tiftimony of Thomas Chandler aged about 65 who faith that J have often hard Samuell war-

dle of Andouer till yung person their fortune and he was much adicted to that and mayd sport of it and farther faith not Jurat in Curia.

*Joseph Ballard v. Sam<sup>t</sup> Wardwell.*

The testimony of Joseph Ballard of andouer eaged about 41 yeares faith that my brother John Ballard told me that Samuel Wardel told him that J had reported that he had bewitched my wife these wordes were spoken before J had any knolidg of my wife being afflicted by wichcraft after J meeting with said Samuel wardel prisnor at the bar J told him that J douteed that he was guilty of hurting my wife for J had no futch thoughts nor had spoken any such wordes of him or any other person and tharefore J doe not know but you are guilty, & further y<sup>t</sup> Sam<sup>ll</sup> Wardwell owned to this deponent that he had spoke it to my brother.

Jurat in Curia,

*Abigail Martin, John Bridges v. Sam<sup>l</sup> Wardwell.*

the deposition of Abigell marten of Andavr Aged about sixteen years this deponant testifyeth and sayeth that some time last winter Samuel wordwall being at my fathers hows with John ffarnom: J heard said John farnom ask said wordwall his fourteen, which he did and told him that he was in love with a gurl but should be croft and should goe to the Sutherd which said farnom oned to be his thought said wardwall further told he had like to be shot with a gon, and should haue a foall of from

his horse or should haue, which said farnom, after oned that he told right.

And further J heard him tell Jéams bridges his fortén that he loued a gurll at fourteen years old which said bridges oned to be the truth but cold not imagin how said wordwall knew : for he neuer spake of it ; John bridges, father of said ieams bridges sayeth he heard Jeam say J wonder how wordwall cold teell so true

Jurat in Curia, by both.

*Indictment v. Mary Parker.*

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The Jurors for or Sour Lord and Lady the King and Queen doe present That Mary Parker of Andivor In the County of Essex Widdow ye first day of Septembr In the yeare aforesaid and diuers other dayes and Times as well before as after Certaine detestable Arts called Witchcraft and Sorceries Wickedly Mallistiously and feloniously hath vsed practised and Exercised at and in the Towne of Salem in ye County of Essex aforesaid in upon and against one Martha Sprague of Boxford in aforesaid the County of Essex aforesaid Single Woman By which said wicked Acts the said Martha Sprague ye day and year aforesaid and diuers other dayes and times hath before and after was and is Tortured afflicted Consumed Pined wasted and Tormented

and also for Sundry other acts of witchcraft by the said Mary Parker Comitted and done before and since that Time against the peace of or Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen their Crowne and dignity and the forme of the Statute in that case made and Prouided.

*Examination of Mary Parker.*

2 Sep<sup>r</sup> 1692. The Examination of mary parker of Andover widow taken before Barth<sup>o</sup> Gidny John Hathorne Jonat<sup>t</sup> Corwin and John Higginson Esq<sup>r</sup> ther majesties Justices of the peace for the County of Essex in the forth yeare of their majesties reigne.

upon mentioneing of her name, severall afflicted persones wer struck down as mary warrin Sarah churchhill, hannah post, Sarah Bridges Mercy ward, And when she came before the Justices, she recovered all the afflicted out of their fitts by the touch of ther hand. She is accused for acting of witchcraft upon martha sprague And Sarah Phelps. 2. how long have y<sup>e</sup> been in the snare of the devil.

Ansr. I know nothing of it. There is another woman of the same name in Andover. But martha Spreague affirmed that this is the very woman that afflicted her : The said mary parker Lookeing upon Sprague struck her down, and recovered her again out of her Mary Lacey being in a fitt, cryed out upon mary parker, and f<sup>d</sup> parker recovered her

out of her fitt, mercy wardwell was twice afflicted by parker and recovered again by her ;

William Barker lookeing upon mary Parker said to her face That she was one of his company, And that the last night she afflicted martha Sprague in company with him.

Mercy wardwell said that this mary parker was also one of her company and that the said parker afflicted Timothy Swan in her company—Mary Warrin in a violent fitt was brought neare haveing a pinn run through her hand and blood runing out of her mouth She was recovered from her fitt by f<sup>d</sup> mary parker, The said mary warrin said that this mary parker afflicted and tormented her, And further that she saw the said parker at ane examination vp at Salem Village sitting upon one of the beams of the house.

I under written being appointed by the Justices of the peace in Salem to wry<sup>t</sup> down the Examination of Mary Parker above mentioned, Doe testify this to be a true copy of the originall examination, As to the substance of it,

W<sup>m</sup> MURRAY.

*Jno Westgate v. Mary Parker.*

In<sup>o</sup> Westgate aged about forty years This dep<sup>o</sup>nant Testifyeth thatt about Eight years since he being att the house of m<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>ll</sup> Beadle In the company of Ino Parker and severall others, the wife of said In<sup>o</sup> Parker came into the company and scolded att and called her husband all to nought whereupon



I the said deponent tooke her husbands part telling of her it was an unbeseeming thing for her to come after him to the taverne and raile after thatt rate w<sup>th</sup> thatt she came up to me and called me rogue and bid me mind my owne busines and told me J had better have said nothing sometime afterwards, J y<sup>e</sup> f<sup>d</sup> deponent going ffrom the house of m<sup>r</sup> San<sup>ll</sup> King w<sup>n</sup> I came over against Jn<sup>o</sup> Robinsons house I heard a great noyce coming ffrom towards m<sup>r</sup> babage his house then there apeareed a black hogge running towards me w<sup>th</sup> open mouth as though he would have devoured me, att that Instant time, I the said deponent fell downe vpon my hipp and my knjfe runn into my hipp up to the haft w<sup>n</sup> J came home my knife was in my sheath w<sup>n</sup> J drew itt out of the sheath then imediately the sheath fell all to peaces, and further this deponent testifyeth thatt after he gott up from his fall his stockin and shue was full of blood and that he was forc't to craule along by the fence all the way home and the hogg followed him and never left him tell he came home, and haueing a stout dog then with mee, the dog run then away from him leapeing ouer y<sup>e</sup> fence and Crying much, which at other tymes vsed to Wory any hog well or Sufficently, which hogg J then apprehended was either y<sup>e</sup> Diuell or some euill thing not a reall hog, and did then really Judge or determine in my mind that it was Either Goody parker or by her meenes, and procureing feareing y<sup>t</sup> she is a Witch.

Sworne Salem June 2<sup>d</sup> 1692. Before John Ha-

thorne—Affil<sup>t</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Westgate declared y<sup>e</sup> aboue written and what is written on the other side of this paper to be a true evidence before ye Jury of Jnquest upon y<sup>e</sup> oath he hath taken : Septem<sup>r</sup> 7 : 1692.

Jurat in Curia.

*W<sup>m</sup> Barker v. Mary Parker.*

W<sup>m</sup> Barker Jun<sup>r</sup> affirmed to ye grand Jnquest that mary Parker did in company with him f<sup>d</sup> Barker confessed which was y<sup>e</sup> 1 of Sep<sup>t</sup> 1692. this he owned to ye grand Jnquest : Sep<sup>t</sup> 16 : 1692.

Owned in Court.

*Mary Wardwell v. Mary Parker.*

Mercy Wardwell owned to y<sup>e</sup> grand inquest that she had seen ye shape of Mary Parker when she f<sup>d</sup> Wardwell afflicted Tim<sup>o</sup> Swan : also she f<sup>d</sup> she saw f<sup>d</sup> parkers Shape when the f<sup>d</sup> wardwell afflicted Martha Sprage but J did not certainly know that f<sup>d</sup> parker was a witch : this she owned to ye Grand Jnquest. Sept : 16 : 1692.

*Jno Bullock v. Mary Parker.*

Jn<sup>o</sup> Bullock aged 36 years testifieth y<sup>t</sup> aboute ye middle of January last past one of my neighbo<sup>rs</sup> told me y<sup>t</sup> mrs park<sup>r</sup> did lay upon ye durt & Snow if J did not take care of her y<sup>t</sup> she would perish whereupon I did desire some men y<sup>t</sup> were in mye hous to goe and help her : and when they came to her y<sup>t</sup> they would not meddle because they thought

she was ded there being a neighbor by said she saw her before in such kind of fits: then J perswaded one man bye: to take her upon his shoulders and Carrye her home but in a little way going he let her fall upon a place of stones: w<sup>ch</sup> did not awake her w<sup>ch</sup> caused me to think she was really dead after y<sup>t</sup> wee Carryed her into her hous and Caused her Cloaths to be taken of and while we were taking of her Cloaths to put her into bed she rises up & laughs in o<sup>r</sup> faces.

Martha Dutch aged abot 36 years testifyeth to ye above written and farther saith that J have sene said parker in such a condition seuerall othar tims.

Jurat in Curia Sep<sup>r</sup> 7: 92.

S SEWALL Cle.

*Sam<sup>l</sup> Shattock v. Mary Parker.*

Sam<sup>l</sup> Shattock aged 41 years testifieth y<sup>t</sup> in the year 1685: Goodwife Parker wife of Jn<sup>o</sup> Parker mariner Came to my hous, and went into the room where my wife and Children were and fauned upon my wife w<sup>th</sup> very Smooth words in a Short tyme after that Child w<sup>ch</sup> was Supposed to haue bin under an ill hand for Seuerall years before: was taken in a Strange and unuceall maner as if his vitalls would haue broake out his breast boane, drawn up together to the uper part of his brest his neck & Eyes drawne Soe much aside as if they would neuer come to right againe he lay in So Strange a maner y<sup>t</sup> the Doctor and others did believe he was bewitched Soom days after Som of the visitors Cut

Som of his haire of to boyle w<sup>ch</sup> they faide altho they did w<sup>th</sup> great tendernes ye Child would Shreek out as if he had bin tormented : they put his hair in a skillet ouer a fier w<sup>ch</sup> Stood plaine on the hearth and as son as they were gon out of ye room it was throwne doune and i came immediatly into ye room and Could See no Creature in ye room they put it on againe and after it had boyled Som tyme the aboue said Goodwife Parker Came in and asked if i would buye Soom Chickens J told her no : the woman y<sup>t</sup> were above in the Chamber said to me it is pittty you did not ask to See her chickens for they did beleiue she had none to Sell : and advised me to send to her hous to buy Som w<sup>ch</sup> i did and ye messenger brought me word y<sup>t</sup> she told him she had none and y<sup>t</sup> ye woman y<sup>t</sup> liued in the Same hous told him y<sup>t</sup> ye said Parker had not had any in three weeks before : Soom days after She w<sup>th</sup> her husband and two men moor Came to mye hous. & to answer their request i went to them : She asked me if i faide she had bewitched mye Child J told her J did beliue She had : she said to me you are a wicked man : ye lord avenge me of you ye lord bring vengeance upon you for this wrong : one of ye men asked her w<sup>t</sup> made you Com to this hous last Saturday : She faide to Sell Chicken : why did not you let him haue y<sup>m</sup> when he sent for ym said he : She said becaus she had sold y<sup>m</sup> he asked to whome, She said to fuch a one wee sent presently ye party and the answer was brought us y<sup>t</sup> he never bought any of her well you see faide they you have

told us y<sup>t</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> is not true w<sup>t</sup> did you w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>m</sup> She was at a Stand but at last saide her son carryed y<sup>m</sup> to sea w<sup>th</sup> him: her husband told her y<sup>t</sup> was not true for her son went to sea last fryday: and if he had Carryed y<sup>m</sup> to sea she could not brough ym here y<sup>e</sup> Saturday following She could not giue any true account w<sup>t</sup> she did w<sup>t</sup> them: but went into y<sup>e</sup> room where y<sup>e</sup> Child was and told my wife y<sup>t</sup> she was a wicked woman for Saying foe of her: & told my wife in these words J hope J shall see the downfall of you, my wife told me, and foe went away in a great anger: and this is all true and reall to the uttermost of my remembrance and after this threatening or Euill wishing the Child has Continued in a very Sad Condition fowllowed w<sup>th</sup> very Solem fits w<sup>ch</sup> hath taken away his understanding.

Jurat in Curia.

*Indictment v. Mary Bradbury No. 1.*

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The Jurors for our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen doe present That Mary Bradbury Wife of Cap<sup>t</sup> Thomas Bradbury of Salisbury Jn the County of Essex Gent vpon the Twenty Sixth day of July Jn the yeare aforesaid and diuers other dayes & times as well before as after Certaine Detestable arts called Witchcraft and Soceries Wickedly Mallitiously and feloniously hath used practised and ex-



exercised At and in the Township of Andivor in the County of Essex aforesaid in upon and against one Timothy Swann of Andivor In the county aforesaid Husbandman, by which said wicked Acts the said Timothy Swann vpon the 26<sup>th</sup> day of July aforesaid and diuers other days and times both before and after was and is Tortured Afflicted Consumed Pined Waisted and Tormented and also for Sundry other Acts of witchcraft by the said Mary Bradbury Comitted and done before and since that time against the Peace of our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen theire Crowne and dignity And the forme of the Stattute In that case made and Prouided.

Witness. Mary Walcott Ann Puttnam

*Indictment v. Mary Bradbury No. 2.*

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|                       | & <sup>c</sup> Quarto Annoq. Domini   |
|                       | 1692.                                 |

The Jurors for our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen doe present that Mary Bradbury Wife of Cap<sup>t</sup> Thomas Bradbury of Salisbury In the County of Essex Genm<sup>t</sup>: vpon the Second day of July In the yeare aforesaid and diuers other days and times as well before as after certaine detestable arts called Witchcraft and Sorceries Wickedly Maliciously and feloniously hath used practised and Exercised at and in the Towne of Salem in the County of Essex aforesaid in upon and against one Sarah

Vibber Wife of John Vibber of Salem aforesaid Husbandman by which said wicked acts the said Sarah Vibber the second day of July aforesaid and diuers other days and times both before and after was and is Tortured Afflicted Consumed Pined Wasted and Tormented and also for sundry other acts of Witchcraft by the said Mary Bradbury Comitted Acted and done before and since that time against the peace of our Sou<sup>r</sup> Lord and Lady the King and Queen theire Crowne and Dignity and the forme of the Stattute Jn that case made and Pro- uided.

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| Wittness | Mary Walcott | Eliz. Booth |
|          | Eliz. Hobard | Mercy lewis |

*Answer of Mary Bradbury.*

The answer of Mary Bradbury in ye charge of wichcraft or familiarity with ye Divell. J doe plead not guilty. I am wholly inocent of any such wickedness through the goodnes of god that haue kept mee hitherto) J am y<sup>e</sup> seruant of Jesus Christ and have given myselfe up to him as my only lord and faviour : and to the dilligent attendance upon him in all his holy ordinances, in vtter contempt and defiance of the divell, and all his works as horid & detestible : and accordingly haue endeavored to frame my life, and conversation according to y<sup>e</sup> rules of his holy word, and in that faith & practise resolue by ye help and assistance of god to continue to my lifes end :

for ye truth of what J say as to matter of practis

J humbly refer myself myfelfe, to my brēthren and neighbo<sup>rs</sup> that know mee and vnto ye fearcher of all hearts for the truth and uprightnes of my heart therein (human frailties, and unavoydable infirmities excepted) of which i bitterly complayne every day :  
Mary Bradbury.

*Geo: Herrick v. Mary Bradbury.*

May 26<sup>th</sup> 1692. Beeing at Salem village w<sup>th</sup> Conftable Josp neale the perfons under written was afflicted much and Complained againft viz. Mary Walcott Ann Putnam vpon Cap<sup>t</sup> Bradberys wife of Salisbury and Mary Walcott Ann Putnam m<sup>rs</sup> marshall vpon Goodwife Rice of Reding and Mary walcott ann Puttnam Marcy Lewis vpon Goodwife Read of Marblehead and Mary Walcott Marcy Lewis Ann Puttnam vpon Goody Fofdick y<sup>e</sup> fame woemen tells them y<sup>t</sup> ſhe afflicts m<sup>r</sup> Tufts Negro.  
attest GEO: HERRICK Marshall.

*Thos: Bradbury for Mary Bradbury.*

July y<sup>e</sup> 28 : 1692. Cocerning my beloued wife Mary Bradbury this is that J haue to fay : wee haue been married fifty five yeare : and ſhee hath bin a loueing and faithfull wife to mee, vnto this day ſhee hath been wonderfull laborious dilligent & indutryous in her place and imployment, about the bringing vp o<sup>r</sup> family (w<sup>ch</sup> haue bin eleven childeren of o<sup>r</sup> owne, and fower grand children ; ſhe was both prudent and provident ; of a cheerfull ſpiritt liberall and charitable. Shee being now very aged

and weake and greiued vnder her affliction may not bee able to speake much for herselfe, not being so free of speech as some others may bee:

J hope her life and conversation hath been such amongst her neighbours, as gives a better and more reall Testimoney of her, then can bee exprest by words

own'd by mee

Tho: Bradbury.

*Summons v. Mary Bradbury.*

W<sup>m</sup> & Mary by ye Grace of God of England  
L.S. Scotland ffraunce & Jreland King and Queen  
defend<sup>rs</sup> of ye faith &c

To Thomas Ring of Amesbury or Salisbury Timothy Swann of Andover Richard Carr & James Carr of Salisbury. Greeting

Wee Comand you all Excuses set apart to be and personaly appear at ye Next Court of Oyer & Terminer holden at Salem On Tuesday Next at Twelue of ye Clock or as soon after as possible There to Testify ye truth on Seuerall Indictments to be Exhibited against m<sup>rs</sup> Mary Bradbury and other persones to be Tried for y<sup>e</sup> horrible Crime of Witchcraft hereof make return fail not. dated in Salem Sep<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1692 and in ye fourth year of our Reign.

STEPHEN SEWALL Cler

To ye Sheriff of Effex or Constables of Andouer Hauerhill Salisbury Amesbury Bradford or Newbury.

*James Allen, Rob<sup>t</sup> Pike & John Pike for Mary Bradbury.*

Being desired to give my testimony concerning the life and conversation of m<sup>rs</sup> Bradbury of Salisbury amongst us, w<sup>ch</sup> is as followeth viz—I having lived nine years at Salisbury in the work of the ministry and now four years in the office a Pastour ; to my best notice and observation of m<sup>rs</sup> Bradbury she hath lived according to the rules of the gospell ; amongst us : was a constant attender upon the ministry of ye word : and all the ordinances of the gospell ; full of works of charity and mercy to the sick and poor, neither have J seen or heard an thing of her unbecoming the profession of the gospell.

James Allin.

m<sup>r</sup> James Allin made oathe to the truth of what is above written Septemb<sup>r</sup> y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> 1692.

before me

ROB<sup>t</sup> PIKE Asst.

J do also aferm to the truth of w<sup>t</sup> is aboue testified vpon vpward of fifty years experience and shall so testify if opertunity do present w<sup>ch</sup> J shall endeavour

Rob<sup>t</sup> Pike.

Having lived many years in Salisbury and been much Conversent there according to my best notice and observation of Mrs. Bradbury must needs affirm to what is above written and add my oath to it if called thereto :

John Pike



*Ann Putnam v. Mary Bradbury.*

The deposition of Ann Putnam who testifieth & faith that J being at Andevour on the 26 day of July 1692. J saw there Mis mary Bradbery the wife of Cap<sup>t</sup> Tho : Bradbery of Salisbury or hir Apperance most greivous affleeting and tormenting of Timothy Swan of Andevor allmost Redy to kill him also severall times before and fence that time J haue seen mis<sup>t</sup> Bradbery or hir Apperance most greivously afflicting Timothy Swan and J beleue that Mis Bradbery is a most dreadfull wi<sup>th</sup> for fence she has been in prision she or hir Apperance has com to me and most greivously afflicted me, ann putnam ownid before the grand Inquest this har evidens to be the truth one the oath that she hath taken this 8 day of Septem<sup>r</sup> 1692

*Sam<sup>l</sup> Endicott v. Mary Bradbury.*

Sam<sup>ll</sup> Endecott aged thirty one years or there about Testifieth Thatt about eleven years since being bound upon a vioage to sea w<sup>th</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> Sam<sup>ll</sup> Smith Late of Boston Deceas'd just before we Sayl'd m<sup>rs</sup> Bradbery of Salisbury the prisoner now att the barr came to Boston w<sup>th</sup> some ferkins of butter of w<sup>ch</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> Smith bought two, one of y<sup>m</sup> proved halfe way butter and after wee had been at sea three weekes our men were nott able to eatt itt, itt stunk foe and runn w<sup>th</sup> magotts, w<sup>ch</sup> made the men very much disturb'd about itt and would often say thatt

they heard m<sup>rs</sup> Bradbury was a witch and that they verily believed she was foe or else she would not have served the Cap<sup>t</sup> foe as to sell him such butter. And further this deponent testifieth y<sup>t</sup> in four dayes after they sett sayle they mett w<sup>th</sup> such a violent storm y<sup>t</sup> we lost our main mast and riggin & Lost fifeteen horses and thatt about a fortnight after we sett our jury mast and thatt very night thare came up a shipp by our side and carried away two of the mizon Shrouds and one of the Leaches of the main-faile. And this deponent further sayth thatt after they arrived att Barbados and went to Saltitudes & had Laden their vessell the next morning she sprang a leake in the hold w<sup>ch</sup> wasted sevrall tunns of salt in foe much thatt we were forct to unlade our vessell again wholly to stopp our leake there was then four foot of water in the hold after we had taken in our lading again we had a good passage home butt when we came near the land the Cap<sup>t</sup> sent this deponent forward to looke out for land in a bright moone shining night and as he was sitting upon the Windles he heard a Rumbling noise under him w<sup>th</sup> that he the s<sup>d</sup> deponent Testifieth thatt he looked one the side of the windles and saw the leggs of some p son being no wayes frightened and thatt presently he was shook and looked over his shoulder, and saw the appearance of a woman from her middle upwards, haueing a white Capp & white neck-cloth on her, w<sup>ch</sup> then affrighted him very much, and as he was turning of the windles he saw the aforfaid two leggs.

Jurat in Curia Sep<sup>r</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 1692.

*Mary Warren v. Mary Bradbury.*

The Deposition of mary warren who testifieth and faith that J haue ben a long time afflicted by a woman which tould me hir name was M<sup>is</sup> Bradbery and that she came from Salisbury but on the 2<sup>d</sup> of July 1692 : being the day of the examination of mis mary Bradbery J then saw that she was the very same woman which tould me hir name was M<sup>is</sup> Bradbery and she did most greivously Afflict and torment meduring the time of hir examination for if she did but look upon she would strick me down or allmost Choake me also on the day of her examination J saw m<sup>is</sup> Bradbery or hir Apperance most greivously afflict and torment mary wallcott Sarah vibber Eliz Hubbard and Ann putnam and J beleue in my heart that m<sup>is</sup> Bradbery is a witch & that she has very often afflicted and tormented me and feueral others by hir acts of witchcraft.

mary warrin ownid this har testimony one the oath which she hath before the grand Inquest this 9<sup>th</sup> of September 92.

*Richard Carr & Zerubbable Endicott v. Mary Bradbury.*

The deposition of Richard Carr who testifieth and faith that about 13 years agoe presently after some Diferance that happened to be between my Hon<sup>rd</sup> ffather m<sup>r</sup> George Carr and M<sup>is</sup> Bradbery the prisoner at the barr upon a Sabbath at noon as

we ware riding hom by the house of Cap<sup>t</sup> Tho : Bradbery J saw m<sup>is</sup> Bradbery goe into hir gate turne the corner of: ann Jmmediatly there derted out of hir gate a blue boar and darted at my fathers horses ledgs which made him stumple but J saw it no more and my father said boys what doe you se we both answed a blue bore.

Zorobabell Endicott testifieth and faith that J liued att m<sup>r</sup> George Carr now deceased at the time aboue mentioned and was present with m<sup>r</sup> George Carr and m<sup>r</sup> Richard Carr and J also saw a blue boar dart out of m<sup>r</sup> Brdbery gate to M<sup>r</sup> George Carrs horses ledges which mad him stumple after a strange manr and J also saw the blue bore dart from mr carrs horses ledgs in att m<sup>is</sup> Bradberys window : and m<sup>r</sup> carr jmmediately said boys what did you see and we both said a blue bore then said he from whence came it and we said out of m<sup>r</sup> Bradberys gate, then said he J am glad you see itt as well as well as J. Jurat in Curia Sep<sup>r</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 92.

and they both further say on y<sup>r</sup> Oathes that m<sup>r</sup> Carr discourfed w<sup>th</sup> them as they went home about what had happened and y<sup>v</sup> all concluded that it was m<sup>rs</sup> Bradbury that so app<sup>rd</sup> as a blue boar.

*James Carr v. Mary Bradbury.*

The Deposition of James carr who testifieth & faith that about 20 years agoe one day as J was accidentally att the house of mr wheleright and his daughter the widdow maverick then liued there:

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and she then did most curtuously invite me to com oftener to the house and wondered J was grown such a stranger, and within a few days after one evening J went thether againe and when J came thether againe; william Bradbery was y<sup>r</sup> who was then a suter to the said widdow but J did not know it till afterwards; affter J came in the widdow did so corsely threat the s<sup>d</sup> william Bradbery that he went away semeing to be angury; presently affter this J was taken affter a strange maner as if liuing creatures did run about euery part of my body redy to tare me to peaces and soe J continued for about 3 quarters of a year by times and J applyed myself to docter crosbe who gave me a grate deal of vifek but could make none work tho he steept tobacco in bo-sit drink he could make non to work where upon he tould me that he beleued J was behaged: and J tould him J had thought so a good while: and he asked me by hom J tould him J did not care for spaking for one was counted an honest woman but he uging J tould him and he said he did beleue that mi<sup>s</sup> Bradbery was a grat deal worse then gody mertin: the presently affter this one night J being a bed and brod awake there came sumthing to me which J thought was a catt and went to strick it ofe the bed and was geud fast that J could not stir hand nor foot but by and by coming to my strenth J hard sumthing a coming to me againe and J prepared myself to strick it: and it coming upon the bed J did strick at it and J beleue J hit it: and after that vifek would work on me and J



beleue in my hart that mi<sup>s</sup> Bradbery the prison<sup>r</sup> att the barr has often afflicted me by acts of witchcraft.

Jurat in Curia Sep<sup>tm</sup> 9: 92.

*Mary Walcott v. Mary Bradbury.*

The deposi<sup>tion</sup> of mary walcott who testifieth and saith that J being at Andeur on the later end of July 1692: and on the 26 day of the same month J saw there Mis mary Bradbery the wife of Cap<sup>t</sup> Tho: Bradbery of salisbury or her Apperance most greivously affecting and tormenting of Timothy Swan of Andevor allmost Redy to kill him: also before and sence that time J haue seen mi<sup>s</sup> Bradbery or hir Apperance most greivously afflecting and tormenting Timothy swan and J doe beleue in my heart that mist<sup>r</sup> Bradbery is a most dreadfull witch for sence she has been in prison she or hir Apperance has come to me and most greivously tormented me.

mary Walcot affirmed y<sup>e</sup> truth of y<sup>e</sup> aboue written evidence before y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Inquest upon oath Sep<sup>r</sup> 9: 1691:

*William Carr for Mary Bradbury.*

The testamony of william carr aged 41 or therabouts is that my brother John Carr when he was young was a man of as good capacity as most men of his age but falling in Love with Jane Tru (now wife of Cap<sup>t</sup> John march) and my father being pswaded by some of the family (w<sup>ch</sup> J shall not

name not to Let him mary so yong : my father would not giue him a porfion w<sup>r</sup> vpon the mach broke of w<sup>ch</sup> my brother Layd so much to hart that he grew meloncoly and by degrees much crazed not being the man that he was before to his dying day. J do father testify that my f<sup>d</sup> brother was sick about a fortnight or three weeks and then dyed and J was present with him w<sup>n</sup> he dyed and J do aferm that he dyed peacibly and quietly neuer manifesting the Left troubl in y<sup>e</sup> world about any body nor did not say any thing of m<sup>r</sup>s Bradbury nor anybody else doing him hurt and yet J was with him till the breath and lif was out of his body.

Jurat in Curia.

*Evidence for Mary Bradbury.*

July 22<sup>d</sup> 1692.

Concerning m<sup>s</sup> Bradburies life & conversation

Wee the Subscribers doe testifie, that it was such as became y<sup>e</sup> gospel shee was a loue of y<sup>e</sup> ministrie in all appearant and a dilligent attender vpon gods holy ordinances, being of a curteous, and peaceable disposition and cariag ; neither did any of vs (some of whom haue lived in y<sup>e</sup> town w<sup>th</sup> her aboue fifty year) ever heare or know that shee ever had any difference or falleing oute w<sup>th</sup> any of her neighbo<sup>rs</sup> man woman or childe but was always, readie and willing to doe for them w<sup>t</sup> laye in her power night and day, though w<sup>th</sup> hazard of her health or other

danger more ; more might be spoken in her commendation but this for the p<sup>r</sup>sent

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| Martha Pike                                 | Elizabeth Eafman         |
| William Bufwell                             | Joseph Eaton             |
| Sarah Bufwell                               | Mary Eaton his wife      |
| Samuell ffelloes sen <sup>r</sup>           | Robert Downer            |
| Rodger Eafman                               | Sarah Downer             |
| Sarah Eafman                                | Richard Long and his     |
| Joseph ffletcher and his                    | wyfe                     |
| wife                                        | Richard Smith and his    |
| Joseph ffrench                              | wyfe                     |
| John ffrench sen <sup>r</sup>               | Joseph True and his wyfe |
| Mary ffrench his wife                       | Andrew Greley and his    |
| Abigayl ffrench                             | wyfe                     |
| John Allin                                  | William Hooke            |
| Mary Allin                                  | Elizabeth Hooke          |
| William Carr                                | Benjamin Allin and Ra-   |
| Elizabeth Carr                              | chel his wyfe            |
| Sam <sup>ll</sup> Colby                     | Benj Allin and Rachell   |
| Samuell ffrench and his                     | his wyfe                 |
| wyfe                                        | Isaac Bufwell and his    |
| Henry Ambros and his                        | wyfe                     |
| wyfe                                        | William Allin            |
| Nathanel Stevens & his                      | Ephraim Eaton            |
| wyfe                                        | Ephraim Winsley          |
| Ephraim Severans                            | Mary Winsley his wyfe    |
| Lidia Severans                              | Philip Grele & his wyfe  |
| Sam <sup>ll</sup> ffelloes jun <sup>r</sup> | Richard Hubbard          |
| Abigail ffelloes                            | Mathew Hubbard his       |
| Sam <sup>l</sup> Eafman                     | wyfe                     |

|                      |                                     |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Daniel Moody         | John Eastman and                    |
| Elizabeth Moody      | Mary Eastman his wife               |
| Jsaac Morrill        | Sarah Shepherd                      |
| Phebee Morrill       | Willi : Osgood                      |
| John Maxfield        | Abigayl ofgood                      |
| Jarves Ring          | Sufanah Severance                   |
| Hannah Ring          | Onesiphris Page and his             |
| Nathanel Whitter     | wife                                |
| Mary Whitther        | Sam <sup>ll</sup> Gill and his wyfe |
| Jacob Morrill        | John Clough and his                 |
| Jufannah Morrill     | wyfe                                |
| Elizabeth Maxfield   | Abraham Brown & his                 |
| Hanah Stevens widdow | wyfe                                |
| John Stevens         | Tho : Clough and his                |
| Dorethie Stevens     | wyfe                                |
| Joanna Stevens       | Sarah Conner widow                  |
| Sarah Hacket         | John Tomfon                         |
| Martha Carter        | John Watfon and his                 |
| Elizabeth Gettchell  | wyfe                                |
| Benj ; Eastman       | Steven Tongue and his               |
| Ann Eastman          | wyfe                                |
| Benony Tucker        | John Connor and his                 |
| Ebenezer Tucker      | wyfe                                |
| Nathanel Brown       | Joseph Page                         |
| Hannah Brown         | Meres Tucker and his                |
| Tho : Evens          | wyfe                                |
| Hannah Evens         | Henry Brown Sen <sup>r</sup> and    |
| Nathaniel Eastman    | his wife                            |
| Elizabeth Eastman    |                                     |

*Summons v. Giles Corey.*

W<sup>m</sup> & Mary by ye Grace of God of England  
L. S. Scotland France & Ireland King and Queen  
defend<sup>rs</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> faith and

To y<sup>e</sup> Constable of Salem Greeting,

Wee Comand you to Warn and giue notice vnto  
Jn<sup>o</sup> Derick y<sup>e</sup> wife of Stephen Small ye Widow  
Adams and Goody Golthite that they and Euery of  
them be and personaly appear at ye p<sup>r</sup>sent Court of  
Oyer and Termina holden at Salem fforthwith there  
to Testify y<sup>e</sup> truth to y<sup>e</sup> best of their knowledge On  
Certain Indictments Exhibited against Giles Corey  
here of make return fail not.

STEPHEN SEWALL Cl.

Salem Sep<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> 1692.

Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 1692 : J Desire m<sup>r</sup> John Tomkins to  
ferue this within Sumons and Make Returne  
thereof :

by mee PETER GSGOOD Constable in Salem

J have warned the w<sup>thin</sup> persons to appeare at  
the time and place within written by

JN<sup>o</sup> TOMKINS Deputed.

*Ann Putnam v. Giles Corey.*

The Deposition of Ann putnam who testifieth  
and faith that on 13<sup>th</sup> of April 1692, J saw the  
Apperishtion of Giles Cory com and afflict me  
urging me to writ in his book and so he continewd



hurting me by times tell the 19<sup>th</sup> April being the day of hir examination and dureing the time of his examination Giles cory did tortor me a grat many times : and allso feuerall times fence Giles Cory or his Apperance has most greuiously afflicted mee by beating pinching and allmost choaking me to death urging me to writ in his book also on the day of his examination J saw Giles Cory or his Apperance most greivously afflekt and torment mary walcott mercy lewes and farah vibber and J verly beleue that Giles Cory is is a dreadfull wizzard for fence he has ben in prifon he or his Apperance has com to me a grat many tims and afflicted me.

An Putnam owned upon her oath that y<sup>e</sup> aboue written evidence it y<sup>e</sup> truth to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of inquest Sept 9 : 92.

*Mercy Lewis v. Giles Corey,*

The depofition of Mercy lewes agged 19 years who testifieth and faith that on the 14<sup>th</sup> April 1692 J saw the Apperishton of Giles Cory com and afflekt me urging me to writ in his book and so he continued most dreadfully to hurt me by times beating me and almost breaking my back tell the day of his examination being the 19<sup>th</sup> April and then allso dureing the time of his examination he did afflikt and tortor me most greivously and also feuerall times fence urging me vehemently to writ in his book and J veryly beleve in my heart that Giles Cory is a dreadfull wizzard for fence he has

ben in prison he or his Apperance has com and most greivously tormented me.

Mercy Lewis affirmed to ye Jury of Jnquest yt ye aboute written evidence is the truth upon ye oath she has formerly taken in ye Court of Oyer and terminer Sept<sup>r</sup> 9 : 1692 :

*Sarah Vibber v. Giles Corey.*

The depofition of Sarah vibber who testifieth and faith that J haue ben most greivously afflicted by Giles Cory or his Apperance and also J have seen Giles Cory or his Apperance most greivously affeting and tormenting the bodyes of mary walcott mercy lewes and ann putnam and J beleue in my heart that Giles Cory is a wizzard and that he has very often afflicted and tormented me and the persons above mentioned by his acts of witchcraft : J testifie yt on ye fourteenth of August & ever since at times f<sup>d</sup> Cory has afflicted me by whipping me & beating me & urging me vehemently to read & write in his book : and cote me with his knife.

Sarah Vibber affirmed to ye Jury of Jnquest yt ye aboute written evidence is ye truth upon oath : Sept<sup>r</sup> 9 : 1692 :

*Mary Warren v. Giles Corey.*

Mary Warin affirmed to ye Jury of Jnquest that she hath been afflicted by Giles Cory or his apparition and that by beating of me with his staffe & by biting me & pinching & choaking me

greatly torturing me & cutting me with a knife & perticularly at y<sup>e</sup> time of his examination he did greivously torment me also at the time of his examination J saw f<sup>d</sup> Cory or his appearition most dredfully afflict mary Walcot An putnam mercy lewes & Sarah Vibber: Sept<sup>r</sup> 9: 1692

*Eliz: Woodwell & Mary Walcott v. Giles Corey.*

Eliz: Woodwell upon y<sup>e</sup> oath she formerly has taken in this Court: did affirm to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Jnquest that she saw Giles Cory at meeting at Salem on a lecture day since he has ben at prison he or his apearition came in & sat in y<sup>e</sup> middlemost seat of y<sup>e</sup> mens seats by y<sup>e</sup> Post: this was y<sup>e</sup> lecture day before Bridget Bishop was hanged and J saw him come out with y<sup>e</sup> rest of y<sup>e</sup> people: mary Walcot affirmed y<sup>t</sup> she saw f<sup>d</sup> Cory as above sit in y<sup>e</sup> same place at y<sup>e</sup> same time he or his appearance & y<sup>t</sup> she did se him goe out with y<sup>e</sup> rest of y<sup>e</sup> people: this she affirmed to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Jnquest. Sept<sup>r</sup> 9: 1692

*Eliz: Hubbard v. Giles Corey*

Eliz: Hubbard to y<sup>e</sup> Jury of Jnquest that Giles Cory hath severall times afflicted me with several sorts of torments J veryly think he is a wizzard & afflicted me by wichcraft Sept 9; 1692:—

*Benj. Gould v. Giles Corey.*

The depofition of beniamin gould aged about 23 yeares he testifieth and faith one the 6 day of

april 1692: giles cory and his wife came to my bead side and looked upon me sum time and then went away: and emediately J had two penches upon my side: allso another time J saw giles Cory and John proctir and J had then such a paine in one of my feet that J could not ware my shu for 2 or 3 days.

Ben: gould.

& J doe beleive in my: —

Jurat

*Sufanna Shelden v. Giles Corey.*

Sufanna Shelden saith y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> spectre of Giles Corey Murdered his first wife & would haue murdered this to if she had not ben a witch — y<sup>t</sup> his first wife gave him nothing but Skim Milke and J he did it & y<sup>t</sup> Goody Procters spectre told her she murdered her owne child and y<sup>t</sup> it was sick & she did it because she would not be troubled with it & y<sup>t</sup> she allso saies y<sup>t</sup> Goody Buckley and Jn<sup>o</sup> Willard app<sup>d</sup> w<sup>th</sup> Hen. Wilkins app<sup>en</sup>

*John Dorich v. Giles Corey.*

the testomeny of John dereth Eaged about fixten years testefieth and sayeth that gils Cory also came to me and afflicted me this 5 of September as wel before as after he also threteneth me to kill me if J will not yeld to him he also came about the 20 of oges and told me that he wanted som platters for he was gowen to a feast he told me that he had a good mind to ask my dame but he sayd that she would not let him haue them so he took

the platers and cared them a way being gown about half a oure with them then he brot them againe gowen away and fayd nothing —

also Sary pefe affliceth me at feveral times she came to me of the fast day laſt at Salem She pinched me then and i have not ſeen har ſencs.

*Hannah Small & Martha Adams v. Giles Corey.*

theſe howes nams are wten were there and ſaw the platers were gown as John derich ſayed.

hanah smal          martha Adams.

The depoſition of Eliz: booth the wife of George booth & Allies Booth who teſtifie and ſay that on the 12<sup>th</sup> of this J<sup>ſ</sup>ant Sept<sup>r</sup> at y<sup>e</sup> widow Shaffins houſe in Salem their appeared to us a grate number of wi<sup>c</sup>thes as neare as we could tell about fifty: thirteen of which we knew who did Receiue the ſacrim<sup>t</sup> in our right amongſt whi<sup>c</sup>th we ſaw Giles Cory who brought to us bread and wine urging us to partake thereof: but becauſe we Re- fuſed he did moſt greivouſly affl<sup>e</sup>ct and torment us: and we beleue in our hearts thaſ Giles Cory is a wizzard and that he has often affl<sup>e</sup>cted us and ſeurall others by acts of wi<sup>c</sup>thcraft.

Elizabeth *℄* Booth's mark.

Alice *> 7* Booth's mark

*B. Martha Dutch v. Alice Parker.*

The Teſtimony of martha Dutch aged about 36 yeers This deponant Teſtifieth and ſaith y<sup>t</sup> about



2 yeers last past Jn<sup>o</sup> Jarman of Salem coming in from sea J This deponant & Alice parker of Salem Both of us standing Together said vnto her w<sup>t</sup> a great mercy itt was for to see Them come home well and Through mercy, J said my husband had gone and came home well many Times & J this deponant did saye vnto ye s<sup>d</sup> parker y<sup>t</sup> J did hope he would come whome This voyage well allso and y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> parker made answer vnto me and said no neuer more in this world ye w<sup>ch</sup> came to pass as she yn told me for he died abroad as J fartinly heare Jurat in Curia Sep<sup>r</sup> 7: 92:

attest STEP. SEWALL. Cli —

*Frances Wycum v. Margaret Scott.*

The deposiſtion of ffances wycum who testifyeth and ſaith that quickly affter the firſt court at Salne about wiſthcraft margerit Scott whom J very well knew or hir Apperance came to me and did moſt greivouſly torment me by choaking and almoſt preſing me to death: and ſo ſhe did continue afflecting me by times tell the 5<sup>th</sup> Auguſt 1692 being the day of hir examination allſo during the time of hir examination margerit scott did moſt greivouſly afflect m: And allſo ſeuerall times ſence: and J beleue in my heart that margert ſcott is a wiſth and that ſhe has offten afflected me by acts of wiſthcraft.

ffrances Wycum ownd to y<sup>e</sup> grand Jnqueſt that y<sup>e</sup> aboue written evidence is y<sup>e</sup> truth upon oath Sept<sup>r</sup> 15: 1692: Jurat in Curia.

*Phillip Nelson & Sarah Nelson v. Margaret Scott.*

phillip Nellson and Sarah his wife doe testifie and say that for two or three years before Robert Shilleto dyed we have often hard him complaining of margerit Scott for hurting of him and often said that she was a wiſth and so he continewed complaineing of margartt scott saying he should neuer be well so long as margerit scott liued and so he complayned of margret Scott att times untill he dyed.

Phillip Nelson and Sarah his wife affirmed upon their oath to y<sup>e</sup> grand inquest: that y<sup>e</sup> aboue written evidence is ye truth

Sept 15: 1692: Jurat in Curia:

*Tho<sup>s</sup> Putnam & Will<sup>m</sup> Murray v. Alice Parker.*

the depofition of Tho: putnam aged 40 years and william murry aged 36 year who testifieth and faith that feuerall of the afflicted parsons as mary walcott and mary warren and seuerall other were much afflicted on the 6<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1692, dureing the time of the examination of Elce parker and we observed that upon the glance of hir eies they were struck down and upon hir laying hir hand on them they ware Recouered and we beleue that Elce parker the prisoner att the barr has often hurt the afore-said persons by acts of wiſthcraft.

Thomas putnam  
W<sup>m</sup> Murray

*Warrant v. Lydia Duffing.*

To y<sup>e</sup> Conftable of Reading.

You are in theyr Majeftyes Names Required to Apprehend and bring before vs Lydah Duffing of Reading widdow—in y<sup>e</sup> County of Middlesex on Munday next being ye fecond day of y<sup>e</sup> Month of May next enfuing y<sup>e</sup> date hereof, about eleven of y<sup>e</sup> Clock in y<sup>e</sup> forenoone att y<sup>e</sup> house of Lev<sup>t</sup> Nath<sup>l</sup> Ingersolls in Salem Village, in Order to hir examination, relating to high fufpition of Severall acts of Witchcraft done or Comitted by hir upon y<sup>e</sup> Bodys of Mary Walcott, Ann putnam, Mercy Lewis & Abigael Williames all of Salem Village, Whereby great hurt & damage hath bin done to y<sup>e</sup> Bodys of faid persons according to Complaint Cap<sup>t</sup> Jonathan Walcott & Serg<sup>t</sup> Thomas putnam in behalfe of theyr Majeftys for y<sup>m</sup>ſelves & feveral of theyr Neighbours, and hereof you are not to fayle att your perrill:

da<sup>t</sup> Salem Aprill 30<sup>th</sup> 1692.

P vs.   JOHN HATHORNE   }  
          JONATHAN CORWIN } Affifts.

Purſeuance to a warant from yvs honrs baring date the 30 of aprill laft fore the aprihending and bringing of y<sup>e</sup> perſon of Lidea Duffing in obedience ther to J haue brought the faid Lidea Duffing of Redding to y<sup>e</sup> hous of Lv<sup>t</sup> Ingerſons in Salem uiledg. dated in Salem viledg the 2<sup>d</sup> day of may 1692.

Ateft. John Parker c. for Redding.

*Warrant v. Sarah Dufing.*

Whereas Complaint hath bin exhibited before us by m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Putnam and m<sup>r</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> putnam Jun<sup>r</sup> of Salem village In ye behalfe of theyr Majesties against Sarah Dastin of Redding single woman for high suspection of Severall Acts of Witchcraft done or comitted by hir upon y<sup>e</sup> Boydes of Mercy Lewis, Mary Walcott, Anna putnam and Abigall Williams all of Salem Village and craved Justice

Therefore you are in theyer Majestyes Names Required forthwith to Apprehend the afore<sup>d</sup> Sarah Dastin of Redding Single woeman and hir Safely convey unto y<sup>e</sup> house of Lev<sup>t</sup> Nathaniell Jngerfolls of Salem Village upon y<sup>e</sup> Ninth day of this instant May by Twelve of the Clock in y<sup>e</sup> forenoone in order to hir examination upon y<sup>e</sup> premises and hereof faile nott at y<sup>or</sup> perrill. Salem, dated May 8<sup>th</sup> 1692.

To y<sup>e</sup> Constable of Redding.

P vs.    JOHN HATHORNE    } Affists.  
             JONATHAN CORWIN }

In obedience to this warant J haue brought the body of Sarah Dufing of Redding singal woman to y<sup>e</sup> house of Leu<sup>t</sup> Nathanall Ingorson of Salem Villeg the nint of this Instant Maye 1692 John Parker Constable of Redding

*Warrant v. Ann Sears, Bethiah Carter & Bethiah Carter.*

Whereas Complaint hath benne this day Exhibited (before vs) by Thomas Putnam and John putnam Junr both of Salem Village yeoman on behalfe of their Majesties Against Ann Seeres the wife of John Seeres of Woburne and Bethiah Carter of 1<sup>d</sup> Towne of Woburne widdow and Bethya Carter y<sup>e</sup> dafter of 1<sup>d</sup> Carter widdow for high suspition of sundry acts of Witchcraft donne by them vpon the Bodys of Ann putnam Marcy Lewis Mary Walcot &c of Salem Village whereby much hurt and wrong is donne vnto them therefore Craves Justice.

These are therefore in their majest<sup>ys</sup> Names to require you, to apprehend and forthwith bring the persons of the abouenamed before vs at Salem Village at y<sup>e</sup> house of L<sup>t</sup> Nathaniell Jngerfalls in order to their examination Relateing to y<sup>e</sup> abovesaid premises and hereof you are not to faile Dated Salem May 8<sup>th</sup> 1692.

To y<sup>e</sup> Constable of Woburne

P vs.    JOHN HATHORNE    } Afflits.  
             JONATHAN CORWIN }

I Ephraim bouck counstabel of Woburn haue farved this warant acording to Caza hau apurhanded the parson of anah Sauris and of the wado cartter and hauf broit them to Laufanant ingarsons hois as warant dus exprest.

Y<sup>a</sup>



In pursuance to the within specified warrant J  
haue apprehended the bodies of the within men-  
tioned Anna Seers and Bethia Carter sen<sup>r</sup> & brought  
them to the place within ordered this 9 May 1692.

EPHRAIM BOCK Constabil of woburn

*Examination of Deliverance Hobbs.*

(1) The Examination of Deliverance Hobbs 22  
Apr. 1692. Ata court held at Salem village by

John Hawthorne } Esq<sup>rs</sup>.  
Jonah Corwin }

Mercy Lewes do you know her that stands at  
the Bar (for the Majestrates had privately ordered  
who should be brought in and not suffered he name  
to be mentioned) Do you know her? speaking to  
another: but both were struck dumb.

Ann Putnam jun<sup>r</sup> said it was Goody Hobbs and  
she hath hurt her much.

John Indian said he had seen her, & she choake  
him.

Mary Walcot said, yesterday was the first time  
that she saw her i. c. as a Tormenter

Why do you hurt these persons?

It is unknown to me.

How come you to commit acts of witchcraft?

I know nothing of it.

It is you or your appearance, how comes this  
about? Tell us the truth.

I cannot tell.

Tell us what you know in this case. Who hurts  
them if you do not?

There are a great many Persons hurts us all.

But it is your appearance.

J do not know it.

Have not you consented to it, that they should be hurt?

No in the sight of God, and man, as J shall answer another day

It is said you were afflicted, how came that about?

J have seen fundry fights.

What fights.

Last Lords day in this meeting house and out of the door, J saw a great many birds cats and dogs, and heard a voice say come away.

What have you seen since?

The shapes of severall persons.

What did they say?

Nothing.

What neither the birds, nor persons?

No.

What persons did you see?

Goody Wilds and the shape of Mercy Lewes.

What is that? Did either of them hurt you?

None but Goody Wilds, who tore me almost to peices.

Where was you then?

Jn bed

Was not the book brought to you to signe?

No.

Where were you not threatened by any body, if you did not signe the book?

No, by nobody.

What were you tempted to under you affliction?

J was not tempted at all.

Is it not a solemn thing, that last Lords day you were tormented, & now you are become a tormentor, so that you have changed sides, how comes this to pass?

Abig: Williams and Ann Putnam jun<sup>r</sup> cry out there is Goody Hobbs upon the Beam, she is not at the Bar, they cannot see her there: tho there she stood.

What do you say to this, that tho you are at the bar in person, yet they see your appearance upon the beam, & whereas a few dayes past you were tormented, now you are become a Tormentor? Tell us how this change comes. Tell true.

J have done nothing.

What have you resolved you will not confess? Hath any body threatened you if you do confess? You can tell how this change comes.

She lookt upon John Indian, & then another, & then they fell into fits.

Tell us us the reason of this change: Tell us the truth. What have you done?

J cannot speak.

What do you say? What have you done?

J cannot tell.

Have you signed to any book?

It is very lately then.

When was it?

The night before the last.

Will the Lord open your heart to confesse the truth. Who brought the book to you?

It was Goody Wilds.

What did you make your mark with in the book?

Pen and ink.

Who brought the Pen and Ink?

They that brought the book, Goody Wilds.

Did they threaten you if you did not signe?

Yes, to teare me in peices.

Was there any else in company?

No, Sir.

What did you afflict others by? Did they bring images?

Yes.

Who brought the images?

Goody Wild and Goody Osburn.

What did you put into those images.

Pins, Sir.

Well tell us who haue you seen of this company?

None but those two.

Have you not seen many?

No. J heard last night a kind of Thundring.

How many images did you use?

But two.

Nay here is more afflicted by you, You said more, Well tell us the truth. Recollect yourself.

J am amazed.

can you remember how many were brought?

Not well, but severall were brought.

Did they not bring the image of John Nichols his child?

Yes.

Did not you hurt that child?

Yes.

Where be those images, at your house?

No, they carryed them away again.

When?

They carred some then, & some since.

Was it Goody Wild in body, or appearance?

In appearance.

Was there any man with them?

Yes a tall black man with an highcrown'd hat.

Do you know no more of them?

No. Sir.

*Note.* All the sufferers free from affliction during her examination after once she began to confesse, tho at sundry times they were much afflicted till then.

*Note.* Wheras yesterday at Deacon Jngerfols Mary Walcot & Abigail Williams cryed there stands Goody Hobbs, shewing also where, Benja<sup>a</sup> Hutchinson struck at her with a Rapier, & the afflicted that is the said Mary & Abigail said, oh you have struck her on the right side; Whereupon the Magistrates asking her after the publick examination whither she had received any hurt yesterday, she said yes in her right side like a Prick, & that it



was very fore, & done when she was in a Trance, telling us also in what hovse and room it was done. Whereupon the Magistrates required some women to search it, who found it so as she had confessed. Also a little after the said prick in her side, she had som what in her left eye like dust, w<sup>th</sup> agrees with w<sup>t</sup> the afflicted farther said that Benj<sup>a</sup> Hutchinson afterwards toucht her eye w<sup>th</sup> the same Rapier, & said pointing to the place there was a mark which the Marshall being by said so there was.

Salem Village Aprill the 22<sup>th</sup> 1692. m<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>ll</sup> parris being desired to take in wrighting y<sup>e</sup> Examination of Deliuerance hobs hath deliuered itt as aforesaid.

And vpon hearing the same and seeing what wee did see together with the Charg of the afflicted persons against them Wee Committed her.

John Halhorne.

*Examination of Deliverance Hobbs.*

The first Examination of Deliverance Hobbs in prison. She continued in the free acknowledging herself to be a Covenant Witch, and further Confesseth She was warned to a meeting yesterday morning, and that there was present Procter and his Wife, Goody Nurse, Giles Cory and his Wife, Goody Bishop alias Oliver, and m<sup>r</sup> Burroughs was y<sup>e</sup> Preacher, and prest them to bewitch all in the Village, telling them they should do it gradually and not all att once, assureing them they should

prevaile. He administred the sacrament unto them at the same time with Red Bread, and Red Wine like Blood, she affirms she saw Osburn, Sarah Good, Goody Wilds; Goody Nurse, and Goody Wilds distributed the bread and Wine, and a Man in a long crownd white Hat, sat next y<sup>e</sup> Minister and they sat seemingly att a Table, and They filled out the wine in Tankards, The Notice of this meeting was given her by Goody wilds. She herself affirms did not nor would not Eat or drink, but all the Rest did who were there present, therefore they threatened to torment her. The meeting was in the Pasture by Mr Parris's House, and she saw when Abigail Williams ran out speak with them: But that Time Abigial was come a little distance from the House. This Examinant was strucke blind, so that she saw not with whome Abigall spake She further saith, that Goody Wilds to prevail with her to sign, told her that if she would put her hand to the book she w<sup>ld</sup> give her some Cloaths, and would not afflict her any more—Hir daughter Abigail Hobbs being brought in att the same time while her mother was present was immediately taken with a dreadful fitt, and her mother being asked who it was that hurt her daughter answered it was Goodman Cory and she saw him and the gentlewoman of Boston striving to break her Daughter's neck.

*Warrant v. Abigl Somes.*

To Constable peter Osgood.

You are in theire Mage<sup>ts</sup> names hereby required to apprehend and forthwith bring before vs Abigaile Soames Single Woman, now liveing at y<sup>e</sup> house of Sam<sup>l</sup> Gaskill in Salem: who stand accused of Sundry acts of Witchcraft, (or high fuspition thereof) donne or Committed by her Lately on the body of Mary Warren &c faile not. Dated Salem, May the 13<sup>th</sup> 1692.

P vs. JOHN HATHORNE } Affists.  
JONATHAN CORWIN }

I haue Apprehended y<sup>e</sup> person Abigail Soams Acordinge to worrante expreste on y<sup>e</sup> other side and heaue broghte hir to ye hewse of m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Beadles. p<sup>r</sup> me Peter Osgood constable in Salem May y<sup>e</sup> 13, 1692.

*Warrant v. Eliz<sup>a</sup> Colson.*

To y<sup>e</sup> Constable of Ridding.

You are in theyr Majestyes Names hereby Required to Apprehend & bring before us (upon Tuesday next being the seaventeenth day of this Instant may by Tenne of y<sup>e</sup> Clock aforenoone att y<sup>e</sup> house of Lev<sup>t</sup> Nathaniell Jngerfolls in Salem Village) the body of Elizabeth Colson of Redding Single woeman, whoe standeth charged in behalfe of theyr Majestys w<sup>th</sup> high fuspition of sundry Acts of Witchcraft done or Comitted upon y<sup>e</sup> Bodyes of Mary Walcott Mercy Lewis and others

Z<sup>a</sup>

in Salem Village, whereby great hurt hath bin done them : And hereof you are nott to faile.

Salem dat<sup>r</sup> May 14<sup>th</sup> 1692.

P vs.    JOHN HATHORNE    } Affists.  
             JONATHAN CORWIN }

May 16<sup>th</sup> 1692. I haue made Diligent Search for y<sup>e</sup> aboue named Elizabeth Collfon and find shee is fled and by the best Information shee is att Boston in order to bee shipt of<sup>d</sup> and by way of Escape to be transported to some other Countrey whereof J make my Returne.

p<sup>r</sup> me John Parker constable for Redding.

*Warrant v. Mary De Rich.*

To y<sup>e</sup> Marhall of y<sup>e</sup> County of Essex or his Lawfull Deputy or Constable in Salem.

You are in theyr Majestys Names hereby required to apprehend and forthwith bring before us, Mary de Rich y<sup>e</sup> Wife of Michaell de Rich of Salem ffarmes Husbandman, whose stands charged w<sup>th</sup> Sundry Acts of Witchcraft by hir Comitted lately on the Bodys of Abigall Williames & Elizabeth Hubbard of Salem Village &c. whereby great hurt and Injury hath bin done y<sup>m</sup> in order to hir examination relateing to y<sup>e</sup> fame & hereof you are not to fayle

Salem, Dat May 23 : 1692.

J ord<sup>r</sup> of ye Govern<sup>r</sup> & { JOHN HATHORNE  
                                      } JONATHAN CORWIN.  
                                      Councill.

I haue apprehended y<sup>e</sup> aboue named person and  
brought her as aboue  
p<sup>r</sup> Jos<sup>h</sup> Neal Constable.

*Warrant v. Sarah Pease.*

To the Marshall of Effex or his dep<sup>t</sup> or Constables  
of Salem.

You are in theire Majest<sup>ts</sup> names hereby required  
to apprehend and forthwith bring before vs (Sarah  
pease y<sup>e</sup> wife of Robert pease of Salem Weauer  
who stands charged with sundry acts of witch-  
craft by her Committed lately on y<sup>e</sup> Body of Mary  
Warren of Salem village whereby great Injury  
was don her &c.) in order to her Examination Re-  
lateing to y<sup>e</sup> same faile not. Dated Salem May  
23<sup>d</sup> 1692.

Pr ord<sup>r</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Govern<sup>r</sup> & } JOHN HATHORNE  
Councill. } JONATHAN CORWIN.

I haue apprehended y<sup>e</sup> person mentioned within  
this warrant and heaue broughte hir

p<sup>r</sup> me Peter Osgood constable in Salem. May  
y<sup>e</sup> 23 : 1692.

*Warrant v. Sarah Rice.*

To the Constables in Reding.

You are in theire Majesties names hereby re-  
quired to apprehend and bring before us, Sarah  
Rice the wife of Nicholas Rice of Reding on  
Tuesday next being the 31<sup>st</sup> day of this Instant  
moneth at the house of L<sup>t</sup> Nathan<sup>l</sup> Jngerfalls at



Salem Village aboute ten of the Clock in the forenoon, who stand charged with haueing Committed funday acts of witchcraft on y<sup>e</sup> Bodys of Mary Walcott and Abigail Williams & others to their great hurte &c, in order to her Examination Relating to y<sup>e</sup> premises abouesaid faile not. Dated Salem May 28<sup>th</sup> 1692.

P vs. J. HATHORNE }  
JONATHAN CORWIN } Affists.

In obedience to this warant J haue brought the Body of Sarah Rice the wife of Nicholas Rice of Redding to the house of Leut Nathanal Ingersons in Salem Viledg the 31 of this instant: May 1692:  
Attest John Parker Constable of Redding.

*Complaint v. Elizabeth Cary.*

Salem, May 28<sup>th</sup> 1692. Mr Thomas putnam & Benjamin Hutchinson both of Salem Village Yeomen Complaine of Elizabeth Carey y<sup>e</sup> wife of Capt Nathaniell Cary of Charls Towne Mariner, on behalfe of theyr Majestyes, for fundry Acts of witchcraft by hir Comitted upon ye Bodyes of Mary Walcott, Abigall Willyams & Mercy Lewis all of Salem Village, whereby great hurt & damage is done y<sup>m</sup> and therefore Craue Justice.

Thomas putnam  
Beniamin Huchinson.

*Warrant v. John Alden*

To the Constable of Salem.

Effex. fs. Whereas Complaint hath been made

vnto us John Hathorne & Jonathan Corwin Esq<sup>rs</sup>  
by severall persons of Salem Village that Cap<sup>t</sup> John  
Alden of Boston Marrin<sup>r</sup> is guilty of Witchcraft  
in cruelly torturing & afflicting severall of ther  
children & others these are therefore in their Maj<sup>ts</sup>  
Cing William & Queen Maryes name to Authorize  
& Comand you forthwith to Apprehend the body  
of the said John Alden and Jmediately bring him  
before vs to answer what shall be objected ag<sup>t</sup> him  
in that behalfe and this shall be yo<sup>r</sup> sufficient war-  
rant Given vnder our hands the 31<sup>st</sup> day of May  
1692 And in the ffourth year of the Reigne of our  
Sovereigne Lord and Lady William & Mary now  
King and Queen over England & v.

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|--------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|
| P vs.                                | JOHN HATHORNE     | } Affists. |
|                                      | JONATHAN CORWIN   |            |
| persons Complaining viz <sup>t</sup> | Mary Walcott      |            |
| Mercy Lewis                          | Elizabeth Hubbard |            |
| Abigail Williams                     | Ann putnam        |            |
| Elizabeth Booth                      | Marry Warren      |            |

Jn obedience to the within written warant J  
haue Apprehended the Body of Cap<sup>t</sup> John Alden  
according to the tener of this warant.

*Eliz<sup>a</sup> Booth v. Martha Corey.*

The testimony of Elesebeth Booth Aged 18 yers  
or their about testifieth y<sup>t</sup> one y<sup>e</sup> 8 of June Geiorg  
nedam Apeired onto me and saide y<sup>t</sup> mattha  
Georie kiled him because he wold not mend her  
Lening wheal

Elesebeth Booth.

The testimony of Elesebeth Booth Aged 18 yers

or their about testifieth y<sup>t</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> 8 day of June Thomas Goold Senyer Apered vnto me & told me y<sup>t</sup> mattha Corie kiled him becaufe he told her she did not doe well by Goodman parkers Childringe.

Elesebeth Booth vpon oath.

Elizabeth Booth owned all that is aboue written before & vnto y<sup>e</sup> Grand inquest on ye 30<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1692.

*Examination of Rich<sup>d</sup> Carrier.*

Richard Carriers Confession July 22 : 1692.

Q. have you bin in ye devils snare A : yes.  
 Q. is yo<sup>r</sup> bro : Andrew ensnared by ye devils Snare : A : Yes. how long has yo<sup>r</sup> brother bin a wich. A : neare a monthe how long have you bin a wich : A : not long : Q. have you joined in afflicting y<sup>e</sup> afflicted persons ; A : Yes. Q. you help<sup>t</sup> to hurt Timo. Swan did you A Yes. Q. how long have you bin a wich. A. abo<sup>t</sup> five weeks : who was in Company when you Countanted with y<sup>e</sup> devill : A : M<sup>rs</sup> Bradbery. did she help yo<sup>u</sup> afflict. yes : what was y<sup>e</sup> occasion m<sup>rs</sup> Bradbery would have to afflict Timo. Swan : A. becaufe her husband & Timo Swan fell out about a Scyth J think Q. did they not fall out abo<sup>t</sup> thaching of a barn to : A : no not as J know of. Q. who was att the Villadge meeting when you was there Goodwife How. goodwife Nurs. g wildes, Procter & his wife m<sup>rs</sup> Bradbery & Gory's wife : Q : was any of Boston there. A : no : Q.

how many was there in all : A. a duzzen J think.  
was Jno. Willard there A. J think he was

Q. what kind of man is Jn<sup>o</sup> willard : a young man  
or an old man. A : he is not an old man. he had  
black hair. Q what meeting was this meeting :  
was this that that was near Jngerfals : A : Yes. J  
think. Q. what did they do then. A. the eat &  
drank wine : was there a minifter there. A. no :  
not as J know of : from whence had you your  
wine : A. from Salem J think was Q. goodwife  
Olliver there, yes I knew her.

*Warrant v. Ann Doliver*

Effex fs. To the Sheriffe of the County of Effex  
or his deputie or Conftable in Salem or Beuer-  
ley.

You are in theire Magist<sup>s</sup> names hereby required  
to apprehend and forthwith bring before vs Ann  
Dalibar the wife of W<sup>m</sup> Dalibar of Glocester who  
ftands charged this day with haueing Committed  
fundry a<sup>c</sup>ts of Witchcraft on the Bodys of Mary  
Warren & fufannah Shelden to the hurt of theire  
Bodys in order to her Examination Relateing to  
the premifes faile not. dated Salem June the 6<sup>th</sup>  
1692.

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|       | BARTH <sup>o</sup> GEDNEY | } Just <sup>cs</sup> of y <sup>e</sup> peace |
| P vs. | JOHN HATHORNE             |                                              |
|       | JONATHAN CORWIN           |                                              |

In obedience to this warant J haue aprehended  
y<sup>e</sup> perfon within Named and brought her to the

place apoynted in order to her examination as atest my hand.

Peter Osgood constabll for the town of Salem.

*Eliz<sup>a</sup> Nicholason v. Ann Doliver.*

Elizabeth the wife of Edmond Nicolasson will testify; that coming to the house of Samuell Dallabar; Peter Pitford and the wife of the said Dallabar were in discourse before the dore in the yard: and in theire discourse she heard Peter Pitford say: J merualle how that old witch knowes every thing that is don in my house: Rebecca the wife of Samuell Dallabar replied oh Peter doe not say foe: for J belieue she is no Witch, foe she came away and left Peter Pitford and the wife of Samuell Dallabar in discourse

Elizabeth Nicolason.

The deposition of Sarah Ingelson Aged about 30 yers Saith that feing Sarah Church after hur examination she came to me crieing and wringing hur hands feming to be mutch trobeled in Sparet J asked hur what she ailed she answered she had undon hurself J asked hur in what she said in believing hurfalte and others in saieing she had set hur hand to the diuells Book whairas she saied she nauer did J told hur J beleued she had feat hur hand to the Book she answered crieng and said no. no. no: J nauer J nauer did. J asked then what maed hur say she did she answered because they thratened hur and told hur thay would put her into the dongin and put hur along with m<sup>r</sup> Borows and thus fauerall times she folowed one up and



downe tealing me that she had undon hurfalf in belieing hurfalf and others I asked hur why she did writ it, she tould me because she had stood out so long in it that now she darst not she saied allso y<sup>t</sup> Jf she told m<sup>r</sup> Noys but ons she had fat hur hand to y<sup>e</sup> Booke he wold beleue her but Jf she told the truth and saied she had not feat her hand to y<sup>e</sup> Book a hundred times he would not beleue hur.

Sarah Jngrfol.

*Ann Putnan Tho<sup>s</sup> Putnam & Robert Morrill v.  
Thomas Farrer.*

the depofition of Ann Putnam who testifieth and saith that on the 8<sup>th</sup> of may 1692. there appeared to me the Apperishtion of an old gray head man with a great nose which tortured m and almost choaked me and urged me to writ in his booke and J asked him what was his name and from whence he came for J would complaine of him: and he told me he came from linne and people used to call him old father pharoah and he saied he was my grandfather for my father used to call him father: but J tould J would not call him grandfather: for he was a wizzard and J would complaine of him: and euer sence he hath afflected me by times beating me and pinching me and all most choaking me and urgeing me continewally to writ in his book. we whose names are under writen having been conversant with ann putnam haue hard hir declare what is a bove writen what she saied she saw & heard from the apperishtion of old pharoah

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and also haue seen hir tortors: and perceiued her hellish temtations by hir loud out cries J will not writ old pharaoh J will not writ in your book.

Thomas putnam.

Robert Morrell.

*Mary Warren & Mary Irefson v. Jerson Toothaker.*

one may the 24 mary waren being in a feet and geeuofly affected then was in a trans for sum tim we hard her say who ar y<sup>e</sup> what is your name and again she said what to thaker Doctr toothakers wiffe we offten her<sup>d</sup> her say J wont i wonte i will not touch y<sup>e</sup> book and then the fet was ouer then she told us that dochter toothekeers wiff brought the book to her and a cofen and a winding shet and grav cloths and said that she must set her hand to the book or else she would kill her and stil she urged to touch the book or else wrapt in that sheet this haue ben done this day by toothekeers wiff.

mary iyerfon, wiff to benjamin iyerfon at lin hoe in the same maner hau tormented almost to deth and brought the book to her.

*James Kettle v. Sarab Bishop.*

The deposition of James Kettle aged twenty seven years or there about testyfieth & saith that J was att Docter Grigs his house on the tenth of this instant may & there saw Elizebeth Hubbard in severall Fitts: and after her ffits ware ouer she told me that she saw my two childdren Laying before

her & that thay cry<sup>d</sup> for vengeance & that Sarah Bishop bid her Look on them & said that she killed them & and they were by her description much as they were when they were put into there Coffins to be buried & and she told me that Sarah bishop told her that J was going to burn a kiln of potts & that she would break them if she could: & i took notice that while she was in her Fitts that she cried & held her apron before her face saying that she would not see them Docter Grigs & his wife and John hues were there present.

*John Doritch v. Margaret Jacobs.*

The testamany of John derech Eaged about sixteen years testifieth and Sayeth that marget Jacobs Came and afflicted me this 5 of September as she hath many tims before also teleth me that she will kill me if J woul not yield to her she also bringeth the book to me tempen me to set my hand to it she teleth me that i shall be wel if i will set my hand to the book she teleth me that she will run a scuer thoraw me and threteneth me to cut me with a knife beger than an ordnery knife is as she hath don wonse before.

*John Porter & Lydia Porter v. Sarah Bibber.*

The Testimony of John porter And Lidia porter These

The Testimony of John porter, who Testifieth and Sayth that Goodwife Biber som time liueing

amongst us J did observe her to be a woman of an unruly turbulent spirit ; And shee would often fall into strange fitts when shee was croft of her humor : Likewise Lidea porter Testifieth, that Goodwife Bibber and her husband would often quarrel & in their quarrels shee would call him, very bad names, and would haue strange fitts when she was croft, And a woman of an unruly turbulent spirit And double tongued.

*Joseph Fowler v. Sarah Bibber.*

The testimony of Joseph fowler, who Testifieth that Goodman Bibber & his wife, Liued at my house And J did observe and take notice, that Goodwife Bibber was a woman who was uery idle in her calling, And uery much given to tatling & tale Bareing makeing mischief amongst her neighbors & uery much giuen to speak bad words and would call her husband bad names & was a woman of a uery turbulent unruly spirit.

*Thomas Jacobs and Mary Jacobs v. Sarah Bibber.*

The testymony of Thomas Jacob and mary his wife doth testyfy and say that good bibbor now that is now counted afflicted parson she did for a time surgin in our hous and good bibber wood be uery often spekeking against won and nother uery obfanely and thos things that were uery falls and wichshing uery bad wichchis and uery often and she wicks that wen hor chill fell into the reuer

that she had neuer pull hor child out and good  
bibber yous to wich ill wichches to horselfe and  
hor chlldren and allso to others: the nayborhud  
were she liueued amonkes aftor she bered hor fust  
houſbon hes tolld us that this John bibber wife  
coud fall into fitts as often as she plesed.

*Rich<sup>d</sup> Walker v. Sarah Bibber.*

The Testimony of Richard Walker who testifi-  
eth that Goodwife Bibber sometime Liueing neare  
to me, I did obserue to be a woman of an unruly  
turbulent spirit, And would often fall into strange  
fitts when anything crost her humor.

*Clement Coldum v. Eliz<sup>a</sup> Hubbard.*

The deposition of Clement Coldum aged 60  
years or y<sup>r</sup> about faith, y<sup>t</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> of May 1692.  
being at Salem Village carrying home Elizabeth  
Hubbard from y<sup>e</sup> meeting behind me; she descred  
me to ride faster, I asked her why: she said y<sup>e</sup>  
woods were full of Deuils, & said y<sup>r</sup> are there they  
be, but J could se none; then J put on my horſe,  
& after J had rid a while, she told me I might  
ride softer, for we had outrid them, I asked her if  
she was not afraid of y<sup>e</sup> Deuil, she answered me  
no, she could discourſe with y<sup>e</sup> Deuil as well as  
with me, further faith not; this I am ready to tes-  
tifie on Oath if called thereto, as witneſs my hand:

Clement Colddum



*James Kettle v. Eliz<sup>a</sup> Hubbard.*

the testimony of James Cetel being of age who testifie and faith i being a<sup>t</sup> docter grigfes one a Sabath day about the last of may in 1692. hauing some discourse with Elizabeth hubberd and J found her to speach feuerall untruths in denying the Sabath day and saying she had not ben to meting that day but had onely bean up to James houltons this J can testifie to if called: as witnes my hand

James Kettle

*Evidence of John Putnam & Rebecca Putnam.*

the testemony of John putnam : Sen and rebecke his wife faith that our son in law John fuller and our dafter rebecke Shepard did both of them dy (a most uiolent death and did acting uery strangely at the time of ther death) farder faith that we did Gudg then that thay both diead of a malignant feuer and had no suspition of witchcraft of aney nether Can wee a cuse the prisner at the bar of any such thing.

*Evidence of Nath<sup>l</sup> Ingersoll & Hanah Ingersoll.*

The depofition of Nathaniell Ingersoll and Hannah his wife who testifie and say that we ware conuersant with Benjamin Holton for aboue a week before he died and was acted in a very strange maner with most violent fittes acting much like to our poor bewitched persons w<sup>n</sup> wee thought they

would haue died tho then we had no suspition of witchcraft amongst us and he died a most violent death with dreadful fitts and the Docter that was with him said he could not tell what his distemper was and he died about Two days before Rebekah Sheepard

Jurat in Curia                      attest Steph, Sewall le.C

*Evidence of Benj<sup>a</sup> Wilkins & John Wilkins & Nath<sup>l</sup> Richardson.*

The deposition of benjamin Wilkins aged 36 years and John Wilkins aged 36 years these deponents testifieth and say that Lidia Wilkins wiffe of John Wilkins was well delivered with child and was well the next day after but the 2 day after shee was deleivered shee was taken with a violent feaver and flux as we supposed had in a little time the flux abated but the feaver continued till she died which was about four dayes. Nath. Richison tells of a Nashway man y<sup>t</sup> speakes of a profound sleep y<sup>t</sup> Willard was in

*Evidence of Hannah Welch.*

the depotion of hanah welch the wife of Phelup welch hannah walch eaged forty foer yers thus deponian testifieth and saith that J was with m<sup>r</sup> Salinfton and capten eapes neer this land now in contreeuarce and they both of them agreed that the fence shud stand as it was and that we shud not transgrace of one side nor Jonathan hobs one

the other side tel the line was run and the agreement that thay agreed tow was that if eather hade transgrefed shud make satesfaction to the other and the reason of this agreement was, becaus hobs and we was allway contending.

Jurat                      Att an Inferior Court.

*Robert Moulton v. Susannah Sheldon.*

the testimony of Robart Moulton sener who testifieth and saith that J waching with Susannah Sheldon sence she was afflicted J heard her say that the witches halled her vpone her bely through the yearde like a snacke and halled her ouer the stone walls & and presently J heard her Contradict her former discourse and said that she came ouer the stone wall herselfe and J heard her say that she Rid vpone a poole to boston and she said the diuel caryed the poole.                      Robart Mouelton.

Samuel Nurs & Joseph Trumball saw Robert Moulton sine this wrighting.

*Expenses by Abr<sup>m</sup> Perkins.*

An Accompt of what was taken vpon their Majesties accompt in the yeare 1692.

Imp<sup>r</sup> by Geo. Herrick vnd<sup>r</sup> Sheriff for himselfe & priseners viz: Jn<sup>o</sup> Jackson jun<sup>r</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup>

Howard & Guard                                              00-08-00

To Entertainment for y<sup>e</sup> Constables and their priseners from Hauerill                      00-06-00

To Entertainement for y<sup>e</sup> Constables & priseners from Glosester                      00:04:00

To Hauerill Conftable another time 00:02:00  


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01-00:00

By Abraham Perkins allow<sup>d</sup>

*Nath<sup>l</sup> Ingersolls Acct. v. Country.*

March ye 1<sup>st</sup> 169 $\frac{1}{2}$

Vppon a meeteing of y<sup>e</sup> Majeftrates Mr Jn<sup>o</sup> Hathorne and Jonathan Corwin Efqr<sup>s</sup> in an Inquirere after witchcraft Expences upon y<sup>e</sup> Countrys Accot for Majeftrates Marshalls Conftables & Affiftance at my Houfe Viz<sup>t</sup>.

Imp<sup>r</sup> To y<sup>e</sup> Majeftrate Dinner & £ s. d.  
Drink 8

To y<sup>e</sup> Marshalls 2 Conftables & Affiftance & Viçtuals 3

To 43<sup>d</sup> Cakes 6 qts Cider 2

To 2 Conftables at 2 qts of 3<sup>d</sup> Cider one Cake 9

To Rum 6

To Majeftrates Horfes 6

To y<sup>e</sup> Marshall & Conftable Herricks Horfes 6

y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Infant y<sup>e</sup> Marshall Expences 6

y<sup>e</sup> Marshall & his horfe 1 pott Sider 6

vpon examination of Goodwife Corry

To y<sup>e</sup> Marshall for horfes & drink 6

To y<sup>e</sup> Majeftrates Horfes drink and Entertainement 4

vpon examination of goodwife Nurfe.

To y<sup>e</sup> Marshalls Horfe Standing, Sup-  
B<sup>ba</sup>

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---|
| per Lodging one night and drink for his attendance                                                               | 3 | 6 |
| To Conftable Herrick & Drink & Cake                                                                              |   | 6 |
| To y <sup>e</sup> Majeftrates Drink & Entertainment and Horfes w <sup>th</sup> y <sup>e</sup> Majeftrates Horfes | 5 |   |

Aprill 19 : 1692.

A further Accont in Examination of witchcraft at Salem Village before y<sup>e</sup> Worshipfull John Hathorne and Jonathan Corwin Esq<sup>r</sup> & Affist : for the County of Effex

|                                                                                                                                                    |    |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|---|
| To y <sup>e</sup> Majeftrates entertainemt & horfes                                                                                                | 6  |   |
| The 22 Majeftrates Minefters & attendance diners                                                                                                   | 16 |   |
| The 22 for 8 Horfes Hey and Otes                                                                                                                   | 4  |   |
| May 2 <sup>d</sup> for Majeftrates Entertainem <sup>t</sup> ffor Horfes hey & Oates                                                                | 4  |   |
| ffor y <sup>e</sup> Marshall & Affiftance Viçtualls and Drink                                                                                      | 2  |   |
| ditto 3 <sup>d</sup> ffor Drink for y <sup>e</sup> Guard upon y <sup>e</sup> Committed perfons one night                                           | 4  |   |
| ditto 3 <sup>d</sup> ffor Viçtualls & Drink y <sup>e</sup> next morning for y Attendance Guard Committed woman to Bofton Goal by order of Mittimus | 3  | 0 |
| ditto 3. for Oates for the Cart Horfes & Marshalls Horfe                                                                                           | 3  |   |
| May 9 <sup>th</sup> ffor conueyance m <sup>r</sup> Burrows                                                                                         | 1  |   |



and other prifoners ffor Viçtualls for the  
Majeſtrates & tendance & Horſes &  
whole charge at this Examination is 16

May 18 & 19 dayes for Viçtuall &  
drink for y<sup>e</sup> Guard in watching J Wil-  
lard Tho : ffarrier & others 16

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Carried ouer to the other ſide 5 4 9

lb. s. d.

Brought over from y<sup>e</sup> other ſide 5 4 9

To drink for y<sup>e</sup> Majeſtrates & Vic-  
tualls for attendance & Horſes Paſtering 5

May 20 To Sider for Majeſtrates &  
attendance 5

21. Vitualls & Drink to Majeſtrates 2 6

23<sup>d</sup> To Majeſtrats Horſes Meat &  
Attendance 3

24. To Attendance Supper & drink  
next morning 5 6

May y<sup>e</sup> 21—1692 vpon the Examina-  
tion of William Procter and ſeverall  
others to their Viçtualls Drink to y<sup>e</sup>  
Majeſtrates & and their attendance &  
Horſe meat and viçtualls & drink to y<sup>e</sup>  
Attendance of the Priſoners 1 10

July 15—1692 vpon an Examination  
to y<sup>e</sup> Majeſtrates Conſtables an others to  
attend y<sup>e</sup> priſen<sup>r</sup> Meat Drink & Horſe  
meat 15

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£8 10 9

*Tho<sup>s</sup> Manning Acc<sup>t</sup> v. County.*

Thomas Manning his Accompe of work down  
by him for ye County of in y<sup>t</sup> yare 1692.

|                                                |       |   |
|------------------------------------------------|-------|---|
| tto mending & pouting one Rachalls<br>fettters | 1     | 6 |
| tto John howward 1 pare of fettters            | 5     |   |
| tto John Jackshon fener 1 pare of<br>fettters  | 5     |   |
| tto John Jackshon Juner 1 pear of<br>fettters  | 5     |   |
|                                                | <hr/> |   |
| allow <sup>d</sup>                             | 16    | 6 |

*Jsaac Little & John Harris acc<sup>t</sup> v. County.*

|                                                                                                                                                      |    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| The County of Effex is Dr 1692:                                                                                                                      | s. |
| for 18 pound of iron y <sup>t</sup> was prest from<br>Jfack Little: Alle for feettters for y <sup>e</sup> prif-<br>iners at a 4 <sup>d</sup> a pound | 6  |

An account from John Harris sherife deputy of  
fondry charges at y<sup>e</sup> Corts of ir an terminar held at  
Sallem in ye yere 1692.

|                                                                                                                                 | £ | s. | d. |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|----|----|
| Jtt prefig a hores & man: to affist<br>in carriing of Sary good from Jpswich<br>goalle to Sallem                                |   | 8  |    |
| Jtt forgoing to Sallem to carry a re-<br>turn of y <sup>e</sup> Juriars of ipswich & Rowly<br>& Attending y <sup>t</sup> fiting |   | 4  |    |

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Jtt for a man & horſe y<sup>t</sup> was preſt to  
Remoue Sary good & chilld ffrom ipſ-  
wich to Sallem

7 6

Jtt for preſſing of hores & man to  
gard me with y<sup>e</sup> wife of John willes &  
ye widow pudeater from Jpſwich to Sa-  
lem my ſelf & gard

9 6

Jtt for tending y<sup>e</sup> Court at y<sup>e</sup> ſecond  
ſiting

4

Jtt for prouiding a Jury to make  
ſearch upon Cori & his wife & Clenton  
Eaſty : hore : Cloiſ : & m<sup>rs</sup> bradbury

4

Jtt. Tending y<sup>e</sup> Court on a Jurnment  
Auguſt y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> 1692 from Tueſday till  
Satterday

4

Jtt for expenc & Time to git 3 paire  
of feeters made for y<sup>e</sup> two Jackſons &  
John howard

2

Jtt for Remoueing of howard & y<sup>e</sup>  
two Jackſons & Joſeph emmons from  
Jpſwich Goall to Sallem & thare Tend-  
ing y<sup>e</sup> Courts pleaſure thre dayes till  
three of them was ſent back to ipſwich  
Goall by me which time of thre dayes  
for myſellffe & exspenc for Thos y<sup>t</sup> af-  
fiſted me in y<sup>t</sup> ſarues

6

for preſing of men & horſes for This  
deſigne

2

Jtt. for bringing of m<sup>rs</sup> bradbury from

Sallem to ipswich goall & a man to affist  
me

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|   | 4     |   |
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| 2 | 18    | 6 |

as attest John Harris deputy thereof.

Att A Gen<sup>l</sup> Sessions of y<sup>e</sup> peace holden at Jps-  
wich March 27: 94

This account is allowed provided it be not In-  
cluded in y<sup>e</sup> High Sheriffs acc<sup>o</sup>.

attest St. Sewall Cler

*Joseph Fuller acc<sup>t</sup> v. County.*

Joseph fuller as cunstabll for y<sup>e</sup> yere 1692.

|                                                                                                                                                                      |   |   |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| for feasing of Rachall Clenton &<br>being of har before Justis According to<br>warrant for tending y <sup>e</sup> Court of oyer &<br>terminer 15 0 at Salem ten days | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|

|                                                                                                                                                                                             |    |    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|----|
| Cunstaball Choat for seaseing of goody<br>penne & carreing of har to Sallem & and<br>bring of hur back to Jpswich Goall from<br>Sallem by uertu of a mittemas with one<br>man to assistance | s. | d. |
|                                                                                                                                                                                             | 8  | 9  |

|                                                                     |   |   |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| for tending at y <sup>e</sup> Court of Oyer &<br>turmener two weeks | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|

|                                                                                                                                                                 |    |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|---|
| 1692. James fuller & nathaniell fuller<br>thre dayes a pefe at Salem being fumoned<br>to giue evidence Against Rachell Clenton<br>at ye Court of Oyer & Termina | s. |   |
|                                                                                                                                                                 | 12 | 0 |

*Death Warrants.*

Warrant for execution of Sarah Good Rebecka

Nurse, Eliz; How Sufanna Martin & Sarah Wildes On Tuesday 19 July 1692.

Seuerall sent to Boston Goale on acct of witchcraft Salem March 1<sup>d</sup> from Ex<sup>m</sup> sent boston

Sarah Osburne Sarah Good

Titiba Indian

|               |               |                                              |
|---------------|---------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Martha Cory   | Sarah Cloyce  | } Aprill 12 <sup>th</sup><br>sent to Boston. |
| Rebecha Nurce | Eliz. procter |                                              |
| Dorothy Good  | John procter  |                                              |

May 2<sup>d</sup> Lydia Dafting wid<sup>o</sup> of Red<sup>e</sup>  
 Sufanna Martin of Ames<sup>br</sup>  
 Dorcas Hoar of Beverley wid<sup>o</sup>  
 Sarah Murrell of Bev<sup>r</sup>  
 Bethya Carter } of Woburn  
 Ann Seires }  
 Sarah Dafting }  
 George Burrows } all sent to Boston.

Salem May 12<sup>th</sup> J mittimas w<sup>ch</sup> went May 13<sup>th</sup> to Boston.

- |                                   |                                  |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. George Jacobs sen <sup>r</sup> | 7. Sarah Wild                    |
| 2. Giles Cory                     | 8. Mary L <sup>t</sup> Nath put- |
| 3. W <sup>m</sup> Hobs            | nam's negro                      |
| 4. Edw <sup>d</sup> Bushop        | } 9. Mary English                |
| 5. Sarah Bushop his wife          |                                  |
|                                   | 11. Ann pudeater                 |
| 6. Bridget Bushop alias Oliuer    |                                  |

Jn Salem prifon

|                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Eafty                 | Margaret Jacobs |
| Del <sup>r</sup> Hobs | Abigail Soames  |
| Abigail Hobs          | Rebeca Jacobs   |



Mary Warren  
Churchwell

Sarah Buckley  
Mary Witheridge

Sarah procter

sent to Boston Wedensday the 18<sup>th</sup> May 1692.

Thomas ffarror }  
Eliz : Hart } of Lyn.

John Willard of Salem Village

Roger Toothaker of bilrica.

sent to Boston munday the 23<sup>d</sup> 1692.

Mary Easty

Abigaile Soames

Sufannah Rootes

Mary Derich

Sarah Baffett

Benjamin procter

Eliz. Cary.

Sent to Salem Goale y<sup>e</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> May 1692,

Sarah pease

Sarah procter.

*Reversal of Attainder October 17<sup>th</sup> 1711.*

Province of the Massachusets Bay : Anno Reg-  
ni Anna Reginae Decimo.

An Act to reverse the attainders of George Bur-  
roughs and others for Witchcraft

Forasmuch as in the year of our Lord one  
Thousand six hundred ninety two several Towns  
within this Province were Infested with a horrible  
Witchcraft or possession of devils : And at a Special  
Court of Oyer and Termina holden at Salem in the  
County of Essex in the same year 1692. *George  
Burroughs* of Wells, *John Procter*, *George Jacobs*,  
*John Willard*, *Giles Core*, and Martha his wife, *Re-  
becca Nurse* and *Sarah Good* all of Salem aforefaid  
*Elizabeth How* of Ipswich, *Mary Easte*, *Sarah*

*Wild* and *Abigail Hobbs* all of *Topsfield*, *Samuel Wardell*, *Mary Parker*, *Martha Carrier*, *Abigail Falkner*, *Anne Foster*, *Rebecca Eames*, *Mary Post* and *Mary Lacey* all of *Andover*, *Mary Bradbury* of *Salisbury*, and *Dorcas Hoar* of *Beverley* Were severally Indicted convicted and attainted of Witchcraft, and some of them put to death. others lying still under the like sentence of the said Court, and liable to have the same Executed upon them.

The Influence and Energy of the Evil Spirits so great at that time acting in and upon those who were the principal accusers and Witnesses proceeding so far as to cause a Prosecution to be had of persons of known and good reputation, which caused a great dissatisfaction and a stop to be put thereunto until their Majesty's pleasure should be known therein: And upon a Representation thereof accordingly made her late Majesty Queen Mary the second of blessed memory by Her Royal Letter given at her Court at Whitehall the fifteenth of April 1693. was Graciously pleased to approve the care and Circumspection therein; and to Will and require that in all proceedings ag<sup>t</sup> persons accused for Witchcraft, or being possessed by the devil, the greatest Moderation and all due Circumspection be used, so far as the same may be without Impediment to the Ordinary course of Justice.

And some of the principal Accusers and Witnesses in those dark and severe prosecutions have since discovered themselves to be persons of profligate and vicious conversation.

Upon the humble Petition and suit of several of the s<sup>d</sup> persons and of the children of others of them who<sup>e</sup> Parents were Executed. Be it Declared and Enacted by his Excellency the Governor Council and Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same That the several convictions Judgments and Attainders against the said *George Borroughs, John Procter, George Jacob, John Willard, Giles Core and Martha Core, Rebecca Nurse, Sarah Good, Elizabeth How, Mary Easty, Sarah Wild, Abigail Hobbs, Samuel Wardell, Mary Parker, Martha Carrier, Abigail Falkner, Anne Foster, Rebecca Eames, Mary Post, Mary Lacey, Mary Bradbury, and Dorcas Hoar*, and every of them Be and hereby are reversed made and declared to be null and void to all Intents, Constructions and purposes whatsoever, as if no such convictions Judgments, or Attainders had ever been had or given. And that no penalties or forfeitures of Goods or Chattels be by the said Judgments and attainders or either of them had or Incurr'd. Any Law Usage or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding. And that no Sheriffe, Constable Goaler or other officer shall be Liable to any prosecution in the Law for anything they then Legally did in the Execution of their respective offices.

Made and Pass'd by the Great and General Court or Assembly of Her Majestys Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England held at Boston the 17<sup>th</sup> day of october. 1711.

Whereas we the subscribers are Informed that His Excellency the Governour Honourable Council, and Generall assembly of this province have been pleased to hear our Supplication and answer our Prayer in passing an act in favour of us respecting our Reputations and Estates: Which we humbly and gratefully acknowledge.

And inasmuch as it would be Chargeble and Troublesome for all or many of us to goe to Boston on this affair: Wherefore we have and do Authorize and Request our Trusty Friend the Worshipfull Stephen Sewall Esq: To procure us a Coppy of the said act and to doe what may be further proper and necessary for the reception of what is allowed us and to take and receive the same for us and to Transact any other thing referring to the Premises on our Behalfe that may be requisite or Convenient.

Effex. December 1711.

|                          |                         |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| John Eames in behalfe    | Charles Burrough eldest |
| of his mother Rebec-     | son                     |
| ca Eames                 | John Barker             |
| Abigael Faulkner         | Lawrence Lacy           |
| Samuel Preston on behalf | Abraham Foster          |
| of his wife Sarah Pref-  |                         |
| ton                      | John Parker             |
| Samuel Osgood on behalfe | Joseph Parker           |
| of his mother mary       |                         |
| Osgood                   | John Marston            |
| Nathaniel Dane           | Thomas Carrier          |
| Joseph Wilfon            | John Frie               |
| Samuel Wardwell          | Mary Post               |

{y<sup>e</sup> sons of  
mary Par  
ker de-  
ceased.

|                          |                                 |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| John Wright              | John Johnson in behalf          |
| Ebenezer Barker          | of his mother Rebec-            |
| Francis Johnson on be-   | ca Johnson & his                |
| half of his mother,      | sister                          |
| Brother & sister Eli-    | William Barker sen <sup>r</sup> |
| zabeth                   | Gorge Jacob on behalfe          |
| Joseph Emerson on behalf | of his father who suf-          |
| of his wife martha Em-   | fered                           |
| erson of Hauerhill       | Thorndik Procter on be-         |
| Ephraim Willds           | halfe of his father             |
| John Moulton on behalfe  | John Procter who                |
| of his wife Elizabeth    | suffered                        |
| the daughter of Giles    | Beniamin Procter son of         |
| Coree who suferd         | the aboues <sup>d</sup>         |
| Robert pease on behalfe  | Doarcas hoare                   |
| of his wife              | willem town                     |
| Annies King on behalf of | Samuel nurs                     |
| her mother               | Jacob estei                     |
|                          | Edward Bishop                   |

By his Excellency the Gouvernor

Whereas y<sup>e</sup> Generall Asseembly in their last session accepted y<sup>e</sup> report of their comitte appointed to confider of ye Damages sustained by Sundry persons profecuted for witchcraft in y<sup>e</sup> year 1692 viz<sup>t</sup>

|                   | £  | s. | d. |                  | £   | s. | d. |
|-------------------|----|----|----|------------------|-----|----|----|
| To Elizabeth How  | 12 | 0  | 0  | John Procter and |     |    |    |
| George Jacobs     | 79 | 0  | 0  | wife             | 150 | 0  | 0  |
| Mary Eastey       | 20 | 0  | 0  | Sarah Wild       | 14  | 0  | 0  |
| Mary Parker       | 8  | 0  | 0  | Mary Bradbury    | 20  | 0  | 0  |
| George Burroughs  | 50 | 0  | 0  | Abigail Faulkner | 20  | 0  | 0  |
| Giles Cory & wife | 21 | 0  | 0  | Abigail Hobbs    | 10  | 0  | 0  |
| Rebecca Nurse     | 25 | 0  | 0  | Anne Foster      | 6   | 10 | 0  |
| John Willard      | 20 | 0  | 0  | Rebecca Eames    | 10  | 0  | 0  |



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|-----------------|-------|----|---|-------------|-------|----|---|
| Sarah Good      | 30    | 0  | 0 | Dorcas Hoar | 21    | 17 | 0 |
| Martha Carrier  | 7     | 6  | 0 | Mary Post   | 8     | 14 | 0 |
| Samuel Wardwell |       |    |   | Mary Lacey  | 8     | 10 | 0 |
| & wife          | 36    | 15 | 0 |             |       |    |   |
|                 | <hr/> |    |   |             | 269   | 11 | 0 |
|                 | 309   | 1  | 0 |             | 309   | 1  | 0 |
|                 |       |    |   |             | <hr/> |    |   |
|                 |       |    |   |             | 578   | 12 | 0 |

The whole amounting vnto Five hundred seventy eight poundes and Twelve shillings.

J doe by & with the advice and consent of her Maj<sup>ty</sup>s council hereby order you to pay y<sup>e</sup> above sum of five hundred seventy eight poundes & twelve shillings to Stephen Sewall Esq<sup>r</sup> who together with y<sup>e</sup> gentlemen of y<sup>e</sup> Comittee that Eestimated and Reported y<sup>e</sup> said damages are desired & directed to distribute y<sup>e</sup> same in proportion as aboue to such of y<sup>e</sup> said persons as are Liuing and to those that legally represent them that are dead according as y<sup>e</sup> law directs and for which this shall be your Warrant.

Given under my hand at Boton the 17 Day of  
December 1711 J Dudley

To M<sup>r</sup> Treasurer Taylor By order of y<sup>e</sup> Gouernor & Council Jsa Addington Sec<sup>ry</sup>.

Whereas His Excellency the Governor and Generall court haue been pleased to grant to y<sup>e</sup> persons who were sufferers in y<sup>e</sup> year 1692 some considerable allowance towards restitution with respect to what they suffered in their Estates at that Sorrowfull time and haue alsoe appointed a Comittee viz. John Appleton Esq<sup>r</sup> Thomas Noyes Esq<sup>r</sup> John Burrel Esq<sup>r</sup> Nehemiah Jewet Esq<sup>r</sup>. & Stephen

Sewall to distribute y<sup>e</sup> Same to and amongst y<sup>e</sup> parties concern'd as in & by y<sup>e</sup> records and Court orders May appear. Now Know yee that wee Subscribers herevnto being Either y<sup>e</sup> proper parties or such as represent them or have full power & authority from them to Receiue their parts and shares of ye money afore<sup>d</sup> and such of vs as haue orders from some of y<sup>e</sup> parties concerned to receive their parts and shares doe avouch them to be real and good so that for whomsoever wee take vpon us to receive any such sum wee doe oblige ourselves to Idemnify y<sup>e</sup> said Comitte to all Jntents constructions & purposes, wee say Recieved this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February anno Domi 1711-12 & in y<sup>e</sup> Tenth year of

|                                                       |    |                   |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----|-------------------|
| Abram How For Mary & Abigail                          |    |                   |
| How                                                   | 4  | 14 0              |
| Ephraim Roberdes for James Martha                     |    |                   |
| & Sarah How children of John How                      | 4  | 14 0              |
| Abraham <sup>mark of</sup> A foster for mother        | 6  | 10 0              |
| Abraham <sup>mark of</sup> A foster for Mary lacey by |    |                   |
| order                                                 | 8  | 10 0              |
| Samuel wardel                                         | 36 | 15 0              |
| Benia putnam for Sarah Good                           | 30 | 0 0               |
| William W Towne for wife widow                        |    |                   |
| of Willard                                            | 6  | 12 8              |
| Jsaac Estey 2 9 0 for selfe                           |    |                   |
| John Easty 2 9 0                                      |    |                   |
| for Mary post                                         |    |                   |
| William Cleur                                         | 11 | 0 0 for M. Carier |
| John Ames ten poundes by ord. of his mother           |    |                   |
| on file                                               | 10 | 0 0               |

Received as on y<sup>e</sup> foregoing fide            £   s.   d.  
Samuel Nurs for himfelfe & John  
Nurse & John Tarbeu Rebecca Preston  
William Ruffell Martha Bowden &  
Francis Nurs                                         21   14   0  
<sup>marke</sup>  
Elizabeth x Richards alias Procter Benjamin x Procter  
Ebenezer Bancraft for Martha Procter  
John procter                                         william procter  
Thorndik Procter in behalfe of myfelfe and  
Joseph procter and Abigill Procter and mary  
procter and fifter Elizabeth Very.  
Sarah Munion <sup>marke</sup> x alias Procter. Elizabeth <sup>marke</sup> x Procter.  
                                                                                                 £   s.   d.  
Charles Burrough for myfelfe and for 4   2   0  
Jeremiah Burrough and Rebecca Fowle each of us  
Hanah Fox & Elizabeth Thomas            20   0   0  
John Appleton Rec<sup>d</sup> for G<sup>o</sup> Burrough y<sup>e</sup> fum of  
ffore poundes & two fhills.            £   s.  
<sup>marke</sup>  
23<sup>d</sup> Abigail x Hoar                                 20   4  
<sup>marke both</sup>  
Rebecca x Hoar

Feb 23. 1711 William <sup>marke of</sup> Hobbs for  
his sifter Abigail Hobbs  
cha

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| 9     | 15 | 0 |
|       | 4  | 0 |
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| 10    | 0  | 0 |

Leonard <sup>marke</sup> Slue for selfe & sifter Rachel 10 4<sup>d</sup>

Mary <sup>marke</sup> Pittman alias How

Rec<sup>d</sup> as afore<sup>d</sup>

for George Abbott & Hanah his wife £ s. d.  
daughter of mary Easty 2 9 0

March 4, 1711 by y<sup>r</sup> written order forty nine  
shillings John farnum

March 5 : Rec<sup>d</sup> for myselfe forty nine shillings  
2 9 0 Jacob estl.

March 6. 1711. Received for myselfe three  
poundes 4<sup>s</sup> & 6<sup>d</sup> for my owne share.

Hanah <sup>marke</sup> Willard

March 6 Rec<sup>d</sup> for our daughter Margaret Wil-  
lard being vnder age three poundes four shillings 6<sup>d</sup>

William <sup>marke</sup> Town Margaret <sup>marke</sup> Towne wife of <sup>d</sup>  
W<sup>m</sup> Town.

March 22 Received for my daughter Mary  
Burroughs four poundes 2<sup>s</sup> in full for her share.  
Mary & Hall alias Burroughs

March 22, 1711-12 Received for myselfe Ten  
poundes Mary <sup>marke</sup> Hall alias Burroughs

Aprill 5 1712 Rec<sup>d</sup> of Stephen Sewall as afore<sup>d</sup>  
6 9 0 John <sup>marke</sup> Willard

May 1. 1712. Rec<sup>d</sup> on behalf of my wife De-

borah How Two pounds Seven Shilling in full.

Isaac Howe.

Rec<sup>d</sup> for Benj. Nurse fifty four shillings & 6<sup>d</sup>  
May 12, 1712.

Samull nurs.

Rec<sup>d</sup> for myself y<sup>e</sup> subscriber & for my Bro<sup>r</sup> in  
Law Peter Thomas in right of Elizabeth his wife  
& my sifter Hanah ffox wife of m<sup>r</sup> Jabez ffox &  
& Rebecca fowles four pounds Ten shillings.

George burrougs

Receiued for my bro<sup>r</sup> Jeremiah Burroughs &  
myselfe Two pounds five shillings.

Charles Burrough.

Newbury May 22<sup>d</sup>, 1712. Rec<sup>ed</sup> for & in be-  
halfe of my wife Jane True & Mary Stanion  
daughters of Mary Bradbury & for John Bufs &  
Eliz<sup>a</sup> Bufs Children of Elizabeth Bufs y<sup>e</sup> Sum of  
nine poundes fifteen shillings p me Henry True

May 22<sup>d</sup> 1712. Reced. for my Brethren &  
Sisters being six of vs in number children of Judah  
Moodey one of y<sup>e</sup> daughters of y<sup>e</sup> afore<sup>d</sup> Mary  
Bradbury Dec<sup>d</sup>. thre pounds five shill<sup>s</sup>

Caleb Moodey.

May 22<sup>d</sup> 1712. Rec<sup>d</sup> for my sifter Anne Allen  
& myselfe children of Wymond Bradbury Dec<sup>d</sup>  
three pounds five Shillings

p me Wymond Bradbury.

Reced for my Two Brothers William Bradbury  
& Jacob Bradbury & myselfe Three pounds five  
shillings in full

p me Thomas Bradbury.

July 27, 1712. Rec<sup>d</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> acct afore<sup>said</sup>  
D<sup>da</sup>



Eleuen pounds five shillings for my part Rec<sup>d</sup> in  
full Samuel <sup>marko</sup> x Procter.

Sepr 3<sup>d</sup> 1712. Received for my brother Joshua &  
myselfe 4 18 0 which J ingage to produce his or-  
der for & send to S. Sewall. Benjamin Estie.

Sept 3<sup>d</sup>. 1712. Rec<sup>d</sup> for my fister Sarah Gills  
forty nine shillings which J promise to send her  
receipt for Benjamin Estie.

Rec<sup>d</sup> for Joseph Estie & and by his written or-  
der forty nine shillings Nou<sup>r</sup> 28, 1712.

John Commings.

Receipts of y<sup>e</sup> relations &c of y<sup>e</sup> Sufferers in y<sup>e</sup>  
year 1692 taken February 19<sup>th</sup> 1711-12.

Mr Burroughs's family widow.

Charles Burroughs George Burroughs Jeremiah  
Burroughs Rebecca Fowle alias Burrougs Hanah  
Fox alias Burroughs Elizabeth Thomas, Mary  
Burroughs.

M<sup>rs</sup> Mary Bradbury's progeny.

Wymond Bradbury Dec<sup>d</sup> has left Wymund,  
Anne. Judah Moodey Dec<sup>d</sup> Caleb Moodey, Hana  
Moodey, Joshua Moody, Samuel Moody, Mary  
Hale. Judith Toppen. William Bradbury dec<sup>d</sup>  
William Bradbury, Thomas Bradbury Jacob Brad-  
bury

Mary Stanian Jane True

Elizabeth Bufs Dec<sup>d</sup> John Bufs Elizabeth Bufs.

Families Interested in ye allowance following.

Children of Elizabeth How viz. daughters  
Mary How, Deborah How wife of Jfa: How of

Roxbury, Abigail How. Grandchildren James How, Martha How & Sarah How being y<sup>e</sup> children of her only son John How Dec<sup>d</sup>.

William Hoar Dec<sup>d</sup> left 3 daughters.

Dorcas Hoar family, Mary Burt widow. Elizabeth Read wife of Christopher Read 4 0 0 Annis King wife of John King 12 0 0 Johanna Green widow 1 0 0 Tabitha Slue Dec<sup>d</sup> left two children Leonard Rachel. George Jacobs family George Jacobs only son 46 0 0 Anne Andrews 23 0 0 Margret Jacobs alias Foster for her goods . . . . . taken away 8 7 0. The Charge 1 13

Mary Easty's family. Jsa Easty Joseph Easty John Easty Ben: Easty, Jacob Easty. Joshua Easty p<sup>d</sup> to Benj Sarah Gill daughter Hanah Abbot of Andover

Rebeccah Nurse family, John Nurse Sarah Bowden Rebecah Preston, Samuel Nurse, Francis Nurse, Mary Tarbel Elizabeth Ruffel.

John Procters family widow alias Richards Benj. Procter John Procter, Eliz. Verey, Martha Join Mary Procter Thorndick Procter William Procter Joseph Procter, Samuel Procter Sarah Procter Eliz. Procter Abigail Procter.

Mr. Sewall & Hon<sup>rd</sup> friend

S<sup>r</sup> Respects J mised, you<sup>s</sup> J receiued of yo<sup>r</sup> son, bearing date y<sup>e</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> of this Jnstant mo<sup>th</sup> & according to yo<sup>r</sup> desire J haue drawne out y<sup>e</sup> names & Sums (of ye Respective Sufferers) y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> petition<sup>rs</sup> pray<sup>d</sup> for. 1<sup>st</sup> of those executed.

|                                                                                                            | £   | s. | d. |
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| Elizabeth How; Mary Abigail her daughters pray <sup>d</sup> for                                            | 12  | 0  | 0  |
| Georg Jacobs, Georg Jacobs his son pray <sup>d</sup> p                                                     | 79  | 0  | 0  |
| Sara Wild, Ephraim Wild her son pray <sup>d</sup> for                                                      | 14  | 0  | 0  |
| Mary Easty. Jsaack Easty her husband pr <sup>d</sup> p                                                     | 20  | 0  | 0  |
| Mary Parker. Joseph & Jn <sup>o</sup> parker her son pr <sup>d</sup> p                                     | 08  | 0  | 0  |
| M <sup>r</sup> Georg Burroughs, Charles Burroughs his son pr <sup>d</sup> p                                | 50  | 0  | 0  |
| Elizabeth Core. & Martha y <sup>e</sup> wife of Jno Molton he pr <sup>d</sup> p                            | 21  | 0  | 0  |
| Rebecca Nurse. Samuell Nurse her son pr <sup>d</sup> p                                                     | 25  | 0  | 0  |
| Jn <sup>o</sup> Willard. Margeret Towne his relict pr <sup>d</sup> p                                       | 20  | 0  | 0  |
| Sarah Good. William Good her husband pr <sup>d</sup> p                                                     | 30  | 0  | 0  |
| Martha Carrier. Thomas Carriar her husband pr <sup>d</sup> p                                               | 07  | 0  | 0  |
| Samuel Wardell executed & his wife Sarah condemned. Samuell Wardell their son pr <sup>d</sup> p            | 36  | 15 | 0  |
| John procter, John & Thordick his sons pr <sup>d</sup> p                                                   | 150 | 9  | 0  |
| Jfons Condemned & not Executed Mrs Mary Bradbury. Henry & Sam <sup>l</sup> True her sons pr <sup>d</sup> p | 20  | 0  | 0  |

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| Abigail Faulkner for her and her children pr <sup>d</sup> p                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 20  | 0  | 0  |
| Abigail Hobs william Hobs her Father pr <sup>d</sup> p 10 <sup>lb</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 10  | 0  | 0  |
| Ann Foster. Abraham Foster her son pr <sup>d</sup> p                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 6   | 0  | 0  |
| Rebecca Eames prayes p                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 10  | 0  | 0  |
| Dorcas King alias whore pr <sup>d</sup> p                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 21  | 12 | 0  |
| Mary post prayes p                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 8   | 14 | 0  |
| Mary Lacy Lawrence her husband pr <sup>d</sup> p                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 8   | 10 | 0  |
| Elizabeth Procter & Elizabeth Johnson. J find their names amongst y <sup>e</sup> aboue condemned p <sup>ss</sup> ons & sum put to them. P <sup>ss</sup> ons Jm <sup>pr</sup> ison <sup>d</sup> & not Condemned petitioned for Allowances for their Jm <sup>pr</sup> isonment charges &c |     |    |    |
| Sarah Buckley & Mary witredg for so much they pay <sup>d</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 15  | 0  | 0  |
| John Johnson for Rebecca his wife & daughter                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 6   | 0  | 4  |
| Cap <sup>t</sup> Ofgoods wife Mary                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 5   | 7  | 4  |
| Sarah Cole for hers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 6   | 10 | 0  |
| Edward Bishop petitions for                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 100 | 0  | 0  |
| Jn <sup>o</sup> Barker p Mary Barker his daughters expences he p <sup>d</sup> for her                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 03  | 15 | 10 |
| Rob <sup>t</sup> pease p his                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 13  | 3  | 0  |
| Nath <sup>l</sup> Dane p his                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 4   | 13 | 0  |
| Jn <sup>o</sup> Fry p his                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 4   | 17 | 4  |
| Joseph Wilson p his                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 4   | 15 | 4  |
| Jn <sup>o</sup> Wright p his                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 0   | 4  | 0  |

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|---|
| Mercy Woodell y <sup>e</sup> wife of J <sup>n</sup> <sup>o</sup><br>Wright for             | 5   | 4  | 0 |
| J <sup>n</sup> <sup>o</sup> Barker prays for his Br <sup>o</sup> W <sup>m</sup><br>Barkers | 3   | 11 | 0 |
| Lawrence Lafy for his daughter Mary                                                        | 3   | 0  | 4 |
| J <sup>n</sup> <sup>o</sup> Marston p his wife                                             | 2   | 14 | 4 |
| Ebenezer Barker for his wife                                                               | 5   | 7  | 4 |
| Francis Johnson for his wife then<br>Sarah Hawks                                           | 5   | 4  | 0 |
| Francis Johnson for his mother                                                             | 7   | 12 | 0 |
| & for his sifter Elizabeth                                                                 | 3   | 00 | 0 |
| Total                                                                                      | 796 | 18 | 0 |

besides m<sup>r</sup> English his demands left to y<sup>e</sup> Courts  
Consideration & determination Ips 28-9-1711.  
S<sup>r</sup> y<sup>e</sup> most humble servant NTH JEWIT.

To the Committee appointed by the Governour  
& Council for the distribution of the money al-  
lowed by y<sup>e</sup> Generall Court to y<sup>e</sup> Sufferers in the  
year 1692.

Please to pay my part & proportion allowed me  
by the said court unto Deacon Benjamin Putnam  
whom J have desired to pay my part of the necess-  
ary charge, And his receipt shall be your full dis-  
charge. from your servant. W<sup>m</sup> Good x his mark

Salem Vill. Janua. 21 : 17

Whereas the Governour and Generall Court  
have been pleased to grant a Considerable sum to-  
wards Restitution to those who were Sufferers in y<sup>e</sup>  
year 1692, & and have appointed a Committe to  
distribute y<sup>e</sup> same amongst the persons concerned.



Wherefore in as much as J y<sup>e</sup> subscriber Married with Martha Procter one of y<sup>e</sup> daughters of John Procter late of Salem deced doe Request the gentlemen of y<sup>e</sup> committee to Deliver what part and proportion May belong to me on behalfe of my said wife unto Cap<sup>t</sup> Ebenezar Bancroft of Lynn and his Receipt shall be your full discharge. from your Serv<sup>t</sup>. Nathanell Gowing

Jan<sup>y</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> 1711.

To the Gentelmen of the Comittee appointed by the Governer and Councell to distribute the money allowed by the General Court to such as weare sufferers in the year 1692.

Please to pay and deliuer unto my brother Thorndik Procter the Sume allowed unto me and his receipt shall fully discharge you ffrom the same

February 18<sup>th</sup> 1711-12 Elizabeth Very.

Whereas we are Jnformed the Generall Couart hath a Pointed a Committee to distrubute to the pearties Confearned what the s<sup>d</sup> Court heath allowed to make Reparation to such as weare sufferers in the yeare 1692. Whearfore wee doe desire and heareby order and Jmpower our brother Thorndik Procter to receive what shall bee allowed to each of ys and to giue receipt for the same which shall fully dischargue you thearof.

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the x of abigaill Procter.

To y<sup>e</sup> Committey appointed by y<sup>e</sup> Generall Court to distribute what was allow<sup>d</sup> by y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Court towards restitution to y<sup>e</sup> relations of those whoe suffered in y<sup>e</sup> Sorrowfull times called y<sup>e</sup> Witchcraft

times. pleas to pay and deliuer what share and proportion belongs to me on that score vnto my Brother m<sup>r</sup> Samuel Nurse of Salem & his receipt shall be a full and sufficient discharge from your friend &c. Benjamin Nurse.

May 8<sup>th</sup> anno Dom 1712.

Whereas we are Informed the Generall court hath apointed a Committe to distribute to the parties concerned what the s<sup>d</sup> Court hath allowed to make Reparation to the Sufferers in the year 1692. Therefore wee doe desire and hereby Impour our Brother Samuel Nurse te receive what is allowed to us and to give receipt for the same

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|----------------|---------------|
| John Nurs      | willem rufel  |
| John Farbell   | martha bouden |
| Rebaka preston | francis nurs. |

Whereas y<sup>e</sup> Gouvernour & Generall Court have been Pleased to grant a considerable sum towards restitution to those who were Sufferers in ye year 1692: & have appointed a Committee to distribute y<sup>e</sup> same amongst y<sup>e</sup> persons concerned.

Wherefore I ye subscriber (being then a Sufferer) doe request y<sup>e</sup> gentlemen of y<sup>e</sup> Comittee to Deliver what Part and Proportion may belong to me unto my father William Hobbs, or my brother William Hobbs (both of Topfield) and either of their receipts shall be your full discharge from your Servant.

Abigaill <sup>the mark of</sup> x Hobbs.

We whose names are hereunto Subscribed being requested by George Locker Deputy Sherife in

Effex by order and direction of y<sup>e</sup> Justices to appraise and vallow a Gun & a sword of John Bysh w<sup>ch</sup> Gun we vallow and apprise to be worth 20<sup>s</sup> & y<sup>e</sup> sword to be worth Ten shillings as witness our hands this 25<sup>th</sup> day of august 1716.

Abrm Punchard

Phill<sup>h</sup> English jun.

*Petition of Mr English.*

To y<sup>e</sup> Comittee appointed to Distribute y<sup>e</sup> money allowed to the Sufferers in 1692

Gent I request y<sup>e</sup> favour of you to represent it to y<sup>e</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Court what a great Sufferer I have been in my estate by reason of y<sup>e</sup> severe prosecution of me and my wife in that Dark time. It Cost me fifty pounds at Boston & we were forced to fly for our Lives at which time my estate was seized and Squandred away to a great Value and much of my provision vsed to Subsist y<sup>e</sup> numerous Company of prisoners In y<sup>e</sup> whole I am Exceedingly Dem-nified y<sup>e</sup> most of my personal estate to y<sup>e</sup> Value of many hundreds of pounds taken from me & very little of it Restored againe I pray to Consider my Extraordinary Sufferings.

I am Gent yo<sup>r</sup> humble Serv<sup>a</sup>

an account of what John King and Annis his wife one of y<sup>e</sup> Daughters of Dorcas Hoare late of Beverly Deceased disbursed & expended on their aforesaid Mother dureing y<sup>e</sup> time of her imprisonment and Great Troubles in ye year 1692.

Imprimis. Substinance for her 9 £ s. d.  
months when she was in Salem prison 9 0 0

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| tt a Journey to Boston and money<br>carried to her while in prison there             | 10    | 0   |
| tt my Journey to Boston to carry<br>her to Ipswich & Expence while there             | 15    | 0   |
| tt my wife's going two Journeys to<br>Ipswich and expence & attendance up-<br>on her | 10    | 0   |
| tt two Journeys to Boston to procure<br>a reprieve                                   | 1     | 0 0 |
| tt a Journey to fetch her from Ips-<br>wich to Salem                                 | 5     | 0   |
|                                                                                      | <hr/> |     |
|                                                                                      | £12   | 0 0 |

besides considerable cloathing & other  
things for her necessitys.

John king.

<sup>her mark</sup>  
Annis x King.

Andover feb y<sup>e</sup> 26: 1711-12 honoured Sir  
thes are to dezier you to deliuer to y<sup>e</sup> bearer hereof  
John Farnum the money y<sup>t</sup> falleth to my share of  
what the Cort alowed to the sufferers in 92.

J being the daughter of Goodwife Estey of topf-  
feeld and now wife to George Abbut in Andover.

Geoge Abbut

Hannah abbut

To the much honred mager sewall pray S<sup>r</sup> be  
pleased for to pay to the barer hearof John cum-  
mings my part of the money that the generall  
court did geve to the sufferers in the yeare 1692.  
and his recit shall bee your descharge

S<sup>r</sup> J understand that you have payd all of my  
brothers, and so J would pray you for to pay the  
barer heareof so J raft your friend and Saruent

Joseph Esti.

from Dorchestour november the 01 day 1712  
as witnes my hand.

Salem ffeby 19<sup>th</sup> 1711-12 To the Honour<sup>d</sup>  
Committy

The petition of Benjamin Procter humbly shew-  
eth; That

1. for as much as J your petitioner was Imprif-  
oned for several monthes Jn the time they called  
witchcraft and was by that a great sufferer.

2. for as much as J was y<sup>e</sup> eldest son of my  
father & worked hard with my father: till J was  
about thirty years of age: and helped bring up all  
my father's children, by all his wives one after  
another.

3. for, as much as after my fathers death J your  
petitioner was at great cost and trouble in the dis-  
position of my s<sup>d</sup> fathers affairs as to relieving his  
s<sup>d</sup> family some of them helpes: with answering  
debts charges, legasies &c.

All which considered your petitioner thinketh he  
deserves a greater share of this that y<sup>e</sup> country hath  
bin please to alow us then y<sup>e</sup> rest of our family doe:  
which J leave in consideration of you<sup>r</sup> hon<sup>rs</sup> and  
shall forever remain yo<sup>r</sup> hon<sup>rs</sup> most humble serv<sup>t</sup>.

Benjamin Procter.

To the Gentlemen of the Committee appointed  
by the Governo<sup>r</sup> and Council to distribute the  
money allowed by the General Court, to such as  
were Sufferers in the year 1692.

Please to pay and deliuer into Joseph Parker of  
Andover the sum allowed unto me, and his Re-  
ceipt shall fully discharge you from the same.

Andover January 7. 1711-12 Thomas Carrier



Know all whom it doth or may concern that wee Mary and Abegill How both daughters of James How of Ipswich late deceased being informed that y<sup>e</sup> honored Generall Court hath allowed some money for us in way of Restitution for y<sup>e</sup> damage wee sustained in y<sup>e</sup> year 92 by that as was called witchcraft when our honoured mother was executed.

We pray your honours to send us y<sup>e</sup> money allowed us, by our uncle Abraham How whom we have desired and employed to Receive y<sup>e</sup> same for us. dated in Ipswich 22 of January 1711 or 12 as witness our hands Mary <sup>mark</sup> How Abigill <sup>her mark</sup> How

To the gent<sup>m</sup> of the Committee to Distribute the money that the Generall Court allow<sup>d</sup> to y<sup>e</sup> Families of those that were Sufferers in the year of y<sup>e</sup> witchcraft.

I request that you would deliver my p<sup>r</sup> of the money unto Col. John Appleton and his Receipt shall be accept<sup>d</sup>.

dated Jan 22 : 1711. p<sup>r</sup> George Burroughs.

Forasmuch as it is made Manifest that y<sup>e</sup> children of m<sup>r</sup> George Burroughs Deced. by his former wives did in y<sup>e</sup> time of his Imprisonment administer unto him Necessary things & were at considerable charge thereabout & for his Interment & that y<sup>e</sup> widow had most or all of y<sup>e</sup> personal estate.

In Consideration whereof Wee y<sup>e</sup> Subscribers a committee appointed by y<sup>e</sup> Generall Court & consent agree & order that ye six pounds 6<sup>d</sup> money

yet remaing of y<sup>e</sup> fifty pounds allowed by ye Gou-  
ernment shall be payed to y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> children in equal  
Shares.

January 3<sup>d</sup> 1712.

John Appleton

Stephen Sewall

Thomas Noyes

Neh. Jewett.

Boston New England Jan<sup>r</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1711-12.

Whereas we are Informed the Generall Court  
hath appointed a Committee To Distribute To  
the Partys Concern'd what the s<sup>d</sup> court have Al-  
low'd to Make Repare Ation to the sufferers In  
the yere 1692. wherefore we desier and hereby  
order and Impower Our Brother Charles Bur-  
rough—To Receive what is Allowed to each of us  
And his Receipt shall be a sufficient Discharge.

Peter Thomas

Jabez Fox

Rebekah Fowle

Jeremiah Burrough.

Attelborow March the 14<sup>th</sup> 1711-12 Loving  
brother my Love Remembred vnto you hoping  
that you eare well as I am at this present I make  
bold to wright a few lins vnto you desiring you to  
be so kind vnto mee as to send mee that which is  
my wright and proper due from the Jeneral court  
I pray you to send it by my mother which will  
take som care about itt and Let me not be forgotten  
by you who am your Sister till deth.

Mary Burros.

Boston, Decemb<sup>r</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1712. To the Honourable  
Gentlemen Appointed for a Committee Relateing  
to the Affairs of Witchcraft In the yere 1692.

Gentlemen. We the Subscribers and children

of m<sup>r</sup> Georg Burrough late of wells, who suffered att Salem in the Trouble there humbly offer for you Honours Consideration A few Lines Relateing our Case and Circomstances vpon Acco<sup>t</sup> of our Mother in Laws Conduct and Carriage Towards us, after our Father was Apprehended and Taken away Our Mother in Law laide hands vpon all she could secure (the Children were generally unable to shift for Themselves) and what she could lay hands on was her Own without any person but her own Daugh<sup>r</sup> to share with her, whom she says was to bring up, but may it Plese your Honours to Consider there was seaven children more besides That were To bring up the eldest of which was but sixteen years old att that Time, but insteed of shareing in what our father Left and she had secur'd were Turn'd to shift for ourselves without anythiug for so much as a Remembrance of Our father Tho Som of us can Remember of Considerable in the house, besides his Libervary which she sold and Rec<sup>d</sup> the money for : then Lett it out at interest and was afterward Rec<sup>d</sup> by another Husband : and not one farthing bestowed on any child but her Own. This being matter of fact we Humbly leave it with your honours to Consider wheather of what the Honourable Generall Court allow'd &c She have not already Rec<sup>d</sup> To much and the Children To Little. We Subscribe ourselves your Honours Humble Ser<sup>tts</sup>

rebaker fowl.

Charles Burrough

<sup>mark</sup>  
The of ✕ Eliz Thomas

Jerimi Burrough

hannah fox

Boston Aprill 3<sup>d</sup> Honoured Sir the fauour which i would humbly ask of your hounour at this time is that you would please to let my brother George Burrough have what remains in your hands on the account of my deceased but Honnoured Father M<sup>r</sup> George Burrough Sir my request is that it may be don without delay for euery diffcourse on this melloncely subiect doth but give a fresh wound to my bleeding hart but i desire to sit down in silence and remain, Sir your Honnours most obedei<sup>nt</sup> feruant

Rebekah Fowle.

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| To the Gentlemen appointed A Comittee Relateing to the affairs of Witchcraft &c                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | } | Boston Apr <sup>ll</sup> 8. 1713, |
| who suffered in the late Troubles at Salem in the yere 1692. offer to your confideration the conduct of our Mother in Laue, affter the deth of our ffather—She made sure of all that there was of household Goods &c togather with our fathers Library which was off som Value, said Liberary was sold affterward & part of the money came afterward into the hands of a second Husband, but nothing thereof nor the household goods &c ever came into our hands we were Turn'd out into a wide world to Shift for ourselves haueing nothing to trust unto but Divine Providence and the Generosity of friends (not on the side of our mother in Law) & som of us so young that we can give no acco <sup>tt</sup> of perticular Circomstances of the ffamily, nor Capable any of us to give a perticular acco <sup>t</sup> of the |   |                                   |

wrong don us any further then we are informed by others, but can assure you we never had the value of fixpence to Remember our father with when Dead and gon. And we cannot but observe to you that what the Honorable Court allowed when divided among y<sup>e</sup> Children according to the Direction of the same Amou<sup>tt</sup> to but about four pounds a piece, which we think but a poor recompense (setting aside the deth of our father) to make good Our due proportion of his substance which we were deprived of by means of his deth, besides the difficulties we were put unto & the Charge of bringing up of the Consideration of w<sup>t</sup> we relate which is matter of fact well known to many besides ourselves bee motive sufficient to Engage yo<sup>r</sup> Consideration of us in what you have Stopt of the above mentioned grant of the Honorable Court we desier you to deliver what you see cause to allow us to our brother Georg Burrough, if what we offer be not worth of your Consideration or Argument Sufficient that we should have what Remains in your hands, we only desier the favour of a Speedy Answer: for the sum as we are Inform'd is so small that much trouble in the business will surmount it by farr should we be allowed itt at last: so that an information of your resolves in the business will Prove more of a favour then tedious Delays should you grant it at last. Not further at present but Remaine to offer—We Remaine Geutlemen your humble Serv<sup>ts</sup> Peter Thomas in behalf of my wife. Jabez Fox in behalf of my wife.



Salem May 11<sup>th</sup> 1713. Majeager Seuell Sir be pleased to let my brother Charles Burrough haue my part y<sup>t</sup> was Leafte

So you will oblige your humble Serveant.

Jeremiah Burrough.

To the Gentlemen of the Committee appointed by the Governor and Council to distribute the money allowed by the Generall Court to such as were sufferers in the year 1692.

Please to pay and deliver unto my son John Eames the sum allowed unto me and his receipt shall fully discharge you from the same January 7, 1711-12

rebeckah <sup>mark</sup> x Ames.  
<sup>her</sup>

To the Gentlemen of the Committee appointed by the Governour and Council to distribute the money allowed by the Generall Court to such as were sufferers in the year 1692.

Please to pay and deliver unto Samuel Wardell our Eldest Brother, the sum allowed unto us, and his Receipt shall fully discharge you from the same.

Andover January 7. 1711-12.

William Wardell      Eliakim wardell  
John Right      Elizabeth wardell

Ezekiel Ofgood.

The children of Samuel Wardell deceased.

To the honourable the Gentleman of the Committee sitting at Salem Feb. 19. 1711-12

Whereas my mother Sarah Wardel was con-  
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demned by the court at Salem sometime in January in the year 1692, as I suppose will appear by the Records of the Ingalls at that Court, but her name is not inserted in the late Act of the Generall Court, for the taking of the Attainder of those that were condemned in that year, my mother being since deceased. I thought it my duty to endeavour that her name may have the benefit of that Act. J therefore humbly pray your Honours to Represent this case to the Honourable Gen<sup>ll</sup> Court, that my mothers name may be inserted in the said Act. And whereas in the Account which J gaue to your Hono<sup>rs</sup> when you met at Salem the last winter, J mentioned only what was seized of my Father's estate, by the sherriffe, but gave no account of other charges which did arise from the imprisonment of my Father and mother, they having provided for their own subsistence while they were in Prison, and I suppose there was something considerable payd to the keeper of the Prison, though I am not able now to give a particular account how much it was. If your honours please to allow me something upon that account, It will be thankfully acknowledged by, Your honours most humble  
 fervant Samuel wardel

Feb. 19. 1711-12.

Whereas several of the neer Relations of us the subscribers suffered imprisonment at Salem in the year 1692. And we were put to great charges and expence to provide for them while they were in prison, and for Prison fees and court charges, which

we were forced to pay before we could obtain their Release. An account of which we haue put into the Gentlemen of the Committee appointed by the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court, we do unanimously agree to make our supplication to the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court to confider the sufferings of our Relations, and the Dammage we then sustained and to allow us fu it, according to the accounts which we haue given to the committee to aforefaid. And to that end we humbly request the worshipfull Stephen Sewall Esq to write a Petition for us to the General court at their next session.

Andover January 21. 1711-12

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| Nathaniel Dane   | John Johnson  |
| Joseph willson   | John wright   |
| Ebenezer Barker  | Samuel Osgood |
| ffrancis Johnson | Sara parker.  |

To the Honourable the Gentlemen of the Committee Sitting in Salem Feb. 19. 1711-12.

Whereas the Honouble Generall Court hath lately made an Act for taking off the Attainder of those that were condemned for witchcraft in the year 1692. J thought meet to Jnform your Honours that J was condemned by the Court at Salem in January in the year 1692, as will appear by the Records of the Tryalls at Said court, but my name is not inferted in said act. Being very desirous of the favour of that Act, am bold humbly to pray your Honours, to represent my case to the General court at their next Session, that my name may be inferted in that Act, if it may be, and that the Honourable court would please to allow me some

thing in confideration of my charges by reason of my long Imprifonment, which will be thankfully acknowledged as a great favour.

by your Honours moft humble fervant.

Elizabeth Johnfon jun<sup>r</sup>

Andover Feb. 19, 1711-12.

To y<sup>e</sup> honourable Comittee Salem february 19<sup>th</sup>  
1711-12

Jentlemen. Jn ye Darke & sorrowful tims in y<sup>e</sup> yeare 1692 when fo maney perfons of undoubted Creditt were accused of witchcrafte ovr famelue as well as others was vnder grate truble and it cofte vs veary confiderable in owur neffarey Expencue for our Honoured and tender mother Duringe hir Imprifonment.

Wherefore requeste of your honours to maneft itt to y<sup>e</sup> members of y<sup>e</sup> members of y<sup>e</sup> Jennarall Courte that we might have fom reasonable allowance for ovr charge therein, which will euer oblidge your Searvent To pray.

Peter Osgood in y<sup>e</sup> name of y<sup>e</sup> reafte of y<sup>e</sup> familey

Hampton March 24. 1711-12. Maior Sewall Sr this is to defier you to deliuer to my Brother Henry True for my vfe that part of money that y<sup>e</sup> Gene<sup>ll</sup> Court have allotted to my wife as one of Cap<sup>t</sup> Bradbury's Daughters & his receipt thereof fhall be your discharge from your friends and feruants.

John Stanyan

Mary Stanyan.

To the Gentlemen of the Committee appointed

& the Governour and Council to distribute the money allowed by the Gen<sup>l</sup> court to such as were sufferers in the year 1692.

Please to pay and deliuer unto my Brother Joseph Parker the sum allowed unto us, and his receipt shall fully discharge you from the same. Andover  
January 7 1711-12 John Parker.

To the Gentlemen of the Committee appointed by the Governour and Council to distribute the money allowed by the Generall court to such as were sufferers in the year 1692.

Please to pay and deliuer vnto Joseph Parker of Andover the sum allowed vnto me, and his Receipt shall fully discharge you from the same Andover  
January 7. 1711-12 Mary <sup>mark</sup> x <sub>hur</sub> post

To the Gentlemen of the Committee appointed by the Governour and Council to distribute the money allowed by the Generall court, to such as were Sufferers in the year 1692.

Please to pay and deliuer vnto my brother Thorndike Procter the sum allowed unto me, and his Receipt shall fully discharge you from the same.  
January 15. 1711-12 mary Procter.

To the Gentlemen of the Committee fitting at Salem this 22 of January 1711-12.

Whereas I the Subscriber suffered Imprisonment at Salem, 17 weeks in the year 1692. And was put to great charges and Expences before I could obtain a Release. And not having an oppertunity to giue your Honours an account of my charges dur-



ng my imprisonment, when others of my neighbours and fellow sufferers, put in their accounts: J haue thought meet to do it at this time, which is as followeth.

To the keeper of the Prison two pounds eight shillings & four pence.

For Court charges Thirty shillings & four pence.

For necessary Expences while J attended the Court one pound four shillings.

Sarah Parker of Andover.

Maj<sup>r</sup> Sewall please to pay to Leonard Slue the money Comeing to y<sup>r</sup> humble Serv<sup>t</sup> Feb 23. 1711-

12

Rachel R Slue.

Mary Rich of Lynn widow in y<sup>e</sup> year 1692 was Imprisoned & lost he bed & pot & other household stufte, in about halfe year.

At a Superior Court of Indicature holden at Salem for the County of Essex the 12<sup>th</sup> December by Adjournment from the last Tuesday in November past.

Ordered. Whereas there hath arisen a great Charge in holding the severall Courts of Oyer and Terminer in the County of Estex in the year 1692. the payment of part of w<sup>ch</sup> hath been ordered by the Governour and Councill out of the publique Treasury and yet there remains due to severall persons for their service and disburse<sup>ts</sup> one hundred and thirty pounds in money whose Acco<sup>ts</sup> haue been examined and allowed by the Court the discharge of which properly belongs to said County This Court doth therefore order the Clerk therof

to signifie and make known the same unto their Majest<sup>ts</sup> Justices of the peace in said County. Who are directed at their next Generall Sessions of the peace to make an Assessment on the Inhabitats of said County proportionally for the payment of the said sum And that by an Order they cause the same to be paid to the County Trear—and that he pay the said sum to the severall persons unto whom it is due according to the severall Acco<sup>ts</sup> herewith Transmitted.

Vera Copia Taken out of y<sup>e</sup> Record of s<sup>d</sup> Court.  
Attest. Jon<sup>a</sup> Elaffon Cler

An account of what is due to the severall persons hereafter named from the publique for their respective disburse<sup>ts</sup> and services according to their Acco<sup>ts</sup> Given in and & Examined by the Supereour Court holden at Salem by Adjournm<sup>t</sup> December y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 1693.

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| Thomas Beadle Cr by his                         |           |
| acc <sup>o</sup> of disburse <sup>ts</sup>      | £58 11 5  |
| Dr to what was p <sup>d</sup> by y <sup>e</sup> |           |
| Sheriff                                         | £17 17 6  |
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| Due to Ballance                                 | £40 13 11 |
| Samuel Beadle Cr by his                         |           |
| acc <sup>o</sup>                                | £21 0 0   |
| Dr to what p <sup>d</sup> by the                |           |
| Sheriff                                         | £10 0 0   |
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| Samuel Shattock Cr as p his<br>acc <sup>d</sup>                                                                | £ 7 02 00  |
| Dr to what p <sup>d</sup> by the<br>Sheriff                                                                    | £ 3 00 00  |
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| John Cook Cr by his acc <sup>o</sup>                                                                           | £ 2 13 0   |
| Mary Gedey Cr by her<br>acc <sup>o</sup>                                                                       | £70 00 00  |
| Dr by what's p <sup>d</sup> by the<br>Trear & Sherriffe                                                        | £55 13 00  |
|                                                                                                                | £14 07 0   |
| John Stacy Cr by his acc <sup>o</sup><br>of disbursem <sup>ts</sup>                                            | £ 4 0 0    |
| Mr Thomas Newton for his<br>feruice                                                                            | £ 2 5 0    |
| John Putnam Constable 30s<br>& Jonathan Putnam 30 <sup>s</sup> for<br>their Extraordinary Service &<br>Travell | £ 3 0 0    |
| Joseph Neal for his Service<br>and Travell                                                                     | £ 2 0 0    |
| Capt Willard William Mur-<br>ry & Thomas Putnam for<br>their Seruice £5 each                                   | £15 0 0    |
| Nathaniel Jngerfoll his acc <sup>o</sup><br>of disbursem <sup>ts</sup>                                         | £ 6 0 0    |
| George Herrick for his<br>Great seruice                                                                        | £25 0 0    |
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there amounting to the Summ of one hundred and thirty pounds Eleuen pence. W<sup>m</sup> Stoughton

ver Copia attest Jon<sup>a</sup> Elaffon Cler.

County Estex Deto July 92.

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attest Rob<sup>tt</sup> Lord Smith.

deduct p<sup>d</sup> by y<sup>e</sup> Marshall 6<sup>s</sup>—rest is 26<sup>s</sup> allow<sup>d</sup>.

Mr Sewall Sr I thought good to retorne you y<sup>e</sup> names of severall Jfons y<sup>t</sup> were Condemned & Executed that not any person or relations Appeared in ye behalfe of for y<sup>e</sup> taking of y<sup>e</sup> Attainder or for other Expences, they I supposd were returned to y<sup>e</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Courts confideration for to act about according to their best prudence. Bridget Bishop alias Oliuer, fufanna Martin, Alice parker, Ann pudeter, Welmot Read. Marget Scott.

Sr J am y<sup>rs</sup> Honors to Serue Neh Jewet.

To the Gentlemen of the Committee appointed by the Governour & Council to distribute the

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money allowed by the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court to such as were sufferers in the year 1692.

Please to pay and deliuer vnto Abraham Foster of Andover the sum allowed vnto me and his Receipt shall fully discharge you from the same

Andover January 7: 1711-12

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*John Bradstreet for Witchcraft 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1652.*

The Court held at Ipswich 28<sup>th</sup> (7) 1652.

26 John Broadstreet vpon his p<sup>r</sup> sentm<sup>t</sup> of the last court for suspition of haueing familiarity w<sup>th</sup> the devill upon examynation of the case they found he had tould a lye w<sup>ch</sup> was a seconde being convicted once before. The court sets a fine of 20<sup>s</sup> or else to be whipt. Edw Coborne is surety for the payments of the fine & fees of court.

*Christopher Brown for witchcraft 24: 9 mo 1674.*

At a County Court held at Salem the 24: 9<sup>mo</sup> 1674.

24 Christopher Browne haueing reported that he had beene trafing or discourfing with one whome he apprehending to be the Deuill. which came like a Gen<sup>t</sup> in order to his binding himfelfe to be a fervant to him, vpon his examination his discourfe seeming inconstant with truth &c: the court giueing him good councell & caution for the prsent dismis him.



*Abel Powell for witchcraft March 30 1680.*

The Court held at Ipswich the 30 of March 1680

30 In the case of Abell powell though the court do not see sufficient to charge further yet find soe much suspition as that he pay the charges left to m<sup>r</sup> Jo: woodbridge.

*W<sup>m</sup> Morfe v. Abel Powell.*

The testimony of W<sup>m</sup> Morfe w<sup>ch</sup> fayth together with his wife, aged both about 65 yeeres. That Thursday night being the 27<sup>th</sup> day of Nov<sup>r</sup> we heard a grate noyse without round the house of knocking the boards of the house, & as we conceiued throwing of stones ag<sup>t</sup> the house: whereupon myselfe & wife lookt out, & saw nobody, & the boy all this time with vs: but we had stones & sticks throwne at vs that we were forced to retire into the house againe, afterwards we went to bed & the boy with us, & then the like noyes was vpon the rooffe of the house.

2. The same night about midnight the doore being lockt when we went to bed, we heard a great hog in the house grunt & make a noyes, as we thought willing to gett out & that we might not be disturbed in o<sup>r</sup> sleep I rose to lett him out & I found a hog in the house & the doore unlockt: the doore was firmly lockt when we went to bed.

3. The next morning, a stick of Links hanging in the chimney, they were throwne out of their

place, & we hanged them vp again & they were throwne downe againe and some into the fire.

4. The night following I had a great awle lying in the window, the w<sup>ch</sup> awle we saw fall downe out of the chimney into the ashes by the fire. 5. After this I bid the boy putt the same awl into the cupboard w<sup>ch</sup> we saw done, & the doore sh<sup>t</sup> too: this same awle came presently downe the chimney againe in o<sup>r</sup> sight & I tooke it vp myselfe againe the same night we saw a little Indian baskett that was in the loft before come downe the chimney againe, & I tooke the same basket & put a piece of brick into it, and the basket with the brick was gone, & came downe againe the third time with the brick in it, & went up againe the fourth time, & came down againe without the bricke: & the bricke came downe a little after.

6. The next day being Saturday, stones, sticks, & pieces of bricks came downe so that we could not quietly dresse o<sup>r</sup> breakfast, and sticks of fire allso came downe at the same time.

7. That day in the afternoone my thread 4 times taken away and came downe y<sup>e</sup> chimney, againe, my awle & a gimblett wanting came downe the chimney: againe my leather taken away came downe the chimney: againe my nails being in the cover of a firkin taken away came downe the chimney. Againe the same night the door being lockt, a little before day hearing a hog in the house I rose and saw the hog to be mine. I let him out.

8. The next day being Sabath day, many stones & sticks & pieces of bricks came downe the chimney: on the munday m<sup>r</sup> Richardson & my brother being there, the frame in my cow house they saw very firm. I sent my boy out to skare the fowles from my hogs meat: he went to the bowhouse, & it fell downe my boy crying with the hurt of the fall: in the afternoone, the potts hanging ouer the fire did dash so vehemently one ag<sup>t</sup> the other, we sett downe one that they might not dash to pieces: I saw the andiron leap into the pott & dance & leap out, & again leap in & dance & leap out againe, & leap on a table & there abide, & my wife saw the andiron on the table: allso I saw the pott turne itt selfe over and throw downe all the water: againe we saw a tray with wooll leap vp & downe & throw the wooll out, & so many times & saw no body medle with it: againe a tub his hoop fly off of itselke & the tub turne over & nobody neere it: againe the woollen wheele turned vpside downe & stood vp on its end, & a spade sett on it: Steph Greenleafe saw it, & myfelfe & my wife, againe my rope tooles fell downe vpon the ground before my boy could take them, being sent for them, & the same thing of nailes tumbled downe from the loft into the ground, & nobody neere. Againe my wife & boy making the bed, the chest did open and shutt the bed cloathes could not be made to ly on the bed but fly off againe.

Againe Caleb Powell came in & being affected

to see or trouble did promise me & my wife that if we would be willing to lett him keep the boy we should see or selves that we should be neuer disturbed while he was gone with him, he had the boy & had bin quiet ever since.

Tho: Rogers, & George Hardy being at W<sup>m</sup> Morfe his house affirme that the earth in the chimney corner moued & scattered on them that Tho: Rogers was hitt with somewhat, Hardy with an Iron ladle as is supposed. Somewhat hitt W<sup>m</sup> Morfe a great blow: but it was so swift that they could not certainly tell what it was: but looking downe after they heard the noyse they saw a shooe. The boy was in the corner at the first, afterwards in the house. M<sup>r</sup> Richardson on saturday testifyeth that a board flew ag<sup>t</sup> his chaire & he heard a noyse in another roome, w<sup>ch</sup> he supposed in all reason to be diabolicall.

Auth Morfe affirmeth that he saw the bord before tackt with nailes to the window, but his evidence is drawne at large by himselfe. John Dole saw a pine stick of candlewood to fall downe, a stone, a firebrand, & these things he saw not what way they came till they fell downe by him.

The same affirmed by John Tucker the boy was in one corner, whom they saw & observed all the while & saw no motion in him Elizabeth Titcomb affirmeth that Powell sayd that he could find the witch by his learning if he had another scholler with him, this she sayeth were his expreffions to the best of her memory Steph. Greenleaf, & Edw

Richardson affirme the motion of the woll in the tray.

Jo. Tucker affirmeth that Powell sayd to him, he saw the boy throw the shoöe while he was at prayer.

John Badgers oath is drawne out by itselfe.

Jo. Emerson affirmeth that Powell sayd he was brought vp vnder Norwood, and it was guded by the people there, that Norwood studied the black Art.

A father testimony of W<sup>m</sup> Morfe and his wife.

We saw also a rooler of bread turne over ag<sup>t</sup> me & struck me not any being neere it, & so overturned. I saw a chaire standing in the house & not any body neere it did often bow towards me & so rise vp againe. My wife also being in the chamber the chamber doore did violently fly together not any body being neere it. My wife going to make a bed the bed did moue to & fro not any body being neere it. J also saw an Iron wedge & spade was flying out of the chamber on my wife & did not stricke her. My wife going into the Cellar a drum standing in the house did rowle over the doore of the Cellar & being taken vp againe the door did violently fly downe againe. My barnes doors 4 times vn<sup>p</sup>pinned I know not how. I going to shutt my barne doore looking for the pin the boy being with me. (as I did judge) the pin coming downe out of the aire & did fall down neere to me, Againe Caleb Powell came in as before sayd & seeing o<sup>r</sup> spirits very low by y<sup>e</sup> sence of o<sup>r</sup> great



affliction began to bemoane or condition & sayd that he was troubled for or afflictions, & sayd that he had eyed this boy, & drawed neere to vs with great compassion. poore old man, poore old woman this boy is the occasion of your griefe, for he hath done these things, & hath caused his good old grandmother to be counted a Witch, then sayd I how can all these things be done by him, sayd he allthough he may not haue done all yett most of them, for this boy is a young rogue, a vile rogue, I haue watched him & see him do things as to come up & downe. Caleb Powell allso said he had vnderstanding in Astrology & Astronomy, & knew the working of spirits, some in one country, and some in another, & looking on the boy sayd you young rogue to begin so soone, Goodman Morfe of you be willing to lett me haue this boy, I will vndertake you shall be free from any trouble of this kind while he is with me: I was very unwilling at the first & my wife, but by often vrging me til he told me whither, & what employ<sup>mt</sup> & company he should goe, I did consent to it and this was before Jo: Bedger came & we haue bin freed from any trouble of this kind euer since that promise made on monday night last, to this time being friday in the afternoone then we heard a great noyse in the other roome oftentimes, but looking after it, could not see anything. but afterwards looking into the roome, we saw a board hanged to the presse then we being by the fire, sitting in a chaire my chaire often would not stand still but ready to throw me backward

often times : afterward my cap allmost taken off my head 3 times againe a great blow in my polle & and my catt did leap from me into the chimney corner presently after this cat was throwne at my wife : we saw the catt to be ours we put her out of the house & shutt the doore : presently the catt was throwed into the house : we went to goe to bed suddenly my wife being with me in bed the lamp light by or side my catt againe throwed at vs 5 times jumping away presently into the floore, & one of those times, a red waistcoat throwed on the bed, & the catt wrapped vp in it : againe the Lamp standing by vs on the chest, we sayd it should stand & burn burne out, but presently was beaten downe, & all the oyle shed, & we left in the darke : Againe a great noyse a great while very dreadfull : againe in the morning a great stone being 6 pound weight did remoue from place to place we saw it : two spoones throwed off the table, & presently the table throwed downe & being minded to write my ink horne was hid from me, w<sup>ch</sup> I found couered with a rag, & my pen quite gone. I made a new pen & while I was writing one eare of corne hit me in the face, & fire sticks & stones & . . . . . throwed at me, & my pen brought to me while I was writing with my new pin, my Ink horne taken away, and not knowing how to write any more, we looked vnder the table, & there found him, & so I was able to write againe : againe my wife her hat taken from her head sitting by the fire by me

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the table allmost, throwne downe : againe my spectacles throwne from the table, and throwne allmost into the fire by me & my wife & the boy : againe my booke of all my accounts throwne into the fire, & had bin burnt presently if I had not taken it vp : againe boards taken off a tub, and sett upright by themselves & my paper do what I could hardly keep it while I was writing this relation & things throwne at me while a wrighting presently before I could dry my writing a mormouth hatt rubbed along it but I held so fast that it did blott but some of it : my wife and I being much afraid that I should not preserve it for the publike vse did thinke best to lay it in the bible, & lay it safe that night, againe the next I would lay it there againe, but in the morning it was not there to be found the bag hanged downe empty, but after was found in a box alone againe while I was writing this morning, I was forced to forbear writing any more I was so disturbed with so many things constantly throwne at me. This relation brought in der 8<sup>th</sup>.

John Badger affirmeth that being at W<sup>m</sup> Morfe his house and heard Caleb Powell say, that he thought by Astrology, & I thinke he sayd by astronomy to with it he could find out whether or no there were diabolicall means vfed about the sayd Morfe his trouble, & that the sayd Caleb, sayd he thought to try to find it out.

*Sarah Hale v. Abel Powell.*

The testimony of Sarah Halle about 33 yeeres, &

Joseph Mirick about 19 who affirme. That John Moores Boatswaine of the vessell wherein Joseph Dole was Capt & Caleb Powell was mate, hath often sayd in their hearing, that if there were any wizards he was sure that Caleb Powell was a wizard, w<sup>ch</sup> he affirmed oftentimes in their house, Taken on oath Febr 27<sup>th</sup> 1679, before me

Jo Woodbridge Commisr.

*Anthony Morfe v. Abel Powell.*

I Anthony Mores occasionally being at my brothar's Mores hows my brothar showid me a pece of a brik which had seuerall tims come down the chimne: I fitting in the cornar J towke the pece of brik in my hand: with in a litell spas of tiem the pece of brik was gon from me, J knu not by what meaines Quickly aftar the pece of brik came down the Chimny: allso in the chimney cornar J saw a hamar on the ground: thar being no parson near the hamar itt wafs sodenly gone: by what meians J know not; but with in a litell spas aftar the hamar came down the chimney: and with in a littel spas of time aftar that came a pece of woud down the chimney about a fute loun. and within a litell while aftar that came down a fiar brand the fiar being out: this was about ten dayes agoe.

newbury 8:9:79. Taken on oath Der 8<sup>th</sup> 1679 before me

Jos. Woodbridge Com.

Der 3: 1679: Caleb Powell being complained of for suspicion of working with the Devill to the molesting of W<sup>m</sup> Morfe & his family, was by warrant directed to the Constable brought in by him. The accusation & testimonyes were read, & the complaint respited till the munday following.

Der 8<sup>th</sup> 1679. Caleb Powell appeared according to order, & farther testimoney produced ag<sup>t</sup> him by W<sup>m</sup> Morfe, w<sup>ch</sup> being read and considered it was determined that the sayd W<sup>m</sup> Morfe should prosecute the case ag<sup>t</sup> sayd Powell at the County Court to be held at Ipswich the last tuesday in march ensuing & in order heervnto. W<sup>m</sup> Morfe acknowledgeth himselfe indebted to the treasurer of the County of Essex, the full sum of 20<sup>l</sup>. The condition of this obligation is that the sayd W<sup>m</sup> Morfe shall prosecute his complaint ag<sup>t</sup> Caleb Powell at that Court.

Caleb Powell was delivered as a prisoner to Constable till he could find security of 20<sup>l</sup> for the answering of the sayd complaint or else he was to be carryed to prison.

Jo Woodbridge Commis<sup>r</sup>

*Mary Tucker v. Abel Powell.*

The deposition of Mary Tucker aged about 20.

She remembreth that Caleb Powell came into her house & sayd to this purpose that he coming to W<sup>m</sup> Morfe his house & the old man being at prayer, he thought not fitt to goe in but looked in at



the window, & he sayd he had broken the enchantment, for he saw the boy play tricks while he was at prayer, & mentioned some & and among the rest that he saw him to fling the shove at the sayd Morfes head. Taken on oath march 29<sup>th</sup> 1680 before me.

Jo : Woodbridge Commisr

Mary Richardson confirmed the trueth of the aboue written testimony on oath at the same time.

*John Badger v. Abel Powell.*

John Badger afermeth that being at william morfe his hous : and heard Calleb powell say that he thought, by Astroligie : and I think he said by astronmie too with it he could find out whither or no ther wear diabolicoll meanes used about the said mors his trouble and that the said Caleb said he thoug to try to find it out.

Vpon the hearing the complaint brought to this court ag<sup>t</sup> Caleb Powell for suspicion of working by the devill to the molesting of the family of W<sup>m</sup> Morfe of Newbery, though this court cannot find any euident ground of proceeding farther ag<sup>t</sup> the sayd Caleb Powell, yett we determine that he hath given such such ground of suspicion of his so dealing, that we cannot so acquit him, but that he gustly deserves to bear his owne shame & the costs of the prosecution of the Complaint, refered to m<sup>r</sup> woodbridge to examine & determrne w<sup>t</sup> the charges.

*Complaint v. Margaret Read.* 29 : 4<sup>mo</sup> 1680.

At a County Court sitting in Salem, the 29 : 4<sup>mo</sup> 1680.

34 There being a complaint made by m<sup>r</sup> phillip Reade, against margarett Giffords to the court, vpon suspicion of witchcraft, and p<sup>r</sup>senting severall papers & evidences against her, & affirming severall other things against her, which he saith he can produce evidence for this court hearing all that was p<sup>r</sup>esented & read as aforefaid. The Court sees cause to Injoyne the Margarett Gifford to appeer at the next court at Ipswich, there to make further answer &c : & the said Read is enjoyned then to prosecute against her, & bring in what evidence he has, or can procure to make good his complaint, & the whole case to be returned to the said court :

The court held th 28 of September 1680.

34 m<sup>r</sup> Phillip Read appeared to J<sup>s</sup>ecute against m<sup>rs</sup> margaret Gifford, but she being legelly called did not appeare.

55 m<sup>r</sup> Phillip Read appeared to p<sup>r</sup>secute against m<sup>rs</sup> Margrt Giffard vpon suspicion of her being a witch, and severall testimony vpon oath were then brought But the said Giffard being orderly called to Answer did not appeare.

*M. Pearson vs Burt. November I. 1669.*

The Testimony of Maddlene Pearson aged fifty yeeres, or there abouts saith she heard Sarah Pearson

say when her father had hur down to Goodwife Burt to be cuered of her fore foote y<sup>e</sup> first night shee was there y<sup>e</sup> said Burt put her to bed : and tould y<sup>e</sup> said Sarah if shee would beelev in her God, shee would cure her body and foule : But if shee tould of it, shee should be as a deftracted body as long as shee lived, and further that her husband did not beleue in her God and should not be cured and that he maid did beleue in her God and was cuered : this shee said being in her right mind shee being shee being some time in good health the said Burt said to her Sarah will you Smok it and giueing of her the pipe she smoket it : and y<sup>e</sup> said Sarah feall into her fitts againe and said that Goodwife Burt brought y<sup>e</sup> diuill to her to tormente her : further saith not.

*Bethiah Carter vs. Burt.*

The testimony of Bethiah Carter Aged 23 yeares or therabouts Testifyeth that she herd Sara townsan say when she was a mayd and liued with goodwife Burt that she said goodwife Burt told her if she could belue in her god she would cure her body and soul and farther she sayd goodwife burt tould her she could not cure her owne husband because he would notbelue in her god : but her mayd did belue in her god and she was curd : this she herd Sara townsan say when she was in good helth and seve a while after this the said Sara townsan Being sorely afflickted with said fitts, crying out and Rayling

agaynst me sayin my father carryed me to boſton But carryed her too Lin too an owld witch) and farther the s<sup>d</sup> Sarah hath tould to me and others that ſhe hath ſen the s<sup>d</sup> Burt apeare often at her beds feete and at diuers other places in the Day and alſo at Night, this ſhe hath often related as well in helth as in ſicknes ffarther ſaith nott.

*Phillip Reed vs. Burt.*

Mr Phillip Rede Phyſition aged 45 years or thereabouts teſtifyeth that he being ſent for 3 ſeu-erall times too ſe the above s<sup>d</sup> Sara townſan and her ſiſter Carter: being both very il but eſpeſſially ſhe s<sup>d</sup> Sara townſan being in a more ſadder condittion he had noe oppertunty, too examine her condittion but did playnly perceiue there was noe naturall caus for ſuch unnatural fitts but being ſent for the 4<sup>th</sup> time and finding her in a meat capaſſity to give iufomation of her agreuanc and cauſe of her former fitts ſhe tould me the abous<sup>d</sup> Burt had afflicted her and told her if euer ſhe did relate it to any one ſhe would afflict her wors one hower after ſhe had a ſadder fit than any euer ſhe had afore: then i aſkt her whoe afflict her now and what the matter was ſhe replide with a great ſcrich ſhe had tould me alreddy and that ſhe did now ſuffer with it much more not related at p<sup>r</sup>ſent.

Witness my hand 15<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>mo</sup> 69.

Phillp Reade.

Thomas ffarar aged aboue fifty years ſaith that my daughter Sarah & my daughter Elizabh were in

former time forely afflicted and in their greatest extremity they would cry out & roare & say that they did see goody Burtt & say ther she is doe you not see her kill her ther she is & that they said feuerall times and I haue a son now in extrem misery much as the former hath bin and the docter says he is bewiched to his vnderstanding.

*John Pearson & Mary Burnop vs. Burt.*

The Testimony of John Pearson aged about ninetene years and Mary Burnop aged about 26 yeres testifieth that Goodwif Burt coming into the Roome wheare Sarah Pearson was asked her how shee did : shee said the worse for her : the said Burt seat down, and laughed at y<sup>e</sup> said Sarah shee coming towards her said doubt thou laugh and knoweth thou heath don me a mischefe I could find in my heart to baste thy fids the said Burt said doe if thou durst, and I will pay thy fids. further y<sup>e</sup> aboue said John Pearson saith that he heard goodwife Burt aboue said did say that the aboue said Sarah should spake as much against her friends as eue She did against her. furthermore that the aboue said Mary Burnop saith she heard the abouesaid Sarah spake telling Bethyah Cerrter that her father had her to Bostown : but carryed me to Lin to an ould witch further saith not.

*John Knight vs. Burt.*

The testimony of John Knight about fourty  
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feaven yeares of age faith he was goinge to fetch some things for his wife and he saw old goody burt coming out of a Swamp and she was in her smock sleeves and a blacke hancather and black cap of her head and he looked up and suddenly she was gone out of sight and I looked aboute and could not see her soe when I came into the house I found her in the same habit as I saw her and he said unto her did I not see you in the swamp even now and she<sup>d</sup> noe I was in the house and he told her then shee was a light headed woman and further faith not.

*Jacob Knight vs. Burt.*

The testimonye of Jacob Knight aged about 24 or 25 yeares: I boarded in the house of Mr Cobit with my brother wormwood: in which house widdow Burt liuen at that tyme, my brother, & sister being gone to Boston: there being noe fire in my brothers roome, I went into widdow Burts roome to Lite, my pipe, & tould her I had a paine in my head, & soe went into my Lodging roome: which was through five doers (& stooping downe to Loose my shooe looking vpward there was widdow Burt with a glasse bottle in her hand, & shee tould mee, there was something would doe my head good, or cure my head, & gaue mee the botle in my hand, & when I had drunke of it, I was worse in my head) but Concerning the five doeres I passed through into my Roome, I thinke they were

all shutt after mee, but however ther is one ffloure, y<sup>t</sup> must be passed over to come into my Roome, that was soe Loose y<sup>t</sup> it would make such a noyse y<sup>t</sup> might, in an ordinarye waye be heard when any passed over it, but I heard nothing & her sudder being with mee put mee into affright, & soe remained while the next morneing though shee p<sup>r</sup>sentlye Left mee, & soe the next morning but one, I being to goe to Salem, intended to tell my sifter wormwood of it, before I went, but widdow Burt coming into my sifter wormwoods Roome, s<sup>d</sup> I hade a minde to saye something to my sifter ag<sup>t</sup> her y<sup>t</sup> I would not haue her heare, & this was before I had said any thing, & soe went out of the the house & then I tould my sifter, and going to Salem, I saw a Catt, which being out of sight againe, I p<sup>r</sup>sentlye saw saw a dogg it being, Likewise p<sup>r</sup>sentlye out of sight, I saw one before mee, Likeunto widdow Burt goeing before mee downe a hill as I was goeing vp it, & soe I lost sight of her, the night following I Lodged at my brother knights at Salem, I Looking out of the chamber, it being a cleare moone light night, I saw widdow Burt vppon a graye horse or mare in my brothers yard, or one in her shape, & soe I waked my Cozen John knight y<sup>t</sup> Lodged with mee, & tould him of it, then neither he, nor I, could see any thing, so when he was a sleep againe, shee appeared to me in the chamber, &c. then I tooke vpp a piece of a barrell head & threw it at her, & as I think hit her on the brest: & then could see her noe more that tyme.

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