

INDIAN DEEDS OF HAMPDEN COUNTY

BEING COPIES OF ALL
LAND TRANSFERS FROM THE INDIANS
RECORDED IN THE

County of Hampden : Massachusetts

AND SOME DEEDS FROM OTHER SOURCES
TOGETHER WITH NOTES AND TRANSLATIONS
OF INDIAN PLACE NAMES

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INTRODUCTION

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IN the first general letter of instruction from the governor and deputy of the New England Company for a plantation in Massachusetts Bay, to the governor and council for London's plantation in the Massachusetts Bay in New England, written from Gravesend, April 17, 1629, is the following passage:—"if any of the salvages pretend right of inheritance to all or any part of the lands granted in our pattent, we pray you endeavor to purchase their tytle, that wee may avoyde the least scruple of intrusion."

In 1633-4, at a General Court held at Boston on March 4, it was further provided that "noe person whatsoever shall buy any land of any Indean without leave from the Court," and April 1 it was ordered that every town should keep a record book showing the ownership and transfer of all lands and should furnish the General Court with a transcript of the same. Later, it was provided that all land records should be made by the county in which the land was located, instead of the town.

From these small beginnings has come our modern system of registration. It was not copied from the laws of the mother country as such a system was unknown in England, but was originated to meet a new need.

On the seventh day of the third month, 1662 O. S., the towns of Springfield, Northampton and Hadley were constituted a county, called Hampshire. This was not a part set off from any other civil division, but was erected out of territory never before placed under county organization. Although containing within its limits but three towns, yet it included all the western half of the state, or what is now Berkshire, Franklin, Hampshire, Hampden, and the western part of Worcester County.

The first division of this territory was made July 10, 1731, when Worcester County was organized. On June 30, 1761, Berkshire County was set off and on June 24, 1811, Franklin County came into being. The last division of old Hampshire County was made when Hampden County was organized; February 20, 1812. With this division, provision was made that Hampshire County should retain all of the probate and court records and that the real estate records should go to Hampden County. Thus the Hampden County records show all of the records of deeds [of the western part of Worcester County up to July 10, 1731, of Berkshire to June 30, 1761, Franklin, June 24, 1811, and Hampshire, February 20, 1812. As practically all of the Indians except those at Stockbridge left the territory at the close of King Philip's war in 1676, they must necessarily include all the early records of land in western Massachusetts sold by them to the settlers.

The modern student is seriously handicapped by the carelessness with which these deeds were drawn. Not only are the bounds very indefinite, but very little thought was given to the orthography of the place names. The work of the recorder was also very lax, and where a copy of the same deed exists in the town records as well as in the county records, place names are apt to be so different as to make the proper sound of an Indian name often a matter of conjecture. In such a case, without a detailed knowledge of the territory described and an ability to look at it with the eye of an Indian, translation is practically impossible.

In the Indian language every name described the locality to which it was affixed. The same name might be given to more than one place, but these were never so near together that a mistake in identity could be occasioned by the repetition. Some of these, it is today impossible to translate on account of the transformations which they have gone through, and it is only by securing the earliest spelling that convincing proof can be obtained. The earlier forms, being more correct than the modern corrupt forms, assist materially

in securing the correct meaning. Oftentimes, too, an early deed will give a clue to the meaning of a word.

The language spoken in this vicinity was a dialect of the Algonquin; the language of nearly all the Atlantic seaboard, New England and the greater part of Canada, and there are today in Canada, many pure blood Indians who speak almost the identical dialect used here hundreds of years ago.

The translations in this volume have been verified by George Lemoine, P^{TRÉ} O. M. I., missionary to the Montagnais Indians at North Temiskaming, Quebec, who is a recognized authority on the subject. They may be relied upon as correct, as they are in accordance with the latest knowledge of Indian synthesis, and such as are in question have been withheld for further study. Gratitude is due not only to Father Lemoine, but to W. B. Cabot of Boston for valuable aid on the translations.

These deeds well illustrate the land greed of the early settlers, as it will be seen that in many cases the territory occupied by the older towns exceeded, by several miles, the limits of the tract purchased. Little protest against this practice was made by the Indians, as in nearly all the sales they reserved all that was of value to them; that is, the right to fish and hunt on the premises. When one tract was sold they simply moved to new territory, which in turn they sold and moved yet further on.

This volume has not been copyrighted as it is desired that it be used to the fullest extent by the local historian and the student of the Indian. Its conception was due to a desire to provide a working basis to replace that furnished by the copies of deeds incorrectly published in various local histories, and to this end the utmost care has been taken in the transcription. It should enable those fitted for the task to carry the work still further, and assist the philologist in assigning the dialect of this territory to its proper place among the aboriginal languages of North America.

Part of Agawam, Chicopee, Longmeadow,
Springfield and West Springfield

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A-B; Folio 19

A COPPY OF A DEED WHEREBY THE INDIANS AT SPRINGFIELD MADE SALE
OF CERTAIN LANDS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE GREAT RIVER AT
SPRINGFIELD TO WILLIAM PYNCHON ESQ. MR. HENRY
SMITH & JEHU BURR FOR THE TOWN OF
SPRINGFIELD FOR EVER

SPRINGFIELD TOWNE DEED FRO YE INDIANS

Agaam alias Agawam¹: This fifteenth day of July
1636.—

It is agreed between Commucke & Matanchan ancient Indians of Agaam for & in the name of al the other Indians, & in particular for & in ye name of Cuttonus the right owner of Agaam & Quana², & in the Name of his mother Kewenusk the Tamasham or wife of Wenawis, & Niarum the wife of Coa. to & with William Pynchon Henry Smith & Jehu Burr their heires & associates for ever to trucke & sel al that ground & muckeosquittaj³ or medows, accomsick⁴, viz: on the other side of Quana; & al the ground & muckeosquittaj on the side of Agaam, except Cottinackeesh⁵ or ground that in now planted for ten fatham of Wampam, Ten Coates, Ten howes, Ten hatchets, & Ten knives: and also the said ancient Indians with the Consent of the rest, & in particular wth the Conent of Menis & Wrutherna & Napompenam, do trucke & sel to William Pynchon Henry Smith & Jehu Burr, & their successors for ever, al that ground on the East side of Quinnecticot⁶ River called Usquaiook⁷ & Nayasset⁸ reaching about four or five miles in Length, from the north end of Masaksicke⁹ up to Chickuppe¹⁰ River, for four fatham of Wampam, four coates, four howes, four hatchets, four knives: Also the Said ancient Indians Doe wth the Consent of the other Indians, & in particular wth the Consent of Machetuhood Wenepawin, & Mohemoos trucke & sel the ground & muckeosquittaj &

grounds adjoyning, called Masaksicke, for four fatham of wampam, four Coates, four hatchets, & four howes & four knives.

And the said Pynchon hath in hand paid the said eighteen fatham of Wampam eighteen coates, 18 hatchets, 18 howes, 18 knives to the said Commucke & Matanchan, & doth further condition wth the Sd Indians, that they shall have & enjoy all that cottinackeesh, or ground that is now planted; And have liberty to take Fish & Deer, ground nuts, walnuts akornes & sasachiminesh or a kind of pease, And also if any of our cattle spoile their corne, to pay as it is worth; & that hogs shall not goe on the side of Agaam but in akorne time Also the said Pynchon doth give to Wrutherna two Coates over & above the said Particulars expressed, & In Witness hereof the two said Indians & the Rest, doe set to their hands, this present 15th day of July 1636

The marke of X Menis

The marke of X Kenix

The marke of X Ussessas
alias Nepineum

The marke of X Winepawin

The marke of X Mchetuhood

The marke of X Commuk

The marke of X Macassack

The marke X of Wineawis

The marke of X Cuttonus

The marke X of Matanchan

The marke of X Wrutherna

The marke X of Coa

The marke X of Keckusnek.

Witnessse to all with in expressed that they understood al by Ahaughton an Indian of the Massachusett

John Allen

The marke of X Richard Everet

Faithful Thayeler

The marke of X Ahaughton

The marke of X John Cownes

Thomas Horton

Joseph Parsons

Joseph Parsons a Testimony to this Deed did at the Court at Northampton, March 1661:62: testify on oath that he was a witness to this bargaine between mr Pynchon &c & the Indians as attests Elizur Holyoke Recorder.

July: 8th 1679 entred the Records for ye County of Hampshire

by me John Holyoke Recorder.

Notes to the Preceding Deed

John Holyoke made the following note on the records, when he recorded the deed:

memoranda: Agaam or Agawam It is that medow on the south of Agawā River, where y^e English did first build a house, w^{ch} now we comonly cal y^e house medow. That peice of ground is it w^{ch} y^e Indians do call Agawam. & y^t y^e English kept y^e residence, who first came to settle and plant at Springfeild now so called; & at y^e place it was (as is supposed) that this purchase was made of the Indians. Quana is the middle medow adjoyning to Agawā, or house medow: Masacksick is y^t y^e English call the Long medow, below Springfeild on y^e east side of Quincticot River: Usquaiook is the mil River wth the Land adjoyning. Nayasset is the Land of Three Corner Medow & of the Plaine.

¹The name Agawam has never been satisfactorily translated. Webster's dictionary gives it as "low land, marsh or meadow; also a place below or down stream, with reference to some place above or up stream." This translation is derived from *agwu*, "under, below," and *wan*, "a stream." Agawam was also the Indian name of Ipswich. John Smith's forms of the Ipswich name are "augawoan, augoam, auguan and aggawom." The same conditions that give birth to the name here, applied there. Smith says: "Therefore be careful in the spring to mow the swamps and the low islands of Auguan." If this derivation is correct, it would seem to refer to a place below a stream. But this is very weak in many respects. Underhill's "Newes from America," 1638, has "Agu-wom" on the title page, and on page 19 he says: "Upper plantations, which are planted on the river Connetticot; twelve miles above the plantations is scituate a place called Aguwam, no way inferior to the forenamed places; the Country and those parts yeeld as fertile soyle and good meadow all the river along." It will be noticed that Underhill has a hyphen between the syllables on the title page, but not in the text. This is probably the earliest printed reference to the local name, but even this gives no help.

The word undoubtedly comes from *agwaam*, meaning "to make for the shore." If applied to a person it means "he lands here," and would refer to the landing place on the river. If applied to fish, it means the abundance in the vicinity of the place. If applied to water, personified, it expresses the washing of the waves against the shore. If this meaning of the word was to apply, the place must be low; and being flooded at times, would naturally be fertile, which is the case, and would seem to justify this interpretation; that is, "ground overflowed by water." There is, however, reason for believing it to be *agawaam* or *akawaham*, meaning a "landing place," for across the Connecticut river from Agawam was the palisaded village of the Indians, and the crossing and re-crossing in canoes must have been constant. But, if Agawam meant a "landing place," why was there not an Agawam on the east side of the Connecticut, near the fort?

Taking all the evidence into consideration, the only justifiable translation is "ground overflowed by water."

²From *kwanau*, a verb in the third person singular of present indicative, with inanimate subject, which means "it is sunken down" or "it is depressed."

³*Muckeosquittaj*=*Mukkosqut*, "meadow;" *aug*, "land."

⁴Accomsick.—From the root word *akam*, meaning "on the other side." The termination, *sick*, is the locative case of *assi*, "land," which is *assick*. The meaning would then be, "on the other side of the land," namely, Quana.

⁵Cottinackeesh is from *kitikanakish*, a compound word made up of *kitkan*, "plantation," and *auk*, "land," in the diminutive. It therefore means, "the plantation ground."

⁶Quinnecticot—"at the long river."

⁷Usquaiok is *iskwai-auk*, meaning "the last land," or "the end of the land."

⁸Nayasset. The prefix is a common one among Indian place names. It is from *nai*, "it corners," and with the locative means "where there is a corner."

⁹Masaksicke. From *massa*, "great," and *auksick*, the diminutive of *auk*, "land," in the locative case, meaning "the great land" or "the great meadow."

¹⁰Perhaps from *chikopi*, "a cedar," but probably from *chekee*, "violent," and *pe*, "water." This last would be very applicable, as the river has a fall of over seventy feet in the town of Chicopee alone.

Part of Brimfield, Holland, Southbridge, Sturbridge
and Wales in Massachusetts, and of Stafford,
Union and Woodstock in Connecticut

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber W; Folio 54

This is to Testifye to whom it may concern That I Webomscom and Nodowahunt For and in Consideration of Sundry Goods I have Received to Give John Winthrop ten miles round about the Hills where the Mine is thats called Black lead^r and for Mr Winthrops Enjoyment of it we bind our selves & Heirs for ever to the free performance of the premises to which I set my hand this present Day & Date

Sealed and Delivered In the Presence of us 8 day of 8th month 1644

The Mark of * Webomscom & sea
The Mark of * Nodowahunt & sea

Witness

the Mark * of Sundach Thomas King
Stephen Day
Richard Smith

Rec'd June 24th 1752 & Recorded from the Original
By Edw'd Pynchon Reg r.

Confirmation of the Preceding Deed

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber W; Folio 54

These are to Testifye That I Nodawahunt owner of the Land of Tantiusques² where the Black lead hill is Do Sell & give up & Surrender all my Right in that place for Ten miles to John Winthrop the Younger of Misticok, and Do Confirm the former sale of the Black lead hill & the Land about it at Tantiusques by Webusksham unto the said John Winthrop & am fully Satisfyed for the Same Witness my hand this 11th Novr 1644

Stephn Day: Thos King
gorgib * Mark

The Mark of *
Nodawahunt & Seal

Rec'd June 24th 1752 & Recorded from ye Original
By Edw.d Pynchon Reg'r.

Confirmation of the Two Preceding Deeds

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber W; Folio 52

Know all men hereby both English & Indians That I We Bucksham Chief Sachem and Right owner of Tantiusques and all the Inand parts of the Country threabouts, have Granted and Sold all that my said Sachemship and Country to John Winthrop Junr Governr of the English on Connecticutt River for many Valuable Considerations, particularly for Ten Belts of Wampampeeg³ with many Blanketts & Coats of Trucking Cloth and Sundry other goods which I do hereby acknowledge to have Received In full satisfaction for all the Black lead mines and all other places of mines and Minerals with all the lands in the Wilderness lying north and west East and South round the said Black lead Hills for ten miles each way only reserving for my self and people liberty of fishing and Hunting and Convenient planting in the said Grounds and ponds and Rivers and according to English Custom I have given Possession of all my lands aforesd unto Amos Richason Servant to said Winthrop Governour of the English for said Winthrops use; To Have and To Hold to him the said John Winthrop his Heirs and assigns forever in Everlasting Remembrance and Witness hereof I Lay this Wiskheeg⁴ or Writing on Washcomos my Son and Heirs Breast and Set my Mark and Seal and Washcomos my said Son according Indian Custom freely makes his Mark and Seal hereunto on my breast this done with Consent of all the Indians at Tantiusques the 20th of the 11th Month 1644

The Mark * & Seal of We Bucksham Sachem of Tantiusques
The Mark * & Seal of Washcomos Son of We Bucksham

Witness

Wodowahunt uncle to We Bucksham his Mark* } Sachems of
 Itaguatiis his Mark* } Quinnebaug

Alhumpis his Mark*

Sagamore Moas his Mark*

Casacinamon^s his Mark Governour & Chief Councelor
 among the pequots *

Amos Richison

John Burkin

John Wood:

Tho: Spencer Senr.

Tho: Champion

Washcomos Sachem of Tantiusques acknowledged this
 Instrument this 19th of 10ber 1654, Before me Ri Belling-
 ham Govr.

Rec'd June 24th 1752 & Recorded from the Original
 By Edwd Pynchon Reqr.

Confirmation of the Three Preceding Deeds

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber W; Folio 55

Be it known to all men by these presents that I Wasecums Sachem of Tantiusques Son of Webuckshum Do yield up my Right property and Interest freely and Willingly to Mr. Winthrop now in Hartford to be at his Dispose his Heirs Executors or Assigns administrators In Consideration Hereof I William Dennies Servant to Mr. Paine in Boston In part & Behalf of Mr. Winthrop do give him Ten yards of Trucking Cloth before these Witness John Beg John Pettebone Joseph Crowfoot James Warriner this 16 Day of November 1658. Witness my hand

* The Mark of the Sachem Wassecum & Seal

William Dennies

The Mark * of John beg

James Warriner

The Mark * of Joseph Crowfoot

The Mark * of John Pettebone

William Dennies Testified upon Oath that he was present and did see the Sachem Washcump afores'd Sign & Deliver this Instrument as his act & Deed and that Jno Beg James Warriner Jos. Crowfoot & Jno Pettibone did set to their hands as Witnesses hereunto Taken upon oath 27 June 1683 In Boston

Before Hum: Davie Assist^r

Rec'd June 24th 1752 and Recorded from the Original
By Edw'd Pynchon Regr

Confirmation of the Four Preceding Deeds

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber W; Folio 53

These are to Testifye That Whereas my Father Webuckshum and Wadawahut and others did in the year 1744⁶ sell unto Mr. John Winthrop and Surrender up to him all their Right in the Black lead hill at Tantiusques wth all the land round about the said Hill for ten miles. I Washcomos Son & Heir of the said We Buckshums being now by the Indians acknowledged the Sachem of that Country, Do by these presents confirm all that my said Father hath done and those other Indians wth him and do Give grant and confirm unto the said Mr. Winthrop all that land before said wth the said Black lead hill and all other places of Black lead or other Mines or Minerals to be to him and his Heirs and assigns forever: Witness my hand this first Day of March 1658⁷ and do hereby also acknowledge that the writing to wch I set my hand at Tantiusques the 16 of November 1658 was to the same Intent and purpose

Witness:
Willm Edwards
Jonathan Gilbert
William Dennes

Witness my hand
The Mark of X the Sachem
named W: Bachtomy &
Seal

William Dennes Testified upon Oath that he was present and did see the Sachem W: Bachtomy abovesd. Sign and Deliver this Instrument as his act and Deed and that Willm. Edwards and Jonathan Gilbert were present & did set to their hands as Witness hereunto Taken upon oath in Boston 27th of June Anno 1683

Before Hum: Davie Assis't.

Rec'd June 24th 1752 & Recorded from the original
By Edw.d Pynchon Reg'r.

Notes to the Five Preceding Deeds

In September 1633, 'John Oldham, and three with him, went overland to Connecticut (river), to trade. The sachem used them kindly, and gave them some beaver. They brought of the hemp, which grows there in great abundance, and is much better than the English. He accounted it to be about one hundred and sixty miles. He brought some black lead, whereof the Indians told him there was a whole rock. He lodged at Indian towns all the way."—*Winthrop's Journal*, Vol. I, Pg. III.

Extract of a letter from William Pynchon to Stephen Day, at "Tanteuscu in Nipnett," which was delivered to John Winthrop Jr., and indorsed by him; "Mr. Pinchen to Mr. Day about another place of Black-lead."

"Springfield this 8 of the 8 month 1644.

I received a letter from you by an Indian, who saith that his name is Tamuggut. * * * If you doe your business by Indians, you will find it dearer than to send an Englishman. * * * I spake to this Indian in your behalf: I tould him that the Governor sent you to serch for something in the ground, not for black lead, as they suppose, but for some other mettell: I told him that the hill of black lead by Quassink,* was not so good as that which lay southward of it, nere the cornfield, where one Namoswhat lives. I suppose it is 5 or 6 miles southward of that place by Quassink. * * * *

Your ever loveinge friend

WILLIAM PYNCHON"

Coll. of Mass. Hist. Soc. Ser. 4, Vol. 6, Pg. 376.

*Quassink=*Quas*; stones, stony—*ink*; place. That is, "stony place."

At a meeting of the General Court held at Boston on "the 13th of the 9th mo, 1644, Mr. John Winthrope, Junior, is granted ye hill at Tantousq, about 60 miles westward, in which the black leade is, and liberty to purchase some land there of the Indians."—*Records of the Colony of Massachusetts*, Vol. 2, Pg. 82.

WAIT WINTHROP TO THE GENERAL COURT OF MASSACHUSETTS

"To, &c.

The memoriall and representation of W. Winthrop humbly sheweth that in the year 1644 your memorialist's father had liberty from the Gen^l Court of the late Masachusetts Collony to purchase lands at the black-lead mines at a place called Tantiusque, about 60 miles westward from this

place, and accordingly he made purchase (of the known Indian Sachem & confirmed after his death by his son) of ten miles every way from s^d mine in the year above s^d * * * ”—*Mass. Hist. Soc. Coll.* Ser. 6, Vol. 5, Pg. 297.

This is from an unsigned, rough draft, with many interlineations, and was probably the original of the following document.

WAIT WINTHROP TO THE GENERAL COURT OF MASSACHUSETTS

“To his Excellency Joseph Dudley, Esq^r, Captain General and Governour in chief of her Majesty’s Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, the Hon^{ble} her Majesty’s Council, and Representatives in General Court assembled, May 26th, 1714, the humble address of Wait Winthrop, son of John Winthrop, some time Governour of Connecticut, deceased, Sheweth:

That the said John Winthrop, in the year 1644, Octob^r 30th, had leave to purchase land about Tantiousques, where the Black Lead Mine is, as is of record in the Book of this Province; which was also given under the seal of the late Corporation of the Massachusett, signed John Endicot, Governour; which grant and allowance to purchase he pursued to effect the same year, as by deeds doth appear more particularly: one deed dated the 6th Octob^r, 1644, signed Webuskhum, and a confirmation on the 11th November, 1644, signed Nodowahunt; also another deed of confirmation signed Nascomy, son and heir to Webuskhum, dated 1st March, 1658. Accordingly improvements were made at said Tantiousques for many years since, now since discontinued by reason of the war. By all which it doth appear your petitioner has a just right to ten miles square round the said Black Lead Hill, and is now desirous that Cap^t Chandler may be empowered to survey the said tract of ten miles square to be to your petitioner and his heirs, and the place may be of record, that any new grant may not be laid upon the same land.

And your petitioner shall pray, &c.

WAIT WINTHROP.

June 23, 1714. In Council, read and recommended.”

—*Mass. Hist. Soc. Coll.*, Ser. 6, Vol. 5, Pg. 294.

¹“In Massachusetts plumbago exists in gneiss, at the most important locality, which is in Sturbridge.”

—*Hitchcock’s “Geology of Massachusetts,”* Pg. 47.

²“Metewis=Black earth.—From this Metewis is an Indian Towne a day and a halfes Journey, or less (West, from the Massachusetts) called Metewemesick.”—*Roger Williams’ “Key into the Language,”* Pg. 184.

This metewis was probably plumbago, and the town at or near Tantiusques.

³Wampam means literally, “white beads” (from *wompi*; white), though the term was applied to both the white and the dark beads used by the Indians for decoration and as a medium of exchange. When strung, or wrought into belts, they were called wampampeag (*peag*=strung beads); literally, “strings of white beads.”

⁴“Wussuckwheke=A letter. Which they so call from Wussuckwhomin; to paint; for, having no letters, their painting comes the neerest.”

—*Roger Williams’ “Key into the Language,”* Pg. 61.

⁵Robert Cassaminon was a well known Pequot who acted as interpreter for John Winthrop in 1653 when he bought land of the sachem of Quinnebaug.—*Larned’s “Windham County,”* 1-6.

⁶This date is evidently an error of the recorder, as it is apparent that it should be 1644.

⁷It would seem at first as though this deed should, from its date, precede the foregoing one, but as the year ended with March, this date, according to modern reckoning, would be March 1, 1659.

These five deeds are followed (Liber W; Folio 55) by a long and interesting deed given by “John Winthrop, late of the Towne of New London and now of the Parish of Saint Mary Le Bone, in the county of Middlesex in Great Britain,” to John Still Winthrop, late of New London, but then of Saint Mary Le Bone, eldest son and heir of John Winthrop. The deed is dated 1746; recorded June 24, 1752, and covers land in Massachusetts and Connecticut.

Part of Longmeadow

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A-B; Folio 20

THE INDIAN COE HIS DEED TO JNO PYNCHON ESQ.

This Indenture made the fourteenth Day of April: 1652: between Coe (or) Coa, one of the Indians of Agawam, who is the cheife & ye proper owner of al the Land below the Long medow brooke, on the East side of Quinnecticot River; down to the fals, on the one party, And John Pynchon of Springfeild on the other party Witnesseth that the sd Coe the Indian, for & in consideration of one broad Essex Shag Coate, of 1 yard & 3 quarters & more to him in hand paid, hath bargained, sold given granted, & by those presents doth sel give & grant to the said John Pynchon a certaine parcel of wet medow upon the head of a River, running into the great River, above the fals comonly called by the English Freshwater River which River is by the Indians called Asnuntuk¹ at ye mouth of it, & a little higher Its' called Allows, and at the head of the said River it is called Sickcompsqu,² where the said wet medow lyes, the which medow is called by the Name of Quillicksqu³

Also the said Coe doth sel give & grant free & ful Liberty for the English to gather & make use of candlewood, called by y^m weakshackquock, in all the grounds adjoyning there-to, & from the Long medow brooke downward, & also free Liberty for cattle to feed fro the Spring til winter on al the sd ground, for & in consideration of one yard 3 quarters red Essex shag cloth to him by the sd John Pynchon in hand paid: Al the said premises ye said Coe doth condition as the true owner that the said John Pynchon shal absolutely clearly & for ever enjoy al the said premises, to him his heires & assignes for ever, subscribed, this 14th of April 1652.

Witnesses hereonto
Henry Burt
Thomas Cooper
Thomas Stebbin

The marke of
*
Coa the Indian.

the marke of Cattonis a witness * & testifies that Coa is ye right owner.

the marke of * Mattaquallenat an Indian witness who testifyes Coe to be the true and right owner.

Thomas Stebbin hereto subscribed made oath that he was present at the writing of this Deed and a witness hereto, & that it was Coe's Real Act & Deed, who in his presence set to his hand for Ratification. Sworn this second of Februry, 1679

before John Pynchon Assist.

The oath of this witness, Leiut. Tho. Stebbin is entred these Records the day of his making oath: viz: Feb: 2 1679
before me, Jno. Holyoke Recorder.

Recorded this Indenture July 8th 1679
by me, Jno Holyoke Recorder.

Notes to the Preceding Deed

¹Asnuntuck.—Probably *assini-tuk*; “stony river.”

²Sickcompsq.—*Sucki-ompsk*; “dark colored rock.”

³Quillicksqu.—*Quilik-asikau*; “it is a mixed land,” (with water) that is, “marshy land.”

Part of Northampton, Easthampton and
Westhampton

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A; Folio 15

A Cobby of the writings or deed whereby the Indians of Nanotuck uppon ye River Quinetticott made sale of certayne lands unto John Pynchon now Captayne John Pynchon of Springfeild, together wth ye Cobby of the said Mr Pynchon his assignemt of the said deed to ye use & behoofe of the Inhabitants of Northampton & his acknowl-edgmt thereof.

Be it known by these presents that Chickwallop alias Wawhillowa Nenessahalant Nassicohee Kiunks Paquahalant Assellaquompas & Awonunsk ye wife of Wulluther all of Nanotuck¹ who are ye cheife & proper owners of all the land on the west side of Quinetticot River at Nanotuck on ye one part Doe give grant bargayne & sell unto John Pynchon of Springfeild on ye other party to him his heirs & assignes, all ye grounds & meddowes woods ponds & waters lyinge on ye west side of Quinetticott River beginninge from ye small river below Minhan² called Saukwonk³ & soe up by Quinetticott river to ye little meddow called Capawonk⁴ namely to ye little brook or gutter on this side Capawonk wch little brook is called Masquomp⁵ & all the grounds lying Westward from Quinetticott River (wth in the compass aforenamed) for Nine miles out into the woods (viz as far as Manshconish is from Springfeild for soe it was expressed to ye Indians All the said tract of ground from Saukwonk riverett & quinackquack⁶ called Minhan Pochuack⁷ Petowwag⁸ Aspowunck⁹ Luckommuck Assattayyagg¹⁰ Nayyagg¹¹ Nayumkegg Masquomp & by wt soever other names the said grounds are called, & all out into the

woods from ye great river for nine miles within this compass, the aforesaid Indians & in perticular Wawhillowa Nenessahalant & Nassicohee being the Sachems of Nanotuck doe for themselves & wth ye consent of ye other owners of the said grounds sell give & grant unto John Pynchon of Springfeild & to his assignes for & in consideration of One Hundred fathom of wampam by tale, & ten Coates (besides some small gifts) in hand paid to the said Sachems & owners, All the land aforesaid, and by these presents have bargayned grannted & sold to ye said Pynchon all & singular ye said lands free from all incumbrances of Indians, Provided the said Pynchon shall plow up or cause to be plowed up for the Indians Sixteene acres of land on ye East side of Quinotticott River wch is to be done sometyme next Summer 1654 & in the meane tyme vizt the next Springe 1654 the Indians have liberty to plant their present corne feilds, but after that tyme they are wholly to leave that west side of the River & not to plant or molest the English there. All the said premises the said Pynchon & his assignes shall have & injoy absolutely & clerely for ever from all incumbrances of any Indians or their corne feilds:

In witnes of these presents the said Sachems have subscribed their marks this twenty foure day of Septembr 1653

The mark * of Chickwallop
alias Wawhillowa

the mark * of Nassicohee
the mark of * Paquahalant

The mark of
*

Neneesahalant

These under written are witnesses that these are the markes of the Sachems wthin mentioned & that they doe fully pass over ye land wthin mentioned in the behalf of themselves & other owners to John Pynchon of Springfeild & to his assignes forever.

Elitzur Holyoke
Henry Burt
Thomas Cooper
Thomas Stebbin

the mark of Wutshamin a cheife man
of Nammeleck * who helped to
make the bargayne
the mark of Skittomp alias Unk-
quask * of Chickuppe a witness

Whereas the wthin mentioned grant or purchase of lands of ye Indians at Nanotuck is in the name of John Pynchon of Springfeild his heires or assignes wthout mentioning of any other persons when as it was purchased in the behalfe of severall persons who had obtayned a grant from the generall Corte for a Plantation there intending to plant & settle themselves on the said land wthin mentioend; Now know all men that I the said John Pynchon Doe Acknowledge myself to have acted in the premises only as being intrusted by the said persons now Inhabitants of Northampton; And therefore Doe hereby for myselfe & my heires executors or Administrators assign & make over ye wth named premises & all the land or wt soever is therein conteyned unto the present Inhabitants of Northampton, to them & to their successors & heires for ever, as witnes my hand this 16th day of January 1662

John Pynchon

This assignemt was acknowledged on the said sixteenth day of January 1662

Before us Elizur Holyoke
 Samuell Chapin } Comissionrs

Recorded Jan 20th 1662

By me Elizur Holyoke Recordr

Notes to the Preceding Deed

NANOTUCK.—Other early forms of the word are Nawattocke, 1637; Nowottok, 1646; Nauwotak, 1648; Noatucke, 1654; Nanatuck, Nalwottoge, 1653; Nonatuke, 1653, 1655, 1658; Norwotake, Norwootuck, and Norwuttuck, 1657; Norwottock, 1659, 1660; Norwootucke, 1659; Norwotuck, 1661; Nowutague, 1664. Pynchon, who traded with the Indians, and knew them well, called it Nalwotogg, Nolwotogg and Norwotog.

Sylvester Judd, an unusually accurate historian, in his History of Hadley has translated this as "in the middle of the river," from the similarity of *Nor-wott-uck* to the Massachusetts *noab-tuk* (*noeu-tuk*), but this is entirely incorrect as it does not dispose of the other forms of the word, and *noab-tuck* means "the middle river" and not "in the middle of the river." Furthermore, the natives did not live in the middle of the river. The land which became known as *Nor-wott-uck* was west of the river, and while they had

planting grounds on the neck of land on the east side which has since become an island, yet it is inconceivable how anyone could consider even this to be "in the middle of the river."

Having in mind the statement of Roger Williams in 1643, that "the Cowweset say *anum*, the Narragansett say *ayim*, the Quinnipiac say *arum*, and the Nipmuck say *alum*, so that although some pronounce not l or r, yet it is most proper dialect of other places," then it is most natural to ally the different forms as follows:

Nan-ot-uck
 Non-ot-uck
 Nal-wott-oge
 Nol-wott-oge
 Nor-wott-ucke

It is very apparent that the third syllable in each of these forms is the same as the Massachusetts *obke*, Delaware *aki*, Abenakis *ki*, signifying "land; ground; place." This usually appears in our local place-names as *auke*, *aug*, *ock*, and *uck*. In the first form of the word, the last syllable might perhaps be considered as *tuck* (river), but this is impossible, as *tuck* could not have become *toge* as it would then appear in the third and fourth forms.

In the last form, *Nor-wott-ucke*, the first two syllables are apparently synonymous with the Massachusetts *nauwut*, or Narragansett *nauwot*, meaning "far away," and the Algonquin *nauwat*, "out of reach." Assuming this to be correct, it makes *Nor-wott-ucke* to be "far away place." *Non*, *nol*, and *nor* are the same word, as used in different dialects, and show the interchange of the n, l and r.

"Far away land" was probably the name given to it by Indians living elsewhere, who told of it to the ultimate purchasers of the land, and perhaps acted as guides and interpreters in the transactions. This was the custom in the early days. When Pynchon came from Boston in 1636, and bought the land at Springfield of the Indians, they signified "that they understood all by Ahaughton, an Indian of the Massachusetts," who came with Pynchon as interpreter.

Nor-wott-ogg may perhaps have been the form used by the Springfield Indians in speaking of it. When the settlers went there they retained the name and perhaps the Indians about there could not say the word, but called it *Nol-wott-oge*. Heckwelder said of the Delawares, "they call the Quakers, Quakels, not having in their language the sound expressed by our letter r."

²Minhan.—In the town records this word appears as Munhan. It is the island at the mouth of the Manhan river. This is literally *Munnobhan*, "island."

³Saukwonk.—*Saukrobonk*, in the town records. *Saukwonk* means "at the outlet," that is the mouth of Manhan river below the island.

⁴Capawonk.—Derived from the Algonquin *kapaboweng*, the participle form of *kipabowe*, and means “where the stream is shut in,” indicating the two big points barring the river.

⁵Masquomp.—Appears in the town records as masquampe. From *masqui*, “red,” and *nipi*, “water”; literally “red water.”

⁶Quinackquck.—Quonackquck in the town records. *Qunnunkqueuck*, “high land.”

⁷Pachuack—Algonquin *pake-w-ack*, a “turning off place.” At a later date this place was known as Pascommock, which is from the Algonquin *pakekamo*, (Montagnais, *paskamo*), “the road forks,” and with the termination would mean “the place where the road forks.”

⁸Petowwag.—From *pitabowe-ag*, “the land from where the water flows to us.”

⁹Aspowunck.—Aspowounk in the town records. *Asapiwan*, “a place where nets are set.”

¹⁰Assattayyagg.—The Algonquin *asati* is poplar tree; in the plural *asatiak*; in the adjective form *asataia*. Thus *asataia-agg* means “poplar tree land.”

¹¹Nayyagg.—This may be *neia-agg*, “point of land”; or it may be *neiak*, “at the point.”

Part of Hatfield

FROM NORTHAMPTON TOWN RECORDS

Med the 20th of July, 1657 that I, Lampancho the Sachem have sould to the Towne of Northampton uppon Conechtecutt River, have sould all the land and Trees with all the Appurtenances ther unto belonging caled by the name of Pewongenug^r and have received full and Compleate pay and satisfaction for the same with all the damages, soe that I doe resigne the full Right and Title for myselfe and my heires forever to the Towne of Northampton.

The satisfaction for the said land I received of John Webb of the same Towne being Thirty shillings which is the Remander of the pay and am now fully satisfied for said land with all the Apurtenances. Wherunto I have set my hand the day & yere above written

Witnesse to the same
William Jeanes
William Holton

the marke of Lampancho
alias Umpanchela

Northampton, Sept. 28th, 1658.

The Indian Sachem Umpanchela complaineing to the Commissioners here assembled to keep Court that the land of his wch is mentioned on the other side beeing caled Pe-wonganuck^r or Capawonke was not fully bought by the English and that though hee sett his hand to it yet hee understood that the thirty-six shillings should have ben 'made upp fifty shillings, and expressing himselfe unsatisfied for want of the fowrteene shillings to make it upp so.

It was yeilded to allow him the said fowrteene shillings more—And by these presents I the said Indian doe acknowledg the receite of fowrteene shillings and doe hereby acknowledg himselfe fully satisfied for the said land and doe fully release and relinquish all my right title or claime to the said meddow or woodlandes on this side of the brooke, viz: ye south side of the brooke or river which pts Capa-

wonk² and Wequittayaug³ and doe confirme from all incumbrances from mee or my heires and that for ever.

In wittesse whereof I do hereunto sett my hand the 28th of Septeber 1658.

the mark * of Umpanchela.

In the presence of the Court as witnesseth

John Pynchon

Elizur Holyok

Ed: Elmer

Joseph Parsons

Notes to the Preceding Deed

¹Pewongenung.—This is perhaps a corruption of *Cappowonganick*, but it is more probably from *pawaagan*; a “mill,” as the river at this point came to be known as Mill River.

²Capawonk.—For derivation refer to note on page 30. A more definite location of Capawonk is given in a deed dated January 20, 1662, for a “Certaine tract of land lyeing on ye west side of River, called Cappowonk, bounded easterlie by a Riverlett running into ye greate River, South & East by ye greate River, North & West by ye Banke of upland fronting against ye sd land. [This deed is in *Hampden County Records*, Liber A, Folio 10.]

³Wequittayaug.—*Wikwetow-aug*, “land at the bays.”

Hadley and part of Amherst, Belchertown, Pelham and Shutesbury

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A; Folio 11

Here followeth a Coppy of a deed or Writeing whereby ye Indians of Nolwotogg upon ye River of Quienecticott made sale of Certaine landes unto Major Jno Pynchon of Springfeild together with ye Coppy of ye sd Major Pynchons his Assignments of ye sd deede to ye use & behoofe of ye Inhabitants of Hadly And his acknowledgement thereof

Bee it known to all men by these Presents yt Chickwolopp Alias Wawhillowa Umpanchella alias Womscom & Quonquont alias Wompshaw ye Sachems off Nolwotogg & ye sole & proper owners of all ye land on ye East side of Quonicticot River from ye Hills called Petowamacha & from ye mouth of ye Brooke or River called Towunucksett¹ And soe all along by ye greate River upward or Northward to ye Brook called Nepassooenegg² & from ye hither part or South end of ye greate Hills called Kunckquachu³ (Being guessed at neere about nine miles in length) By ye River Quenicticott Wee ye aforenamed Chickwallop Alias Waahillow Umpanchala alias Womscom & Quonquont alias Wompshaw of Nolwotogg on ye one partie Doe give grant bargaine & sell unto John Pynchon of Springfd on ye other party to him his assignes & successors for ever, All ye Grounds, woods, Ponds waters, meadowes, Trees Stones &c lyeing on ye East side of Quenicticot River within ye Compass aforesd from ye Mouth of ye litle Riverete called Townucksett and ye Hills Petowomuchu Northward up ye greate River of Quenecticot to ye Brooke Nepowssoenegg, And from ye south end of ye Hills Quaquachu being neere about nine miles in Length from ye south part to ye North part, And all within ye Compass from Quenecticot River Eastward Nine miles out into ye Woods, All ye aforesayd

Tract of Ground called Towunuckset, Sunmuckquommuck, ⁴ Suchaw Noycoy ⁵ Gassetk, ⁶ Pomptuckset. Mattabaget, ⁷ Wunnaqueckset ⁸ Kunckkiunckqualluck, ⁹ Neposeoneag, And to ye south end of ye greate Hill called Kunckquachu & for nine or ten miles eastward from ye greate River out into ye Woods Eastward, wee ye sd Chickwallop, Umpanchella & Quonquont, Doe for & in Consideration of two Hundered fatham of Wampam & twenty fatham, and one large Coate at Eight fatham wch Chickwollop set of, of trusts, besides severall small giftes, And for other good Causes & Considerationes, Doe sell give, grant, And have given granted Bargained & sold to John Pynchon of Springfield & to his Assignes & successors all & singular ye aforenamed land or by wt ever other names it is or may be called, quietlie to Possess, have, & enjoy ye aforesd tract of Ground ffree from all molestations or Incumbrances of Indians & yt for ever, only ye Indians aforenamed & in Particuler Quonquont Doth reserve & keep one corne feild about twelve, sixteene or twenty acres of Ground a litle above Mattabaget by ye Brook called Wunnaqueckset lyeing on ye south side of ye sd Brook & Compassed in by a swamp from that Brook to ye greate River, And alsoe they reserve libertie to Hunt Deare, fowle &c And to take fish, Beaver or Otter &c But otherwise all ye aforesd Premises ye sd John Pynchon his Assignes & Successors & their heires shall for ever injoy Absolutelie & clearelie free from all Incumbrances of any Indians or their Corne ffeilds for ever except as before excepted, And In Witness hereof wee ye sd Indians Doe Subscribe our markes this Present twentie five day of Decembr 1658 It is onlie ye corne ffeild on this side or South side of ye Brooke called Wunnuckeckeset & ye litle bit of ground by it, within ye Swamp & betwixt ye Swamp & ye greate River wch yt Indians doe reserve & are to injoy: But ye litle Corneffeild on ye other side or ffurther side or North side of Wunnaqueckset & all ye other Corne ffeildes within ye compass of ground aforenamed ye Indianes are to Leave & Yeaild up as Witness there handes

Witnesses to this Purchase
& yt ye Indians doe fullie
sell all ye land afore men-
tioned to Mr Pynchon & yt
ye markes were subscribed
by ye Indians themselves.
Us who was Prevy to ye
whole descourse & conclusion
of ye Purchase & Joseph
Parsons was present &
aquainted with ye whole
agrement ye other witnesses
came in to testiefie to ye
subscribing & yt ye Indians
owned all as it was reade to them

The mark * of Umpanchla
alias Womscom

The marke * of Quonquont
alias Wompshaw

The mark of * Chickwolopp
alias Wowahillowa

Joseph Parsons	Arther Williams
Ed. Elmore	The mark R. T.
Joseph Ffitch	of Rowland Thomas
Samll Wright	

The Indians desired they might set their Wiggwoms at
sometimes wth in ye tract of ground they sold withoute
offence & that the English would be kinde & neighborlie
to ym in not Prohibiting ym firewood out of ye Woods &c
which was promised ym

The assignemt of ye aforesd deede of Sale

Whereas ye within mentioned grant or purchase of lands
of ye Indians at Nolwotogg is in ye name of John Pynchon
of Springfeild his Assignes or successors or their heires,
without mentioning of any Persons When as it was Pur-
chased in ye Behalfe of severall Persons who obtained a
grant from ye Generall Corte for a Plantation there Intend-
ing to plant & setle ym selves upon ye sd land Now Know
all men yt I ye sd John Pynchon doe acknowledge my self
to have acted in ye Premisses Only as being Entrustd by
ye sd Persons now Inhabitants of Hadly, And therefore doe
hereby for my self, my heirs Executors or adminestrators
Assigne & make over the within named Premises & all ye

land & wt ever is therein contained unto ye Present Inhabitants of Hadly to ym & to their successors & heirs for ever as Witness my hand this 28th day of October 1663

John Pynchon

This deede & Assignemt was owned & acknowledged by ye abovenamed & hereunto subscribeing Mr John Pynchon Novr 19th 1663

Before us { Elizur Holyoke } Commissiours
 { Samll Chapin }

The aforesd deede & asignement of ye same was here entered this 6th day of Decembr 1678

By me Sam ll Partrigg Recordr

Notes to the Preceding Deed

¹Towunucksett.—Perhaps from *towan*, “a ball,” and *acksit*, land, in the diminutive. More probably from *tawa*, root for “break in continuity”; *nun*, verbal adjective form for root, *aki*, “land,” and *sit*, diminutive. It would then mean, “at the little land where there is a break (in the course of the stream),” that is, “place where the stream almost disconnects.” Hence, it may by derivation mean a “ford.” Modern name is Fort River.

²Nepassooenegg.—Modern name is Mohawk Brook.

³Kunckquachu.—Trumbull gives this as *qununkqu-adchu*, “high mountain.” Modern name is Mount Toby.

⁴Sunmuckquommuck.—From *sanak*, a root word for “difficult, rough,” and *kamick*, a termination referring to land in the locative case, which would give the meaning as “at the rough country,” probably on account of the numerous brooks and hills.

⁵Noycoy.—Probably identical with the Algonquin *noka*, or Cree *nokau*, “it is soft,” referring to the soil.

⁶Gassetk.—*Agasatik*, “the little wood, a place where the wood is small.”

⁷Mattabaget.—*Matabigat* is an Algonquin expression meaning “the rock seeks the water.”

⁸Wunnaqueckset.—From *wanako*, “at the end,” and *ack*, “place”; with the termination *sit* for the diminutive in the locative case.

⁹Kunckkiunckqualluck.—*Kinikiwanikwal-uck*, “the rolling land; the upset land.”

Part of Hatfield and Williamsburg

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A; Folio 6

Here ffolloweth a Coppy of a deede of sale whereby Umpanchala an Indian Sachem formerlie of Nolwotogg did sell & Alianate his Right & Interest in Certaine persells of lands on ye West side of Quinecticott River unto Majr Jno Pynchon of Springfd for & in ye Behalfe of ye Inhabitants of Hadley, as alsoe his ye sd Major Jno Pynchons assignment of ye same to ye sd Inhabitants & acknowledgmt of it Likewise.

Bee it Known unto all men by these presents yt Umpanchala alias Womscom a Sachem of Nolwotogg on ye one partie being ye Cheifee proper owner of ye land on ye West side of Quinecticot River from Cappowoungonuck¹ to ye upper side of Mincomonk² viz to Quonquonts ground) Doe give grant Bargaine & Sell to John Pynchon of Springfeild on ye other partie to him his Assignes & Successors for ever, All ye Grounds, woods, pond waters, trees, stones, meadowes, uplands &c lyeing & being at Nolwotogg on ye west side of Quenicticott River from ye meadow on ye South called Capowouk formerlie sold by Umpanchala to ye Inhabetants of Northampton) upon ye great River of Quenecticott Northward to ye upperside of Mincomunck yt is to say ye Brooke or Riverett called Cappowong³ alias Mattaoolanick⁴ wch partie Cappowonganick & Wequetayyag & ye meadow & upland called Wequetayyag⁵ & soe Northward to Yowunckhomuck & Natocouse & ye Brooke called Wunckcompss wch comes out of ye Pond & over ye sd Brook Nattacows or Wonckcompss still Northward viz all the ground & meddow called Mincommuck to a Marked Walnut Tree at ye greate River side & soe of from ye River to a greate white Oake marked & thence to run out into ye Woodes Westward from ye greate River nine miles & soe down Southward till it Come to Cappowoung Riveret wch is to Northampton Bounds, The aforesd tract of ground called Wequetayyag yowunckhommuck Wonckcompss, Nat-

tacows, Mincomuck & from Queneticott River to run Westward nine miles into ye woods both at ye Southward Bound up along ye Riverett Cappowoung as well as ye Northward Bounds of itt; The sd Umpanchala alias Wom-scom on ye one partie for & in Consideration of ye sum of three Hundered ffatham of Wampam in hand pd Besides severll other small gifts And for other good causes & Considerations, Doe sell give grant And have sold given & granted to John Pynchon of Springfeild aforesd on ye other partie And to his Assignes & Successors for ever & to their heirs, All and singuler ye aforenamed land, or by what ever other names it is or may be called, Queitlei to possess have & injoy ye aforesd Tract of Ground ffree from all molesta-tion or Incumbrance of any Indians & yt for Ever; Only ye sd Umpanchala doth reserve ye Chickons⁶ alias Cottin-yakies⁷ wch is to say there Planteing Ground togeather with libertie to Hunt Deere or other Wild Creatures to take fish & to sett Wigwoms on ye Comons, & take wood & trees for use Butt otherwise all ye Premises And ye whole Tract of land Before mentioned wth all ye Appurtenances & Previledges thereof, The sd John Pynchon his Assignes and Sucessors & their heirs, shall for ever enjoy Absalutelie & Clearelie free from all molestation by any Indians; And ffurther Umpanchala Doth ingage & Covenant And it is ye intent of these Presents, yt all ye Indian Corne ffeilds or old planted Ground above Wequetayyage shall come to ye English after his Death, And yn ye Indians to have & injoy, only ye old planted Ground in Wequetayyage and Down to ye Brook Cappowong seate alias Mattoolanick

In Witness hereof ye sd Umpanchala hath set to his hand and marke this tenth day of July 1660

The mark of * Umpanchala

The marke of Etowomp Bro to Umpanchee ownering & approveing of ye sale of ye land & is a Witness to it,
Subscribed in ye Presence of

John Russell Jnr

Andrew Bacon

Rechard Church

Richard Mountague

The Marke of Woassomehuc * alias Skejask an Ind Witness

The abovesd was here Entered Dec:25:78

By me Saml Partrigg Record

Notes to the Preceding Deed

¹Cappowoungonuck.—J. Hammond Trumbull translated this as *kuppo-wonkun-obk*; “place shut in by a bend.”

²Mincomonk.—*Min-akam-ock*; “over across land,” *i. e.*, “land across the brook.”

³Cappowong.—Refer to note on page 32.

⁴Mattaoolanick.—This is the “land where the waters meet.” *Mata-walan*, “they meet,” referring to streams; and *ick*, “land.”

⁵Wequetayyag.—Refer to note on page 31.

⁶Chickons.—*Akikons*, literally “a little kettle,” but by common usage “a hollow.” Modern name is Indian Hollow.

⁷Cottinyakies.—This is identical with *cottinackeesb*; “plantation ground,” the derivation of which is given on page 14.

Part of Westfield

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A; Folio 17

The Cobby of Ensigne Thomas Cooper of Springfield his deed of Morgage of Certayne Lands at Worrinoco from Amoakussen the Owner thereof.

These presents testify, That I. Amoakussen of Worrinoke¹ doe this present day make over unto Thomas Cooper of Springfield all that parcell of Land Lying on the Northeast Side of Worrinoke River, to witt, betwixt the brook called Tomhaummucke² & the River called Worrinoke River, from the mouth of the said River Tomhaummucke, & soe up soe high towards Pochasuck,³ as untill he cometh to the hill called Wasapskotock:⁴ All this Parcell of Land doe I. Amoakussen make over unto Thomas Cooper of Springfield his heires or assignes for security of such debt or debts as I. ye said Amoakussen doe owe unto the said Thomas Cooper or shall hereafter owe unto him, and that in case I shall eyther refuse to pay him uppon demand or y^e I. shall by any providence be taken away, then shall this said Land fall into ye hands & be at the full enjoyment of the said Thomas Cooper or his heires or assignes for ever & without that molestation from any: And hereunto have I sett my hand this Ninteenth day of September, 1660: I doe acknowledge my selfe indebted unto Thomas Cooper the summe of 12 pounds & for this present debt, & for what I shall take up of him, To Pay within this twelve month doe I make over this said Land, wth all wood & trees or whatsoever else doth grow thereon, as witness my hand the day & yeere above specified to wit that tract of Land whereof Alamaquassuck is part

Witnes

the marke of * Amoakussen

Pelatiah Glover

the mark of * Amoakussen his wife

Timothy Cooper

This deed of Sale or morgage was acknowledged by the Indian above subscribngd called Amoakussen: the 9th of October 1660:

Before mee Elizur Holyoke Recorder.

Confirmation of the Preceding Deed

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A; Folio 49

Here ffollowes a Cobby of a deed whereby Amoacussen alias Nacogewallant an Indian (Sometime Owner of certayne Lands at Worronoco) doth make a further confirmation of the Said Lands to Ensigne Cooper of Springfield & to his Assignes, the said Indian haveing formerly sold the said Land to y^e Said Ensigne Cooper by way of Morgage, as appeareth by a deed in page 17th. Also together with this deed there is annexed the Cobby of ye Said Indians acknowledgmt thereof before y^e Commissioners of Springfield:

These presents testify that an Indian called Amoakussen alias Nacogewallant. Sometye Owner of a parcell of Land at or neere the place called Worronoco¹ Seaven on Eight Miles from Springfeild w^{ch} Land is bounded by the River called Worronoco River on the Southerly & Easterly part thereof & by the brooke called Tomhomock² Northerly & by the great hill called Wausapskatuck⁴ Westerly haveing formerly morgaged & sold the said parcell of Land unto Ensigne Thomas Cooper of Springfield & unto his heires & assignes for Ever for good & valluable considerations: the said Indian called Amoakussen alias Nacogewwallant doth now for & in other good considerations hereby for the more full confirmation of the said Land bounded as aforesaid unto the said Ensigne Cooper & to his assignes for Ever, utterly disclaime all ^{his} the said Indians right or intrest in y^e Said Land giving it wholly absolutely & clearely over to the said Ensign Cooper & to his assignes for Ever: which said parcell of Land bounded as aforesaid The said Ensigne Cooper Shall have hold & enjoy for himself & his assignes for Ever; In Witness whereof the said Indian hath hereunto sett his hand, this 20th day of October 1664.

Part of Hatfield

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A; Folio 12

Here ffolloweth a Copsy of a deede whereby Umpanchala an Indian Sachem did sell & Resigne up a Certaine persell of Land unto some of ye Inhabitants of Hadly in behalfe of whole Town wch is as ffolloweth

Know all men by this present writeing yt I Umpanchala with ye Consent of Etoomp have given sold Bargained & made over to Andrew Bacon William Lewis Andrew Werner Samll Smith the land yt I Reserved to my self in Weequetaiogg¹ under ye name of Chickons Cattones Akees:² And in all ye Borders and partes ajasent thereunto even all & every Persell of ye sd land with ye Rights Preveledges and appurtenances thereto belonging to be to ye sd Andrew Bacon, William Lewis, Andrew Werner Samll Smith (Acting in ye behalfe of ye Town of Hadly) for ever as their true and proper Possession

In Consideration whereof we ye sd Andrew Werner Wm Lewis Samll Smith Andrew Bacon doe ingage to give to the sd Umpanchala five Acres of Land within ye Compass of ye sd land And to ffence it in next spring with a good sufficient ordinary ffence in English account And wt of ye sd five acres is not Broken up to Breake it up. And soe Broken up to Leave it Umpanchala as his proper Possession; Provided yt we haveing once Broken it up & fenced it are not to maintaine any ffence, But ye sd Umpanchala is to maintaine ye same, Wee sd agreed Between us yt this five Acres soe Broken and ffenced is to be Umpanchalaes, And all ye other land without Exception is hereby made ever to us Andrew Bacon, Wm Lewis Samll Smith Andrew Werner in behalf of ye Town of Hadly for ever In Wittness whereof we have set to our hands and seales this present 17 of Januarie 1661

In ye Presence of
John Russell Jnr
John Hubbert
John Coleman
Andrew Bacon
Samll Smith
Wm Lewis
Andrew Werner

Umpanchala * his marke
And a Seale afixed

Etoomp his * marke
And a Seale afixed

The above sd agremt was here Entered Dec. 9:78
By me Samll Partrigg Recdr

Notes to the Preceding Deed

¹Weequetaiogg.—Refer to note on page 31.

²Chickons Cattones Akees.—Refer to note on page 39.

Part of Springfield and adjoining towns included
within the old bounds of Springfield

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A; Folio 20

SAMLL MARSHFIELD DEED OF MORGAGE FROM YE INDIANS

Aprill 2^d 1661 This writing declareth that I Cuttonis & I Coe & I Mattaquallanant & I Menis & I Wallny & I Tagnalioush doe all of us joyntly morgage all our Lands in this Town both new & old within the bounds of this Towne to Samuell Marshfield of Springfeild his heires or assignes, for Severall debts wch wee owe Samuell Marshfield for goods already received, wch wee did ingage to pay in bever, & we doe still ingage to doe the Same if we can gett it, any tyme this summer, or else wee doe ingage to pay him in corne at 2^s pr. bush by heape, or if in Wampam, then to allow the said Samuell six fathom for every five fathom due unto him, or if we can gett moose skins or Otter or good deare skins, then to pay them unto him at a reasable rate, or guns wch the foresaid Samuell hath in his hands, wch if he doe Lend to any of us, wee ingage to returne them to Him when he shall call for them: and if we doe not pay the aforesaid Samuell in any of these payes to his content by Michelmas next ensuing the date hereof; then we give the aforesaid Samuell full power to ceaze on all our Lands & corne as his proper right: and if we Indians whose Names are above written, doe ingage that if wee & the aforesaid Samuell cannot agree about the price of any of the above mentioned pay, then wee will stand to wt Cap-
tayne Pynchon & Leiutenant Holyoke shall appoynt. In witness whereof the said Indians have hereunto sett their hands the day & yeere above written:

Subscribed in the
presence of
Elizur Holyoke
John Holyoke

the mark of
Cut * tonis

the mark of
*
Menis

the mark of
*
Tagnalloush

the mark of
*
Mattaquauellanant

the mark of
*
Coo: or Co.

the mark of
*
Wallny

This is abouue Cobby of Samuel Marshfields Originall
deed wth the names & marks of ye Indians as neere as well
might bee

Recorded: May 2d 1661
By me, Elizur Holyoke Recordr.

observe that here is noe Legall acknowledgmt of this
Deed of Morgage:

Part of Hadley

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A; Folio 24

Joseph Parsons of Northampton comeing to Springfield the 9th of July 1662 desired that his deede of morgage might be recorded for certayne Lands wch he affirmed to have been morgaged to him of wch deed hereunder follows y^e Coppy

May 20: 1662

Whereas I Weackwockwen & my wife & my son Squompe wee done owne & acknowledge to be indebted to Joseph Parsons of Northampton foure score skins of beaver for cotes & wampeme & other goods reseved of hime on trooste with many other Kindneses reseved from him & in case I doe not pay this beaver above specified fower score Skins of beferre all to be of y^e Largeste Sorte of skins & good the hole summe & in case I weackwoqene & my wife or any one of us doe not pay the hole Sum of this beafer by the fivft of September next ensueing the date hereof then I weackwockwen & my wife as a partey doe promise & shall fully make over to Joseph Parsons a parcell of Land in the medow & upland by it.

the meddow we comonly call hockanome^r but by the Indians called Peta this land is already morgaged or paned for this debt & how it is bounded all that parcell of Land bounded by mee weakwackken & my wife we doe morgage or pane to Joseph Parsons of Northampton *** as security & soe to remayne for his surely till the fivfte of September next & if the beaver by that tyme be not paid to the said Joseph then Joseph Parsons shall have power to enjoy the said Land him & his heires & executors & administrators for ever to enjoy it peaceably for ever & to this we sett to our hands.

witnes
Jeames Wright
Judah Wright

the mark * of Weackwaguen
the mark * of Weakwaguens wife

Recorded July the 9th 1662.
By mee Elizur Holyoke Record.

Note to the Preceding Deed

¹Hockanome.—At Wethersfield, whence came some of the Hadley settlers, was a neck of land similar to that at Northampton, which the Indians about there called Hoccanum (*Hocquaum*, “hook shaped”). Evidently the English adopted this name in their new home, and applied it to the hook at the “ox-bow.” It is a curious fact that at both Hadley and Wethersfield, changes in the river bed have made the neck of land into an island.

Part of Agawam

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A; Folio 24

Sep 12th 1662 Cuttonis the Indian being owner Some-
tyme of Lands in Springfield on the West Side of the Great
River did acknowledge before Capt Pynchon & Elizur Hol-
yoke that he had sold to Ensigne Cooper a parcell of his
plantinge Land adjoyning to the Westerly end of that
Swampe wch the Towne gave the said Ensigne Cooper wch
parcell of Land the said Cuttonis did also acknowledge he
had formerly bounded out to Ensigne Cooper by a great
tree that is by the meddows & Soe cover to ye Cherry trees
y^f are in the plantinge Land & Soe streight on to two other
trees neerer Agawam River. And the said Cuttonis did
then affirm that this bargayne of Sale was made with En-
signe Cooper before he had made the bargayne with Sam-
uell Marshfield concerning morgaging their Land.

Part of South Hadley, Granby and Belchertown

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A; Folio 8

Here ffolloweth a Coppy of a deed of ye Purchase of Certaine tract or tracts of Land by ye Worshipfull Major Pynchon of ye Indianes & his Assignement of ye same to ye Inhabitants off Hadley & there sucessors with his acknowledgement of ye same

Bee it known to all men by these Presents yt Wequagon (formerly called Wulluthearne) and his wife Awonunsk An Squomp there Son, Being ye Sole & proper owners of ye land at Nolwotogg on ye East side of Quenicticott River from ye Brook Towonunkset & hill Petawamachu down southward toward Springfeild Bounds, Wee ye sd Wequagon Awonusk & Squomp (for our selves & heirs) On ye one partie Doe give grant Bargaine & sell unto John Pynchon of Springfeild on ye other party, to him, his heires Assignes & Successors forever All ye Grounds, Woodes, Trees, Ponds Waters, Stones, Meadows and uplands &c lyeing and being at Nolwotogg on ye East side of Quinecticot River from ye Hill called Petawamuchu & ye Brooke or litle Riverlett called Towunuckset wch formerlie Umpanchala & Wowwhillowa sold to ye English wn they sold ym Sunnuck quommuck,¹ And Bounded it by ye mouth of ye Brook Towunuckset and ye Hill Petowomachu Now from ye sd Hill & Brook down Quinecticott River Southward to a Brook or Riverlet called Chusick where ye Cart way goes over it, But at ye mouth it is called Cowase,² And all within ye Compass from ye greate River Quenicticott Eastward in to ye woods about ten miles viz two ye three Ponds called Paquonckquamog,³ Scontocks, Paskesickquopoh⁴

The aforesayd tract of land called Petowamuchu Suchow,⁵ ye greate neck or meddow wch ye English call Hoccanum,⁶ together with ye uplands ajoyneing & ye Brooke or Riveret called Cowachuck⁷ alias Quaquoonun-tuck⁸ at ye mouth of it,

And soe south to ye Riveret Chusuck alias Cowase at ye mouth of it, And Eastwd to ye three Ponds before named. Wee ye sd Weequogan Awonusk & Squomp Doe clearly & absalutely Grant & sell to John Pynchon of Springfeild aforesd and to his successors for ever; And by these Presents for & in consideration of 150 ffatham of Wampom wth ten Coates, And more two yds of Cloath over in ye largeness of ym Breeches & severall other small giftes considerable all of them; And all in hand payd (The receite whereof we doe by these presents acknowledge) And for other good causes & considerations us thereunto moveing, Doe Grant & sell And have sold given grantd to Jno Pynchon of Springfield aforesayd and to his Assignes and successors & their heirs for ever all & singular ye aforenamed land from ye North Bounds Towunuckset to ye south bounds Chusuck alias Cowase And from ye west Bounds ye great River to ye three Ponds Eastward called Paquonckequamog Scon-tocks & Paskesickquopoh or bywt ever other names it is or may be called, Quietlie to possess have & injoy ye aforesd tract of ground ffree from all molestation & incumbranc of any Indians & that for ever: Only ye sd Weequogon & Awonunske his wife doth reserve & exempt from this sale a Persell of land in ye Neck or Suchaw called by ye English Hoccanum wch Persell of land they say is upwards of Fiftie or sixtie acres being alreadie morgaged to Joseph Parsons of Northampton & bounded out to him by stakes & markes in ye Presence of two English men of Northampton ye wch Persell of land being made over too Joseph Parsons they exempt from this sale. But otherwise all ye Premises & the whole tract of land before mentioned wth all ye Proffits Preveledges & advantages & Comodieties thereof the sd John Pynchon his Assigns & Successors & there heirs shall for ever injoy, absalutelie Clearelie & ffree from all moles-tation by Indians agst we ye sd Weequogan, Awonunske & Squomp will deffend and will unto ye sd Pynchon warrent ye Premisees against all lawfull claimes whatsoever by any other except as before exempted onely ye intent of these Presents is not to Exclude ye Indians from Hunteing Deere, Beavor or other wild Creatures on ye Tract of land aforesold wch liberty they yet reserve to ym selves And alsoe to take ffish and sometimes to set there wigwoms on ye Comons,

& to take wood & trees of on ye Comons for yer use. In Witness whereof ye aforesd Indians have hereunto set there hands & marks this 8th day of August 1662.

Signed Subscribed and
Delivered in ye Presence of us
Pelatia Glover
The mark of * Richd Sixes
John Lambe
James Tayler

The mark of * Wequogon
The mark of * Awonunsk
The mark * of Squomp

An Assignement of ye aforesd deede

I under written doe hereby declare yt this deede of sale by ye Indians of ye land within mentioned was by them sold to me, not for myself or as my own proprietie But for ye Inhabitants of ye Town of Hadly who had obtained a grant of ye same land from ye Honored Gen ll Corte of ye Massachusets for a Plantation, And thereupon I acted in ye Purchase of ye Premises at ye request & on ye behalf of of ye Inhabitants of Hadly And haveing Received from them ye sum within mentioned layd out for ye Purchase, I doe hereby Assigne & Deliver up this writeing to ye Present Inhabitants of Hadley for ym selves & their Successors to whome it Doth of Right Belong as Witness my hand this 6th day of Febr 1671

John Pynchon

The aforesd deede with ye above written asignement of ye same was here Entered Desembr 16th 1678

By me Samll Partrigg Recordr

On the margin of the deed is the following memorandum

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50	00	00	to ad for
			Haying for ye pay
			& other expences
			of mine

Notes to Preceding Deed

¹Sunnuckquommuck.—The compounds of this name are *sanak*, root word for “difficult; rough,” and *kamik*, a termination referring to land in the locative case. It would mean “at the rough country; at the country hard to travel through,” perhaps on account of the numerous brooks and hills.

²Cowase.—*Kawise*, “a depression.”

³Paquonckquamog.—The Algonquin root *pakwa*, “shallow,” gives the prefix, and with *chquamog*, meaning “lake” in the locative case, would give “at the shallow lake.” The *a* in *kwa* is so pronounced by an Indian as to justify this translation.

⁴Paskesickquopoh.—*Paskese-kopau*, a compound word composed of *paskese*, “it forks, it branches,” and *kopau*, a termination almost like *kamau*, which applies to a pond. The word thus means “the branching pond.”

⁵Suchow.—*Sucki-aug*, “dark colored earth.”

⁶Hoccanum.—Refer to note on page 49.

⁷Cowachuck.—From the same root as *Cowase* (*kawise*). *Kawise-uck*, “the yielding land; where the ground yields, or sinks.”

⁸Quaquoontuck.—*Kwakwanan-tuck*, “the shaking-marsh creek.” This corroborates the translation of *Cowachuck*.

Part of Westfield

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A; Folio 54

These present writings dated September the twenty ninth in the yeere One Six hundred Sixty-ffive showeth, yt wee Spanesa & Poxonock both of us joyntly & Severally have upon a valluable consideration to us Secured & by these presents do alienate & sell unto Danioll Clark & Samuell Marshall of Windsor their heires & assignes one parcell meddow land lying at Warranoco on ye South side of ye River part whereof hath been already planted wch parcell of Meddow is in quantity fforty acres wch parcell of meddow land, it shal be lawfull for the said Danioll & Samuell their heires & assignes to enjoy and possess & inheritt for Ever. And for the more full assurance of the said land unto ye said persons wee the Grannters doe hereby Morgage or fully engage that if wee make not the title of the land good to these two Grantees, then Samuell Marshall is to have our little Daughter now about ffoure yeeres old to enjoy her & dispose of her as his own estate: And wee the said Granters doe hereby promise & oblige ourselves unto the said Granntees that when wee be minded to make sale of the othor of our land at Worrnoco they the said Grantees shall have the first tending to them to take or refuse uppon such termes as wee shall aggree unto: Unto the due preformance hereof wee the said Spanesa & Poxonock doe hereby bynd ourSelves our heires & successors witness our hands & Seales the day and yeere above written.

Signed Sealed and
delivered in ye
presence of
James Enno
his
John * Williams
mark

Spanesa * his mark.

Poxonock * his mark.

This above written is a true Coppy of a deed whereby Spanesa and Poxonock have Sold certayne lands at Worronoco to Capt Clark & Samuell Marshall of Windsor

Recorded April ye 17th 1666

By mee Elizur Holyoke Recorder

observe, that here is noe legall acknowledgemt of this Deed or Morgage

Part of Brookfield

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A; Folio 68

Here followeth the Cobby of the Deed for the Purchase of the lands at Quaubauge [now called Brookfeild] from the Indian called Shattoockquis, together with Leiut Thomas Cooper his resignation of the said Deed to ye Inhabitants of Quawbauge now called Brookfeild for the said deed was framed in Name to the Said Leiut Cooper but indeed for ye only use and behoofe of ye Inhabitants of the said Plantation called Brookfeild. Also ye Cobby of ye said Leiut Coopers acknowledgmt of his said Resignation before ye worppll Major John Pynchon

These Presents Testify that Shattoockquis alias Shadookis the sole and propper owner of certayne lands at Quaubauge here after named Hath for good & valluable considerations him the said Shattoockquis thereunto moveinge given granted bargayned & sold, And by these presents doth fully clearely & absolutely give grant bargayne & sell unto Ensigne Thomas Cooper of Springfeild for the use & behoofe of the present English Planters at Quabaug & their Associates, & their successors & to them & their heires for Ever, Certayne parcells of land at towards or about the North end of Quaubauge pond that is to say begining at a little meddow at the north end of the pond Quaubauge wch meddow is called Podunk with the land about it, & soe to a little hill Wullamanick¹ & from thence Northward or North & by East about three miles & soe westwards off to ye North end of Wecobaug² Pond taking in all the playnes meddows and upland from Podunk by Quabaug pond to Wecobaug pond all the lands betwixt, as that called Nacomuck³ (viz a brook where meddow is) and soe to Massequockummis⁴ viz another brook where meddow is, and soe thorough the playne to Wecobaug pond, & then down to Lashaway⁵ viz the River wch comes from Quabaug pond all ye lands as aforesaid on the East or Northeast Side of

that River and about three miles North or North & by East from the River together with the said River, & the lands on the West side, or South, or Southwest side of the said River, & particularly from Lashaway down the River to a brook or streame called Naltaug and soe up that brook to the head of it Southward, & then from the head of that brook to verge of a hill called Asquoach,⁶ & soe down Southward or Southeast to ye pond Quabauge, taking in all the west meddow & meddows called Masquabamisk & Nanantomqua it being about foure miles from the river to the verge or foote of the hill aforesaid called Asquoach and about Six miles or neere thereabouts from the River at the mouth of ye brook called Naltaug to Quabaug pond: All the aforesaid tract of land from Wecobauge to Podunk at the North end of Quabauge, & from Naltaug to Quabauge, called Naltaug Lashaway, Massequockcumis Nacommuck Wullammannuck Podunk Nanantomqua Masquabamisk & soe to the hill called Asquoach.

All wch land aforescribed together with the trees waters Stones profits comoditys & advantages thereof, & thereunto belonging, the said Ensign Thomas Cooper for himself & for the present Planters at Quabaug and their Associates & Successors is to have hold & enjoy & that for Ever: And the said Shattookquis as well for other considerations as also for & in consideration of the Summe of Three Hundred fadom of Wampampeage in hand Received doth grant bargayne & sell All & Singular the aforesaid tract of land to Ensigne Thomas Cooper his successors & assignes as aforesaid & to their heires for Ever: And the said Shattoockquis doth hereby covenante & promise to & with the said Ensigne Thomas Cooper that he will save ye said Thomas Cooper harmless from all manner of claymes of any perfon or persons lawfully clayming any right or intrest in the said land hereby sold or in any part thereof, & will defend the same from all or any molestation & incumbrance by any Indians lawfully laying clayme or title therunto.

In witnes whereof the said Shattoockquis hath hereunto sett his hand this tenth day of November 1665

Subscribed and delivered
in ye presence of
Elizur Holyoke
Samuell Chapin
Japhett Chapin

The mark * of Shattoockquis

The mark of Mettawomppe an
Indian * witness who chal-
lenging some interest in the
land above Sold received part
of ye pay and consented to
the Sale of it all.

Shattoockquis an Indian above mentioned did own and acknowledge this to be his act and deed resigning up all his rights title & intrest in the lands above mentioned unto Thomas Cooper his Associates & assignes as above said; this tenth day of November 1665:

Before mee John Pynchon Assistant

I Thomas Cooper above mentioned doe hereby relinquish & resigne up all my right & title in ye lands within mentioned to be bought of Shattoockquis, hereby declaring that my acting in ye premises was only in the behalfe & for the use & behoefe of the Inhabitants of Quabauge (now called Brookfeild) & their suecessors: The purchase of the above mentioned land being at their pper cost and charge, who had obteyned a grant thereof from ye Honno Genll. Cort & are now allowed a Towne: I doe therefore hereby deliver up 2 this Instrument or deed of sale to John John Warner Richard Coy & William Pritchard of Quabauge alias Brookfeild for the use & as the propper right of the inhabitants of Brookfeild, The Said Persons being betruusted by the Towne or present Inhabitants of Brookfeild for taking in & receiving this present Deed. Wherefore I doe hereby deliver it up to them hereby declaring it & the land therein mentioned to be sold to be & belong to the present Inhabitants of Brookfeild as they are a Township, and to particular persons only according as they have or shall have grants of land confirmed to them.

The whole Tract of land above mentioned I doe fully & absolutely resigne up to the Inhabitants of Brookfeild aforesaid and to their Successors and their Heires for Ever. As witness my hand this 19th day of December 1673

Thomas Cooper

December 19th 1673 Lieut Thomas Cooper above mentioned Subscribed hereunto & acknowledged the resigning up this Deed & all his intrest in the premises to the Inhabitants of Brookfeild

Before mee John Pynchon Assistant.

This Deed was Recorded March ye 1673
By mee Elizur Holyoke Record^d

Notes to the Preceding Deed

¹Wullamanick.—*Wolaman-ick*; “vermillion paint place.”

²Wecobaug.—From *we*, particle meaning “well; good,” in composition, and *kupau*, “pond,” verbified and used in the participle mood; *kupauk*. The literal translation would be “it being a good pond,” and more naturally, “at the good pond.” Or it may derive from *we-koba-aug*, “good pond land.”

³Nacommuck.—From *na*, particle, which also means “good,” and *kami*, root for “field,” verbified and used in the participle mood, *kamick*. The meaning would be “where it is a good field.” It may perhaps come from *na-kami-uck*, “good soil country.”

⁴Massequockummis.—From *massek*, “marsh,” which in composition becomes *massekwa*, and *kami*, root for “land” in the diminutive; “the little marshy meadow.”

⁵Lashaway.—“Midway; between.”

⁶Asquoach.—*Iskwa-ack*; “the ending place.”

Part of Deerfield

FROM ORIGINAL DEED IN POSSESSION OF THE PACOMTUCK VALLEY
MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

These presents Testifie That Chauk alias Chaque the Sachem of Pacomtuck for good & valluable Considerations him thereunto moveing, hath Given, Granted, Bargained & sold, & by these presents Doth (for himself & his Brother Wapahoale,) fully, clearely & absolutely Give, Grant, Bargaine & sell unto Capt John Pynchon of Springfield for ye use & behoofe of Major Eleazer Lusher, & Ensigne Danl Fisher, & other English of Dedham, their Associates, & successours & to them, & their heires for ever, Certain parcels of Land at Pacomtuck on ye further side or upper side or North side of Pacomtuck¹ River. That is to say beginning a little above, where Pukcommeagon² river Runs into Pacomtuck River, & so a little way up Pukcomeag River, & then leaving Puckcomeagon river, runs off to ye hill Sunsick³ westward: All ye land fro the Hill Sunsick on ye westward & downe ye River Pacomtuck, eastward below Nayyocossick to Pochewee neere ye Mouth of Puckcomeagon river wch parcels of Land are called Nayyocossick Tomholissick Masquomcossick Ussowwack Wusquiawwag & so to Sunsick hill, or by what ever other names it maybe called, Together wth the Trees, waters, meddows, woods, Brookes, uplands, Stones poffits, Commoditys & advantages thereof & thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, the aforesd Major Eleazer Lusher, & Ensigne Danl Fisher of Dedham, their associates & successors & their heires are to Have Hold & Injoy & that forever, only the sd Chauk alias Chaque doth reserve Liberty of fishing for ye Indians in ye Rivers or waters & free Liberty to hunt deere or other wild creatures, & to gather walnuts chestnuts & other nuts things &c on ye Commons: And the sd Chaque doth hereby Covenant & promise to & wth ye sd Major Eleazer Lusher & Danl Fisher, that he will

save ye sd Major Lusher & Danl Fisher, theire Associates & theire Heires & assignes, harmeless of & from all manner of claimes of any person or persons Lawfully claiming any right Title or Interest in any of ye lands hereby sold or in any pt or part or thereof & will Defend the same fro any molestation or Incumbrance by Indians otherwise than as before reserved In witness whereof the sd Chaque hath hereunto set his hand this 24th Febr. 1666.

In presence of:

Jon. Pynchon Jun.

The marke of * Chaque

Wequanock an Indian witness

his * marke

who helped ye Sachem
in Makeing ye Bargaine

The day aforementioned Chaque acknowledged this instrument to be his act & Deed

Before mee John Pynchon, Assistant.

Notes to the Preceding Deed

¹Pacomtuck.—Modern name is Deerfield River.

²Puckcommegon.—Modern name is Green River.

³Sunsick Hills.—Modern name is West Mountain

Part of Agawam

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A-B; Folio 21

THE DEED OF NEESAHEGAN THE INDIAN TO THE TOWNE OF SPRINGE

A cobby of the Evidence of the purchase of y^e medows over Agawa River (called the higher medowe) & the up Lds further Southerly fro those medows

An^o: 1666,—

This writing witnesseth that Neesahegan alias Squom-seat & Kepaquomp alias Squinnamoh for themselves & on behalfe of an old woman called Potucksisq affirming, that the English at Springfeild never bought the Lands over Agawam River in the higher medows, that is to say, the Lands between the middle medow, & so round the Hills, fro the pond by the midle medow to Ensigne Coopers house, & so to Agawam River; & yet acknowledging that the midle medow & house medow called Quana & Agawam, were Long since bought by the English: But now the said Indian men for themselves, & in the behalfe of the said old woman, for the greater security & more ful assurance of the Lands hereby sold, as also of the Lands formerly sold, as also for & in consideration of fifty fatham of wampam to the said Indians in hand paid do sel & for ever passe away unto Elizur Holyoke; Ensigne Cooper, Anthony Dorchester & Samuel Marshfield, in the behalfe of themselves & their successors & the Inhabitants of the Towne of Springfeild, the Lands In the said higher medows, wth other uplands, furtherly Southerly fro the said medows. Al which Lands together wth those Lands w^{ch} were formerly bought of the Indians, & by the said Indians soe acknowledged, are bounded as is herafter mentioned, that is to say, Easterly by Connecticut River fro Agawa Rivers mouth, to a little gutter that runs into the great River neer about over ag^t Pacowsicke, & thence running westerly over the medows in the woods, where Ensigne Cooper & Samuel Marshfeild

have medow; & so fro thence Westerly til one come near the pond called Wequanshausicke, & fro thence the West border runs to Agawam River, at a brooke, called pauhunganuck,¹ & fro thence the said River called Agawam River is the bounds down to Connecticut River: All which said Land, y^t are wthin the aforesaid bounds, the said Elizur Holyoke, Ens. Cooper, Samuel Marshfeild & Anthony Dorchester & the Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield are To have hold & enjoy for themselves & their successors for ever; wth out any molestatio from the said Indians or any other: Witnes the said Indians hands this 20th day of June Anno Domⁱⁿ 1666

Subscribed & delivered
in the presence of
John Holyoke
John Pynchon Jun^r
James Taylor
Wequagan his * marke
an Indian Witnes

The marke of Neesaheagan
alias * Squomseat

The make * of Kepaquomp
alias Squinnamok

This Deed of sale was acknowledged by Kepaquomp, alias Squinnamok & Neesaheaga alias Squomseate to be their act & Deed this 20th of June 1666

Before me Jn^o Pynchon Assistant

July: 8th 1679

Recorded this deed
by Jn^o Holyoke Recorder.

¹Pauhunganuck.—From the Algonquin *pawabagan*, an instrument to bruise or thrash, hence by derivation it may be called a mill. With the termination it would be “land of the mill.” On page 258 of volume 1 of the records of the town of Springfield appears a grant of land made Dec. 8, 1664, “for ye Setting up of a Saw Mill on a brook below Ensign Coopers farme over Agawam River,” also forty acres of land near by, provided that the mill should be completed by April 1, 1666. This would seem to confirm the translation. After the mill was completed the Indians apparently disputed the title to the territory. The brook is now known as Miller’s brook, Thomas Miller being one of the four grantees of the mill land.

Part of Deerfield

FROM ORIGINAL DEED IN THE POSSESSION OF THE PACOMTUCK VALLEY
MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

These presents Testifie that Milkeanaway alias Masseamet (ye Indian, owner of certaine Lands at Pacumtuck) Hath Demised Granted Bargained & sold unto John Pynchon of Springfield for ye use & behoofe of Major Eleazer Lusher & Daniell ffisher of Dedham & their associates & by these presents Doth demise Grant Bargain & sell unto ye sd Maojor Eleazer Lusher Daniell Fisher & their Associates & to their heirs & assigns forever. All & singular the sd Milkeanaway alias Masseamet, his Lands at Pacumtuck on ye south or Southeast side of Pacumtuck River, wch lands are called Pojassick¹ wequunckcaug, ManePacossick & Southward to ye hills Pemamachuwatunch,² or by whatever other names the sd lands are called, even all ye land from Mantahelant (wch wuttawoluncksin³ Sold to Mr. Pynchon) up to Scowockcuck & so off to Quinetticot River to Mattampawsh to ye Land Mr. Pynchon bought of Wuttawoluncksin³ togethir wth all ye woods Trees waters wet meadows profits & comoditys whatsoever to ye sd Land belonging, or in any wise appertaining, only ye sd Indian reserves to himself Liberty for fishing, otherwise all the sd Tract of land the aforesd Major Eleazer Lusher, Danl ffisher & their associates & their heires & assignes, are to have hold & Injoy & that forever: both ye profits and appurtenances thereunto belonging: And the sd Masseamet alias Milkeanaway doth hereby covent & promise to save ye sd Major Lusher & Danl ffisher & their Associates harmless from all manner of claime of any person Lawfully claiming any interest or right in any of ye Land hereby sold.

In witness whereoff the sd Masseamet alias Milkenaway heth hereunto set his hand & seale this 13th of June 1667.

The mark of
Massea * met
Alias Milkenaway

Subscribed Sealed & dlied in ye presence off William Warriner John Pynchon Junr Amy Pynchon⁴

June ye 13th 1667 Masseamet alias Milkeanaway did owne & acknowledge this writing to be his act & Deed, resigneing up & releasing all his right Title & interest in ye lands abovesd

Before me John Pynchon Asist

Notes to the Preceding Deed

¹Pojassick.—“Where the narrows open out.”

²Pemamachuwatunch.—Modern name is East Mountain. George Sheldon, in his History of Deerfield, Vol. 1, page 29, translates this as “at the twisted mountain (*pemi-adchu*).”

³Nothing is known of a deed from Wuttawoluncksin to Pynchon.

⁴Sheldon says “that they were witnessed by two young children of Pynchon.” This is hardly correct, as Amy Pynchon was the wife of John Pynchon, and John Pynchon, Junior, was about twenty years old.

Part of Deerfield and Greenfield

FROM ORIGINAL DEED IN THE POSSESSION OF THE PACOMTUCK VALLEY
MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

These presents testifie that Ahimunquat alias Mequinnichall of Pacomtuck Hath Demised Granted Bargained & Sold, And by these presents doth Demise Grant Bargain & sell unto Major Eleazer Lusher & Daniell ffisher of Dedham their Associates & their heires & assigns for ever. All the sd Ahimunquat, alias Mequinnichall his lands at Pacomtuck, both on ye South or Southeast side of Pocumtuck River called weshatchowmesit & on ye North or Norwest side of ye sd River, called Tomholisick: the sd parcelles of Land called Tomholisick & weshatchowmesit from ye brooke downe ye River up to Sunsick & bounded by ye Land wch Masseamet hath already sold, or by whatever other Names ye sd Lands are called even all ye Land belonging to ye sd Ahimunquat alias Mequinnichall & to his Brother Kunckkeasacod togethr wth all Tree waters profits & Comoditys whatsoever to ye sd Land belonging or anyways appertaining. The aforesd Major Eleazer Lusher Danl ffisher & their Associates & their heires & assigns are to have hold & enjoy & that for ever, wth all ye profits & appurtenances thereunto belonging. And ye sd Ahimunquat alias Mequinnichall doth hereby covenant & promise to save ye sd Major Eleazer Lusher Danl ffisher their Associates & their heires harmless from all manner of claime of any person or persons lawfully claiming any right or interest in any of ye Land hereby Sold. In witness whereoff the sd Ahimunquat alias Mequinnichall hath hereunto Set his hand & seal, this 22 of July 1667

The marke of Ahimunquat
Alias Mequinnichall *

Subscribed Sealed & dlied in ye presence off Amy Pynchon John Pynchon Jr.

The marke of Grin * neachchue Brother to Mequinnitchall, who Received part of ye Pay, viz. 20. fadam: & approved of the Sale of ye Land: Mequinnitchall, alias Ahimunquat, did owne & acknowledge this writing abovesd, to be his act & deed, this present 22th of July 1667

Before me John Pynchon, Asist.

Part of Westfield

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A-B; Folio 50

WESTFIELD TOWNES DEED

These Presents testify that Alquat the Indian Sachem of Woronoak & Pojassick for & ⁱⁿ Consideration of the Sum of forty pounds in English accot, being so much Sterling to him in hand before the sealing & Delivery hereof wel & truly paid, by Capt Jn^o Pynchon of Springfield, for & in the behalfe of Capt Aron Cooke mr James Cornish, mr Joseph Whiting, Geo: Phelps Tho: Noble David Ashley Jno Roote & other the Inhabitants of Woronoake alias Westfield, the Receite whereof the said Alquat doth acknowledge by these presents & therewth to be fully satisfied & contented, Hath Given granted bargained & sold, & by these presents doth fully & clearly & absolutely Give grant bargain and sel unto Capt Aron Cooke mr James Cornish mr Joseph Whiting George Phelps Tho: Noble, David Ashley John Roote of Westfield, alias Woronoake aforesd for themselves & the present Inhabitants of the abovesd Place or Plantation & their Successors & Assignes, from time to time, & unto their heires & Assignes for ever, according as their severall Proportions or Divisions shal be Laid out & proportioned to them. A certain Parcel or Tract of Land Medow & Woodland lying & being at Woronoake aforesd, on the South side of Woronoake River, the great River, & on the North, or Northerly side of the little River, or Forte River; Adjoining on the Southeast, East & Northeast on Land formerly purchased by Sam^l Marshfield of Springfield for the Inhabitants of Westfield aforesd, & on the South & South-West on the little River abovementioned, comonly called the Fort River; On the North or Northerly It is bounded by the grt River called Woronoake River, & so runs up Woronoake River, to the ffalls near about a mile above the present Houses to a marked tree

There; & from that marked Tree, it Runs off westerly, or Sow-Westerly upon a strait line to the little River or Fort River to a Stone at the Nooke or point where al the good Land ends, & where going up the Hill, the Pine Plain begins, the said Comon or pine Plaines being the Westerly or NorWesterly bounds of this Tract of Land. The line of Division being Run by sev^eall English going along wth the Indians from the ffalls in the grt River over to that Stone aforementioned, wch is on the top of the hill by the little River, where the Pine Plaine begins, To have & To hold al the Parcel or Tract of Land before mentioned, containing sev^eal hundred Acres wth al the profits & appurtenances thereupon or thereunto belonging to the sd Capt Cooke James Cornish, Joseph Whiting. Geo: Phelps Tho: Noble David Ashley & Jno Roote for the Inhabitants of Westfield aforesd, according as Division yt of shal be made unto ym & to their heires & assignes for ever, onely reserving & exempting out of the present sale seven acres of medow Land for Wollump, son of sd Alquat, wch seven acres reserved & exempted lyes in a nooke by the little River & agt Land now deeded & proportioned to mr Joseph Whiteing, & to be at the sole dispose of the sd Alquat & Wollump: Also reserving liberty for Indians to fish & take fowls; And the sd Alquat doth Covenante & promise to & wth the sd Capt Cooke mr James Cornish mr Joseph Whiteing, Geo Phelps Tho: Noble David Ashley & Jno Roote that he wil save them harmles fro al manner of Claime of any Person or persons Lawfully Claiming any Right Title or Interest in the premises, otherwise than y^e Reserve or Exemption of the seven acres aforesd for Wollump—In witness whereof the sd Alquat hath hereunto affixed his hand & Seale this 30th Day of June 1669

Subscribed sealed & delivered
in the presence of

Sam. Marshfield Timothy Cooper

William Brooke John Aestson

the marke * of Wollump } Indian

ye mark of * Wallawunt } Witnesses

the marke of Al * quat
wth his seale affixt

Alquat the Indian Sachem acknowledged this Instrument to be his act & Deed, this present 30th June 1669. before me

John Pynchon Asist.

Jan. 8 1684: Entered this deed fro the original
by me Jno Holyoke Recorder

Part of Westfield

FROM ORIGINAL DEED IN POSSESSION OF THE SPRINGFIELD CITY
LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Aprill 25th 1670.

An Agreement wth Alquat alias Keems the Sachem of Pojassuck & Son Wollump Touching their Seven acres of Land in ye feild at Westfeild wch they reserved out of ye Purchase or sale to ye english wch seven or eight acrs of their land, lys by ye little River or fort River, & against Mr Joseph Whiting's land in Westfeild aforesd in ye Hooke by ye River yt lys agt Mr Whiting's land:

It is Conditioned agreed & Consented to by ye aforesd & above mentioned Indians, Alquat & Wollump, That Mr John Pynchon & Mr Joseph Whiting shall have, Injoy and Possess their ye said Indians seven or eight acres of land, being meddow Land for themselves and their heires & assigns forever; ye sd Whiting allowing the sd Sachems of ye Indians some broken up or Improved Land for ye same yearely: That is to say Three acres of old ground for ye Indians to Plant Corne on this yeare now coming, and after this yeare then only to allow them five acres of broken up or improved and meere Land fit for Indian Corne every yeare after this present yeare: After this yeare ye sd Indians Alquat & Wollump are to have if they ever demand it ffive acres of Land yearely, viz of Planting land or old ground to plant Indian Corne on: and in consideration hereoff the sd Indians doe Relinquish all their right & interest in their seven or eight acres of meddow Land above mentioned be it more or less and yt for ever: resigning it up to Mr John Pynchon And giving him the Possession thereof, they ye sd Indians for ye five acres of Planting Land (wch now they

are to have yearely of Mr Whiting) being free fro all fencings or payment of Rates to ye english as they were for their seven acres. In witness whereoff ye sd Indians have set to their hands this 25th of Aprill 1670.

the marke of Al * quat
alius Keems.

the marke * of Wollump.

John Pynchon. Asst.
Samuell Marshfield
who was Interpreter &
assisted in the Bargain making.

Part of Deerfield

FROM THE ORIGINAL DEED IN THE POSSESSION OF THE PACOMTUCK VALLEY
MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

These presents testifie, That Mashalisk (the old woman, Mother of Wuttawwaluncksin) doth hereby Bargaine sell & allienate a Tract of Land in ye Southerly side of Pacomtuck River & so lying all along by Quinetticot River side downe to ye Lower Point of ye Hill called Wequomps & by ye English Sugarloafe hill: all ye Tract of Land between ye greate River Quinetticot on ye east & ye ledge of Mountaines on ye west, & on ye Northward fro Pacomtuck River Mouth, Mantehelant downe southward to Wequomps & to ye very Point of land where ye hills come to ye greate River called Tawwat or Tawwattuck Together wth all ye Islands in ye greate River, called Mattampash, Allinnack, or Allinnackcooke, Taukkanackcoss, or by whatever other names they may be called, all ye whole sd Tract of Land Mantehelant Mattampash downe to Tawwat or Tawwattuck & so by ye ledge of Mountaines lie fro greate River westward.

The sd Mashalisk Doth sell all to John Pynchon of Springfield to him his heires & assignes forever, ffor & in Consideration of a debt of ten large Bevers & other debts of Wuttawoluncksin her sons wch shee acknowledges her self engaged for ye Payment off to John Pynchon aforesd: for the said Just and due Debts & moreover for & in consideration of sixty fada of wampum. 2. cotes some cotton & Severall other small things all wch ye sd Mashalisk acknowledge to have Recd & to be therwth fully satisfied & contented, Doe fully clearly & absolutely give Grant Bargaine & sell unto John Pynchon of Springfield aforesd, hereby giving granting & resigning up to him all my right Title & interest in ye aforesd land: To Have & to Hold all the sd land to ye only proper use & Behoofe of him ye sd John Pynchon his heires & assigns for ever, wth all ye profits advantages & comoditys thereoff & thereunto belonging whatso-

ever, & that for ever: And ye sd Meshalisk doth hereby covenant & promise too & wth ye sd John Pynchon, that shee will ye sd Pynchon save harmless of & from all manner of claimes right title & interest of any other person whatsoever unto ye sd Land hereby sold & will defend ye same from all or any Molestation or Incumbrance of Indians right to all or any part thereof: and as having full right & lawfull Power thus to doe, Doth in witness thereof here unto affix her hand & seale this 26th day of August 1672

This being done & also delid
in the Presence off

John Holtum

Isaac Morgan

The marke of

Ackki X ***** an Indian witness¹
her kinsman.

Mash * shalisk
her mark (seal)

Note to the Preceding Deed

¹In John Pynchon's account book, mention is made of Ackambowet, an Indian, and this is probably the same person.

Part of Whately and Conway

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A; Folio 133

Here ffolloweth a Coppy of a deed of Sale whereby Certaine Indians passed over Certaine Lands unto ye Town of Hatfield

Bee it known unto all men by these prsents writeings yt we Sarah ye wife of Quanquan Sachem late deceased & Pocunohouse ye Son of Quanquan ye Indian Sachem & Mattabauge Squa & Majessett daughter of ye sd Sachem & Momecouse Indians: for & by & in consideration of fiftie fatham of Wampam peagg hath sold unto ye Town of Hatfield all ye Lands, uplands & Swamps yt was Quanquons lyeing within ye Bounds of Hatfeild except the two ffarmes of Mr Bradstreete & Major Dennison & a prsell of Land that ye Town of Hatfield bought of Benjamine Waite these Indians before expressed hath given granted Bargained & sold Alianated Enfeofied Assigned sett over & confirmed & by these presents doe fully cleerely & absolutely give grant Bargained sell Assigne sett over & Confirme unto ye Town of Hatfield in ye Jurisdiction of Massachuesets all ye Estate Right Title use & possession claime & demand whatsoever ye aforesd Indian Sarah Pocanohouse Mattabaug Squa Muessett Memewatts hath in or to all ye Lands Swamps & Uplands before mentioned which sometymes was ye sd Quanquans Bounded by ye Lands yt ye Town of Hatfield Bought of Umpanchella upon ye South & upon Weckwannuck^r or Suger loafe Brooke at a markt tree at ye path yt Leads to Pacomtuck on ye North & from thence to Run upon an East Line to ye great River & a West Line six miles West in ye woods or Wilderness part of these Lands abutts on Mr Bradstreets ffarme & Major Dennisons ffarme East and part upon the great River Eastward all of these Lands Runs from these ffarmes six miles into ye Wilderness West In all this persell of Land aforementioned

ye sd forementioned Indians for ymselves heirs & assignes do cleerely ffully & wholie Remitt Release Relinquish & Resigne all their former Right claime power Authoritie interest or Challenge in or to the sd Lands yeilding & by these prsents giveing granting & Sirrendering ye sd title powor interest claime Right unto ye Town of Hatfeild To have and to hold to ym & to their heirs for ever; And the sd Indians doe for themselves & their heirs & Assignes promise unto the Town of Hatfeild that they shall & may from tyme to tyme quietly enjoy & at all tymes lawfully & peaceably enjoy & possess use & improve ye sd Land before mentioned as they shall & may see cause without any Lett trouble molestation or interuption from or by any of ye forementioned Indians or from or by any other person or persons whatsoever Indians or English Challengeing or Claimeing in by through from with for to or under us or any of us or any other whatever. In Witness hereof we have sett to our hand this nineteenth day of Octobr in ye yeare of our Lord one thousand six hundered Seventie two 1672.

Signed & Sealed in ye	her	} four seals were affixed
Presence of us	Sarah * Quanquan Squa	
Daniell * Porter	marke	
his marke	Pacuhouse her * marke	
Nathl Dickenson	Memewanks her * marke	
Samll Belding	Matabaug * Squa	
John Coleman	her marke	

The price of all ye Land purchased of Sarah Quanquons Squa mentioned in ye deed was fiftie fatham of Wampam &c

This five & twentieth day of Novembr 1672 she & her Son Pacanohouse Received of the Town of Hatfeild 27 fathom on Cotten Cloath &c

The aforesd deed of Sale was here Entered this 27 January 1695-6

By me Samll Partrigg Register

Note to the Preceding Deed

¹Weckwannuck.—Sheldon, in *History of Deerfield*, page 33, and Crafts, in *History of Whately*, page 9, both give this as Weekioannuck, but this is a mistake. The word is very blindly written in the records, but a careful study shows the form as here given, to be correct.

Part of Westfield

The following evidence shows that Lieutenant Thomas Cooper of Springfield purchased certain land at Westfield from the Indians, but no record of the deed exists. This extract is from the Court Records of Hampshire County.

Att the County Corte holden at Springfeild

Sept ye 30, 1673.

Leiut Cooper of Springfield Plant contra Wallump the Indian Sachem of Poch**ick in an action of the case for not performing the tearmes & tenor of a deed of sale respecting some agt of those lands mentioned in that said deed wch is signed by the said Wallump wth all just damages.

In this action between Leiut Cooper Plant & Wallump defdt the attachment & evidences in the case being presented & read in Corte (& wch are on file) & comitted to ye jury they brought in their verdict that they fynd for ye Deft costs of Corte.

Costs as pr bill allowed is ten shillings

There is said to be another Westfield deed; that of Alquat, Keems and Wallump to Pynchon, dated April 25, 1670, but no record of it can be found.

Part of Bernardston, Gill and Northfield

FROM THE TOWN RECORDS OF NORTHFIELD

This Deed Made the 9 day 7 1673 betweene Joseph Parsons Senr & William Clarke both of Northampton in the County of Hamphair of the one Partey and the daughter of Sowanaett who was the true and Proper owner of that Parsell of Land at Squakheg¹ on the West Side of the River Called by the indions Nallahamcomgon² or Natanas and Mashepetot and Kesquando pompate Kenio a squa which is Mashepetotts daughter—these four Indions a bove Named one the other Partey—Witnesseth that for and in Consideration of too hundered fathoms of Wampompek in hand payed by the above said Parsons and Clarke wee the aforesaid Indions acknolleg to have Received and doo by these Presents aquit and discharg the aforesaid Parsons and Clarke and their heirs and executors or assignns for ever have Given Granted bargined and Sold & by these Presents Confirmed all that Parsell of Land Lyeing at Squagheag Called by the indions Nallahamcongong, with the Great River on the esterly side one the Westerly side a great Ledge of hills 6 miles from the Great River one the Southerly to a brook caled by the indions Nallahamcomgon² and so Straight in to the woods on the North to that Land that was Massemetts Land

This Parcel of Land with all the apurtenances ther to belonging wee the aforesaid Indiens doo ingag and covenant to and with the above Named Parsons & Clarke to defend from aney Claime or Right or tittle from aney other porsons Whatsoever & that the above Named Parsons and Clarke their heirs or assignns Shall have have and hold all the above

said Land with all the apurtenances for ever with out aney Mollestation by them or any other Parsons what soever. as Witness our hands the day and yeare a bove wrighten with our sealls

Seled and delivered
in the presents of
Timothy Baker
Sarah Clarke

Mashepetot his * mark and Seale
the mark of * Kisgondo and Seale
the mark of * Asagoa and Seale
Pompatikenio her mark and Seale

Wher as the within mentioned grant or * * * * of Lands of the Indians of Squaukheage in * * * * of William Clarke and Joseph Parsons Sen^r both * * Northampton wee doo assighne and make over * * ever the with in mentioned Premises to the inhabitants of Squakheagu and their successors as witnesseth our hands the 15th of June 1695

Subscribed in the
Presants of

William Clarke

NOTE.—This sheet is badly worn, only one of the signatures to the assignment remaining.

Notes to the Preceding Deed

¹Squakheg.—Other forms are Suckquakege or Wissquawquege, 1669. Squawquege, 1671, Squakeage or Squakeake, 1672, Squaheag, 1682, Pynchon called it Wussquaheag, the Connecticut Council Suckquackheag, and Partridge Wussquackheag.

²Nallahamcomgon; Natanas.—The territory is now known as Bennett Meadow and the brook as Bennett Brook. In a deed of 1715 this is called Halbacum Comgane or Huffanus.

Part of Westfield

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber O; Folio 447

To all Christian People to whome these Presents Shall Come Know ye that I Walump the Sachem of Pochaset now Resident there Have and by these Presents do bargain Sell alienate and firmly make Over a Certain Parcel of Land Lying and being at the Place Commonly Called by the Indians Pochaset but by the English called Westfield which land is bounded as followeth viz it Comming Down the River to a Great Spruce Tree Standing by the Rocks that are in the River and So Runnig up the River Two Miles in Length in Breadth one mile only yt the said Walump Reserveth one Meadow to him self which Meadow Lyes before the Old Fort on the South Side of the River all the Other Lands within the fore named bounds the said Walump hath and by these Presents doth for himself his heirs Executors administrators make over unto Mr. Hope Atherton Preserved Clap and medad Pomroy their heirs Executors administrators and assigns all which Parcel of Land I Do hereby make Over unto the aforementioned Parties, To Have and To Hold Possess and Enjoy forever as their own Proper Right Title Claim and Interest hereby freely fully giving unto the said Party a Quiet and Peaceable Possession of the Said Tract of Land with all Woods Trees and all manner of Benefits Priviledges and appurtenances thereunto belonging And I the Said Walump do hereby Injoyne that this land is free from all former Bargains Sales mortgages Judgements Executions or Indian Title of Inheritance and do hereby Injoyn to free the said Land from all Claims of any Indian Person or Persons Whatsoever hereby Relinquishing all my Right Title Claim and Interest in the Premises or any part thereof In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this 24th of Novem^r 1673

Wall (his * mark) lump and Seal the Indian Sachem

Signed Sealed and Delivered in Presence of us.

Samuel Marshfield

Katherine the mark of * Marshfield

November 25th 1673 Wallump the Indian Sachem above-mentioned acknowledged this Instrument to be his act and Deed Resigning up & forever Relinquishing all her Right & Interest in ye Premises Except as above Excepted

Before me John Pynchon Assist.

Whereas I underwritten was one of the Purchasers of the above mentioned farm These lines may certifie whom it may Concern that what I did therein was in the behalf of m^r Samuel Mather of Windsor and have no Right in Said farm of my own But Do hereby Resigne and Quit Claim to any Right therein as in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal with Date October 23: 1714

Witnessed by us

Samuel Marshall

Benjamin Moslee

Medad Pomroy and Seal

M^r Medad Pomroy the Subscriber of the Above Instrument personally appeared before me the Subscriber one of her Majesties Justices of the Peace for the County of Hampshire this Eleventh Day of Nov^{br} in the first Year of the Reign of our Sovergⁿ Lord King George & Annoque Domini 1714 and acknowledged the above Instrument to be his act

Coram John Stoddard

Rec^d July 1st 1745 & Recorded from the Original

By me

Parts of Leverett, Montague, Sunderland
and Wendell

FROM THE TOWN RECORDS OF SUNDERLAND

These Presents Testifie That Mishalisk an old woman the mother of Wallauckinksin deceased Doth hereby Bargaine sell and alienate a Tract of Land to John Pynchon of Springfield, acting for & in the behalf of Robert Boltwood Joseph Kellogg John Hubbard & Thos Dickinson of Hadly & their associates who obtained a grant of the sd Land from ye Genll Court wch land lies above Hadley Northward of Hadley bounds by Quinnecticott River on ye East side of ye sd River which Land begins at ye Southely end of it at ye Brook Nepesoneag.¹

Nepesoaneag takeing in all the Land on ye Northely side of it. It runs up by Quinnectticott River to ye Brook called Sawwatapskechuwass² and Mattamooash where others Indians have sold also now there sd Land there to ye sd Robt Boltwood Jos Kellogg &c. The whole Tract of Land aforementioned from Nepesoaneag on ye South next Hadly Bounds to Sawwatapskechuwass on ye North & beyond att Mattamooash & from Quinnecticott River out into ye woods Eastward for six miles from the sd River Quinnecticott The sd Mishalisk Doth Bargaine & sell to ye sd Robt Boltwood Jos Kellogg John Hubbard & Thos Dickinson & their associates & to their heirs & assigns For Ever for & in consideration of a Debt & Dues from her son Wattauchinksin to John Pynchon of Springfield as also for & in consideration of One Large Indian Coat and several other small things Recd of ye sd John Pynchon for and on ye behalf of Robt Boltwood Jos Kellogg &c & Company all wch I ye sd Mishalisk do Acknowledge to have Recd & that I am therewith fully satisfied & Contented & Do thereupon fully Clearly & absolutely Give Grant Bargaine & sell unto the sd Robt Boltwood Jno Hubbard Jos Kellogg & Thos Dickinson & Company & to their heir & assigns forever the foremen-

tioned Lands hereby Giveing Granting & Resigning up to them all my Rights Title & Interest in the aforementioned Land To Have & To Hold all the sd lands to the only proper use & Behaffe of them ye sd Robt Boltwood Jos: Kellogg, Jno Hubbird Tho Dickinson & successors or Company & their heirs & assigns forever wth all ye profits & commodities there & thereunto belonging whatsoever. And the sd Mishalisk doth hereby covenant & promise that she will the sd Robt Boltwood Jos Kellogg Jno Hubbard & Thos Dickinson save harmless of & from all manner of claims Right Titles & Interest of any peson whatsoever and from all Incumbrances of Indian Rights to all or any part of ye sd Land as having full Right & Lawfull Power thus to Doe and in witness hereof affixes her hand & seal this 10th day of April 1674

This done sealed & Delivered
in the presence of us
Isaac Morgan
Henry Rogers
Ackka * tambawit
his mark
an Indian witness

Misha * lisk
her mark
(Seal)

Mishalisk the Indian woman acknowledged this Instrumt to be her act & Deed Resigning up & Relinquishing all her Right & Interest in ye Prmises this 10th of April 1674.

before me John Pynchon Assistant

Notes to the Preceding Deed

¹Nepesoneag.—Modern name is Mohawk Brook.

²Sawwatapskechuwas.—Modern name is Saw Mill Brook.

Parts of Montague and Wendell

FROM THE TOWN RECORDS OF SUNDERLAND

These presents testifie that Mattawompe alias Nattawwassawet ye Indian for himself & in the behalf of other Indians viz Wadanummin Squiskheag & Sunckmachue and for and in consideration of eighty fathom of wampum & several other small things to him and them in hand paid & fully secured by John Pynchon of Springfield in ye behalf and upon the acct of Robt Boltwood John Hubbird Joseph Kellogg & Thos Dickinson of Hadley Hath Bargained & sold & Doth by these presents Give Grant Bargaine & Sell unto ye sd Robt Boltwood Jno Hubbird Jos Kellogg & Thos Dickinson a certain tract of land lying on ye east side of Quinnetticut River about 7 or 8 miles above Hadley adjoining to a parcell of land which the said Boltwood & Company bought of Mishalisk from that parcell of land & Brook called Sawwatapeskechuwas¹ up by ye grt River Quinnetticut northerly to a little Brook Papacontuckquash² & Corroheaggan lying over against ye mouth of Pacomptuck River Mantehelas The sd Mettawompe alias Nattawwassawet Doth Give Grant Bargain & Sell unto ye sd Robt Boltwood John Hubbird Jos Kellogg & Thos Dickinson & their successors & Company & to their heirs & assigns Forever hereby resigning to them all right title & interest in the forementioned lands called Mattampash from Sawwatapskechuwas Anquepinick³ Sankrohoncum⁴ Lemuckquash & Papacontuckquash Corroheaggan & to Mantehelas & so out into ye woods six miles Eastward from ye great River Quinnetticut To Have and to Hold all ye sd Land to ye propr use & behoof of ym ye sd Robt Boltwood Jno Hubbird Jos Kellogg & Thos Dickinson & Company & their heirs & assigns forever with all ye Profits Commodities & Advantages thereof & thereto belonging whatsoever & yt forever And ye sd Mettawompe alias Nattawwassawet doth hereby covenant & promise that he will save harmless

ye sd Robt Boltwood John Hubbird Jos Kellogg & Thos Dickinson & Company & their heirs & assigns of & from all manner of claims Rights Titles & Interest of any person whomsoever in & to the sd Lands and from all Incumbrances of Indian Rights to all or any part thereof haveing full Power & Lawful Right thus to Doe And in witness hereof affixes his hand & seal this 10th day of Aprill 1674

The mark of Mettawompe * alias Nattawwassawet (Seal)

This don & delivered in presence of us
 Isaac Morgan
 Henry Rogers
 Ackatambowitt his * mark an Indian

Mettawampe alias Nattawwassawet acknowledged this Instrument to be his act and deed Relinquishing & Resigning up all Right & Interest in the premises to the English within named 10th Apl 1674

before me John Pynchon Assist

This 17th of Apl 1674 Squiskheag came and acknowledged ye sale of ye land mentioned on ye other side sold by Metawompe & doth hereby confirm ye sale thereof having recd part of ye pay viz Thirty Fathom whereupon Squiskheag doth for himself and his Brothers Sunckkamauchue & Wadanummin sell & by sale forever pass away all ye Land mentioned on ye other side namely ye Land on ye East side of Quinnetticott River from Sawwatapskechuwass on the South Northerly to Right against the mouth of Pacomp-tuck River called Mantahelas To Have and to Hold all ye sd Land from ye Grt River six miles out into ye woods Eastward to Robt Boltwood John Hubbard Jos Kellogg & Thos Dickinson to them their Heirs & assigns forever & in witness hereof subscribes his hand & seal this 17th April 1674

The mark of Squiskeag * (Seal)

In presence of us
 John Pynchon
 Jos * Thomas his * mark

Notes to the Preceding Deed

¹Sawwatapeskechuwas.—Modern name is Saw Mill Brook.

²Papacontuckquash.—Modern name would appear to be Millers River, as an ancient map in the library of Williams College gives “Papaquntiquash Branch or Millers R.”

³Anquepinick.—*Anikwepinack*, the “inclined land.”

⁴Sankrohoncum.—This is the same as *Sankronk* in the Northampton deed, but with the addition of one of the “land” terminations and means “land at the outlet.”

Parts of Hampden, Longmeadow, Springfield and
Wilbraham in Massachusetts, and Enfield
and Somers in Connecticut

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A-B; Folio 22

THE TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD YE DEED FRO THE INDIANS

An Evidence of the purchases of Lands at Fresh water River, taking in the medows on both sides the River, as also of the Lands from the five mile pond Eastward to y^e mountaines & so northward to Chickuppe River; being purchases from y^e Indians Wequaugan Wawapaw & Wequombo; by & for y^e Town of Springfield

These Presents testify; That the Indian called Wequa-gun, formerly called Wrutherna & the Indian called Wawapaw, formerly called Naiapompolan, in consideration of the sume of One Hundred & Twenty fathom of Wampam to them in hand paid, And that the Indian Called Wequompo in consideration of sixty fathom of Wampam to Him in hand paid, have given granted bargained & sold, And by these presents Doe fully clearly & absolutely give grante bargain & sel unto Elizur Holyoke, George Coulton, Benjamin Cooley Samul Marshfield & Anthony Dorchester, for the use & behoofe of the Town of Springfield certaine tracts of Land Upland Medowes and Swamps hereafter mentioned & described, That is to Say, The said Wequaugun & Wawapaw first acknowledging that their Ancestors did sel unto Mr. William Pynchon late of Springfield, for the use & behoofe of the said Town of Springfield a good Portion or Tract of Lands lying on the East side of the River Quincticut (& by the said River) that is to say, by the River al along from the Lower End of the (medow, called by the Indians Massacksick, & by the English called the) Long medow, up to Chickuppe River, And in breadth Eastward for al the Length about as far from the River Quincticut,

as the five mile pond which lyes by the Bay path; Concerning which Tract of Land the ^{said} Wequaugan & Wawapaw Doe for themselves & their Successors, for the use & behoofe of the Inhabitants of Springfield, for ever quit al Right, Title Interest Claime & Demand: in & to the said Tract of Land, before described. And the Tract of Land which the said Wequaugan & Wawapan Do hereby sel as aforesaid, Lyeth partly by & adjoineth to the South and & East side of the Tract of Land above described (which they acknowledged was sold to the said Mr William Pynchon as above-said) That is to Say All the Lands with lie within the bounds hereafter mentioned: And therefore the South bounde thereof is the Riveret called by the Indians Asnuntuck (& by the English Called fresh water River, or fresh water brooke) & soe from the mouth of that Riveret, vize, from Connecticut or Quincticut River the bounde runs up the said Riveret to the Medows thereupon, & from thence up the said Riveret, the bounde takes in al the medows on both sides of fresh water River or brooke that Run Into it to the upland on the southerly side of such medows: & at the Place where Freshwater River or freshwater brooke turnes Northerly, the south bounds extend Eastward to the Riveret called Scantuck,¹ vize the place by the fals where the path that Leads to Pequit² or Moheage³ goes over that Riveret & from thence the s^d River Scantucke is the General bounds of the Lands contained in this Purchase, Vize, up to the Place where the said River or Riveret Scantuck comes down from the Mountains, yet Al the medows on both sides of Scantuck River are likewise contained within this Purchase: And from the Place where Scantuck River comes down from the mountaines, the foot of the mountaines is the Easterly bounds, up as far northerly til it meet with the Lands purchased of the said Wequompo: & the West bounds or border are the Lands formerly sold to Mr William Pynchon late of Springfield as aforesd. And the said Wequangan & Wawapaw, Doe for ym selves & their Successors to the use & behoofe of the Inhabitants of Springfield for Ever quit al Claime to, & al right title & Interest in any of Lands abovementioned & hereby sold, & which are contained within the bounds above mentioned, Except liberty of fishing & hunting, which they Reserve to them-

selves yet not to damnify the English thereby Al which Tract of Lands which are Contained within the bounds above mentioned, together with al the profits and comoditys thereupon or thereunto belonging, the said Elizur Holyoke, George Coulton, Benjamin Cooley Samuel Marshfield & Anthony Dorchester for the use & behoofe, service & imployment of the Towne of Springfield (& not otherwise) are to have hold & Enjoy for ymselves & their heires for Ever without let trouble or molestation from the s^d Wequagan Wawapaw or any others: And the Tract of Land hereby sold by Wequompo are such as are contained within the bounds & limits hereafter mentioned & Described, That is to say, the south bounds thereof are the Lands before mentioned, sold by Wequagan & Wawapan; And Eastward the Foot of the mountaines are the bounds thereof; & Northerly Chickuppe River is the bounds thereof: And the Westerly bounds thereof, are the Lands above mentioned formerly sold to Mr. William Pynchon as abovesaid. Al which Tract of Land soe bounded & described, together with al the profits & comoditys thereupon or thereunto belonging the said Elizur Holyoke George Coulton Benjamin Cooley Samuel Marshfield & Anthony Dorchester for the use & behoofe, Service & Employment of the Towne of Springfield, & not otherwise, are to have hold & enjoy for themselves & their heires for Ever, with out trouble or molestation from the said Indian called Wequompo or any other: And the said Wequompo Doth for himselfe & his Successors for the use behoofe & benefit of the Inhabitants of Springfield for Ever quit al claim to & al his Right Title & Interest in any of the Lands above mentioned to be sold & which are Contained within the bounds above expressed (except liberty of Fishing & Hunting which he reserveth: And it is the Intent of these presents That y^e sd Elizur Holyoke George Coulton Benjamin Cooley Samuel Marshfield & Anthony Dorchester themselves & their Heires for ever by virtue of these Presents are not to have any benefit or Priviledge in the Lands, otherwise then as they are or shal be Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield, or otherwise then in General in & with the Town or otherwise than they have legal Right therein, or may be granted by the Town for that the Lands sold by the Indians above named are so

sold for & to y^e onely use & behoofe of the Inhabitants of Springfield & to be wholly at their disposure,

Febry 4th 1678 Being desired at a Town meeting in Springfield to declare what I know concerning the Purchase of the Lands above said: I doe declare and attest as followeth viz: That.

The Indians above named, viz Wequaagan & Wawapaw & Wecombo the true & proper owners of al the Lands above mentioned Did sel & by sale for ever passe away al the Land above mentioned to Mr Elizur Holyoke, Geo Colton Benja: Cooly Saml. Marshfield & Anthony Dorchester for the use & behoofe of the Town of Springfield: The bargain being made in my presence, and as I remember, It was in the yeer 1674 or thereabouts I was often with ym in Treaty about it, which at last came to a conclusion, to be as above mentioned, the payment also for the Land as above expressed, passing through my hands to the Indians, which they gladly accepted and did willingly own the sale to me after this Deed was Drawne, They coming particularly one at a tyme to me to subscribe it, when I told them they must come altogether, the want of which was the only obstruction, for they often severaly acknowledged the sale & this writing to be according to their minds & meaning. Also testifying their Readiness to come al together & subscribe which as they promised, so doubtles they would have done but that the Indian Warre happening in the yeer 1675. They with other Indians were drove away, before which time they made the above existing Sale.—And I do declare they did come personally & owne & acknowledg the conveyance & sale of the Land above mentioned as above expressed.

This then done by y^e Indians Wequagan & Wawapaw & Wecombo owned & acknowledged

Before me John Pynchon Assistant

This entred these Records for the County of Hampshire July 12th 1679.

as attests
John Holyoke
Recorder.

Notes to the Preceding Deed

Att ye Genrll Towne Meetinge ffeb: ye 4th 1672:

Whereas ye Indian Wecombo vizt the old blind Indian doth challenge the tymber of ye Cedar Swamps at Manchconis as also ye meddowes on ye Mill River together wth the upland there about as farr as Chickuppe River: And Wequagan & laying clayme to all the lands uplands and meddowes (from Wecombo his clayme,) downewards as farr as ffresh water River. The Towne doth now Order that ye Worshippll Major Pynchon together with Elizur Holyoke Quartrmr Colton Ensign Cooly Samll Marshfield and Anthony Dorchester shall have full power to treat wth ye Said Indians both to examine what lands they challenge as theirs and what they own or can be proved to be ours, and to make purchase of what they judge needfull for the Town:—*Springfield Town Records*, Vol. 3, Pg. 78.

¹Scantuck.—Trumbull says “for *peskatuk*, a branch of the river.”

²Pequit—Pequot.

³Moheage—Mohegan.

Parts of East Windsor, Ellington, Enfield and
Somers, Connecticut

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A-B; Folio 39

ENDFIELDS DEED

The Plantation of Endfield, alias Freshwater River y^e deed fro the Indian Tawtaps or Notattuck:

To al People to whom these presents shal come, I Tawtaps, alias Notattuck¹ the right Indian owner of al the Land on the East side of Connecticut River from Asnuntuck alias Freshwater River downe to Umsquattanuck² at the foot of the fals, being willing to accomodate the English, vizt: Leiut: Thomas Stebbings Jonathan Burt Benjamin Parsons John Pease William Downten Thomas Gold & others who are Setling of a Plantation, about Fresh-water River, Doe agree & fully Consent to a sale & Surrender of the greatest part of my Land, there to the s^d English & such others as that there Plant & Settle, And therefore Know Yee That I the s^d Tawtaps alias Notattuck for & in Consideration of the sum of five & Twentie pounds sterling to me in hand paid By Major Jn^o Pynchon of Springfield at & before the ensealing of these presents, where with I acknowledge my Selfe fully satisfyed & contented, Have bargained & Sold, And by these presents Doe give grant bargaine sel alien assigne Enfeoffe & Confirme unto the said Major Jn^o Pynchon in be halfe of Leiut: Thomas Stebbings Jonath Burt Benjamin Parsons John Pease William Downten & Thomas Gold, their heires Assignes & Successors; Al that Tract of Land on the East side of Conecticot River which is against the Fals from Asnuntuck alias Freshwater-River on the North, down Southward along by Conecticot River about Three or four miles. viz to the Brooke below the heap of stones, which Brooke is called by y^e Indians Poggotossuc,³ & by the English Saltonstal Brooke, & so from the mouth of said Saltonstals Brooke alias Poggotossuc to Run from

the great River Connecticut; directly, East, Eight full & Compleat Miles to the Mountaines, & the whole Tract of Land to be Compleat Eight Miles from the gr^r River, both at the Southerly end, & at the North end also, & Run full to the mountaines on the East, wth al the Profits & advantages to the said Tract of Land belonging, whether woods underwoods Brookes waters Stones Minerals Pastures Meadows or Marshes & al the Appurtenances to the same belonging To have & to hold the above granted Tract of Land wth al Liberties & priviledges apptaining there unto, unto Them the s^d Tho: Stebbings Jonath Burt Benjamin Parsons Jn^o Pease Willia^m Downten & Tho: Gold their heires assignes & successors & to their onely use benefite & behoofe for ever.

And I the said Tawtaps alias Notattucke for my selfe & my heires Doe hereby covenante promise & grant to & wth the s^d Tho: Stebbin Jonath: Burt Benja: Parsons Jn^o Pease Willia^m Downten & Tho: Gold their heires & assignes That I the s^d Tawtaps alias Notattucke at the time of en-sealing hereof was the true & sole Lawful owner of y^e aforebargained premises & every pt thereof, & had in my selfe full power good right & Lawful Authority to grant convey & assure the same as abovesd as a good & sure estate of Inheritance for ever, wthout any Condition revesion or Limitatio of use or uses whatsoever, except that I. Reserve a Liberty to my selfe of hunting on the Comon Land, in the woods & catching of fish in the River, yet not so as to exclude the English right thereto alsoe, And wth this onely Exceptoⁿ shal & wil Warrant & Defend the same unto the s^d Tho: Stebbin Jonath Burt, Benja Parsons, Jn^o Pease Willia^m Downten, Tho. Gold their heires & assignes & successors ag^t me me my heires or any Indians Lawfully Claiming the same or any part thereof, & that I wil at any time hereafter do any further act or actes for the more full compleate & sure making of the above bargained premises unto them the s^d the s^d Tho. Stebbins Jonathan Burt Benja: Parsons Jn^o Pease William Downten & Tho. Gold, their heires & assignes for ever: according to the true Intent hereof & the Laws of the Massachusetts Jurisdiction: In Witness whereof I. the s^d Tawtaps alias Notattuck have hereunto put my hand & seale this 16th Day

of March in the Two & thirtieth yeer of the Reigne of our
Soverigne Lord Charles th 2^d by y^e grace of God King
of England &c: Annog₃ Dom 1680^o:

Tawtaps (alias Notattucke) his * marke wth his Seale
affixed

Read Signed Sealed & Delivered in the presence of us.

John Holyoke

Samuel Marshfield

the marke * of Momando an Indian Witness

Cogoranasset⁴ * his marke an Indian witness

Nessataquakis * an Indian his marke

Benjamin * inton

Tawtaps alias Notattuck acknowledged this Instrument
his Act & Deed Relinquishing and Resigning up al his
Interest in the premises this 16th: of March: 1680:

Before Me John Pynchon Assist^t

April 1st 1681. Entered this Deed in Hampshire
Records.

by me Jn^o Holyoke Recorder

Notes to the Preceding Deed

¹A deed to the island at Windsor, known as Kings Island, given June 26, 1678, is signed by "Toutops alias Notabock."

²Umsquattanuck.—*Amisk-watam-uck*, "beaver dam place."

³Poggotossuc.—William Wallace Tooker says that this means "where stones are cast up." Father Lemoine insists that it is *pagwat-assuk*, "a hollow."

⁴See note on page 101 referring to Coggerynossets.

Part of Westfield

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A-B; Folio 53

WESTFIELD TOWNES DEED

These presents testifie That I John Pynchon of Springfield Several yeeres since made a purchase of the Lands at Westfield of the Indians for the Inhabitants of Westfield, & particularly bought the Lands on the South Side of the River there of Paupsunnick the wife of Panesan to whom the right of the Land on the South side of Westfield River did belong, by the acknowledgmt & grant of al the ancient & cheife Indians To whom that is to say, to Paupsunnick I did truly pay for the same about fifty pounds wch sum of Fifty pounds I have received of the Inhabitants of Westfield, according to Each mans Proportion, on whose behalfe I acted. And doe hereby acknowledge the Same & to be fully contented therewth for purchase of said Lands. The Deed whereof from the Indians (whether dlrd up to Westfield Inhabitants or mislaid) not being to be found at present, I doe ingage it shal come to hand to dlr it up to the present Inhabitants of Westfield To Whom of Right the Land belongs, according as Each Mans proportion in said Land is or hath been Laid out to Him. And in the meantime I do here declare & Testify That I acted in the premises fer the Township of Westfield, & Inhabitants or proprietors thereof in General And doe for me my heires & Assignes resigne up al my Genll Right Title & Interest in Said Lands, on the South side of the River at Westfield, then called Woronoake, Reserveing only what particular Grant, or Right I have therein, this only excepted to me my heires & Assignes for Ever. All the Rest of the sd Lands there Now & Henceforth to belong & be to the several Inhabitants & Proprietors thereof, according as Each mans Proportion is at present Laid out to Him, or shal hereafter be granted & distributed to Him Them or their heires & assignes: by the Town of West-

field aforesd: And by these presents Doe for my selfe my heires executors Administrators & Assignes Relinquish al Right & Title to said Lands, except as befoe Excepted, Ratifying & confirming the aforementioned Lands unto the Town of Westfield, That is to Say, to the present Inhabitants or Proprietors thereof, according to Each mans Proportion therein, either aheadie divided, or as may hereafter be further distributed to them for the use & benefite of sd Inhabitants or proprietors, themselves their Heires & Assignes for ever. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seale this 11th Day of Feb. 1684.

Signed Sealed & delided
in ye presence of
Samuel Marshfield
Jonathan Burt Sen
John Holyoke

John Pynchon
wth his Seale affixt

Apl. 3. 1685. John Pynchon Esq Owned & acknowledged this Instrument to be his act & deed this day of the date aforesd.

before me Peter Tilton Assist.

April 22d, 1685. Entered this Deed to the Inhabitants of Westfield.

by me Jno. Holyoke
Recorder

Note to the Preceding Deed

While this is not a deed direct from the Indians, yet it is included that the records may be as near complete as possible. The date of Pynchon's purchase can be approximated by the following facts. On May 19, 1669, the General Court ordered that "Woronoake be called Westfeild," and as the deed says that it was "then called Woronoake," the purchase must have been previous to that date. The first grant of land on the south side of the river was made May 11, 1663, to Mr. Whiting on condition that "he cleare ye land by purchase of the Indians of the Indians right." It was probably at this time that Pynchon made this purchase for Whiting and others.

Part of Suffield and East Granby, Connecticut

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A-B; Folio 57

SUFFIELD DEED

These presents Testify that J. Pynchon of Springfield Several yeers since mad a purchase of Lands at Suffield of the Indians for the Inhabitants of Suffield, & particularly bought the Lands on the Northerly Side of the Town of Suffield next to Springfield, & adjoining to Springfield bounds, of Pampunckshats, & the Lands from thence Southward against the Fals & downward a great way Southward below Stony Brooke, taking in Pipe stave Swamp so called, & al the Lands Westward from the River towards Massaco¹ of Mishnoasqus, alias Margery,² to whom the Right of all those Lands did then belong, by the acknowledgmt & grant of al the cheife Indians; wh Lands, that next to Springfield bounds on the North where the line Runs between Springfield and Suffield was bought of Pampunckshat & runs fro Springfield Line Southward along by the great River down to Lacous, or Lacowsick about the Falls, & from thence al that breadth or Length out Westward from ye great River Several Miles, til it meets wth Westfield bounds; This Pampunckshat Sold: And fro Lacowsk or Lacowsick; & So Southerly toward Windsor a great way below Stony Brooke, The land being called Squotuck Mayyoawag³ Wecups &c: by the great River on the East; from whence it runs Westerly many miles, takeing in the Ledge of Hils or Mountains, & taking in Ashawalas & Wenekocamaug,⁴ & al the Swamps thereabouts, down towards Massaco, & Particularly the Swamp by the English called Pipestave Swamp, together wth al ye wood Lands Swamps Marsh & Uplands, al wch were bought & purchased of Mishnoasqus, alias Margery whom I well & truly paid for the land to their Satisfaction, as by their Several Deeds for Sd Lands appears: For al wch Lands I have received of the Inhabitants of Suffield forty

pounds, & do hereby acknowledge the Same, & to be fully Satisfyed & Contented therewith for purchase of sd Lands: And doe here declare & testifie, that I acted in the premises for the Towne of Suffield & Inhabitants thereof in General: And do for me my heires & Assignes Resigne up al my general Right Title & Interest in sd Lands aforementioned. That is to said Tract of Lands wth in Suffield bounds, according as Granted to them for a township by the Genll Corte of Massachusets: Reserving only what particular Grant or right I have therein, viz that to Land or streams granted & set apart to myself, this only excepted to me my heires & Assignes forever. Al the Rest of the Land there within the aforesd Tracts, Now & Henceforth to belong & be to the Several Inhabitants of Suffield Proprietors thereof according as each mans Portion is at present Laid to him, or hereafter shalbe granted & distributed to him, them or their heires & Assigns by the Town of Suffield aforesd. And by these Presents for myself my heires Executors & Administrators & Assignes Relinquish al Right & Title to the Lands aforesd Except as before Excepted Ratifying & Confirming the aforementioned Land (according to ye grant of the General Corte to them) unto the Town of Suffield, That is to say to the present Inhabitants or Proprietors thereof according to each mans proportion therein for the use & benefite of sd Inhabitants or Proprietors, according to their Several Grants & Priviledges already allowed them, or that shall hereafter be allowed or granted them. To them & to the absolute benefite of themselves & to their or any of their Heires & Assignes forever: In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & Seale, this 30th day of April, 1685

Signed Sealed & delivered
in ye presence of
John Holyoke
John Lamb
Samuel Marshfield

John Pynchon, wth his
Seale affixt

At the Countie Corte at Springfield Sept. 29. 1685 Major Jno. Pynchon Esq. personally appeared in sd Corte and acknowledged his signing & Sealing this Instrument
as attests Jno Holyoke, Clerke

October 19th, 1685. This Deed of Conveyance from Major Jno Pynchon Esq to Suffield Inhabitants is entered in these Records for Hampshire

per Jno Holyoke, Recorder

Notes to the Preceding Deed

This deed is also in Suffield Records, page 260. While this is not a deed direct from the Indians yet is included, that the records may be as complete as possible. It was perhaps given in lieu of a lost deed as was the Westfield deed on page 97. The date of Pynchon's purchase can be approximated by the following facts. The territory was granted by the General Court October 12, 1670, and the bounds of the plantation were laid out March 21, 1671. In Pynchon's account book is the following entry: "Stony River alias Suffield Plantation, Dr; To ye purchase of ye Lands from ye Indians stated by ye Committee at their Meeting ye 19th March 1672-3; £40."

The bounds as laid out were as follows. North, at a little gutter about half a mile below Three Mile brook below Lieutenant Cooper's house, at two trees on the brow of the hill on the north side of the gutter, by the river. The north bound ran from here, due west, four and one-half miles. The east bound was along the Connecticut for six miles, to a point half a mile below King's Island, near the foot of the falls. From here the south line was due west, seven and one-half miles.

¹Massaco.—Elsewhere called Mossocowe, Mussawco and Massaqua. From *massa*, "great," and *sauk*, outlet; the "great outlet," where Hop Brook flows into Farmington river, near Simsbury Centre. Modern name is Simsbury.

²Margery.—Various Windsor deeds show that Margery was the daughter of *Coggerynossets*, sachem of *Poquonock*, and his wife *Qushabuck*. *Coggerynossets*, who died in 1680, was a son of *Sheat*, the *Poquonock* chief known by the first Windsor settlers.

³Mayyoawag.—Trumbull said that the name seems to designate a "place of meeting"; where paths, or streams, or boundaries "come together."

⁴Wenekocamaug.—Modern name is Congamuck pond. In Holland's History of Queensbury, New York, Congamuc is given, on the authority of Sabbatis, an old Algonquin guide, as the name for lower Saranac Lake. For the three lakes he gives *Paskongammuck*, "pleasant or beautiful lake." The adjective may be a corruption of *pahke*, "it is clear," which would be a "pleasant" feature. The name as here given would seem to be *wanakokamak*, from *wanake*, root for "end; limit," and *kama* in the locative case. The meaning would be "at the boundary lake."

Part of Southwick

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber B; Folio 83

This writing made the 16th day of August one Thousand Six hundred eighty and five between Totoe Indian of the one part and John William of Windsor on Connecticut of the other part. Witnesseth that the sd Totoe for the great respect and many kindnesses that he hath received from the s^d Williams and for the love he beareth to the sd John Williams aforesd, He hath given granted confirmed unto the sd John Williams and by these presents doth fully freely and absolutely give grant and confirme unto him the s^d John Williams one parcel of land being one full mile square and lyeth in a place comonly knowne by the name of two mile brook^r on east side of the brook and abutteth on s^d brook marsh and on the comons on the East and to run the breadth half a mile of each side the brook; and from the Northeast corner to run a full mile, towards the West on a due West line and from the Southeast Corner to run due West a full English mile, Which makes the aforesd tract of land a mile Square; I Doe also give grant and confirme unto the s^d John Williams full and lawfull right and power to make use of whatsoever timber he shal stand In need of for any his occasions, for fencing building, Sawing or any other use, and the like for Stones that shall be found within any part of my lands adjoyning to these lands, by this Deed of gift granted to him. Together with all the ponds, brooks, waters, woods, underwoods, stones, mines, minerals therein being within the s^d mile square; To Have and to hold the aforesd premises with all and every their appurtenances unto the s^d John Williams his heires exeqrs, administrators, and assignes from the day of the date hereof forever: To his and their owne proper use, and behoofe freely and quietly without any challenge, demand or claime of me the sd Totoe Indian or any other by from or under me, or by any power derived from me, and without any sum or sums

of money or other Satisfaction therefore to be yeilded or payed unto me the sd Totoe my heires, exeqts., administrators, or assignes, And I the sd Totoe all and singular the abovementioned premises with their appurtenances unto the sd John Williams his heirs, exeqts., administrators and assignes and to their use aforesd ag^t all people Doe warrant and forever defend by these presents and Doe hereby put him in possession of the same and Doe give him good right and lawfull authority to record the aforesd Grant of a mile Square to him, his heires and assignes. In the publick records of any of his Majesties Colony. In New England, and also the grant of the timber, and Stone above written: And for the full confirmation of the premises and every part thereof. I have hereunto set my hand, and seal the day, and year first abovewritten.

To which the sd. Totoe Captaine
his Indian mark, and his seal were
affixed

Signed, Sealed and Delivered In the
presence of us he having had
this deed read to him, and
made fully to understand --
every part of it, as he himself
affirmed

Abigail * Newbery
her mark
the mark * of
Margaret Newbery

Signed In presence of
Tomosesk his Indian
Mark
Jacobs his Indian mark .
Munhan his Indian mark
Totoe his squa her Indian
mark

Totoe Indian personally appeared before me and told me he fully understood the above written deed of gift, and that he had signed, sealed and delivered the same and that it was his free and voluntary act and Deed this 16th of September 1685

Before me Benjamin Newbery Assistant

On the 22^d day of June 1702: This Deed was received into the Registers office, and was then here Registered from the original

By me, John Pynchon, Register.

Note to the Preceding Deed

¹Modern name is Great Brook.

Part of Bernardston, Northfield and Warwick

FROM THE TOWN RECORDS OF NORTHFIELD

THE INDIAN DEED

That whereas Massemet Panoot Pammook Nenepownam his squaw wompely & nesacoscom, that wareas these six Indians on the owne have made sale of a parcel of Land at Northfield and Joseph Parsons Senr on the other partey for a valuable consideration have sold to Joseph Parsons Agent for Northfield a tract of land lying on both sides the Great River which is thus bounded the Northerly end at Coasock¹ the Southerly end on the est side of the great River downe to Quanatock² at Southerly end on the west side of the Great River butting against Masapetots Land and soe Running Six miles in to the Woods on both sides of the River this tract of Land above expred thay have sold as doth Apear both by Deed and a morgage bareing Date in the yeare 1671. and in Consideration that Some of the Indians have said thay have not had full Satisfaction for this tract of Land and therefore know all men by these that Micah Mudg Cornelos Merry and John Lymon for the Rest of the Inhabitants of Northfield have agreed With the indions for a further Confirmation of this tract of Land above expred by givving a New deed unto the afore Mentioned buyors. upon Consideration of twelve pounds allready Received wee the Indians under wrote Doe aquitt. and Discharg the aforesaid Micah Mudg Cornelos Merry and John Limon and there heirs for ever of the above said sum of twelve Pound the Names of those Indians that have Re-seved this pay are as followeth mequenichon mannusquis masemet quankquelup Couah Pompmohock Colecoph it is further agreed by Parteyes above said that the Indians doe further Ratefy Sell and Confiern Alinat and fiermly Pase over unto Micah Mudg Cornelos Merry and John Limon in behalf of the Companey to them and there heirs, administrators and exectors for ever all these Parcells of Land

as is heare after bounded viz the Southerly end buting upon a brook called Squenatock² and soe Running Six miles in to the Woods on each side of the River and soe Running to the New fort on the North side of a river which comes in to the Great River called Couas all which as it is here bounded, with all the Priveleges benifitts advantages commodateys and appurtenances thereon and thereunto belonging and at the time of the sale heareof that the a fore Mentioned Indion ware the Proper owners of the Premises and that this Land is free from all former Barggins Sales Rights tittle in heritants or incomborsans What soo ever; and that the afore said Micah Mudg Cornelos merry and John Limon as they ware actors in behalph of them selves and the Company and that thay there heirs executors administrators asighns shall Have And to Hold Possess and enjoy Peacably and quiatly with out any Molestation from by throu or under us or our heirs executors Adminestreaters or asighns or any other clame by aney parson or Parsons what so ever and further wee ingeage to Acknoleg this to bee our act and Deed beefore Athoritey when called there unto and what further may be needfull to confirm this our act and deed of sale that we would Readely and Chearfulley doe it and for the Confirmation heare of the said mequenichon manusquis masemet quankquelup Couwah Pompmohock Colecoph have heare unto sett our hands and seals the twentey forth day of may in the yeare of our Lord one thousand six hundred and eighty Six

Sighned and Sealed
and Delivered in
the Presants of
William Clarke Sen
Caleb Pumery
Ebenezer Pumery
Ebenezer Miller
Benony Jons

Neuque his * mark & Seale
Bohomitz his mark * and Seale
Masemet his mark * and Seale
Wookenet his mark * & Seale
Chanchquego his mark * & Seale
Whenonkca his mark * and Seale

Wee that are witnesses saw the Same indions mentioned in the Deed sett their marks heare unto allthough their names are not alike Spelld byreson that it was one of the

indions that did wright som of them but thay did all one there Names as thay are in the Deed and sett to there sealls.

as witness

William Jean
and Micah Mudg
Peter Jothro *

by mesemett

& Pompmohock
which ware the too
indions which gave
the agent Posession of
the land as a bove
expresed

Georg Alexander saw masemett and Pompmohock give possession of the Land above mentioned to Joseph Parsons Sen.

Memorandum that there was formerly as thay acknowl-
eg and owne before wittnesses a Peacable Posession was
given to the agent of Squakeheag, which was Joseph Par-
sons Sen.

Notes to the Preceding Deed

¹Coasock.—*Koash-ock*, “pine trees place.” Modern name is Mill Brook.

²Quanatock.—Modern name is Miller’s Brook.

Parts of Granville and Southwick, Massachusetts
and Granby, Connecticut

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber A; Folio 111

This present writing made the tenth day of June Anno Domini One Thousand Six hundred eighty Six Betwene James Cornish Senior of or belonging to Westfeild in the county of Hampshiere & in the Collony of the Massachusets of the one party & Toto an Indian Captaine now living neare Hartford in the collony of Connecticut, of the other party witnesseth that the said Toto Indian captaine being the true & lawfull heyre of certayne tracts of land in severall parts of this countrey as being derived unto him from his Grandfather, Nassajcowan & Taquiamson & Unquiram his father hath by these Presents given granted aliened & confirmed & doth by these Presents give, grant, alien establish & confirme unto the above named James Cornish for good & loving considerations him hereunto mooving a certayne tract & parcell of land (lying & being now in Massachusets Collony) so supposed but never purchased from him or his predecessors contayning six myles square or the contents thereof, or thereabouts (bee it more or lesse) bounded by the land granted by the said Toto unto William Leet Esq. Southerly & by the land granted by him also unto John Williams of Windsor Northerly & runs Westerly towards housatunnick bounded by the mountaynes & Easterly by the land belonging to Westfeild or Springfeild by the highway or Road running from the lower end of the Ponds¹ unto two Myle Brooke² neare Westfeild on a straight lyne all which the premises with all appurtenances previledges conveniencyes & immunities whatsoever thereunto appertayning & belonging as Ponds, Rivers, Brookes, Springs streames marshes, swampes Trees, Bushes, Stones Rockes, mynes Mineralls & whatsoever shall any wayes appeare to be thereunto belonging] I the said Toto doe give grant con-

firm establish & ratify unto the said James Cornish his heyres executores assignes for ever to have hold possesse & enjoy as his & their owne propper right title & interest lawfully quietly & peaceably without any lett hindrance disturbance or molestation & doe hereby declare (at the ensealing & delivery hereof) my just & true right & title thereunto & every part & parcell thereof against all persons whatsover for by or under mee or under any pretence whatsoever shall lay any clayme or challenge any right or title to the premises or any part thereof. And I doe hereby acquit the said James Cornish his heyres & assignes & discharge & otherwise well & truly save harmlesse the said James Cornish his heyres & assignes * * * of & from all & all manner of all former & other gifts grants bargaines sales Leases mortgages joyntures Dowryes extente judgments executions forfeitures fynes or amercents & from all other titles troubles charges demands & incumbrances whatsoever had made committed suffered omitted or done by mee the said Toto my heyres or assignes or by any person or persons what soever clayming right by from or under us or any of us or by any of our meanes act consent privity or procuremt & lastly I doe give unto the said James Cornish his heyres & assignes full right to enrowle & record the premises & every part & parcell thereof to himselfe & his heyres & assignes for ever. In wittesse whereof the said Toto have signed sealed & delivered this writing with my owne hand even the day & yeare first above written.

Signed Sealed & Dlld.
in the presence of
Bartholomew Barnard
John Allyn

* The mark of wth seal affixed
Toto

Totoe personally appeared in Hartford June 28th 1686 & acknowledged the above written to bee his free & voluntary act & Deed before mee John Allyn Assist of his Majies collony of Connecticutt

This is a true Record recorded by mee James Cornish Clerk of Hampshiere this 25th of March 1689.

Notes to the Preceding Deed

¹Congamuck Lakes.

²Modern name is Great Brook.

Part of Brimfield, Monson, Palmer and Warren [?]

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber D; Folio 237

Know all Men By These Presents that we John Magus Lawrence Massowanno, attorneys to Annogomok Sachem of the tract of land Called Wombemesscock; James & Simon, Sons & heirs of black James Sachem of the Nipmug Countrey For divers Good Causes & Considerations us thereunto moveing; and more Especially for & In Consideration of ye Sum of Twenty Pounds Currant money of New England to us In hand Paid by Joshua Lambe, Nath. Paige, andrew Gardiner, Benj^a Gamblin, Benjamin Tucker, John Curtis Richard Draper, & Samuel Ruggles of Roxberry In the County of Suffolk; In New England ye Receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge our Selves therewith to be fully Satisfyed Contented & Paid; have given granted bargained Sold aliened Enfeofed & Confirmed and by these Presents, do fully freely & absolutely give grant bargain Sell alien Enfeosse & Confirm Unto s^d Lambe, Paige Gardiner, Gamblin, Tucker, Curtis, Draper Ruggles their heirs & assignes a Certain tract or parcell of land Containing by Estimation Twelve miles long North & South; & Eight miles wide East & west Scituate lying & being Near Quabaug Commonly known by the Name of Wombemesiscock: being butted & bounded Southerly upon the land of Joseph Dudley Esq^r lately Purchased of the Indians, Easterly the Southernmost Cornor upon a Pond called Sasagooka Paug & Soe by a brook which Runneth Into the s^d Pond & Soe up Northerly unto a place Called Wequaes^r & Soe still Northerly untill It meets with a River Menamesick & westerly by the River untill it come Against Quabaug bounds and Joynes unto their bounds, or however; or however otherwise butted & bounded; Together with all & Singular ye rights Commodities Liberties Privilidges & appurtenances whatsoever: to the Same belonging or however otherwise appertaining To Have & to Hold the s^d tract or

parcel of land Scituate, Containing & being as afore^{sd} Lamb paige Gardiner Gamblin Tucker Curtis Draper & Ruggles their heirs & assignes In Common tenancy; to their only proper use behoofe for Ever: and the ^{sd} John Magus lawrence Nascowanno attorneys as afore^{sd} James & Simon heirs of Black James as afores^d Do Covenant Promise & Grant for themselves heirs Executors & administrators, to & with the s^d Joshua Lamb, Nathaniel Paige, Andrew Gardiner Benjamin Gamblin, Benjamin Tucker, Richard Draper & Samuel Ruggles their heirs & assignes, that they will the above Granted & Bargained land & Every Part & Parcel thereof with their & Every of their appurtenances warrant & defend from all & Every Person & Persons whatsoever Claiming any Right or title thereto or Interest therein by or under us. In Witness whereof the ^{sd} John Magus, Lawrence Nascowanno attorneys of afore^{sd} James & Simon have hereunto Set their hands & Seales This Twenty Seventh day of December Anno Domini One Thousand Six hundred Eighty & Six Annoq^u Jacobi Secundi Angliae vea Secunda.

Signed Sealed & delivered
In Presence of Us
John Gardiner
Samuel Auay

John Magus and Seale
Lawrence (his * mark) Naso-
wanno & Seal
James his * mark & Seale
Simon his * mark & Seale
Anogemag his * mark & Seale

John Magus, James & Simon Indians, Subscribers to this Instrument Personally appearing acknowledged the Same to be their act & deed, June 25 1687 before me

William Stoughton

on the: 7th day of May: 1723: This deed was Received; & was then here Registered from the original

John Pynchon Regt.

Notes to the Preceding Deed

It is impossible to accurately locate this tract. Menamesick, the northern boundary, is Ware River, and if the tract was twelve miles from north to south it must have been west of Brookfield. This evidence is strengthened by the fact that the purchasers of the land began a settlement near Palmer. The purchase was made without the sanction of the General Court, and although in 1626-7, a petition was presented to the Court, confirmation was refused. After various petitions, in 1732, a grant of a tract six miles square was allowed which corresponds with the territory occupied by the town of Hardwick. This accounts for the fact that this deed is recorded in the Proprietors Book of that town. In the copy in the Proprietors Book, Wombemesiscock is given as Wombemesiscook; Wequaes as Ueques and Menamesick as Nenameseck.

In 1750, the territory occupied by the town of Hardwick was challenged by Hendrick Kequoquau, Adam Mahtaunkaumut and Mhtockaumunt, three Stockbridge Indians who claimed the land through Brookfield Indians. It was shown that they had no interest in the Hardwick land, but had in mind a tract about Coy's Hill in the north part of Warren.

¹Wequaes or Ueques.—“The end.”

Part of Bernardston, Northfield and Warwick,
Massachusetts, Vernon, Vermont and
Winchester, New Hampshire

FROM THE TOWN RECORDS OF NORTHFIELD

THE INDIAN DEED

To All Christon People to Whome this Presants Shall Come know yee that Nawelet Gongequa Aspiambemett had-dar awanset Meganichcha wee the Indions Mentioned and for Good Consideration Moveing us heare unto and in Partickelor in Consideration of the Sum of fortrey five Pound in Trade Goods all Redey in hand payd or secured to satisfaction the Said Indions Above exprest Doe for them selves there executors and administrators doe Give Grant Bargin and Sell and by the Presants firmly pass over a sarten Parsell of Land Lying in the bounds of Northfield unto William Clarke Sen^r and John King Sen^r both of Northampton being Agents for the propriators of Northfield which is bounded as foloweth. viz—Southerly Againstt a River Called Cowas^r being one the east Side of the Great River and soe Running Directly over the great River the Northerly Side Running to a river one the West Side of the Great River Called wanascatok.² Lying twelve miles wide Six Mills Wide one each side of the Great River All which Parsell of Land Acording as it is heare bounded With All the privileges benefitts advantages Commodateys and a Purtenances there one and there unto bee Longing the Said Nawelet Gongequa aspiambemett Haddar awansett Meganichcha Doe by these presants for them selves there heirs executors Administreators freely and fulley Give Grant bargain alinat sell and pass over unto William Clarke and John King as agents for Northfield Proprietars to bee to them their heirs executors Administerators and assignhs To Have And To Hold Fore ever Quietly and Peasably Possess and Without aney Lett Trouble Hinderans or Molestation by throu

or under us or our Heirs executors Administrators or from or by aney parson or Parsons throu Means heare by Relinquishing and yelding up all Right Tittle Clame and Interist to the Said Land or aney Part thereof heare by Giveing to the Said William Clarke and john King Quieat and Peasable Posession of the Premises and further the Said Nawelet Gongequa Aspiambemett haddarawanset Meganichcha Doth Covenant Promis and Ingaege that the Lands are free and Cleare from all former bargins Sales leases tittles or inheritants Judgments Condemn * * * * executions or Any other Incumberans What so ever and at the time of the salle heare of wee ware proper and Lawfull owners of the premises the * * * the said William Clarke and John King may * * * * to themselves or make over by Will or Deed * * * * other and to further Wee ingage to acknoleg this bee our act and Deed beefore athoratey when called there unto And further May bee Needfull to Confirm this our act and Deed of Salle that wee will readely and Chearefully Doe it and for the Confiermation heare of the said Nawelet Gongequa Aspiambemett haddarawanset Meganichcha have heare unto Sett there hands and Sealls this thirteenth Day of August in the Yeare of our Lord one thousand Six Hundered and eighty Seven.

Sighned Sealed and
Delivered in the
Presants of
Jonathan Hunt
Preserved Clap
Wm Clarke Jun
Peter Jethro
Joseph Atherton
Isaac Chauncey

Nawelet his * mark and Seale
Gongequa his * mark and Seale
Aspiambemett his * mark and
Seale
Haddarawansett his * mark
and Seale
Meganichcha his * mark and
Seale

Notes to the Preceding Deed

¹Cowas.—This is the same as Coasock. See note on page 107.

²Wanascatok.—“The ending stream.” This is Broad Brook which enters the Connecticut river near the north line of Vernon, Vermont.

Sheffield, Great Barrington and part of Stockbridge and Lee

FROM THE BOOK OF RECORDS OF THE LOWER
HOUSATONIC PROPRIETARY

Know all Men by these presents that we, Conkepot Poneyote Partarwake Naurneauquin Waenenocow Nawnausquan Cauconaughfeet Nonamcaunet Naunhamiss Sunkhunk Popaqua Taunkhonkpus Tartakim Sauncokehe Cancannap Sunkiewe Nauheag Mauchewauffeet John VanGilder Pinaskenet all of Housatonack alias Westonook, in New England, in ye province of ye Massachusetts Bay: for & in consideration of a valuable sum well secured by bond viz Four Hundred and Sixty Pounds Three Barrels of Sider & thirty quarts of Rum: bearing date with these Presents, under ye hand & seal of Capt John Ashley of Westfield in ye County of Hampshire; we have given, granted, bargained, sold, aliened, conveyed & confirmed, and doe by these presents, fully, clearly and absolutely give, grant, bargain, sell, allinate, convey & confirm unto Col John Stoddard, Capt John Ashley, Capt Henry Dwight & Capt Luke Hitchcock, Esqrs, all in the County of Hampshire, Committee appointed by ye General Court to purchase a certain Tract of land lying upon Housatonack River, alias Westonook, in order for the settling two towns there, and unto such as ye Committee have or shall admit in order for ye settling of said Towns, to them, their Heirs & assigns a certain Tract or parcel of land, Meadow, swamp & upland lying on ye River aforesaid butted & bounded as followeth, viz: Southardly upon ye divisional line between the Province of Massachusetts Bay: and the colony of Connecticut in New England Westardly on ye patten or colony of New York, northardly upon ye Great mountain known by ye name of Manskuseehoank

and Eastardly to run Four miles from ye aforesaid River and in a general way so to extend Furthermore it is to be understood that ye abovesaid Indians reserve to themselves within the aforesaid Tract of land, described by bounds and butments, Southardly on a Brook on ye west side Housatouack River, known by the name of Mannanpenokcan and Northardly to a small brook lying between ye aforesaid Brook and ye River called Wampanikseeport alias White River: viz All ye land between ye aforesaid Brooks from said Westonook River extending unto ye patten of the Colleny of New York Together with a clear Meadow, between the aforesaid small Brook extending Northardly unto ye aforesaid White River; viz, the aforesaid Indians reserve to themselves all ye land between ye Brooks running due West line from ye mouth of sd Brooks unto ye patten of ye Colleny of New York aforesaid And we ye aforesaid Indians doe for ourselves, our heirs Executors & Administrators, Covenant promise and grant to & with the aforesaid Committee & such as they have or shall admit of for Planters of sd Townships That before the ensealing hereof, we ye sd Indians are ye true, sole & lawful owners of ye aforegranted premises and are lawfully seized and possessed of the same in our own proper right, as a good perfect & absolute estate of inheritance in fee simple, and have in ourselves good right, full power & lawful authority to grant, bargain, sell, convey & confirm sd bargained premises in manner aforesaid And ye sd Committee & such as they shall or may admit for Inhabitants of sd Townships to them their heirs and assigns shall & may from time to time and at all times hereafter by virtue of these Presents, lawfully & peacibly occupie, Possess and enjoy the said bargained Premises with all ye appurtenances, free & clear, and clearly & freely acquitted & discharged of, from all & all manner, former & other Gifts, Grants, Bargains, Sales, Jointures, Mortgages, Wills, Devises & Incumbrances whatsoever And furthermore We the sd Indians, for ourselves and for sd Heirs, Executors & Administrators doe covenant & engage to secure & defend ye sd bargained Premises unto them the aforesaid Committee, and to such persons as the sd Committee have or shall admit

in order to ye settling sd Towns, to them or their Heirs & Assigns forever against ye the lawful claims & demands of any Person or Persons whatsoever In witness whereof, we the aforesaid Indians have hereunto set our hands and seals this 25th day of April, in ye tenth year of his Majesty's rign and in ye year of or one thousand seven hundred & twenty four:

Signed, sealed & deld
in presence of us
Conreat Borghghart
Benjamin Smith
John Gun Jun
Samuel Bartlett

Conkepot,	his mark * seal
Poneyote,	his mark * seal
Pota wakeont,	his mark * seal
Naunausquan,	his mark * seal
Wanenocow,	his mark * seal
Naunauquin,	his mark * seal
Conconaughpeet,	his mark * seal
Nonaucauneet,	his mark * seal
Paunopescennot,	his mark * seal
Covconofeet,	his mark * seal
Naunhamiss,	his mark * seal
Sunkhonk,	his mark * seal
Popaqua,	his mark * seal
Taunkhonkpus,	his mark * seal
Tatakim,	his mark * seal
Saunkokehe,	his mark * seal
Cancanwap,	his mark * seal
Saunkewenaugheag,	his mark * seal
Manchewanfeet,	his mark * seal
John Vangilder,	his mark * seal
Ponaskenet,	his mark * seal

The aforesaid is a Copy of ye Deed given by the Indians
for ye Housatonack Land Examined by me

Ebener Pomroy by order

Acknowledged before
John Ashly, J. P.

Notes to the Preceding Deed

It is unfortunate that it is impossible to accurately locate the bounds of this deed as it is the key to the bounds of many of the Berkshire county deeds. At this date the bounds of Connecticut as well as New York were unsettled. New York claimed all the land to the Connecticut River, while Massachusetts claimed to within twelve miles of the Hudson. The granted land was to be seven miles wide, and as the deed describes it as being four miles on the east side of the Housatonic River it must have run three miles west of the river which would make the New York line five miles further east than it now is.

The reserved land was bounded on the north by Green River (Wampanikseeport) which at that time entered the Housatonic quite a little south of the present mouth, and the north line of the town of Sheffield is approximately the north line of the reserved land, while the south line was about five-eighths of a mile below.

The Connecticut line was supposed to be about where it now is, but if the territory bought was only the fourteen miles granted by the General Court the south boundary was quite a little north of the present Connecticut line as the north boundary was Rattlesnake Mountain (Manskuseehoank) in Stockbridge.

Charlemont and parts of Ashfield, Buckland,
Colrain, Florida, Hawley, Heath,
Monroe, Rowe and Savoy

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber H; Folio 406

To All People to whom these Presents Shall come Greeting Know ye That we Mauhammetpeet wife of Fiahpuhcaumin and Mequnnisqua Indian Women of the Scauhtecook Tribe for and Consideration of the Sum of Fifty Pounds in Bills of Credit of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay to us in hand before the Ensealing hereof well and truly paid by John Stoddard Esq. and Capt Israel Williams a Committee Appointed and Authorized by the Great and General Court or Assembly of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England to Bargain for and Purchase the Land hereafter mentioned and Described The Receipt whereof We do hereby Acknowledge and our Selves therewith fully Satisfied and Contented Have Bargained Sold Conveyed and Confirmed and Do by these Presents Sell Convey and Confirm to Jeremiah Allen Esqr. of Boston in the County of Suffolk in the Province aforesaid Treasurer of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay aforesaid and to his Successor or Successors in Trust for the use and Benefit of sd. Province a certain Tract or Parcel of Land lying and being within sd. Province West of Deerfield and is upon the Main Branch of Deerfield River or as it is commonly Called Deerfield River And is Bounded as follows (viz) East at the mouth of North River So Called where it Empties it Self into Deerfield River Extending up said River, or west to the Great Mountain and is Bounded west at the foot of the mountain that Seperates and Divides the waters that flow from thence East into Connecticutt River and West into Hudsons River And it is about Ten Miles from the mouth of North River to the foot of Said Mountain Extending north five miles

from Said River South also five miles from Said River which Tract of Land Descended to us from our Grandmother Ohweemin an Indian of the Scauhtecook Tribe To have and To hold to him the said Jeremiah Allen Esq^r. and to his Successor or Successors in the Capacity aforesaid in Trust for the Use and Benefit of Said Province for ever the aforesaid Tract of Land with all the Priviledges & Appurtenances whatsoever to the Same belonging or in any wise appertaining Hereby avouching We are the true Owners of the Same and have in Our Selves good Right to Sell Alienate and Convey the same hereby relinquishing and forever quitting Claim to all the right Title and Interest that we have or may have to the Premises And we the said Fiahpuhcaumin and Weesauwiah & Pauch-Tauwaypeet Children of the said Fiahpuhcaumin And Mauhammetpeet aforesd. Do hereby Consent to the Aforesd. Disposition of Said Land Relinquishing all the Right Title Challenge and Interest that We have or may have to the premises by any Descents whatsoever. In Witness of all which we have hereunto Set our hands or marks and affixed our Seals this Sixth day of August in the Ninth Year of the Reign of George the Second King &c Annoque Donnique 1735

Signed Sealed and Delivered to
 John Stoddard Esq. and Capt Israel
 Williams for the use and Benefit
 of the Province aforesaid

In Presence of us
 Ebenezor Hinsdell
 Elijah Williams
 Tho^r. Wells 2nd
 Jno Hastings

her
 Mauhammetpeet * and Seal
 mark
 her
 Mequnnisqua * and Seal
 mark
 his
 Fiahpuhcaumin * and Seal
 mark
 his
 Weesauwiah * and Seal
 mark
 his
 Pauch Tauwaypeet * and Seal
 mark

Hampshire SS. Fort Dummer Aug 6th 1735

Then the Subscribers to the above written Instrument personally appeared before me and Acknowledged the above-said Instrument to be their Act and Deed

Coram Joseph Kellogg Justice of Peace

Rec^d Sep^r 3^d 1735 And Recorded from the original

Confirmation of the Preceding Deed

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber H; Folio 408

To All People to whom this Present Writing Shall come Greeting We the Subscribers Indians of the Scauhtecook Tribe whose Ancestors habitations were by or near unto Connecticutt River in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay Do hereby Acknowledge Testifie and Declare that Mauhammetpeet wife of Fiahpuhcaumin and Mequnnisqua Indians of the Scauhtecook Tribe are the true Sole and rightful Owners of the Land hereafter described Bounded as follows the Said Land lying upon Deerfield River so called East at the mouth of North River So called where it Empties it Self into Deerfield River Extending up Said River or West about Ten Miles and is Bounded West at the Bottom of the Great Mountain that Seperates the Waters that flow from thence East into Connecticutt River and West into Hudsons River Extending North five Miles from Deerfield River South also five Miles into the Wilderness Which Said Land Descended to the Said Mauhammetpeet and Mequnnisqua from their Grandmother Ohweemin of the Scauhtecook Tribe And We Do further Declare to our Certain Knowledge that no Indian or Indians of what Name or Nation Soever has any Just right Challenge or Interest to or in the above-said Tract of Land In Witness of all which We Set to our Marks and affix our Seals this Sixth Day of August Annoque Domini 1735

Signed Sealed &
Declared In
Presence of Us
Ebenezer Hinsdell
Elijah Williams
Tho Wells 2^d
John Hastings

Massoqunt his * mark and Seal
Nannautookoah his * mark and Seal
Cauchonshawet his * mark and Seal
Masscommah his * mark and Seal
Aumesaucooaneh his * mark and Seal
Francois his * mark and Seal
Caukayoungweh his * mark and Seal

Tecaumis his * mark and Seal
 Penawons his * mark and Seal
 Toomis his * mark and Seal
 Wauquauheeg his * mark and Seal
 Wollenus his * mark & Seal
 Woocaus his * mark & Seal
 Maumauquix his mark & Seal
 Keewauhoose his * mark & Seal
 Lohsaccisem his * mark & Seal
 Ompoochechaw his * mark & Seal

Rec'd. Sep^t 3^d 1735 and Recorded from the Original

Hampsh. SS. Northampton Janu'ry 27 173 $\frac{5}{8}$

Then Joseph Kellogg Esq. Personally appearing made Solemn Oath that he faithfully Interpreted the foregoing Deed & Declaration (viz) the Substance of them to these Indians who have Respectively Subscribed to the Same when they were Executed and the Sum of fifty Pounds Paid to the Said Indians for said Land by John Stoddard Esq. and Capt Israel Williams

Recd. and Ent^d Feb 10th 173 $\frac{5}{8}$
 Coram Ebenz. Pumroy Just. Pac.

Southern Vermont and New Hampshire

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber H; Folio 403

To all People to whom these Presents Shall come greeting Know ye that I Nechehoosqua wife of Massequnt Indians of the Scauhtecook Tribe for and in Consideration of the Sum of One Hundred Pounds in Bills of Credit of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay to me in hand before the ensealing hereof well and truly paid by John Stoddard Esq and Capt Israel Williams a Comittee appointed and Authorized by the Great and General Court or Assembly of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England to Bargain for and Purchase the land hereafter mentioned and Described. The Receipt Whereof I do hereby Acknowledge and my Self therewith fully Satisfied and Contented Have Bargained Sold Conveyed & Confirmed And do by these Presents sell Convey and Confirme to Jeremiah Allen Esq. of Boston in the County of Suffolk in the Province aforesaid Treasurer of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay aforesaid and to his Successor or Successors in Trust for the use and Benefit of Said Province for ever a certain Tract or Parcell of land Lying and being within Said Province upon or by Connecticutt River to the north of Fort Dummer bounded as follows (viz) south at the mouth of a Brook Emptying it Self into Connecticutt River on the East Side of Said River About three quarters of a mile below the great Meadow so called near against which on the West Side of the Said River is a large ledge of Rocks Called the White Rocks extending up said River and bounded North at the Mouth of a Brook on the West Side of sd. River Emptying it Self into Said River between two and three Miles above the Great Meadow aforesaid, against the Second Island in Said River North of Said Great Meadow Extending East Twenty Miles from Said River and West also Twenty miles from Said River into the Wilderness. Which parcel of land aforescribed Descended to me the said Nechehoos-

qua from my Mother Conkesemah Wife of Aume Sancooaneh Indians of the Scautecook Tribe To have and to hold to him the said Jeremiah Allen and to his Successor or Successors in the Capacity Aforesaid in Trust for the use and benefit of Said Provinces forever The aforesaid Granted Lands and Premises with all the Priviledges and Appurtenances whatsoever to the Same belonging or in any wise appertaining Hereby avouching I am the true Owner of the Same and have in my self good right to sell alienate and Convey the same hereby Relinquishing and forever quitting Claim to all the Right Title and Interest that I had have or may have to the Premises And we the said Massequnt and Aumesaucooanch and Tecaumis Children of the Said Massequnt and Nechehoosqua aforesaid do hereby Consent to the Sale of the Aforesaid Lands relinquishing and quitting Claim to All the right Title Interest and Challenge that We have or may have to the Premises by any descents Whatsoever In Witness of all which We have hereunto set our Marks and Affixed Our Seals this Sixth day of August in the Ninth year of the Reign of George the Second King etc. Annoquo Domini 1735

Signed Sealed and
delivered to John
Stoddard Esq. and Capt.
Israel Williams for
the use and benefit
of the Province afore-
mentioned In Presence
of us
Ebenezor Hinsdell
Thos. Wells
Elijah Williams
John Hastings

her
Nechehoosqua * and Seal
mark
his
Massoqunt * and Seal
mark
his
Aumesaucooanch * and Seal
mark
his
Teacumis * and Seal
mark

Hampshire ss. Fort Dummer August 6th 1735

Then the Subscribers to the above written Instrument Personally Appeared before me and Acknowledged the above sd Instrument to be their Act and Deed

Joseph Kellogg Justice of the Peace

Rec'd. Sept 3^d 1735 and Recorded from the Original.

Confirmation of the Preceding Deed

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber H; Folio 404

To all People to whom this Present Writing Shall come Greeting We the Subscribers Indians of the Scauhtecook Tribe whose Ancestors habitation was by or near unto Connecticutt River in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay Do hereby Acknowledge Testifie and Declare that Nechehoosqua Wife of Massequnt Indians of the Scauhtecook Tribe is the true Sole and rightfull Owner of the land hereafter Described bounded As follows South on the Mouth of a brook that empties it Self into Connecticutt River on the East Side of Said River About three quarters of a mile below the Great Meadow So called over against which Brook on the West Side of Said River is a large Ledge of Rocks called the White Rocks Extending up Said River and bounded north at the mouth of a Brook on the West Side Said River Emptying it Self into Said River ag^t the Second Island in the Said River above the Great Meadow About two or three miles north from Said meadow extending East Twenty Miles from Said River West also Twenty Miles from Said River into the Wilderness which Said Land Descended to the said Nechehoosqua from her Mother Conkesemah Wife of Aumesaucooaneh Indians of the Said Scauhtecook Tribe And We do further Declare to our Certain knowledge that no Indian or Indians of what name or Nation So ever has any just right Challenge or Interest to or in the aboov Described Land and Premises. In Witness of all which We set to our Marks and Affix our Seals this Sixth day of August Annoque Domini 1735

Signed, Sealed and Declar'd

in presence of

Ebenezer Hinsdell

Elijah Williams

Thos. West 2nd

John Hastings

Hampsh ss Northampton
 Janu'ry 27, 1735-6
 Then Joseph Kellogg Esq.
 Personally appearing
 made Solemn oath that
 he faithfully interpreted the
 Substance of ye fore-
 going Deed and declaration
 at the time * * * * *
 were Executed to those
 Indians who have
 Respectively Subscribed
 to the Same And the
 sum of one Hundred
 Pounds was Paid to the
 Indians for sd land by
 John Stoddard and
 Capt. Israel Williams

Naunautoohoauh ^{his} * and Seal

Fiahpuhcaumin ^{mark} ^{his} * and Seal

Cauchonshauet ^{mark} ^{his} * and Seal

Francois ^{his} * and Seal
^{mark}

Ompontinnuah ^{his} * and Seal
^{mark}

Caukayoungwoh ^{his} * and Seal
^{mark}

Mascommah ^{his} * and Seal
^{mark}

Pactaubeit ^{his} * and Seal
^{mark}

Penawwons ^{his} * and Seal
^{mark}

Wesauhuanah ^{his} * and Seal
^{mark}

Wauquaheeg ^{his} * and Seal
^{mark}

Lohsacaum ^{his} * and Seal
^{mark}

Toomis ^{his} * and Seal
^{mark}

Keewauhoose ^{his} * and Seal
^{mark}

Maumauquix ^{his} * and Seal
^{mark}

Wollenus ^{his} * and Seal
^{mark}

Woocaus ^{his} * and Seal
^{mark}

This affidavit Recd. and Ent. Feb. 10th 1735-6

Coram Ebenz^r Pumroy Just. Pace.

Rec^d Sep^r 3^d 1735 and Recorded from the Original.

Parts of Athol, Barre, Dana, Gardner, Hubbardston,
Petersham, Phillipston, Princeton, Rutland,
Templeton and Westminster

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber H; Folio 405

To all People to whom these Presents Shall come Greeting Know ye That we Francois Son of Nepuscauteusqua Decd. and Ompontinnuwas Penewanse Cockiyouwah and Wallenas Sons to Woolauootaumesqua dec^d Sister to the Said Nepuscauteusqua Indians of the Scauhtecook Tribe for and in consideration of the Sum of Fifty Pounds in Bills of Credit of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay to us in hand before the Ensealing hereof well and truly paid by John Stoddard Esq and Cap^t Israel Williams a committee appointed and authorized by the Great and General Court or Assembly of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay (in New England) to Bargain for and Purchase the Land hereafter mentioned and Described The Receipt whereof We do hereby Acknowledge and our Selves therewith fully Satisfied and Contented Have Bargained Sold Conveyed and Confirmed and Do by these Presents Sell Convey and Confirm unto Jeremiah Allen Esqr. of Boston in the county of Suffolk in the province aforesaid Treasurer of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay aforesaid and to his Successor or Successors in Trust for the use and Benefit of s^d Province a Certain Tract or Parcel of Land lying and being within Said Province lying upon or by the Road that Leads from Sunderland to Lancaster and bounds West upon a Broad Brook where are two Trees marked and peeled that runs between the middle and East Branch of Swift River Extending about Twelve Miles East and is bounded on a River that runs at the bottom of Wauchusets, on the West Side of Said Wauchusets Extending South five miles from the Aforesaid marked Trees and every part of the Said Line that extents East to the aforesaid East Bounds North Ex-

tending Seven miles from Every part of the aforesaid line To have and to hold to him the said Jeremiah Allen Esq. and to his Successor or Successors in the Capacity afores^d in Trust for the Use and Benefit of Said province forever the aforesaid Tract of Land with all the priviledges and appurtenances whatsoever to the Same belonging or in any wise appertaining Hereby avouching We are the true owners of the Same and have in ourselves good right to Sell alienate and convey the same hereby relinquishing and forever quitting Claim to all the right Title and Interest that we have or may have to the Premises and we the said Francois Ompontinnuwa Penewanse Cockiyouwah and Wallenas do in Witness hereof hereunto Set Our hands or marks and affix our Seals this Twenty Ninth day of August in the Ninth year of the Reign of George the Second King etc and Annoque Domini 1735

his
Francois * & Seal
mark

his
Ompontinnuwa * & Seal
mark

his
Penewanse * & Seal
mark

his
Cockiyouwah * & Seal
mark

his
Wallenas * & Seal
mark

Signed Sealed and Delivered to John Stoddard and Capt Israel Williams for the use & Benefit of the Province Aforesd. In Presence of Us
W^m Brattle
Thomas Berry
Joseph Kellogg
Tho^r. Wells 2^d

Hampshire S.S. Deerfield August 29th 1735

Then the Subscribers to the Above Written Instrument
Personally Appearing Acknowledged the Same to be their
act & Deed

Coram

Joseph Kellogg Jus. Pac^r.

Rec^d Sep^r 3^d 1735 and Recorded from the original

Confirmation of the Preceding Deed

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber H; Folio 406

To All People to whom this Present Writing Shall come Greeting We the Subscribers Indians of the Scauhtecook Tribe whose Ancestors habitations were by or near unto Connecticutt River in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay Do hereby Acknowledge Testifie and Declare that Francois Son of Nepuscauteusqua Decd. and Ompon-tinnuwa Penewanse Cockiyowah and Wallenas Sons to Woolauootaumesqua Decd. Sister to Nepuscanteusqua Indians of the Scauhtecook Tribe Are the true Sole and rightfull owners of the Land hereafter described bounded as follows Lying upon and by the Road that Leads from Sunderland to Lancaster West upon a Broad Brook that lies between the Second and third branch of Swift River where are two Trees peel'd and marked Extending East about Twelve Miles and Bounds upon a River that runs at the Bottom of Wauchuset on the West Side of it Extending South five miles from the afores'd mark'd Trees and every part of the Line that Extends East to the aforesaid East Bounds Extending North Seven Miles from Every part of the aforesaid Line Extending East and West which Said Land Descended to Francois Ompon-tinnuwa Penewanse Cockiyowah and Wallenas from their Mothers Nepuscanteusqua and Woolauootaumesqua Indians of the Scauhtecook Tribe And We do further declare to Our certain knowledge that no Indian or Indians of what name or Nation Soever has any just right Challenge or interest to or in the abovesaid Tract of Land In witness of All which We set to our Marks and affix our Seals this Twenty Ninth day of August Annoque Domini 1735

Signed Sealed & Declared In Presence of Us W ^m Brattle Joseph Kellogg	his Pauchatabeet * and Seal mark
	his Massequnt * and Seal mark
	his Nannaukoohoah * and Seal mark
	his Mascommah * and Seal mark
	his Fiahpuchcaimin * and Seal mark
	his Naumauchesook * and Seal mark

Rec^d Sept 3^d 1735 and Recorded from the Original
Hampsh. SS Northampton Janury. 27 173⁵/₈ Then Joseph
Kellogg Esq Personally appearing made Solemne oath that
he faithfully interpreted the Substance of the within Deed
and declaration at the time when they were secured to those
Indians who have Respectively Subscribed to the Same and
the Sum of fifty Pounds was Paid to the Indians for sd. land
by John Stoddard Esq and Capt Israel Williams

Rec^d and Enter^d Feb'ry. 10th 173⁵/₈
Coram Ebenezer Pumroy Just. Pae

Part of Sheffield

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber X; Folio 629

Know all men by These presents that Whereas the Gen^l Court of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay, Did on the 25th and 26th of March 1736 (by a Vote) Authorize and Impower John Stoddard Ebenz^r Pomroy & Thomas Ingeseole Esqrs. to Dispose of the lands that are Reserved to the Housatunnock Indians in the Town of Sheffield and mentioned in the Committees Report In order to make Satisfaction so far as the Same will go to the owners and Proprietors of the land Granted by—s^d Assembly to the s^d Housatunnock Indians above the Monument Hill or Mountain Now Know ye that the said John Stoddard Ebenz^r Pomroy and Thomas Ingersole for and in Consideration of a Right of four Hundred acres of Land above s^d Monument Mountain this Day quitted and Released to the Government of the Massachusetts Bay for the use and benefit of the s^d Housatunnock Indians by Aaron Gardenier of Kinderhook in the County of Albany in the Collony of New York Have Disposed of one fourth part of s^d Reserved lands viz, one fourth part of the meadow or Intervale land reserved to s^d Indians and lying by the River Housatunnock which fourth part is Sixteen acres of meadow and begins at the Mouth of a Small Brook that emtieth it Self into Housatunnock River Eastwardly, and is bounded on the South by a west line Drawn from the Mouth of s^d Brook which line is the Northern boundary of Cap^t. Van-all^s meadow land and from thence it Extends Northerly between s^d Housatunnock River and a Swamp till it makes the quantity of Sixteen acres And also the Swamp lying between s^d Sixteen acres of meadow and the Road that leads from John Vangilders to Capt. Van-alls meadow Together with one fourth part of the upland lying between the afores^d Road on the East and a west line Drawn from the Mouth of the afores^d Brook on the South and a west line drawn from a beach tree which

Stands by a Small van of water at a little Distance South from Green River and at the right hand of the path at the North East Corner of the hill whereon the Indians lately Dwelt Extending westward as far as the Town of Sheffield Extends. and we the s^d John Stoddard Eben^{er} Pomroy & Thomas Ingersole a Committee appointed and Authorized as afores^d Do in s^d Capacity hereby dispose Give Grant etc the afore Discribed meadow land being one fourth part of the meadow reserved to the Indians together with the afore Discribed Swamp and one fourth part of the afore discribed upland To Have and To Hold to him s^d Aaren Gardenier his Heirs and assigns forever In Confirmation whereof they have Set to their hands and Seals this 22^d Day of Octob^r In the Tenth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second of Great Brittain etc King Annoq^e Domini 1736.

Mem^d there is to be land reserved in the discribed Premises for a Highway athwart s^d land

John Stoddard & Seal
Eben^{er} Pomroy & Seal
Thomas Ingersole & Seal

Signed Sealed & Delivered In Presence of John Sergeant Timothy Dwight

Hampshire S.S. Oct 22^d 1736 The Honb^{le} John Stoddard & Eben^e Pomroy Esq^{rs} & Thomas Ingersole Esq^r Subscribers to the foregoing Instrument personally appearing acknowledged the Same to be their act & Deed

Cor^m Tim^d Dwight Just Pac^e

Rec^d May 20th 1755 & Recorded from the Original
By me Edw^d Pynchon Regrd

Pittsfield

1737

To all people to whom these shall come. Greeting: Know Ye, That we, Jacobus Cohquahegameek, Matakeamin, and Wampenum, formerly of Menanoke¹ or the island in the Hudson below Albany, now planters in the Indian Town on Housatonic River, have demised, granted and to farm-letten (sic) and by these presents do farm-let unto John Stoddard of Northampton, in the County of Hampshire and Province of Massachusetts Bay, in New England, Esq., all that tract and parcel of land, of six miles square, lying and being in the county of Hampshire and Province of Massachusetts Bay aforesaid, on the main or principal branch of Houseatunnick River, so called, about sixteen miles northward of the place where Cuncupot now dwells, and at the place where Unkamet's Road,² so called, that leads to Albany to Northampton, crosseth said branch, beginning at said crossing, extending thence two miles eastward and four miles westward, three miles northward and three miles southward, extending every way from said point until it embraces six miles square of land, to have and to hold for the term of nine hundred and ninety-nine years. (The yearly rent was fixed at 'six pounds, in public bills of the Province, or its equivalent in silver, according to the present worth or estimation,' payment to be made upon the 20th of October annually; and the lessors to have the right to re-enter and take possession, if payment was delayed, twenty-one days from that date. The lease was executed

in the eleventh year of our sovereign Lord, King George the II., and Anno Domini 1737.)

his
Jacobus * Coocheecomeek
mark

his
Mahtookamin *
mark

his
Wampenum *
mark

Signed, sealed, and delivered in presence of
Timothy Woodbridge,
Jonathan White,
Abigail Woodbridge.

Notes to the Preceding Lease

The editor has found it impossible to obtain the original record of this lease, and has been forced to use this abbreviated copy published in a local history.

¹Menanoke.—“Island place.”

²Unkamet’s Road.—It crossed the eastern branch of the Housatonic where the highway, Unkamet street, now bridges it.

Tyringham, Monterey, New Marlboro, Sandisfield
and part of Otis

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber L; Folio 351

To All Christian People To whom these Presents shall come Greeting Know Ye that we John Pophnehonawah alias Kunkapot Poniole Pelawuhkout alias Skaunaup We-naumpe Wequaguu Umpeethow, Naunowsquok of Housatunock in the countey of Hampshire and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Indian Planters for ourselves our Heirs and Assignes and in behalf of Nicholas Mhutkees alias Ukwaunmut Nesaweuk Sauseekhoot Au-nowwaumpummukgseet for and in Consideration of the full Sum of Three Hundred pounds in Money paid to us before the Ensealing hereof by Nahum Ward of Shrewsbury in the Countey of Worcester and Ephraim Williams of Newton in the Countey of Middlesex In the province aforesaid Esqrs. the Receipt whereof we do Acknowledge Our Selves fully Sattisfied Contented and paid thereof and of Every part and Parcell thereof do Acquit Exonerate and Discharge them the s^d Nahum Ward and Ephraim Williams their Heirs Executors Administrators and Assignes forever. Have Given Granted Bargained Sold Alienated and Conveyed and by these Presents Give Grant Bargain Sell Alienate Convey and Confirm A certain Tract Parcell or Parcells of Wilderness Land Scituate or Lying in the Countey of Hampshire and Province aforesaid bounded and Discribed as follows (viz) Southwardly upon the Coloney Line Eastwardly upon a River Commonly Called Farmington River and Northwardly on Wilderness or Province Land in part and Partly

on Upper Housatunock and Westwardly on Sheffield and on Upper Housatunock including four Townships Granted Lately by the Great and General Court of the Province afore^{sd}. To them the Said Nahum Ward and Ephraim Williams To their Associates Heirs and Assignes forever as also all the other Lands Included within the bounds Aforesaid or However otherwise bounded or Reputed to be bounded with all the Naturall Properties therein and thereon &c To Have and To Hold the ^{sd} Granted and Bargained Premises with all the Appurtenances and Priviledges thereto belonging or any way Appertaining to be to them the ^{sd} Nahum Ward and Ephraim Williams Heirs Associates aforesaid and to their Heirs and Assignes to their Proper Use Benefitt and Behoofe forever: And we the said John Popnehounauwok Alias Kunkapot Poniote Patawuhkont alias Skannaup Wenaumpe Wequagun Umpeetkhow Nanuowsquok in behalf of our Selves our Heirs and Assignes and in the Behalf of Nicholas Mhuthees alias Ukwauumut Nesawweuk Sauseekhoot Annowwaumpummukyset and their Heirs and Assignes Do Covenant to and Engage the above Demised Premises To them the Said Nahum Ward and Ephraim Williams their Associates Heirs and Assignes forever Further more we the ^{sd} John Popnehounawwah Alias Kunkapot Poniote Patawukhout alias Skaunaup Wenaumpe Wequagun Umpeetkhow Naunowseploh Nicholas Mhutkees Alias Ukwaernnuit Neshaweuk Sauseekhoot Annowwaumpummukgsett for our Selves and for our Heirs Do Promise and Engage To Warrant secure and Depend the above Demised Premises to Them the said Nahum Ward and Ephraim Williams their Associates Heirs and Assignes against the Claim of us or any of us our heirs or any of our heirs or any other Indian or Indians whomsoever or wheresoever in full Confirmation of which We have hereunto Sett our Hands and Seals this Second Day of June One Thousand

Seven Hundred and Thirty Seven And in the Tenth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second King etc.

John Popnehounowwah alias Kunkapot * his mark & Seal
Poniotte his * mark and Seal

Pelawahkout Alias Skannup his * mark and Seal

Wenaumpe his * mark and Seal

Wequagun his * mark and Seal

Umpeathhow his * mark and Seal

Naunowsquah her * mark and Seal

Nicholas Mhutkees alias Uhwaumut his * mark and Seal

Neshawuk his * mark and Seal

Sauseekhoot his * mark and Seal

Aunowwaumpummukgseet his * mark and Seal

Signed Sealed and Delivered In Presence of us John
Sergant Timothy Woodbridge Abraham his * mark Tau-
taunhohkauaate Abraham his * mark Nauchauekewat

Hampshire SS. June 12^d 1737 John Pohpnekounawot
Ponniote Pelawuhhout Wequaguun Umpeatkhow Naun-
awnsquot Personally Appeared before me the Subscriber
and Acknowledged the Within written Instrument to be
their free Act and Deed

Cor^m John Stoddard Pae Just.

In the House of Representatives December 7th 1737:
Voted that the within Deed be and Hereby is fully allowed
and Approved of To all Interests & Purposes

Sent up for Concurrence

J. Quincy Spke.

In Councel Dec^m 10, 1737 Redd and Concurred J. Wil-
lard Secr'y.

14 Consented To—J. Belcher

Province of the) Boston June 11th 1739: The within
Massachusetts Bay } Instrument & the Acknowledgment
Confirmation above was Recorded in the Book of Patents
Deeds etc: in the Secretarys office for the Province Afore-
said page 157: 158 & 159

By me Simon Frost Dep^t Sec^r

Rec^d June 26th 1739 And Recorded from the Originall

By me W^m Pynchon Reg^t

Part of Egremont

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber N; Folio 574

To all Christian People to whom these Presents Shall come Greeting Know yea that We John Pophnehaunauwack Skannop & Poniote all of Housetunnock in the County of Hampshire and province of the Massachusets Bay in New England Indians Owners When We Sold the Township of Sheffield We made a Reservation of A Tract of land for Our Selves lying within the Said Sheffield on the West Side of the River begining at a beach Tree by Samuel Harmons land And Running South about three Quarters of A Mile to A brook and from thence to the foot of Taukonnocke^r Mountain West and from thence about three Quarters of A Mile North And from thence to the first mentioned bounds One part of Said land lying within Sheffield bounds and One part Extending West beyond the bounds of Said Sheffield to the foot of the above mentioned Tauconnock Mountain One half of which land lying West of Sheffield West bounds within the above mentioned bounds We Do by these presents For the love & Esteem We have of our friend John Van Guilder of Sheffield in the County & province aforesaid Give grant convey and confirm to him the Said John Van Guilder One half of all the land from Sheffield West bounds To the foot of the Abovesaid Tauconnock Mountain (Viz) The South part Running A West line Nine Degrees North through the middle of the above mentioned land to the foot of Tauconnock mountain To Have and to Hold We do for Our Selves and Our heirs Quit claim to Said land for Ever And the Same convey & confirm to the above Said John Van Guilder and his heirs for Ever with all the privileges And Appurtenances thereto belonging without any Molestation hindrance or Disturbance from Us or our heirs or any other person or persons whomsoever under Us And for the full Confirmation of the above granted premises We have hereunto Set our hands & Seals this twenty fourth Day

of October Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred and thirty Seven And in the Twelfth year of His Majesties Reign etc.

John (his * mark) Pophnehannawak & Seal
 Poniote his * mark & Seal
 Skannop his * mark & Seal.

Signed Sealed & Delivered In Presence of
 Hendrick Burghghaert Jun^r
 Tim^{thy} Woodbridge

Hampshire S.S. Oct 24 1737. Then John Pophnehannawak Poniote & Skenop personally Appearing Acknowledged the above Instrument to be their Act & Deed

Cor^m John Stoddard Justice Peace

Hamp Rec^d June 19th 1744 And Recorded from the original

Note to the Preceding Deed

¹Taukonnocke.—Modern name is Taconic. Elsewhere called Tagh-kannuc, Taghkanick and Taughkaughnick. Literally translated, this is “forest.”

Pittsfield, Lanesboro and part of Cheshire

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber 4; Folio 360

To all Christian People to whom this present writing Shall or may come Masinamake alias Solomon one of the Mahekander Indians Sendeth Greeting. Whereas I am Credibly Informed that the Great and General Court assembled at Boston on the Twenty eight day of May in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred & thirty five Granted to the town of Boston three Tracts of land each of Six miles Square to be laid out in Suitable places in the unappropriated lands of the Province of Massachusetts Bay for Townships, and Whereas afterwards on the thirtieth day of June one thousand Seven hundred & thirty Seven Jacob Wendell of Boston Esq^r at publick auction purchased one of those Tracts of land. Now Know ye that I the said Masinamake alias Solomon owner & Native proprietor of the following Tract or parcel of land for and in Consideration of the Sum of one hundred & twenty pounds Currant money of the Province aforesaid to me in hand paid at and before the Ensealing and delivery hereof by the Said Jacob Wendell The Receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and thereof & of and from every part and parcell thereof & therewith to be fully Satisfyed Contented and paid Have therefore for my self my Heirs & Descendants Given Granted bargained & Sold & by these presents do for me my Heirs and Descendants fully freely & absolutely Give Grant bargain & Sell unto the said Jacob Wendell his Heirs and assigns all that Certain Tract or parcel of land Scituate lying and being to the Northward of the upper Town at Housatunnock at the distance of Ten miles above the hopp-lands extending in Breadth on both Sides of Westenhook alias Sheffield River Six English miles and in length along the Said River twelve miles with all and Singular the timber trees meadows Swamps Rivers ponds pools waters water courses mines minerals Standing lying being on the

premises, To Have and To Hold the above Granted lands within the bounds and limits aforesaid with the premises and appurtenances there unto belonging or in anywise appertaining unto the said Jacob Wendell his Heirs and assigns to the Sole and only proper use benefit and behoof of the said Jacob Wendell his Heirs and assigns forever: In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal in Housatunnock this Eleventh Day of September in the twelfth Year of his Majesties Reign annoque Domini one thousand Seven hundred & thirty eight

Masina (his * mark) Make & Seal

Signed Sealed and Delivered In Presence of

A. N. Dyck

Timothy Woodbridge

Kanko (his * mark) pot

Spankewe (his * mark) Nogeek } Indians

Suffolk SS. Boston 2^d December 1752 M^r Timothy Woodbridge appeared & made Solemn oath that he was present & Saw Masinamake the Ensealer of the above Instrument Execute the Same as his act & Deed & that he with aaron Dyck Set their hands thereto at the Same time as Witnesses

Before me T. Hubbard Ju Pac⁻

Rec^d October 27th 1762 & Recorded from the Original
By me Edw^d Pynchon Regrd

Richmond and part of Lenox

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber Q; Folio 88

To All People to whom these Presents Shall Come Greeting, Know ye that I John Neekkuchewohkaumun of Stockbridge in the County of Hampshire in the province of the Massachusetts Bay in new England Indian Claimer, For and in Consideration of the full and Just Sum of Twelve pounds new York Money to me paid in hand before the Ensealing hereof by Jocom Yocon & Mohtockaumun of the Same Town & County Have Given Granted bargained Sold conveyed and Confirmed unto the sd Jocom Yocon and Mohtockaumun and do by these Presents fully freely and absolutely give Grant bargain sell and Convey unto them the s^d Jocom Yocon and Mohtockaumun their heirs and assigns forever, one Certain Tract or Parcel of Land Lying and being Scituate in the County of Hampshire and is butted and bounded as follows (viz) begining at the north East Corner of Stockbridge Township and from thence Runing East to Housatunnock River, and then Runing Northward on s^d River or as the River runs untill it Comes to Poontoossuck^r Township South bounds and so bounding North on s^d Township as far west as s^d Township Reaches and the Same line to be Continued west untill it Come to the Dividing line between the province of the Massachusetts Bay and new York and then Runing South as far as the north west Corner of Stockbridge and so to run East by s^d Corner and bound South on the north line of s^d Stockbridge untill it Come to the first mentioned bounds Excepting Some land that was Purchased by Ephraim Williams Esq^r and Timothy Woodbridge that is Included in s^d bounds, To Have and To Hold the aboves^d Granted and bargained Premises with all the priviledges and appurtenances thereto belonging or any ways appertaining to them the s^d Jocom Yocon and Mohtockaumun their heirs and assigns forever to their own Proper use Benefit and behoofe forever I the s^d John Neek-

kuchewohkaemun for my Self and for my heirs Quitting all Right Title Claim and Interest in all the Land Included in the above mentioned bounds and do by Virtue of these Presents firmly Convey the Same to the aboves^d Jocom Yocon and Mohtockaemun and their heirs and assigns forever I having full Right and authority to Sell and Convey as in manner aboves^d and have for the full Confirmation of the above Granted and bargained Premises Set my hand and Seal this Seventh Day of august anno Domini one Thousand Seven Hundred and forty four: and in the Seventeenth Year of his Majesties Reign George the Second King etc.

John (his * mark) Neekku & Seal
Tushau (his * mark) Neak & Seal

Signed Sealed and Delivered In Presence of
their

Aaron * Sonkewenaukheek

Solomon * Waunaupaugus

marks

Timothy Woodbridge

John Wauwaumpequunnaunt

The said Tushauneak not being Present when the Deed was Drawn and Executed by the principal Person yet he Signed as a Grantor to the Tract of Land Specified in this Deed altho his name is not Inserted in the Body of this Deed.

Hampshire SS. Stockbridge Sep. 28: 1745 John Neek-kuchewohkaemun appeared and acknowledged this Instrument to be his act & Deed Coram Eph^m Williams Just Pac^s

Rec^d November 10th 1746 & Recorded from the original
By me P^r W^m Pynchon Reg^t

Note to the Preceding Deed

¹Poontoossuck—Early name of Pittsfield. In 1739 John Stoddard wrote it Poontooksuck. Originally applied to the falls on the brook issuing from Pontoosuc lake. *Powntuk-suck*, “falls on the brook.”

Part of Lee or Lenox [?]

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber Q; Folio 138

To all People to whom these presents Shall Come Greeting Know Ye That I John Konkopot alias Pophnehonauwoh of Stockbridge in the County of Hampshire and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in new England Indian Gentleman, For & in consideration of the full and Just Sum of fifteen pounds, to me in hand well and truly paid before the En-sealing hereof by John Laribee of Boston in the County of Suffolk and province afores^d Gentleman Have Given Granted bargained Sold Aliened Conveyed and Confirmed and Do by these presents freely fully and absolutely Give Grant bargain Sell aliene Convey and Confirm unto the s^d John Laribee his heirs and assigns forever one Certain Tract or parcel of Land being and lying Scituate at a place Called Housatunnock in the County of Hampshire and bounded as follows (viz) west on lands of Ephraim Williams Esq^{re} & the Rev^d M^r Stephen Williams & East partly on Housatunnock River it being a Grant a Grant made by the General Court of this province to the s^d Laribee of five Hundred acres the Same has been Surveyed and a plan Returned into the General Court and accepted by the Same Referance being had thereunto To Have and To Hold the s^d Granted and bargained Premises to him the s^d John Laribee his Heirs and assigns forever to his and their own proper Benefit and behoof forever I the s^d John Konkopot for my Self my heirs quit all Claim Right title Challenge Interest or Demand in the aboves^d Tract of Land to him the s^d * * Laribee his Heirs and assigns forever. Furthermore I the s^d John Konkopot do Covenant to and with the s^d John Laribee that before the Ensealing hereof I am the true Sole and Lawfull owner and have in my Self good Right and Lawfull Authority to Dispose of the Same as in manner aboves^d and that free and Clear from all Other Grants bargains Sales or Disposals whatsoever, And for the full

and final Confirmation of the above granted and bargained premises I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this fourth Day of Nov^{br} A Dom: 1745 and in the nineteenth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second King etc

Signed Sealed and Delivered In
Presence of
Timothy Woodbridge Josiah Jones

John his * mark
Konkopot &
Seal

Hampshire SS. Stockbridge Novem^{br} 5: 1745

Personally appeared the within named John Konkopot and Acknowledged the within written Instrument to be his free act & Deed

Coram Eph^m Williams Just. Pac

Rec^d Jan 31st 1746 Recorded from the Original
By me

Peru and parts of Cummington, Dalton, Hinsdale,
Middlefield, Washington and Worthington

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber 1; Folio 18

To All Christian People to who these Presents Shall come Greeting Know ye that I Benjamin Knewonaunaunt ye Indian King Jehoiakim Yokim Peter Bukquunnawpeet & Robert Nungkauwaunt all of Stockbridge in the County of Hampshire and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in new England Indian Setlers & Gent. for & in Consideration of Five Hundred pounds new York money before the En-sealing & Delivery of these presents Paid by Johannis Mtoksin Indian of Said Stockbridge Gent. The Receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge and our Selves there with to be fully Satisfyed & Content and do by these presents fully freely & Clearly and absolutely Give Grant bargain Sell Convey & Confirm unto him the Said Johannis Mtoksin his Heirs & assigns forever a Certain Tract of land lying & being in Said County of Hampshire and adjoyning ye East Side of Poon Toosuck Consisting of upland Swamp and meadow land wood Timber Clay Stones mines & minerals Springs of water Brooks Ponds of water & water Courses & is bounded as Follows viz Begining at ye South East Corner of Said Poontoosuck & from thence runing East Nineteen Degrees & twenty Minits South Untill it Comes unto Westfield River then runing Northerly Six Miles & half up Said River then turning and runing west nineteen Degrees & twenty Minits North untill Said line meets with ye North East Corner of Said Poontoosuck & from thence bounding on the East Side of Said Poontoosuck to where the bounds began; To Have and To Hold all the above Granted premises with all and Singular the appurtenances thereof unto him the Said Johannis Mtoksin his Heirs and assigns to his & their own Sole & proper use & Benefit forever and we the said Benjamin Kewenaunnaunt Jehoiakim

Yokim Peter Buckquannawweep & Robert Nwngkauwaunt
 Covenant in manner following, That is to Say that at the
 time of the Ensealing hereof & at ye Delivery of these pres-
 ents we the Said Benjamin Jehoiakim Peter & Robert were
 the lawful owners of all the above bargained Premises and
 have in our Selves good Right full power & lawfull author-
 ity to Dispose thereof in manner as above said. Further-
 more we the Said Benjamin Kewenaunant Jehoiakim
 Yokim Peter Bukquunnawpeet and Robert Nungkauwaunt
 for our Selves our Heirs Executors & administrators Do
 hereby Covenant to Warrant Secure & Defend the above
 Granted Premises unto him the Said Johannis Mtoksin his
 Heirs & assigns forever hereafter. In Witness whereof we
 hereunto Set our hands & Seals the Ninth Day of June anno
 Domini one thousand Seven Hundred Fifty & in the 27
 year of his Majesties Reign

Benjamin (his * mark) Kewnaunant and Seal
 Jekoiakim (his * mark) Yokim & Seal
 Peter (his * mark) Bukquunnaweepeet and Seal
 Robert Nungkauweaut & Seal

Signed Sealed & Delivered
 in Presence of us
 Isaac Wnaupey
 David Nauneknick

Hampshire SS. February 6th 1758

Then personally appeared the within named Benjamin
 Kokhkewenaunant Jehoiakim Yokun Peter Pophquun-
 naupeet and Robert Nungkauwaut Signers and Sealers to
 the within Instrument and acknowledged the Same to be
 their free act and Deed

Before Tim^o Woodbridge Justice Peace

Rec^d Febry 16th 1758 and Recorded from the original
 By me Edw^d Pynchon Regrd

Small tract in Stockbridge

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber Y; Folio 262

To all People to whom These Presents Shall Come Greeting Whereas the Great & General Court or Assembly of this Province at their Sessions in Boston in s^d Province on the 25th Day of January anno Dom 1754 by their orders of that Date (made in answer to the Petition of John Skushawmh of Stockbridge Indian man) Order me the Subscriber To Enquire into the Circumstances of the Said Petitioner, & if I Should think proper to make Sale of his lands in Said Petition mention^d & to cause the Produce thereof to be applyed to the Support & Maintenance of the said Petitioner & his Family and Whereas on Consideration of the Circumstances of said Petitioner I did adjudge it absolutely Necessary for ye Comfort & Support of said Petitioner & his Family that said Lands Should be Sold & the Produce thereof apply^d to the Same purpose & Whereas I according agreed with & Sold the Same to one Joab a Negroman a Freeman of said Stockbridge Husbandman for the Sum of thirteen pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence money which he has accordingly paid for ye Same. Therefore by Virtue of the power afores^d to me granted & in Consideration of Said Sum of Thirteen pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence money already paid & Secured by said Joab I John Worthington of Springfield in the County of Hampshire & province afores^d Esq^r Do hereby bargain Sell Convey & Confirm unto him the said Joab a Certain Tract of Land lying in said Stockbridge being the Northerly part of a lott of Land that was laid out in said Township to said Indian man & Surveyed by Timothy Dwight Esq^r lying in the Southerly part of said Township & on the East Side of the Road leading from Stockbridge to Sheffield & is bounded as follows viz Northerly on Land of Stephen Nash Easterly on Koncopots Brook so Called, Westerly on said Road & Extend^s so far Southerly as to make up the Contents of fifty acres

& so bounding Southerly on the Residue of said lott, To Have and To Hold the before Granted premises with the appurtenances & priviledges to the Same belonging to him the said Joab his Heirs & assigns forever to his & their only proper use benefit & behoofe forever as a good absolute Estate of Inheritance In fee Simple In Witness whereof I the said John Worthington have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this 25th Day of September in the 29th Year of the Reign of George the Second King of England etc Annoq^e Dom. 1755 c

Signed, Sealed & D^d (being first John Worthington
duly Stamp^d)In Presence of & Seal
T. Dwight Junr. Joseph Hawley

Hampsh^{re} SS. Sept^r 25th 1755 Then John Worthington Esq^{re} appeared & acknowledged the foregoing Instrument to be his act & Deed

Before Joseph Hawley Just^s Pac^s

Rec^d November 15th 1755 and Recorded from the Original

By me Edw^d Pynchon Reg^r

Province

2 Peny

Stamp

Hillsdale, N. Y.

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber Y; Folio 575

Know all men by these Presents that we Peter Pophquunaupeet John Wauwaumpequannaunt Josiah Waumuhewey Benjamin Kokhkewenaunaut, Wepukshuh and Maukhhouwauweet all of Stockbridge in the County of Hampshire and province of the Massachusetts Bay in new England Indians Planters for and in Consideration of the full and Just Sum of Two Hundred pounds money to us in hand well and truly paid before the Ensealing hereof by Robert Noble Thomas Whitney Japhet Hunt and John M^cArthur living on land west of Sheffield in the County and province aforesaid Gentlemen, Have Given Granted Sold aliened Conveyed and Confirmed to the Said Robert Noble Thomas Whitney Japhet Hunt and John M^cArthur their Heirs and assigns for Ever, one Certain Tract or parcel of Land lying west of Sheffield beginning at a heap of Stones on Taukonnuck Mountain about one mile and an half South of the Road from Sheffield to Clauverick, Then running westwardly five miles and an half then running Northwardly Seven miles, then running Eastwardly five miles and an half, then running Southwardly with a Strait line to the first mentioned bounds or heap of Stones Containing the whole of that Tract of Land Conveyed by the General Courts Committee for Disposing of the lands west of Sheffield to William Miller and others be it more or less, The first line from the abovementioned heap of Stones to run west or Vary as Shall be most Suitable for the Township and the other lines, to be Conformed to the first line: To Have and To Hold the Said Granted and bargained premises to them the said Robert Noble Thomas Whitney Japhet Hunt and John M^cAuthur their Heirs and assigns forever Further we the said Peter Pophquunnaupeet John Wauwaumpequannaunt Josiah Waumuhewey Benjamin Kokhkewenanaut Wepukshuh and Maukhhouwauweet for

our Selves and Heirs Do Covenant with the Said Robert Noble Thomas Whitney Japhet Hunt and John M^cArthur their Heirs and assigns that We are lawfully Seized In fee of the premises that they are free of all Incumbrances that we have good Right to Sell and Convey the same to the said Robert Noble Thomas Whitney Japhet Hunt and John M^cArthur and that we will Warrant and Defend the Same to the Said Robert Noble Thomas Whitney Japhet Hunt and John M^cArthur their Heirs and assigns forever against the lawfull Claims and Demands of all Persons Claiming by or under us: In Witness whereof we have hereunto Set our hands and Seals this twenty-fifth Day of May anno Domini one thousand Seven Hundred and fifty Six and in the twenty Ninth Year of his Majesties Reign George the Second King etc.

Peter (his * mark) Pohquunnuppeet & Seal
 John Wauwaumpequunnaunt & Seal
 Wepookq (his * mark) Shut & Seal
 Benjamin (his * mark) Kaukewenoh & Seal
 Josiah (his * mark) Waumehhewy & Seal

Signed Sealed and Delivered In Presence of
 David (his * mark) Naunaunckennuk
 Muttuh (his * mark) Kummun

Hampshire SS. May 27th 1756 The abovenamed Pohquunnuppeet John Wawwaumpequunnaunt Weepooskeet Benjamin Kaukewenohnaunt Josiah Waumehhewy acknowledged the foregoing Instrument to be their free act and Deed
 Coram Joseph Dwight Just. Pac^e

Rec^d March 17th 1757 & Recorded from the Original
 By me Edw^d Pynchon Regrd

Province

4 Penny

Stamp

Part of Sheffield and Egremont

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber Y; Folio 379

To all People to whom These Presents Shall Come Greeting, Know ye that Noch Namos Indian woman now of the Fishkills in Dutches County in the Province of New York formerly of Housatunnock in the Countey of Hampshire and Province of the Massachusetts Bay For and in Consideration of the love and affection I have and Do bear unto John Vangilder living west of Sheffield in ye s^d County of Hampshire Husbandman and for many other good Causes and Considerations me hereto moving as well as Sundry Sums of money & other presents, The Receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and my Self therewith fully Satisfyed and Contented and thereof and of Every part and Parcel thereof Do Exonerate acquit and Discharge him the said John Van Gilder and his Heirs Executors and administrators forever, by these presents Have Given Granted bargained Sold aliened Conveyed and Confirmed, and by these presents do freely fully and absolutely Give Grant bargain Sell aliene Convey and Confirm unto him the said John Van Gilder and his Heirs and assigns forever, a Certain Peice or Tract of Land Scituate in and Near the Township of Sheffield afores^d it being the whole of the land that the Indians Reserved to themselves in the aboves^d Town butted and bounded as followeth (viz Southerly on the line between ye Indian land and ye third Division & Easterly on the River called Housatunnock River and so Northerly to ye uper Side of s^d land Reserved by ye Indians and so runing west that Weadth to ye line between new York and this Province together with whatsoever belongs to the Freehold, To Have and To Hold the Said Granted and bargained premises with all the appurtenances Priviledges and Commodities to the Same belonging or in any wise appertaining to him the said John Van Gilder and his Heirs and assigns forever to his and their only proper use benefit and behoof

forever. And I the said Nock Namos for my Self & Heirs Executors and administrators Do Covenant Promise and Grant to and with him the Said John Van Gilder and his Heirs and assigns that before the Ensealing hereof I am the true Sole and lawfull owner of the above bargained Premises and am lawfully Seized and Possessed of the Same in my own Proper Right as a good Perfect and absolute Estate of Inheritance In fee Simple: And have in me Good Right full power and lawfull authority to Grant bargain Sell Convey and Confirm Said bargained premises in manner as aforesaid: And that the Said John Van Gilder and his Heirs and assigns Shall and may from time to time and at all times forever hereafter by force and Virtue of these Presents lawfully Peaceably and quietly have hold use occupy Possess and Enjoy the said Demised and bargained premises with the appurtenances free and Clear and freely and Clearly acquitted Exonerated and Discharged of from all and all manner of former or other gifts Grants bargains Sales, leases Mortgages Wills Entails Joyntures Dowries Judgements Executions or Incumbrances of what Name or Nature Soever that might in any measure or Degree obstruct or make Void this Present Deed Furthermore I the s^d Nock Namos for my Self & my Heirs Executors and administrators Do Covenant and Engage the above Demised Premises to him the said John Van Gilder and his Heirs and assigns against the lawfull Claims or Demands of any Person or persons whatsoever forever hereafter to Warrant Secure and Defend by these presents In Witness whereof I the s^d Nock Namos have hereto Set my hand and Seal this first Day of June Anno Domini 1756

Nock (her * mark) Namos & Seal

Signed Sealed and Delivered In Presence of us

Robert Brett

Mathew Duboys

Dutches County June the 1st 1756 Then appeared before me Mathew Duboys one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas the person of Nock Namos and acknowledged

this within Deed to be her Voluntary act and Deed for the use within Mentioned and have Examined the Same and find no fault with it and order the Same to be Recorded

Rec^d July 19th 1756 & Recorded from the Original
By me Edw^d Pynchon. Regrd

Province

4 Penny

Stamp

Austerlitz, New York

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber 1; Folio 747

Know all men by these presents that we Peter Pophquun-naupeet and John Pophnehonnuhwoh of Stockbridge in the Countey of Hampshire and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in new England Indian Claimers of a Tract of Land lying North of and adjoyning to a Township Granted to Cap^t. Robert Noble and others lying west of Sheffield & Stockbridge being Six Miles and forty four rods from East to west and from North to South five Miles and one quarter and Nine rods which Said Tract of land we the Said Peter Pophquunnaupeet & John Pophnehonnuhwoh for our Selves and our Heirs Sell Grant Convey and Confirm forever unto them and their Heirs the persons hereafter Naimed the whole of Said Tract of land in proportion as follows (viz) for and in Consideration of Two Hundred and thirty pounds new York Currancy paid to us by Truman Powell Joseph Chittenten Joel Spencer Edward Richmond Mary Johnson Joseph Powell John Spencer Phinehas Spencer Ahimaaz Spencer John Hawley Reuben Whitmore Simeon Spencer Jthemer Spencer Abner Johnson Nehemiah Spencer Benjamin Brown Christian Ray Ephraim Kidder James Cary George Charter Benjamin Chittenten Truman Powell Jun^r Elijah Powell James Spencer Abner Spencer Obadiah Noble Abner Hawley Job Ingram Israel Spencer Joseph Kelley John Williams Jun^r Bill Williams Thomas Whitney Benjamin Lovejoy John M^cArthur Robert Noble Jacob Bacon Edmund Spears William Sheldon Josiah Loomis Benjamin Shelden Timothy Hopkins Daniel Horse Lemuel Roberts

Martin Powell Moses Chittenten Benjamin Richmond Israel Taylor John Cooper Simon Willard Elnathan Brunsen Joseph Taylor Jun^r Seth Powell Samuel Spencer To whom and to each of the abovesaid Persons their Heirs & assigns we the above s^d Peter and John Sell and Convey one Sixth part of the above said Tract and to the Persons hereafter named (viz) Samuel Sedgewick John Wadsworth Ebenezer Warner Eliather Rue Menis Griswold Joseph Bailey Elisha Hatch William Hambelton Benjamin Chase Phillip Callender John Callender William Whitney William Spencer Samuel Lee David Allen Joseph Gillet Milborough Vanvalkemburgh Jacob Vanvalkemburgh Henry Vangilder Joseph Vangilder & Mathew Vangilder to these last mentioned persons we the Said Peter and John Sell and Convey to Each one of them their Heirs and assigns forever the one Hundred and thirty Second part of said Tract, The whole of said Tract being butted and bounded as follows (viz) South on the Township granted to Cap^t Robert Noble and others begining at the north East Corner of Said Nobles Town and runing west Seven Degrees north to the North west Corner of Said Nobles Town to a Stake and Stones about it thence North fifteen Degrees East five Miles one quarter and nine rods Thence East Seven Degrees South Six miles and forty four rods thence to the first mentioned bounds The abovesaid persons To Have and To Hold the Said Tract Containing Twenty thousand Seven Hundred and twenty two acres and an half, we the Said Peter and John Quit all our Claim Right Title Interest Challenge and Demand to the premises to the abovesaid Persons their Heirs and assigns forever to their own proper use Benefit and behoofe forever in the proportion to Each Person as abovesaid and Further more we the Said Peter Pophquunauhpeet and John Pophnehonnauwoh Covenant to and with the abovesaid persons that before and at the Ensealing of these presents we are the proper owners According to the Native Right and do by these presents Engage to Warrant Secure & Defend the abovesaid Granted & bar-

gained premises against the Claims and Challenges of any other Natives whatsoever Challenging or Claiming the Same. As Witness our hands and Seals this Twenty Seventh Day of September Anno Domini one thousand Seven Hundred and fifty Six and in the thirtieth Year of His Majesties George the Second King etc

Peter (his * mark) Pophquunnaupeet & Seal
John (his * mark) Pophnehonuwoh & Seal

Signed Sealed & Delivered In Presence of
Eldad Taylor
Tim^o Woodbridge
Jehoiakim (his * mark) Yokun
Isaac (his * mark) Waunaumpch

Hampshire S.S. Sheffield September 27th 1756 Then personally appeared before me the abovesaid Peter Pophquunnaupeet and John Pophnehonuwoh the Signers hereto and acknowledged the Same to be their act and Deed.

Before me Tim^o Woodbridge Justice Peace

Rec^d March 20th 1760 and Recorded from the Original
By me Ed^{wd} Pynchon, Regrd

Part of Egremont and Alford

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber Y; Folio 669

Know all men by these Presents that we John Pophnehonnuhwoh Peter Pophnepeet Jehoiakim Yokun Isaac Wenaumpeh Quans Joseph Quinnaquant Kouaunun Quantonwos and Jehoiakin Shonanun all of Stockbridge in the County of Hampshire and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in new England Indians Claimers of the land lying west of Sheffield and adjoining thereto for and in Consideration of the Sum of Twenty Pounds paid to us in hand before the Ensealing hereof in Different proportions by the persons hereafter mentioned. Have Given Granted Sold aliened and Conveyed to the persons hereafter mentioned their Heirs and assigns forever, a Certain tract of Land Scituate lying and being in s^d County of Hampshire lying west of Sheffield and is butted and bounded as follows (viz) East on s^d Sheffield South on the land called the Indian Land on which John Vanguilder and Andrew Carner lives west on the Township lately laid out to Robert Noble and others called Nobles Town and to Extend North as far as s^d Noble Town and from the North East Corner of s^d Town to run East over to Stockbridge west line all Said Tract of Land so bounded we the abovesaid John Peter and the rest Have Sold and quitted Claim to the persons hereafter mentioned to Each their proportion as follows (viz) Ebenezer Baldwin Aaron Loomis John Price Josiah Phelps Jun^r Benjamin Frimain Samuel Culver Samuel Welch David Winchel Samuel Younglove Mary Shaw William Webb Noah Blandin Timothy Hopkins Jonathan Welch Robert Joyner Samuel Winchel Jun^r Jonathan Willard William Joyner David Welch Gideon Chubb Ebenezer Smith Samuel Loomis Aaron Sheldon Priscilla Smith Israel Taylor John Vanguilder Jacob Vanguilder and Catherine the Daughter of the Said John Vanguilder the wife of Hezekiah Winchel to have one Sixtieth part of the premises to Each of the above

named persons their Heirs and assigns forever, and to the persons hereafter named we the s^d John Peter Jehoiakim &c Sell give and Grant within the s^d Tract in the following manner (viz) To Timothy Woodbridge Esq^r Stephen Kelcey Ebenezer Hamblin Ebenezer Warner John Hamlin Eliatha Kew Elnathan Brunson Robert Watson Anthony Hopkins Micah Hopkins Daniel Kelcey Stephen Kelcey Jun^r Jonah Fortin Simon Cook To Have and To Hold that part of the Said bounded and Described Tract of land that lies at the North End of the Same and to Include that part of Said Tract these last mentioned persons purchased of Shouanun and Quinnuhquant of which the s^d persons have an Instrument under the hands of the s^d Shouanun and Quinnunhquant Describing Said Purchase; And to Peter Sharp we the Said John Peter Jehoiakim and the rest of the Grantors give Sell and grant to the s^d Peter his Heirs and Assigns forever Two Hundred acres of the s^d Tract lying where the s^d Peter lives and bounded and Surveyed to him of which the Said Peter has an Instrument of Conveyance from the Indians (viz) of the s^d Shouannun and Quinnaquant Also we the Said John Peter and the rest give and grant unto Isaac Spoor Cornelius Spoor Jacob Spoor and Jonathan Nash Each five Hundred acres to be taken up within that purchase made by their Father John Spoor. Furthermore we the Grantors give and Sell and Grant to Nehemiah Messenger one Eighty fourth part of s^d Tract of Land. And further Sell give and Grant to the persons hereafter named within the said Tract of land (viz) John Hopkins Elias Hopkins Nicholas Carner William Roberts Joseph Hix Edward Bailey Abraham Andres Jacob Carner Josiah Loomis Moses Loomis John Fuller Samuel Winchel Jacob Carner first Andrew Race Christopher Bruzzee Lodwick Carner Josiah Graves & John Holembeck to these last named persons we Sell and Grant the one Hundred and twelfth part of s^d Tract of Land. All which whole Tract

of Land we the s^d John Pophnehonnuhwoh Peter Pophquannaupet Jehoiakim Yokun Isaac Waunaumpch Quans Joseph Quinnaquant Kouaaunun Quanponwos and Jehoiakim Shouaunun for our Selves and our Heirs forever Have Given Granted Sold aliened and quitted all our Right Title Interest Challenge and Demand to the premises to the persons mentioned in this Deed in the proportions and quantities Sold Set and assigned to Each of them To Have and To Hold the Said Granted and bargained premises with all the priviledges and appurtenances thereto belonging or anyways appertaining to the abovesaid Grantees their Heirs and assigns against the Claims Demands or Challenges of any Indian Native whomsoever: In Witness our hands and Seals this twenty ninth Day of October Anno Dom one thousand Seven Hundred and fifty Six and in the thirtieth Year of his Majesties Reign George the Second King etc.

John (his * mark) Pophnehonewoh & Seal
 Jehoiakim (his * mark) Yokun & Seal
 Isaac (his * mark) Waunehowoh & Seal
 Quans (his * mark) & Seal
 † Joseph his * mark Quinaquant & Seal
 Quan (her * mark) ponwos & Seal

Signed Sealed and Delivered In Presence of
 Couau (his * mark) Nun & Seal
 Peter (his * mark) Pophquannaupet
 John Burghaert

Sheffield Octob^r 29th Received of the with in mentioned Grantees Two Hundred and thirty Pounds new York Currency we Say Received ^{pr} us

Joseph (his * mark) Quinnaquant
 John (his * mark) Pophnehonnuwoh
 Jehoiakim (his * mark) Yokun
 Isaac (his * mark) Wauunaumpch

Hampshire SS. Octob^r 29th 1756 Then the Signers to this Deed viz; John Pophnenuuhwoh Jehoiakim Yokun Isaac Waunaumpeh Quans Joseph Quinnaquant Quanponwos and Kauaunum and acknowledged themselves the Signers of this Deed and that it was their free act

Before me Timothy Woodbridge Justice peace

Rec^d March 5^d 1757 & Recorded from the Original

By me Edw^d Pynchon Regrd

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HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber Y; Folio 595

To all People To whom these Presents shall Come Greeting Know Ye That we Benjamin Kaukeweneckenaunt Sachem & Maukuwewet Hunter both of Stockbridge in the County of Hampshire & Province of the Massachusetts bay in New England. For and in Consideration of the Sum of Five Hundred & Sixty one Pounds New York money to us in hand paid & well Secured to be paid by John Hollenbeek William Hollenbek son to s^d John Michel Hollanbeek Andres Rease John Rease William Reas Jun^r Nicholas Reas Henry Brasee Andres Brasee John Brasee Christopher Brasee Andres Brasee ye s^d Robert Hollenbeck John Hollenbeck Jun^r Richard Hollenbeck Michael Hollenbeck Jun^r Abraham Hollenbeck Jun^r Jonathan Darby Samⁿ Darby Wynent Weeber Peter Weeber Francis Bidwell Nathan Smith Will^m Dunkling Richard Marquis Samuel Taylor John Vangilder Nicholas Vangilder Joseph Vangilder John Vangilder Jun^r Mathew Vangilder Henry Vangilder Jacob Vangilder Andreas Vangilder Hezekiah Winchel Pelatiah Winchel Wau Hock Indian James Vandusen Abraham Vandusen son of the s^d James, Elisabeth Harvey, William Wells Henry Smith Joseph Payn Benajah Lomiss Jacob Lomiss George Robison Thomas Woolcot Peter Cussell Adam Weeber, John Spoor Son of Derick William Joyner Benjamin Freeman Philip Case Nathaniel Warrin Nehemiah Warrin Josiah Lomis Josiah Lomise Jun^r Andrew Lomise Benjamin Franklin Ben Franklin Jun^r John Wellen Rob^t Noble Thomas Whitney, John M^cArthur Joshua Boardman William Spencer Stephen Dewey Samuel Mess-

enger Hartsman Vandusen John Dibble Joseph Benedict William Kellogg Jacob Spoor Nehemiah Messinger John Hopkins Elias Hopkins Simon Baxton Ebenezer Taylor James Patteson Thomas Patteson. To our Satisfaction Have Given Granted Bargained sold Aliened Conveyed & Confirmed and by These Presents we Do fully freely & Absolutely Give Grant Bargain Sell Aliene Convey and Confirm unto them the said John Hollenbeck Willam Hollenbeck Michael Hollenbeck Andreas Rees John Reas William Reas and the Rest of the Persons above Named Including James Patterson & Thomas Patterson that are Interlind all in Equall Proportions Except Simon Barton & Ebenezer Taylor who are both Equall To one of the others; One Certain Large Tract of Land Scituate & being within the County afore^{sd} bounding South on the South Boundaries of the ^{sd} Province North on a Line Drawn Parralell to s^d Line Seven Miles Distant from s^d Province line which is on the Townships Sold To Robert Noble & others in part East on the Great Mountain Called Tauconock Mountain (That is the Steep Mountain West on a Line to be Drawn Parralell To Hudson River at Twelve Miles Distance from the River (which s^d Tract of Land is Supposed to be from East to West in Length about Eight Miles Exclusive of any Legall Conveyance that have been given by any of Our Indian Ancestors To Have and to Hold the above granted & Bargained Premises with the appurtenances thereof To them the said John Hollenbeck and others above mentioned, Their Heirs & Assigns Forever & we the s^d Benjamin & Mankuwewet Convenant and Engage our Selves our Heirs Execut^{rs} and Administ^{rs} forever To Warrant secure & Defend the Above granted & Bargained Premises unto the s^d John Hollenbeck & Their Heirs & assigns against all Claims Whatsoever or by Whomsoever of the Native Indians. In Witness whereof we have hereunto Set our hands & Seals this Fifteenth Day of March in the Twenty ninth

year of our Sovereign Lord George the 2^d of Great Britain
France & Ireland King Defender of the Faith etc Anno
Domini: 1757

Benj^o (his * mark) Kaukewenkennut and Seal
Mau (* mark) hauwaweeet and Seal

Signed Sealed & Delivered in presence of
Peter (his * mark) Poyhquannapeet
Jacob Cheeksaukum Cap^t
Jehayasin (his * mark) Jenkins
Jacob (* mark) Vasnanghtouk Leo
Timothy Cowpas
David (his * mark) Vavunmeaugkuuh
Isaac (his * mark) Weananumpee
Johannes Nahhson
Moses Mchhehuenwenget

Hampshire SS. March ye 16 1757 Personaley appeared
the above named Benj^o Kohkewenaunant & Mohkkau-
wauweeet the Signers of this Deed & Acknowledged this
Instrument of Conveyance to be their free and Voluntary
Act & Deed

Before me Tim^o Woodbridge Just pac.

Rec^d March 31st 1757 And Recorded from the originall
By me Edw^d Pynchon Regrd

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4 Penny
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Part of Mount Washington

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber 1; Folio 11

Know all men by these presents that we Benjamin Kaukeewenohnaunt Sachem and Jehoiakim Youkin Jacob Cheeksaunkun Joseph Qunnukkaunt and Maukhouwauweet Indians all of Stockbridge in the Countey of Hampshire and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in new England in America, In Consideration of the Sum of Seventy five pounds lawfull money paid us by John Dibble and others herein named The Receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge we Do Give Grant bargain Sell aliene Convey and Confirm unto the John Dibble and the others hereafter named, one Certain large Tract of land in the Countey aforesaid Bounded South on the South bound line of the Said Province North on a line to be Drawn Parralel to Said line at Seven Mile Distant from Said line which is in part on the Township lately Sold to Cap^t Robert Noble and others in part west on the Township that was lately Sold at Tahcanock to John Halenbeck and others East on the Top of the first Great ledge of the Mountian west of Sheffield and of the House of John Vangilders called the Tahcannock Mountain which Said Tract of land we do Sell to the Said John Dibble and the Others hereafter named their Heirs and Assignes to be by them Divided into forty-Eight parts or Rights. That is to Say, to the said John Dibble five Rights, To Josiah Loomis two Rights. To Jacob Loomis three Rights, To John Ashley Esq^{re} Thomas Woolcott, Benjamin Barney, Benajah Loomis Samⁿ Crippin, Stephen Stockwell, George Robison, Captⁿ John Fellows, William Coit, John Waldon, Ichabod Averell, Jonathan Dunham, William Webb, Josiah Loomis, Jun^r, Andrew Loomis, Phinehas Taylor, James Vanduson, John Dibble Jun^r Ebenezer Pain Abraham Vandusen Jun^r Samⁿ Messenger, Ezra Fellows, Simeon Stockwell, John Holms Jun^r Eleaza Stockwell, John Vangilder, Nicholas Vangilder, Joseph Vangilder, John Vangilder Jun^r Mathew

VGilder, Hendrick VGilder Jacob VGilder, Andrew VGilder, Hezekiah Winchol, Pelatiah Winchel, Simon Willard and Jonathan Darby To Each of them one Right To Benjamin Barney Jun^r and Ichabod Stockwell Each of them one half Right. To Have and To Hold the Same with the appurtenances thereof to the John Dibble and the others above named in the above Proportion forever, and we the Said Benjamin and the other Grantors above named for our Selves and their Heirs Executors Do Covenant with the Said John Dibble and the others abovenamed their Heirs and assigns that we are lawfully Seized In fee of the Premises that they are free of all Incumbrances that we have good Right to Sell and Convey the Same to the Said John Dibble and the others above named In manner and form as is above Expresst, and that we will Warrant and Defend the Same to the Said John Dibble and the others above written their Heirs and Assigns forever against the lawfull Claims and Demands of all persons; As Witness our hands and Seals this 29th Day of March In the thirtieth Year of his Majesties Reign Annoque Dom. 1757

Benjamin (his * mark) Kokhkewenaunaut & Seal
 Jehoiakim (his * mark) Yokun & Seal
 Jacob Cheeksaunkun & Seal
 Joseph Quunnukkaunt & Seal
 Mokh (his * mark) Wauwouweet and Seal

Signed Sealed & Delivered in Presonce of
 Jacob Naunauphcaunk
 John Wauwaumpequunnaunt
 Johannis Mtohksin

Hampshire SS. March 29th 1757 Personally appeared the within names Benjamin Kokhkewenaunaut Jehoiakim Yokun Jacob Cheeksonkuan Joseph Qumnukquaunt and Maukhauweet Subscribers and acknowledged the Signing and Sealing of this Deed to be their free and Voluntary act

Before me Timo. Woodbridge Justice Peace

Rec^d Jan^{ry} 21st 1758 & Recorded from the Original
 By me Edw^d Pynchon Regst

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HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber 1; Folio 25

Know all men by these Presents that we John Pophnehonnuhwoh and Robert Nuagkauwot of Stockbridge in the Countey of Hampshire and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in new England Indian Planters and Gentlemen For and in Consideration of the sum of Twenty Eight pounds ten Shillings and Six pence to us well and truly paid by Isaac Winslow and James Bowdoin Esq^{rs} of Roxbury and Thomas Flucker, John Smith, Norton Quincy Jonathan Williams and the heirs of John Franklin Deceas^d of Boston in the County of Suffolk merchants and all of the Province aforesaid. The Receipt whereof we Acknowledge our Selves paid and Satisfyed of Every part and parcel thereof Have Given Granted Bargained Sold Aliened Conveyed and Confirmed and do by these presents fully freely and absolutely Give Grant Sell aliene Convey and Confirm unto the Said Isaac Winslow James Bowdoin Thomas Flucker John Smith Norton Quincy Jonathan Williams and the Heirs of John Franklin and to Each of their Heirs and assigns forever one certain Tract or parcell of land and being Scituate in the county of Hampshire and on the River Commonly called and known by the Name of Housatunnock River lying partly on the East and partly on the west side of Said River and is butted and bounded as follows (viz.) west on Stockbridge East Town line North partly on the Grant of Coll, Ephraim Williams and partly on the Grant taken up by Capt Laribee South on the North line of upper Sheffield Township East on Province Unappropriated lands Containing one thousand five hundred and Sixty acres. It being Surveyed and a Plan taken Referance thereto being had To Have and To Hold the Said Granted and Bargained

premises To them the said Isaac Winslow James Bowdoin, Thomas Flucker John Smith Norton Quincy, Jonathan Williams and the Heirs of John Franklin their Heirs and assigns forever. In the several Parts and Proportions as follows, That is to Say, the Said Isaac Winslow and James Bowdoin their Heirs and assigns Each one Sixth part of the Premises, The Said Thomas Flucker one Sixth and one Eighth part of the Granted and bargained Premises to him his Heirs and assigns, To the above said John Smith and Norton Quincy to Each of them one Eighth part of the Granted Premises to them their Heirs and assigns, To the Said Jonathan Williams and the Heirs of the Said John Franklin to Each of them one Sixteenth part of the Granted Premises to them their Heirs and assigns Each and Every one of the Said Grantees To Have hold Possess Occupy use and Improve the Said Granted and bargained Premises in the aforesaid parts and Proportions Set and assigned to them and to Each of them their Heirs and assigns forever to their proper Benefit use and Behoof forever free and Clear of and from all other grants Bargains Sales conveyances or Incumbrances of any kind Name or Nature whatsoever. We the Said John Pophnehonnuhwoh and Robert Nungkawot for our Selves and Heirs Covenant to and with the Said Isaac Winslow James Bowdoin Thomas Flucker, John Smith Norton Quincy Jonathan Williams and the Heirs of the Said John Franklin and Each of the Heirs of the Said Grantees that before and untill the Ensealing of these presents we are the true Sole and lawfull owners of the Granted and bargained Premises and that we have good Right full power and lawfull Authority to Sell and Convey as above Furthermore we the said John and Robert Engage forever to Warrant Secure and Defend the Conveyed Premises to the said Isaac Winslow James Bowdoin Thomas Flucker John Smith Norton Quincy Jonathan Williams and the Heirs of the said John Franklin their Heirs and assigns against the Claims Demands or Challenge of any Indian Claimers whomsoever. As Witness our hands and Seals this

twenty Seventh Day of April Anno Domini one thousand Seven Hundred and fifty Seven and in the thirtieth year of his Majesties Reign George the Second King etc.

John (his * mark) Pophnehonnuhwoh & Seal
Robert Nungkauwot & Seal

Signed Sealed and Delivered in Presence of
Benjamin Willard
John Benjamin

Hampshire SS. April 27th 1757 Personally appeared the above named John Pophnehonnuhwoh and Robert Nungkauwot Signers to this Instrument and acknowledged the Same to be their free act and Deed.

Before Tim^o Woodbridge Justice Peace

Rec^d Feb^{ry} 27th 1758 and Recorded from the Original
By me Edw^d Pynchon Reg^r

Province

4 Penny

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Part of Alford

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber Z; Folio 335

To all People to whom these Presents shall come Greeting Know Ye that We Mokhowwowweet and Joseph Quinnaunaunt & Jehoiakim Yokum and Benjamin Kockhewenaunt all of Stockbridge in the County of Hampshire and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in new England Indian Claimers For and in Consideration of the Sum of Fifty Pounds lawfull Money of the Province aforesaid to us in Hand paid before the Ensealing hereof by David Ingersol Esqr. of Sheffield in the County and Province aforesaid the Receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge and our Selves fully Satisfied, contented, and paid, have given, granted, bargained, Sold, aliened, released, conveyed and confirmed, and by these Presents, do freely, clearly, and absolutely give, grant, bargain, sell, aliene, release, convey and confirm unto him the Said David Ingersol his Heirs and Assigns for ever a certain Track of land lying and being Scituate in Said County of Hampshire lying westerly of Stockbridge and partly west of Sheffield and Joyning on the west lines of s^d Towns (viz) on the Southwest Corners of s^d Stockbridge and North west Corner of Said Sheffield and is butted and bounded as followeth (viz) first line at the Southwest Corner of the Town of Stockbridge runs North Eight Degrees East on Stockbridge line four Hundred and thirty rods, the North line begins at the end of s^d first line or Distance afores^d from s^d Southwest Corner of Stockbridge and runs west Nine Degrees North two hundred and forty rods from the end of which line the west line runs South Eight Degrees west Six Hundred and Seventy rods from the end of which last line the South line runs East Nine Degrees South two Hundred and forty rods to the west line of the Township of Sheffield thence s^d Tract is bounded on the s^d Township of Sheffield to the first station (viz) up to the Southwest Corner of Stockbridge being the northwest Corner of Sheffield

Township s^d Tract Contains about one thousand and five acres To Have and To Hold the before granted Premises with the Appurtenances and Priviledges thereto belonging to him the said David Ingersolle his Heirs and Assigns forever to him and their own proper Use, Benefit and Behoof forevermore. And we the said Jehoiakim Yokun Mokhowweet and Joseph Quinauquaunt our Heirs, Executors and Administrators do Covenant Promise and Grant unto and with the said David Ingersolle his Heirs and Assigns forever that before and until the Ensealing hereof, we are the true, sole, proper and lawful Owner and Possessor of the before granted Premises with the Appurtenances And have in ourSelves good Right full Power and lawful Authority to give grant bargain Sell aliene release convey and confirm the same as aforesaid; and that free and clear, and freely and clearly, Executed acquitted and discharged of and from all former and other Gifts, Grants, Bargains, Sales Leases, Mortgages, Wills, Intails, Joyntures, Dowries Thirds, Executions and Incumbrances what soever And Furthermore we the said Mokhowweet and Qunauquaunt and Yokun for our Heirs, Executors and Administrators do hereby Covenant, Promise and Engage the before-granted Premises with the Appurtenances unto him the said David Ingersoll his Heirs and Assigns forever to Warrant, Secure and Defend against the lawful Claims or Demands of any Person or Persons whatsoever In Witness whereof we have Set our hands and Seals this fourth Day of July Anno Domini one thousand Seven Hundred and fifty Seven and in the thirtieth Year of his Majesties Reign George the Second King etc.

Mohk (his * mark) howwaunt & Seal
 Jehoiakim (his * mark) Yokun & Seal
 Benj^a (his * mark) Kokhwauweet & Seal

Signed Sealed and Delivered In Presence of
 Benj^a (his * mark) Kokhhkewenaunt
 Tim^o Woodbridge
 Jonas Bkwweiukeuo
 Jonth Read

Hampshire SS. 25th 1758 Personally appeared the within named Mokhhowwauweet Jehoiakim Yokun and Benjamin Kokhkewenaunaut Signers and Sealers to the within Instrument and acknowledged the Same to be their free act and deed

Before Tim^o Woodbridge Justice peace

Rec^d Aug^t 30th 1758 and Recorded from the Original
By me Edw^d Pynchon Regrd

Parts of Adams, Cheshire, New Ashford
and Williamstown

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber 1; Folio 84

To all Christian People to whom these Presents Shall Come Greeting Know ye that I Jehoiakim Yokim of Stockbridge in the Countey of Hampshire and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in new England Gentleman For & in Consideration of the sum of two Hundred & thirty pounds new York money to me in hand before the Ensealing and Delivery hereof paid by Johannis Mtoksin of Stockbridge aforesaid Indian Interpreter & Gentleman. The Receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge & myself therewith fully Satisfyed & Contented & do hereby bargain Sell Convey & Confirm unto him the Said Johannis Mtoksin his Heirs & assigns forever, a certain Tract of land Scituate on the North Side of a new Township called and known by the Name of new Framingham in Said County of Hampshire Said Tract of land to be the full Contents of Six miles in Weadth & Seven miles in length to be laid out adjoyning on ye North side of Said Township in a Regular form together with all the Streams, brooks ponds of water & watercourses mines & minerals & all the appurtenances priviledges & Commodities to the same belonging or in any appertaining to the Premises freely acquitted & Discharged from all other grants bargains Sales leases or Incumbrances of what Name or Nature soever that might in any measure or Degree obstruct or make Void this Present Deed. And I the Said Jehoiakim Yokim for my Self my Heirs Executors and administrators do Covenant with him the Said Johannis Mtoksin his Heirs Executors & administrators that I am the Sole & lawfull owner of the above bargained premises & have good Right to Sell & Dispose of the Same in manner as above said Furthermore I the said Jehoiakim Yokim for mySelf Heirs Executors & administrators Do promise &

Engage hereby to secure & Defend the above Demised premises to him the Said Johannis Mtoksin his Heirs & assigns forever hereafter from all Claims Challenges & Demands of all & all manner of Persons of what Denomination Soever. In Witness whereof I hereunto Set my hand & Seal this fourth Day of May Anno Domini one thousand Seven Hundred fifty & Eight & in the thirty first year of his Majesties Reign

Jehoiakim (his * mark) Yokin & Seal

Signed, Sealed & Delivered in Presence of
Josiah Heywood
Isaac (his * mark) wenaumpee

Hampshire SS. May 5th 1758 The within Named Jehoiakim Yokim Personally appearing acknowledged the within written Instrument to be his free Voluntary act & Deed
Before me Tim^o Woodbridge Justice Peace

Rec^d May 27th 1758 and Recorded from the Original
By me Edw^d Pynchon Reg^r

Parts of Cummington, Plainfield, Savoy
and Windsor

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber 1; Folio 126

To all Christian People to whom this Present Deed Shall come Greeting Know ye that I Benjamin Kaukewenauhnaunt King of an Indian Tribe belonging to Stockbridge in ye County of Hampshire and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in new England Together with Jehoiakim Yokin of Stockbridge aforesaid Indian Planter & Gen^t For and in Consideration of the Sum of two Hundred & Eighty pounds new York money to us in hand before the Ensealing & Delivery hereof paid by Johannis Mtohksin of Said Stockbridge Indian Interpreter & Gen^t The Receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge & ourSelves therewith to be fully Satisfyed & Contented and do hereby Grant bargain Sell Convey & Confirm unto him the Said Johannis Mtohksin his Heirs & assigns forever, one Certain Township of land Scituate & bounding Southerly on ye North Side of ye Said Johannis Mtohksin own land the Southwest Corner of said Township to begin Six miles East of a new Township commonly called & known by the Name of new Framingham in Said Countey of Hampshire & from thence to run East Nineteen Degrees & twenty minits South Six miles on s^d Johannis Mtohksin own land then Turning & runing Northerly Six miles then Turning & runing westerly Six miles Then turning and runing Southerly Six miles to the Southwest corner where the bounds first began Together with all the mines minerals Virg^m ore & Precious Stones water & water courses with all the appurtenances Priviledges & Commodities thereto belonging, or in any wise appertaining Freely & Clearly Acquitted & Discharged from all Incumbrances: And we the Said Benjamin Kaukewenauhnaunt and Jehoiakim Yokin Do hereby Covenant for our Selves our Heirs Executors & administrators with him the said Johannis Mtohksin his

Heirs and assigns in manner following namely that we are the lawfull owners of the above granted & bargained Premises & that we will hereby Warrant & Defend the Same from all Claims Challenges & Demands of all and all manner of Person or persons forever hereafter of what Denomination soever In Witness whereof we hereunto Set our hands & Seals this twenty fourth Day of May Anno Domini one thousand Seven Hundred fifty and Eight & in the thirty first Year of his Majesties Reign

Benjamin (his * mark) Kaukewenauhnaunt & Seal
Jehoiakim (his * mark) Yokin & Seal

Signed Sealed & Delivered in presence of us
Isaac (his * mark) Wnaupey
Matzraf Mayner

Hampshire s.s. July 20th 1758 appeared the within named Benjamin Kokhkewenaunant and Jehoiakim Yokin Signers to the within Instrument and acknowledged the Same to be their free act and Deed

Before Tim^o Woodbridge Justice Peace

Rec^d July 22^d 1758 and Recorded from the Original
By me Edw^d Pynchon Reg

Parts of Adams, Cheshire, Clarksburg, Florida,
Monroe, North Adams and Savoy

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber 1; Folio 125

To all Christian People to whom this Present Deed of Sale shall Come Greeting Know ye that I Jehoiakim Yokin of Stockbridge in the County of Hampshire Indian Claimer & Gent. in ye Province of the Massachusetts Bay in in new England For & in Consideration of the Sum of Six Hundred Pounds Lawful money of new England to me in hand before ye Ensealing & Delivery hereof paid by Johannis Mtohksin of Stockbridge aforesaid Indian Interpreter & Gent. The Receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge & myself therewith to be fully Satisfyed & Contented & Do by these Presents hereby Bargain Sell Convey & Confirm unto him the Said Johannis Mtohksin his Heirs & assigns forever one Certain Tract of Land belonging to me lying & being in Said County Consisting of ye full Contents of two Townships Each Township to be of the full Contents of Six miles in Weadth & Seven Miles in length & Each of s^d Townships to be laid out in a Regular form the Southwesterly Corner of Said Tract of Land beginning at ye North Easterly Corner of a new Township called & known by ye name of new Framingham and from thence running so far Northerly & Easterly as to Include both ye above discribed Townships & lay them out in a Regular form as abovesaid. To Have & To Hold ye above Granted & bargained Premises Together with all ye appurtenances Priviledges & Commodities to ye Same belonging or in any wise appertaining thereunto to him ye said Johannis Mtohksin his Heirs & assigns forever to his & their own use benefit & behoof And I the Said Jehoiakim Yokin for & in behalf of mySelf my Heirs and Successors do hereby Covenant with him the said Johannis Mtohksin his heirs & Successors to Warrant Secure & Defend ye above Granted & bargained Premises from all ye

Lawfull Claims & Demands of Every Person or Persons forever hereafter In Witness whereof I the Said Jehoiakim Yokin hereunto Set my hand & Seal this Tenth Day of July anno Domini one thousand Seven Hundred fifty & Eight & in the thirty first year of his Majesties Reign

Jehoiakim (his * mark) Yokin & Seal

Signed Sealed & Delivered in Presence of us
Benjamin (his * mark) Kokhkeweenaut
Josiah Heywood
Daniel Earll

Hampshire SS. July 20th 1758 appeared the within named Jehoiakim Yokin Signer to ye within Instrument and acknowledged the same to be his free act and Deed

Before Tim^o Woodbridge Justice Peace

Rec^d July 22^d 1758 and Recorded from the Original
By me Edw^d Pynchon Reg^r

Small tract in Stockbridge

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber 1; Folio 817

Know all men by these presents that I Josiah Muhhuttauwee of Stockbridge In the County of Hampshire and province of the Massachusetts Bay in new england Husbandman and Hunter for and in consideration of the Sum of thirteen Pounds New York money Paid me by Cornelious Vanschaack of Kenderhook, in the County of Albany and province of New York Merchant the Receipt whereof I do hereby Acknowledge do Hereby Give Grant and Convey to the Said Cornelious Vanschaack his heirs and Assigns a Certain lot of land Situate lyeing and being in Stockbridge Afore^{sd} which is laid out & Recorded To me the Said Josiah Muhuttauwee is bounded Northerly by a lot of land laid out and Recorded to Solomon Wunnaubaugin Westerly and Southerly by a lot laid out and Recorded to John Wauwaumpegunnaunt Deceas^d Now in the possession of ^{sd} Deceas^d Widow and Easterly by Land belonging to Deacon James Willson or however otherwise the Said lot is bounded To Have and To Hold the Same to the Said Cornelious Vanschaack & his heirs and assigns & I do Covenant with ye Said Cornelious Vanschaack his Heirs & assigns that I am lawfully seized In fee of the Premises that they are free of all Incumbrances that I have Good Right to Sell and Convey the Same to the Said Cornelious Vanschaack to hold as Afore^{sd} and that I will Warrant & Defend the Same to the Said Cornelious Vanschaack his Heirs and Assigns forever against the Lawfull Claims and Demands of all persons In Witness whereof I Have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Twenty fifth Day of July A.D. 1759 and in the thirty third year of his majesties Reign

Josiah (his * mark) Muhhuttauwee & Seal

Signed Sealed & Delivered in Presence of
 D. V Schaack
 Sam^{el} Brown Jun^r

Kenderhook July 25th 1759 then Josiah Muhhuttauwee
the Signer of this Deed Personally appeared before me &
freely Acknowledged the Same to be his act and Deed

Anthony Quakmbouss Justice Peace

Rec^d Aug^t 31th 1759 & Recorded from the original
Edw^d Pynchon Reg^r

All unsold lands in Berkshire County, west of the
source of the Westfield River, except Stock-
bridge, West Stockbridge, Richmond
and part of Lenox

HAMPDEN COUNTY RECORDS

Liber 4; Folio 833

Know all men by these presents that we Benjamin Kokh-
kewenaunaut Chief Sachem of the Mohhekunnuck River
Indian or Housatunnock Tribe John Pophnehonnuhwoh
alias Konkaupot, Jacob Cheeksonkun David Naunaunee-
kaunuck Solomon Uhhuhwawnuhmut Robert Nungkauwot
John Naunauphtaunk Gentlemen Johannis Mhtocksins In-
terpreter Mokkhowwowweet Ephraim Waunaunqueen, Isaac
Wepuckshuh Daniel Poochose Daniel Quans Ephraim Paum-
pkhaunhaum, Timothy Yokun, Joseph Quinnaquaunt Hen-
drick Pooponkseet Nimham Jonas Etuakom Waunaunmpeh
all of the said Mohheekkunnuck River Indian or Housatun-
nock tribe Inhabitants and Residents of Stockbridge in the
County of Berkshire and Province of the Massachusetts
Bay in new England Indian Hunters and Claimers of the
land lying in the Western part of the said Province of the
Massachusetts Bay from the Great River called Hudsons
River on the west part and a River called Westfield River
on the East part For and in Consideration of the Sum of
Eighteen hundred pounds Lawfull money of said Province
of the Massachusetts Bay Granted and truly to us in hand
paid by the Great and General Court of said Province of the
Massachusetts Before the Ensealing and delivery of these
presents The Receipt whereof we acknowledge and our-
Selves fully Satisfyed of every part and parcel thereof:
Have Given Granted Sold Released and Quit Claimed and
by these presents for ourselves our Heirs and in the Name
and behalf of the said Mohheekkunnuck River or Housa-
tunnock tribe of Indians do forever give grant Sell Release
and Quit Claim unto the said Great and General Court of

the Province of the Massachusetts Bay to their Grantees or assigns (with the Exception and Reservation hereafter made) all that Tract or parcell of land lying and being within the said Province of the Massachusetts Bay, bounding North on the Divisional line between said Province of Massachusetts Bay and the Province of New Hampshire South on the Divisional line between Said Province of the Massachusetts Bay and the Collony of Connecticut being fifty miles more or less to bound on the west Twelve miles East of said Hudsons River or otherways where the dividing line Shall or may be Established or Settled between the said Province of the Massachusetts Bay and the Province of New York on the Utmost limits west of the said Massachusetts Province and to bound East on the aforesaid Westfield River being thirty Six miles in breadth more or less with all our Rights Claims and Rights and Claims of any of the said Mohheekkunnuck River or Housatunnock Indians: To Have and To Hold the said Granted and bargained premises with the Soil Timber Hunting Grounds and all the Priviledges and appurtenances thereto belonging or any ways appertaining only Excepting and reserving for our Selves and our Heirs the Town of Stockbridge as granted and patented by former great and General Court and also a Tract of Land adjoining to the North part of said Stockbridge bounding East on said Housatunnock River South on the North line of said Stockbridge North on the South line of Pittsfield to run west to the Province of New York Saving to the said Great and General Court Such Tracts of lands as have been heretofore Granted within the last described Tract or parcel of Reserved land. we the Said Benjamin Jacob John David Solomon Robert John Johannis Mohk-kauwauweet Ephraim Timothy Joseph Hendrick Nimham Jonas Eliakim Waunaumpeh by these presents for our Selves and our Heirs forever Releasing and quitting all our Claims Right Title and Interest of and unto all our Claims of any lands lying and being within the said Province of the Massachusetts Bay to the Great and General Court only Saving to our Selves the above Excepted and Reserved lands to them their Grantees and assigns forever. As Witness our hands and Seals this twelfth Day of January annoque Dom one thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty three in the

third Year of the Reign of George the third King of Great Britain etc.

Benj^a Keukewenaunaut & Seal
 John (his * mark) Pophnehonnauheook & Seal
 Jacob Cheeksaunkun & Seal
 David (his * mark) Naunaneekaunuk & Seal
 Solomon Uhhuhwaunwaunuhmut & Seal
 Robert Nungkauwot & Seal
 John Naunuhphtauk & Seal
 Johannis Mtkosin & Seal (his * mark)
 Mohkhunwauweet & Seal
 Eph^m (his * mark) Waunnuanqueen & Seal
 Isaac (his * mark) Wepuckshuh & Seal
 Daniel (his * mark) Poochose & Seal
 Daniel (his * mark) Quans & Seal
 Ephraim Paumpkhaunhum & Seal
 Timothy Yokun & Seal
 Joseph Quinauquant
 Hendrick Poonkeet & Seal
 Jonas Etuakom & Seal
 Daniel (his * mark) Minek & Seal
 Wau (his * mark) Naupet & Seal

Signed Sealed and Delivered In Presence of
 Joseph Woodbridge
 Sam Brown Jun^r
 Tim^o Woodbridge

Berkshire SS. January y^e 12th 1763 Personally appeared the within named Benjamin Kokhkewenaunnaut John Pophnehonnuhwoh Jacob Cheeksonkun David Naunaunek-aunnuck Solomon Uhhuhwaunuhmut Robert Nungkauwaut John Naunauphtawuk Johannis Mhtocksin Mohkhowwauweet Ephraim Waunaunqueen Isaac Wepuakshuh Daniel Poochose Daniel Quans Ephraim Paumpkhaunhaum Timothy Yokon and Waunaumpah Signers and Sealers of the within Deed of Sale and Conveyance and acknowledged the Same to be their free act and Deed

Cor^m Tim^o Woodbridge Justice Peace

N.B. The Condition of the within Deed being Eighteen Hundred pounds it was agreed to take Seventeen hundred

pounds in Consideration of the within Deed and this Note
Entered by order of the House of Representatives

Att^rR Coten Cler Dom Rep.

Rec^d June 20th 1763 & Recorded from the original
By me Edw^d Pynchon Reg^{red}

Notes to the Preceding Deed

In May, 1762, Konkopot and other Indians of Stockbridge, sent a remonstrance to the General Court which was making arrangements to lay out and sell several large tracts of land in Western Massachusetts. The Indians claimed that they had previously complained against the granting of land never purchased from them, but had obtained no redress, although some seven years before a committee had been sent to Stockbridge to confer with them.

Thereupon another committee was appointed to go carefully into the matter, and June 1, 1763, they reported that the Indians had not shown sufficient evidence to support their title, and recommended that while in strict justice nothing was due them, that £1000 be appropriated to quiet them. This appropriation was made on the following day, but the amount was evidently not satisfactory as on June 10 it was increased to £1500, and February 17, 1763, another £200 was added. The controversy apparently continued until the eleventh hour, although the records are silent regarding the amount of £1800 first mentioned in the deed.

One other item concerning Berkshire lands should be mentioned here. Various historians have stated that in 1736 certain Stockbridge Indians gave to Governor Belcher a tract of land lying one mile on each side of the path from Housatonic to Westfield, being in all about fifty-two square miles. No official record can be found of such a transaction, and as a good part of such lands had previously been sold by them, the story is at least questionable.

At a meeting of the proprietors of Township No. 4 (Becket), August 26, 1752, a committee of three was appointed to treat with the Indians claiming their land and to make answer to the General Court to the Indians' petition. This would seem to refer to the prior remonstrance of which Konkopot spoke, and if so it would appear that he laid claim to land east of the head waters of the Westfield River, but the deed is evidence that such a claim was given little consideration.

Small Tract in Stockbridge

The following lease has no proper place in this volume, but is included as throwing an interesting light on the life of the Indians. It is from the original, which is endorsed on the back "Capt Williams Lease. A Valuable Mine now Minus."

Whereas it is Suspected a valuable Mine may be Discovered upon a Certain Tract or Parcel of Land now in Controversy between the Indians belonging to Stockbridge and Col Ephraim Williams of sd Stockbridge Lying in sd Town bounded Northerly on Sheffield old Line Easterly on Josiah Jones Land Southerly on ye rear of Williams Home Lot westerly on Land of Ephraim Williams Jur.

Therefore be it known to all Persons whom it may Concern that I Ephraim Williams of Stockbridge in the County of Hampshire Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England * * * * for and in Consideration of the * * * * of Westfield or any other Persons that Shall Discover Said mine Do Lease and Let out and have by these Presents Leased and Let out unto Thomas Dewey Israel Ashley of Westfield and Timothy Woodbridge of Stockbridge in sd County to them their Heirs and assigns the use and Improvement of one Half of sd Mine Contained within sd Land abovementioned So Long as it Shall be Judged valuable or worth Improving Provided it be Discovered within twelve months after the Date hereof—with the Profits and advantages that Shall arise thereon they making Proportionable Satisfaction for all Damages yt may accrue to ye * * * * on acct of sd mine and to Have Hold use occupy Possess and Enjoy the Same in the following manner and form viz the Said Timothy Woodbridge to have & hold one Eighth Part of sd mine and sd Thomas Dewey and Israel Ashley to Have and to Hold the Remaing Part of one Half sd mine to them their Heirs and associates with all ye Priviledges and Appurtenances thereto Belonging they Carrying on their Respective Proportion of the Charge & Cost that may or

Shall arise upon the Improvement of the Same and I the sd Ephraim Williams Do hereby Promise Covenant and Engage above Demised Premises viz sd mine to them the Said Thos Dewey Israel Ashley & Timo. Woodbridge & their Heirs & assigns in in manner & form as above sd with free Liberty to Search for occupy and Improve sd mine without any Let Trouble Hindrance Molestation Interruption & Denial from by or under me my Heirs and assigns or any Person or Persons Claiming the Same under me.

In Witness whereof I sd Ephraim Williams Have Hereunto Set my Hand and Seal this thirteenth Day of December in ye twenty fourth Year of his Majesties Reign Annoque Domini one Thousand Seven Hundred and fifty

Ephm. Williams

Signed and Delivered In Presence of
Josiah Williams
Elizabeth Williams

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