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**MSS-05-001 – Proprietor’s Records
Record Group 1 – Taunton, Massachusetts**

Historical & Biographical Note: Original Settlement of what would become Taunton began with the Cohannet Purchase in 1638/39. The first Purchasers and their shares appear in the Proprietor’s Records, and their names include Huxley, Williams, Wilson, Coy, Hall, Bryant, Slocum, Dean, Streete, Hoar, among others. The Records also include the names of “12 Shilling Men,” who paid into a Common Fund for the right to share in future land divisions. These names include Tisdale, Walker, Leonard, Lincoln, Thrasher and Babbitt. Earliest Industries include the first Gristmill, operated by Thomas Lincoln. A Sawmill on the Mill River was built in 1659 and operated by John Macomber and Henry Andrews. Equally important were the Herring/Alewives, and Millers were not allowed to restrict their passage in any way up the River.

Industrial advancement took shape in 1652 with the discovery of large deposits of bog iron along the Two Mile River. James and Henry Leonard set up a Bloomery on the Two Mile River, with additional Bloomeries created over ensuing years. The Leonard family flourished in Taunton, and John Adams referred to Taunton as “The Land of the Leonards.”

The center of life was the Meetinghouse, first constructed in 1647. Town Meetings, a basic element of Puritan life, were held at the Meetinghouse. The earliest Roster of Selectmen dates to 1645/46 and includes prominent citizens Henry Andrews, George Hall, Edward Case, William Parker, John Strong, Richard Williams, and Walter Dean.

Scope & Content Note: This collection is comprised of documents dating from 1640 through the early 1900s. These documents include, but are not limited to: tax records, land purchases, correspondence, town, church and government records.

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	7	Deed – Thomas King of Taunton to Thomas Leonard of Taunton – Land in Taunton near Fowling Pond and Plain and another parcel of land near the Plain – August 15, 1683
	8	Deed – James Leonard, Sr. of Taunton and Margaret, his wife, in payment of twenty hundred weight merchantable bar iron by Thomas Leonard, James Leonard Jr. and John Thrasher all of Taunton land in Taunton on both sides of a brook running into a pond belonging to the Iron Works on the Two Mile River -1684
	9	Deed – John Thrasher of Taunton to Robert Godfree of Taunton, land in Taunton near Fowling Point and the Saw Mill – March 10, 1686
	10	Deed – Peter Pitts Sr., of Taunton to Thomas Leonard Sr., of Taunton in payment of three hundred bar iron and 32 shillings, land in the 20 acre Division or Rumford Division in Taunton – October 15, 1689
	9 on back	Deed – Robert Godfree and Hannah, his wife, to Thomas Leonard, all of Taunton – 1686/7
	11	Deed – Nathaniel Smith Sr., of Taunton and Experience, his wife, to Daniel Mackcloklin of Taunton - 1695
	12	Deed – John Witherell of Taunton and Susana, his wife, to Thomas Leonard Sr., of Taunton ¼ share of a whole share of a fifty third part of the whole North Purchase – May 1692
	13	Deed – Samuel Hall Jr., and Elizabeth, his wife, of Taunton to Thomas Leonard Sr., of Taunton land and ½ purchase right in and of Taunton – January 25, 1694/5
	14	Deed – Joseph Palmer of Little Compton, in the County of Bristol, to Joseph Allen of Dartmouth, Wheelright land in Portsmouth – May 13, 1690
	15	Deed of Gift – James Walker Sr., of Taunton to Daughters Dorothy Walker and Hannah Walker, both of Taunton, land in

		Assonet Neck and other items – November 3, 1690
2	16	Quit Claim – Isaac Dean and Hannah Dean of Taunton from brother Thomas Leonard, Administrator of the Estate of their Father, James Leonard, land in North Purchase and near Fowling Pond – December 31, 1694
	17	Deed – John Thrasher and Mary, his wife, both of Taunton to Thomas Leonard Sr., and James Leonard, both of Taunton ¼ part of Saw Mill and land on the brook between the Fowling Pond and Pond belonging to the Iron Works – April 23, 1694
	18	Deed – Robert Godfree of Taunton and Hannah, his wife, to Thomas Leonard Sr., of Taunton land along the road to Bridgewater, near the Iron Works, with the unusual attachments/stipulations – March 21, 1695/6
	19	Deed – Thomas Burt of Taunton to John Reed of Taunton land on the west side of the Taunton River in the South Purchase – March 21, 1689
	20	Deed – Samuel Hall Jr., of Taunton, son and heir and John Hall, Husbandman of Taunton, Executor of the Estate of Samuel Hall and Nicholas Moorey of Taunton land in the South Purchase at Broad Cove – July 30, 1696
	21	Deed – Bartholomew Tipping of Taunton to Samuel Danforth of Taunton, land in Taunton near Mill River and Great Plain – May 30, 1688
	22	Deed – John Crane of Taunton to Thomas Leonard Sr., of Taunton a covenant/easeway for cart way thru John Crane's land near Fowling Pond – December 15, 1694
	23.1	Quit Claim Deed – John Caswell of Taunton and Elizabeth, his wife, to Thomas Leonard Sr., of Taunton – May 24, 1692
	23.2 on back of above	Deed – Thomas Caswell Sr., of Taunton to his son, John Caswell 2 acres of land in Taunton both sides of a run of water called Pools Brook near the Iron Works - February 7, 1692
	24	Grant – Capt. William Southworth of Little Compton, and John Roberts grant liberty to Jonobus, Sam Parnobus and other Indians to plant corn - May 29, 1700
	25	Deed – John Tisdale of Taunton to William Makepeace of Freetown, land at Cotley in Taunton – June 28, 1701
	26	Deed – Stephen Leonard of Taunton, Bloomer, to Samuel Leonard of Taunton, Bloomer ¼ share in Iron Works formerly owned by Joseph Wilbore, deceased, of Taunton February 1, 1705
	27	Deed – John Caswell of Taunton to Thomas Leonard Sr. of Taunton land near Stage Pond - 1694
	28	Deed – William Snellum of Taunton and Sarah Snellum, his wife, to Nicholas Smith of Taunton 15 acres of land in Taunton within the last division of land – July 14, 1703
	29	Deed – Edward Tyng of Boston to Thomas Leonard Sr. of Taunton, 1 Whole Share in Iron Works in Taunton formerly of Mr. Edward Tyng, deceased, Grandfather of the present Edward Tyng. Signature of Samuel Sewell at bottom.

		November 30, 1711
2	30	Deed – Samuel Caswell of Taunton to Thomas Leonard Jr., of Taunton 18 acres of undivided land in Taunton December 14, 1714
	31	Deed – Samuel Lincoln Sr. of Taunton, Husbandman to son Daniel Lincoln, land near Mr. Gilbert’s pond and ¼ part undivided land in Taunton – August 1714
	32	Deed – Joshua Atherton of Norton to Ensign Samuel Leonard of Taunton, a parcel of land in Taunton North Purchase/Norton near Briggs’ Farm – August 15, 1717
	33	Deed – Ephraim Hathaway of Dighton Husbandman, to son Ephraim Hathaway in Dighton – December 30, 1715
	34	Confirmation – Description of Saconnet Land Bounds and list of people with “Rights” to land division - 1673
	35	Confirmation of Rehoboth boundaries – July 7, 1685
	36	Contract – Eliezer Fisher of Taunton and Silvanus Campbell of Taunton for Eliezer Fisher to build a house for Campbell - 1697
	37	Appointment – Judge John Saffin appoints Executors for the Estate of Robert Crossman, deceased, of Taunton September 11, 1695
	38	Obligation – of Bill to James Cudworth of Freetown – August 28, 1706
	39	Lease – Malachi Holloway of Taunton, Yeoman to Nicholas Morey, lease of Iron Works on Assonet River in Freetown – March 29, 1709
	40	Will – of William Forbes of Little Compton, County of Bristol, Province of Massachusetts Bay - 1712
	41	Agreement – Malachy Holloway of Taunton, Nathaniel Holloway and Timothy Holloway both of the Taunton Iron Works on Assonet River, Freetown – October 29, 1707
	42	Deed – Proprietors of North Purchase set aside land for Mill to John Hall of Norton and Josiah Pratt of Taunton – April 28, 1716
	43	Deed – Nathaniel Holloway of Taunton, Husbandman to Timothy Holloway of Dighton, Husbandman land in Taunton March 17, 1714/15
	44	Deed – Nehemiah Lincoln of Taunton to Capt. Samuel Leonard of Raynham, Yeoman Right to undivided land in the North Purchase – November 13, 1732
	45	Deed – Josiah Winslow of Easton, Yeoman to Lt. Eliphalet Leonard of Easton, Gentlemen land in Easton near Cranberry Meadow – December 21, 1733
	46	Deed – John Hodges, Nathaniel Hodges, Samuel Hodges, William Hodges, Nathan Hodges land in North Purchase – Great Cedar Swamp – January 10, 1722/23
	47	Will – Philip Walker of Rehoboth, Yeoman – March 15, 1739
	48	Deed – Seth Briggs of Attleboro, Yeoman to Daniel Braman of Norton, Yeoman land in Attleboro – March 10, 1740/41

2	49.1	Administration – of Major Thomas Leonard’s Will. John Leonard and Samuel Leonard, sons and Executors – February 5, 1713/14
	49.2	Inventory – of goods, chattel and credits of Major Thomas Leonard, Gentleman, deceased - 1713
	50.1	Bill of Sale – George Williams of Raynham, Gentleman to Silvester Jones of Taunton, Mariner, ¼ part share of a sloop named Union. Signed by Hodijah Baylies, Collector of Dighton July 3, 1794
	50.2	Grant – General Court of Plymouth grants lands to Purchasers or Old Comers - 1640
	51.1	Obligation – of Tomas Coram, residing in Taunton, Shipwright to Eleazer Walker of Taunton, Yeoman regarding obligation between Thomas Coram and Peter Walker re: processing timber in Dighton – July 10, 1700
	51.2	Court Case – Thomas Coram of Taunton vs. Peter Walker of Taunton to answer to damages in not fulfilling a bargain or covenant for procuring timber, agree to arbitration June 20, 1700
	52.1	Court Case – Regarding case of Jonathan Briggs of Taunton July 11, 1715
	52.2	Court Case – Town of Taunton – John Hathaway of Freetown and Richard Winslow of Freetown regarding care of Jonathan Briggs of Taunton – July 20, 1715
	53	Court Case – Town of Taunton – John Hathaway of Freetown and Richard Winslow of Freetown regarding care of Jonathan Briggs of Taunton – August 1715
	54	Deed – William Wetherell Sr., of Norton to his daughter Hannah (Wetherell) Briggs of Norton, land in Norton December 21, 1724
	56	Sale of Pew – David P. Round of Rehoboth to John Wilmark of Norton – one Church pew in the Meeting House NE part of Rehoboth – June 13, 1832
	57	Warrant – Notice to Nathaniel Smith to collect tax in Middleboro and Taunton precincts for the County of Plymouth February 8, 1734
	58	Land Grant – Plymouth Colony Assonet Lands to Inhabitants of Taunton – Mr. Hooke, Mr. Street, and Mrs. Poole - 1639
	59.1	Six copies of various Land Grants by the General Court of Plymouth County – 1662 thru 1682
	59.2	Assessors of Town of Raynham to tax the ratable male Polls and Estates of Raynham to pay the Minister, building of the Meeting House, books for Town use, and to pay Reverend Wales - 1731
	60	Grant – Confirmation of land grants in the Town of Taunton in the Government of New Plymouth. A Committee chosen to ratify Town Orders and Grants – January 21, 1678 List of Purchasers and Proprietors and their “Rights” May 14, 1675
	61	Court Case – Arbitrators award in the case of Thomas Coram of Taunton vs. Peter Walker of Taunton – July 28, 1700

2	62a	Deborah Macey request for land near Winnacunnet, Norton No Date
	62b	Land laid out to George Watson – Scaddings 1691/2
	62c	Land laid out to John Leonard of Bridgewater – Cranberry Meadow in Taunton North Purchase – July 12, 1692
	62d	Ensign Increase Robinson, John Hall, Samuel Phillips, Thomas Williams, and Benjamin Leonard to pay Thomas Leonard, Clerk of the North Purchase – May 1, 1691
	63.1	Land Grant – to Henry Andrews at Squabinansit January 10, 1669
	63.3	Land Record of James Leonard – May 24, 1666
	63.5	Notice to Proprietors of the North Purchase for a meeting. May 1691
	63.2	Land Grant – to James Leonard Sr., on the Fowling Pond Brook June 5, 1684
	63.4	Land Grant – to Peter Walker, swamp at the head of the Two Mile Meadow – December 17, 1689
	64a	Land Grant – Naming of a Committee of 7 men to grant land and to uphold the recording and granting of land previously voted upon – February 5, 1695/96
	64b	Land Grant – to Jabez Pratt in Taunton North Purchase - 1697
	64c	Laying out of Land, 5 th Lot, in the Great Cedar Swamp in Taunton 1695/96
	64d	Laying out of Land, 5 th Lot, in the Great Cedar Swamp 1695/96
	65a	Laying out of Land in Taunton North Purchase to Abial Whitman near Cranberry Meadow – June 14, 1699
	65b	Laying out of Land - Cotley-Rumford Division and 50 acre Division to Benjamin Williams, the son of Joseph Williams, deceased - 1704
	65c	Laying out of Land in Taunton North Purchase – 2 quarters of a lot, one to Nicholas White, 10 th lot, the other to Nicholas Smith, 44 th lot that was the right of Mrs. Jane Gilbert – 1698/99
	65d	Agreement – 7 th Lot in the Great Cedar Swamp in Taunton North Purchase not to improve until those involved further agree. 1699/70
	65e	Land Grant – to Joseph Jones Sr., 60 acre Division in Taunton 1704
	66a	Land Grant – Taunton North Purchase, 17 th Lot New River, near Chartley to Jabez Pratt and Joseph Willis Jr. September 12, 1698
	66b	Land Grant – Taunton North Purchase to James Harris, near Cranberry Meadow – March 26, 1705/06
	66c	Land Grant – Taunton North Purchase land to Jabez Pratt April 10, 1699
	66d	Land Grant – Taunton North Purchase land in 47 th Lot to Abiah Whitman, land situated between North Purchase and

		Bridgewater – September 17, 1700
2	66e	Land Grant – in Cranberry Meadow/Taunton North Purchase to daughters of Roger Chandler, deceased – June 10, 1697
	67a	Uriah Leonard desires land – 1701/02
	67b	Receipt – for surveying land of John Watson - 1706
	67c	Land Pitch – Thomas Stephens desires land - 1710
	67d	Land Pitch – John Wetherell desires land - 1710
	67e	Land Grant – Samuel Stacey – 1710/11
	67f	Land Grant – John Spur - 1702
	67g	Land Pitch – William Hoskins desires land - 1710
	67i	Land Pitch – Joseph Williams desires land - 1710
	67j	Land Pitch – Edward Leonard desires land - 1710
	68a	Land Pitch – John Barney desires land – January 8, 1710
	68b	Land Pitch – Nicholas Smith desires land – January 15, 1710/11
	68c	Land Pitch – Jeremiah Wetherell desires land – August 16, 1710
	68d	Land Grant – Robert Cossman – January 1, 1710/11
	68e	Land Pitch – Thomas Gilbert desires land - 1711
	68f	Land Pitch – Samuel Allen desires land – January 1710
	68g	Land Pitch – Samuel Allen desires land – September 6, 1710
	68h	Land Pitch – Richard Godfrey desires land - 1710
	69a	Land Grant – James Leonard – 1710/11
	69b	Land Grant – Seth Caswell - 1715
	69c	Land Grant – Edward Richmond land laid out - 1720
	70a	Land Record – Land surveyed and boundary lines of South Purchase laid out – July 11, 1716
	70b	Land Grant – Jabez Pratt land laid out in North Purchase March 25-26

2	71.1	Land Records – of the children of Joseph Williams, late of Taunton - 1702
	71.2	Land Records – of Mr. John Pool of Boston, late of Taunton 1697
	72.1	Land Grant – on the Right that was John Gingill's, late of Taunton - 1702
	72.2	Court Case – Copy: Seth Briggs and Nathaniel Linkon Plea: Re questions on land Richard Stacey mortgaged – No Date
	73	Deed – John Gingil of Wills Hills, Massachusetts to John Smith Sr., of Taunton for 4 and 20 pounds of sheep wool, 1 full ¼ Right in the Town of Taunton - 1671
	74b	Difficult to read – signed by John Smith – No Date
	74a	Receipt – signed by Thomas Church, Bristol Court Expenses 1733
	75a	Recognizance – Thomas Harvey Jr., John Crossman, and Thomas Harvey all of Taunton, Bond of 30 pounds to Court for Thomas Harvey to appear at Court next October for complaint against Nathaniel Stephens of Taunton – September 23, 1708
	75b	Constable Accounts for Swansea, Rehoboth, and Little Compton May 29, 1690
	75c	Recognizance – Johannah Smith/Spinster, the wife of William Smith/Laborer of Taunton bound to Court, 5 pounds and Ebenezer Wood /Weaver and Samuel Smith/Laborer of Taunton held bound to the good behavior of Johannah Smith until next ¼ session of Court – June 18, 1730
	76a	Recognizance – Thomas Richmond and John Richmond, both of Taunton bound themselves, that Thomas Richmond appear at Bristol Court the next quarter/second Tuesday in April to appear and give evidence against Abel Burt – March 14, 1692/3
	76b	Warrant – Sheriff or Marshall to summon Ebenezer Paul/Husbandman of Taunton, to appear before Thomas Leonard, Justice of the Peace, to the charge of not paying Samuel Thrasher, Jr./Weaver of Taunton for weaving. The amount of 9 shillings, 4 pence for 16 yards of woolen cloth. November 3, 1711
	76c	Warrant – Constable of Taunton to summon Silvanus Campbell of Taunton North Purchase to appear before T. Leonard, Justice of the Peace, to answer to the case of Jane Cobb, widow of Taunton, money owed to her for her son Morgan Cobb's work in hay making – May 7, 1700
	77a	Court Case – Attachment of goods or estate of Joseph Gray, Jr./Husbandman of Taunton in a plea of debt to Ensign Edward Mitchell/Husbandman of Bridgewater – February 28, 1705/6
	77b	Court Case – James Tisdale/Blacksmith of Taunton received judgement against Nathaniel Perdue/Shipwright, who lately did work at Zebulon – October 2, 1702
	78	Legal Meeting of the Proprietors of the North Purchase to settle the problem of Purchasers who are damaged in their Land Division by the running of the boundary line between the North

		Purchase and Dorchester – October 15, 1716
2	79	Determining the Boundary Line between Taunton and the North Purchase – September 28, 1708
	80	Articles of Agreement – between Peter Walker/Yeoman of Taunton and Thomas Coram/Shipwright. Peter Walker to supply lumber for the building of a ship – January 11, 1700/01
	81.1	Articles of Agreement – To build a Meeting House upon the land of Samuel Leonard - 1728
	81.2	Articles of Agreement – between John White, Jonathan Shaw and Benjamin Shelly, all of Raynham, to build and maintain a Saw Mill – March 10, 1738/39
	82	Province Tax Bill for Raynham – October 28, 1756
	83	Request for support to the Selectmen of Raynham for a Negro woman and child – March 6, 1770
	84.1	Appointment of James Dean/Yeoman of Easton as Deputy Sheriff of Bristol County by Zeph. Leonard/Sheriff of Raynham March 15, 1803
	84.2	Letter from Daniel King to a Selectman dated in Freetown regarding a proposed visit – March 31, 1757
	84.3	Letter from Israel Washburn advising Deacon Elizah Leonard that Mr. Reed will preach at a meeting held at Mr. Washburn’s home – February 14, 1768
	85.1	Raynham Tax List for 1770 – Assessors List
	85.2	Request to panel a jury in the death of Thomas Burt of Taunton July 1, 1697
	86	Deed – Joseph Curtis of Norton to Joshua Kent of Swansea for land in Norton – November 2, 1715
	87.1	Selectmen of Dighton to the Court regarding stocks and a whipping post – April 13, 1714
	87.2	Land Record – List of last division of land in the South Purchase, lots drawn on January 23, 1690 with list of Proprietors 1719
	88.1	Warrant – Notice given to Constable of Taunton, by the Assessors, to collect tax - 1710
	88.2	Court Case – Edward Shove/Weaver of Dighton stand bound to Stephen Mumford/Merchant of Newport, Rhode Island for the sum of 14 pounds, 9 shillings – 1718/19
	89.1	Laying out of highway in Dighton - 1713
	89.2	Appeal – to the General Court by the Town of Swansea to have Dighton made the County Seat and not Taunton – No Date
	90.1	Petition – Inhabitants of the East Side of Taunton River request to become a Township by themselves – 1708/09
	90.2	Obligation – Samuel Pratt of “Middleberry” bound to Benjamin Ellery/Merchant of Newport – for the sum of 14 pounds, 9 shillings – April 19, 1717

2	91.1	Letter – to Justices of Court of General Sessions regarding Robert Crossman’s dam and passage of alewives August 4, 1711
	91.2	Petition – to the Court of General Sessions regarding Thomas Jones of Dighton for Innholders License - 1719
	92.1	Bond of Capt. Thomas Leonard – November 18, 1691
	92.2	Recognizance – Samuel Conecticoat, an Indian, of Swansea bonded to appear before the Justice of the Peace, to prosecute his complaint against Moses Pumkem, an Indian, for stabbing him – 1709/10
	93.1	Land Record – General Court requesting the bounds of Freetown be determined – November 2, 1697
	93.2	Warrant – James Cudworth, Constable requested to serve on a Court jury – No Date
	94	Writ – Sheriff commanded to attach the goods or estate of Josiah Winslow of Freetown and to hold him until the next session of Inferior Court of Common Pleas to answer to John Bagley, of Freetown, complaint – May 23, 1695
	95	Major. Walleyes commission to Joseph Smith – cover only. Commission missing from page - 1694
	96.1	Court Case – Samuel Lee/Shipwright of Swansea suit against John Cleveland of Freetown – February 4, 1737
	96.2	Obligation – David Williams of Taunton, Seth Williams of Taunton, and Samuel Caswell of Norton bonded that David Williams, Coroner of Bristol County perform the duties of Coroner – April 10, 1744
	97.1	Letter – from David Howard of Bridgewater to his parents concerning religious matters – December 3, 1741
	97.2	Court Case – Edward Curtis of Bridgewater regarding payment of a debt – November 1758
	98	Land Record – Plymouth, Certificate of Conformation to Capt. Richard Morris – a certain neck of land called Nunnaquaquatt Neck, or Pockasett (copy) – March 8, 1659
	99	Assessors List for the Town of Easton - 1755
	100	Arbitrators Award – concerning Thomas Coram/Shipwright of Boston, formerly of Taunton and Eleazer Walker/Yeoman of Taunton July 8, 1700
	101.1	Petition – to General Court for a Township by the Inhabitants of the Old Town of Taunton and Taunton North Purchase for the maintenance of a Minister as many live at least 5 miles from Taunton Meeting House - 1709
	101.2	Grant – Taunton North Purchase granted by General Court to the Township of Norton that the Eastern Part, when ready, become their own Town – 1710/11
	102.1	Indenture – John Briggs, Sr./Husbandman of Norton bound to Giles Gilbert/Gentleman of Taunton - 1714

2	102.2	Court Case – Jonathan Linkon/Tithing Man for the Town of Norton, complaint against John Hodges of Norton - 1719
	104.1 a,b,c	Court Order – An Act for regulating the choice of Selectmen, Constables, and other Officers in the respective Towns within this Dominion - 1687
	104.2	Court Order – An account of the charges of the Committee, by order of the Great and General Court, sent to Bristol to remove the Records from Bristol to Taunton – November 18, 1746
	105.1	Letter – Benjamin Roberson of Attleboro to Capt. Thomas Leonard – April 1712
	105.2	License – to Mr. William Slack to keep a Publick House of Entertainment – May 27, 1713
	106.1	Land Record – Table showing the amount of acres of different description of real estate in the County of Bristol from the returns of assessors of towns listed, taken for the valuations of 1831
	106.2	Court Order – Vindication of Bristol County Justices. Mr. Wilkins of Bristol claimed he was denied benefit of Jury - 1831
	107.1	Court Order – Court of General Sessions adjourned until May 6, 1741. Decision regarding Land Bank – 1740/41
	107.2	Deposition – Ebenezer Tilley witness against Edward Briggs, Bristol County – April 10, 1693
	108	The Bloomery – List of original Share Holders and amounts No Date
	109	List of Clerks of the Iron Works 1656-1683, amounts paid out each year and brief unusual happenings yearly
	110	Map showing Iron Forge and surrounding area from description in a Deed – No Date
	111	Inventory – of the Estate of Capt. Nathan Hayman, Mariner late of Bristol - 1689
	112-113	Notes and list written by E.C.L. regarding shares in the Iron Works according to Thomas Leonard's list – c.1680
	114-115	More notes related to the Iron Works as above, written by E.C.L. No date
	116.1	Iron Works Record – signed by James Leonard (difficult to read) May 8, 1684
	116.2	Iron Works Record – Signed by Susannah Linkon (right side torn away) No Date
	116.3	Iron Works Record – Capt. Leonard requested to give to Nathaniel Hayward of Bridgewater 100 pounds of Iron on the account of William Harvey – January 20, 1689
	116.4	Iron Works Record – Thomas Leonard requested to pay 6 shillings from account of Thomas Richmond -1690
	116.5	Iron Works Record – Captain Leonard requested to pay from account of John Gall - 1690
	116.6	Iron Works Record – Mr. Thomas Leonard requested to pay in iron from the account of Peter Noyes to Thomas Brintall of Sudbury. At the bottom of the note is the receipt of same signed by Brintnall – September 24, 1692

2	116.7	Iron Works Record – Ensign Thomas Leonard requested to pay Shadrack Wilbore from the account of Richard Godfree, Jr. December 17, 1686
	117.1	Receipt – of Iron Works shares for years 1699-1703 signed by Phillip Withington – March 27, 1705
	117.2	Order – from Elijah Leonard to Meshach Wilbore for coal delivered to the Iron Works in Raynham – October 10, 1751
	118.1	Iron Works Record – Thomas Leonard requests Mr. Robinson to collect payments – October 22, 1681
	118.2	Iron Works Record – Edward Cobb gives credit on Iron Works books to John Macomber – November 13, 1703
	118.3	Notice – to the Sheriff of Bristol County- complaint of Ebenezer Pitts of Taunton against Stephen and Anna Marich of Taunton for refusal to acknowledge deed sale of share in Iron Works October 22, 1703
	118.4	Iron Works Record – Elkanah Leonard gives credit to John King November 10, 1707
	118.5	Iron Works Record – Sam Parris and others direct Capt. Thomas Leonard to give partial shares to Mr. Thomas Brintnall of Sudbury – June 13, 1704
	118.6	Iron Works Record – Thomas Leonard requests Ebenezer Pitts to give 1 ½ bushels of sale to Ebenezer Camball – 1707
	118.7	Iron Works Record – Joseph Dean requests Major Leonard to deliver Lt. Ebenezer Pits 500 of Iron – May 3, 1711
	119.1	Difficult to Read – Capt. Thomas Leonard – No Date
	119.2	Iron Works Record – Capt. Thomas Leonard requested to give 24 shillings and 2 pence in Iron to Samuel Danforth January 1703
	119.3	Iron Works Record – Thomas Williams requests Capt. Leonard to pay E. Smith of Bridgewater 100 of Iron – December 5, 1704
	119.4	Iron Works Record – Samuel Richmond receives of Thomas Leonard Sr. eighteen shillings by order of Abel Burt – March 31, 1704
	119.5	Iron Works Record – Bill to Thomas Brinnet for work done at the Chartley Iron Works by George Leonard – November 23, 1705
	119.6	Iron Works Record – Mr. Thomas Leonard requested to deliver to Mr. Robert Crossman 202 pounds of iron by Benedict Arnold of Newport, Rhode Island – September 15, 1687
	119.7	Iron Works Record – Thomas Leonard requests Mr. Tipping to pay Thomas Jones, Jr. in Iron – September 23, 1685
	119.8	Iron Works Record – Capt. Thomas Leonard requested to deliver to John King 23 shillings Iron by John Smith - 1702
	119.9	Iron Works Record – Mr. Jonathan Hoskins to pay Capt. Leonard in Iron – May 13, 1702
	119.10-.18	Iron Works payments to Capt. Leonard
	120	Grant – to Thomas Leonard, Sr. and James Leonard, Sr. both of Taunton to build Iron Works in Taunton North Purchase December 6, 1695

2	121	Deed – Joseph Dean of Taunton to Bartholomew Tipping of Taunton – land in Taunton – March 2, 1684/5
	122	Writ – to Sheriff of Bristol County to attach the goods and estate of Robert Crossman, continuing controversy over Mill River passage of alewives – September 22, 1701
	123	Deed – Osamequin and Wamsetto, his eldest son to Thomas Price/Gentleman, Thomas Willets/Gentleman, Josiah Winslow/Gentleman, and others, inhabitants of Plimouth jurisdiction – March 29, 1653
	124	Petition – to the Justices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas against Robert Crossman. Said Crossman has stopped the salt water fish called alewives from passing up Taunton Mill River October 8, 1707
	126	Court Order – To the Selectmen of Taunton and Robert Crossman from the Court of General Sessions – April 1701
	126a	As above – some names are different. To the Selectmen of Taunton and Robert Crossman from the Court of General Sessions - 1701
	127	Deed – King Philip (Metacom) to Taunton Inhabitants - 1672
	128.1	Note – John Grany to Capt. Leonard regarding payment to James Reid – January 16, 1690
	128.3	Writ – Capt. William Southworth, John Rogers/Yeoman of Duxbury, and Capt. William of Little Compton to appear before the Justices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas - Capt. Benjamin Church and Mr. William Fobes regarding land dispute in Little Compton – March 8, 1702/03
	129.2	Warrant – To either of the Constables of Taunton to collect fine due from Jonah Simon/Indian or if unable to pay, bring him before Thomas Leonard – May 28, 1702
	129.3	Court Case – Nicholas Moorey, plaintiff – Bill of cost against Jonah Simon/Indian, defendant (Paper torn) – June 23, 1702
	130.1	Indian Preacher's appeal for books – September 11, 1725
	130.2	Court Case – John Digfeller – Indian testimony regarding Assawamsett Neck lands – March 20, 1706/07
	130.3	Writ – Sheriff or Marshall of Bristol County to attach the goods or estate of Matthias Ahotton/Indian and bring him before Thomas Leonard, Justice of the Peace, to answer to Samuel Hall of Middleboro for money owed – December 20, 1704
	131	Deed – Job Staunton/Indian of Middleboro, land in Titticut Precinct for the settlement of a Gospel Ministry, to inhabitants of Titticut Precinct - 1750
	132.1	Petition – to Senate and House of Massachusetts to sell land by two Indians of Middleboro to pay their debts – May 16, 1786
	132.2	Deed of Sale – Jacob Prior, of the Township of Bergen in New Jersey, sells to Helmeugh VanHouta, of the Township of Bergen, a Negro man named Will, age about 20 years – February 22, 1812
	133.1	Deed of Sale – Jonathan Lawrence of Rehoboth to Constant Carpenter of Attleboro, a Negro man named Seafer, about 22

		years of age – March 28, 1753
2	133.2	Deed of Sale – Widow Marcy Houghton, of Worcester County, to Barock Balom, of Bristol County, a Negro boy whose name is Pompy -January 1740/41
	133.3	Deed of Sale – Commonwealth of Virginia settlement due from an Estate. On back – Negro man by name Davy not delivered according to bond – May 13, 1797
	134.1	Deed of Sale – Jonathan Wilson/Yeoman of Newport, Rhode Island to George Leonard/Bloomer of Norton – one Negro woman named Prinah– October 11, 1727
	134.2	Deed of Sale – Lydia Williams of Easton, Widow to James Dean/Yeoman of Easton, a Negro girl named Cate, age about 11 years – September 1, 1770
	135	Indenture – Betty Eoch, an Indian woman of an Indian Plantation called Titticut, her son of about 10 years as a yearly servant of apprentice to Thomas Leonard, Sr. and his wife Mary, for a period of eleven years – December 1, 1694
3	1	Facsimile – Warrant to execute Mary, Queen of Scots – 1587 signed by Elizabeth. The warrant outlines all crimes against the Crown – Difficult to read
	3	Facsimile – Warrant to Execute King Charles I - 1648
	4	Facsimile – Magna Carta - 1215
	7	Facsimile – English Commanders against the Spanish Armada 1588
	8	Facsimile – Elegy, written in a Country Churchyard By Thomas Gray 1750
	16	Catalogue of Students at Brown University – April 1, 1806
	21	Catalogue of the Officers and Students of Brown University with Bill payable to the Treasurer of Rhode Island College September 6, 1804
	23	Located in M863P
	27	Lines Composed on the Execution of W. Clement's, who was shot for desertion at Fort Independence on February 18, having been 4 times pardoned, but having deserted his Post was condemned to die
	29	Program – Consecration of Mount Pleasant Cemetery No Date
	30	Letter to Dr. Samuel Hopkins Emery from L.P. Morton, Ellerslie Rhinecliff-on-Hudson – September 13, 1894
	31.1	Letter to Dr. Emery from Vice President Hamlin re: addressing the Emery Family Association in Boston, sent from Bangor, Maine – May 11, 1887
	31.2	Letter to Dr. Emery from Levi P. Morton re: Donation of a photograph of himself, a descendant of the Pilgrim Fathers

3	39	Program – Order of Exercises at the Installation of the Reverend Andrew Bigelow over the First Congregational Church and Society in Taunton – April 10, 1833
	41	Ode – “Odes composed to be sung on the Anniversary of American Independence, at Plymouth – July 5, 1802
	43	Ballad – “The Lawyer’s Promotion” – No Date
	45	“4 th of July, 1873. Grand Spasmodic Twist of Ye-Antedeluvians and Emasculating Shiver-De-Freeze”
	47	Ballad – Young Gentleman’s Choice, to which is added the Young Lady’s Choice – No Date
	62	Appointment – Ira Sampson of Dighton appointed Justice of the Peace by George S. Boutwell, Governor – February 4, 1852
	63	Appointment – David Cobb of Gouldsbrough, Maine Appointed Justice of the Peace by William King, Governor – March 20, 1821
	65.1	Letter to Reverend Charles H. Brigham from George S. Boutwell August 16, 1852
	65.2	Letter to C. H. Brigham from [illegible] – October 2, 1849
	67.1	Letter to Samuel Hopkins Emery from the Hon. Caleb Cushing, House of Representatives – February 24, 1837
	67.2	Letter to Samuel H. Emery from Caleb Cushing, Newburyport November 18, 1836
	68	Letter to Samuel H. Emery from Caleb Cushing, Washington January 8, 1834
	69	Letter to Samuel Hopkins Emery from Rufus Church, Boston 1852
	70	Letter to Samuel H. Emery from S.C. Calhoun, Senate Chamber May 15, 1836
	71	Letter to “My dear brother Edward” from J. P. Chase, Cincinnati August 21, 1839
	73.1	Letter to Samuel H. Emery from the Honorable John David, Washington – April 3, 1852
	73.2	Letter to Samuel Hopkins Emery from Caleb Cushing February 22, 1837
	75.1	Letter to Charles H. Brigham from Edward Everett, Cambridge September 27, 1849
	75.2	Letter to Reverend Samuel Hopkins Emery from Edward Everett, Cambridge – April 5, 1847
	77.1	Letter to Charles H. Brigham from Edward Everett, Boston June 24, 1852
	77.2	Receipt of gift – 4 Volumes, to the Public Library of the University, Harvard College, Cambridge given by Reverend Charles H. Brigham. Signed by Edward Everett, President, the Corp. of the University – May 10, 1847
	79	Letter to Mr. E.W. Dean from E. Rockwood Hoar, Concord July 20, 1843
	81.1	Letter to Reverend Charles H. Brigham from Horace Mann, West Newton – October 22, 1849

3	81.2	Letter to Charles H. Brigham from Charles Francis Adams, Quincy – October 31, 1848
	83	Letter to Charles H. Brigham from Horace Mann, Boston November 2, 1846
	84	Note to Charles H. Brigham from Charles Sumner – December 7, 1848
	85.1	Note from Charles Sumner – No Date
	85.2	Letter from Charles Sumner – May 8, 1863
	87.1	Letter from Hon. Charles Sumner, New York – November 2, 1870
	87.2	Letter to S. H. Emery from Charles Sumner, Washington April 17, 1852
	90.1	Letter to C. H. Brigham from Robert Winthrop, Boston September 20, 1849
	90.2	Letter to C. H. Brigham from Josiah Quincy, Boston May 2, 1848
	91.1	Letter to S. H. Emery from Josiah Quincy, Washington April 4, 1893
	91.2	Letter to C.H. Brigham, Esq. from Josiah Quincy, Boston 1853
	92	Receipt of gift – “Supplement to The Bristol County Republican, April 21, 1865, containing sermons by Reverend Charles H. Brigham” from C. H. Brigham, signed by Robert Winthrop, President of the Massachusetts Historical Society April 21, 1865
	93.1	Letter to Reverend Samuel Hopkins Emery from Robert Winthrop, Boston – April 7, 1852
	93.2	Envelope addressed to C. H. Brigham Esq. from R. C. Winthrop, Boston – No Date
	95	Letter to Charles H. Brigham, Harvard University, Cambridge from a member of the House of Representatives [name cut out] May 16, 1836
	96.1	Letter to Reverend Samuel H. Emery from Daniel Webster March 5, 1857
	96.2	Letter to Reverend Samuel H. Emery from Fletcher [illegible], Boston – No Date
	97.1	Letter to Emery and Others from Daniel Webster, Washington December 7, 1833
	97.2	Envelope addressed to S.B. King, Esq. of Taunton from Daniel Webster, State Senate -
	100	Letter to Reverend C.H. Brigham from T.S. King, Charlestown, Massachusetts - October 11, 1828
	101	Letter to C. H. Brigham from T.S. King, Charlestown, Massachusetts – November 23, 1828
	106	Writ – by James Otis regarding Easton Deputy Sheriff [difficult to read] – May 8, 1757
	107	Letter written by Peter Oliver, Middleboro regarding an order of Iron – February 13, 1752

3	109	Letter to Mr. John W.D. Hall from Joseph H. Williams May 6, 1875
	110	Letter to Charles H. Brigham, Esq. from John A. Dix, New York November 22, 1852
	111.1	Letter to Charles H. Brigham, Esq. from John A. Dix, New York November 9, 1852
	111.2	Letter to Charles H. Brigham, Esq. from John A. Dix, New York November 19, 1852
	111.3	Letter from George D. Robinson, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Executive Dept., Boston – July 21, 1884
	138	Letter to Reverend Samuel H. Emery from N. Adams January 4, 1847
	139.1	Letter to Reverend Samuel H. Emery from N. Adams – No Date
	140.1	Letter to Reverend Samuel H. Emery from Leonard Bacon of New Haven – July 6, 1852
	140.2	Letter to Reverend Samuel H. Emery from P.T. Barnum, Cooperstown regarding Caleb Barnum – July 5, 1852
	141	Letter to Reverend Samuel H. Emery from Leonard Bacon of New Haven, regarding autographs of Mr. Street and Mr. Hooke June 24, 1852
	142.1	Letter from Phineas T. Barnum, American Museum, New York April 30, 1853
	143	Letter to the Editor of the Advocate Peace from Elihu Burrett of New Britian, Connecticut – March 3, 1871
	144.1	Letter to Reverend Samuel H. Emery from Clara Barton of Worcester, Massachusetts – October 3, 1866
	144.2	Letter to J.W.D. Hall, Esq., Librarian OCHS from George Barrcroft, Newport, Rhode Island – September 10, 1887
	145	Letter from Henry Ward Beecher of Brooklyn – recommendation from John Tundell/Organist of the Plimouth Church, Brooklyn July 23, 1859
	146.1	Letter from Henry Ward Beecher of Brooklyn - 1853
	146.2	Letter from Hon. Neal Dow of Portland – October 18, 1886
	149.1	Letter to Charles H. Brigham, Esq. from Horace Greeley of New York – November 10, 1848
	149.2	Letter to Charles H. Brigham, Esq., from Horace Greeley, Boston November 26, 1848
	150.1	Letter from Oliver W. Holmes, Boston – November 3, 1852
	150.2	Letter from Oliver W. Holmes, Boston – January 5, 18??
	151.1	Letter to Charles H. Brigham from Edward E. Hale, Worcester September 2, 1852
	151.2	Letter from Oliver Wendell Holmes, Boston – December 15, 1851
	152	Letter from Pres. Mark Hopkins, Williams College September 8, 1884

3	153.1	Letter from Oliver Wendell Holmes, Boston – November 27, 1853
	153.2	Letter from Oliver Wendell Holmes, Boston – March 31, 1888
	154.1	Letter to Charles H. Brigham from T.S. King, Boston February 14, 1851
	154.2	Letter to Charles H. Brigham from Edward E. Hale – July 11, 1866
	156	Letter to Samuel H. Emery from Robert Treat Paine, Boston - 1893
	157	Letter from A.P. Peabody, Portsmouth – August 28, 1851
	158.1	Receipt of gift from Reverend Charles H. Brigham for “An Address to the California Adventurers” from Jared Sparks, President, Harvard College, Cambridge – February 19, 1849
	158.2	Letter to Reverend S. Hopkins Emery from Charles Thomas Russell – May 10, 1852
	159.1	“Committees of Examination” Harvard College, James Walker President. Charles H. Brigham listed under Committee of Examination of the Latin Language – March 21, 1853
	159.2	“Order of Examinations” for Students of Harvard College, Jared Sparks President. List of Committees and those serving. Charles H. Brigham listed on the Committee for the Latin language June 2, 1852
	160.1	Receipt of gift “Biological Sketch of the Reverend Simeon Doggett” by the author Reverend Charles H. Brigham, To Harvard College signed by Jared Sparks – July 26, 1852
	160.2	Letter from R.S. Storrs– No Date
	161.1	“Order of Examination” for Students at Harvard College, Jared Sparks, President. List of Committees and those serving. Charles H. Brigham listed on the Committee for the Latin Language – December 13, 1852
	161.2	Receipt – “A Catalogue of Officers and Students of Bristol Academy 1851-52” from Reverend Charles Brigham, signed by Jared Sparks – August 5, 1852
	162	Letter to Samuel H. Emery from H.R. Stanton, Boston September 26, 18??
	163.1	Christmas card from Mary Scott Siddons – December 1879
	163.2	Letter from Moses Stuart, Andover – January 29, 1833
	164	Letter to Samuel H. Emery from H.R. Stanton – April 1, 18??
	165.1	Letter to Samuel H. Emery from H.R. Stanton, Boston - 1884
	165.2	Letter to Reverend Mr. Peter Thacher, Middleboro from Reverend Mr. Thomas Prince – June 30, 1743
	166.1	Letter to Reverend Samuel H. Emery from Dr. Leonard Woods, Andover - 1847

3	166.2	Letter to Reverend Samuel H. Emery from Dr. Wayland, Providence – June 27, 1852
	167	Notice to Selectmen of the Town of Taunton in the Third Southern District to call a meeting to assemble qualified voters with list of returns from the Third Southern District May 8, 1795
	169	Warrant – to John Williams/Constable or Collector of the Town of Taunton to collect tax or assessments totaling 64 pounds, sixteen shillings and to deliver said taxes to the State Treasury, signed by Harrison Gray, Esq., Treasurer and Receiver-General November 2, 1756
	171	A Brief – Appeal by Thomas Pownall, Governor of Massachusetts Bay, to send aid to the people of Boston after the Great Fire of March 20, 1760 – March 24, 1760
	176	The President’s Hymn, “Give Thanks, all ye People,” in response to the Proclamation of the President of the United States recommending a General Thanksgiving - 1863
	177	A Proclamation for a Publick Thanksgiving, November 25, 1773, by Thomas Hutchinson, Governor – October 28, 1773
	179	Proclamation for a Day of Public Thanksgiving, November 28, 1799, signed by Moses Gill, Esq., Lieut. Governor, Commonwealth of Massachusetts -
	181	Passport issued to Charles Gordon/Citizen by City of Washington/Department of State, United States of America May 11, 1835
	183.1	Proclamation – by President Abraham Lincoln to the people of the United States, for “A Day of Humiliation, Fasting, and Prayer” on the last Thursday in September, 1861. With Proclamation in response to above, by John A. Andrew, Governor, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, “A Day of Public Humiliation, Prayer, and Fasting...a speedy Restoration of Peace.” – August 12, 1861
	183.2	Proclamation – by Henry J. Gardner, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for “A Day of Fasting, Humiliation, and Prayer.” – March 12, 1856
	185	Proclamation – by an Act of the General Court, to make the 12 th day of February LINCOLN DAY, Curtis Guild, Jr., Governor 1906-1909, Commonwealth of Massachusetts