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ing lines from Homer and the sentiment they contain cannot but be felt by us all.

"Low lies that land, yet blessed with fruitful stores,  
Strong are her sons, tho' rocky are her shores,  
Yet none, ah! none so lovely to my sight,  
Of all the lands which heaven o'erspreads with light."

To return to one's birth place and find it become a city, with a doubled population, yet preserving the same love of order, quiet neatness and moral standing, as in its primitive days, is indeed a marvel. It surely presents for a residence every attraction to the old and middle aged that can make life happy, while its proximity to the noisy capital is such, that the young can easily avail themselves of its amusements.

The Historical associations too, of Salem, are second to none on the continent. The first place in which civil and religious liberty were duly installed by the first Governor Endicott, the clergy and laity, and thank God! the first meeting house has been preserved, and will, by the munificence of one of your members soon be placed on the grounds of Plummer Hall, and be visited by future generations to a remote age. Here, too, the first resistance to Royal authority was made. Gov. Gage's minions failed to dissolve the Colonial Assembly, then in session in Court Hall, adjoining the first Church—and here too, the first resistance was made at the North bridge—royal power was successfully repulsed when Leslie attempted to take our cannon. We are not in want of patriotic motives. Our army and navy show how Salem appreciates her blessings. "As much as I have wandered over the world, my heart and affections have always had their stationary points," and it is my happiness to believe that the few remaining friends of my earlier years will continue to be those of my old age.

"Where'er I roam, whatever realms I see,  
My heart, untravell'd, fondly turns to thee,"  
Salem, my birth place dear.

"And as the hare, whom hounds and horns pursue,  
Pants to the place from which at first it flew;  
I still had hopes, my long vexations past,  
Here to return, and die, at home, at last."

#### EXTRACTS FROM THE RECORDS OF TWO AQUEDUCT CORPORATIONS IN SALEM AND DANVERS.

COMMUNICATED BY HENRY WHEATLAND.

The record of these two corporations, though limited in their operations, and of short continuance, are interesting incidents in the history of the introduction of water into this city.

##### FRYE'S AQUEDUCT.

At a meeting of the Proprietors of the Horse Pasture (so called) legally called for the purpose, the 27th day of the 7th month (called July) 1796.

*Voted.* That the Petition of Daniel Frye be taken into consideration and acted upon which is as follows:

To the Proprietors of The Horse Pasture lying in Sa'em, the petition of Daniel Frye, sheweth, That your petitioner being desirous of supplying himself with water, Requests of said Proprietors the liberty of digging a well within the bounds of said Proprietary, near the head of Pope's Lane (so called) & to take rocks off said land to stone the same, & to dig & conduct the water by a subterraneous passage from said place towards his dwelling house, for which your petitioner is willing to make such compensation as may be judged reasonable.

DANIEL FRYE.

SALEM, July 13, 1796.

*Voted.* That the prayer of said petition be granted and that the said Daniel Frye have liberty to dig for water in said Proprietary in such place as he with the committee of the Pasture shall judge best, & that he have liberty to take rocks from said Proprietary to stone up the well, & that he may dig to convey the water toward his house, and that the committee be, & are empowered to agree what sum he shall pay to the proprietary for the privileges &c. herein granted, & that this grant shall be in force one hundred years from this date hereof. And the committee are directed to make report to the proprietors at the adjournment of this meeting.

*Voted.* that this meeting be & is adjourned to the first Monday in October at 7 o'clock P. M. at this place.

At a Meeting of the proprietors of said Horse Pasture duly warned & held the 30th day of the 3d month 1798.

The committee appointed on the subject of Capt. Daniel Frye's aqueduct Report.

That Capt. Daniel Frye pay into the hands of the clerk for the time being, the sum of fifty shillings for the rocks, and two dollars per annum for the privilege of the aqueduct, the money to be appropriated for the benefit of the proprietary.

The time to commence from the 18th day of November 1796.

Extracted from the Records of said Proprietary by

ISAAC HACKER  
*Prop. clerk*

To all People, we the Subscribers Inhabitants of the several towns of Salem and Danvers in the County of Essex and commonwealth of Massachusetts send greeting.

Whereas we have agreed to associate and become proprietors of a certain aqueduct called "Frye's Aqueduct," for the purpose of conveying fresh water by subterraneous or other pipes into the towns of Salem & Danvers aforesaid, and have, for the more convenient and advantageous management of said property, & for the more orderly conducting of our affairs relative to the same, deemed it advisable to associate ourselves into a company.

Now Know ye that for the purpose aforesaid we the subscribers have associated and do hereby associate & become Proprietors of the said aqueduct and do form ourselves into a company by the name of "The Proprietors of Frye's Aqueduct."

And we the subscribers do severally agree each with the other, that the property or capital stock in the said aqueduct shall be divided into twenty shares, and that we shall & will severally take & hold such number of said shares as are herein affixed to our respective names.

And we do further agree that the Proprietors of a major part of our said shares shall forthwith apply to some Justice of the Peace for the said county of Essex requesting him to issue his warrant pursuant to law to some one of the Proprietors so applying directing him to call a meeting of the Proprietors to the end that we the said Proprietors & our successors may be and become a Corporation & body politic by the name & style of "The Proprietors of Frye's Aqueduct," & enjoy all the rights privileges & immunities to which we are entitled as such a corporation by virtue of the laws of the commonwealth aforesaid, & more especially by virtue of a law of the said commonwealth entitled "An act ena-

bling the Proprietors of aqueducts to manage the same," passed the twenty-first day of February A. D. 1799.

And we do further agree that the property or capital stock aforesaid shall be estimated by the cost of said aqueduct, which at present amounts to five hundred & twenty two dollars.

Dated at Salem aforesaid this twenty eight day of September A. D. 1807.

Daniel Frye, six shares  
 Eleazer Pope, five shares  
 Jacob B. Winchester, five shares  
 John Stimpson, two shares  
 James Brown two shares

SALEM, Sept. 15, 1807.

Daniel Frye, Eleazer Pope, Jacob B. Winchester & John Stimpson made application to Ezekiel Savage to incorporate under the law & that the first meeting take place oct. 15, 1807.

Meeting took place oct. 15, 1807 at Capt. Frye's Tavern in conformity to warrant & chose—

James Brown, CLERK.  
 Daniel Frye, MODERATOR.  
 Daniel Frye  
 Eleazer Pope  
 Jacob B. Winchester } COMMITTEE.

at adjourned meeting oct. 19, 1807 Jacob B. Winchester TREASURER.

28 Sept. 1807

Daniel Frye for five hundred & twenty two dollars sells all his interest &c. in the aqueduct to "The Proprietors of Frye's Aqueduct."

Sept. 21, 1808

Voted to assess ten dollars per share to defray the expense of repairing aqueduct.

WATER TAKERS 1809

J. B. Winchester Solomon Varney  
 Eben Mann Daniel Rugg

David Nichols Widow E. Tucker  
 Daniel Frye Eleazer Pope  
 Mann & Burnham Ichabod Nichols  
 Jonathan Nichols James Brown

PROPRIETORS 1835

Jacob B. Winchester 8 shares  
 James Brown 2 "  
 Jonathan Nichols 2 "  
 John Frost 3 "  
 Henry Grant 1 "  
 Eleazer Pope 1 "  
 Jacob Putnam 2 "  
 Samuel Noah 1 "

20

July 28, 1852.

Samuel Noah owned whole number of shares—20—

UNION AQUEDUCT IN SALEM & DANVERS.

A Record of the names of the Proprietors & owners of the Union Aqueduct situated in Salem on land belonging to Benjamin Pickman Esq. & leading into Danvers, founded Dec. 30, 1799

Caleb Low  
 Robert Shillaber  
 Samuel Purinton  
 Stephen Larrabee  
 Amos Purinton  
 Lydia Trask

To Richard Ward one of the Justices of the Peace for the county of Essex.

We the subscribers, a major part of the owners and Proprietors of the Union Aqueduct situated in Salem on land belonging to Benjamin Pickman Esq., and leading into Danvers, founded Dec. 30, 1799—being desirous of repairing said aqueduct, do hereby make application to you for calling a meeting of said Proprietors according to a law of this commonwealth "Intituled" An act ena-

bling Proprietors of aqueducts to manage the same.

To choose a clerk, moderator & Directors. Danvers Mch. 23, 1801.

signed  
Caleb Low  
Wm. Shillaber  
Robert Shillaber  
Samuel Purinton  
Stephen Larrabee  
Charles W. Symonds  
for Amos Purinton

ESSEX ss. To Caleb Lowe Esq. one of the Petitioners & Proprietors above mentioned.

GREETING.

In pursuance of the above application you are requested & authorized to warn a meeting of the Proprietors, above mentioned, according to the statute in that case made & provided.

To meet at the Dwelling house of Daniel Frye, Innholder in Salem on Tuesday the thirteenth day of october next at three of the clock in the afternoon for the purpose above mentioned.

Given under my hand & seal at Salem the 23d of March A. D. 1801.

RICHARD WARD.

Caleb Lowe notifies the meeting accordingly.

HALE MEMORANDA.

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An Account of all the Houses in Beverly, May 1 1723 and such as have been built since that to May 1 1751.

And a farther Account of all the Houses in Beverly which are now standing May 1 1751.

N. B. Where there is a black line drawn the House is now down.

N. B. Where there are parallel lines ye house tho' still standing is uninhabited.

1723	1751
William Ellinwood	William Ellinwood 2d
Benja. " "	David " "
Ralph " "	_____
" " Jr.	Ralph Ellinwood 3d
Ebenr. " "	Ebenr. Ellinwood 2d
Nathl. Clerk	Wid. Sarah Ellis
Eugene Lynch	" of Isr. Lovett
Zecha. Stone	Andr. Stone
Wid. of Samll. Stone	Danll. Batcheller
John Stephens	Tho. Davis
Willm. Tuck	Jno. Tuck 3d
James Chapman	Ditto
Leonard Slue	_____
Edmd. Gale	_____
Benjn. Ober	William Bartlett
Tho. Cox	Benja. Eliot
Wid. " "	_____
John Tuck Sen	_____
" " Jr.	*Jno. Tuck
Geo " "	Wm " "
Jo. " "	Wid of Wm Tuck Jr.
William Lovett.	Ditto
Simon " Sr	_____
Jno. " Jun	Jno. Lovett 4th
" " Sen	James Lovett
" Martin	_____
Tho. Lovett	_____
Wid. of Caleb Wallis	Daniel Wallis
Mr. Robert Briscoe	John Stephens
Moses Morgan	Jno. Thorndike Jr.
Jo. " Sen	_____
" " Jr	_____
Samuel Lovett	Josiah Lovett
*Tho?	_____
Robt Hale	Ditto
Henry Hale's	_____