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Sarah Proctor

(Complaint v. Sarah Proctor , Sarah Bassett , and Susannah Roots)

Salem May the 21'th 1691 [sic]

Thomas putnam and John putnam , of Salem Village yeomen made Complaint (before us) on behalfe of their Majest's against [] Basset the wife of [Basset] of Lyn husbandman and [Roote] of Beverly widow, and Sarah procter of Salem farmes daughter of John procter of sayd place for Sundry acts of Witchcraft by them donne and Committed on the Bodys of Mary Walcot Abigail Williams Marcy Lewis ann putnam & others Lately whereby great hurt & Injury hath benne donne them therefore Craves Justice

*Thomas putnam

*John Putnam Jun.

This Compl't was Exhibted Salem 21'th May 1692

*John Hathorne

before us

*Jonathan. Corwin

P ord'r of the Govern'r & Councill

(At bottom of sheet-inverted) Rebecka Waltham wife of Jno Waltham Bethya Lovett the wife of Jno Lovett Sen'r

(*Essex County Archives*, Salem -- Witchcraft Vol. 1 Page 130)

Salem May the 21th 1691

Thomas putnam and John putnam, of Salem - Billings
Yeoman made Complainant (before us) on behalfe of
their Majesties against - - - Bassett & wife of
Bassett of Lynn husbandman and - - - Robert of
Beverly widow, and Sarah proctor of Salem
her now daughter of John proctor of Maye place
for sundry acts of witchcraft by them done and
committed on the Bodies of Mary Walcott Abigail
Williams, Marcy Lewis, Ann putnam & others lately
whereby great hurt & injury hath come downe
therefor **Causes Justice**

Thomas putnam
John putnam Junr.

This Complainant was Exhibited Salem ¹⁶⁹¹ 21 May 1692
before us - - - John Hathorne.

Jonathan Corwin
of the Court of Sessions & Council

Robert Wallham wife of John Wallham
Bostonia first wife of John Wallham

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Susannah Roots

(See also: Sarah Proctor -- Complaint .)

(Warrant for Arrest of Susannah Roots)

Salem May 21-1692

To the Constables of Beverly.

Whereas Complaint hath been this day made before us, by Sergent Thomas Puttnam and John Puttnam: both of Salem village yeomen against Susannah Roots of Beverly widdow for sundry acts of witchcraft by her Committed on the bodys of Mary wallcott Abigal williams Marcy Lewis Ann Puttnam and others.

You are therfore in their Majesties names hereby Required to apprehend and forthwith bring before us Susannah Roots of Beverly widdow, who stands charged with Committing Sundry acts of witchcraft as aboves'd to the wrong and Injury of the bodys of the above-named Persons, in order to her Examination Relateing to the aboves'd Premises faile not Dated Salem May the 21'st 1692

John Hathorne

Jonathan. Corwin

Pr order of the Govener & Councill

To the Marshall of Essex or his Deputy vera Copia attest

May 21 -- 1692

*Geor: Herrick Marshall of Essex

I doe apoint mr Jonathan Biles to bee my Lawffull Deputy to serve this warrant

*Geo: Herrick Marshall of Essex

Salem May 21 = 1692 To y^e Constables of
Beverly -

Whereas Complain hath been this day made before
us by Sergeant Thomas Putnam and John Putnam both
of Salem village yeomen against Susannah Root of Beverly
widow for sundry acts of witchcraft by her committed
on the bodies of Mary Wallcut & Bigal William & Mart
Lewis Ann Putnam and others

you and therefore in their ecclesiastical names hereby
Required to apprehend and forthwith bring before us
Susannah Root of Beverly widow who stands charged
with committing sundry acts of witchcraft as a bond to
to the wrong and Injury of the bodies of the above named
Persons, in order to her Examination Relating to y^e
above promises fails not Dated Salem May the 21
1692

To the Marshall of Essex
or his Deputy

John Hathorn
Jonathan Corwin

By Order of y^e Governor & Council

Vera Copia a H^{is} Geo: Herrick Marshall of
Essex

May 21 = 1692

I doo appoint m^r Jonathan Bibb to be my Lawfull Deputy
to serve this warrant

Geo: Herrick Marshall of Essex

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of law & executed the within written
warrant and law apprehended the
person of the within mentioned Susan
Kitt and brought her before authority
23: may 1672

By me Jonathan Piles
Constable of Newbury

(Reverse) I have prosecutt the within written warant and have apprehended the person of the within mentioned Suzannah Roots and Brought her befour awthority. 23: may 1692

By me *Jonathan Biles Constible of Beverly

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(Andrew Elliott v. Susannah Roots)

An information if it might be any help in the examination of the person before you goode Roots I being in the house of Mr Laurence Denni's some time since she was suspected for what shee is now before you & there was Likewise Leonard Austen of our Town of Beverly s'd Austen then s'd that he thought she was a bad woman, his reason was that he Living in the house with s'd Roots not Long since and when he went to prayer at any time with his wife & thought s'd Roots would accompany them in s'd Duty but Did not at any time but would withdraw & absent herselfe: & further when my self were gone to bed & she unto her bed. she would rise in the night & we Could hear her talk in the roome below I lying in the Chamber over s'd roome as if there #[there] were: 5: or six persons with her more s'd Austen might speak if caled thereunto as far as know more concer[n]ing Roots

*Andrew Elliott

(Reverse)

Andrew Elliot ag't G. Roots

(Essex County Archives, Salem -- Witchcraft Vol. 1 Page 133)

An information if it might be any help in the
 Examination of y^e person before ^{you} y^e bodo roots
 of being in y^e house of m^r. Lawrence Dennis
 some time since she was suspected for what
 she is now before you & there was likewise
 Leonard Huston of our town of Beverly sd
 Huston then sd that he thought she was a
 bad woman, his reason was that he living in
 y^e house with sd roots not long since and
 when he went to prayer at any time with
 his wife & thought sd roots would accompany
 them in sd duty but did not at any time but
 would withdraw & absent her self & farther
 when my self & wife were gone to bed & she
 went to her bed, she would rise in y^e night &
 we could ~~hear~~ ^{hear} talk in y^e room below & ly-
 ing in y^e Chamber over sd room & if there
 there were 5 or six persons with her now
 sd Huston might speak if we should thereunto
 as far as know more concerning roots

Andrew Eliott

Andrew Elliott
vs. G. Root

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