

[8-198] [*Petition of Inhabitants of Pelham and Salem for a Grant of Land: addressed to the Governor and Council.*]

Sheweth—

That your Petitioners Are Inclined to venture into the woods And make Settlements of a town, that for themselves & familys, they are not Accomodated in the towns Where they Dwell, that the Land there is so mean and Broaken Cannot for their Own Nor the Goverments Advantage Enlarge their Improvements—

That their is in this Province Great Quantitys of his Majestys Lands Unappropriated, & Lyes Wast and till Improved will be Useless, Capable of Improvement and Enlarging—the Strength of the frontiers, Where Your Petitioners would willingly venture, And make Settlement under the Like Conditions as other his Majestys Subjects Receive Grants—

Wherefore Your Petitioners Humbly pray that they may Have a Grant of Land of the Contents of Six miles Square in Some Convenient place Capable of making a good Settlement, Within his Majestys Lands afores^d under Such Conditions & Limitations As Your Excellency Grants to Others and that Tho^s Packer Esq may be Admitted On Our Behalf to prefer

this Our Petition and On Our Behalf do everything Necessary for the Claming the Same and Assertaining the place where the Same may Lye. And Your Petitioners as in duty bound Shall pray.

July 16: 1750—

Pelham

William Richardson	Amos Richardson	Josiah Hamblet
Joseph Hamblet	Zeachriah Colburn	Jonathan Kimball
John forgison	Daniel Gage	daniel Colburn
Thomas wyman	William Elliot	Thomas Gage
Josiah Gage	Nehemiah Jaques	Rice Molten
Simon Beard	Jabesh Gage	henery Richardson
amos Gage	John Baldwin	William Richardson
David Jones	Ebeneser Jaques	Juner

Salem

Ebnz Ayres	Nath ^l Dow	Richard Dow
Seth Pattee	Richard Kimball	Ralph Hall
Abner Bayly	John Hall J ^r	John Bayly
Peter merril	Richard Patee	Edw ^d Bayly
Henry sanders	Daniel Dow	Sam ^l Parker
John Merrell	Oliver Kimball	W ^m Sanders
Alexander Gorden	John Lowell	Tim ^r Swan
Jonathan Corlies	W ^m Kelly	John Ober