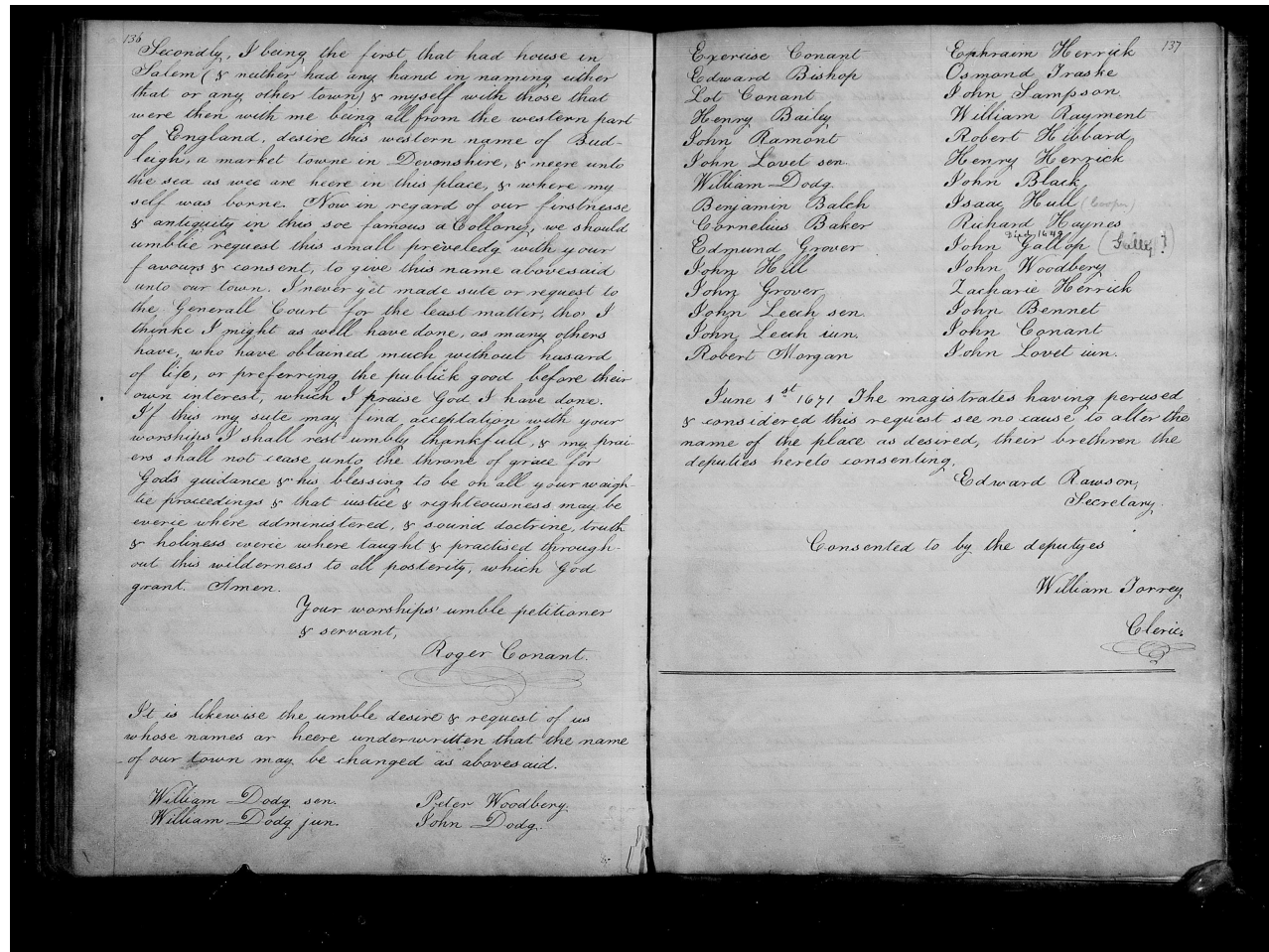


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135 Secondly, I being the first that had house in
 Saltem (& neither had any hand in naming either
 that or any other town) & myself with those that
 were then with me being all from the western part
 of England, desire this western name of Sud-
 dugh, a market towne in Devonshire, & nere unto
 the sea as wee are here in this place, & where my
 self was borne. Now in regard of our firstness
 & antiquity in this see famous a Colledge, we should
 umble request this small precedely, with your
 favours & consent, to give this name abovesaid
 unto our town. I never yet made sute or request to
 the Generall Court for the least matter, tho' I
 thinke I might as well have done, as many others
 have, who have obtained much without hward
 of life, or preferring the publick good before their
 own interest, which I praise God I have done.
 If this my sute may find acceptation with your
 worshipps I shall rest umble thankfull, & my pray-
 ers shall not cease unto the throne of grace for
 Gods guidance & his blessing to be on all your weigh-
 tie proceedings & that justice & righteousness may be
 everie where administered, & sound doctrine, truth
 & holiness everie where taught & practised through-
 out this wilderness to all posterity, which God
 grant. Amen.

Your worships umble petitioner
 & servant,
 Roger Conant.

It is likewise the umble desire & request of us
 whose names ar heree under-written that the name
 of our town may be changed as abovesaid.

William Dodg. son. Peter Woodbery.
 William Dodg. jun. John Dodg.

Exercise Conant	Ephraim Herriek
Edward Bishop	Command Truske
Lol Conant	John Sampson
Henry Bailey	William Rayment
John Ramont	Robert Howard
John Lovel son	Henry Kergick
William Dodg.	John Black
Benjamin Balch	Isaac Hull, (w/son)
Cornelius Baker	Richard Haynes
Edmund Grover	John Gallup (Jellij?)
John Hill	John Woodbery
John Grover	Zacharie Herriek
John Leach sen.	John Bennet
John Leach iun.	John Conant
Robert Morgan	John Lovel iun.

June 1st 1671 The magistrates having perused
 & considered this request see no cause to alter the
 name of the place as desired, their brethren the
 deputies hereto consenting.

Edward Rawson,
 Secretary.
 Consented to by the deputies
 William Torrey,
 Clerke

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