

To the Honourable the Senate and House of
Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
In General Court Affembled

The Petition of Lemuel Corbin John
Healy and Mark Dodge all of Dudley in the
County of Worcester Guardians to the Indians called
the Dudley Indian and Levi Davis of Charlton in sd
County Humbly Sheweth

That there is near the Centre of the Town of Dudley two
Hundred acres of land Chiefly under Improvement the
rents of said land is to be applied for the Support of said
Indians so long as any of Said Indians shall remain the fee
of said land after the decease of said Indians is vested in
the said Levi and as the fences on Said land is made of wood
and very much decayed So as the rents thereof will not be likely
to the amount to more that Thirty Pounds Per Year which
Proves Infufficient for the necessary Support of said Indians
as they have Already Accumelated a debt over and above the
[illegible] to the amount of ~~Upwards of one Hundred Pounds~~
near three Hundred Dollars which the sd Guardians have no
Affets in their hands to difcharge and on that account Your
Petitioners therefore Pray Your Honours to Grant the
Said Davis liberty to sell and Convey said lands under the
following Conditions he difcharging the above mentioned debt
due to the said Guardians and Also Secure to the said Indians
a Certain tract of land on the Eafterly side of said Dudley not
more than two miles from the land above mentioned which
is well wooded so as to be Comfortable for said Indians for
fier wood and to Erect their huts upon containing between
Twenty and thirty acres and Also lodge in the Treafury
of the Commonwealth the sum of five Hundred Pounds
Lawful money or such other place as the General Court
Shall order the Interest and Principal of which sum to
be applied for the Support and maintenance of said Indians
in Such a manner as the General Court from time to time shall
Direct the Interest of which sum of five Hundred Pounds is
will Exceed [*crossout*] the sum the said lands have heretofore rented
for or proverbly will and keep the fences thereon in repair
As Your Petitioners in duty bound do Pray

Dudley May 22^d 1797 Lemuel Corbin
mark Dodge
John Healy
Levi Davis

} Guardians

[verso:

In the House of Representatives June 3. 1797

Read & Committed to the
Committee of both Houses on the petition of John Cham
-berlain & others to consider & report

Sent up for Concurrence
Edw^d H Robbins Spk.^r
In Senate June 6th 1797 Read and concurred
S. Phillips Prsdt

Guardians Dudley
Indians

Gen.^l Town

Mr Hayward
~~Mr Longfellow~~
Mr Taft

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