

To the honorable General Assembly of the State of Connecticut to be holden at New Haven, on the second Thursday in October 1803, The Memorial & petition of ¹⁶⁸
 Daniel Burhans, Leiba Blakeslee, James Glover, Oliver Panoraff, Stephen Burwell, James Nelson, Michael Parker & David Baldwin, all of Newtown in Fairfield County & Polly Starr of Danbury in S^d County humbly sheweth that your Memorialists are now the only proprietors & partners in an Aqueduct company in S^d Newtown which company was originally formed by an article of agreement on the 8th day of March 1800 - for the purpose of conveying water from a certain spring of water or fountain (situate or being on the land of Abel Botford of Little Northwesterly of the dwelling house of Stephen Burwell) to or near the dwelling house of each of S^d proprietors. Your petitioners procured a lease from S^d Botford of S^d Spring of water & the privilege of digging a channel for the ^{pipes} conduit for the term of nine hundred & ninety nine years & also expended more than two hundred dollars in laying the S^d Aqueduct - your Memorialists would further represent to your honors that our S^d Conduit pipes are of Wood, which from experience your memorialists find inadequate in their present situation to support the great pressure of water through some part of the course of the S^d Aqueduct & which are now out of repair & that at several of our dwellings it is impossible to be supplied with water by Wells, as digging, so as to supply with water is impracticable, & where it can be had the water is of an unsuitable quality & unsuitable for washing.

Your petitioners find it impossible to secure & preserve the said Spring water to our use, without some further coercive & restraining power, than a mere company concern. We your honors memorialists therefore humbly pray your honors that we our heirs & assigns and all such other persons as may from time to time be associated with us be incorporated & made a body politic by the name of "Newtown Aqueduct Company," with powers to make & ordain bye laws & ordinances for the regulation of our said aqueduct Company, to grant, levy & collect by way of tax on each ~~owner~~ proprietor his equal proportion of all the expenses & charges of repairing said Conduit pipes or tubes either in wood lead or iron and for keeping & maintaining the same in perpetual ^{repair}

repair, and also to defray the expense of annexing
 16b. and adding to it a aqueduct the waters of a contiguous
 spring or springs and to do & transact all the proper
 business of said Company by a major Vote of any
 legal meeting of said Company and your petitioners
 as in duty bound shall ever pray—

Dated at Newtown Daniel Burhanese
 this 3rd day of ~~July~~ ^{July} Bakeslee ~~for~~ ^{my} self
 October 1813. and ~~James~~ ^{James} Milson
 Stephen Burwell
 Oliver Bancroft
 David Baldwin
 John Botchford
 James Glover
 Michael Parkes

Sept session 1813
 In the House of Reps
 The prayer of the foregoing Petition is granted
 with liberty of a bill thereon
 Wm. Forsyth Clerk
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Wm. C. Crumley