

The select men considering the great hurt and damage that is done yearly by swine.

Doe thearfor ordar that all swine above halfe a year old belonginge to the inhabitants of merrimake shall be suficiently yoaked the yoaks being two foot one way and twenty inches the othar way on the penalty of twelve pens per hog for every desert thr which is to be done by the first of agust next insuing and soe to be kept yoaked untill the indian Corn be gathared and inc[ase] any hoge loos his yoake or be found unyoakd before that time the ownars of them shall forthwith yoake them and if any shall neglect to doe his duty therein he shall pay twelve pens par hog as aforsaid for often as they shall be found unyoaked the ownars of such hogs having had notis of theyr being unyoaked the one half to be paid to the informar and the othar half to the use of the town.

2 We doe also apoint Petar nash to see to the exacution of this ordar and to take notis of such owners of hogs as shall be found defective according to thar dsert and shall give notis of every such defect to one or more of the select men within two days aftar any such person shall be found delinquent to gethar with the numbers of hogs that are found unyoaked.

it was agreed by the select men of merrimak that revs Chosen for the year 69 that this ordar aboute towns shall stand for this present year.

As atest Joseph Pike

3 It is furthar ordared that if any horse or mare be fou[nd] in any corn field the ownar of such horse or mare shall pay one shilling for the first ofens and two shillings for the second ofens and for to days one shilling atime until it --- to five shillings for one ofens and aftar ward five shillings a time as often as they are taken as aforesaid provided the fence about such feilds whear they tre[s]pas be sufficient against --- by Cattell and yoaked swine and if any such horse or mare that hath taken to goe into any field be found in the woode Coman without such shakole or fettars as may and doth [re]strayn them : the ownars of them shall pay five shillings [torn] any that shall impound them and soe from time to time [as] long as the Corn is in the field.