

To George Fermi Gent. High Sheriff of the County  
of Essex Greeting

Whereas Bridgett Bishop late the wife of Edward Bishop of  
in the County of Essex Lawyer at a special Court of Oyer and Terminer  
Salem the second Day of this instant month of June for the County of Essex  
Middlesex and Suffolke before William Stoughton Esq. and his Associates  
of the said Court was Indicted and arraigned upon five severall  
for using, practising and exercising in the County  
last past and divers other days and times  
Witchcraft in and upon the bodies of Abigail Williams, Ann puttnar  
Morrey Lewis, Mary Walcott and Elizabeth Hubbard of Salem village  
single women, whoe by their bodies were hurt, afflicted, pained, consumed  
wasted and tormented, contrary to the forme of the Statute in that case  
provided to which Indictment the said Bridgett Bishop pleaded no  
and for Tryall therof put her selfe upon God and her Country, where  
she was found guilty of the felony and Witchcraft, whereof she was  
Indicted and sentence of Death accordingly passed agt. her as the Law  
directs, Execution whereof yet remaines to be done These are therefore



in the Name of their Maj. William and Mary now King and Queen over  
England &c. to will and Command, you that upon Friday next being  
Fourth Day of this instant month of June between the hours of eight a  
clock in the afternoon of the said day you safely conduct the s<sup>d</sup>.  
Bishop at Oliver from their Maj<sup>ties</sup> Gaol in Salisbury to the place  
Execution and there cause her to be hanged by the neck until she be  
and of your doinge herein make returne to the Clerk of the s<sup>d</sup>. Court as  
people and her of you are not to fail at your peric And this shall be  
sufficient Warrant Given under my hand & seal at Boston the Eighth  
of June in the fourth Year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord  
William & Mary now King & Queen over England &c.

W<sup>m</sup> Stoughton