

issued for the apprehension of Samuel Appleton, by which it appears that he secreted himself, probably at the house of his son at Lynn. It was doubtless on this occasion that the scene occurred, referred to in Lewis's history of Lynn, (1st edition,) where he is represented as addressing the people from a rocky eminence, near the Lynn print and bleach works, which still goes by the name of Appleton's pulpit.

At length, on the 19th October, he was brought before the Governor and Council, by Thomas Larkin, Messenger, and "ordered to stand committed until he give bond in the sum of one thousand pounds to appear at the next Superior Court, at Salem, to answer what shall be objected against him, and in the mean time to be of good behaviour." (See Appendix, B.) This bond he refused to give; whereupon, at a Council on the 30th November, he was ordered to be imprisoned in Boston jail. How long he remained in prison is not known.\* So far as appears, the severe measures of

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\* Since the above was written, the editor is informed by Mr. Felt, the historian of Ipswich, that he finds amongst his memoranda the following:—"Major Samuel Appleton was kept in prison till the Supreme Court at Salem, March 7, 1688, when by giving bond for £1000 to appear at the next Court to sit there, and to be of regular behaviour, and pay unreasonable charges, he was released. The bond was continued about six months longer, though nothing appeared against him." Mr. Felt has not noted the source whence the above was obtained, but from his well known accuracy, it may be considered as probably authentic.

The Superior Court had been newly established, in place of the old Court of Assistants, under the authority granted to Sir Edmund Andros; the judges were appointed by him, and were ready to carry out his arbitrary measures. It would, however, be no impeachment of Major Appleton's consistency, in refusing obedience to the arbitrary and illegal warrant of Sir Edmund, that he should yield to the requisition of a court of law, however corrupt it might be. This short lived Superior Court fell with the deposition of Andros. There are no existing records of its proceedings.