

the space of five miles up the great River [Taunton River] on the east side of the towne lying on the Square* which said Square is to begin att a certaine little brooke on the East side of the said ffarme; unto which said ffarme doth appertaine all the meddow lying on the said brooke; the length of the said Square to bee from the great River att the aforesaid brooke up to the antient Land path and see the line from thence Downe to the next little brooke† which boundeth it on the west side of the said ffarme. It containes by estimaçon Two hundred acres bee it more or lesse."

In the will of Henry¹ Andrews [*Plym. Col. Wills*, i: 1: 116] and in his inventory [*id.* i: 1: 117] there is only one lot of land mentioned which could have been the Calves Pasture or Neck of Land. This (described in the inventory as "a certaine quantity of land called Squobinansett containing 200 acres," and in the will as "a certaine peece of land called the necke of land") was bequeathed "equally unto my daughter Sarah and to my daughter Abigail." Sarah² Andrews married Jared Talbut in 1664, and Abigail² Andrews married Dea. John Wadsworth in 1667.

Apparently Philip King became the owner of at least one half of the Calves Pasture; for on July 20, 1683, Jared Talbut of Taunton and Sarah his wife sold to Philip King of Weymouth:—(a) a "Necke of land" in Taunton, 60 acres, bounded North by John Hall, Walter Deane and Nathaniel Williams, and "East, West and South by Taunton Great River, with a little Island belonging to said Necke; ye said Necke was formerly known by ye name of ye Calves Necke and this Necke is . . . forever to be and remaine free and clear from being rated by ye town of Taunton;" (b) a house with 40 acres of land bounded South by John Hall, West on the Great River till it comes to Pall Brooke, and then on said brook till it comes to Squobbity path, and then by said path till it comes to a plain [Neck Plain] and then bounded easterly by said plain. Also 8 acres of land bounded South by Pall Brooke, West by Taunton Great River, and so adjoining the aforesaid 40 acres. [*Bristol Co. Mass. Deeds*, i: 17].

What Abigail Andrews did with all of her share of the Calves Pasture has not been fully ascertained. But John Wadsworth of Duxbury and Abigail his wife, on July 21, 1684, sold Jared Talbut of Taunton all right, title and interest in a "Neck of land" in Taunton, bounded South and South East by Taunton Great River, West by John Hall, North and East by Walter Dean and Richard Williams; "said halfe Neck of land containing by estimation twenty acres." [*Bristol Co. Mass. Deeds*, iv: 52.]

Highways laid out in 1698:—a highway leading from pall brook through the land of Philip King, and so, as the way now leads, to the corner of Philip King's land, and from thence, on the eastward side of Philip King's land, unto the corner of widow Hall's land [Hannah, widow of John Hall], and from thence, as the way now leads, unto the lands of Squabinanset. [*Taunton Proprietors' Records*, ii: 450.]

In 1728 Morgan Cobb made a map of Taunton, which is now in the Massachusetts State Archives, and which shows (among other things) Taunton River, the Neck Plain, the highways then in existence, and "the situation of every pertickler house with the owners sir name." By the aid of the documents above cited, and with the help of this map, it is possible to locate the Calves Pasture with reasonable certainty. Its position, in all

*This term is generally understood as meaning one of the boundary lines of the "eight mile square," the original Taunton purchase.

† Apparently "Pall brooke" mentioned further on, or Pale Brook as it is now called.