1738

Whereas the Town of Acton at a town meeting Duly warned on May ye 19th 1738 did Invite ye Rev Mr John Swift Into ye work of ye ministry among them & did allso pass a vote to Give him two hundred and fifty pounds towards a settlement and a hundred and fifty pounds sallary yearly and since at a town meeting October ye 10th 1738 did vote that said sallary should be kept up in ye value of it paid at Every half years End yearly & did allso Charge John Heald Joseph Fletcher Ammirnhama Faulkner John Brooks Samuel Wheeler & Simon Hunt as a Commett [committee] to Contract with said Mr Swift about ye said sallary the Contract & Agreement Between Said mr Swift & Said Commtt [committee] is as folloeth

- 1 that Said Sallary Shall be paid According to ye ould tennor of the Massachusetss Bills or in on Equivilency of Such Bills of Credit or lafull [lawful] Currancy as should arise from time to time
- 2 that the value of said Sallary be kept up from time to time recording as it was when voted on may affored according to ye rise of the nesasary provisions of life
- 3 That the payment of Said Salary continue So long as Said Mr Swift Shall contenue in ye work of ye ministery in Said Acton & In witness here of Said Mr Swift and Said Committee have here under Set thair hands this 30th Day of October 1738

	John Swift
ordered on This Book	John Heald
of Records Attest	Joseph Fletcher
Simon Hunt Town Clerk	Ammi Faulkner
	John Brooks

Acton December 28 th 1738	
To an order to Simon Hunt out of ye town	
Rate for money & time Expended in ye year 1737	9 - 7 - 6
Acton December ve 28th 1738 to an order to Enoch	

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Cleveland for four pounds out of ye town Rate for keep-	
ing ye widow Sheperd in full to ye 9 of January Next	9 - 0 - 0
Acton January Discounted with Mr John Barker	
for his sarvices being treasurer for ye three first years	3 – 11 - 4
in full	
Acton January 1738 to an order to Mr Joseph Fletcher	2 - 10 - 0
out of ye town Rate for gathering ye Tax Rate in	
Acton January 1738 to an order to Jonathan Billings	2 - 10 - 0
out of ye town Rate for Gathering ye tax Rate	
Acton January 1738 Mr Samuel Prescott Received of	
ye towns money for keeping Mr Swift in part	4-0-0