

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of  
Pittsfield qualified to vote in Town Meetings, on the  
day holden on Monday the fifth day of Sept: 1791 -  
voted, The following Bye Law, for the Preservation  
of the Windows in the New Meeting House in  
said Town - viz,

Be it ordained by the said Inhabitants that  
no Person an Inhabitant of said Town, shall be  
permitted to play at any Game called Cricket,  
Cricket, Base ball, Bat ball, Foot ball, Cat,  
Fives or any other game or Games with Balls,  
within the Distance of Eighty Yards from said  
Meeting House - And every Person who shall play  
at any of the said Games or other Games with Balls,  
within the Distance aforesaid, shall for every Instance  
thereof, forfeit the Sum of five Shillings to be recovered  
by Action of Debt brought before any Justice of the  
Peace to the Use of the Person who shall sue and  
prosecute therefor -

And be it further ordained That in every Instance  
where any Minor shall be guilty of a Breach of this  
Law, his Parent, Master, Mistress, or Guardian shall  
forfeit the like Sum to be recovered in Manner and  
to the Use aforesaid -