

## *Descendants of Hugh Bulkeley*

### *Generation No. 1*

1. HUGH<sup>1</sup> BULKELEY was born Unknown, and died Unknown. He married HELEN WILBRAHAM. She was born Unknown, and died Unknown.

Child of HUGH BULKELEY and HELEN WILBRAHAM is:

2. i. HUMPHREY<sup>2</sup> BULKELEY, b. Unknown, Woore, Shropshire, England; d. Unknown.

### *Generation No. 2*

2. HUMPHREY<sup>2</sup> BULKELEY (*HUGH*<sup>1</sup>) was born Unknown in Woore, Shropshire, England, and died Unknown. He married CECILY MOULTON, daughter of JOHN MOULTON. She was born Unknown, and died Unknown.

Child of HUMPHREY BULKELEY and CECILY MOULTON is:

3. i. WILLIAM<sup>3</sup> BULKELEY, b. About 1490, Woore, Shropshire, England; d. Mar 04, 1570/71, Oakley, Shropshire, England.

### *Generation No. 3*

3. WILLIAM<sup>3</sup> BULKELEY (*HUMPHREY*<sup>2</sup>, *HUGH*<sup>1</sup>) was born About 1490 in Woore, Shropshire, England, and died Mar 04, 1570/71 in Oakley, Shropshire, England. He married BEATRICE HILL About 1509, daughter of WILLIAM HILL and ALICE DE BUNBURY. She was born About 1494, and died Unknown.

Child of WILLIAM BULKELEY and BEATRICE HILL is:

4. i. THOMAS<sup>4</sup> BULKELEY, b. About 1515, Woore, Shropshire, England; d. About 1591, Woore, Shropshire, England.

### *Generation No. 4*

4. THOMAS<sup>4</sup> BULKELEY (*WILLIAM*<sup>3</sup>, *HUMPHREY*<sup>2</sup>, *HUGH*<sup>1</sup>) was born About 1515 in Woore, Shropshire, England, and died About 1591 in Woore, Shropshire, England. He married ELIZABETH GROSVENOR About 1533 in Woore, Shropshire, England, daughter of RANDALL GROSVENOR and ANNE CHARLTON. She was born About 1515 in Bellaport, Shropshire, England, and died About 1591 in Woore, Shropshire, England.

More About THOMAS BULKELEY:

Burial: About 1591, Market Drayton, Shropshire, England

Children of THOMAS BULKELEY and ELIZABETH GROSVENOR are:

i. ANNE<sup>5</sup> BULKELEY, b. About 1533, Woore, Shropshire, England; d. Unknown; m. WILLIAM GREENE, About 1565, Buntingdale, Shropshire, England; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

More About ANNE BULKELEY:

Residence: Buntingdale, Shropshire, England

ii. CATHERINE BULKELEY, b. About 1535, Woore, Shropshire, England; d. Aft. 1623; m. GEORGE BARKER, About 1567, Lichfield, Shropshire, England; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

More About CATHERINE BULKELEY:

Residence: Lichfield, Shropshire, England

iii. ROWLAND BULKELEY, b. About 1538; d. Bef. 1596, Woore, Shropshire, England; m. ELIZABETH BARKER, About 1563, Buntingdale, Shropshire, England; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

More About ROWLAND BULKELEY:  
Residence: Buntingdale, Shropshire, England

5. iv. REV. EDWARD BULKELEY, b. About 1540, Woodhall, Bedfordshire, England; d. Jan 05, 1620/21, Odell, Bedfordshire, England.
- v. MARGARET BULKELEY, b. About 1542, Woore, Shropshire, England; d. Bef. 1599, Woore, Shropshire, England; m. THOMAS SMITH, About 1563, Woore, Shropshire, England; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

More About MARGARET BULKELEY:  
Residence: Buntingdale, Shropshire, England

#### Generation No. 5

5. REV. EDWARD<sup>5</sup> BULKELEY (*THOMAS<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, HUMPHREY<sup>2</sup>, HUGH<sup>1</sup>*) was born About 1540 in Woodhall, Bedfordshire, England<sup>1</sup>, and died Jan 05, 1620/21 in Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>1</sup>. He married OLIVE IRBY 1566 in Goldington, Bedfordshire, England<sup>1</sup>, daughter of JOHN IRBY and ROSE OVERTON. She was born About 1547 in Kirton, Bedfordshire, England, and died Mar 10, 1614/15 in Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>1</sup>.

Children of EDWARD BULKELEY and OLIVE IRBY are:

- i. FRANCES<sup>6</sup> BULKELEY, b. Jan 01, 1567/68, Moulton, Lincolnshire, England; d. 1610, Moulton, Lincolnshire, England<sup>1</sup>; m. RICHARD WELBY, Jun 04, 1596, Lincolnshire, England; b. 1564, Moulton, Lincolnshire, England<sup>1</sup>; d. Unknown.

Notes for FRANCES BULKELEY:  
May have been born in Odell, Bedfordshire, England

6. ii. JUDITH BULKELEY, b. About 1570, Odell, Bedfordshire, England; d. 1639, Massachusetts.
- iii. MARTHA BULKELEY, b. About 1572, Odell, Bedfordshire, ENG; d. 1639, Charlestown, Suffolk Co, MA.
- iv. NATHANIEL BULKELEY, b. About 1574, Odell, Bedfordshire, England; d. 1602, London, England.
- v. DEBORAH BULKELEY, b. About 1575, Odell, Bedfordshire, England; d. Unknown, England.
- vi. DORCAS BULKELEY, b. About 1577, Odell, Bedfordshire, England; d. Oct 21, 1616, Odell, Bedfordshire, England; m. REV. ANTHONY INGOLDATY, Dec 10, 1598, Odell, Bedfordshire, England; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- vii. ELIZABETH BULKELEY<sup>1</sup>, b. About 1579, Odell, Bedfordshire, England; d. Oct 14, 1643, Boston, Suffolk Co., MA; m. RICHARD WHITTING, Jan 09, 1615/16, Lincolnshire, England; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
7. viii. SARAH BULKELEY, b. About 1580, Odell, Bedfordshire, England; d. About 1611, Keysoe, Bedfordshire, England.
8. ix. REV. PETER BULKELEY, b. Jan 31, 1582/83, Odell, Bedfordshire, England; d. Mar 09, 1658/59, Concord, Middlesex Co., MA.

#### Generation No. 6

6. MARTHA<sup>6</sup> BULKELEY (*EDWARD<sup>5</sup>, THOMAS<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, HUMPHREY<sup>2</sup>, HUGH<sup>1</sup>*) was born About 1572 in Odell, Bedfordshire, ENG, and died 1639 in Charlestown, Suffolk Co, MA. She married ABRAHAM MELLOWS 1596 in Odell, Bedfordshire, ENG. He was born About 1570 in Boston, Lincolnshire, ENG, and died Jun 04, 1639 in Charlestown, Suffolk Co, MA<sup>2</sup>.

Notes for ABRAHAM MELLOWS:

Per SAVAGE'S Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers, v. 3

MELLOWS, or MELLHOUSE, ABRAHAM, Charlestown, admitted to the church with wife Martha, and son Edward in 1633, freeman 14 May 1634 died as early as 1639, leaving six children says Felt, and Frothingham asserts, that he adventured L50. in the company which I presume, means before coming from England. His will was brought into court in June 1639.

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From Pope's The Pioneers of Massachusetts:

MELLOWS, MR. ABRAHAM, invested 50 £ in the stock of the Massachusetts Bay Company about the year 1630. Came to New England. Settled at Charlestown; admitted to church with wife Martha and son Edward 19 (6) 1633; Freeman May 14, 1634. Town Officer.

He died in 1638. Will mentioned in General Court 4 June 1639. Sergeant Edward, "Heir and assignee" petitioned the Court 9 (4) 1641, for 300 acres more of land. [L.]

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From Farmer's Genealogical Register of the First Settlers of New England:  
MELLOWS, ABRAHAM, Massachusetts, freeman 1634.

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from The Great Migration Begins

ABRAHAM MELLOWES

ORIGIN: Boston, Lincolnshire

MIGRATION: 1633

FIRST RESIDENCE: Charlestown

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP: "Abraham Mellows and Martha his wife and Edward Mellows their son" were admitted to Charlestown church on the nineteenth day of a month late in 1633, probably October [ ChChR 8].

FREEMAN: 14 May 1634 [ MBCR 1:368].

OFFICES: Charlestown overseer of highways, 13 January 1634/5 [ ChTR 12].

ESTATE: Granted two acres of planting ground in Charlestown, 10 January 1634/5 [ ChTR 12]. Had a proportion of seven in the hayground in 1635, which was increased to eight [ ChTR 19, 20]. Had five acres Mystic Side, 1637 [ ChTR 27]. In 1637 his share in the hayground was one and three-quarters (and his son Edward had a share of four) [ ChTR 33]. In the allotment of land Mystic Side Abraham received parcels of ten, thirty-five and five acres [ ChTR 37].

On 6 September 1638 the Massachusetts Bay General Court granted to "Mr. Abraham Mellows" two hundred acres of land [ MBCR 1:240].

On 4 June 1639 the "will of Mr. Abraham Mellows was delivered in" to Suffolk court [ MBCR 1:268].

On 2 June 1641 the General Court granted "200 acres of land ... to the heir or assign of Mr. Abrah[am] Mellows" [ MBCR 1:330]. This was presumably a confirmation of the grant of 6 September 1638, for on 9 June 1641 Sergeant Edward Mellowes of Charlestown petitioned the General Court for a grant of 300 acres, on the basis that "about 10 or 11 years since" his father Mr. Abraham Mellowes had contributed £50 to the common stock [of the Massachusetts Bay Company], that this should have resulted in a grant of 500 acres, and that only 200 acres had been granted so far. The petitioner stated that he was "heir & assignee of his said father deceased," and that the original contribution had been made by his father at the suggestion of Mr. Humfrey, who had promised a grant of 500 acres [ Lechford 410].

BIRTH: By about 1570 based on estimated date of marriage.

DEATH: Charlestown between 23 April 1638 (when he received his Mystic Side allotments [ ChTR 37]) and 30 December 1638 (when his son Edward held five and three-quarters shares in the stinted common, being the combination of what he and his father had held in 1637 [ ChTR 33, 42]).

MARRIAGE: By about 1595 Martha Bulkeley, daughter of Reverend Edward Bulkeley, and sister of Reverend Peter Bulkeley [ Bulkeley Gen 14-17, 24-25].

CHILDREN:

i OLIVER, b. say 1595; m. (1) Boston, Lincolnshire, 3 August 1620 Mary James; m. (2) Boston, Lincolnshire, 1 January 1633/4 as her second husband Elizabeth (Hawkredd) Coney.

ii ELIZABETH, bur. Boston, Lincolnshire, 8 February 1618/9, "spinster."

iii ABRAHAM, bur. Boston, Lincolnshire, 29 January 1615/6.

iv CATHERINE, b. say 1607; m. Boston, Lincolnshire, 17 January 1627/8 William Newland.

v EDWARD, bp. Odell, Bedfordshire, 10 September 1609 "but born 24 of August"; m. by about 1636 Hannah Smith (eld-est child bp. Charlestown 22 November 1636 [ ChVR 1:46]). She m. (2) Malden 24 June 1651 Joseph Hills. (In his will in 1650 Nathaniel Smith made a bequest to "my sister Hanna Mellowes" [ Waters 78]. J. Gardner Bartlett argued that Hannah was not sister of Nathaniel, but his sister-in-law, widow of one of Nathaniel's brothers [ Gen Mag 1:123-25, with anonymous comment in Gen Mag 1:229-30]. Jacobus cautiously identified her only as Hannah Smith, without commenting further on her Smith connections [ Bulkeley Gen 26].)

vi ANNE, b. say 1611; m. Boston, Lincolnshire, 26 November 1631 John Smith.

ASSOCIATIONS: Through his marriage to Martha Bulkeley, Abraham Mellowes became a part of an extensive and distinguished kinship network, many members of which came to New England [ Bulkeley Gen 3-36; TAG 11:26-30, 98-101, 143-45, 208-16], among whom were AHERTON HAUGH and Rev. THOMAS JAMES .

In her will of 16 December 1636 Dorothy Wooll of Clypsam, Rutland, widow, bequeathed "to my friends in New England, to Mr. Cotton £10, to his two children £5 each, to Mr. Mellowes £10, and to Mr. James £5" [ NEHGR 76:79].

COMMENTS: Abraham Mellows and his family provide an early connection between two centers of Puritanism, both of which later made major contributions to the Great Migration. He presumably married Martha Bulkeley in the vicinity of Odell, Bedfordshire, and he was certainly residing there in 1609 when his son Edward was baptized there. By 1615 Abraham Mellows was living at Boston, Lincolnshire, where he became a parishioner of Rev. JOHN COTTON .

"Mr. Abra[ham] Mellows" was admitted as an inhabitant of Charlestown in September 1633 [ ChTR 9], and was in the lists of inhabitants of 9 January 1633/4 and January 1635/6 [ ChTR 10, 15]. He signed the agreement establishing the office of selectman in Charlestown, 10 February 1634/5 [ ChTR 13].

On 4 March 1634/5 whereas "Mr. Cullimor, servant to Mr. Abr[aham] Mellows, is necessarily employed in public service of the commonwealth in making carriages, it is therefore ordered, that John Humfrey & John Endicott, Esq., shall have power to press any other carpenter to supply the need of Mr. Mellows in lieu of his said servant" [ MBCR 1:137].

Savage noted that Abraham Mellows died "leaving six children, says Felt" [ Savage 3:195]. This statement derives from a court order of 1 September 1640 in which "Mr. Atherton Hoffe, Mr. Thom[as] Leveret, & Mr. Thom[as] [sic - recte William] Colebron have authority & order to sell the house & ground which was Mr. Mellows, to be disposed of by them for the good of the six children till they come to age, or marry, & the eldest son to have a double portion" [ MBCR 1:300]. This latter record applies not to Abraham Mellows, but to his eldest son Oliver Mellows, who died not long after his father [ Bulkeley Gen 25].

BIBLIOGRAPHIC NOTE: Donald Lines Jacobus presented an accurate description of the family of Abraham Mellows in 1933 [ Bulkeley Gen 24-25].

Children of MARTHA BULKELEY and ABRAHAM MELLOWS are:

- i. OLIVER<sup>7</sup> MELLOWS, b. 1597, Boston, Lincolnshire, England; d. Nov 1638, Braintree, Norfolk Co., MA; m. (1) MARY JAMES, Aug 03, 1620, Boston, Lincolnshire, England<sup>3</sup>; b. Oct 13, 1597, Boston, Lincolnshire, England; d. Bef. 1630; m. (2) ELIZABETH HAWKREDD, Jan 01, 1633/34, Boston, Lincolnshire, England<sup>3</sup>; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Notes for OLIVER MELLOWS:

Per SAVAGE'S Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers, v. 3

MELLOWS, or MELLHOUSE, OLIVER, Boston 1634, with wife Elizabeth, admitted to our church 20 July, freeman 3 September following, disarmed in 1637, as one of the supporters of Wheelwright, had Samuel, baptized 7 December 1634; Martha, 6 March 1636; and Mary, 26 August 1638; soon after died at Braintree, and there probably had lived. His widow married 1640 or 1641, Thomas Makepeace of Dorchester. Martha married 13 September 1655, Joseph Waters; and Mary, same day, married Emanuel Springfield.

More About OLIVER MELLOWS:

Immigration: 1630, came to America from England on the "Talbot"

- ii. ELIZABETH MELLOWS, b. About 1600, Boston, Lincolnshire, ENG; d. About Feb 1618/19, Boston, Lincolnshire, ENG.

More About ELIZABETH MELLOWS:

Burial: Feb 08, 1618/19, Boston, Lincolnshire, ENG<sup>3</sup>

- iii. ABRAHAM MELLOWS, b. About 1605, Boston, Lincolnshire, ENG; d. About Jan 1615/16, Boston, Lincolnshire, ENG.

More About ABRAHAM MELLOWS:

Burial: Jan 29, 1615/16, Boston, Lincolnshire, ENG<sup>3</sup>

- iv. EDWARD MELLOWS, b. Aug 24, 1609, Odell, Bedfordshire, ENG; d. May 05, 1650, Charlestown, Suffolk Co, MA<sup>4</sup>.

Notes for EDWARD MELLOWS:

Per SAVAGE'S Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers, v. 3

MELLOWS, or MELLHOUSE, EDWARD, Charlestown, son of the preceeding, born in England, came probably with his father and mother, freeman 4 March 1634, constable 1637; wife Hannah had Hannah, baptized 22 November 1636; Mary, 21 July 1638; Martha, 26 October 1640, who died 25 Feb. 1643; Edward; Elizabeth 5 March 1644; and Abraham, 22 June 1645; was town clerk and selectman five years, died 5 May 1650, since when none of the name is known at Charlestown. His widow married 24 June 1651, Joseph Hills.

More About EDWARD MELLOWS:  
Baptism: Sep 10, 1609, Odell, Bedfordshire, ENG

- v. CHRISTIAN MELLOWS, b. 1611, Odell, Bedfordshire, England; d. Sep 02, 1665, Newtown, Long Island, NY; m. THOMAS PETTIT, About Nov 1629, Co. Essex, England; b. About 1609, Widford, Essex, England; d. Oct 1668, Newtown, Long Island, NY.

Notes for CHRISTIAN MELLOWS:

Conflicting data exists as to the parentage of Christian Mellows, some stating that she was daughter of Oliver Mellows (son of Abraham and Martha Bulkeley Mellows) rather than being a daughter of Abraham and Martha. The fact that she was married in Essex, England in Nov. 1629, proves that she could not be the daughter of Oliver Mellows. Since Oliver was not born until 1598 and was first married to Marie James on Aug 13, 1620 in Boston, England, Christian would only be 9 years old at the time she was married. The Wurtz Magna Charta does list Christian Mellows as the daughter of Abraham and Martha Bulkeley Mellows. She was born about 1611, and this would make her 18 years of age when she was married.

Notes for THOMAS PETTIT:

Per SAVAGE'S Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers, v. 3

PETTES, or PETTIT, THOMAS, Exeter 1639, a signer of the original combination in 1647, was the chief military man.

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From Pope's The Pioneers of Massachusetts:

PETTIT, THOMAS, Boston, having served with Oliver Mellows this 3 1/2 years, had a house plot granted him 8 (11) 1637. This lot is referred to in a deed of George Griggs' 8 (8) 1650.

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From Farmer's Genealogical Register of the First Settlers of New England:

PETTIT, THOMAS, Exeter, 1639.

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From the Annals Of The Forty, p. 31:

The history of the English Colonies in America contain numerous references to the Pettit family, the two main branches of which descend from Thomas & John Pettit, who came to America in 1630. They were sons of Henri Pettit of Saffron Walden, Essex Co. England, and came to America with the first Winthrop Fleet, which sailed from England in Mar. 1630.

Thomas for a time lived in Boston Mass.

1637 Thomas went to Exeter, New Hampshire

1655 Thomas with family moved to Newton Long Island, where he died in 1668.

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Thomas married Christian Mellows in County Essex, England, five months before they sailed on the Ship "Talbot" which left England in March 1629/30. After three months at sea, they landed at Charleston (Cambridge) 2 July 1630. It was just twenty days after Winthrop's Flag Ship the "Arabella" landed at Salem. He was granted a house plot on 8 January 1637/8 in Boston where the Capitol now stands. John Hancock later built the finest mansion in New England on a lot between Oliver Mellows and Thomas Pettit's lots. This house was torn down in 1856 but a bronze plate marks the location.

Thomas Pettit sympathized with Mrs. Anne Hutchinson and was arrested on suspicion of "slander, insubordination, and inciting to riot." He was convicted and sentenced "to receive thirty lashes and be held in goal." Later the Hutchinson group was released on agreeing to leave the Colony within 10 days.

Thomas went to the Falls of the Piscataqua in New Hampshire with the Reverend John Wheelright where they settled on a tract of land obtained from the Indians. There they founded the town of Exeter and in 1638 established the Congregational Church. Thomas received six acres and thirty poles as his share of Exeter uplands. On 4 July 1637, he joined in signing "The Exeter Combination", a Declaration of Independence. Half of the signers made their 'mark' but Thomas Pettit's signature is seen in excellent handwriting. Each letter is printed separately in his signature.

In 1647 Thomas became Chief Military Man and Inspector of the Staves. He served as Selectman of Exeter from 1652 to 1655.

In 1654 the Duke of York (brother of Charles II) granted all of the land east of the earlier Connecticut grant to the Massachusetts Bay Colony. This enabled the Bay Colony to surround the settlements of Exeter and in order to survive, Exeter was forced to be reinstated with the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Thomas was unwilling to again be under that jurisdiction so he with eight children and other settlers sold his property and moved to Long Island. They petitioned Governor Stuyvesant and were granted the right to settle in Queens County where they named their settlement Newtown. It was later changed to Elmhurst. The Dutch had settled this general area as early as 1644 and called it Mittleburg. It was south of Hempstead on the coast.

Soon after their arrival in Newtown the Town Marshall was voted out of office for exercising his duties in an objectionable manner. Thomas Pettit, Senior, was elected to that office on 8 May 1657. This developed family complications since Nathaniel Pettit, his son, had fallen in love with Mary Bailey the deposed Marshall's daughter.

Thomas Pettit's name was on the list of Freeholders in 1666. Thomas Pettit Senior was fifty nine years old at

the time of his death.

Anna Pettit was baptized as "daughter of Henry Pettit" at Saffron Walden 9 April 1610, according to the Cathedral records. She was a passenger on the *Arabella* and was probably a sister of Thomas'. On 9 August, 1630 she transferred her membership (as Anna Pettit-Peters) from the Salem Church to the Boston Church, being entered as Member No. 104. Later she joined Roger Williams in Rhode Island.

John Pettit, brother to Thomas, also came to America on the "*Talbot*" and along on the same ship was Christian Mellowes' brother, Oliver, a widower born in 1597.

His lineage may go as follows:

John R. Valentine - Alderman of London 1471

Valentine Pettit and Joana Beurley - 1521

Henry Pettit and Dennis Thatcher - 1546

Valentine Pettit and Martha Cleve - 1571

Henry Pettit - 1597 (England)

verified pedigree hereafter

Thomas Pettit 1st born 1609 wife Christian Mellowes.

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Thomas Pettit was the son of Henri Pettit. Henri was in England in 1600 and had daughter Anna, and sons Thomas and John who came to New England in the 1630's. Anna came to New England in 1630 on the ship "*Arabella*" which landed at Salem, 12 June 1630. She married a man named Peters who was originally from Saffron Walden, Co. Essex, England.

More About THOMAS PETTIT:

Baptism: Apr 17, 1614, Widford, Essex, England

**7. SARAH<sup>6</sup> BULKELEY** (*EDWARD<sup>5</sup>, THOMAS<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, HUMPHREY<sup>2</sup>, HUGH<sup>1</sup>*) was born About 1580 in Odell, Bedfordshire, England, and died About 1611 in Keysoe, Bedfordshire, England. She married RT. HON. SIR OLIVER ST. JOHN 1597 in Bletsoe, Bedfordshire, England. He was born Unknown, and died Unknown.

Child of SARAH BULKELEY and OLIVER ST. JOHN is:

- i. ELIZABETH<sup>7</sup> ST. JOHN, b. About 1605; d. Mar 03, 1676/77<sup>5</sup>; m. REV. SAMUEL WHITING, 1629; b. Nov 20, 1597<sup>5</sup>; d. Dec 11, 1679<sup>5</sup>.

Notes for REV. SAMUEL WHITING:

From "First Families of America; The Abridged Compendium of American Genealogy; The Standard Genealogical Encyclopedia of The First Families of America" by Frederick A. Virkus:  
WHITING, Samuel (1597-1679; son of John mayor of Boston, Lincolnshire, Eng.), from England to Boston, Mass., 1636, settled at Lynn where he was freeman, 1636; clergyman; married Elizabeth St. John.

Per SAVAGE'S Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers, v. 4

WHITING, SAMUEL, Lynn, born at Boston, Co. Line. 20 November 1597, s. of John Whiting, the mayor of the borough, was matriculated 1613 at Emanuel, the Puritan College of the University of Cambridge, as it was then stigmatized, had his degrees 1616, and 1620, preached as chaplain three years in private families if Mather be correct, after his master's degree and then went to Lynn Regis, Co. Norfolk, spent another three years as colleague or curate of the rector, and being disturbed by his diocesan, removed to Skirbeck, close to his native place. After burying his first wife by whom he had two sons who died in England and one daughter brought to our country, Mather says he married a daughter of Oliver St. John, a Bedfordshire man, of family nearly related to the Lord St. John of Bletso, which may all be true, but the writer confuses the time very cruelly, when he should tell the date of her marriage or death by saying she "stayed with her worthy consort forty-seven years went in the seventy-third year of his age unto him to whom her soul had been," &c. Taking the pains to extract meaning out of this gabble, by common arithmetic, we find reason to see that Mather need not be believed literally; as thus, Whiting was in his 73rd year in 1669, and the union having existed 47 years, of course it began in 1622, which is rather early for him who had obtained his master's degree in 1620, married one wife, had three children and lost her. I have learned to distrust the author of the *Magnalia* in all cases where he employs roundabout instead of direct phraseology, and even in this is sometimes careless. He came in the same ship with Wheelwright, who had been his neighbor in Co. Line. arrived 26 May 1636, and settled 8 November next in the church of Lynn, freeman 7 December following, though the prefix of respect is not found with his name. With him came wife, son Samuel, born at Shirbeck, 25 March 1633, Harvard College 1653, but not entitled to his A. M. until 1656, and two daughters of whom one was Dorothy, b.; by the first wife who married 4 June 1650, Thomas Weld fo Roxbury; and the other, Elizabeth by second wife, married Rev. Jeremiah Hobart. At Lynn he probably had John, Harvard College 1657, before mentioned and certainly Joseph, born 1641, Harvard College 1661, before mentioned another son and another daughter if

Mather may be trusted, whose names are not given. His wife died 3 March 1677. The letter of 1 Oct. 1677 to Rev. Increase Mather, whom he calls cousin, in *Geneal. Reg. II. 198*, is valuable and the son and daughter with him to whom reference is made, were Samuel, jr. and probably his wife. But why Increase Mather was called his cousin or nephew is uncertain unless from his mother with daughter of famous John Cotton, to whom the *Magnalia* asserts "some affinity" of W. He died not 11 November as *Lynn Rec. in Geneal. Reg. V. 342* has it, but 11 Dec. 1679. In our *Col. Rec. IV. 406*, the liberality of government in giving him 600 acres for the rights when his brother John, and Richard Wesland, aldermen of Boston in England had assigned him, arising from the original stock taken in the company before settlement which would have given them claim to 200, is to be read.

More About REV. SAMUEL WHITING:

Education: Emmanuel College, Cambridge B.A. 1616/17; M.A. 1620

Freeman: Dec 07, 1636<sup>5</sup>

Occupation: Second Minister of Lynn

Residence: Skirbeck, near Boston, England and then Lynn, Essex Co., MA

**8. REV. PETER<sup>6</sup> BULKELEY** (*EDWARD<sup>5</sup>, THOMAS<sup>4</sup>, WILLIAM<sup>3</sup>, HUMPHREY<sup>2</sup>, HUGH<sup>1</sup>*) was born Jan 31, 1582/83 in Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>6</sup>, and died Mar 09, 1658/59 in Concord, Middlesex Co., MA<sup>6</sup>. He married (1) JANE ALLEN Apr 12, 1613 in Goldington, Bedfordshire, England<sup>6</sup>. She was born Unknown, and died Unknown. He married (2) GRACE CHITWOOD Apr 1635<sup>6</sup>. She was born Unknown, and died Unknown.

Notes for REV. PETER BULKELEY:

From FREDERICK VIRKUS, *Abridged Compendium*:

BULKELEY (Bulkley, Buckley), Peter (1583-1659), grad. St. John's Coll., Cambridge, Eng. 1608; came in the "Susan and Ellen," to Cambridge, Mass., 1635, first settler and minister at Concord, and founder of the 12th church in the colony; his library formed the nucleus of Harvard Coll. library; m Jane (d 1626), dau. Thomas Allen; m 2d, 1634, Grace (d 1669), dau. Sir Richard Chetwode (or Chitwood).

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Per SAVAGE'S *Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers*, v. 1

BULKLEY, PETER, Concord, the first minister there, son of Edward, D. D. of Odell, in the hundred of Willey, Bedfordshire, born 31 January 1583, was bred at St. John's College, Cambridge, where he proceeded A. M. 1608, and was chosen a fellow; had a considerable estate from his father, a moderate non-conformist who he succeeded in his natural parish, and served at that alter twenty years through favor of Lord Keeper Williams, then Bishop of Lincoln, his diocesan. [*Brook's Lives of the Puritans*, III. 318.] He came in the *Susan and Ellen*, 1635, his age at the custom house called 50, and (for more perfect deception of the government spies), his wife Grace, 33, appears to be embarked in another ship; and son John, 15, some weeks earlier, beside Benjamin, 11, and Daniel, 9 (which two, though not names of his sons, yet may stand for them), all three in the same ship with himself but set down at intervals in the records, both of time and space; and, of course, his clerical character did not appear, or he would have been stopped. He was first on Cambridge, but next year, went to Concord, and was installed 6 April 1637, died 9 March 1659. His widow removed to New London, and bought a house 1663, there died 21 April 1669. By first wife Jane, daughter of Thomas Allen of Goldington, he had Edward, above mentioned; Mary, baptized 24 August 1615, died in few months; Thomas, born 11, baptized 18 April 1617; Nathaniel, 29 November 1618, died at 9 years; John, 17 February 1620, Harvard College 1642; Mary again, 1 November 1621, died at 3 years; George, 17 May 1623; Daniel, 28 August 1625; Jabez, 20 December 1626, died under 3 years; probably Joseph; and perhaps one or two more; and by second wife Grace, daughter of Sir Richard Chitwood, or as anciently spelled Chetwode, had Gershom, born 6 December 1636, or 2 January as family memorial has it, of course at Concord (not, as is strangely said in *Geneal. Reg. VII. 269*, on the voyage), Harvard College 1655; Eliezer, probably 1638; Dorothy, 2 August 1640; and Peter, 12 June or more probably 12 August 1643. His will, given at large in *Gen. Reg. X. 167*, of 14 April 1658, in his 76th year with codicils of 13 January and 26 February following, was proved 20 June next. It names seven children, taking notice that Thomas was dead, yet remembering his widow; calls Mr. Samuel Haugh, cousin; and gives his folio bible to Oliver St. John, Chief Justice of the Common Pleas; and makes his wife executrix.

More About REV. PETER BULKELEY:

Will Codicil: Jan 13, 1658/59, and 26 February 1658/59<sup>7</sup>

Will Dated: Apr 14, 1658, Concord, Middlesex Co., MA<sup>7</sup>

Will Proved: Jun 20, 1659, Concord, Middlesex Co., MA<sup>7</sup>

Children of PETER BULKELEY and JANE ALLEN are:

- i. EDWARD<sup>7</sup> BULKELEY, b. About Jun 1614, Odell, Bedfordshire, England; d. Jan 02, 1695/96, Chelmsford,

MA.

Notes for EDWARD BULKELEY:

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BULKLEY, EDWARD, Concord, eldest son of Rev. Peter, born in England, baptized at Odell 17 June 1614, came to our country before his father, being admitted of Boston church 22 March 1634/35, freeman 6 May following and admitted also in Plymouth jurisdiction 5 June 1644, was minister of Marshfield, ordained 1643, until 1658, and the next year succeeded his father; preached the election sermon, 1680; died at Chelmsford 2 January 1696, but was buried at Concord. His wife is unknown but he had children: Sarah, born 12 June 1640; Peter, at Concord 3 November 1641; Elizabeth, who married 7 December 1665, Rev. Joseph Emerson, next, captain John Brown of Reading; and John, who died young at Marshfield, beside Jane, who married 20 March 1684, Ephriam Flint.

More About EDWARD BULKELEY:

Baptism: Jun 17, 1614, Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>7</sup>

Burial: About Jan 1695/96, Concord, Middlesex Co., MA

- ii. MARY BULKELEY, b. About Aug 1615, Odell, Bedfordshire, England; d. Infant, Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>7</sup>.

More About MARY BULKELEY:

Baptism: Aug 24, 1615, Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>7</sup>

- iii. THOMAS BULKELEY, b. Apr 11, 1617, Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>7</sup>; d. About 1658, Fairfield, CT<sup>7</sup>; m. SARAH JONES; b. Unknown; d. Aft. Apr 26, 1677.

Notes for THOMAS BULKELEY:

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BULKLEY, THOMAS, Concord, son of the first Peter, born in England, freeman 13 March 1639, married Sarah, daughter of Rev. John Jones, had Sarah, born 12 August 1640, removed with father-in-law to Fairfield, there died about 1658. The widow married Anthony Wilson, and after his death by her will of 26 April 1677, gave lands to two sons John and Joseph, beside books, and other property and to daughters, Sarah, wife of Eleazer Brown, Rebecca, wife of Joseph Whepley, and daughter Hannah, perhaps unmarried, books and other property. A Thomas Bulkeley was, it is said, of Rowley in 1643.

More About THOMAS BULKELEY:

Baptism: Apr 18, 1617, Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>7</sup>

Freeman: Mar 13, 1638/39, Concord, Middlesex Co., MA<sup>7</sup>

More About SARAH JONES:

Will Dated: Apr 26, 1677<sup>7</sup>

- iv. NATHANIEL BULKELEY, b. Nov 29, 1618, Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>7</sup>; d. About 1627, Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>7</sup>.
- v. JOHN BULKELEY, b. Feb 17, 1618/19, Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>7</sup>; d. About 1689<sup>7</sup>.

Notes for JOHN BULKELEY:

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BULKLEY, JOHN, brother of the preceding, born in England, baptized at Odell, 19 October 1619, came in the ship with his father, freeman 18 May 1642, went to his native land and had a living at Fordham, whence, being ejected 1662, he removed to Wapping, near London, practised physic with success, and died about 1689. Calamy's Acc. II. 311. He was of the first class of graduates at Harvard 1642, and ranks in the catalogue next after Sir George Downing.

More About JOHN BULKELEY:

Baptism: Oct 19, 1619, Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>7</sup>

Education: 1642, Harvard College<sup>7</sup>

Freeman: May 18, 1642<sup>7</sup>

- vi. MARY BULKELEY, b. Nov 01, 1621, Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>7</sup>; d. About 1624, Odell, Bedfordshire, England.
- vii. GEORGE BULKELEY, b. May 17, 1623, Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>7</sup>; d. Unknown.
- viii. DANIEL BULKELEY, b. Aug 28, 1625, Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>7</sup>; d. Unknown.
- ix. JABEZ BULKELEY, b. Dec 20, 1626, Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>7</sup>; d. Bef. Dec 20, 1629, Odell, Bedfordshire, England<sup>7</sup>.

Children of PETER BULKELEY and GRACE CHITWOOD are:

- x. GERSHOM<sup>7</sup> BULKELEY, b. Dec 06, 1636, Concord, Middlesex Co., MA<sup>7</sup>; d. Dec 02, 1713<sup>7</sup>; m. SARAH CHAUNCY, About Oct 26, 1659, Concord, Middlesex Co., MA<sup>7</sup>; b. Unknown; d. Jun 03, 1699<sup>7</sup>.

Notes for GERSHOM BULKELEY:

Per SAVAGE'S Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers, v. 1  
BULKLEY, GERSHOM, New London, brother of the preceding, married at Concord 24 or 26 October 1659, Sarah, daughter of President Chauncy, who died 3 June 1699, had Peter, born 7 November 1660; after some years preaching at New London, removed to Wethersfield, there installed and preached 1666-77, when he was dismissed at his own request for feeble health, was representative 1679 for Wethersfield and practiced as a surgeon, having in such capacity served in several expeditions during Philip's war; was a great politician in support of Andros, and died 2 December 1713; having made his will 26 May 1712. Besides daughters, Catharine, who married Richard Treat, and died before her father; and Dorothy, who married Thomas Treat, he had Edward, born 1672; John, 1679, Harvard College 1699, first minister of Colchester; and Charles, who in family memorial is called first born.

More About GERSHOM BULKELEY:

Education: 1655, Harvard College<sup>7</sup>

- xi. ELIEZER BULKELEY, b. 1638; d. Unknown.

Notes for ELIEZER BULKELEY:

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BULKLEY, ELIEZER, Wethersfield, brother of the preceding, living in 1659, when the will of his father provides well for him, died probably in no long time after, as he is never mentioned as freeman or otherwise.

- xii. DOROTHY BULKELEY, b. Aug 02, 1640<sup>7</sup>; d. Unknown.  
xiii. PETER BULKELEY, b. Jun 12, 1643<sup>7</sup>; d. About 1691.

Notes for PETER BULKELEY:

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BULKLEY, PETER, Fairfield, youngest son of the Rev. Peter, a physician, in his will of 25 March 1691, in 49th year of his age, as he calls it, of course younger than his namesake nephew, names two eldest daughters, Grace and Margaret, and son Peter, seven and a quarter years old, but refers to other children without naming Gershom, and Dorothy, for which we are compelled to turn this will, but decline to act. His estate was small, and two nephews, John and Joseph, who reside at Fairfield undertook administration and soon gave it up. No small dexterity is needed to avoid confusion between the Peter of Edward, the Peter of Gershom, who I intentionally omitted and the Peter of Peter, who is entitled to a place here, as son of one who came from England.

More About PETER BULKELEY:

Will Dated: Mar 25, 1691

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