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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is said that genealogy is now the most popular hobby in the United States. Genealogy is puzzle solving. It is fun. It is history. It is one way that we remind ourselves of the important legacies left to us by our forebears.

As I begin to serve as your president, it is well to review a few of the things that MGS has accomplished under the leadership of others -- most recently David Bowley.

With the cooperation of Darien Library, the MGS collection of genealogical reference material has been enlarged and made more readily available. An important and ongoing cooperative effort with the library is the computer workstation with *Family-Search* compact disks. The Fatherley Memorial Collection of compact disks, including census index disks and other information, has been established. David Bowley has also created an MGS homepage on the Internet.

Our annual workshops, speakers, and *Newsletter* all provide interesting information and helpful tips. MGS volunteers assist others on Saturday mornings at the library.

Let us know if you would like to volunteer to help with one of our existing projects or a new project; anything from an article in our *Newsletter* to a plate of cookies at our next meeting will be welcomed.

I am personally grateful that MGS has the legacy of a vigorous group of volunteers who have helped to make our pursuit of genealogy interesting and fun. Thanks to all of you for your past and continuing efforts.

David L. Mordy

MGS AT DARIEN LIBRARY

by C. Scribner

The new books reported on in the last issue of this newsletter have been processed by the library staff and are now on our shelves, as follows:

- *A Topographical Dictionary of Ireland* -- shelf 3.3.
- *The Great Migration Begins* -- shelf 4.5.

Saturday morning workshop sessions will end 28 June, then resume 6 September. This will give the workshop crew a rest for the summer.

In doing family history research we occasionally need copies of birth, marriage, or death certificates from out-of-state or out-of-country locations. Appropriate application forms must be used and correct procedures followed in order to obtain these vital records. Because forms vary from state to state and from country to country, you will be faced with time-consuming correspondence, extra fees, and other special requirements before the proper forms can be obtained.

To eliminate this hassle, look over the *International Records Handbook* in our section of the library. This handbook contains instructions and a complete collection of vital records application forms for states in the U.S. and countries throughout the world. All you need do is photocopy the form you want, follow the instructions, and send the completed form with fee requested to the proper record office. ■



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Middlesex Genealogical Society was established for the purpose of helping those interested in genealogy to pursue the investigation of their family heritage and to provide guidance in research to that end. The society holds at least four meetings with a program and speaker during the year, has established a Genealogy Section at Darien Library, provides research assistance on Saturday mornings (10 am to noon) at Darien Library, and publishes a newsletter at least four times a year. Annual membership dues are \$15 per individual and \$20 per couple or family.

Original articles, notices of genealogical interest, and queries are welcomed for publication in the *Newsletter*.

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UPCOMING MGS MEETINGS

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

17 MAY 1997: JAMES E. BOLLES, president and co-founder of Ancestral Tours to Great Britain, Ltd., Norwalk, CT, and past president of the Connecticut Society of Genealogists, will give a slide presentation entitled **WHAT'S HIS NAME?** to be followed by a lecture on **TIPS FOR RESEARCH IN GREAT BRITAIN**. Jim Bolles has spent years traveling in Great Britain to investigate the hamlets and villages where his ancestors once lived and has traced his family roots back to 545 A.D.!

18 OCTOBER 1997: Tom Peters will speak on **TRACING YOUR GERMANIC ANCESTRY**.

18 APRIL 1998: Return visit of Suzanne McVetty.

ALL MEETINGS: SATURDAY, 2:00 PM, DARIEN LIBRARY. ■

MGS NEWSLETTER

Editor's note: As MGS pauses for the summer, I would like to thank all those who have contributed articles and information to the *Newsletter* during the past year. Their generosity has enhanced its pages significantly. New content is always needed, however, and I encourage all of you to share your knowledge and experience, your successes and failures, your adventures and misadventures, with the rest of the membership through your *Newsletter*. Everyone has a story to tell, and help is available if you need it. Contact Dorothy Shillinglaw (655-8350) or Florence Wyland. ■

RHODE ISLAND'S PRIVACY LAW

A Rhode Island researcher who had already consulted LDS microfilm 0931555 (vital records of Charlestown, RI, 1849-1921), tried to use that microfilm again recently and was told that it was no longer available. Why? In the interim Rhode Island enacted a privacy law that blocks access to birth records for 95 years, and fewer than 95 years have passed since 1921. LDS had, of course, agreed before microfilming Rhode Island vital records to abide by state law in making the microfilm available to the public. As this specific microfilm contains records through 1921, it will not become available to the public *again* until the year 2016! More stringent regulation of record access is under consideration in other states and countries as well, so look for yet more road blocks in your research. ■

STARR TREK

by William H. Atkinson

About a year ago I completed a family history intended primarily for my children and grandchildren. David Bowley learned of it and was kind enough to express an interest in its contents. While reading the history, he particularly noted some information about my paternal great-grandmother Minnie Starr. Minnie Starr's family included some colorful characters, but of more interest to Dave was her claim to have been a descendant of one Dr. Comfort Starr who came to Boston from the Town of Ashford in Kent, England, in 1635.

Dave urged me to look into Minnie Starr's lineage, and, with his help, I began to explore Starr family records on the computer at Darien Library. Later, much to Dave's surprise, Middlesex Genealogical Society received an inquiry from a Willis S. Rosing of Newton, Kansas, asking for assistance in tracing the Starr family genealogy. Mr. Rosing is descended from one Josiah Starr Sr. who was a soldier in the American Revolution, a relationship Mr. Rosing learned of from a 1929 copy of his grandmother's application for membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution. Josiah Starr Sr. was, purportedly, a descendent of the same Dr. Comfort Starr, and Mr. Rosing was seeking to trace Josiah's lineage.

Mr. Rosing's forebear was reported to be a member of the Middletown, Connecticut, branch of the Starr family. I surmise that Mr. Rosing noted that Middletown is in Middlesex County and, therefore, wrote to Middlesex Genealogical Society. In any event, what may have been a confusing geographic situation resulted in a connection that has been of great interest to Mr. Rosing and myself.

As Dave Bowley and I reviewed information on the computer, we found a reference to a book by Burgis Pratt Starr entitled *A History of the Starr Family of New England*, published in 1879. Darien Library was able to locate a copy of the book in the Danbury Public Library. The book is rather rare, as I understand that only 500 copies were printed, so Danbury Public Library does not circulate it. They did, however, make it available to me in their

History Reading Room, which, incidentally, contains a wealth of information about western Connecticut. Anyone interested in the history of this area or in families with their roots here would find this facility useful.

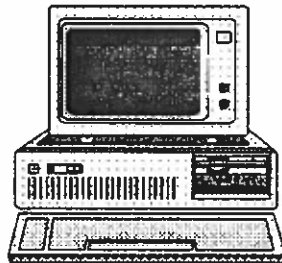
The history of the Starr family presented in this book is comprehensive, with each family member given an identification number and a brief biographical sketch. It proved very easy to trace Mr. Rosing's family back to Dr. Comfort Starr and, likewise, to trace my great-grandmother Minnie Starr's roots back to the same gentleman. Mr. Rosing's forefathers were, indeed, of the Middletown, Connecticut, branch, while my side of the family was known as the Danbury branch. The two branches connect many years ago in the person of Dr. Thomas Starr (said to be one of the founders of Harvard College), one of the sons of Dr. Comfort Starr.

Much to my amazement, I discovered that I am able to trace my own Starr family connections through two chains.

My great-grandmother Minnie Starr had a great-grandmother born in 1755 whose maiden name was Lois Starr. She married a distant cousin, Samuel Starr, and, thus, Minnie was descended from a second line of the Starr family, also of the Danbury branch.

Through Lois Starr there is another interesting connection with Mr. Rosing. As mentioned, Mr. Rosing is descended from Josiah Starr Sr. of the Middletown branch of the family, a soldier in the Revolution. Mr. Rosing recently sent me some material that places Josiah Starr Sr. in Danbury at the time that town was burned by the British in 1777. Lois Starr's father, Joseph Starr of Danbury, was a captain in the Revolutionary army, and one wonders if the two met on that fateful occasion in Danbury.

Burgis Starr also mentioned in his book that a so-called "Starr Cabinet" was being assembled containing original documents belonging to the Starr family. He reported that the cabinet was to be stored at the Connecticut Historical Society's office in Hartford. Thus, it would seem that there is considerable material yet to be reviewed. No doubt, Mr. Rosing and I will continue to exchange information about our distant relationship. ■



BONEY'S CHAMBERPOT!

by David V. Bowley

My paternal great-grandmother Eliza Rapley was born in 1828 in the village of Kirdford, Sussex, England, and in 1871, when her husband died prematurely, moved her family to the Cumberland town of Cockermouth in the English Lake District where her brothers David and Frederick Rapley had moved earlier, in the 1840s.

Last year I was looking at a 2% sample of the 1851 census for Cockermouth and was amazed to stumble upon a page that showed David Rapley living at Cockermouth Castle as a servant to the owner of the Castle, a Lieutenant General Henry Wyndham, and David's married brother Frederick living next to the Castle and employed as a coachman by the general. I also noticed that Lieutenant General Henry Wyndham had been born in Petworth, a village next to Kirdford in Sussex. The chances of finding three specific names on a sample census must be astronomical, as this one, for example, was produced for sociological purposes, picking up every fiftieth entry on the full census.

As the Rapley brothers flourished, I thought it possible that the general, who died in 1860 with no children, might have favored them in his will. I obtained a copy of the general's will from Somerset House in London, but it was barely legible and did not mention the Rapley brothers.

It appears that when the general finished soldiering he brought servants from Sussex to Cumberland. I suspect that my great-great-grandparents may have been "in service" to the Wyndham family at Petworth House, Sussex, and that their sons moved north with the general. (I intend to visit Sussex on my next trip to the U.K.)

I wrote a letter to the Wyndham family in London in December 1996, and last week, when this dead lead had become a distant memory, received a hand-written letter from a Harry Wyndham (younger brother of the present Lord Egremont) which, although it doesn't further my genealogical search, gave me interesting and amusing background on the man for whom my great-granduncles worked in the 1850's.

Apparently Henry Wyndham was born at Petworth House, Sussex, and was the younger son of

the 3rd Earl of Egremont. Unfortunately the 3rd Earl neglected to marry any of the ladies who bore his children, so that Henry's eldest brother had to change his name to Lord Leconfield when he inherited. Henry had a distinguished military career, including a not insignificant role in the Battle of Waterloo. He was ADC to the Duke of Wellington and, during the Penninsular War, captured Napoleon's chamberpot. He donated this trophy to his regiment where it is still used to this day for port drinking ceremonies!

Cockermouth Castle is another Wyndham property, and, after his soldiering, Lieutenant General Wyndham moved there with an exotic French mistress named Laetitia de la Beche. He also became Member of Parliament for Cockermouth.

My great-granduncle David Rapley's job as a servant in this household must have been an interesting one. Oh to have been a fly on the wall! ■

NORWEGIAN HELP

Those with Norwegian ancestors will find a bilingual (Norwegian and English) website maintained by the University of Bergen of interest. Its address:

<http://www.hist.uib.no/hi/1801page.html>

The entire 1801 census of Norway (effective date 1 February) is available. First name, middle name, last name (sometimes patronymic, sometimes the name of the farm where residing), household position, age, sex, marital status, occupation, and residence are all included. Select the county name, then search for a farm or place, first name, last name, or parish.

Also available are emigrant protocols for Bergen Harbor, 1874-1924, and an explanation of Norwegian naming conventions.

In the U.S., additional Norwegian resources can be found in Decorah, Iowa, at the Vesterheim Genealogical Center and the Naeseth Library (a division of Vesterheim, the Norwegian-American Museum), founded in 1974 by the late Professor Gerhard B. Naeseth, a scholar of Norwegian genealogy and heritage. Nonmembers of the center may use the library's genealogical resources, by appointment only, for a daily use fee of \$10. For more information write to Vesterheim, 501 W. Water Street, Decorah, IA 52101. ■

COMPUTER CORNER

by David V. Bowley

People keep asking me whether or not our set of *FamilySearch* CDs in the library is up-to-date. The answer is *Yes!* Both the Ancestral File and the IGI are fully up-to-date and well worth another look as both files have increased greatly in size. In particular, don't forget to hit the F6 function key when using the IGI as there are many new entries in the so-called addendum. There are listings for states and countries that show how many entries are in the original IGI data base and how many in the new addendum.

Another tip is to put the name that you are researching into the LDS Catalog search to see whether they have records of any books written on your ancestors. This was how Bill Atkinson found the title of a book on the Starr family, a copy of which he was able to locate in the Danbury Public Library with serendipitous results (see his article on page 3).

I find myself increasingly referring to Dick Eastman's electronic genealogical newsletter which comes out every Monday, printed copies of which are placed in a box to the left of our *FamilySearch* workstation. Recent editions have pointed out that for PC users the Broderbund Family Tree Maker Deluxe Edition, which retails at \$99.99, is an expensive way to go. If you buy the Basic Edition for \$19.99 instead, you get essentially the same software without a bunch of disks that you either don't want or that we already have in the Fatherley Collection in the library. Once you have the basic program disks, you can order what you want separately -- and then donate the disks to the Fatherley Collection when you have finished with them. Broderbund has just released a couple of new Canadian disks that I plan to get.

Another recent genealogical addition on the internet is found at:

<http://www.ancestry.com>

Eastman says, "It has more on-line databases than I have seen anyplace else on the World Wide Web." For \$4.95 a month you can obtain a "library card" that allows you to access the data bases, which is a bargain compared with Kindred Konnections. I will add a link to Ancestry on our homepage.

Please do make use of the MGS homepage. I keep it up to date program-wise, and, if you don't have a computer and/or Internet access you can easily find it among the Community Organizations that Maura Ritz has listed on the library Internet workstation. If you need assistance, the reference librarians are there to help you. After you find the MGS page, browse some more as there are a number of other interesting local homepages that are worth investigating. Enjoy!



AREA RESOURCES

THE PEQUOT LIBRARY

Among the many fine libraries available to those who live in this area is the Pequot Library at 720 Pequot Avenue, Southport, CT (telephone: 203-259-0346), which has an extensive collection of Americana, local history, military unit histories and biographies that attracts serious researchers. For additional help, genealogist Rod McKenzie is available for consultation at the library Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings. Included in the Pequot's holdings are:

- Finding aids: *Biography & Genealogy Master Index*; *Genealogical Resources of the New York Metropolitan Area*; *History & Bibliography of American Newspapers 1690-1820*; *Passenger & Immigration Lists Index*; and *PERSI (Periodical Source Index)*.
- State periodicals and historical material, including *Maine Recorder*, *Michigan History Magazine*, *New Jersey Archives*, *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, *New York Historical Society*, *Ohio Archeological & Historical Record*, *Pennsylvania Archives*, *Pennsylvania Magazine*, *Records of New Amsterdam*, *South Carolina Historical & Genealogical Magazine*, *State Records of North Carolina*, *Virginia Magazine*, *Wisconsin State Historical Society*, and *Wyoming Historical Society*.
- Town, county, and state histories for Connecticut, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Maine, Rhode Island, Virginia, and Vermont. They also have Massachusetts Town Vital Records transcripts.

- A period history collection that includes material on Mayflower families and descendants; Winthrop papers and letters 1588-1649; Revolutionary War (Connecticut service); SAR books (various states); Rochambeau; Indian wars; witchcraft; Yale University (Revolutionary War, class histories, and directories); Civil War personal narratives; and regimental histories for Connecticut, Iowa, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.
- City directories for: Bridgeport, 1868-1981; Hartford, 1825, 1838-1902; New Haven, 1842-1900; New York City, 1786, 1799-1903, 1908, 1910, 1912; and Westport, 1952-1989.
- *New York Social Register*, 1913-1991.
- Other periodicals/books: *American Ancestry*, *American Historical Review*, *The Ancestor*, *DAR Lineage Books*, *DAR Rolls of Honor*, *Essex Institute Historical Collection* (Vol. 1-Vol. 129), *Genealogica & Heraldica*, *The Genealogist*, *Genealogy Magazine*, and *NEHGS Register*.
- Territorial papers (land grant material for many of the western states).

The Pequot Library also has family histories for the surnames listed below. If you don't find the exact name you are looking for here, remember that *your* ancestor may have used an alternate spelling.

Abby, Adams, Adsit, Alison, Allcot, Allen, Allerton, Alvord, Ames, Andrews, Arnold, Ashley, Atkins, Atwater, Austen, Avery, Ayers (see Tremayne), Aylesworth, Aylett (see Hundley), Babcock, Backus, Balch, Baldwin, Ball (see Glassell), Barber, Barker, Barrett, Barstow, Bartlett, Barton, Bates, Beach, Beard, Beckley, Beckwith, Beekman, Benedict, Bergen, Bicknell, Binney, Bird (see Hundley), Bishop, Blackman, Blair, Blish, Bliss, Board (see Tremayne), Bolton, Booker (see Hundley), Boon, Bouton, Boydston, Boynton, Bradford, Bradley, Brainerd, Brewster, Bridgman, Bright, Brinkerhoff, Brockett, Brown (also see Glassell), Browning, Bryan (see Glassell), Buck, Buckley, Buckingham, Buckner (see Hundley), Bullard, Burbank, Burr, Burley, Burnham, Burr, Burrage, Burt, Burton (see Thayer), Butler, Byrom,

Caldwell, Calhoun, Calkins, Cameron, Candee, Capron, Carpenter, Carter (see Hundley), Cary, Cassel, Caverly, Champion, Champney, Chandler, Chapin, Chapman, Chatfield, Chauncey, Chesebrough, Choate, Church, Churchill, Chuse, Clafin, Clapp, Clark, Cleveland, Coe, Cogswell, Colden, Colgate, Colt, Converse, Conway (see Glassell), Cooke, Cooper, Corwin, Coutt, Craft, Craig, Crary, Crosby, Crowninshield, Cummins, Cushing, Cushman, Cutt, Cutter, Dabney, Danforth, Daniel (see Glassell), Darby, Darling, Davenport, Dawson, Day, Deane, Dearborn, DeForest, DeLong, Deming, Denny, Devotion, Dewing, Dexter, Dey (see Tremayne), Dickerman, Dickinson, Dimon, Dimond, Diodate, Dixon, Dodge, Doolittle, Doremus, Dorland, Dotten, Doty, Dow, Drake, Driver, Dudley, Dunbar (see Hundley), Dunster, Durfee, Dutton, Dwight, Eaton, Edwards, Eliot, Ellis, Ely, Emery, Eno, Estes, Ewell (see Glassell), Fairfax, Fairman, Fanning, Farwell, Faxon, Felt, Fenner, Fenton, Field, Fillow, Fisher, Fitch, Flagg, Flanders, Fletcher, Folson, Foote, Foster, Fowler, Frary, French, Fullum,

Gage, Gardiner, Gardner, Garfield, Garnett (see Hundley), Geer, Gerould, Gibson, Gill, Gillet, Gilman, Glassell (Virginia families), Glover, Godsell, Goodwin, Goodyear, Gorges, Gorton, Gould, Grannis, Grant, Green Griffing, Griswold, Guild, Guile, Gustine, Haddock, Hakes, Hale, Hall, Hallock,

Halsey, Hambleton, Hammond, Hanford, Harris, Hart, Hartwell, Harvard, Harvey, Harwood, Haven, Hayden, Hazelton, Heacock, Heard, Hendrick, Hicks, Hill, Hills, Hines, Hinsdale, Hitchcock, Hoadley, Hodges, Holcombe, Holladay (see Glassell), Hollister, Holmes, Hooper, Hopkins (see Munsey), Hoskins, Hosmer, Houston, Howard, Howes, Hoyt, Hubbard, Hull, Humphrey, Hundley, Huntington, Hunton, Hurlbut, Hyde,

Ingalls, Ingersoll, Ireland, Jackson, James, Jennings, Jessup, Johnson, Johnston, Jolliff, Jones, Joy, Judd, Keator, Keep, Kellogg, Kelsey, Kelton, Keyes, Kilbourn, Kimball, Kimber, King, Kip, Kirby, Ladd, Laffin, LaForge, Laidlaw, Lamborn, Lane, Lasher, Lawrence, Leach, Lee, Leete, Leighton, Leonard, Lewis (also see Glassell), Libby, Little, Littlehale, Littlepage (see Glassell), Livermore, Locke, Lockwood, Loomis, Lord,

Mack (see Tremayne), MacKenzie, Makepeace, Mallett, Maltby, Mann, Mansfield, Mapes, Marks, Marshall, Marston, Martling, Marvin, Mather, May, Mayo, McCook, McCoy, McKenna, McKnight, Mead, Mendall, Meriwether, Merriam, Merwin, Mickley, Middlebrook, Mills, Minor, Moncure (see Glassell), Morehouse, Morris, Morrison, Moseley, Moses, Mowry, Munroe, Munsey, Munson, Murray, Neill, Newton, Noble, Norris, North, Noyes, Odell, Olcott, Olin, Ormsby, Orton, Osborn, Otis,

Packard, Paine, Palmer, Parker, Parthemore, Partridge, Payne, Pearce, Pease, Pemberton, Perkins, Perry, Pettingill, Peyton (see Glassell), Phelps, Philbrick, Pierce, Pillsbury, Pitkin, Platt (see Marks), Plimpton, Plumb, Pocahontas, Pomeroy, Pond, Poore, Pope, Porter, Potts, Pratt, Preble, Prentice, Priest, Prince, Provost, Pulsifer, Purdy, Rawson, Ray, Raymond, Reading, Redfield, Reed, Resseguie, Richards, Riddell, Ripley, Roberdeau, Robinson (also see Glassell), Rockwell, Rockwood, Rodman, Rogers, Rollins, Roosevelt, Roy (see Hundley), Rushing, Rutter, Ryerson

Sage, St. John, Sands, Sanford, Sargent, Sawin, Sayward, Scammon, Schweitzer, Scott (also see Glassell), Scranton, Seaman, Sears, Sessions, Seymour, Sharp, Sharpless, Shattuck, Sheffield, Shephard, Sherman, Sherwood, Shipp, Shove, Shuey, Shurtleff, Silsbee, Skidmore, Slafter, Smedley, Smith, Spalding, Spooner, Spofford, Sprague, Stands, Stanley, Stanton, Staples, Start, Stebbins, Steele, Steiner, Stetson, Stevens, Steves, Stickney, Stiles, Stoddard, Stone, Street, Strowbridge, Sturgis, Sturtevant, Sulgrave, Sumner, Talcott, Taintor, Taylor (also see Glassell), Temple, Tenney, Thayer, Thomas, Thompson, Tobey, Todd, Tomlinson, Tompkins, Toppan, Torrey, Totman, Towery, Towne, Townshend, Tracy, Traver, Treat, Tremayne, Tribble (see Hundley), Trowbridge, Trubee, Tucker, Turner, Tuttle,

Uphaw (see Hundley), Usher, Valentine, Van Brunt, Van Cortland, Vanderwerken, Van Voorhees, Vassall, Vickers, Viets, Vilas, Vinton, Wadsworth, Wakeman, Walker, Wallace (see Glassell), Wallbridge, Waisworth, Ward, Ware (also see Hundley), Waring (see Hundley), Warner, Warren, Warriner, Washburn, Washington, Waterman, Watson, Wait, Webster, Weeks, Welch, Wells, Wentworth, Weston, Wetmore, Wheeler, White, Whitfield, Whitney, Wilbury, Wildbore, Wilder, Willemszen, Williams, Willis, Wills, Wood, Woodbridge, Wyland, Yale.

NEW ENGLAND TOWN RECORDS

Ann Smith Lainhart gave an excellent talk on New England Town Records at our meeting 19 April. The variety and amount of information that can be gleaned from these records is truly astonishing. Those who were unable to attend might wish to consult *Digging for Genealogical Treasure in New England Town Records*, a book authored by Ann, and *Warning Out in New England 1656-1817* by Josiah Henry Benton. (Ann's book entitled *State Census Records* is on a Darien Library shelf in our Genealogy Section.) Also see:

Connecticut:

- *Extracts from Records of Colchester 1713-1730* (Hartford, 1864).
- *Town Records of Derby, Conn.*, 1655-1710 (Derby, 1901).
- *History of Enfield* (Lancaster, PA, 1900).

- Mark Williams, *Granby Town Records* (Granby, 1986).
- Jean Chandler Burr, *Lyme Records, 1667-1730* (Stonington, 1968).
- *New Haven Colony Historical Society: Ancient Town Records, 1649-1769*, 3 vols. (New Haven 1917, 1919, 1962).
- H.S. Sheldon, *Documentary History of Suffield, 1660-1749* (Springfield, 1879).
- K.A. Prichard, *Proprietors' Records of the Town of Waterbury, Conn., 1677-1761* (Mattatuck Historical Society, 1911).

Maine

- Charles Elventon Nash, *The History of Augusta* (Augusta, 1904), has excerpts of town records and tax lists.
- *Town Meetings, 1817-1850, Brookville* (typescript at NEHGS, 1949).
- Cyrus Woodman, *Records of the Proprietors of Narraganset Township, No. 1, Now the Town of Buxton, York County, Maine, 1733-1811* (Concord, NH, 1871).
- J.W. Penny, *Records of the Proprietors of New Gloucester* (Maine Historical Society, 1897).
- J.P. Baxter, "The Penobscot Proprietors: Records and Papers to 1766," *Documentary History of Maine*, XXIV: 199-464 (Portland, 1916).
- *Papers Relating to Pemaquid* (Albany, 1856).

Massachusetts

- *Alford, Mass., Tax Records, 1815-1816*, typescript at NEHGS.
- Boston Record Commissioners' Series: Vol. 1, *17th Century Tax Lists* (1881); Vol. 2, *Boston Records 1634-1660, and the Book of Possessions* (1881); Vol. 5, *Miscellaneous Records* (1884); Vol. 7, *Boston Records 1660-1701* (1881); Vol. 8, *Boston Records 1700-1728* (1883); Vol. 10, *Miscellaneous Papers* (1886); Vol. 11, *Records of Boston Selectmen 1701-1715* (1884); Vol. 12, *Boston Records 1729-1742* (1885); Vol. 13, *Records of Boston Selectmen 1716-1736* (1885); Vol. 14, *Boston Town Records 1742-1757* (1885); Vol. 15, *Boston Town Records 1736-1742* (1886); Vol. 16, *Boston Town Records 1758-1769* (1886); Vol. 17, *Selectmen's Minutes 1742/3-1753* (1887); Vol. 18, *Boston Town Records 1770-1777* (1887); Vol. 19, *Selectmen's Minutes 1754-1763* (1887); Vol. 20, *Selectmen's Minutes 1764-1768* (1889); Vol. 23, *Selectmen's Minutes 1769--April 1775* (1893); Vol. 25, *Selectmen's Minutes 1776-1786* (1894); Vol. 26, *Boston Town Records 1778-1783* (1895); Vol. 27, *Selectmen's Minutes 1789-1798* (1896); Vol. 29, *Miscellaneous Papers* (1900); Vol. 31, *Boston Town Records 1784-1796* (1903); Vol. 33, *Minutes of the Selectmen's Meetings 1799-1810* (1904); Vol. 35, *Boston Town Records 1796-1813* (1905); Vol. 37, *Boston Town Records 1814-1822* (1906); Vol. 38, *Minutes of the Selectmen's Meetings 1811-1817 and Part of 1818* (1908); Vol. 39, *Minutes of the Selectmen's Meetings 1 Sept. 1818-24 April 1822* (1909).
- *Boxford Town Records 1685-1706*, Essex Institute Historical Collections (Salem 1910), XXXVI: 41-103.
- S.A. Bates, *Records of the Town of Braintree 1640-1793* (Randolph, MA, 1886).
- *Town Records of Bridgewater, Mass.* (Brockton, 1889).
- *Town Records of Brookline 1838-1884*, 3 vol. (Brookline, 1888, 1892).
- *The Records of the Town of Cambridge, Mass. 1630-1703* (Cambridge, 1901).
- *The Register Book of the Lands and Houses in the "New Towne" and the Town of Cambridge* (Cambridge, 1896).
- *Charlestown Land Records 1638-1802*, Boston Record Commissioners' Report, Vol. III, 2nd Ed. (Boston, 1883).
- *Concord Town Records 1732-1820* (Concord, 1894).
- Hill, Tuttle, and Fisher, *The Early Records of the Town of Dedham, Mass. 1636-1766*, 5 vol. (Dedham, 1892, 1968).
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