

# Conflict and Community in Colonial New England

## *Class 1: Colonial Communities at War: Towns, Militias, and Conflict*

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# Meet today's presenter



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# OVERVIEW

- **Presentation** (60 mins.)
  - Local militia in early New England
  - Militia history by colony
  - Timeline of colonial conflicts
- **Q&A** (30 mins.)

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# Local Militia in New England

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# English Military Tradition

- The concept of a local militia was a tradition in England dating back centuries
- Distance altered circumstances from England to New England in rapid response
- Colonies adapted English military training and traditions



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Manual of the Musketeer (17th century)
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# Why did New England towns form local militias?

- Faced challenges of maintaining a permanent settlement without England's military support; local militia acted in the absence of a standing army
- Colonists faced disease, food shortages, severe winters, uncertain relations with Indigenous peoples
- Colonists depended not only on agriculture and trade but also on their ability to defend themselves

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# Why did New England towns form local militias?

- Mutual cooperation; assisting neighboring communities when the need arose
- The more isolated or inland a community, the more likely an attack
- Coastal towns at risk from invasion by sea
- Defense of the community was a shared responsibility regulated by laws and enacted by a militia

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# Who was expected to serve?

- All able-bodied white males
- Ages 16 to 60 (later 50)
- Representative of all socio-economic backgrounds
- (May differ slightly among colonies)

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# Exempted from Militia Duty

- Political leaders of the community
- Judges
- "President, Fellows, Students, and Servants of Harvard College"
- Ministers/Elders/Deacons of churches
- Sheriffs
- Physicians or surgeons
- Schoolmasters
- Coroners
- Deputy Sheriffs
- Clerks of courts
- Constables
- Constant ferrymen
- One Miller to each Gristmill
- Masters of vessels of 30+ tons
- Constant herdsmen
- Persons who are lame or otherwise disabled (needed a certificate from two surgeons)
- Those of Indigenous and/or African descent

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Those exempt from training were required to keep arms and have them inspected at least twice a year and to turn out in the case of emergency.

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# Skills of the Citizen Militia

- **Carpenters** may be called upon to build defensive works or a garrison house
- **Blacksmith** may maintain military hardware
- **Gunsmith** may ensure that muskets are in functioning condition





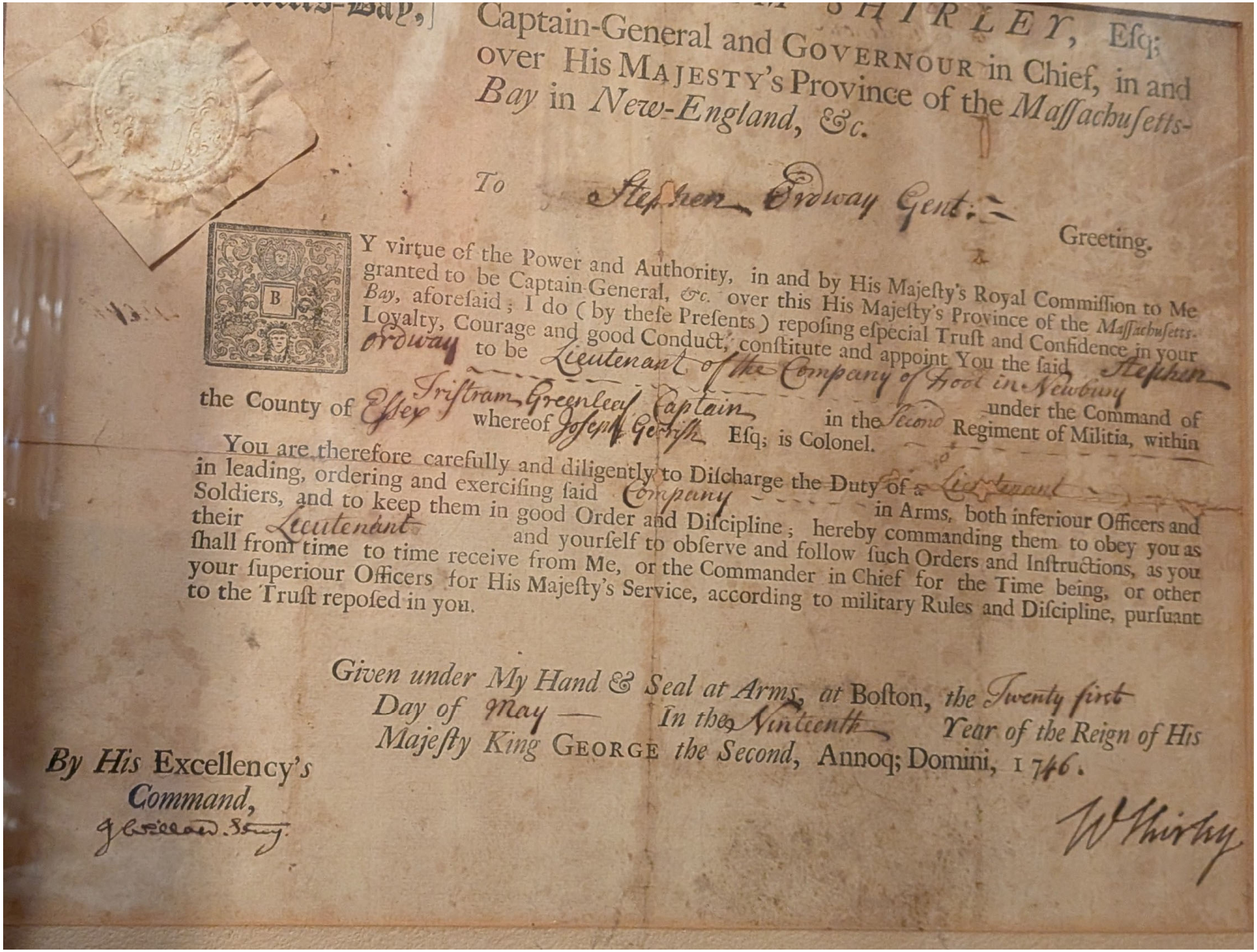
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# Officers of the Local Militia

- Captain
- Lieutenant
- Ensign
- Non-commissioned officers (Sergeants, Corporals)
- Hierarchy of companies varied by colony and century



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Captain-General and GOVERNOUR in Chief, in and over His MAJESTY's Province of the *Massachusetts-Bay* in *New-England*, &c.

To Stephen Ordway Gent.: Greeting.

Y virtue of the Power and Authority, in and by His Majesty's Royal Commission to Me granted to be Captain-General, &c. over this His Majesty's Province of the *Massachusetts-Bay*, aforesaid; I do (by these Presents) reposing especial Trust and Confidence in your Loyalty, Courage and good Conduct, constitute and appoint You the said Stephen Ordway to be Lieutenant of the Company of Foot in Newbury under the Command of Tristram Greenleef Captain in the Second Regiment of Militia, within the County of Essex whereof Joseph Gerrish Esq; is Colonel.

You are therefore carefully and diligently to Discharge the Duty of a Lieutenant in leading, ordering and exercising said Company in Arms, both inferiour Officers and Soldiers, and to keep them in good Order and Discipline; hereby commanding them to obey you as their Lieutenant and yourself to observe and follow such Orders and Instructions, as you shall from time to time receive from Me, or the Commander in Chief for the Time being, or other your superiour Officers for His Majesty's Service, according to military Rules and Discipline, pursuant to the Trust reposed in you.

*Given under My Hand & Seal at Arms, at* Boston, *the* Twenty first *Day of* May — *In the* Nineteenth *Year of the Reign of His Majesty King* GEORGE *the Second*, Annoq; Domini, 1746.

*By His* Excellency's *Command*,

W Thirby

Lieutenant Commission (1746)
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# Muster Roll King Philips War

# LISTS OF SOLDIERS OF NEWBURY, AMESBURY, BRADFORD AND VICINITY,

## AND OTHER MILITARY DOCUMENTS, 1686–1746.

[Copied for the Register by Francis E. Blake, Esq., of Boston.]*

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Benj Morce(?)
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Abrahan Merell Ju^r^

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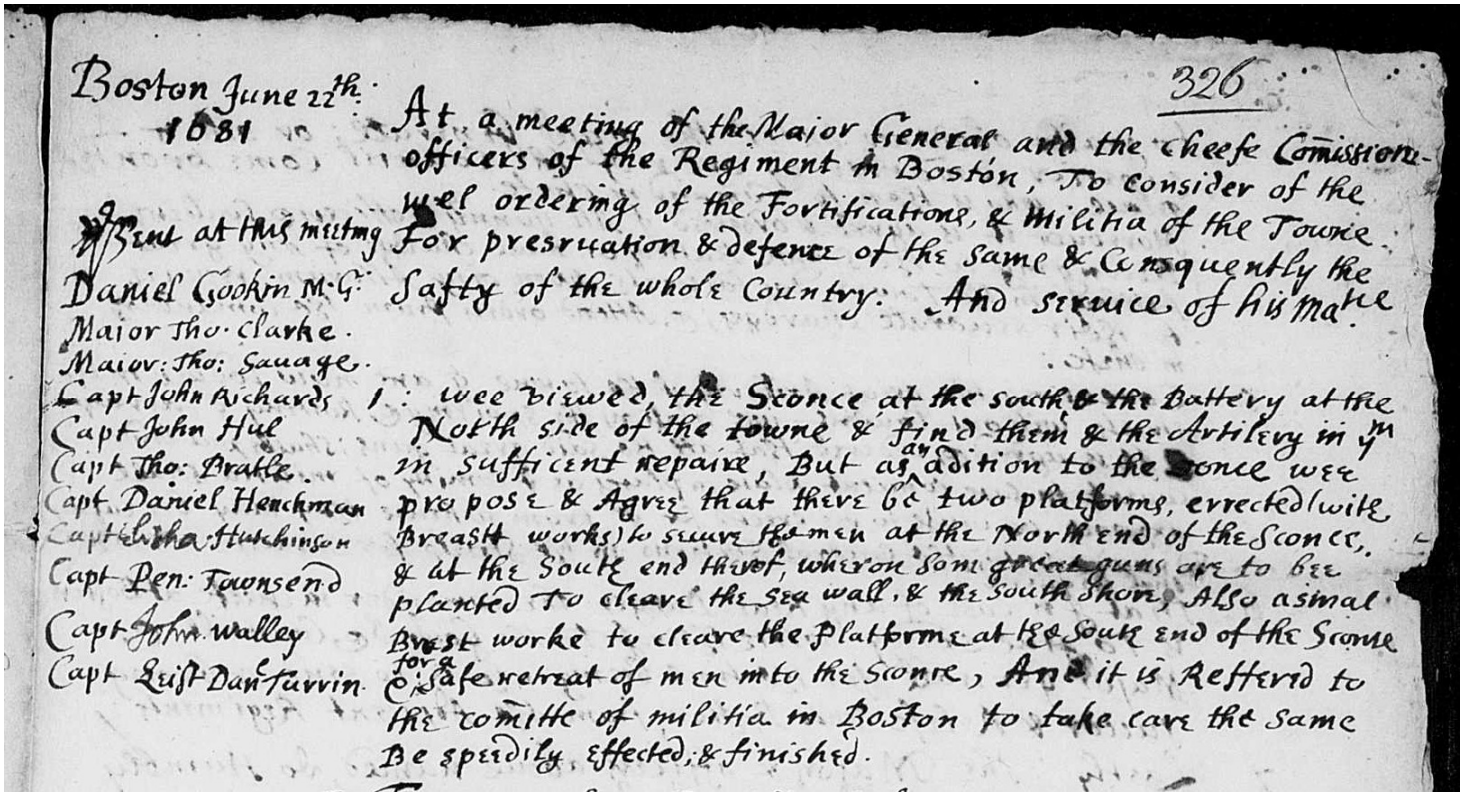
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# Local Militia "Training Band"

- *Training band* or *trainband* - refers to the local militia in town records
- *Training field* - a town green or town common where the local militia trained
- Some elite veterans of a community were part of the training band; later referred to as "Minutemen" in the Revolutionary War era
- A training band may receive additional training (versus less experienced members of the militia)

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Dec. 14. 1674. At a meeting of the Millitary Company. Daniel Peirce Jun. was chosen to be a Sergeant & Joseph Pike Corporall of the Militiary Company of Newbury.



Boston June 22th 1681

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At a meeting of the Maior Generall and the cheefe Comissioners officers of the Regiment in Boston, To consider of the wel ordering of the Fortifications, & Militia of the Towne for prsrucation & defence of the same & Consequently the Safty of the whole Country: And service of his Matie

Present at this meetng
Daniel Gookin M.G:
Maior Tho: Clarke.
Maior: Tho: Savage.
Capt John Richards
Capt John Hul
Capt Tho: Brattle.
Capt Daniel Henchman
Capt Eliha Hutchinson
Capt Pen: Townsend
Capt John Walley
Capt Luist Dan Farrin

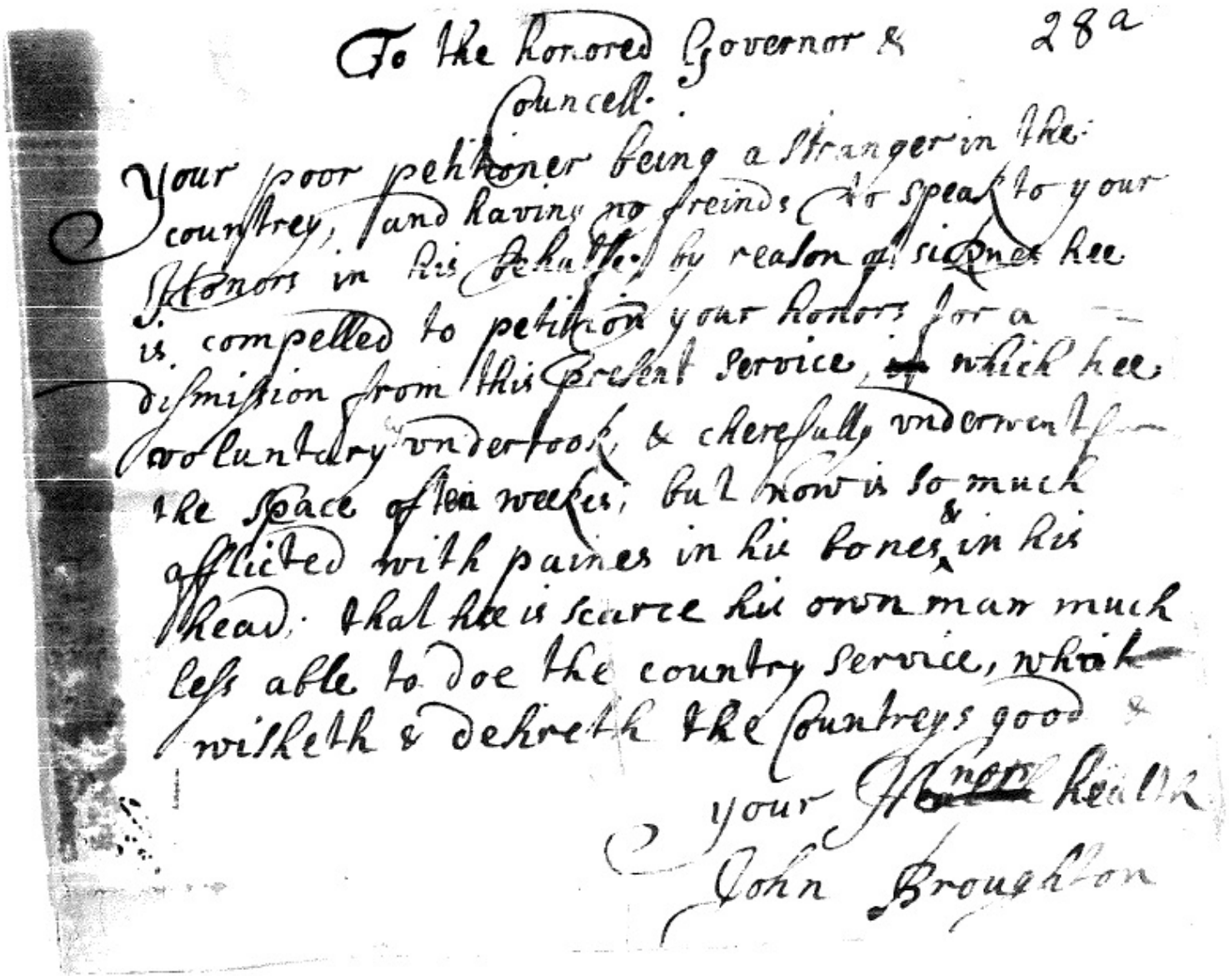
1: wee viewed the Sconce at the south & the Battery at the North side of the towne & find them & the Artilery in ym in sufficient repaire, But as addition to the Sconce wee propose & Agree that there be two platforms, erected (with Breastt works) to secure the men at the North end of the Sconce, & at the South end thereof, whereon som great guns are to bee planted To cleare the Sea wall, & the South Shore, Also a small Brest worke to cleare the Platforms at the South end of the Sconce for a safe retreat of men into the Sconce, And it is Refferd to the comitte of militia in Boston to take care the same Be speedily effected; & finished.

Newbury & Boston, Mass. Town Records
FamilySearch

# Training Day

- Frequency of training differed in the 17th and 18th centuries
- Often six times a year or monthly training was required
- All arms inspected and muskets checked for working order
- Manual of arms and drilling would occur
- Illness or physical injury would typically be the only excuse from training; unexcused absences could lead to a fine or jail

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To the honored Governor & 28a
Councell.

Your poor pehtioner being a Stranger in the
countrey, and having no freinds to speak to your
Honors in his behalfe: by reason of sickness hee
is compelled to petition your Honors for a
dismission from this present Service, in which hee
voluntary undertook, & cheerfully undertaken
the space of ten weekes; but now is so much
afflicted with paines in his bones, & in his
head, that hee is scarce his own man much
less able to doe the country service, which
wisheth & dehreth the countreys good &
your Honors health
John Broughton

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# Weapons and Equipment

- Most local militia regulations required men provide their own arms and a suitable supply of ammunition for training
- Equipment requirements differed among colonies
- Some communities had a stockpile of extra weapons in case of emergency

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# 17th & 18th century weapons

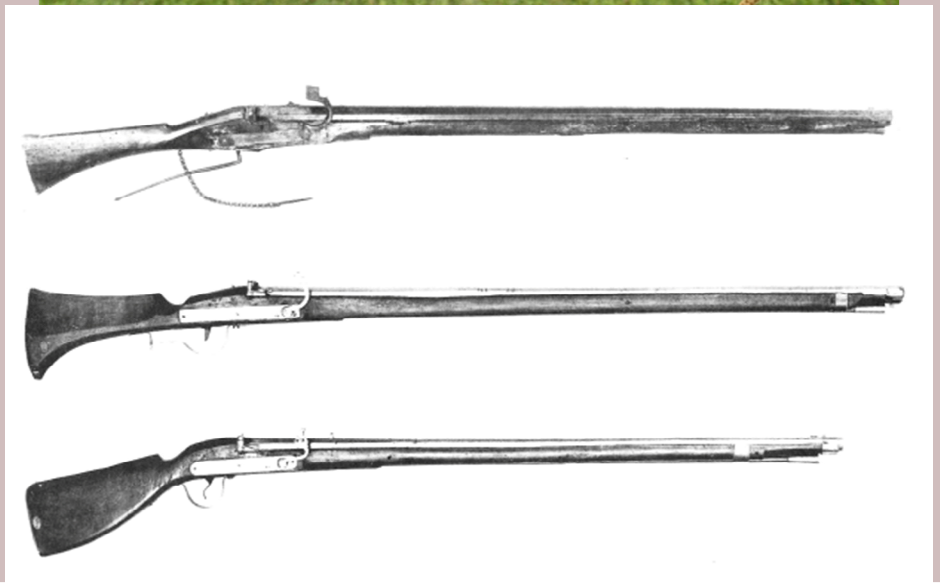


- Swords
- Pikes and hatchets
- Gunpowder and musket balls
- Matchlock vs. Flintlock muskets
- Bayonets

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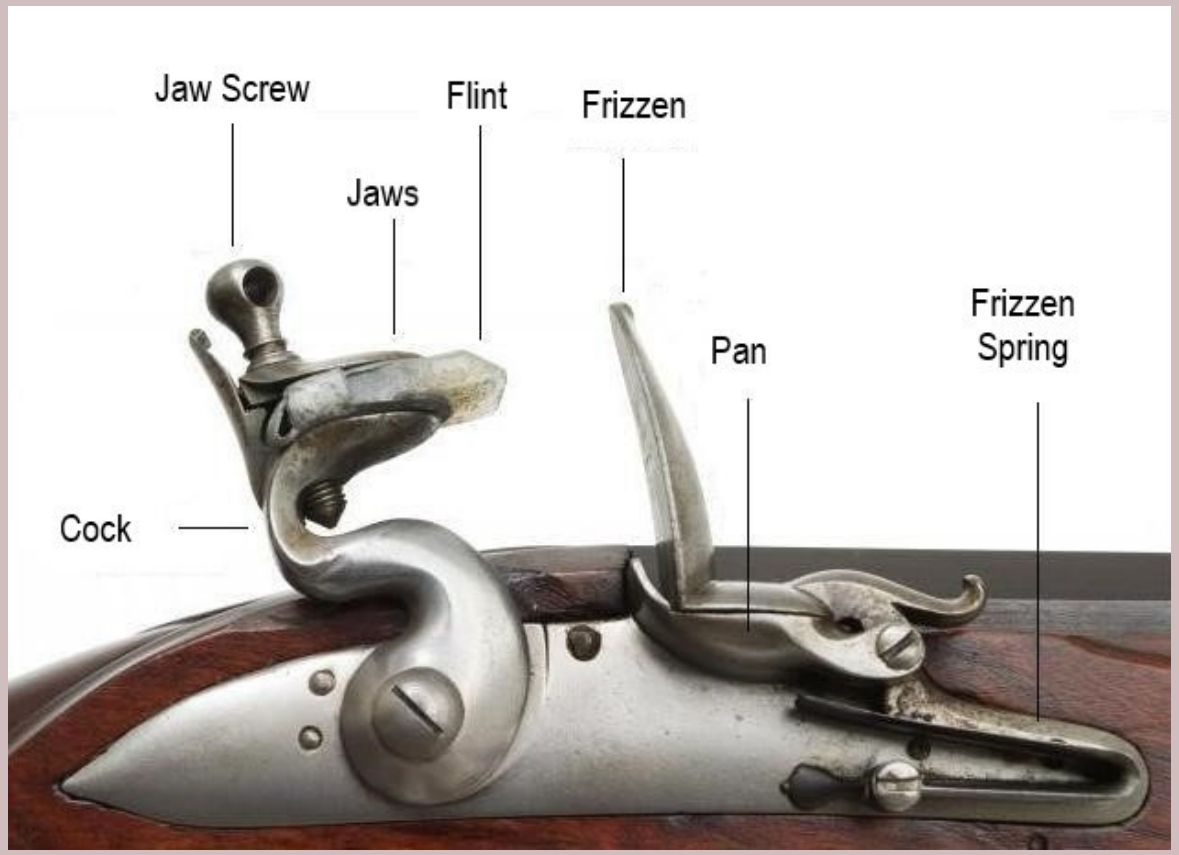
# Matchlock Musket





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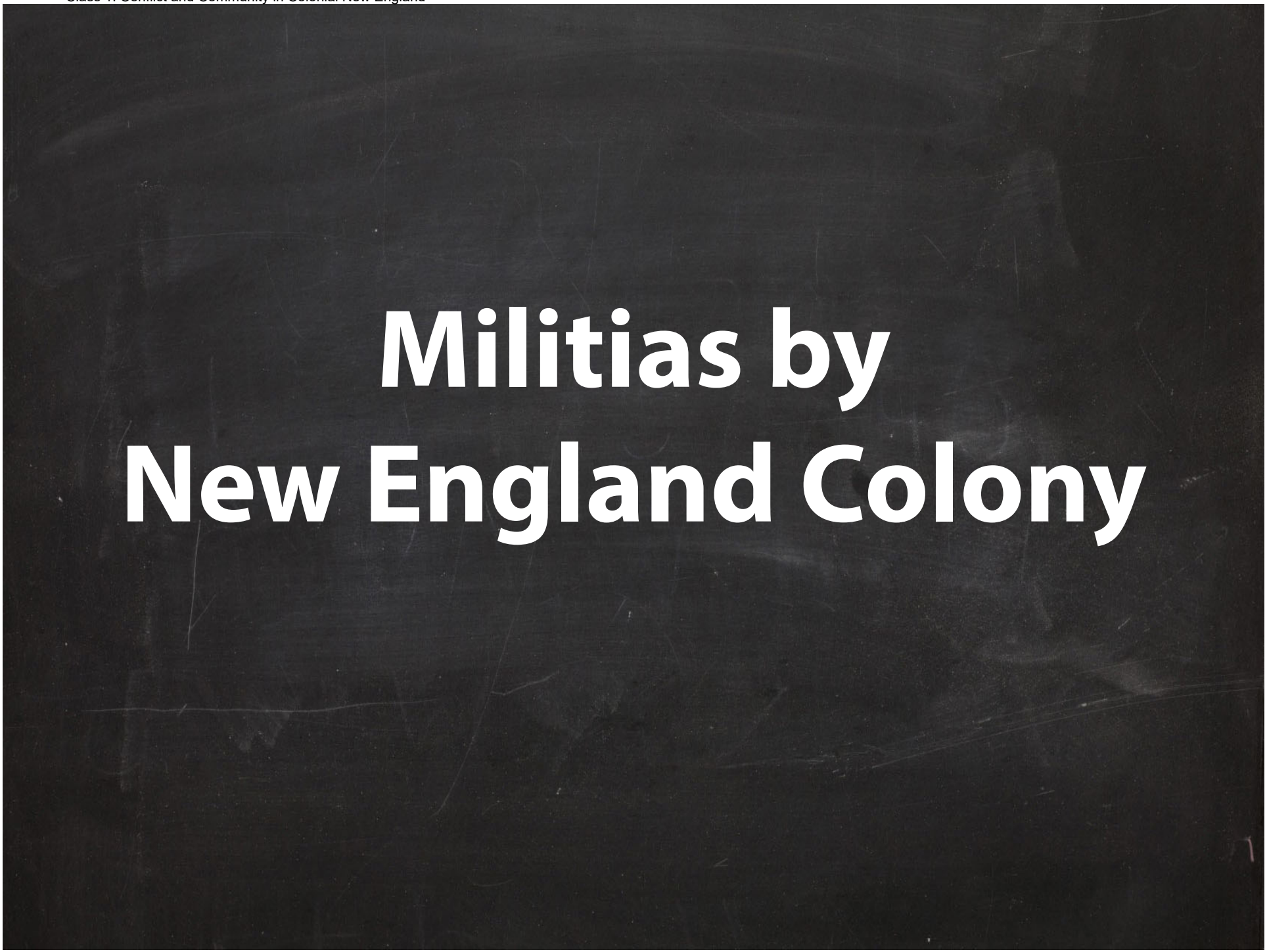
# Flintlock Musket




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# Plymouth Colony

- Settlers of Plymouth colony wished to prepare for defense in case of attack
- Militia formed on February 17, 1621
- Militia consisted of "all able-bodied men"
- Elected Myles Standish to be Captain of their local militia

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# Capt. Myles Standish




- Previous military experience
- Assisted in organizing Plymouth Colony's defenses.
- Supervised military activities and establish security for the settlement
- As captain of the militia, he regularly drilled his men in the use of pikes and muskets

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"The First Muster" by Don Troiani
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# Massachusetts Bay Militia Law of 1631

- Massachusetts Bay Colony's General Court authorized universal firearm ownership for local defense readiness
- **March 22, 1631:** Ordered all adult males to possess weapons and prepare for military service
- **April 12, 1631:** Ordered for the organization of a militia company or trainband in every town

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# Massachusetts Bay Militia

- All men between the ages of 16 and 60 were required to serve, keep arms, and train in the town militia
- On December 13, 1636, the General Court of Massachusetts Bay Colony ordered the creation of the Colony's militia
- Militia companies divided in three regiments:
  - The North Regiment
  - The South Regiment
  - The East Regiment

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# Massachusetts Bay Regiments

- **North Regiment**: Companies located in northern and western towns, including Charlestown, Cambridge, Watertown, Medford, and Concord.
- **South Regiment**: Companies located in Boston, Dorchester, Roxbury, Weymouth, and Hingham.
- **East Regiment**: Companies located in northeastern towns, including Salem, Saugus, Ipswich, and Newbury.
- **Hampshire Regiment**: In 1639 this fourth regiment was raised in Springfield.

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# Details of a Militia Company

- Every town was expected to maintain at least one company (approximately 60 men) commanded by a captain
- Men that were trained would often lead the individual companies
- In times of war, the local militia served as the immediate defense during an attack, or as an extended unit of available soldiers to be utilized for extended service

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# Connecticut Militia

- Pequot War (1636-1638) reinforced need for a permanent military network; militias from Massachusetts and Plymouth colonies were called upon to fight
- By 1643, Plymouth, Massachusetts Bay, Connecticut, and New Haven formed the New England Confederation
- This union was intended to promote cooperation among the colonies; also recognized that threats could extend beyond the boundaries of any single town or colony

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# Connecticut Militia

- In May 1665, the separate colonies of New Haven and Connecticut joined to form the colony that later became the State of Connecticut
- Each colony had separate laws requiring military training
- Similar to Massachusetts, all men between 16 to 60 had to actively participate in regular training exercises and to bear arms
- By 1774, the age range for mandatory militia participation had narrowed to 16 to 45

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# New Hampshire Militia

- Militia first organized within the Province of New Hampshire in 1631 (lasted until 1641, when the area came under the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Bay Colony); New Hampshire became a separate colony again in 1679
- Governor John Cutt reorganized the militia on March 16, 1680, with a foot-company for each of the four major settlements: Portsmouth, Dover, Exeter, and Hampton, and an artillery and cavalry company in Portsmouth
- In a massive re-organization in 1682 under Edward Cranfield, the militia reported directly to the governor; the entire militia was activated to suppress Gove's Rebellion in 1683

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# Rhode Island Militia

- Began on May 13, 1638, when a trainband was formed in Portsmouth for local defense
- Evolved from local "train bands" to chartered independent units, an Army of Observation, and the foundation of Continental Army regiments

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That there is free liberty granted to the Free Inhabitants of the Province (if they will) to erect an Artillery Garden, and those that are desirous to advance the art Military, shall have freedom to exercise them selves therein, and to agree to their form, and Choose their officers, and they shall agree among them selves. That all ye Inhabitants in each Towne shall choose their Military officers from among themselves on the first Tuesday after the 12th of March. And that eight several times in the yeare the Bands of each Plantation or Towne shall openlie in the field, be exercised and disciplined by their Commanders and officers; the months of May, August, January, and February, excepted, and on the 1st Monday of ye other Months to make their personal appearance armed, to attend their colors by 8 o'clock in the Morning at the Second beat of the Drum."

"1649. That should one chosen Captain of the Train Band refuse the place, and accepting the place, neglect to train the Band upon the Days appointed, he shall forfeit five pounds, and the Lieftenant, in like manner, fifty shillings.

*Civil and Military Lists of RI, 1647-1800*

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# Rhode Island Militia

"*The commanding officers of the colony, and of the regiments of the Island and the Main Land, were given as early as 1675, but until May, 1714, scarcely an mention of the different company officers of militia appears upon the records.*"

—Joseph Jencks Smith, *Civil and Military Lists of Rhode Island, 1647-1800* (1900)

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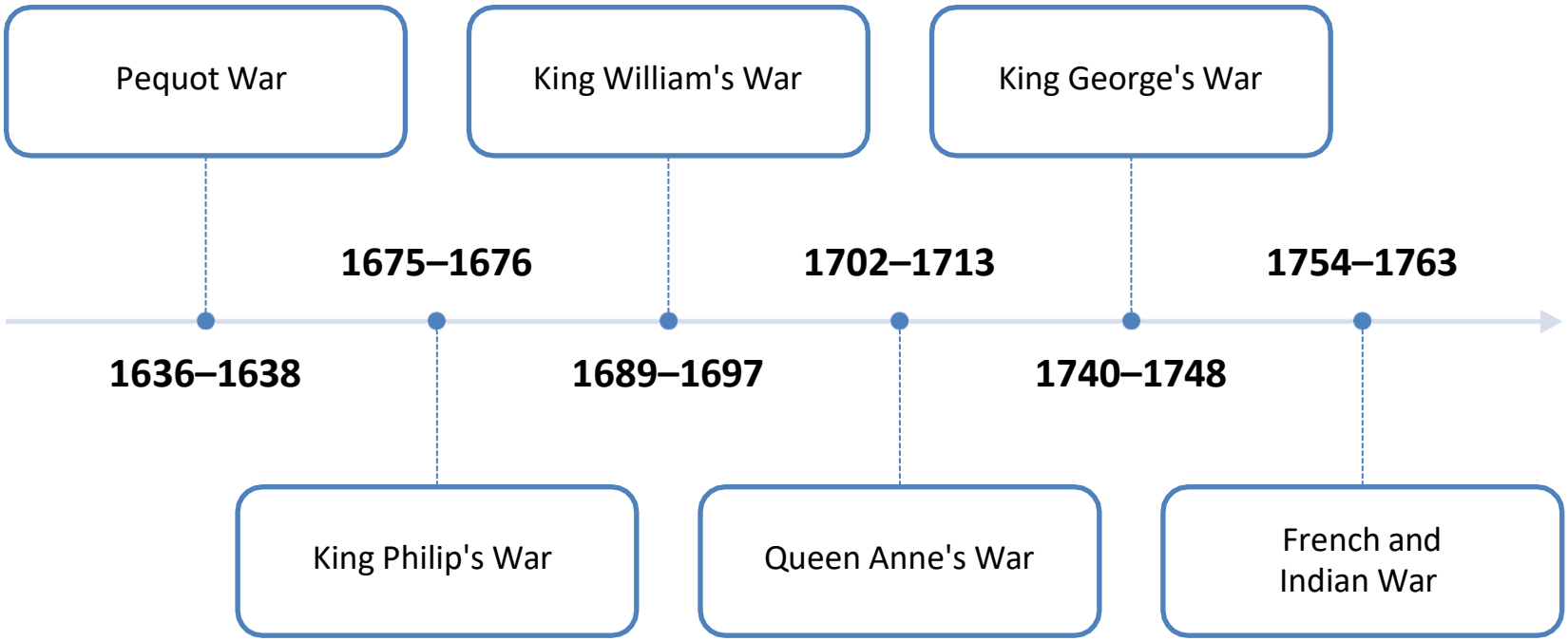

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# Determining the Military Service of your Ancestor before the Revolution




- Determine the Wars during his lifetime
- Is there a realistic age during his service dates?
- Does the geography align?
- Do you have the correct soldier?

# Timeline of Wars involving New England Soldiers




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# New England Battlefield Geography

1636-1638: Pequot War, Connecticut

1675-1676: King Philip's War, Massachusetts & RI

1689-1697: King William's War, New England

1702-1713: Queen Anne's War, Massachusetts

1740-1748: King George's War – Northern New England

1754-1763: French and Indian War – Northern Colonies

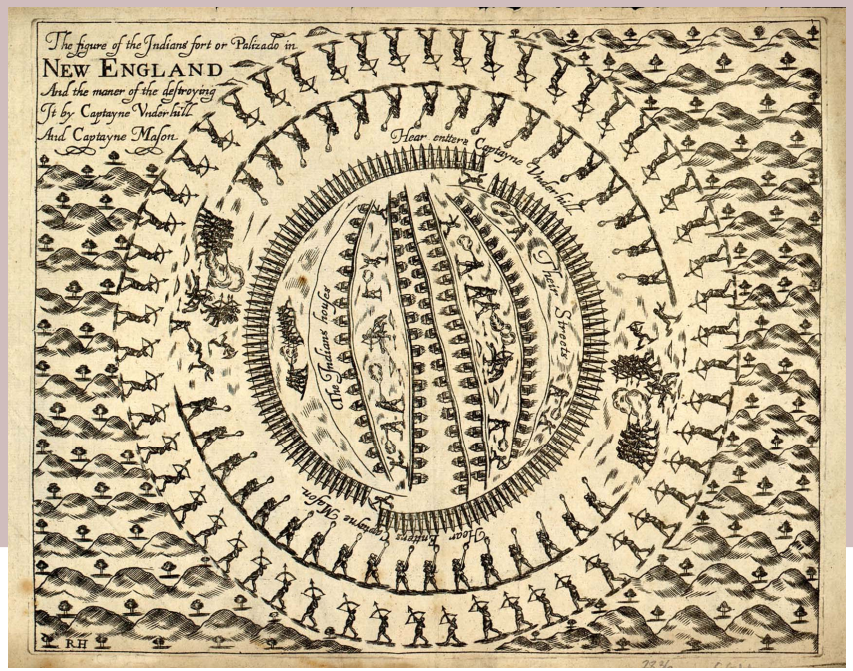
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# The Wessagusset Conflict: 1622-1623

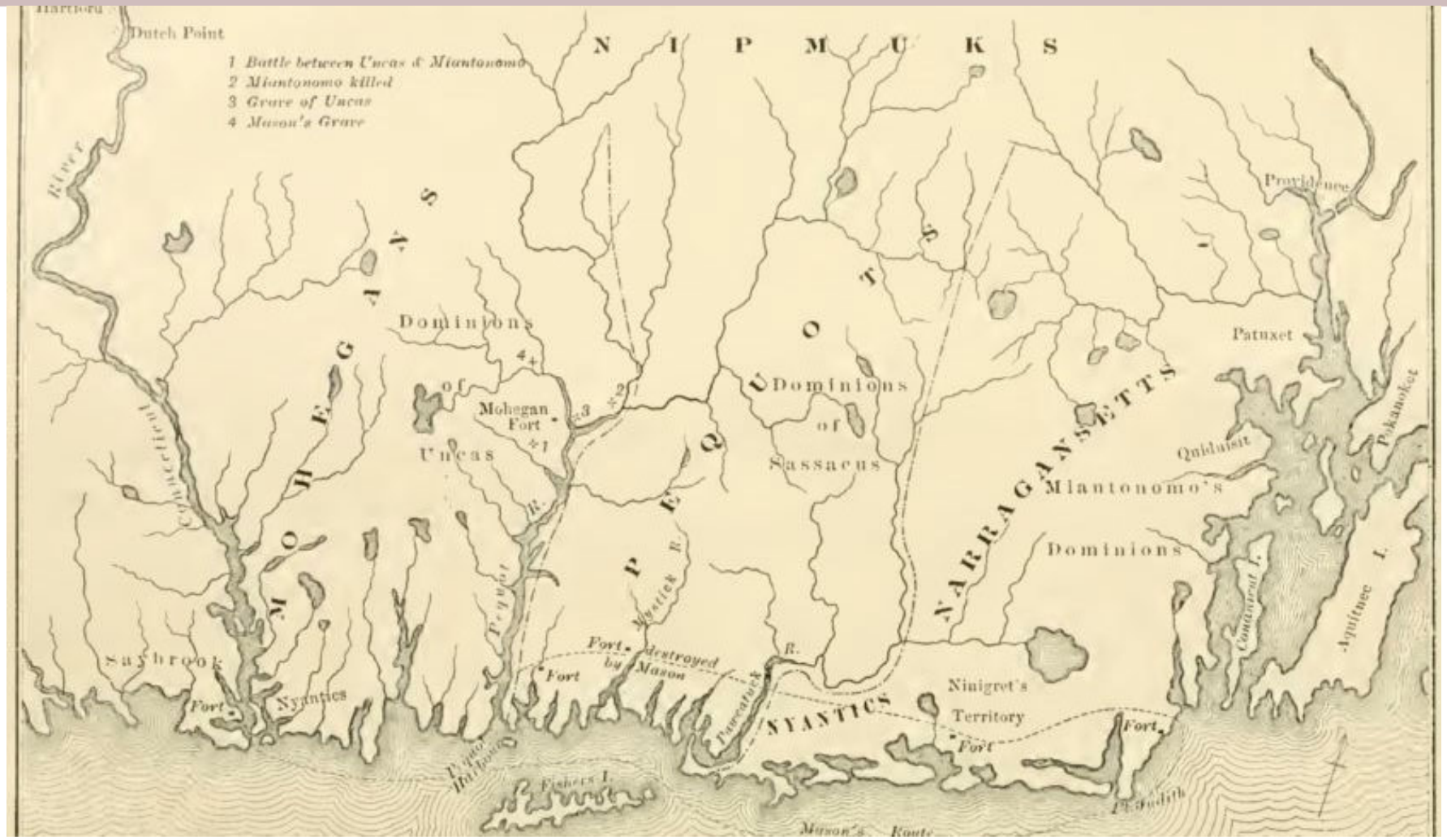


# Pequot War: 1636-1638

- Expansion into Connecticut
- New England settlers and Pequot Indians
- Major battle: Fort Mystic May 26, 1637



# Pequot War


Dutch Point
1 Battle between Uncas & Miantonomo
2 Miantonomo killed
3 Grave of Uncas
4 Mason's Grave
N I P M U K S
Providence
Dominions of Mohegan
Uncas
Fort
Dominions of Sassacus
Patuxet
Quidnisit
Pokanoket
Miantonomo's Dominions
NARRAGANSETTS
Connecticut R.
Aquidneck I.
Pequot R.
Mystick R.
Pequot Harbour
Fort destroyed by Mason
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Fishers I.
Mason's Route

# King Philip's War: 1675-1676

- First full-scale New England war in the 17th c.
- Metacom (aka) King Philip and the Wampanoag Indians
- Plymouth Colony, Rhode Island, Western Mass., and beyond

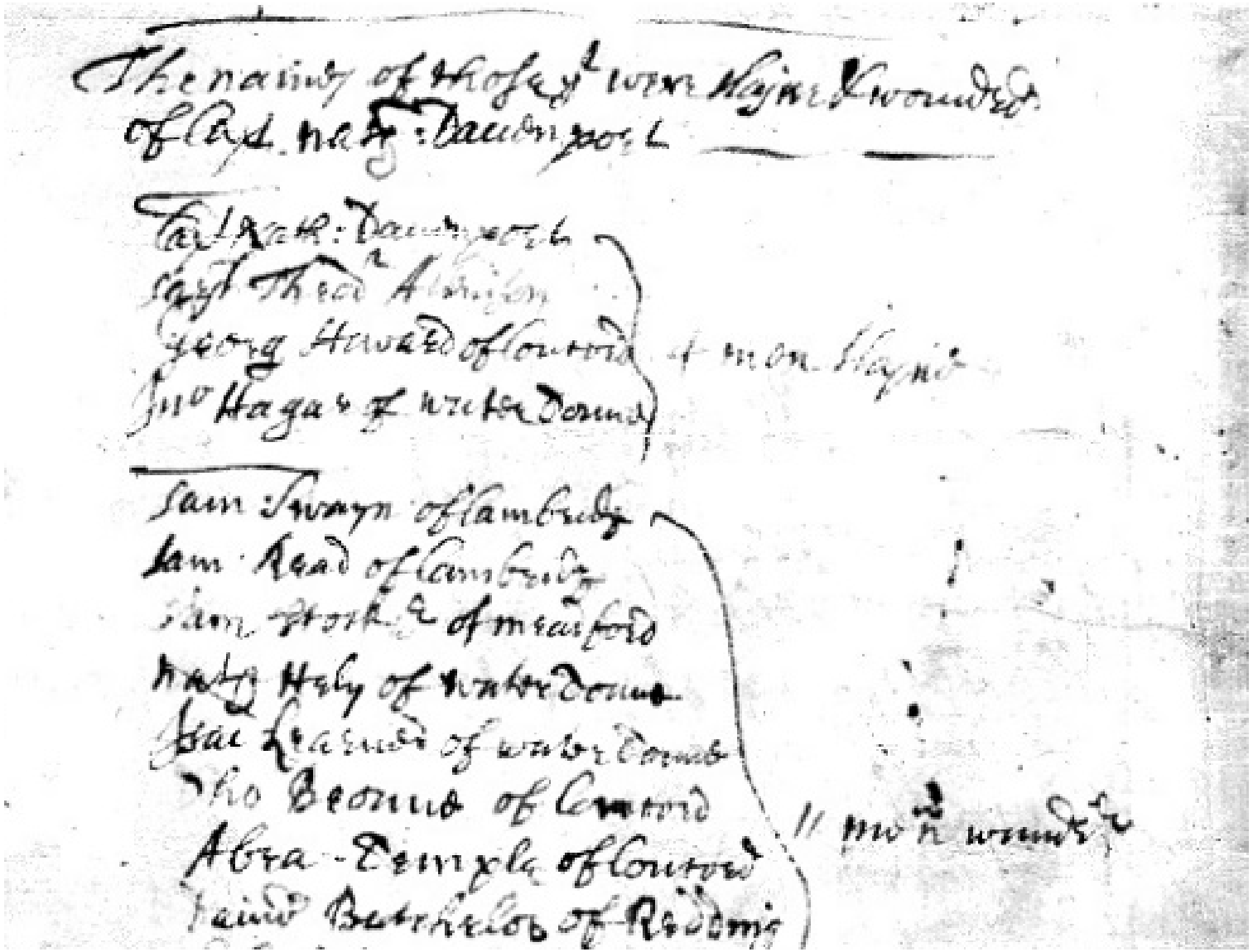


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# King Philip's War

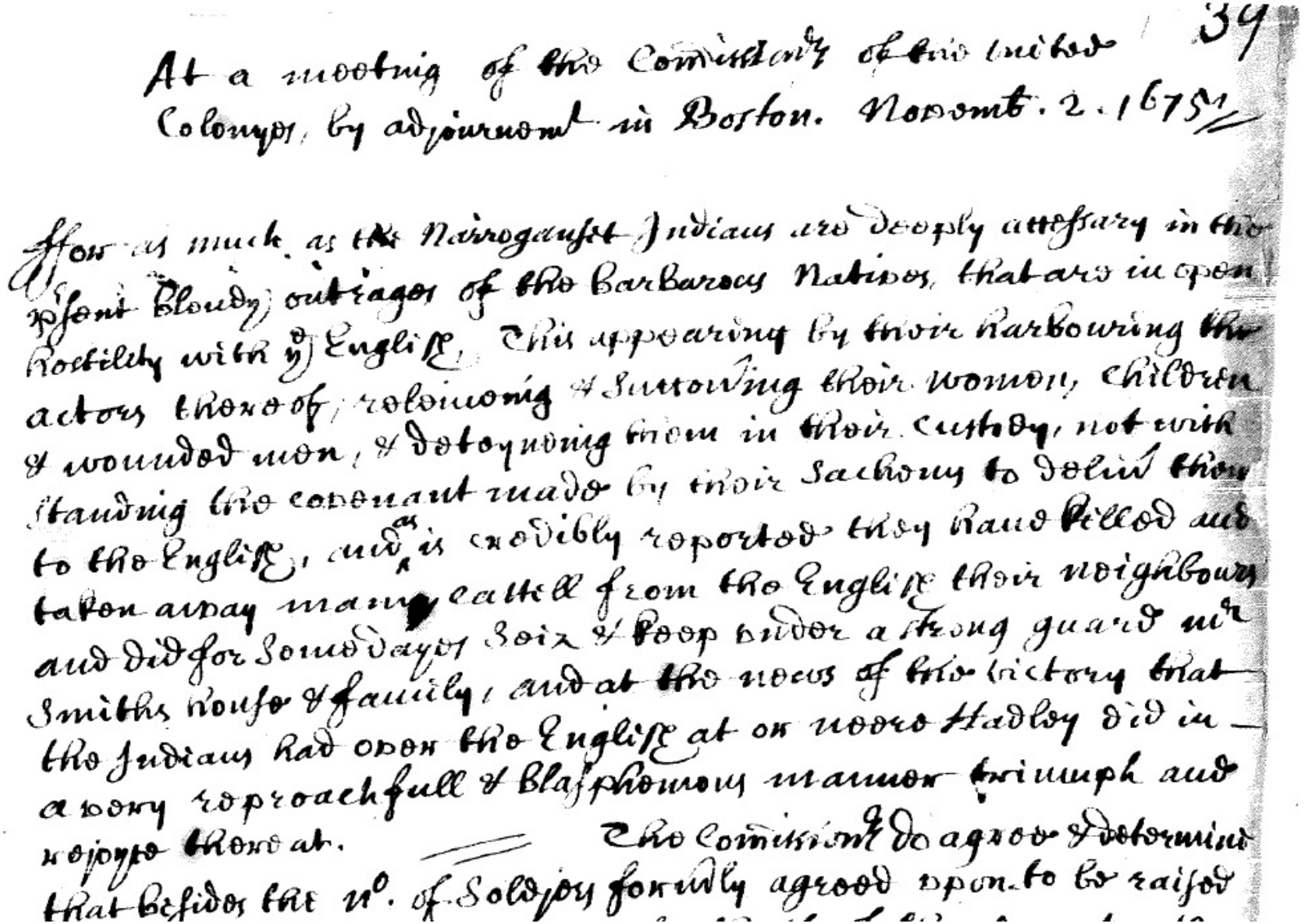
- **June 1675: Swansea, Mass:** One of the opening episodes of widespread violence between the colonists and King Philip's forces.
- **December 1675: The Great Swamp Fight.** New England forces attacked a large Narragansett settlement in present-day Rhode Island.
- **April 1676: The attack on Sudbury:** Indigenous forces struck the Massachusetts town, inflicting heavy losses.
- **August 1676: Death of Metacom's death, August 1676:** Metacom was killed in present-day Bristol County, Massachusetts, effectively ending the main phase of the war in southern New England.

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At a meeting of the Comittee of the united
Colonyes, by adjournment in Boston. Novemb. 2. 1675

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Forasmuch as the Narraganset Indians are deeply accessary in the
present bloudy outrages of the barbarous Natives, that are in open
hostility with the English, This appearing by their harbouring the
actors thereof, robbinge & burninge their women, children
& wounded men, & detayninge them in their custody, not with
standinge the covenant made by their Sachems to deliver them
to the English, and as is credibly reported they have killed and
taken away many cattell from the English their neighbours
and did for some dayes soiz & keep under a strong guard mr
Smiths house & family, and at the news of this victory that
the Indians had obtained over the English at or neere Hadley did in
a most reproachfull & blasphemous manner triumph and
rejoyce thereat.

The Comittee do agree & determine
that besides the no. of Soldiers formerly agreed upon to be raised

# Gove's Rebellion (1683)

# Boston Revolt (1689)

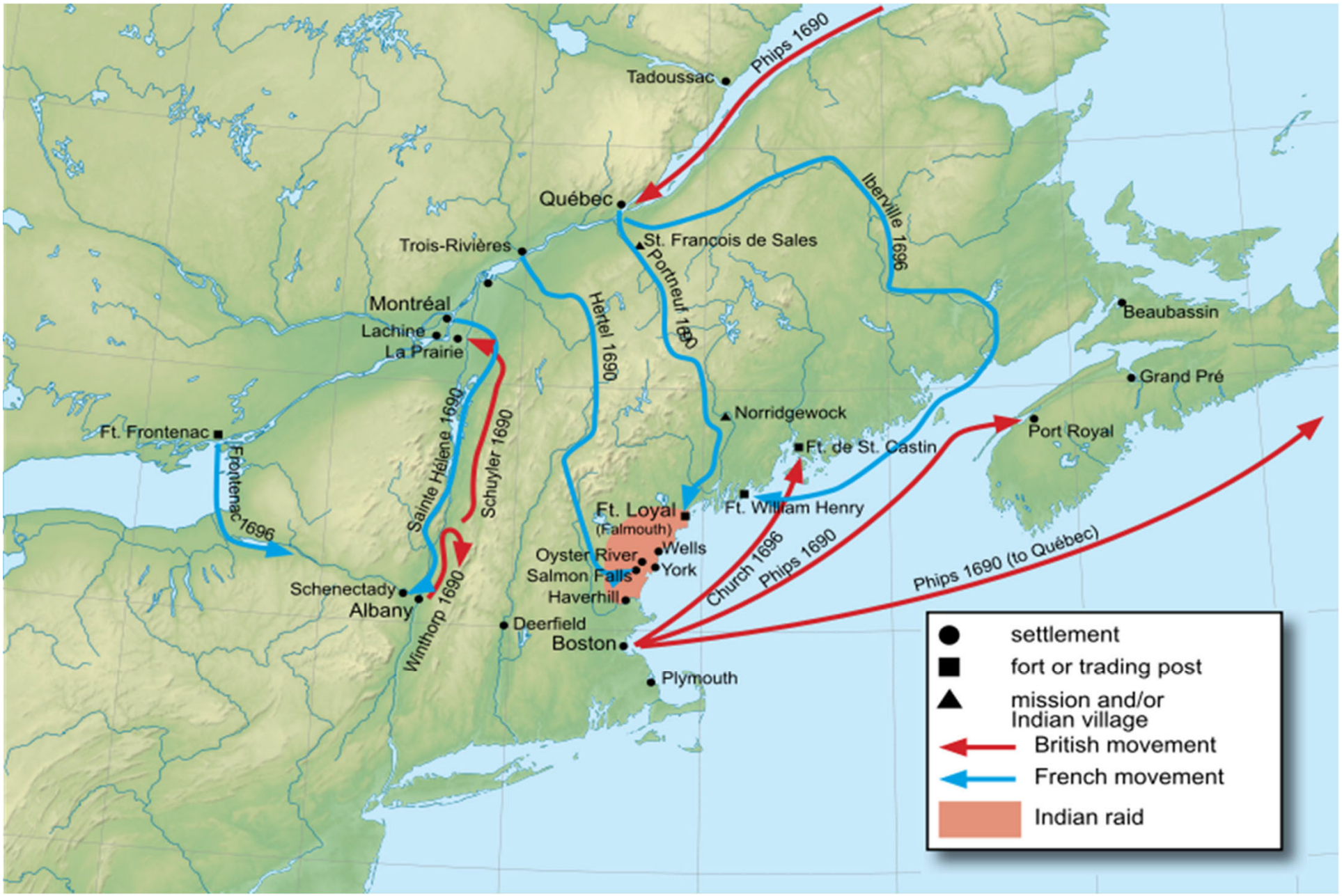


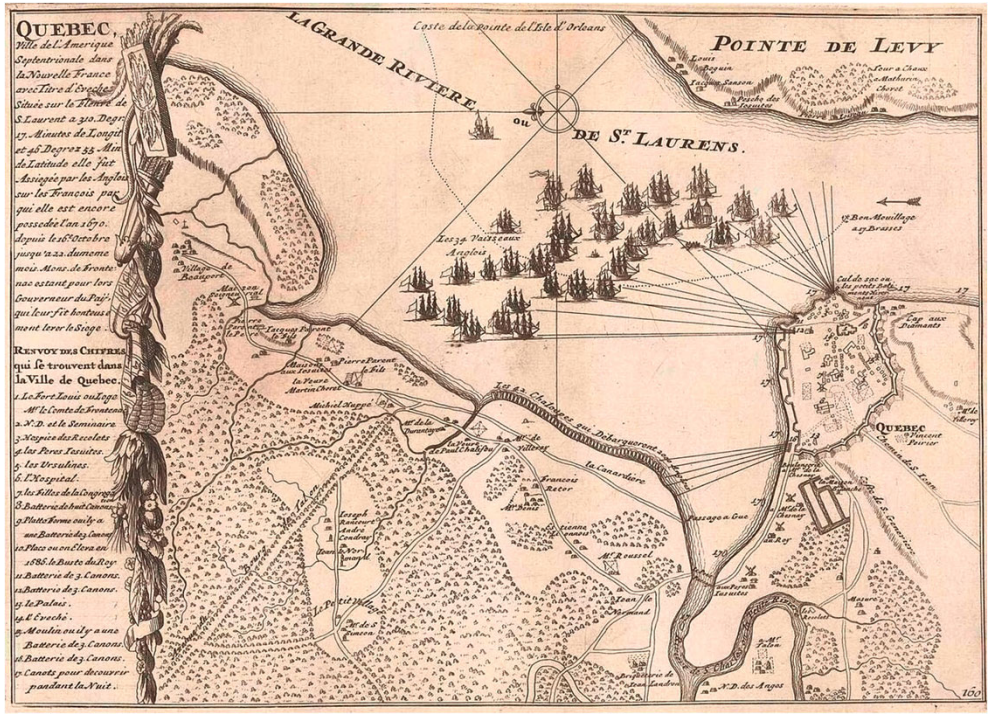
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# King William's War

- **1689: The raid on Dover, New Hampshire**. This surprise invasion of the settlement resulted in the deaths and capture of numerous colonists.
- **1690: The raid on Schenectady, New York**. Both French and Indigenous forces attacked the English settlement extending this out of the range of New England.
- **1690: English expedition against Quebec.** New England forces participated in an attempt to capture the principal French settlement in Canada by naval and land forces.

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Phips 1690
Tadoussac
Québec
Iberville 1696
St. François de Sales
Trois-Rivières
Portneuf 1690
Hertel 1690
Montréal
Lachine
La Prairie
Beaubassin
Grand Pré
Norridgewock
Port Royal
Ft. Frontenac
Ft. de St. Castin
Frontenac 1696
Sainte Hélène 1690
Schuyler 1690
Ft. Loyal
(Falmouth)
Ft. William Henry
Oyster River
Wells
Salmon Falls
York
Haverhill
Church 1696
Phips 1690
Phips 1690 (to Québec)
Schenectady
Albany
Winthorp 1690
Deerfield
Boston
Plymouth
settlement
fort or trading post
mission and/or
Indian village
British movement
French movement
Indian raid


QUEBEC,
LA GRANDE RIVIERE
ou
DE St LAURENS.
POINTE DE LEVY
Coste de la pointe de l'Isle d'Orleans
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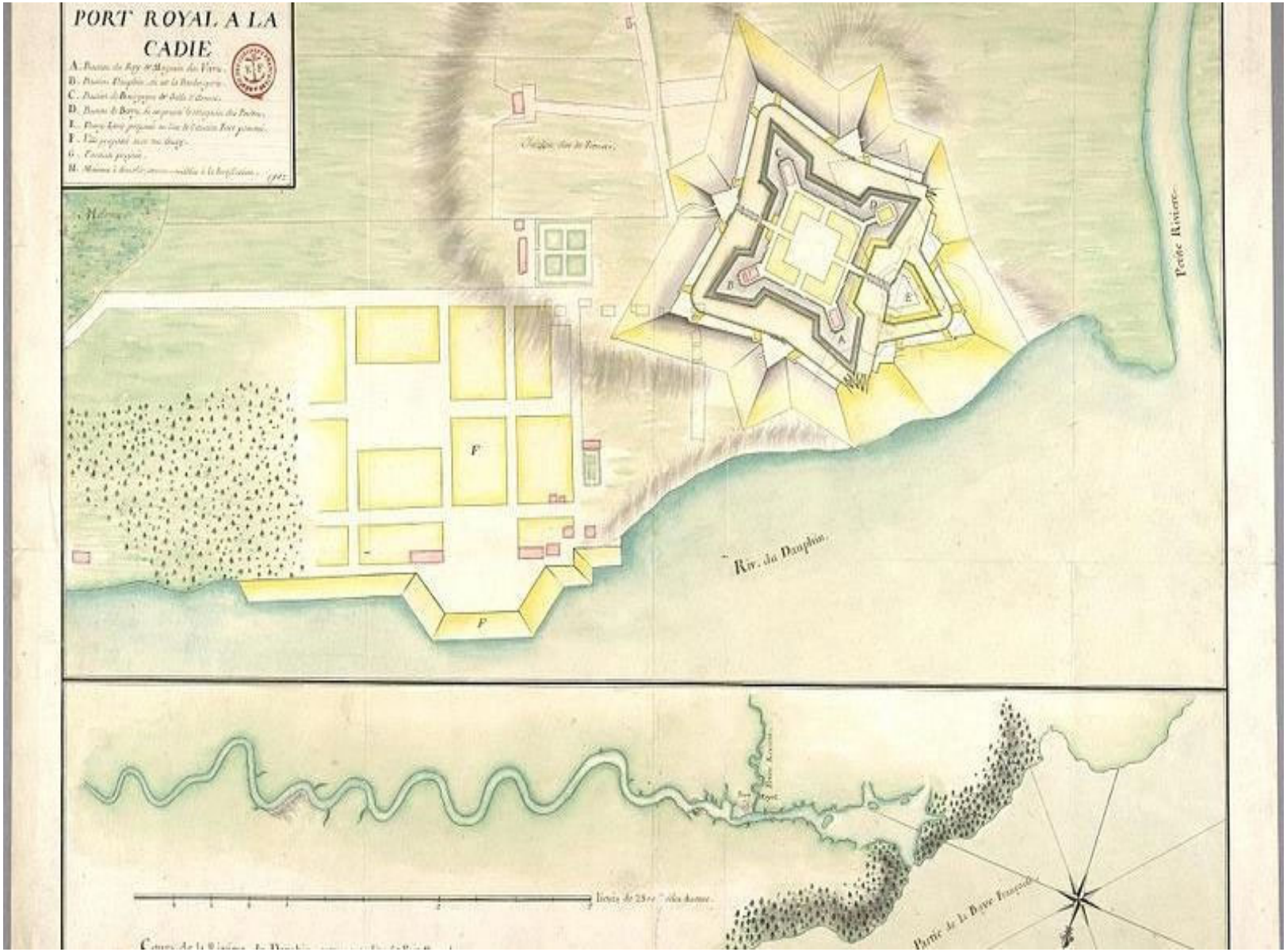

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# Queen Anne's War: 1702-1713

- England at war with France
- Raids by French and allied Indians from Canada into Northern New England communities. Attack on Deerfield, 1704
- St. Augustine attacked 1702 and 1704
- French naval action Charleston in 1706

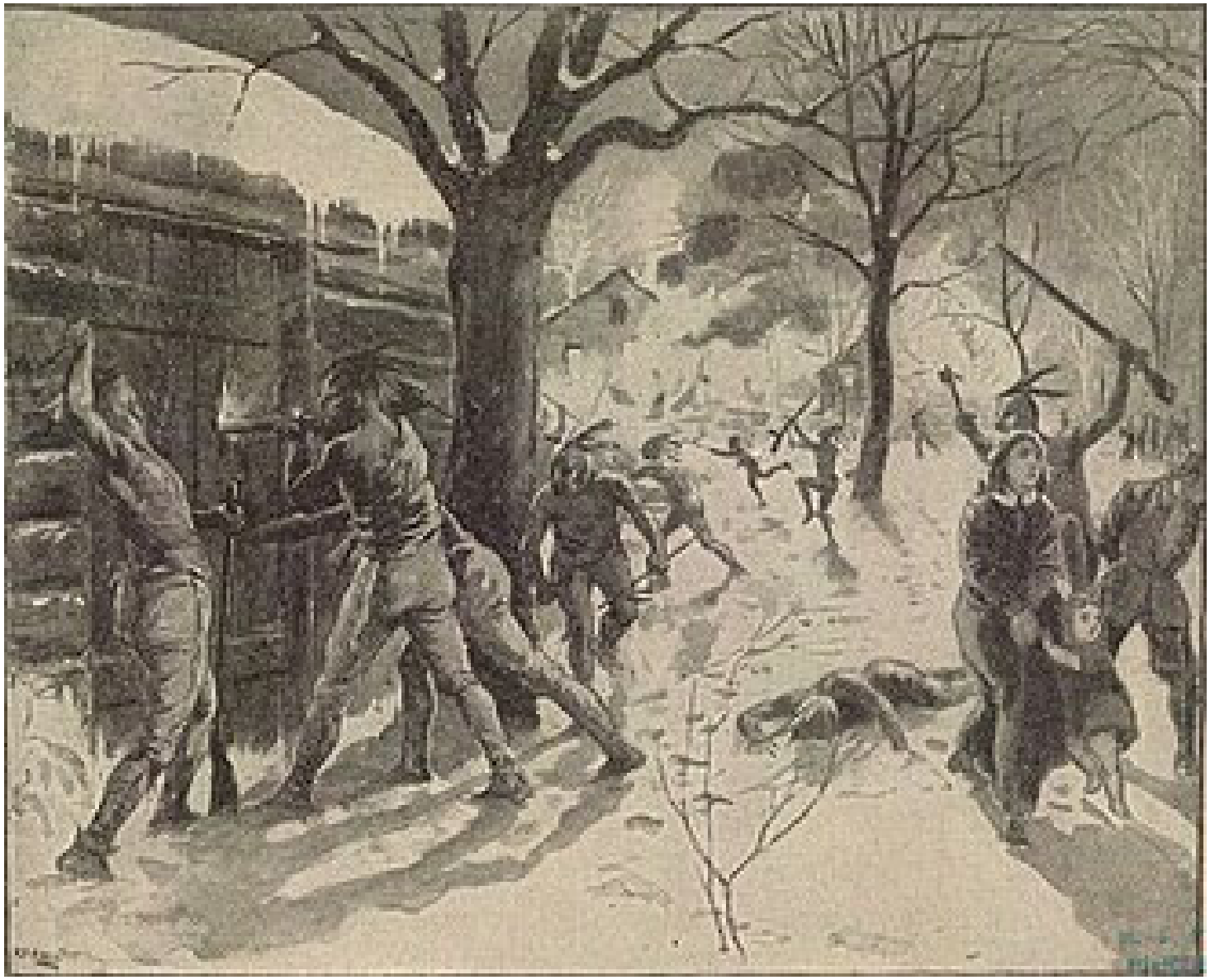


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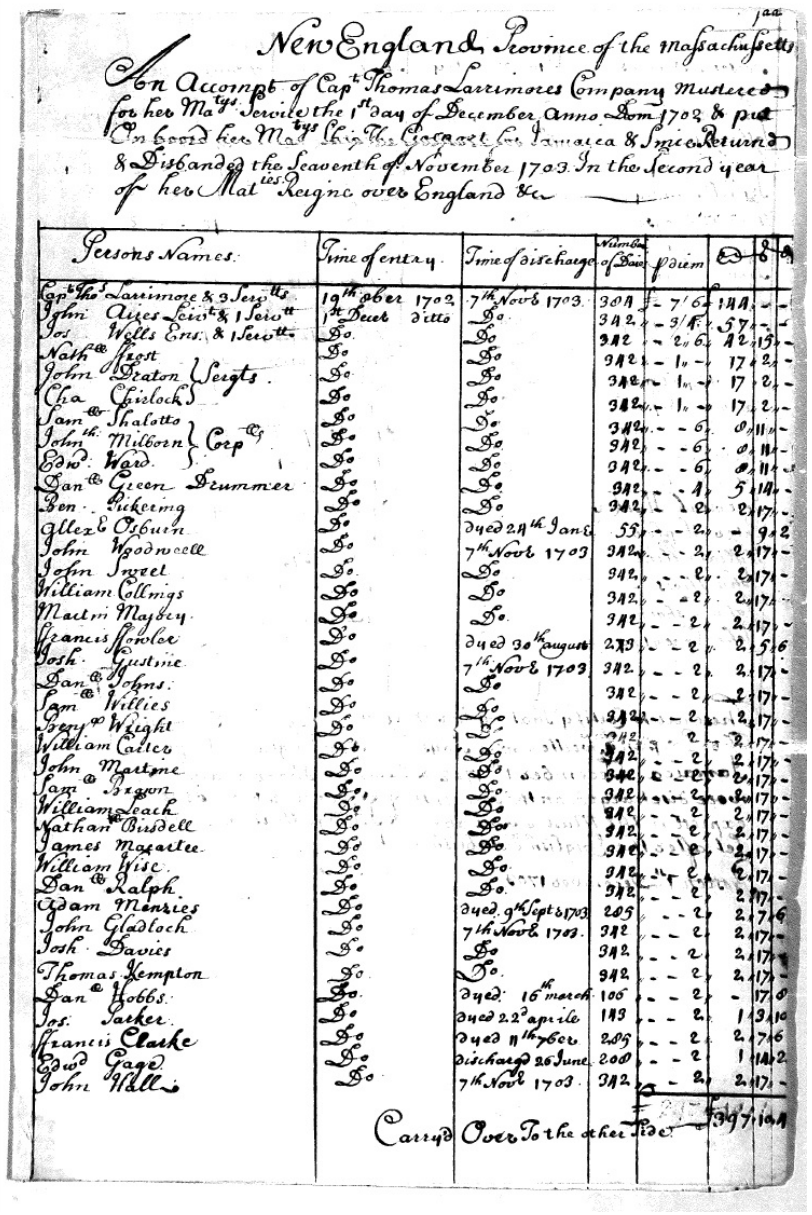

# Port Royal, Acadia

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Depiction on the Raid on Deerfield (1704)
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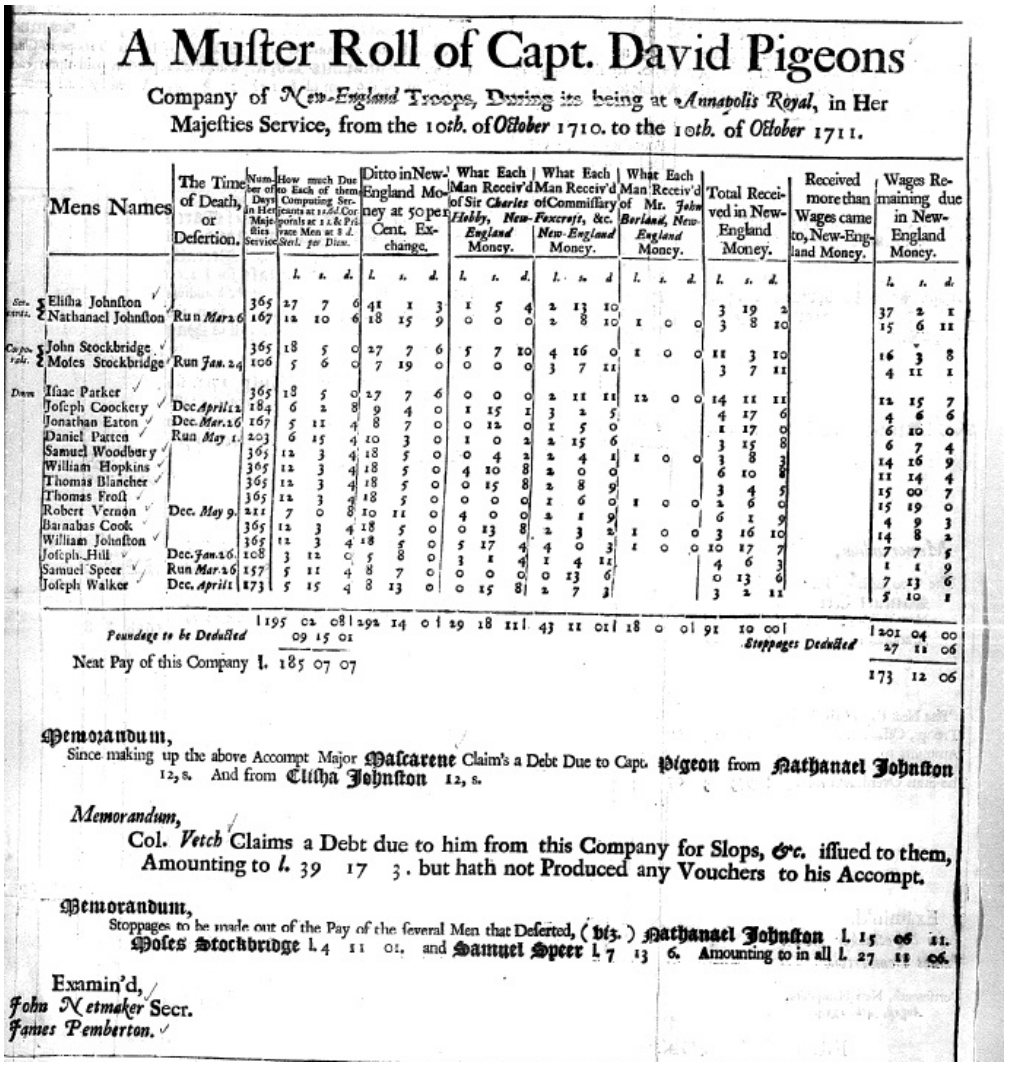
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New England Province of the Massachusetts

An Accompt of Capt Thomas Larrimores Company Mustered for her Mats Service the 1st day of December Anno Dom 1702 & put On board her Mats Ship The Content for Jamaica & Imice Returned & Disbanded the Seaventh of November 1703. In the Second year of her Mats Reigne over England &c

| Peesons Names | Time of entry | Time of discharge | Number of Days | p diem | £ | s | d |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Capt Thos Larrimore & 3 Serjts | 19th ober 1702 | 7th Novr 1703 | 384 | - 7 6 | 144 | - | - |
| John Aires Leivt & 1 Seivt | 1st Decr ditto | Do | 342 | - 3 4 | 57 | - | - |
| Jos Wells Ens & 1 Seivt | Do | Do | 342 | - 2 6 | 42 | 15 | - |
| Nath Frost | Do | Do | 342 | - 1 - | 17 | 2 | - |
| John Eaton Serjts | Do | Do | 342 | - 1 - | 17 | 2 | - |
| Cha Chisloch | Do | Do | 342 | - 1 - | 17 | 2 | - |
| Sam Shalotto | Do | Do | 342 | - - 6 | 8 | 11 | - |
| John Milborn Corp | Do | Do | 342 | - - 6 | 8 | 11 | - |
| Edw Ward | Do | Do | 342 | - - 6 | 8 | 11 | - |
| Dan Green Drummer | Do | Do | 342 | - 1 - | 5 | 14 | - |
| Ben Pickering | Do | Do | 342 | - - 2 | 2 | 17 | - |
| Allex Osburn | Do | dyed 24th Jan | 55 | - - 2 | - | 9 | 2 |
| John Woodwell | Do | 7th Novr 1703 | 342 | - - 2 | 2 | 17 | - |
| John Sweet | Do | Do | 342 | - - 2 | 2 | 17 | - |
| William Collings | Do | Do | 342 | - - 2 | 2 | 17 | - |
| Martin Mabey | Do | Do | 342 | - - 2 | 2 | 17 | - |
| Francis Fowler | Do | dyed 30th augus | 233 | - - 2 | 2 | 5 | 6 |
| Josh Justine | Do | 7th Novr 1703 | 342 | - - 2 | 2 | 17 | - |
| Dan Johns | Do | Do | 342 | - - 2 | 2 | 17 | - |
| Sam Willies | Do | Do | 342 | - - 2 | 2 | 17 | - |
| Jerry Wright | Do | Do | 342 | - - 2 | 2 | 17 | - |
| William Carter | Do | Do | 342 | - - 2 | 2 | 17 | - |
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| Sam Bryon | Do | Do | 342 | - - 2 | 2 | 17 | - |
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| Dan Ralph | Do | Do | 342 | - - 2 | 2 | 17 | - |
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| John Gladloch | Do | 7th Novr 1703 | 342 | - - 2 | 2 | 17 | - |
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| Thomas Hempton | Do | Do | 342 | - - 2 | 2 | 17 | - |
| Dan Hobbs | Do | dyed 16th march | 105 | - - 2 | - | 17 | 6 |
| Jos Parker | Do | dyed 22d aprile | 143 | - - 2 | 1 | 9 | 10 |
| Francis Clarke | Do | dyed 11th Octr | 285 | - - 2 | 2 | 7 | 6 |
| Edwd Gage | Do | discharged 26 June | 200 | - - 2 | 1 | 14 | 2 |
| John Wall | Do | 7th Novr 1703 | 342 | - - 2 | 2 | 17 | - |
| | | Carryd Over To the other Side | | | 397 | 10 | 11 |



# A Muster Roll of Capt. David Pigeons

Company of New-England Troops, During its being at Annapolis Royal, in Her Majesties Service, from the 10th. of October 1710. to the 10th. of October 1711.

| Mens Names | The Time of Death, or Defertion. | Number of Days in Her Majesties Service | How much Due to Each of them Computing Sergeants at 12 s. Corporals at 11 s. & Private Men at 8 s. Sterl. per Diem. l. | s. | d. | Ditto in New-England Money at 50 per Cent. Exchange. l. | s. | d. | What Each Man Receiv'd of Sir Charles Hobby, New-England Money. l. | s. | d. | What Each Man Receiv'd of Commissary Foxcroft, &c. New-England Money. l. | s. | d. | What Each Man Receiv'd of Mr. John Borland, New-England Money. l. | s. | d. | Total Received in New-England Money. l. | s. | d. | Received more than Wages came to, New-England Money. | Wages Remaining due in New-England Money. l. | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sergts. Elisha Johnston | | 365 | 27 | 7 | 6 | 41 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 13 | 10 | | | | 3 | 19 | 2 | | 37 | 2 | 1 |
| Nathanael Johnston | Run Mar. 26 | 167 | 12 | 10 | 6 | 18 | 15 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 8 | 10 | | 15 | 6 | 11 |
| Corpls. John Stockbridge | | 365 | 18 | 5 | 0 | 27 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 10 | 4 | 16 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 3 | 10 | | 16 | 3 | 8 |
| Drum. Moses Stockbridge | Run Jan. 24 | 106 | 5 | 6 | 0 | 7 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 7 | 11 | | | | 3 | 7 | 11 | | 4 | 11 | 1 |
| Isaac Parker | | 365 | 18 | 5 | 0 | 27 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 11 | 11 | | 12 | 15 | 7 |
| Joseph Coockery | Dec. April 12 | 184 | 6 | 2 | 8 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 15 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 5 | | | | 4 | 17 | 6 | | 4 | 6 | 6 |
| Jonathan Eaton | Dec. Mar. 26 | 167 | 5 | 11 | 4 | 8 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 | | | | 1 | 17 | 0 | | 6 | 10 | 0 |
| Daniel Patten | Run May 1. | 203 | 6 | 15 | 4 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 15 | 6 | | | | 3 | 15 | 8 | | 6 | 7 | 4 |
| Samuel Woodbury | | 365 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 18 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 8 | 1 | | 14 | 16 | 9 |
| William Hopkins | | 365 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 18 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 10 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 0 | | | | 6 | 10 | 8 | | 11 | 14 | 4 |
| Thomas Blancher | | 365 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 18 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 8 | 2 | 8 | 9 | | | | 3 | 4 | 5 | | 15 | 00 | 7 |
| Thomas Frost | | 365 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 18 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 0 | | 15 | 19 | 0 |
| Robert Vernon | Dec. May 9. | 221 | 7 | 0 | 8 | 10 | 11 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 9 | | | | 6 | 1 | 9 | | 4 | 9 | 3 |
| Barnabas Cook | | 365 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 18 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 16 | 10 | | 14 | 8 | 2 |
| William Johnston | | 365 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 18 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 17 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 17 | 7 | | 7 | 7 | 5 |
| Joseph Hill | Dec. Jan. 26 | 108 | 3 | 12 | 0 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 11 | | | | 4 | 6 | 3 | | 1 | 1 | 9 |
| Samuel Speer | Run Mar. 26 | 157 | 5 | 11 | 4 | 8 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 6 | | | | 0 | 13 | 6 | | 7 | 13 | 6 |
| Joseph Walker | Dec. April 1 | 173 | 5 | 15 | 4 | 8 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 8 | 2 | 7 | 3 | | | | 3 | 2 | 11 | | 5 | 10 | 1 |
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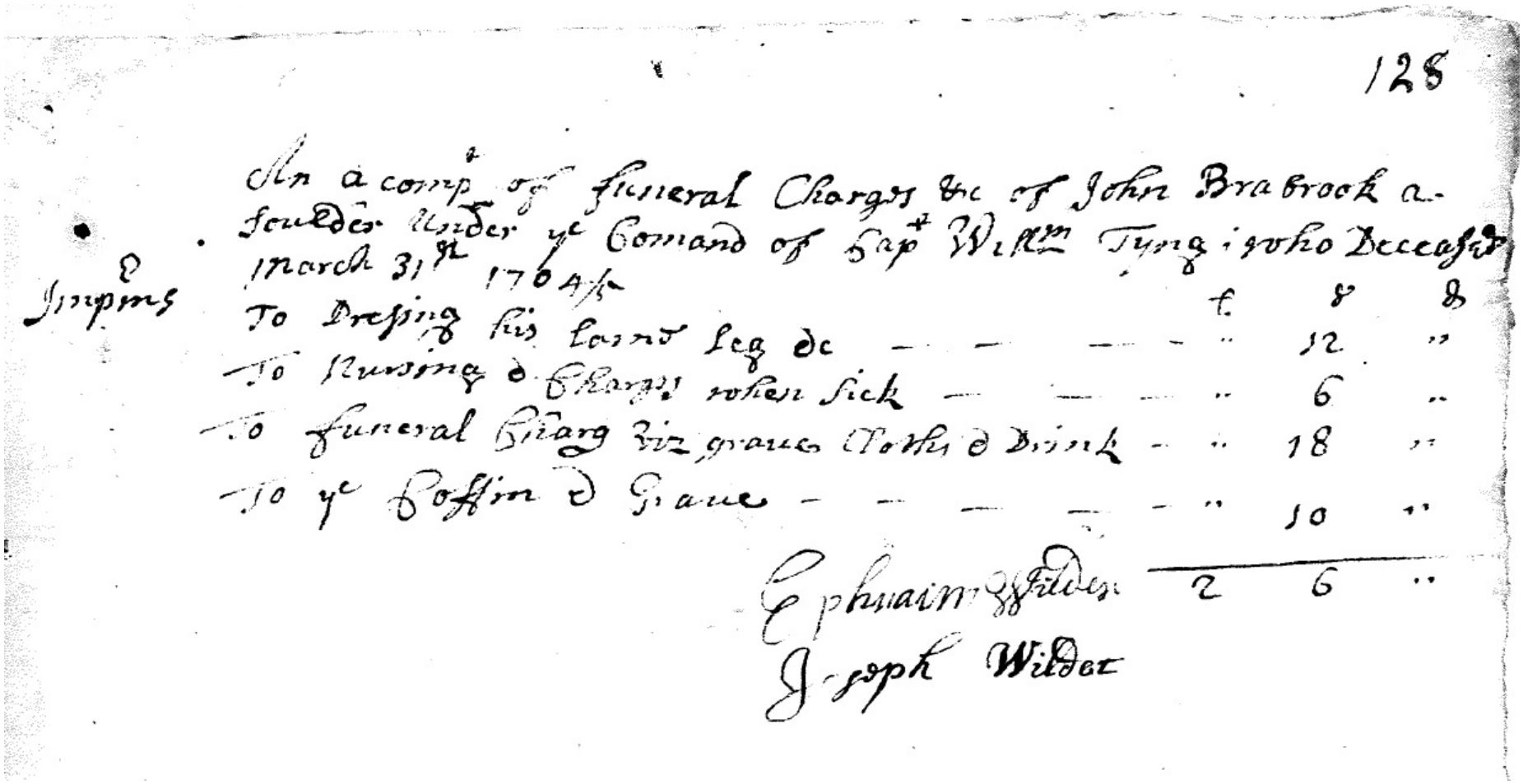
Memorandum,
Since making up the above Accompt Major Mascarene Claim's a Debt Due to Capt. Pigeon from Nathanael Johnston 12, s. And from Elisha Johnston 12, s.

Memorandum,
Col. Vetch Claims a Debt due to him from this Company for Slops, &c. issued to them, Amounting to l. 39 17 3. but hath not Produced any Vouchers to his Accompt.

Memorandum,
Stoppages to be made out of the Pay of the several Men that Deserted, (viz.) Nathanael Johnston l. 15 06 11. Moses Stockbridge l. 4 11 01. and Samuel Speer l. 7 13 6. Amounting to in all l. 27 11 06.

Examin'd,
John Netmaker Secr.
James Pemberton.

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An a comp$^t$ of funeral Charges &c of John Brabrook a-
Souldier under ye Comand of Cap$^t$ Wil$^m$ Tyng; who Deceas$^d$
March 31$^{st}$ 1704/5

Simpsons

| | £ | s | d |
|---|---|---|---|
| To Dreping his Lower Leg &c | | 12 | " |
| To Nursing & Charges when sick | | 6 | " |
| To funeral Charg Viz graves Cloths & Drink | | 18 | " |
| To ye Coffin & Grave | | 10 | " |
| | 2 | 6 | " |

Ephraim Wilder
Joseph Wilder

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# Dummer's War: 1722-1725



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# War of Jenkins' Ear: 1739-1742

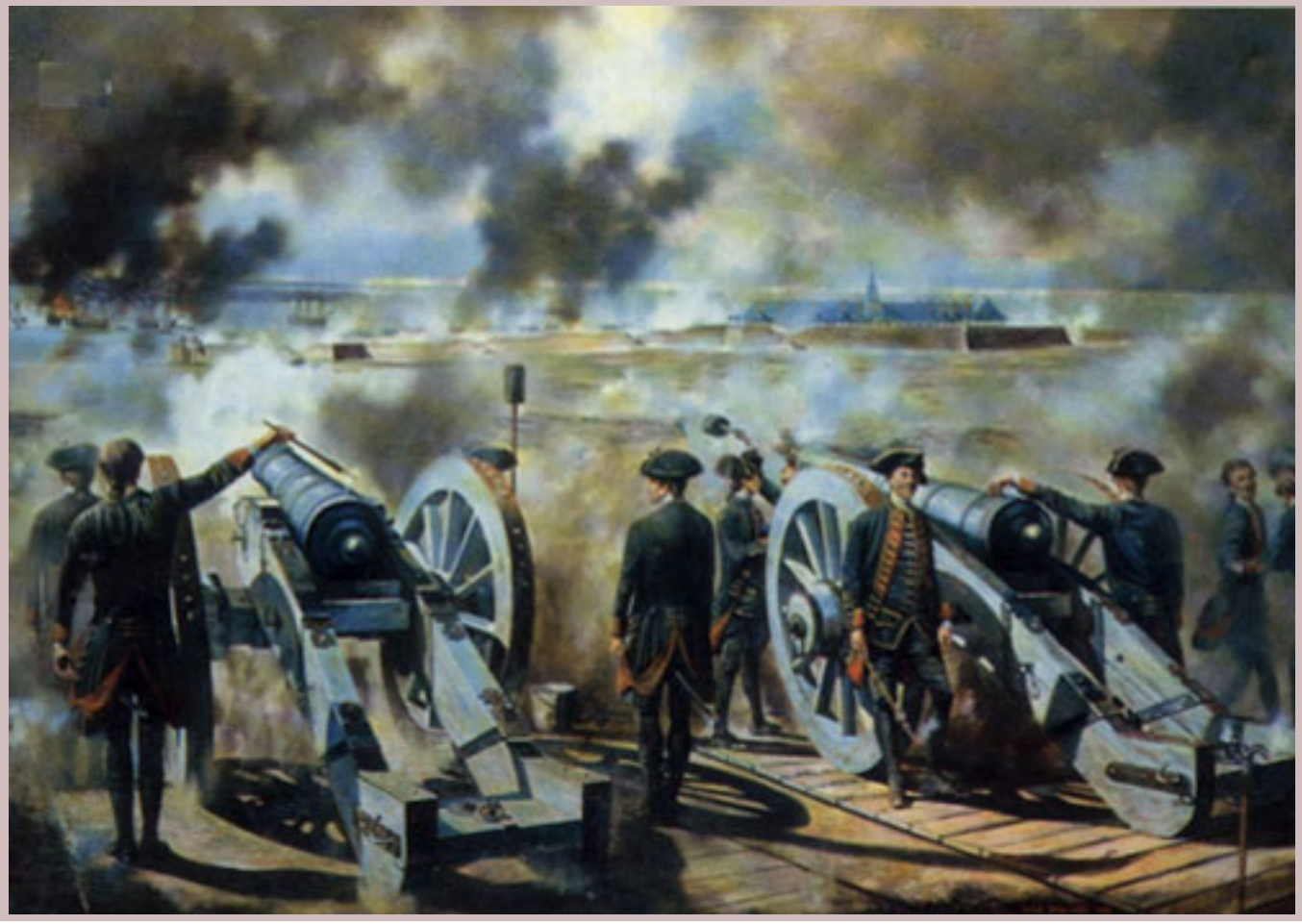


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# King George's War: 1744-1748



# French and Indian War: 1754-1763



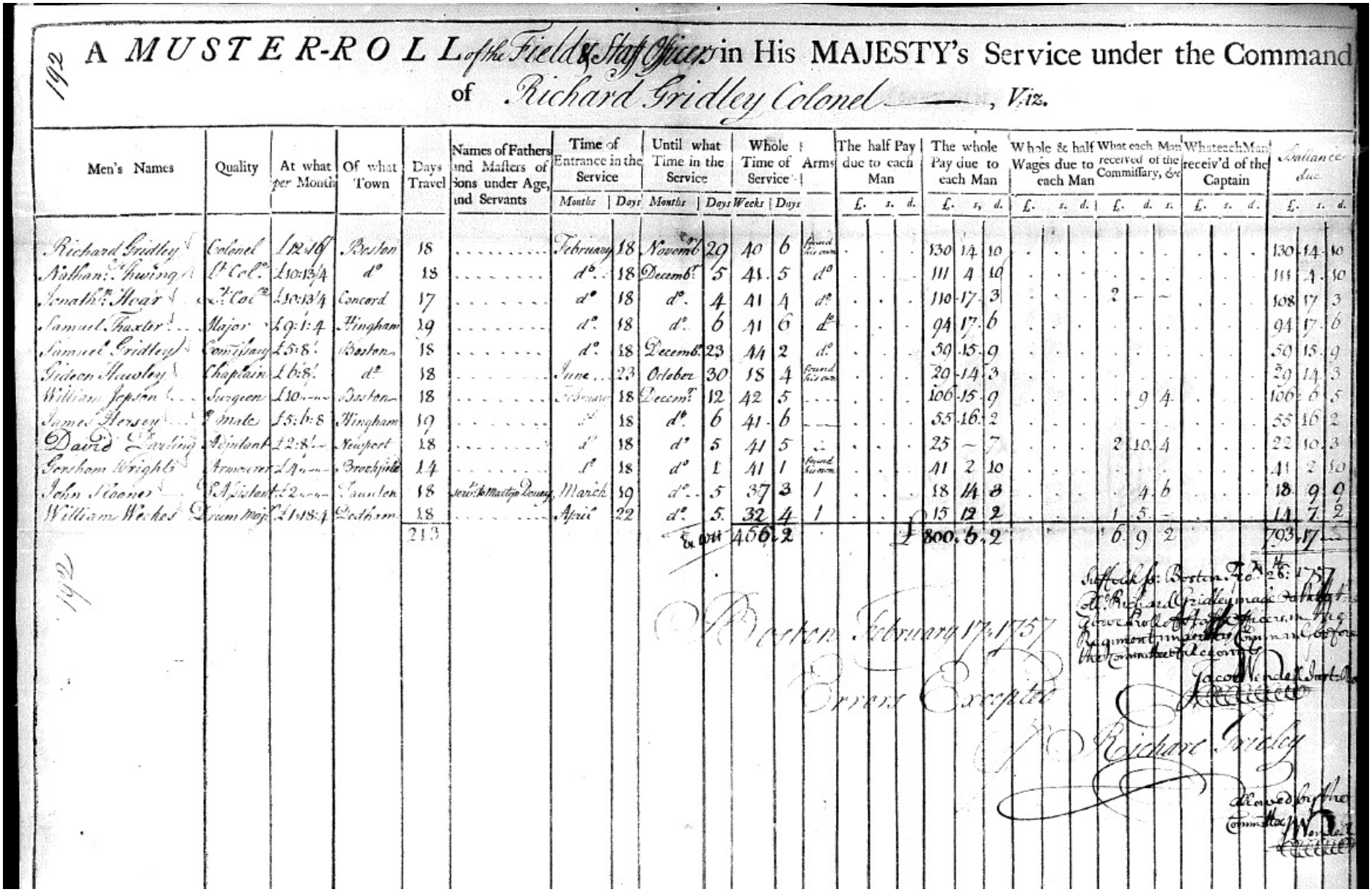
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# French and Indian War

- **1757: The Battle of Fort William Henry.** A large scale British defeat in northern New York that contributed to fears of further French and Indigenous attacks.
- **1758: The Battle of Carillon (Ticonderoga)**. British forces suffered a costly defeat while attempting to capture the French fort.
- **1758: The capture of Louisbourg (Cape Breton)** British forces recaptured the fortress, opening the way for further operations against French Canada.
- **1759: The Battle of the Plains of Abraham**. British forces defeated the French outside Quebec, a decisive step toward the conquest of New France.

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NEW FRANCE
Wolfe (1759)
TERRA NOVA
Gulf of St. Lawrence
Ottawa
St. Lawrence
Quebec
1759
Ft. Gaspereau
Ft. Beausejour
1755
Louisbourg
ACADIA
Lake Huron
Montreal
1760
MAINE
NOVA SCOTIA
Halifax
Amherst (1758)
Amherst (1760)
(1756)
(1757)
Ft. Frontenac
Ft. St. Frédéric
Ft. Carillon
L. Ontario
Montcalm
Ft. Oswego
N.H.
Ft. William Henry
Ft. Niagara
Prideaux (1759)
Portsmouth
Monkton (1755)
NEW YORK
MASS.
Boston
Lake Erie
Ft. Presqu'Isle
Ft. Le Boeuf
CONN.
R.I.
Ft. Machault
PENNSYLVANIA
Forbes (1758)
New York
OHIO COUNTRY
Ft. Duquesne
Ft. Necessity
Philadelphia
Braddock (1755)
NEW JERSEY
Ohio
Annapolis
Washington (1754)
MARYLAND
VIRGINIA
Richmond
Atlantic Ocean
British fort
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A MUSTER-ROLL of the Field & Staff Officers in His MAJESTY's Service under the Command of Richard Gridley Colonel ——, Viz.

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| Richard Gridley | Colonel | 1 12 10 | Boston | 18 | | February | 18 | Novemb. | 29 | 40 | 6 | found his own | | 130 14 10 | | | | 130 14 10 |
| Nathan. Ph. Ewing | Lt Col. | 10:13:4 | do | 18 | | do. | 18 | Decemb. | 5 | 41 | 5 | do | | 111 4 10 | | | | 111 4 10 |
| Jonath. Hoar | Lt Col. | 10:13:4 | Concord | 17 | | do | 18 | do. | 4 | 41 | 4 | do | | 110 17 3 | | ? | | 108 17 3 |
| Samuel Baxter | Major | 10:1:4 | Hingham | 19 | | do. | 18 | do. | 6 | 41 | 6 | do | | 94 17 6 | | | | 94 17 6 |
| Samuel Gridley | Commissary | 5:8: | Boston | 18 | | do. | 18 | Decemb. | 23 | 44 | 2 | do | | 50 15 9 | | | | 50 15 9 |
| Gideon Hawley | Chaplain | 6:8: | do | 18 | | June | 23 | October | 30 | 18 | 4 | found his own | | 20 14 3 | | | | 20 14 3 |
| William Jepson | Surgeon | 10 | Boston | 18 | | February | 18 | Decemb. | 12 | 42 | 5 | | | 106 15 9 | | 9 4 | | 106 6 5 |
| James Hersey | 1st Mate | 5:6:8 | Hingham | 19 | | do | 18 | do. | 6 | 41 | 6 | | | 55 16 2 | | | | 55 16 2 |
| David Sterling | Assistant | 12:8: | Newport | 18 | | do | 18 | do | 5 | 41 | 5 | | | 25 — 7 | | 2 10 4 | | 22 10 3 |
| Gersham Wrights | Armourer | 4 | Brookfield | 14 | | do | 18 | do | 1 | 41 | 1 | found his own | | 11 2 10 | | | | 11 2 10 |
| John Mooney | Sd Assistant | 2 | Taunton | 18 | Sent to Martyn Bourg | March | 19 | do. | 5 | 37 | 3 | 1 | | 18 14 8 | | 4 6 | | 18 9 0 |
| William Weekes | Drum Maj. | 2 1 8:4 | Dedham | 18 | | April | 22 | do. | 5 | 32 | 4 | 1 | | 15 12 2 | | 1 5 — | | 14 7 2 |
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Boston February 17, 1757

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| Richard Gridley | Colonel | £12:16 | Boston | 18 | | February | 18 | Novemb.r | 29 | 40 | 6 | found his own | . . . | 130 14 10 | . . . | . . . | . . . | 130 14 10 |
| Nathan.l Ewing | Lt Col.o | £10:13/4 | d.o | 18 | | d.o | 18 | Decemb.r | 5 | 41 | 5 | d.o | . . . | 111 4 10 | . . . | . . . | . . . | 111 4 10 |
| Jonath.n Hoar | Lt Col.o | £10:13/4 | Concord | 17 | | d.o | 18 | d.o | 4 | 41 | 4 | d.o | . . . | 110 17 3 | . . . | ? — — | . . . | 108 17 3 |
| Samuel Thaxter | Major | £9:1:4 | Hingham | 19 | | d.o | 18 | d.o | 6 | 41 | 6 | d.o | . . . | 94 17 6 | . . . | . . . | . . . | 94 17 6 |
| Samuel Gridley | Commissary | £5:8 | Boston | 18 | | d.o | 18 | Decemb.r | 23 | 44 | 2 | d.o | . . . | 50 15 9 | . . . | . . . | . . . | 50 15 9 |
| Gideon Hawley | Chaplain | £6:8 | d.o | 18 | | June | 23 | October | 30 | 18 | 4 | found his own | . . . | 20 14 3 | . . . | . . . | . . . | 20 14 3 |
| William Jepson | Surgeon | £10 | Boston | 18 | | February | 18 | Decem.r | 12 | 42 | 5 | . . . | . . . | 106 15 9 | . . . | 9 4 | . . . | 106 6 5 |
| James Hersey | 1st Mate | £5:6:8 | Hingham | 19 | | d.o | 18 | d.o | 6 | 41 | 6 | . . . | . . . | 55 16 2 | . . . | . . . | . . . | 55 16 2 |
| David Darling | Adjutant | £2:8 | Newport | 18 | | d.o | 18 | d.o | 5 | 41 | 5 | . . . | . . . | 25 — 7 | . . . | 2 10 4 | . . . | 22 10 3 |
| Gorham Wright | Armourer | £9 | Brookfield | 14 | | d.o | 18 | d.o | 1 | 41 | 1 | found his own | . . . | 41 2 10 | . . . | . . . | . . . | 41 2 10 |
| John Sloanes | R.A Assistant | £2 | Taunton | 18 | Servt to Martyn Lowry | March | 19 | d.o | 5 | 37 | 3 | 1 | . . . | 18 14 8 | . . . | 4 6 | . . . | 18 9 9 |
| William Wickes | Drum Major | £1:18:4 | Dedham | 18 | | April | 22 | d.o | 5 | 32 | 4 | 1 | . . . | 15 12 2 | . . . | 1 5 — | . . . | 14 7 2 |
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Col.o Richard Gridley made oath that the foregoing Roll of the Field & Staff Officers in his Regiment in the Canada Expedition Anno 1757 is just & true according to the best of his knowledge & belief.

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# Review & Tips

- Learn as much as you can about your colonial New England ancestor
- Learn as much as you can about your colonial ancestor's community
- What conflicts occurred during their lifetime?
- Does the geography align?
- Start to build a timeline of your ancestor's community and situate their life events in that timeline.

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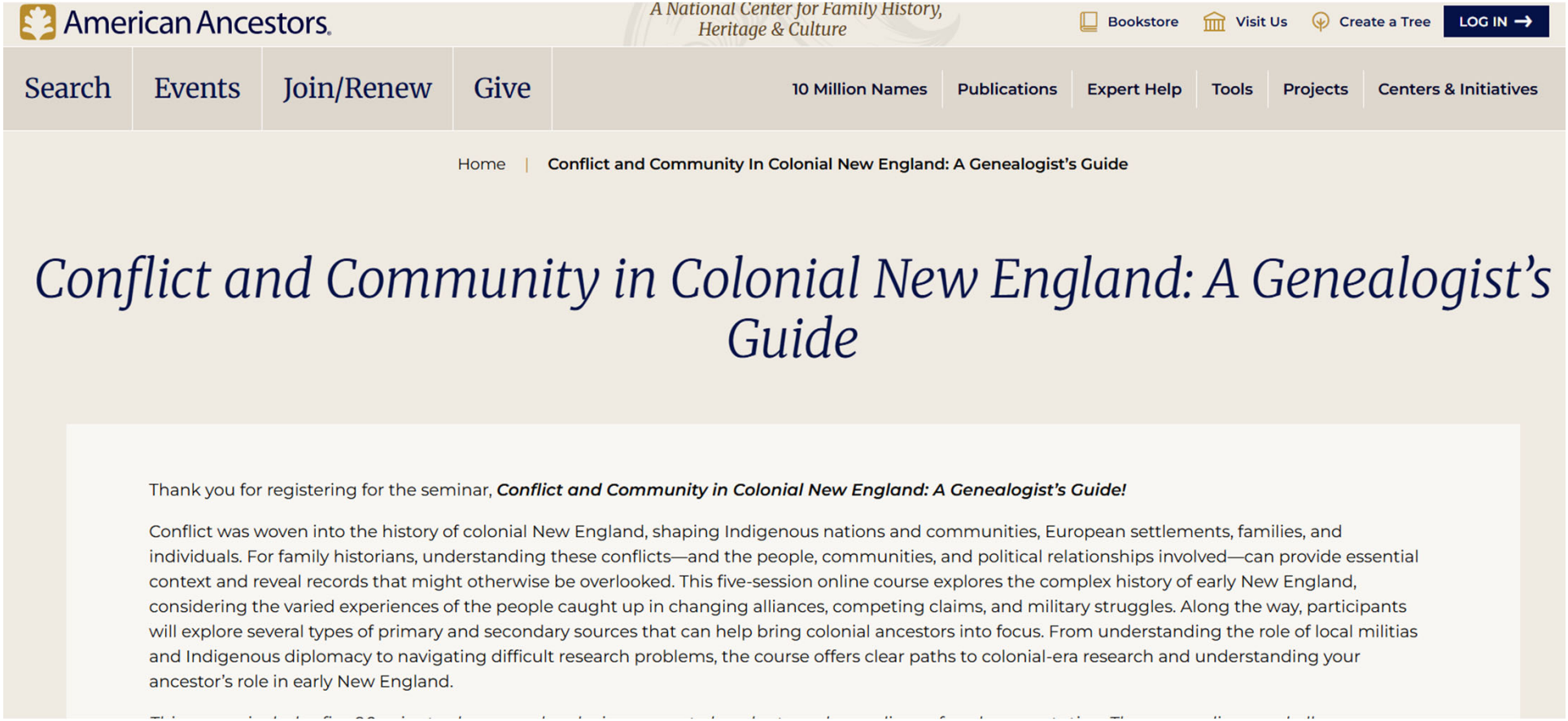



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