Class #4

PURITAN PEDIGREES

The Deep Roots of the Great Migration to New England

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Meet the instructor

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OVERVIEW

• **Presentation** (90 minutes)
  - Lecture 10: Martin Marprelate and Repression of Puritans (1588–1603)
  - Lecture 11: Hampton Court Conference and Silenced Ministers (1603–1607)
  - Lecture 12: The Puritan Underground (1608–1625)

• **Q&A sessions** (30 mins.)
Lecture 10: Martin Marprelate and Repression of Puritans
Martin Marprelate

- Series of seven anonymous satirical pamphlets attacking episcopacy and promoting presbyterianism
- Published between October 1588 and September 1589
- Job Throckmorton principal author, assisted by John Penry and Robert Waldegrave

_Fawsley Hall, where Robert Waldegrave printed Martin Marprelate's Epitome on a secret press_
Thomas Cartwright I

- Born about 1535
- Engaged in disputation before Elizabeth in 1564
- Series of lectures expounding presbyterian principles in 1570
- After time on the continent, returned to England where he was installed at Earl of Leicester’s hospital in Warwick in 1586
Thomas Cartwright II

- With Humphrey Fenn, formed classis based in Coventry
- Fenn, Cartwright and others were imprisoned in 1590, allegedly for implementing a manual of presbyterian practice known as the *Book of Discipline*
- After trials in Court of High Commission and Star Chamber, the prosecution fizzled out
Humphrey Fenn

- Born about 1544
- Vicar of Holy Trinity, Coventry, 1578
- Associated with Cartwright, and with him started a classis in 1583
- Imprisoned with Cartwright and others in 1590 over support for *Book of Discipline*
- Released in 1592
Fenn Family

Humphrey Fenn 1552-1634 == Anne d. 1631

Thomas Potter d. after 1654 == Anne Fenn 1578-1649

Humphrey Potter 1604-1641 == Margaret

Anthony Needham 1628-1696+ == Anne Potter d. after 1696

William Bacon == Rebecca Potter 1610-1655
Barrow and Greenwood I

- In mid-1580s Henry Barrow was converted to separatism under influence of an associate of Robert Browne.
- In 1585 John Greenwood renounced his ministry and began attending conventicles in London.
- When Greenwood was arrested in October 1587, Barrow came to visit and was arrested.
Barrow and Greenwood II

- Barrow remained in prison for next six years.
- Greenwood was released in July 1592 and was soon elected teacher of a new separatist congregation in London, with Francis Johnson as pastor.
- In December 1592 Greenwood was rearrested.
- Barrow and Greenwood were put on trial and executed on 6 April 1593.
Pole Family

Richard, Duke of York = Cecily Neville
1411–1460
1415–1495

Edward IV = Elizabeth Woodville
1442–1483
1437–1492

Henry VII = Elizabeth of York
1457–1509
1466–1503

Henry VIII
1491–1547

George, Duke of Clarence = Isabel Neville
1449–1478
1451–1476

Sir Richard Pole = Margaret of York
c1458–1504
1473–1541

Henry Pole
1492–1538
Reginald Pole
1500–1558
Geoffrey Pole
1504–1558

Richard III = Anne Neville
1452–1485
1456–1485
Puritan Poles

Richard Pole = Margaret of York
  c1458–1504  1473–1541

Henry Pole = Jane Neville
  1492–1538

Francis Hastings = Catherine Pole
  c1514–1560  c1522–1576

Henry Hastings
  1536–1595

Henry Clinton = Catherine Hastings
  d. 1616  b. 1542

Thomas Clinton = Elizabeth Knevitt
  1568–1619

Isaac Johnson = Arbella Clinton
  1601–1630  d. 1630

Reginald Pole
  1500–1558

Thomas Hastings = Winifred Pole = Thomas Barrington
  b. c 1525  d. 1580

Francis Barrington = Joan Cromwell
  d. 1628  d. 1641

Geoffrey Pole = Constance Pakenham
  1504–1558

Thomas Hildersham = Anne Pole
  b. c1540

Arthur Hildersham = Anne Barfoot
  1563–1632

John Humfrey = Susan Clinton
  c1597–1652
Lecture 11: Hampton Court Conference and Silenced Ministers
Millenary Petition

• Drafted by Hildersham and Egerton
• Signed by a thousand ministers (supposedly)
• Presented to King James on his progress south in 1603
• Demands
  – Mostly adiaphora (surplice; sign of cross)
  – Nothing directly on presbyterianism
  – Asked for discipline on local level
Hampton Court Conference

- Held on three days beginning 12 January 1604
- Attended by bishops and representative reformers
- Reformers were mostly of the moderate wing
- Reformers not allowed much opportunity to speak
- Results largely unsatisfactory from point of view of reformers
King James Bible

“That a translation be made of the whole Bible, as consonant as can be to the original Hebrew and Greek; and this to be set out and printed, without any marginal notes, and only to be used in all Churches of England in time of divine service.”

—F. F. Bruce, *The English Bible*, 96
Silenced Ministers

• Nearly one hundred nonconformist ministers deprived of their livings between 1604 and 1609

• Many ancestors of Great Migration immigrants
  – Thomas Stoughton
  – Humphrey Fenn
  – Anthony Nutter
  – Richard Bernard
  – Stephen Bachiler
Scrooby Congregation

- Meeting held in 1606 at Coventry home of Lady Isabel Bowes in wake of deprivations
- Attended by John Robinson, Richard Clyfton, John Smyth, Richard Bernard, John Dod, Arthur Hildersham, and others
- Robinson and Smyth decided for separation
- Bernard briefly attracted to separation
Richard Bernard

• Born in 1568

• Vicar of Worksop, Nottinghamshire, 1601–1605

• Deprived in 1605, but conformed and reinstated in 1608

• Participated in 1606 meeting on Scrooby congregation

• Vicar of Batcombe, Somerset, 1613–1642
Bernard Family

Richard Bernard 1568–1642

Musachiell Bernard == Mary ______
1607–1643+ 1607–1643+

Roger Williams == Mary Bernard
1606–1683 1609–1676+
Arthur Hildersham

- Protégé and literary executor of Thomas Cartwright
- Co-author (with Stephen Egerton) of Millenary Petition
- Proposed for Hampton Court Conference
- Participant in 1606 meeting regarding Scrooby congregation
- Proponent of Francis Higginson to sail to New England in 1629
Hildersham Family

Thomas Hildersham == Anne Pole

Richard Hildersham

Arthur Hildersham == Anne Barfoot
1563–1632

Edward Barfoot == Winifred Hildersham == Ezekiel Culverwell == ___
d. 1591
b. c1560
c1554–1631

John White == Katherine Barfoot
1590–1645 1584–

Thomas Barfoot == Sarah Culverwell
1586–1623 b. c. 1587
QUESTIONS?
Lecture 12:
The Puritan Underground
Silenced Ministers

- Humphrey Fenn
- Thomas Stoughton
- Stephen Bachiler
- Arthur Hildersham
THE CHRISTIANS SACRIFICE:

Much better then all the Legall
Sacrifices of the Iewes; and without the which,
all the said Legall Sacrifices of the Iewes,
even when they were in force, were not
acceptable to God.

O R,

A Logicall and Theologickall exposition of
the two first verses of the twelfth to the Romans,
with all the doctrine in the said two verses,
plainly laid forth, and fittingly applied accon-
ding as these times do require
the same.

Wherein also besides the orthodoxall exposition
of the said words, divers other places of Scripture by the
way occurring, before somewhat obscure, are so
naturally interpreted, as that the indigent
Reader shall thinke his painses well
bested in vouchsafing to reade
this Treatise following.

With the Authors Postscript to his children, as it were
his last Will and Testament unto them.

LONDON,
Printed by WILLIAM JONES.
1622.
Stephen Bachiler

- Born about 1561
- BA from Oxford 1586
- Vicar at Wherwell, Hampshire, 1587-1605
- Cited in Star Chamber, 1593
- Resided at Barton Stacey, Hampshire, from about 1614 to 1631, during which time he was cited as “a notorious inconformist”
- Came to New England in 1632
Mason-Bachiler Connection

John Mason = Elizabeth (Isley) Hill
c1503–1566 d. 1594

[???] Mason = ______

Thomas Mason = Helena _____ = Stephen Bachiler
1580–1619+ 1624 c1561–1656

Richard Dummer = Jane Mason
c1632
c1598–1679
Arthur Hildersham

• Activities while suspended
  – Provided private counsel
  – Preached in private
  – Trustee for grammar school
  – Charitable contributions
London Separatist Church

- Henry Jacob, born 1563, participated in Millenary Petition

- In 1616, after a decade on the continent, he returned to England and founded a separatist congregation in London

- Upon death of Jacob, John Lothrop was chosen to succeed him

- In 1632 the entire congregation was jailed
Council for New England

- Charter issued 23 July 1620
- Territory between 40° and 48° north latitude
- Sir Ferdinando Gorges one of the charter members
- First grant made 1 June 1621 to Plymouth settlers
- Robert Rich, Earl of Warwick, added by 1621
QUESTIONS?
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The sketches published in the Great Migration volumes have generally not probed too deeply into the backgrounds of the seventeenth-century immigrants. They may identify where each immigrant lived at the time of migration, but not why they chose to leave England. It may be surprising to learn that the motivations of many of these early immigrants can be traced back a number of generations, to the early days of the English Reformation.
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