# In-Depth First Settler Profile: Thomas Wetmore (1650) / Sarah (Hall) Wetmore

Name: Thomas Wetmore

**Birth:** About 1615, England (specific date & location unknown/inconclusive) (*The Wetmore Family*/Wetmore, 1861)

**Emigration:** To Watertown, Mass. 1635; in Wethersfield, Conn. by 1640; in Hartford, Conn. 1646 (*The Wetmore Family*/Wetmore, 1861); to Middletown by March 1652.(FFS)

Death: December 11, 1681 (MVR)

**Occupation & Public Service:** "In March 1652-53 he was sworn in as a Constable for Mattabeseck and again ten years later. He also held the offices of Townsman, Grand Levy Man, Rate Maker, and Pounder. He represented the town at the General Court in 1654 and 1655."(FFS)

Marriage: m.(1) Sarah Hall, December 11, 1645, Hartford, Conn. (b. August 9, 1622, Kent England; d. December 7, 1665, Middletown, Conn.). She was the daughter of John Hall & Ann (Willocke) Hall of Kent, England; Hartford, Conn.; and later, Middletown, Conn. (13 children). m.(2) Mary (Platt) Allenson (or Atkinson), February 3, 1666, Middletown, Conn. (MVR) (b. 1629, Royden, Essex, England; d. June 17, 1669, Middletown, Conn.). She was the daughter of Richard Platt & Mary (Wood) Platt of England; New Haven, Conn.; and Milford, Conn. (2 children). m.(3) Catherine (Robards) Leete, October 8, 1673, Middletown, Conn. (MVR) (b. about 1642, location unknown; d. October 13, 1693, Middletown, Conn.) (3 children). (*The Wetmore Family*/Wetmore, 1861)

**Parents:** Unknown (Compiler's note: Numerous secondary sources advance several theories, but all are genealogically inconclusive.)

**Children:** (MVR, Land Records, vol. 1, page 5, 9, 22-24, 28, 32; BCVR)(*The Wetmore Family of America*/Wetmore, 1861):

Children with Sarah (Hall) Wetmore (12):

(1) John Wetmore, b. (baptised) September 6, 1646, Hartford, Conn.; d. August 31, 1696, Middletown, Conn.; m.(1) Abigail Warner, December 30, 1680, Middletown, Conn. (2 children); m.(2) Mary Savage, April 1, 1686, Middletown, Conn. (4 children)

(2) Elizabeth Wetmore, b. 1648, Hartford, Conn.; d. about 1700, Middletown, Conn; m. William Adkins, October 8, 1673, Middletown, Conn. (8 children)

(3) Mary Wetmore, b. 1649, Hartford, Conn.; d. after 1728, Middletown, Conn.; m. John Stow, November 13, 1668, Middletown, Conn. (11 children)

(4) Sarah Wetmore, b. 1650 (baptised April 20, 1650), Hartford, Conn.; d. July 14, 1655, Middletown, Conn. (5) Thomas Wetmore, b. October 19, 1652, Middletown, Conn.; d. February 11, 1689, Middletown, Conn.; m. Elizabeth Hubbard, February 20, 1684/5 (6 children)

MIDDLETOWN

CONNECTICUT, US

(6) Hannah Wetmore, b. February 13, 1653, Middletown, Conn.; d. October 1704, Middletown, Conn.; m. Nathaniel Stow, April 4, 1677, Middletown, Conn. (No known children)

(7) Samuel Wetmore, b. September 10, 1655, Middletown, Conn.; d. April 12, 1746, Middlefield section of Middletown, Conn.; m. Mary Bacon, December 13, 1687, Middletown, Conn. (8 children)

(8) Izrahiah Wetmore, b. March 8, 1656/7, Middletown, Conn.; d. about 1742, Middletown, Conn.; m. Rachel Stow, May 13, 1692, Middletown, Conn. (7 children)

(9) Beriah Wetmore, b. November 2, 1658, Middletown, Conn.; d. April 11, 1756, Middletown, Conn; m. Margaret Stow, September 1, 1691, Middletown, Conn. (7 children)

(10) Nathaniel Wetmore, b. April 21, 1661, Middletown, Conn.; d. November 7, 1708/9; m. Dorcas (Wright) Allen, December 29, 1703, Middletown, Conn. (4 children)

(11) Joseph Wetmore, b. March 5, 1662/3, Middletown, Conn.; d. March 25, 1717, Middletown, Conn.; m. Lydia Bacon, February 18, 1672, Middletown, Conn. (5 children)

(12) Sarah Wetmore (2nd), b. November 27, 1664, Middletown, Conn.; d. February 14, 1698, Middletown, Conn.; m. John Bacon, November 26, 1689, Middletown, Conn. (7 children)

Children with Mary (Platt) Wetmore (2):

(13) Josiah Wetmore, b. May 29, 1667/8, Middletown, Conn.; d. after 1681; m. unknown.

(14) Mehitable Wetmore, b. June 17, 1669, Middletown, Conn.; d. January 19, 1732; m. Andrew Bacon, February 12, 1691/2, Middletown, Conn. (10 children)

Children with Catherine (Leete) Wetmore (3):

(15) Benjamin Wetmore, b. November 6, 1674; d. 1699, Middletown, Conn.

(16) Abigail Wetmore, b. November 6, 1678, Middletown, Conn.; d. March 30, 1762, Guilford, Conn.; m. Samuel Bishop, April 2, 1697, Guilford, Conn. (6 children)

(17) Hannah Wetmore, b. January 4, 1680, Middletown, Conn.;d. September 7, 1722, Middletown, Conn.; m. NathanielBacon, February 5, 1701/2, Middletown, Conn. (7 children)

**Residence/Property:** "His five-acre home lot was on the east side of Main Street, between Green and Ferry Streets."(FFS) "The homestead ... was situated upon the north end of Main Street, east side, being the square, now bounded north by Green Street, east a river, south on Ferry Street, west on Main Street; one of the most desirable locations upon the town plot ..." (*The Wetmore Family*/Wetmore, 1861)

Ist Settler Profile compiled by R.W. Bacon, Editor, The Middler, Newsletter of the Society of Middletown First Settlers Descendants • rwbacon@comcast.net

#### 

## Thomas Wetmore (1650) / Sarah (Hall) Wetmore Page 2-2-2

Will: Vol. 1, p. 518 (MAN). (Estate inventory, August 29, 1690: 200-13-04, i.e. 200 pounds.)

**Burial Location:** Unknown, but most likely in Riverside Cemetery, Middletown, Conn., where many of the earliest grave markers do not survive.

#### Notes:

**Compiler's Note:** Each biographical sketch of Middletown first settler Thomas Wetmore that is found in secondary sources acribes different origins and relationships to other Whitmore families in New England in the early 17th century. In the absence of hard evidence, all of the theories are plausible, but ultimately genealogically inconclusive.)

(CAF): "Thomas Wetmore is said to have been from Wales. He married a daughter of John Hall in Hartford, in 1645 and had two or three children baptized there. He died in 1681, aged 66." (Field, pg. 148)

(FFS): "In October 1654, he with ten others, were appointed a committee by the General Court 'to press men and necessaryes' for the expedition against the Narragansett Indians. In 1668 the General Court abated 'Thomas Whitmore his rate that was payable this yeare to the country, for his service in ferrying Assistts and Deputies over the River."(FFS)

(SAV): "THOMAS, Middletown, who spelt his name Wetmore, as have all the descend. s. of the [[vol. 4, p. 528]] first John [wrong; desc. of first John's s. Francis Whitmore of Cambridge kept Whitmore spelling - wcw.], m. 16 Dec. 1645, Sarah, d. of John Hall, had John, bapt. 6 Sept. 1646; Elizabeth b. 1648, Mary, 1649; Sarah, bapt. 20 Apr. 1651, d. young; Thomas, 19 Oct. 1652; Hannah, 13 Feb. 1654; Samuel, 10 Sept. 1655; Izrahiah, 8 Mar. 1657; Beriah, 2 Nov. 1658; Nathaniel, 21 Apr. 1661; Joseph, 5 Mar. 1663; Sarah, again, 27 Nov. 1664. His w. d. 7 Dec. foll. and he m. 3 Jan. 1667, Mary Akinson, wid. of Luke, and d. of deac. Richard Platt, had Josiah, 29 Mar. 1668; and Mehitable, 17 June 1669, and his w. d. the same day. He m. 8 Oct. 1673, Catharine Roberts, had Benjamin, 27 Nov. 1674; Abigail, 6 Nov. 1678; and Hannah, 4 Jan. 1681. He d. 11 Dec. foll. and his wid. d. 13 Oct. 1693."

(GFHC): "Thomas Wetmore, the immigrant ancestor, was born in 1615, in one of the western counties of England, according to family tradition. He came to America in 1635, sailing from Bristol, and settled in Wethersfield, Connecticut, where in 1639-40 he was a land owner. He removed to Hartford soon afterward, and in 1649 was one of the first settlers of Massabeseck , which was incorporated as the town of Middletown, Connecticut, November 23, 1653. He was admitted a freeman May 20, 1652, and must have then been a member of the orthodox church and worth at least two hundred pounds. He represented Middletown in the General Assembly in 1654-55. He died December 11, 1681, aged sixtysix. His will was dated July 20, 1681. He married (first) Sarah, daughter of John and Ann (Willicke) Hall, December 11, 1645. She died December 7, 1664-65, and he married (second), January 3, 1667, Mary (Platt) Atkinson, daughter of Richard Platt and widow of Luke Atkinson. She died June 11, 1669, and he married (third) Katherine (Leete) Robards, widow, who died October 13, 1693. In the probate records, the record of his surviving children and their ages is given as follows: John, 36; Thomas, 29; Samuel, 26; Izrahaih, 25; Beriah, 23; Nathaniel, 20; Joseph, 18; Josiah, 13; Benjamin, 7; Elizabeth, 32; Mary, 31; Hannah, 28; Sarah, 17; Mehitable, 13; Abigail, 3; Hannah, one year. Children of first wife, born at Hartford: 1. John, baptized September 6, 1646. 2. Elizabeth, baptized 1648; married Josiah Adkins. 3. Mary, born 1649; married John Stowe. 4. Sarah, baptized April 20, 1651; died 1655. Born at Middletown: 5. Thomas, born October 19, 1652; married Elizabeth Hubbard. 6. Hannah, born February 13, 1654. 7. Samuel, born September 10, 1656; mentioned below. 8. Israhiah, born March 8 or 9, 1658. 9. Beriah, born November 2, 1659; married Margaret Stowe, 10. Nathaniel, born April 21, 1661; married Dorcas Allen, widow. 11. Joseph, born March 5, 1662; married Lydia Bacon. 12. Sarah, born November 27, 1664. Children of the second wife: 13. Josiah, born March 29, 1667. 14. Mehitable, born June 1, 1669. Children of the third wife: 15. Benjamin, born November 27, 1674. 16. Abigail, born November 6, 1678. 17. Hannah, born January 4, 1680."

(*The Wetmore Family of America*/Wetmore, 1861) (Re: family relationships): "The Wetmore Family, of America, is descended from Thomas Whitmore, who came from the west of England to Boston, Mass., in 1635, being the eleventh year of the reign of Charles the First; and was among the early settlers in the Connecticut colony.

There were other settlers in New England of the same surname, and it is therefore worthwhile to attempt to discover what relationship, if any, existed between them.

John Whitmore was of Wethersfield, Connecticut, in 1640, and in the town records of deeds, vol. I, p. 121, is the following entry: 'The 2d month and 5 daie 1641, The lands of John Whitmore lying in Wethersfield on Connecticut river. One piece whereon his house and barne standeth containing twelve acres and half more or less. The ends abut against the Common or landing place, and part against the house lot of Robert Batte, west, and ye meadow Francis Norton east. The side against ye lands of Ro. and Tho. Curtice north, and ye lands of Tho. Whitmore, Francis Norton, Mr. Denton, John Gossope and Tho. Coleman south.'

John Whitmore removed to Stamford in 1641, with Rev. Richard Denton and many others who had been settlers at Watertown, Mass. He was a man of considerable importance.

### Thomas Wetmore (1650) / Sarah (Hall) Wetmore Page 3-3-3

Of his family we have only a few traces. In the Stamford records we find 'March 7nth 1649. The testimony of John Whitmore, his wife being no ... Goodwife Whitmore affirmeth that her husband sold to her son John ... five acres land on ye plane.' ... Another deposition says, 'That Brother Whetmore told him he had sold his son John five acres in ye East Field on ye Playne. and if it did not come to so much, he would make it up in ye other plain, and so make it good; it lay in yt plain, and this land was Ro. Fisher's by gift from ye Corte.'

From the records of New Haven Colony, vol. XI, p. 134, 1657, 25th 3d mo. Edward Jessup brought Joseph Mead of Stamford, as his witness, who did now affirm upon oath, that Edward Jessup and his mother, widdow Whitmore, went from Stamford to live elsewhere; they left two mares at Stamford and desired him to take care of them. We conclude then, that John Whitmore had a son John of age before 1648. and a daughter who had married Edward Jessup. We may also presume that it was this son John, who had a daughter Sarah, born at Hartford, Dec. 16, 1647.

Our Thomas Whitmore was living at Hartford at that time, and had children baptized there in 1646, and 1648. Win. S. Porter in his Historical Notices of Connecticut, p. 41, says, that a John and Thomas Whitmore owned land in Hartford in 1646.

There was a Francis Whitmore of Cambridge, Mass., who married previous to 1649, and became the progenitor of a family which has always preserved this spelling, and whose record has been published in a pamphlet form, by William H. Whitmore, Esq., of Boston. There is no evidence to show any connection between him and Thomas, except that his eldest son Francis Jun. moved to Middletown, Conn., where Thomas had settled, and their descendants intermarried. As several other families moved at the same time from Cambridge farms (now Lexington) to Middletown, where Thomas was living, we must not lay too much stress upon this circumstance.(Footnote: Among the descendants of the family at Middletown, there has always been a tradition that our ancestor, Thomas Whitmore, was accompanied to this country by two brothers, Francis and John. While we are not disposed to reject this tradition wholly, from the fact that it was a received truth among those of the 4th generation, we are nevertheless not disposed to offer it as evidence, for the reason that genealogists, generally, attach but little importance to such testimony.) At that time there were two persons named Whitmore, residing in Essex county, Mass., namely, Ann, who married George Farrow, or Farrar, February 16, 1643-4, and had issue; also Mary, who married John Brewer, Oct. 23, 1647. It is probable they were relatives, but highly improbable that they were in any near degree of relationship with Thomas or John Whitmore. It is possible

these two girls were related to Francis Whitmore of Laxton, county of Notts, England, whose will, dated January 26, 1644-5, mentions sister Anne Farrar, nephew Robert Farrar (if he be alive and in England), nephews John, William, Francis, Thomas and George Farrar.

MIDDLETOWN

CONNECTICUT, USA

We may think it possible that these Whitmore girls, and possibly Francis W. of Cambridge, were nieces and nephew of the testator, and one of them married her cousin, a Farrar here; but this is all a conjecture and offered only to call future inquiries to the point as worthy of attention.

Now a John and Thomas Whitmore were at Wethersfield together in 1640-1, and John Jun. and Thomas were together in Hartford in 1646. We are justified in assuming that they were near relatives, and the dates make it probable that John Sen. was the father. As it respects Francis of Cambridge, it is possible he may have been a brother of Thomas and John Jun., but this is only conjecture."

(*The Wetmore Family of America*/Wetmore, 1861)(Re: origins in England): "We have been unable to find any trace of the English ancestry of Thomas Whitmore. There were families of the name among the gentry of Cheshire, Stafford and Salop, but we cannot trace any connection to them, nearer than that our ancestor came from the west of England, where those counties are situated."

(*The Wetmore Family of America*/Wetmore, 1861)(Re: Wetmore/Whitmore origin in Wales): "It may be well to note in this connection, that there has been a generally received tradition that our ancestor came from Wales. That his father's family may have resided for a time in Wales, previous to his embarking for America is very possible; but that he was not a Welshman, his name itself would prove."

(*The Wetmore Family of America*/Wetmore, 1861)(Re: Wetmore/Whitmore surname): "In regard to the surname of our ancestor, being Whitmore, it is so written wherever we have found it recorded in the Colonial records. The Wethersfield Town records of 1639-40, has his name registered as To. Whitmore, in connection with certain lands; his name is spelt Whitmore on the records of the General court of Connecticut, May 20, 1652, when made a freeman; again when he was a member of the said court in 1654 and 1655. In the copy of his will on file in the Recorder's office at Hartford, dated July 20, 1681, his name is written distinctly, Thomas Whitmore, senior; and wherever the surname of his children are entered in the body of the will, they are written Whitmore.

A petition from his son Izrahiah, to the General court, is preserved in the Secretary of State's office at Hartford, which is signed in a bold, clear hand, Izrahiah Whitmore, and wherever we have seen the names of other sons of his given, they have been invariably Whitmore.

If the family name had been Wetmore in England, it is fair to presume that some one of that name (other than those who have descended from the American Wetmores) could be

### Thomas Wetmore (1650) / Sarah (Hall) Wetmore Page 4-4-4

found there. We have, with other members of the family, been unable to discover, in traveling in various parts of England, any native Briton who spelt his name Wetmore. Mr. A. S. Somerby, an accomplished English genealogist ... has made (by request of parties interested) diligent search among parish records, and in offices of registry of wills, in many counties of England, and has forwarded abstracts of wills made by persons of names similar to Wetmore, and has reported, at the same time, his inability to find any record of a family spelling their surname Wetmore.

At what particular time the family changed the spelling of their name, we have been unable to discover; are led, however, to think that the children of the third (possibly some few of the second) in part, and the descendants of the fourth generation very generally adopted the name of Wetmore. What induced them to make the change we have no means of determining, unless it was, as says a correspondent, 'probably a matter of convenience to them, growing out of the greater number of families in Middletown of the same name, that a part of them should vary the spelling to avoid confusion, and without sufficient consideration of the greater evils which follow such a change.'

The first record we find of the name being Wetmore, is in a joint affidavit made by the widows of Andrew Warner Sen. and Thomas Whitmore, as follows: 'Rebecca, widow of Andrew Warner Sen., testified that at her husband's request, some time before his decease, she had written a deed of gift of a parcel of meadow and swamp, to his son in law John Wetmore, but that he died before executing it. Catherine, widow of Thomas Wetmore, testified that her husband intended to perfect a deed of gift, written, but not signed, to his son John Wetmore, of certain lands.' Priv. Controv. II, 49.

Upon these affidavits the General court made the following order: 'October 12, 1682. This Court orders that the executors of Thomas Whitmore's will, and the administrators of Andrew Warner's estate, doe signe the respective deeds of land that were given to John Whitmore by Thomas Whitmore, and that land was given by Andrew Warner to John Francis, son of Francis Whitmore, of Cambridge, removed to Middletown, and m. Hannah Harris, Feby 8, 1674, and had eight children, four sons and six daus; two of his sons m. in M and they each had 10 children born to them.'

(*The Wetmore Family of America*/Wetmore, 1861) (Biographical Sketch): "Thomas Whitmore was born in England in 1615, the 13th year of the reign of James I; came to America, as before stated in 1635; tradition says that he embarked from Bristol. The first mention that we find of his name in the Colonial records, is in the Wethersfield Town records, in 1639-40, as owner of certain lands; where it appears he first settled on coming on to the Connecticut river. He subsequently removed to Hartford, at what time we have no data for determining, unless it was, at, or about, the time the difficulty arose among the colonists at Wethersfield in 1640-41, which caused many of them to disperse; a large number of whom removed with their pastor, Richard Denton, to Stamford.

MIDDLETOWN

CONNECTICUT, US/

He first married Sarah, daughter of John and Ann (Willocke) Hall, of Hartford, Dec. 11, 1645; had issue John, Elizabeth, Mary, Sarah, Thomas, Hannah, Samuel, Izrahiah, Beriah, Nathaniel, Joseph, Sarah 2d, and Josiah: he married 2d, Mary, daughter of Richard Platt, of Milford, and widow of Luke Atconson (Atkinson?) Jan. 3, 1667;2 had Mahitable: he married, 3d, Katharine Leet, widow of Mr. Robards, Oct. 8, 1673; had Benjamin, Abigail and Hannah 2d.

He, with his father-in-law John Hall, William Smith, Samuel Stocking, and Robert Webster, were the first to settle the plantation of Mattabesek; the exact time it is difficult to determine, for the reason that a few of the first pages in the Town records of Middletown are lost and others illegible. The General court in 1646 appointed a Mr. Phelps to join a committee for the planting of Mattabeseck, but they appear not to have accomplished much towards that object; for on 20th March, 1649-50, the General court made the following order: 'And Samuel Smith senior of Wethersfield to ye comittee about ye lands at Mattabeseck in ye roome of Jeames Boosey.' Most of the authorities agree; that a settlement was commenced the same year, namely, in 1649, old style.

The following year the General court 'Ordered, sentenced and decreed, that Mattabeseck shall be a Towne, and they shall make choice of one of theire inhabitants, according to order in that case, that so hee may take ye oath of a Constable ye next convenient season.'

The proprietors of the place changed its name to Middletown, which was confirmed by the General court as follows: 'Nov. 23, 1653. This Courte approues that ye name of ye Plantatyon commonly called Mattabesick shall for time to come bee Middletowne.'

The most of the very early inhabitants of Middletown lived in, or near, the town; the largest collection being about the Meeting house yard. At the north end of Main street there were Thomas Allen, William Markham, Nathaniel Brown, Rev. Samuel Stow, George Hubbard, John Hall, and Thomas Whitmore. The homestead of the latter was situated upon the north end of Main street east side, being the square, now bounded north by Green street east a river, south on Ferry street, west on Main street; one of the most desirable locations upon the town plot, part of which is still known by the name of The Wetmore Property.

He, together with Robert Webster, represented Middletown in the General court in 1654, and 1665.

Thomas Whitmore died December 11, 1681, aged 66 years. Thomas Whitmore's first wife, Sarah, died Dec. 7, 1664-5.



## Thomas Wetmore (1650) / Sarah (Hall) Wetmore Page 5-5-5

Her father, John Hall, was one of the original grantees of Middletown, and was the third appointed Town clerk of M., 1665. He (says *Historical Sketches of Middletown*) had been in a family estate many years before be left England, and was an early settler both in Hartford and Middletown. Thomas Whitmore's second wife, Mary Attconson, died June 1, 1669, after giving birth to her daughter Mahitable. Mrs. Catharine Leet, third wife of Thomas Whitmore, died Oct. 13, 1693; her will was made Aug. 14, 1688, by which she bequeathed her property to her first children, William, Samuel and John Robards, and her last children, Benjamin, Abigail and Hannah Whitmore."

#### For further reading:

*The Wetmore Family of America*, by James C. Wetmore. Albany, N.Y.: Munsell & Rowland, 1861.

# VERIFY - VERIFY - VERIFY

# Abbreviation code used in SMFSD biographical sketches and in-depth profiles:

(MVR) Middletown Vital Records (originals at Middletown City Hall, Middletown, Conn.; also available on microfilm at Russell Library, Middletown, Conn.)

(BCVR) The Barbour Collection of Connecticut Town Vital Records (original index at Connecticut State Library, Hartford, Conn.; printed index available from Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore, Md.; digitized index abailable on CD-Rom as part of The Ricker Compilation of Vital Records of Early Connecticut, Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore, Md.)

(MLR) Middletown Land Records (originals at Middletown City Hall, Middletown, Conn.; also available on microfilm at Russell Library, Middletown, Conn.)

(MAN) *Digest of Connecticut Probate Records*, Hartford District (Manwaring, Charles William. *A Digest of the Early Connecticut Probate Records*. Originally published 1904-1906; reprinted 1995. Baltimore, Md.: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1995.)

(CBRMC) Commemorative Biographical Record of Middlesex County, Connecticut, Containing Biographical Sketches of Prominent and Representative Citizens, and Many of the Early Settled Families. Chicago, Ill.: J.H. Beers & Co., 1903.

(MUH) Middletown Upper Houses (Adams, Charles C. Middletown Upper Houses, A History of the North Society of Middletown, Connecticut from 1650 to 1800 with Genealogical and Biographical Chapters on Early Families. New York, N.Y.: The Grafton Press, 1908.)

(FFS) Frank Farnsworth Starr ("The Settlers of Mattabeseck 1650-1660," *Middletown Penny Press*, Oct. 11, 1900; also published in the *Middletown Tribune* 250th Anniversary supplement.) (CAF) Centennial Address of Rev. David Field. (Field, David D. Centennial Address: With Historical Sketches of Cromwell, Portland, Chatham, Middle Haddam, Middletown, and its Parishes. Middletown, Conn.: W.B. Casey, 1853.)

(GMB) The Great Migration Begins: Immigrants to New England 1620-1633 (Anderson, Robert Charles, FASG. The Great Migration Begins: Immigrants to New England, 1620-1633, Vol. 1-III. Boston, Mass.: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 1996.)

(SAV) Genealogical Dictionary of the First Settlers of New England (Savage, James. A Genealogical Dictionary of the First Settlers of New England, Showing Three Generations of Those Who Came Before May, 1692, on the Basis of Farmer's Register. Boston, Mass.: Little, Brown & Co., 1860-1862.)

(GFHC) Genealogical & Family History of the State of Connecticut (Cutter, William Richard. Genealogical and Family History of the State of Connecticut: A Record of the Achievements of Her People in the Making of a Commonwealth and the Founding of a Nation. New York, N.Y.: Lewis Publishing Co., 1911.)

(HMC) The History of Middlesex County (Henry Whittemore, ed. The History of Middlesex County 1635-1885. New York, N.Y.: J.H. Beers & Co., 1884)

(RPCC) Records of the Particular Court of Connecticut, 1639-1663 (Adams, Arthur W., ed. Records of the Particular Court of Connecticut 1639-1663. Hartford, Conn.: Connecticut Historical Society, 1928.)

(HCCM) Hartford County Court Minutes, 1663-1687 (Ullmann, Helen Schatvet, CG, FASG., ed. Hartford County, Conn., County Court Minutes, Vol, 3 & 4, 1663-1687, 1697. Boston, Mass.: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2005.) (NEHGSR) NEHGS Register (New England Historical and Genealogical Register: Boston, Mass: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 1847-2007.) (Online database available at NewEnglandAncestors.org)

(TAG) The American Genealogist (articles by Donald Lines Jacobus, ed., 1922-1971) (The American Genealogist. New Haven, Conn.: D.L. Jacobus, 1922-1971)