



***In-Depth First Settler Profile:***  
***Francis Whitmore (1674) /***  
***Hannah (Harris) Whitmore***

**Name:** Francis Whitmore (Lt.)

**Birth:** October 12, 1650, Cambridge, Mass. (SAV)

**Emigration:** Born in Massachusetts Bay Colony

**Death:** September 9, 1700 (MLR vol. 1, p. 51; MAN vol. 2, p. 135)

**Occupation & Public Service:** Tailor (MLR vol. 2, p. 68); lieutenant of Middletown train band (Public Records of the Colony of Connecticut, 1636-1776, vol. 4, p. 45); on June 5, 1690, inventory of estate of Robert Warner taken by Nathaniel White, Francis Wetmore, William Sumner and John Hamlin; on September 4, 1690, Francis Wetmore and Sargt. John Warner to be overseers (MAN vol. 1, p. 516); on August 29, 1690, inventory of estate of Thomas Wetmore taken by Nathaniel White, Thomas Rannie senior and Francis Wetmore; on September 4, 1690, Francis Wetmore & Richard Hubbard to be Overseers (MAN vol. 1, p. 518); on January 11, 1691/2, inventory of estate of George Phillips taken by John Hamlin and Francis Whitmore (MAN vol. 1, p. 496); on February 23, 1692/3, "Ensign Ward being deceased (who was Adms. to the Estate of Alexander Bowe, Decd), This Court appoint Lt. Francis Whitmore Adms. with Mr. Cheeny." (MAN vol. 1, p. 277); inventory of estate of William Cornwall taken by William Southmayd and Francis Wetmore (MAN vol. 1, p. 431); on October 20, 1693, inventory of estate of Catorn Whitmore taken by William Southmayd, Francis Whetmore, and Israhiah Whetmore (MAN vol. 1, p. 519).

**Marriage:** m. Hannah Harris, February 8, 1674, Middletown, Conn. (b. abt. 1652, Rowley, Mass. or Middletown, Conn.; d. unknown) She was the daughter of William Harris and Edith (Dorney) Harris of England, Rowley, Mass., and Middletown, Conn. (*SMFSD In-Depth First Settler Profile: William Harris*) [**Compiler's note:** On December 12, 1678, William Harris of Middletown "to his son in Law Francis Whitmore" and "to his daughter Hana Whitmore" (MLR vol. 3, p. 158); on August 3, 1722, "Hannah Whetmore" received distribution from her father's estate (MAN vol. 2, p. 396-398); on May 21, 1723, Hannah Whitmore personally appeared "and acknowledged the above written Instrument to be her own vollenary act and Deed" (MLR vol. 4, p. 179); on January 15, 1730/1, Hannah Whitmore to "my son William Whitmore" all the rights to any estate in Great Britain which "belongeth to me of the estate or in the right of my Honrd Grandmother Edith Dorney of Great Britain decd." (MLR vol. 7, p. 474); Hannah may have died abt. 1732 when her children acknowledged they had received their full portion in the estate of their father (MLR vol. 5, 479; vol. 6, p. 61).]

**Parents:** Francis Whitmore (abt. 1625-1685) & Isabel Parke (1628-1665), m. abt. 1648, Cambridge, Mass. Francis owned lands in Cambridge, near the Plain; near Charles River, by the

Boston line; in Charlestown, near Minottamie; near Dunbarke's Meadow; and also in Medford and Lexington. (History of the Town of Medford by Charles Brooks, 1886) He was made free on May 3, 1654 (NEHGSR vol. 3, p. 193); he died on October 12, 1685. (SAV) Isabel, daughter of Richard Parke, emigrated in 1635 at the age of 7, arriving on the ship Defence. (NEHGSR vol. 14, p. 320) She died in Cambridge on March 31, 1665. (SAV)

**Children:** (BCVR; MLR vol. 1, p. 51)

(1) Francis Whitmore, b. November 25, 1675, Middletown, Conn.; d. 1750, Middletown, Conn.; m. Mary Cornwell, May 30, 1698, Middletown, Conn. (12 children) [**Compiler's note:** Will dated April 4, 1748; inventory of estate taken on May 8, 1750 (MAN vol. 3, p. 683-684)]

(2) Hannah Whitmore, b. November 23, 1677, Middletown, Conn.; d. May 29, 1729, Middletown, Conn.; m. Samuel Gipson, November 4, 1703, Middletown, Conn. (6 children) [**Compiler's note:** On July 7, 1725, "Samuel Gipson and Hannah his wife ... all rights that our late honoured father Francis Whitmore" (MLR vol. 5, p. 289-290); "Hannah Gipson, wife of Samuel, (Dea.), died May 29, 1729, age 51." (*Hale Collection of Cemetery Inscriptions*, Cromwell, Connecticut; Old Cromwell Cemetery, no. 703-1, p. 3).]

(3) Elizabeth Whitmore, b. abt. 1679, Middletown, Conn.; d. January 31, 1742/3; m.(1) Daniel Clark, July 12, 1704, Middletown, Conn. (8 children); m.(2) William Savage, November 1726, Middletown, Conn.; m.(3) John Williams, abt. 1732, Middletown, Conn. [**Compiler's note:** On January 17, 1720/1, Daniel Clark and Elizabeth Clark his wife, one of the heirs of Francis Whitmore (MLR vol. 4, p. 87); on June 15, 1732, Elizabeth Savage daughter of Lieut. Francis Whitmore (MLR vol. 5, p. 479); will of Elizabeth Williams dated December 1, 1742, "my former husband Daniel Clark decd ... my late husband John Williams decd" (MAN vol. 3, p. 480-481); "Elizabeth Williams, formerly widow of Daniel Clark, died Jan. 31, 1742/3, age 64 yrs." (*Hale Collection of Cemetery Inscriptions*, Middletown, Connecticut; McDonough Cemetery, no. 711-19, p. 638).]

(4) Abigail Whitmore, b. January 23, 1681, Middletown, Conn.; d. March 2, 1763, Portland, Conn. (*Hale, House and Related Families*, by Donald Lines Jacobus, 1952); m. Thomas Cooper, January 26, 1709/10, Middletown, Conn. (7 children) [**Compiler's note:** On July 7, 1725, Thomas Cooper and Abigail his wife quitclaimed all rights of "our Late Honoured father Francis Whitmore" (MLR vol. 5, p. 289).]

(5) Martha Whitmore, b. abt. 1685, Middletown, Conn.; d. August 25, 1716, Woburn, Mass.; m. Josiah Johnson, January 24, 1705/6, Woburn, Mass. (5 children) (Woburn Vital Records) [**Compiler's note:** "Here lyes the body of Mrs. Martha Johnson, wife to Mr. Josiah Johnson, who departed this life, the 25th day of August, 1716, in the 30th year of her age." (*Transcript of Epitaphs in Woburn*, by William R. Cutter,



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1890); on August 20, 1719, "Josiah Johnson In Right of Martha his deceased wife" one of the heirs of Francis Whitmore (MLR vol. 4, p. 32).]

(6) Sergeant Joseph Whitmore, b. August 1, 1687, Middletown, Conn.; d. April 29, 172[9], Lyme, Conn.; m. Mary Warner, May 16, 170[9], Middletown, Conn. (10 children) [Compiler's note: "Joseph Whitmore died Apr 29, 172\_, at Lyme" (BCVR); inventory of estate taken August 1, 1729 (MAN vol. 3, p. 129).]

(7) William Whitmore, b. December 18, 1689, Middletown, Conn.; d. 1751, Middletown, Conn.; m.(1) Rebeckah Basset, April 8, 1704, New Haven, Conn. (10 children); m.(2) Abigail Ward, February 22, 1732/3, Middletown, Conn. (3 children) [Compiler's note: Inventory of estate of Mr. William Whitmore taken on November 4, 1751; inventory exhibited by Abigail Whitmore on November 5, 1751 (Probate Files Collection, Early to 1880, Hartford District; William Whitmore, no. 5986).]

(8) Edith Whitmore, b. March 13, 1691/2, Middletown, Conn.; d. January 1771, Middletown, Conn.; m. Jacob Cornwell, March 20, 1709/10, Middletown, Conn. (11 children) [Compiler's note: On July 7, 1725, "Jacob Cornwell with Edeth his wife ... our late honoured father Francis Whitmore" (MLR vol. 5, p. 289-290); on January 10, 1771, "Funeral of Widow Edith Cornwell aged 88 years" (*First Church, Middletown, Marriages/Deaths from 1762-1869*, p. 82); she was 78 years old.]

(9) Isabel Whitmore, b. December 1694, Middletown, Conn.; d. 1735, Middletown, Conn.; m.(1) Robert Warner, June 24, 1714, Middletown, Conn. (6 children); m.(2) Isaac Lane, November 22, 1733, Middletown, Conn. [Compiler's note: On February 2, 1732/3, Isabel Warner, widow of Lt. Robert Warner, conveyed land which "descends to me from my honrd father Francis Whitmore" (MLR vol. 7, p. 46); on June 11, 1734, Isaac Lane and Isabell his wife "Right of Inheritance from her Father Whitmore" (MLR vol. 7, p. 171); on August 26, 1735, "Isabell Warner, the executrix ... being now deceased;" on December 28, 1736, wife of Isaac Lane who "was the widow of the decd. Robert Warner" (MAN vol. 3, p. 125).]

(10) John Whitmore, b. April 1698, Middletown, Conn.; d. June 5, 1743, Middletown, Conn.; m. Ruth (name unknown) (no children) [Compiler's note: On March 4, 1717/8, "John Whetmore, a minor 19 years of age, chose William Whitmore to be his guardian." (MAN vol. 2, p. 136); on April 11, 1732, John Whitmore received his full portion of the estate of his father Lt. Francis Whitmore (MLR vol. 6, p. 61); will of John Whitmore, dated May 25, 1743, "all and every part of my estate, both real and personal ... unto Ruth, my dearly beloved wife;" no children listed; inventory of estate taken June 16,

1743 (MAN vol. 3, p. 478-479).]

**Residence/Property:** On March 23, 1675, land of Francis Whitmore recorded, sixteen acres in the dead swamp given to him by his father Harris; fifty seven acres of upland given him by his father Harris lying on the north side of the riverette at a place commonly called Hubbards Hill; three acres given him by his father Harris being part of "William Haris his hom Lott Abutting on his father Harises hom lott East and on Edward turners hom lott west and on the highway North and on pamechak River South" (MLR vol. 1, p. 121); on June 7, 1677, Mr. John Whiting of Hartford to Francis Whitmore, eight acre house lot "which was sumtime belonging to Danill Haris & by him Sould Vnto the Said John Whiteing" (MLR vol. 1, p. 135); on July 4, 1677, ten acres bought of Capt. Daniel Harris; on October 28, 1678, "one half of that hous & Land at the Landing Place by William harises bought of Edward turner;" on June 28, 1683, one parcel of land containing thirty six acres and one parcel containing thirty four acres lying on the north side of the Dead Swamp bought of Abraham Smith; three hundred fifty eight acres in the westernmost range of lots bought of Abraham Smith; four hundred thirty five acres bought of Abraham Smith lying on the Streits Hills near Haddam bounds (MLR vol. 1, p. 121); on January 14, 1688/9, twenty acres of wet meadow at a place called Maromus bounded on "his father William harises land South" (MLR vol. 1, p. 112); on November 9, 1696, four acres of land part swamp part upland bought of Maybe Barnes (MLR vol. 2, p. 54); on January 11, 1697/8, four acres of wet meadow on the north side of the riverette (MLR vol. 1, p. 89).

**Will:** Vol. 2, p. 135-136 (MAN). (Estate inventory taken December 4, 1700: 947-12-09, i.e., 947 pounds); "The children Francis, age 25 years; Hannah 23; Elizabeth 21; Abigail 19; Martha 17; Joseph 14; William 12; Edith 10; Isabell 6; John 3 years of age." On December 16, 1700, "Adms. to Hannah the widow, relict, and Francis, eldest son. Rec., £500, with Capt. John Hall of Middletown."

**Burial Location:** Unknown

**Notes:**

(SAV): "WHITMORE, JOHN, Wethersfield 1639, but in what part of Mass. he had first liv. is not found, but prob. he brot. from Eng. all the five ch. he ever had, Thomas, b. a. 1615; Francis, a. 1625; and John, a. 1627; beside two ds. Ann, said to be b. a. 1621; and Mary, a. 1623; rem. a. 1641 to Stamford, and was one of the first sett. At S. he was in good repute, m. a wid. Jessup, was chos. a rep. to New Haven assemb. 1647, and murd. by Ind. in Oct. 1648. The act was not a case of private hatred, but seems to have been the deed of the whole tribe, and the Col. of Conn. was moved to unite with that of N. H. in a just revenge. See Trumbull, Col. Rec. I. 197."

(SAV): "WHITMORE, FRANCIS, Cambridge, s. prob. of John of Wethersfield, b. in Eng. a. 1625, m. Isabel, d. of Richard Park of Cambridge, freem. 1654, had Elizabeth b. 1 May 1649; Francis, 12 Oct. 1650; John, 1 Oct. 1654; Samuel, 1





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May 1658; Abigail, bapt. 3 July 1659; Sarah, b. 7 bapt. 30 Mar. 1662; and Margery, bapt. 27 Mar. 1664, d. young; and the w. d. 31 Mar. 1665. He m. again, 10 Nov. 1666, Margaret Harty, and had Hannah, bapt. not perhaps as Mitchell's rec. says, 15 Feb. but Sept. 1667, d. soon; Margaret, b. 9 Sept. 1668; Francis, 3 Mar. 1671; Thomas, 1673; and Joseph, a. 1675; and d. says the gr.st. in Harris, 11, on 12 Oct. 1683, tho. he notes that rec. of the town gives 1685; and this is better than the stone. His will of 8 Oct. in his yr. is abstr. in Geneal. Reg. IX. 134. The wid. d. 1 Mar. 1686. Elizabeth m. 3 Nov. 1669, Daniel Markham; Abigail m. 9 May 1683, Samuel Wilcox of Middletown; Sarah m. William Locke; Margaret m. Thomas Carter of Woburn; and Frances m. Jonathan Thompson."

**(SAV):** "WHITMORE, FRANCIS, Middletown, eldest s. of the preced. m. 8 Feb. 1675, Hannah, d. of William Harris, had Francis, b. 25 Nov. 1675; Hannah, 23 Nov. 1677; Elizabeth 1679; Abigail, 23 Jan. 1681; Martha, 1683; Joseph, 1 Aug. 1687; William, 18 Dec. 1689; Edith, 3 Mar. 1692; Isabel, Dec. 1694; and John, Apr. 1698; was a lieut. and d. 9 Sept. 1700."

**(HMC):** "At a towne meeting November 18, 1679 ... it was voated be willing that a belle which is purchased by parte of the inhabitance of the towne ... that if they be willing that the sayd belle shall be hanged up in the meeting house," included Francis Whitmore for the amount of one pound.

**(MLR):** On March 10, 1678, Francis Whitmore to Samuel Wilcox, eight acres lying in a place commonly called the dead swamp "being the one halfe of francis Whitmores Land there" (vol. 3, p. 7); on January 14, 1680, Isaac Johnson in consideration of "an old baye mare & fifteen shillings" conveyed to Francis Whitmore three acres lying in the Round Meadow (vol. 1, p. 170); on April 3, 1683, Abraham Smith of Jamaica on Long Island "in consideration of a small vessel now riding at Midleton" conveyed to Francis Whitmore thirty six acres lying on the north side of the dead swamp (vol. 2, p. 521); on July 20, 1683, Francis and Hanna Whitmore conveyed to John Strang of Boston four hundred thirty five acres lying "on the Streits hills neare Hadam bounds" (vol. 2, p. 530).

**(MLR):** On May 14, 1684, "Joseph Kirby indebted to francis Whitmore on the purchas of a Cow the just some of four pounds & twelue shillings in Good & merchantabl Corn to be Payd by the first of Janauary next Insuing" mortgaged two acres, "the wholl of that lott Which the said Joseph Kirby bought of his mother;" on January 2, 1684/5, "francis Whitmore Entered Caution against any proress in Law or Desposall of the Land aboue specified in the mortgage Untill the County Court" (vol. 1, p. 62); on January 5, 1684/5, Joseph Kirby "now Dwelling at South hamton in the North Riding of Long Island" conveyed to Francis Whitmore two acres "or all the Remainder of that lott which bought of his mother" (vol. 1, p. 12).

**(NEHGSR):** Will of Francis Whitmore [of Cambridge, Mass.] dated October 8, 1685, "To my youngest sons, Thomas and Joseph, I do give my housings, barns, and my part of the new mill with all the lands thereunto belonging ... They to enter upon the possession thereof at the age of twenty and one years ... and to pay out of it the rest of my children ... My eldest son Francis his part to be due him in 2 full years after the possessing of my youngest sons of the housing and land as aforesaid ... To my grandchildren of Daniel Markham which he had by my daughter Elizabeth, I do give to each of them twenty shillings out of my estate. Also I do nominate my loving friends Will Locke, Sen., of Woburn, and Francis Moore of Cambridge to be the executors of this my last will." (vol. 9, p. 134).

**(Records of the Particular Court of the Colony of Connecticut, 1687-1688):** On March 1, 1687/8, "This Court of sessions ordrs yt some suitable prsons in the sevrall Townes of yis County, have Liberty to take out Lycenses, for Keeping of publick housing of Entertaynmt prvided they give Recognizance according to Law ... for Midletown Jno Cornwell or ffrances Whitmore." (p. 3-4); on March 7, 1688/9, "An Inventory of ye Estate of William Harris of Midleton Deceased was Exhibited in Court ... and ye Court grants administration to ffrancis Whitmore." (p. 32)

**(MLR):** On March 31, 1690, Francis Whitmore and Hannah his wife "as part of the pay for a Sloope which I bought" quitclaim to Joanna Stephens of New Haven administratrix to the estate of her husband Henry Stephens thirty four acres near the north end of town (vol. 1, p. 83).

**(Public Records of the Colony of Connecticut, 1636-1776):** On May 14, 1691, "Francis Whitmore is chosen and appointed Lnt of Midleton train band, and is to be commissioned accordingly." (vol. 4, p. 45); on October 12, 1699, "This Court confirms Captn Nathanill White of Midltown to be Captn of the company at the north end of the said town and Lieut Francis Whitmore to be their Lieutenant." (vol. 4, p. 303)

**(MLR):** On September 18, 1697, Deacon Daniel Markham Senior "joint administrator to ye Estate of his father in Law William Harris" to his "brother in Law Leftnt ffrancis Whitmore for defraying som of the debts due from ther sayd ffather." (vol. 2, p. 55)

**(Connecticut Nutmegger):** "Francis Whitmore was authorized to build a stone bridge over the 'ferry river' so that passage might be free to subscribers. He was to furnish a boat when the bridge might be covered by water." (vol. 7, p. 20)

**(Public Records of the Colony of Connecticut, 1636-1776):** On May 13, 1697, "Vpon the petition of Ensign Cheenie, this Court did declare that their true Intent In granting the one halfe of the cuntry rate to the town of Midletown for the carrying on the worke of the bridge over the ferry river, was that the said one halfe of the said rate should be delivered to Mr. Francis Whitmore for his encouragement and to be



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improved by him for the further carrying on the said worke” (vol. 4, p. 207); on May 12, 1698, “Lieut. Francis Whitmore petitioning this Court Octobr last, informing that he hath disbursed a considerable estate in building of a bridge over the ferry river at Midletown and that he hath received but about fiftie pounds from particular persons for the erecting of the said bridge ... that he may be reimbursed of his money laid out and expended or to have the benefit of the bridge in his own hands, making the same a toll bridge; this Court grants liberty to Lieut. Whitmore to take toll for the bridge which he hath built, he returning the money which he hath received from particular persons for the use aforesaid ... he the said Whitmore relieving but two pence for a man and horse for one time and one pennye a time for a single mans passage, and four pence for a team and cart, and said bridge to be free for passage on Sabbath days.” (vol. 4, p. 263)

**(Records of First Church of Christ, Congregational, Middletown, Connecticut, 1668-1870):** On November 28, 1675, Francis Whitmore son of [Francis] & Hannah Whitmore baptized (p. 23); on December 25, 1677, “Hannah daughter of Hannah Whitmore & of Francis hir husband was baptised” (p. 26); on October 29, 1682, Hannah Whitmore received to full communion (p. 33) [Compiler’s note: No baptisms recorded between November 1684 and September 1688]; on December 22, 1689, “Willm son of Francis & Hannah Whitmore” baptized (p. 39); on March 6, 1691/2, “Edith ye daughter of Francis & Hannah Wetmore was baptised” (p. 41); on December 16, 1694, Izbel daughter of Francis & Hannah Whitmore baptized (p. 45); on April 24, 1698, John son of Francis & Hannah Whitmore baptized (p. 51); on March 26, 1710, Elizabeth wife of Daniel Clark admitted to full communion (p. 70); on December 3, 1710, Martha daughter of Samuel and Hannah Gipson baptized (p. 72); on March 30, 1712, Joseph and Abigail twin children of Joseph and Mary Whitmore baptized (p. 75); on June 7, 1713, Edith wife of Jacob Cornwell admitted to full communion (p. 77); on August 25, 1717, Francis Whitmore admitted to full communion (p. 82); on May 29, 1729, Izabell the wife of Robert Warner admitted to full communion (p. 99).

**(MLR):** “Att a Generall Assembly Holden att Hartford May 8th 1701, Liberty and full power of this Assembly Granted to Hannah Whitmore and ffrancis Whitmore of Midiltown Administrators to the Estate of ffrancis Whitmore late of sd Midletown Deseasd to make sale of a House and Homstad which the said ffrancis decd purchased of Jacob Johnson about three months before his death by the sale theirotf thay may be inabeled to pay the purchased money.” (vol. 2, p. 37)

**(MAN):** On May 17, 1714, “Solomon Coit of New London, grandson of William Harris, late of Middletown decd., moved this Court to grant Adms. to some suitable person. Mary Gilbert, Hannah Whitmore and Patience Markham of

Middletown, children of sd. William Harris, appeared in opposition;” on September 6, 1720, “The Adms. now exhibit an invt. of several parcels of land passed by deed of gift by the sd. William harris, deceased, in his lifetime, dated 12th December, 1678, and conveyed by deed of mortgage dated 7 March, 1687-8, to Francis Wetmore, late of Middletown, deceased;” on August 3, 1722, “This Court order that the estate be dist. to the five daughters or their legal representatives ... to Hannah Whetmore, £221-14-05 ...” (vol. 2, p. 396-398)

**(MLR):** On May 21, 1723, Hannah Whitmore for the love and good affection “which I Bare to My Son John Whitmore Now Living with me,” quitclaim all my rights to land “which Desended to me from the Estat of my honered Deseased father William Haris ... not Laid out to him in his Life but Since his Dearth Layed out to his Estate.” (vol. 4, p. 179)

**(MLR):** On August 20, 1719, “Asquasuttuck a natiue sunk squaw Grand Daughter of seanna & sawoppin allis Bette Daughter of wesumshaw” in consideration of “two pounds money and Tow coates” conveyed to Samuel Cotton and the heirs of Francis Whitmore late of Middletown, “that is to say francis Whitmore Joseph Whitmore Wm Whitmore John Whitmore. Saml Gibson in right of Hannah his wife Thomas Cooper In Right of Abigial his wife. Danl Clark In Right of Eliza. his wife Josiah Johnson In Right of Martha his deceased wife for her Children, Jacob Cornwell in Right of Edy his wife. Robert Warner in Right of Izzabella his wife” forty acres of Indian land lying in the New Field. “It is to be understood that the sum: of two pounds and two Coates is an addition to seuerall pounds and Coates payes for a pair of Leases for a thousand years formerly to Lt. francis Whitmore & Segt nathl stow” (vol. 4, p. 32); on January 17, 1720/1, Joseph Whitmore, William Whitmore, Samuel Gipson, Thomas Cooper “for his own Right and his Bror Francis Whitmore,” Daniel Clark, Jacob Cornwell, Robert Warner, all of Middletown, and Josiah Johnson of Woburn, Mass., “heirs of Francis Whitmore Late of Middtown” conveyed to our brother John Whitmore forty acres of land bought of the Indians. (vol. 4, p. 87)

**(MLR):** On July 7, 1725, Francis Whitmore, Joseph Whitmore, Samuel Gipson and Hannah his wife, Elizabeth Clark widow, Thomas Cooper with Abigail his wife, Jacob Cornwell with Edeth his wife, Robert Warner with Izabel his wife all of Middletown quitclaim to our brother William Whitmore all rights that our late honoured father Francis Whitmore had to build and maintain a bridge over the little River (commonly called the ferry River) (vol. 5, p. 289-290); on March 21, 1726/7, William Whitmore to my brother Francis Whitmore so much of the meadow and swamp at Maromuck that was our fathers Francis Whitmore decd as well with the third part of sd land which my sd brother Francis bought of Thomas Cooper and Abigail Cooper (vol. 2, p. 417).

**(MLR):** On January 15, 1730/1, Hannah Whitmore to “my son William Whitmore” all the rights to any estate in Great Britain



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which “belongeth to me of the estate or in the right of my Honrd Grandmother Edith Dorney of Great Britain decd.” (vol. 7, p. 474)

**(MLR):** On November 26, 1731, Francis Whitmore conveyed to John Whitmore one acre “which did formerly belong to our honrd father Lieut. Francis Whitmore of said Middletown decd. with the dwelling house standing thereon” (vol. 7, p. 12); on April 11, 1732, John Whitmore having received my full portion or share to my full satisfaction of the estate of my

Honrd father Lieut. Francis Whitmore decd do therefore acquit and discharge my Brother Francis Whitmore administrator to sd estate (vol. 6, p. 61); on June 15, 1732, Elizabeth Savage daughter to Lieut. Francis Whitmore decd received my full portion of the estate of my sd father do acquit my brother Francis Whitmore administrator on the estate from all further claims (vol. 5, p. 479).

**For further reading:**

*Record of the Descendants of Francis Whitmore of Cambridge, Mass.*, by William Henry Whitmore (Boston, Mass.: John Wilson & Son, 1855; reprinted with additions from *Brooks' History of Medford, Massachusetts.*)

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***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 available 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 Mattabesec 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. I-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.)

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