### MAYFLOWER RESEARCH HANDOUT

# By John D Beatty, CG®

### The Twenty-four Pilgrims/Couples on Mayflower Who Left Descendants

John Alden, cooper, b. c. 1599; d. 12 Sep. 1687, Duxbury; m. Priscilla Mullins, daughter of William. Isaac Allerton, merchant, b. c. 1587, East Bergolt, Sussex; d. bef. 12 Feb. 1658/9, New Haven, CT; m. Mary Norris, who d. 25 Feb. 1620/1, Plymouth.

John Billington, b. by 1579, Spalding, Lincolnshire; hanged Sep. 1630, Plymouth; m. Elinor (\_\_).

William Bradford, fustian worker, governor, b. 1589/90, Austerfield, Yorkshire; d. 9 May 1657, Plymouth; m. Dorothy May, drowned, Provincetown Harbor, 7 Dec. 1620.

William Brewster, postmaster, publisher, elder, b. by 1567; d. 10 Apr. 1644, Duxbury; m. Mary (\_\_).

Peter Brown, b. Jan. 1594/5, Dorking, Surrey; d. bef. 10 Oct. 1633, Plymouth.

James Chilton, tailor, b. c. 1556; d. 8 Dec 1620, Plymouth; m. (wife's name unknown).

Francis Cooke, woolcomber, b. c. 1583; d. 7 Apr. 1663, Plymouth; m. Hester Mayhieu.

Edward Doty, servant, b. by 1599; d. 23 Aug. 1655, Plymouth.

Francis Eaton, carpenter, b. 1596, Bristol; d. bef. 8 Nov. 1633, Plymouth.

Moses Fletcher, blacksmith, b. by 1564, Sandwich, Kent; d. early 1621, Plymouth.

Edward Fuller, b. 1575, Redenhall, Norfolk; d. early 1621, Plymouth; m. (wife unknown).

Samuel Fuller, surgeon, b. 1580, Redenhall, Norfolk; d. bef. 28 Oct. 1633, Plymouth; m. Bridget Lee.

Stephen Hopkins, merchant, b. 1581, Upper Clatford, Hampshire; d. bef. 17 Jul. 1644, Plymouth;

m. (10 Mary Kent (d. England); (2) Elizabeth Fisher, d. Plymouth, 1640s.

John Howland, servant, b. by 1599, Fenstanton, Huntingdonshire; d. 23 Feb. 1672/3, Plymouth; m. Elizabeth Tilley, daughter of John Tilley, passenger.

Richard More, mariner and servant, b. 1614, Shipton, Shropshire; d. bef. 20 Apr. 1696, Salem.

Degory Priest, hatter, b. probably Devon c. 1579; d. 1 Jan. 1620/1, Plymouth; (wife Sara at Leiden).

Thomas Rogers, draper, b. c. 1572, Watford, Northamptonshire; d. early 1621 Plymouth.

Henry Samson, b. 1603/4, Henlow, Bedfordshire; d. bef. 24 Feb. 1684/5, Duxbury.

George Soule, servant, b. c. 1599; d. bef. 22 Jan. 1679/80, Duxbury.

Myles Standish, soldier, b. ca, 1580, possible the Isle of Man; d. 3 Oct. 1656, Duxbury; m. Rose (\_\_).

Richard Warren, b. ca. 1585; d. 1628, Plymouth; m. Elizabeth Walker.

William White, b. 1586/7, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire; d. 21 Feb. 1620/1, Plymouth; m. Susanna Jackson.

Edward Winslow, merchant, b. 1595, Droitwich, Worcestershire; d. 5 May 1655, at sea;

m. (1) Elizabeth Barker (d. 1621); (2) Susanna (Jackson) White, widow of William White.

#### Leiden Sources

Bangs, Jeremy Dupertuis. New Light on the Old Colony: Plymouth, the Dutch Context of Toleration, and Patterns of Pilgrim Commemoration. Boston: Brill, 2020. GC 974.4 B22n

\_\_\_\_\_. Strangers and Pilgrims, Travellers and Sojourners: Leiden and the Foundations of Plymouth Plantation. Plymouth, MA: General Society of Mayflower Descendants, 2009. GC 949.2 B225st

### **Historical Narratives**

Beale, David. Mayflower Pilgrims: Roots of Puritan, Presbyterian, Congregationalist, and Baptist Heritage. Greenville, SC: Ambassador-Emerald International, 2000. GC 974.4 B365may

- Fraser, Rebecca. Mayflower: The Families the Voyage, and the Founding of America. New York: St. Martin's Press, 2017. GC 974.4 F862ma
- Philbrick, Nathaniel. *Mayflower: A Story of Courage, Community, and War.* New York: Viking 2006. GC 974.4 P534m
- Stratton, Eugene Aubrey. *Plymouth Colony: Its History & People, 1620-1691*. Salt Lake City: Ancestry, 1986. GC 974.4 St8p
- Turner, John G. *They Knew They Were Pilgrims: Plymouth Colony and the Contest for American Liberty.*New Haven: Yale University Press, 2020. GC 974.402 P74tu
- Whittock, Martyn. *Mayflower Lives: Pilgrims in a New World and the Early American Experience*. New York: Pegasus Books, 2019. GC 974. 4 W61m
- Willison, George F. Saints and Strangers. New York: Reynal & Hitchcock, 1945. GC 974.4 W67s

## **Original Record Transcriptions and Guides**

- Bangs, Jeremy Dupertuis. *Indian Deeds: Land Transactions in Plymouth Colony, 1620-1691*. Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2002. GC 974.4 B212in [These land records are specific to transactions with Native Americans.]
- \_\_\_\_\_. *Plymouth Colony Records, Deeds, &c.* Volume 2, 1651-1663, Volume 3, part 1, 1664-1671. Lulu, 2016-2017. On order. [These volumes continue the deed records found in Records of the Colony of New Plymouth, below.]
- Bradford, William. *Gov. William Bradford's Letter Book.* 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. Bedford, Massachusetts: Applewood Books, 2001. GC 974.4 B74g
- \_\_\_\_\_\_. *Of Plimoth Plantation: The 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition*. Kenneth P. Minkema, Francis J. Bremer and Jeremy Dupertuis Bangs, eds. Boston: Colonial Society of Massachusetts, 2020. GC 974.4 B72brc [There are multiple editions of Bradford's history, but this one is considered best. It is also the principal source of passenger lists to Plymouth Colony from 1620 to 1630.]
- Davis, William T., ed. *Records of the Town of Plymouth*. 3 volumes. Plymouth: Avery & Doten, 1889-1903. GC 974.402 P74da [Contains town meeting and clerk records, including appointments of officers, surveyor records, land allotments, bounties on wolves, livestock crop marks, and other miscellaneous records.]
- Journal of the Pilgrims at Plymouth: Mourt's Relation, a Relation or Journal of the English Plantation Settled at Plymouth in New England by Certain English Adventurers both Merchants and Others. 1622. New York: Corinth Books, 1963. GC 974.4 M84j [Early account of Plymouth Colony by Bradford and Winslow.]
- New England Historic Genealogical Society, "New Database Massachusetts, Plymouth Colony Deeds, 1671-1673," database. *American Ancestors*, https://americanancestors.org [This is volume 3, part 2, of Bangs's Plymouth Colony Deeds.]

- *Plymouth Church Records*, *1620-1859*. 2 volumes. 1920-1923. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1975. GC 974.402 P74pLc [Records are incomplete and spotty for early years.]
- Roser, Susan E. Mayflower Deeds & Probates: From the Files of George Ernest Bowman of the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants. Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1994. GC 974.4 R724ma [Records transcribed from the extensive files of George Ernest Bowman (1860-1941), renowned scholar and editor of Mayflower Descendant.]
- Sherman, Ruth Ann Wilder. *Plymouth Colony Probate Guide: Where to Find Wills and Related Data for 800 People of Plymouth Colony, 1620-1691.* Warwick, RI: Plymouth Colony Research Group, 1983. GC 974.4 Sh5p [Contains an alphabetical inventory of probate records from Barnstable, Bristol, and Plymouth counties.]
- Shurtleff, Nathaniel B. ed. *Records of the Colony of New Plymouth in New England*. 12 volumes. Boston: Press of W. White, 1855-1861. GC 974.4 N42r [Includes the earliest deed records of Plymouth Colony to 1650; also the lists of freemen and colony court records.]
- Simmons, C. H. *Plymouth Colony Records: Volume 1, Wills and Inventories, 1633-1669; Volume 2, Wills.* Camden, Maine: Picton Press, 1996. GC 974.402 P74s [All early records are included to 1669. In 1685, the counties of Barnstable, Bristol, and Plymouth were formed where probate records were kept.]
- Van Antwerp, Lee D. *Vital Records of Plymouth, Massachusetts, to the Year 1850.* Camden, Maine: Picton Press, 1993. GC 974.402 P74vi [Users should also look for vital records specifically for other towns in Plymouth Colony: Sandwich, Barnstable, Scituate, Duxbury, Yarmouth, Falmouth, Eastham, Little Compton, Swansea, Rochester, Dartmouth, Middleborough, Marshfield, Bridgewater, Taunton, and Rehoboth.]
- Wakefield, Robert S. *Plymouth Colony Marriages to 1650*. Warwick, RI: Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Rhode Island, 1978. GC 974.402 P74w [This volume includes not just marriage records but evidences of marriage up to 1650.]
- Winslow, Edward. *Good Newes from New England: A True Relation of Things Very Remarkable at the Plantation of Plimoth in New England.* 1624. Bedford, Massachusetts: Applewood Books, 1996. GC 974.4 W73go [Early account of Plymouth by the pilgrim Edward Winslow.]
- Winthrop, John. *Journal of John Winthrop*, *1630-1649*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1996. GC 974.4 W73jo [As governor of Massachusetts Bay, he commented frequently about Plymouth, including events at its court that did not make it into the official record.]
- Winthrop Papers. Volumes 1-6. Boston: Massachusetts Historical Society, 1929-. GC 974.4 W73w

### **Genealogical Studies**

- Anderson, Robert Charles. *Mayflower Migration: Immigrants to Plymouth, 1620.* Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2020. GC 974.402 P74ao [Best genealogical guide on Mayflower passengers to date.]
- \_\_\_\_\_. *Pilgrim Migration: Immigrants to Plymouth Colony, 1620-1633*. Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2004. GC 974.402 P74an

- General Society of Mayflower Descendants. *Mayflower Families through Five Generations* series; "Silver Books." 25 volumes with multiple parts. Plymouth, MA: General Society of Mayflower Descendants, 1975-2019. GC 974.4 M45c. Later volumes supersede earlier ones. Volume 1: Francis Eaton, Samuel Fuller, William White; Volume 2: James Chilton, Richard More, Thomas Rogers; Volume 3: George Soule; Volume 4: Edward Fuller; Volume 5: Edward Winslow, John Billington; Volume 6, Stephen Hopkins; Volume 7: Peter Brown; Volume 8: Degory Priest; Volume 9: Francis Eaton; Volume 10: Samuel Fuller; Volume 11 (three parts): Edward Doty; Volume 12: Francis Cooke; Volume 13: William White; Volume 14: Myles Standish; Volume 15: James Chilton, Richard More; Volume 16 (four parts): John Alden; Volume 17: Isaac Allerton; Volume 18 (three parts): Richard Warren; Volume 19 (two parts): Thomas Rogers; Volume 20 (three parts): Henry Samson; Volume 21 (three parts): John Billington; Volume 22: William Bradford; Volume 23 (three parts): John Howland; Volume 24 (three parts): William Brewster; Volume 25: Edward Winslow. [Moses Fletcher does not yet have a volume; his descendants are living in the Netherlands.]
- Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants. *Mayflower Descendant*. Journal, vols. 1-, 1899-1937, 1985-. [Scholarly journal on a variety of Plymouth Colony topics.]
- Roberts, Gary Boyd. *Mayflower 500: Five Hundred Notable Descendants of the Founding Fathers on the Mayflower*. Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2020. GC 974.4 R54n
- \_\_\_\_\_\_. Mayflower Source Records: Primary Data Concerning Southeastern Massachusetts, Cape Cod, and the Islands of Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard. Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1986. GC 974.4 R54m [Articles reprinted from New England Register.]
- Roser, Susan E. *Mayflower Increasings*. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1995. GC 974.4 R724m [Now dated, but it contains extensive genealogical information on descendants.]
- \_\_\_\_\_. *Mayflower Passenger References*. Markham, Ontario: Stewart Publishing, 2011. GC 974.4 R735m [Attempts to compile all references to Mayflower passengers from early colony records.]

#### Websites

- Genealogical Society of Utah. "Mayflower Descendants Search." *Familysearch*. www.familysearch.org [Information taken from Mayflower Society application files, but still a work in progress and not complete.]
- Johnson, Caleb. Caleb Johnson's MayflowerHistory.com. http://mayflowerhistory.com/
- New England Historic Genealogical Society. *American Ancestors*.

  <a href="https://www.americanancestors.org/index.aspx">https://www.americanancestors.org/index.aspx</a> [Great source for all forms of New England research, including vital records.]</a>