

further than that, as before mentioned, she came to the Massachusetts Bay Colony, in the Confidence, with her husband and children, in 1638. She is mentioned several times in her husband's Will, as a legatee, and she died in Sudbury, 15 June 1659. We think that she merited the old-time name of "help-meet" for the record of her husband and children seems to point beyond question to a good wife and mother.

Surely these records show us a man, public-spirited and honored by his townsmen. We also see that he was a brave man. He was one of the first to remove to the west side of the Sudbury River, where the danger from attack by wolves and Indians was greatest. We have reason to think this ancestor of ours was well educated for his day. The inventory of his will shows he had "Bookes" valued at £4, rather more of a library than one would expect a "linen weaver" in the New World to have owned. He takes his place in the new community beside "Mr" Peter Noyes, "Capt" Edmund Goodnow, etc. He is made Town Clerk, Selectman, Representative to the General Court (the Legislature of the Province), is "appoynted to goe downe" to Boston on "the Town's business," etc. If he had been a linen weaver as entered on the ship's papers he was surprisingly well educated for that trade and time. At the two hundred and fiftieth Anniversary of the Incorporation of Sudbury, held the 4th of Sept. 1889, the Rev. Alfred S. Hudson, the writer of the "History of Sudbury," etc., said: "Walter Haynes, Peter Noyes, John Blanford, John Bent, and John Rutter, representative men in the Sudbury settlement were a type of the historic Puritan."

EXTRACTS FROM THE WILL OF WALTER HAYNES OF SUDBURY, MASS.

Copied from the original, which is filed at Probate Office, Middlesex Co., E. Cambridge, Mass., No. 10939, Registry of Probate. This will was written 25 May 1659, and signed by Walter Haynes, then, evidently without witnesses. As seen further on, he later signs before witnesses. He disposes of his property as follows:

"First, I do give to my wife Elizabeth my house wherein I now do dwell, with the orchards barne outhouses, and also all the thirty three acres wherein the said houses stand," and after her death he wills that they "shall remayne and be to my Sonne Josiah Haynes his heyres forever as his or their propper inheritance." To his son John he gives "All the lands in Sudbury w^{ch} were sometime owned by my sonne Thomas Haynes." He also gives to John several pieces of meadow, containing 11, 2 4, and 10 acres, and upland 20, 10 acres, and "the full one halfe of my great lott in the new grant," also "the full one halfe of my meadow lying and being on the great river in Sudbury, that is to say halfe the peece of meadow lying east on the house of Thomas Plympton, John Haynes, and my owne now dwelling house, and my will is that my sonne John Haynes shall have the north side of the said great river meadow." He then bequeaths to