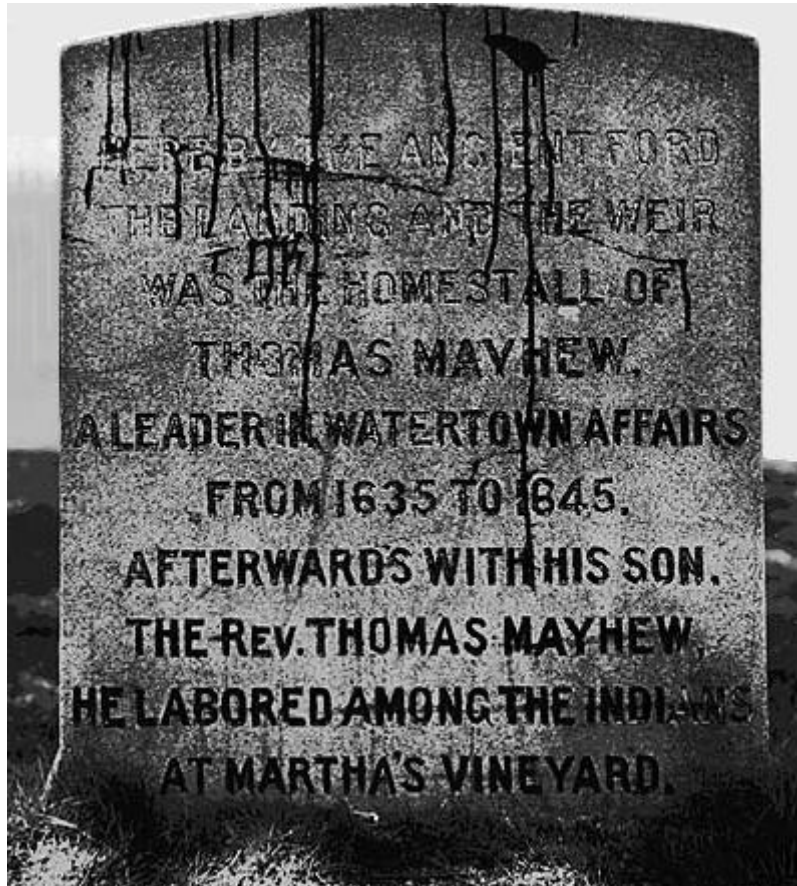


## **“GOVERNOR FOR LIFE” THOMAS MAYHEW OF NANTUCKET AND MARTHA’S VINEYARD**



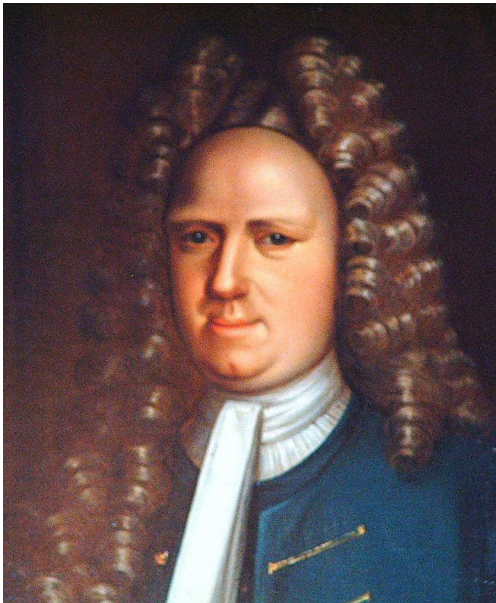
**1593**

Thomas Mayhew was born. He would grow up in a town called Tisbury in Wiltshire, a tiny place between London and Bristol to the west. His father would die when he was 21 and he would become a merchant in the town in which he likely had been apprenticed, Southampton, due south, one of the great seaport towns of England. One of the London merchants who was very active in the colonization of New England was Matthew Cradock, and somehow Mayhew would become acquainted with Cradock and, after having been in business for himself for about 10 years, accept an offer in 1631 to become Cradock's agent in the colonies.

**NANTUCKET ISLAND  
MARTHA'S VINEYARD**

1630

In England, [William Coddington](#) was chosen as an Assistant of the company (Assistant Judge of Court of Colony of Massachusetts Bay) before his embarkation with John Winthrop. He had lived at Boston in County Lincoln, where the record of St. Botolph's church shows that he and his wife Mary Moseley Coddington, daughter of Richard Moseley of Ouseden, in County Suffolk had Michael Coddington, baptized on March 8, 1627, who died in two weeks, and Samuel Coddington, born on April 17, 1628, buried on August 21, 1629.



The Winthrop fleet that brought “the Great Emigration” of this year comprised 11 vessels:

- *Arbella* (the flagship)
- *Ambrose*
- *William and Francis*
- *Talbot*
- *Hopewell*
- *Jewel*
- *Whale*
- *Charles*
- *Success*
- *Mayflower*
- *Trial*

Altogether the fleet brought about 700 colonists — here is an attempt at reconstructing a passenger list.

• DANIEL ABBOTT		Cambridge
• ROBERT ABELL	of Hemington, Leicestershire	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• WILLIAM AGAR	probably of Nazing, Essex	Watertown
• GEORGE ALCOCK	probably of Leicestershire	Roxbury
• Mrs. - - - Alcock		
• FRANCIS ALEWORTH		
• THOMAS ANDREW		Watertown
• SAMUEL ARCHER		Salem



## THOMAS MAYHEW

## GOVERNOR THOMAS MAYHEW

- WILLIAM ASPINWALL of Manchester, Leicestershire [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Elizabeth Aspinwall
- Edward Aspinwall
- JOHN AUDLEY [Boston](#)
- JOHN BAKER Charlestown
- Mrs. Charity Baker
- WILLIAM BALSTON [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Elizabeth Balston
- WILLIAM BARSHAM Watertown
- THOMAS BARTLETT Watertown
- GREGORY BAXTER perhaps of Sporle, Norfolk Roxbury
- WILLIAM BEAMSLEY [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Anne Beamsley
- THOMAS BEECHER of Stepney, Middlesex Charlestown
- Mrs. Christian Beecher
- EDWARD BELCHER of Guilsborough, Northamptonshire [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Christian Belcher
- Edward Belcher, Jr.
- EDWARD BENDALL of Southwark, county Surrey [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Anne Bendall
- JOHN BENHAM Dorchester
- JOHN BIGGES of Groton, county Suffolk [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Mary Bigges
- JOHN BLACK Charlestown
- JOHN BOGGUST probably of Boxted, Essex
- JOHN BOSWELL of London [Boston](#)
- ZACCHEUS BOSWORTH of Stowe, IX Churches, county Northants [Boston](#)
- GARRET BOURNE [Boston](#)
- NATHANIEL BOWMAN Watertown
- Mrs. Anna Bowman
- [SIMON BRADSTREET](#) of Horbling, county Lincoln Cambridge
- Mrs. [Anne Bradstreet](#)
- BENJAMIN BRAND probably of Edwardston, county Suffolk [Boston](#)
- AUGUSTINE BRATCHER Charlestown
- ..... BREASE probably of Edwardston, county Suffolk
- WILLIAM BRENTON of Hammersmith, county Middlesex [Boston](#)
- Isabel Brett
- HENRY BRIGHT of Bury Saint Edmunds, county Suffolk Watertown
- ABRAHAM BROWNE of Hawkdon, Suffolk Watertown
- Mrs. Lydia Browne
- JAMES BROWNE [Boston](#)
- RICHARD BROWNE of Hawkdon, Suffolk Watertown
- Mrs. Elizabeth Browne
- George Browne
- Richard Browne, Jr.
- WILLIAM BUCKLAND of Essex [Boston](#), Hingham, and [Rehoboth](#)
- RICHARD BUGBY perhaps Saint John Hackney, Middlesex Roxbury
- Mrs. Judith Bugby
- RICHARD BULGAR [Boston](#)
- Mrs..... Bulgar
- WILLIAM BURNELL [Boston](#)



## GOVERNOR THOMAS MAYHEW

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• JEHU BURR	probably of Essex	Roxbury and Fairfield, Connecticut
• Mrs..... Burr		
• Jehu Burr		
• ROBERT BURROUGHS		
• JOHN CABLE	probably of Essex	Dorchester and Fairfield
• THOMAS CAKEBREAD	of Hatfield Broad oak, Essex	Dedham
• Mrs. Sarah Cakebread		
• CHARLES CHADWICK		Watertown
• Mrs. Elizabeth Chadwick		
• Anne Chambers		
• WILLIAM CHASE	probably of county Essex	Roxbury
• Margery Chauner		
• WILLIAM CHEESEBROUGH	Hof Boston, Lincolnshire	<a href="#">Boston</a> , <a href="#">Rehoboth</a>
• Mrs. Anne Cheesebrough		
• Sarah Cheesebrough		
• Peter Cheesebrough		
• Samuel Cheesebrough		
• Nathaniel Cheesebrough		
• EPHRAIM CHILD	of Bury Saint Edmunds, Suffolk	Watertown
• Mrs. Elizabeth Child		
• RICHARD CHURCH	perhaps of Polstead, Suffolk	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• <a href="#">JOHN CLARKE</a>	of county Suffolk	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• WILLIAM CLARKE	of London	Watertown
• Mrs. Elizabeth Clarke		
• RICHARD CLOUGH		Charlestown
• .... COBBETT		
• <a href="#">WILLIAM CODDINGTON</a>	of Boston, Lincolnshire	<a href="#">Boston</a> and <a href="#">Newport</a>
• Mrs. Mary Coddington		
• WILLIAM COLBRON	of Brentwood, Essex	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Mrs. Margery Colbron		
• ANTHONY COLBY		<a href="#">Boston</a> and Salisbury
• Mrs. Susanna Colby		
• WILLIAM FROTHINGHAM	Mof Holderness, Yorkshire	Charlestown
• Mrs. Anne Frothingham		
• JOHN GAGE	probably of Polstead, Suffolk	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Mrs. Amy Gage		
• WILLIAM GAGER	of Suffolk, surgeon	Charlestown
• HUGH GARRETT		Charlestown
• RICHARD GARRETT	probably of Chelmsford, Essex	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Mrs..... Garrett		
• Hannah Garrett		
• .... Garrett		
• CHRISTOPHER GIBSON	of Wendover, county Bucks	Dorchester
• Mrs. Mary Gibson		
• Elizabeth Gibson	of Saint Andrew the Great, Cambridge	Salem
• RALPH GLOVER	of London	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• JOHN GLOVER	of Rainhill, Lancashire	Dorchester
• Mrs. Anne Glover		
• THOMAS GOLDTHWAITE		Roxbury
• Mrs. Elizabeth Goldthwaite		
• HENRY GOSNALL	probably of Bury Saint Edmunds, Suffolk	<a href="#">Boston</a>



## THOMAS MAYHEW

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- Mrs. Mary Gosnall
- JOHN GOSSE (GOFFE) Watertown
- Mrs. Sarah Gosse
- JOHN GOULWORTH
- RICHARD GRIDLEY of Groton, Suffolk [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Grace Gridley
- Joseph Gridley
- Abraham Gridley
- Bridget Giver of Saffron Walden, Essex [Boston](#)
- GARRETT HADDON Cambridge, Salisbury
- Mrs. Margaret Haddon
- ROBERT HALE Charlestown
- Mrs. Joan Hale
- JOHN HALL of Whitechapel, London Charlestown
- Mrs. Joan Hall
- Mrs. Phillippa Hammond
- ROBERT HARDING probably of Boreham, Essex [Boston](#)
- THOMAS HARRIS Charlestown
- Mrs. Elizabeth Harris
- JOHN COLE of Groton, Suffolk [Boston](#)
- RICE COLE Charlestown
- Mrs. Arnold Cole
- ROBERT COLE of Navistock, Essex Roxbury
- SAMUEL COLE of Mersey, Essex [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Anne Cole
- EDWARD CONVERSE probably of Shenfield, Essex Charlestown
- Mrs. Sarah Converse
- Phineas Converse
- John Converse
- Josiah Converse
- James Converse
- Margaret Cooke
- WILLIAM COWLISHAW of Nottingham [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Anne Cowlishaw
- JOHN CRABB
- GRIFFIN CRAFTS Roxbury
- Mrs. Alice Crafts
- Hannah Crafts
- JOHN CRANWELL of Woodbridge, Suffolk [Boston](#)
- BENJAMIN CRIBB
- JAMES CRUGOTT
- WILLIAM DADY probably of Wanstead, Essex Charlestown
- Mrs. Dorothy Dady
- EDWARD DEEKES Charlestown
- Mrs. Jane Deekes
- JOHN DEVEREUX probably of Stoke by Nayland, Suffolk
- ROBERT DIFFY Watertown
- JOHN DILLINGHAM of Bitteswell, Leicestershire [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Sarah Dillingham
- Sarah Dillingham
- WILLIAM DIXON [Boston](#) and York, Maine



## GOVERNOR THOMAS MAYHEW

## THOMAS MAYHEW

- JOHN DOGGETT Watertown and Martha's Vineyard
- Mrs..... Doggett
- John Doggett
- Thomas Doggett
- JAMES DOWNING
- THOMAS DUDLEY of Yardley, Northamptonshire Cambridge
- Mrs. Dorothy Dudley
- Samuel Dudley
- Anne Dudley
- Patience Dudley
- Sarah Dudley
- Mercy Dudley
- Thomas Dudley
- ..... DUTTON
- JOHN EDMONDS [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Mary Edmonds
- BIGOD EGGLESTON of Settrington, Yorkshire Dorchester, Windsor
- ARTHUR ELLIS
- JOHN ELSTON Salem
- THOMAS FAYERWEATHER [Boston](#)
- ROBERT FEAKE of London, goldsmith Watertown
- CHARLES FIENNES
- ABRAHAM FINCH of Yorkshire (?) Watertown
- Abraham Finch, Jr.
- Daniel Finch
- John Finch
- JOHN FIRMAN of Nayland, Suffolk Watertown
- GILES FIRMIN of Nayland, Suffolk
- Mrs. Martha Firmin
- EDWARD FITZRANDOLPH of Sutton in Ashfield, Notts Scituate
- THOMAS FOX Cambridge
- RICHARD FOXWELL probably of London, tailor [Boston](#), Barnstable
- Mrs..... Foxier
- John Foxwell
- SAMUEL FREEMAN of St. Anne, Blackfriars, London Watertown
- Mrs. Apphia Freeman
- Henry Freeman
- THOMAS FRENCH of Assington, Suffolk [Boston](#) and Ipswich
- Mrs. Susan French
- Thomas French, Jr.
- Alice French
- Dorcas French
- Susan French
- Anne French
- John French
- Mary French
- HENRY HARWOOD probably of Shenfield, Essex [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Elizabeth Harwood
- .... HAWKE
- JOHN HAWKINS
- WILLIAM HAWTHORNE of Binfield, Berks Dorchester and Salem





## THOMAS MAYHEW

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- FRANCIS HESSELDEN
- Margaret Hoames
- (ATHERTON) HOFFE
- EDWARD HOPWOOD
- JOHN HORNE
- SAMUEL HOSIER                      of Colchester, Essex                      Salem
- THOMAS HOWLETT                      of county Suffolk                      Watertown
- WILLIAM HUDSON                      probably of Chatham, Kent                      [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Susan Hudson
- Francis Hudson
- William Hudson
- WILLIAM HULBIRT                      [Boston](#) and Northampton
- RICHARD HUTCHINS
- GEORGE HUTCHINSON                      of London                      Charlestown
- Mrs. Margaret Hutchinson
- THOMAS HUTCHINSON                      of London                      Charlestown
- MATTHIAS IJONS                      probably of Roxwell, Essex                      [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Anne Lyons
- EDMUND JAMES                      of Earls Barton, Northants                      Watertown
- Mrs. Reana James
- THOMAS JAMES                      of Earls Barton, Northants                      Salem
- Mrs. Elizabeth James
- WILLIAM JAMES                      of Earls Barton, Northants                      Salem
- Mrs. Elizabeth James
- JOHN JARVIS                      [Boston](#)
- DAVY JOHNSON                      Dorchester
- FRANCIS JOHNSON                      of London                      Salem
- Mrs. Joan Johnson
- ISAAC JOHNSON                      of Clipsham, Rutland                      [Boston](#)
- Lady Arbella Johnson
- JOHN JOHNSON                      Roxbury
- Mrs. Margaret Johnson
- RICHARD JOHNSON                      Charlestown
- Mrs. Alice Johnson
- Bethia Jones                      [Boston](#)
- EDWARD JONES                      of Chester, mercer                      Charlestown
- LEWIS KIDBY                      of Groton, Suffolk                      [Boston](#)
- Mrs.... Kidby
- .....Kidby
- Edward Kidby
- HENRY KINGSBURY                      of Groton, Suffolk                      [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Margaret Kingsbury
- Henry Kingsbury, Jr.
- THOMAS KINGSBURY
- NICHOLAS KNAPP                      probably of Bures Saint Mary, Suffolk                      Watertown
- Mrs. Elinor Knapp
- WILLIAM KNAPP                      probably of Bures Saint Mary, Suffolk                      Watertown
- Mrs..... Knapp
- John Knapp
- Anne Knapp
- Judith Knapp



## GOVERNOR THOMAS MAYHEW

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- Mary Knapp
- James Knapp
- John Knapp
- William Knapp, Jr.
- GEORGE KNOWER                      of London                      Charlestown
- THOMAS KNOWER                      of London, clothier                      Charlestown
- EDWARD LAMB                      Watertown
- THOMAS LAMB                      Roxbury
- Mrs. Elizabeth Lamb
- Thomas Lamb, Jr.
- John Lamb
- Samuel Lamb
- ROGER LAMB
- HENRY LAWSON
- WILLIAM LEARNED                      probably of Bermondsey, Surrey                      Charlestown
- Mrs. Judith Learned
- WILLIAM LEATHERLAND                      [Boston](#)
- JOHN LEGGE                      Lynn
- EDMOND LOCKWOOD                      of Combs, Suffolk                      Cambridge
- Mrs. Elizabeth Lockwood
- ..... Lockwood
- ROBERT LOCKWOOD                      of Combs, Suffolk                      Watertown
- RICHARD LYNTON                      probably from London                      Watertown
- Mrs. .... Lynton
- Anna Lynton
- Lydia Lynton
- HENRY LYNN                      [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Sarah Lynn
- JOHN MASTERS                      Watertown
- Mrs. Jane Masters
- Sarah Masters
- Lydia Masters
- Elizabeth Masters
- Nathaniel Masters
- Abraham Masters
- THOMAS MATSON                      of London, gunsmith                      [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Amy Matson
- [THOMAS MAYHEW](#)                      of Tisbury, Wilts                      Watertown, Martha's Vineyard
- Mrs. .... Mayhew
- [Thomas Mayhew](#), Jr.
- (ALEXANDER) MILLER                      probably the servant of Israel Stoughton
- RICHARD MILLET
- JOHN MILLS                      probably of Lavenham, Suffolk                      [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Susan Mills
- Joy Mills
- Mary Mills
- John Mills
- Susanna Mills
- Recompense Mills
- ROGER MOREY                      of Dorsetshire                      Salem
- RALPH MORLEY                      of London                      Charlestown





## THOMAS MAYHEW

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• Mrs. Katherine Morley		
• RICHARD MORRIS	probably of London	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Mrs. Leonora Morris		
• THOMAS MORRIS	probably of Nottingham	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Mrs. Sarah Morris		
• Mary Morton		
• THOMAS MOULTON		Charlestown
• Mrs. Jane Moulton		
• RALPH MOUSALL	probably of London	Charlestown
• Mrs. Alice Mousall		
• THOMAS MUNT	probably of Colchester, Essex	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Mrs. Dorothy Munt		
• GREGORY NASH		Charlestown
• Mrs..... Nash		
• Anne Needham		
• ..... NICOLLS		
• INCREASE NOWELL	of London	Charlestown
• Mrs. Parnell Nowell		
• JOHN ODLIN	(see Audley)	
• JOHN PAGE	of Dedham, Essex	Watertown
• Mrs. Phoebe Page		
• John Page, Jr.		
• Daniel Page		
• THOMAS PAINTER		<a href="#">Boston</a> and Hingham
• Mrs. Katherine Painter		
• ABRAHAM PALMER	of Canterbury, Kent	Charlestown
• Mrs. Grace Palmer		
• EDWARD PALSFORD		
• RICHARD PALSGRAVE	probably of London	Charlestown
• Mrs. Anne Palsgrave		
• John Palsgrave		
• Anna Palsgrave		
• Mary Palsgrave		
• Sarah Palsgrave		
• ROBERT PARKE	probably of Bures, county Suffolk	
• Mrs. Martha Parke		
• Thomas Parke		
• ..... Parke		
• ..... Parke		
• ..... Parke		
• ROBERTPARKER		<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Capt. DANIEL PATRICK		Watertown
• Mrs..... Patrick		
• WILLIAM PELHAM		<a href="#">Boston</a>
• JAMES PEMBERTON		Charlestown
• Mrs. Alice Pemberton		
• JOHN PEMBERTON		<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Mrs. Elizabeth Pemberton		
• JAMES PENN		<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Mrs. Katherine Penn		
• WILLIAM PENN	of Birmingham, Warwick	Charlestown



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- JAMES PENNIMAN of Widford, county Essex [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Lydia Penniman
- ISAAC PERRY [Boston](#)
- Anne Pettit Salem
- Rev. GEORGE PHILLIPS of Raynham, Norfolk Watertown
- Mrs..... Phillips
- Samuel Phillips
- Abigail Phillips
- Elizabeth Phillips
- JOHN PHILLIPS Dorchester
- Mrs. Joan Phillips
- JOHN PHILLIPS Plymouth
- JOHN PICKERING probably of Suffolk Cambridge
- Mrs. Esther Pickering
- George Pickering
- John Pickering
- Joan Pickering
- JOHN PICKWORTH
- JOHN PIERCE Dorchester
- Mrs. Parnell Pierce
- Experience Pierce
- Mercy Pierce
- Samuel Pierce
- JOSIAH PLAISTOW of Ramsden Crays, Essex [Boston](#)
- Mrs. ANNE POLLARD came from Saffron Walden, Essex, as a girl
- JOHN POND of Groton, Suffolk [Boston](#)
- ROBERT POND of Groton, Suffolk Dorchester
- Mrs. Mary Pond
- JOHN PORTER perhaps of Bromfield, Essex Roxbury
- Mrs. Margaret Porter
- ..... Porter
- ..... Porter
- ..... Porter
- ..... Porter
- ABRAHAM PRATT of London, surgeon Roxbury
- Mrs. Jane Pratt
- WILLIAM PYNCHON of Writtle, Essex Dorchester
- Mrs. Agnes Pynchon
- John Pynchon
- Anne Pynchon
- Mary Pynchon
- Margaret Pynchon
- EDWARD RAINSFORD Dorchester
- Mrs..... Rainsford
- PHILIP RATCLIFFE probably of London Salem
- THOMAS RAWLINS Roxbury
- Mrs. Mary Rawlins
- Thomas Rawlins
- Nathaniel Rawlins
- John Rawlins
- Joan Rawlins



## THOMAS MAYHEW

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- Mary Rawlins
- THOMAS READE                      of Wickford, Essex                      Salem
- Mrs. Priscilla Reade
- JOSEPH READING                      [Boston](#)
- MILES READING                      [Boston](#)
- .... REEDER
- JOHN REVELL
- ROBERT REYNOLDS                      probably of Boxford, Suffolk                      [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Mary Reynolds
- Nathaniel Reynolds
- Ruth Reynolds
- Tabitha Reynolds
- Sarah Reynolds
- EZEKIEL RICHARDSON                      of Westmill, county Herts                      Charlestown
- Mrs. Susanna Richardson
- ROBERT ROYCE                      perhaps of Exning, Suffolk                      [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Elizabeth Royce
- JOHN RUGGLES                      probably of Glemsford, Suffolk                      [Boston](#)
- Mrs. Frances Ruggles
- ..... Ruggles
- JEFFREY RUGGLES                      of Sudbury, Suffolk
- Mrs. Margaret Ruggles
- JOHN SALES                      of Lavenham, Suffolk                      Charlestown
- Mrs..... Sales
- Phoebe Sales
- Sir RICHARD SALTONSTALL of London                      Watertown
- Richard Saltonstall, Jr.
- Samuel Saltonstall
- Robert Saltonstall
- Rosamond Saltonstall
- Grace Saltonstall
- ROBERT SAMPSON
- JOHN SANFORD                      perhaps of High Ongar, Essex                      [Boston](#)
- Rev. GILES SAXTON                      of Yorkshire                      Charlestown
- ROBERT SCOTT                      [Boston](#)
- JOHN SEAMAN                      Watertown
- ROBERT SEELY                      Watertown
- ..... SARGEANT
- ROBERT SHARPE                      of Roxwell, Essex                      [Boston](#)
- THOMAS SHARPE                      of London, leather-seller                      [Boston](#)
- Mrs..... Sharpe
- ..... Sharpe
- Thomas Sharpe
- ..... SHUT
- ..... SIMPSON
- ..... SMEAD                      of Coggeshall, Essex
- Mrs. Judith Smead
- William Smead
- ..... SMITH                      of Buxhall, Suffolk
- Mrs..... Smith
- ..... Smith



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**THOMAS MAYHEW**

• ..... Smith		
• FRANCIS SMYTH	perhaps of Dunmow, Essex	Roxbury
• Mrs..... Smyth		
• ISAAC STEARNS	of Stoke Nayland, Suffolk	Watertown
• Mrs. Mary Stearns		
• John Stearns		
• Abigail Stearns		
• Elizabeth Stearns		
• Hannah Stearns		
• ELIAS STILEMAN	of Saint Andrew Undershaft, London	Salem
• Mrs. Judith Stileman		
• Elias Stileman, Jr.		
• ISRAEL STOUGHTON	of Coggeshall, Essex	Dorchester
• Mrs. Elizabeth Stoughton		
• THOMAS STOUGHTON	of Coggeshall, Essex	Dorchester
• Mrs..... Stoughton		
• WILLIAM SUMNER	of Bicester, Oxford	Dorchester
• Mrs. Mary Sumner		
• William Sumner, Jr.		
• PHILIP SWADDON		Watertown
• Anna Swanson		
• WILLIAM TALMADGE	of Newton Stacey, Hants	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Mrs.....		
• GREGORY TAYLOR		Watertown
• Mrs. Achsah Taylor		
• JOHN TAYLOR	of Haverhill, Suffolk	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Mrs..... Taylor		
• ..... Taylor		
• WILLIAM TIMEWELL		
• EDWARD TOMLINS	of London	Lynn
• NATHANIEL TURNER	probably of London	Saugus
• ROBERT TURNER	probably of Southwark, Surrey	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• ARTHUR TYNDAL	of Great Maplestead, Essex	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Capt. JOHN UNDERHILL	of Holland	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Mrs. Helen Underhill		
• WILLIAM VASSALL	of Prittlewell, Essex	Charlestown
• Mrs. Anne Vassall		
• Judith Vassall		
• Francis Vassall		
• John Vassall		
• Anne Vassall		
• THOMAS WADE		
• ROBERT WALKER	of Manchester, Lancashire	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Mrs. Sarah Walker		
• ..... WALL		
• Mrs..... Wall		
• THOMAS WARD	probably of Bedingham, Norfolk	Dedham
• JOHN WARREN	of Nayland, Suffolk	Watertown
• Mrs. Margaret Warren		
• WILLIAM WATERBURY	of Sudbury, Suffolk	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Mrs. Alice Waterbury		



## THOMAS MAYHEW

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• JOHN WATERS	of Nayland, Suffolk	Charlestown
• Mrs. Frances Waters		
• Mary Waters		
• ..... Waters		
• ..... Waters		
• ..... WEAVER		
• RICHARD WEBB	of Nayland, Suffolk	Cambridge
• Mrs. Elizabeth Webb		
• JONAS WEED		Watertown
• JOIST WEILLUST	of Holland	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• ROBERT WELDON		Charlestown
• Mrs. Elizabeth Weldon		
• FRANCIS WESTON		Salem
• Mrs. Margaret Weston		
• Lucy Weston		
• SAMUEL WILBORE		<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Mrs. Anne Wilbore		
• Mrs. PRUDENCE WILKINSON		Charlestown
• Sarah Wilkinson		
• John Wilkinson		
• Elizabeth Wilkinson		
• THOMAS WILLIAMS		Charlestown
• THOMAS WILLIAMS	als HARRIS	
• Robert Williams		
• ..... WILSBY		
• Rev. JOHN WILSON	of Sudbury, Suffolk	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• DAVID WILTON		Dorchester
• Elizabeth Wing		
• JOHN WINTHROP	of Croton, Suffolk	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Henry Winthrop		
• Stephen Winthrop		
• Samuel Winthrop		
• WILLIAM WOODS		<a href="#">Boston</a>
• JOHN WOOLRICH	probably of London	Charlestown
• Mrs. Sarah Woolrich		
• ..... WORMWOOD		
• RICHARD WRIGHT	of Stepney, Middlesex	<a href="#">Boston</a>
• Mrs. Margaret Wright		
• Elinor Wright		
• ROBERT WRIGHT	of London	<a href="#">Boston</a>



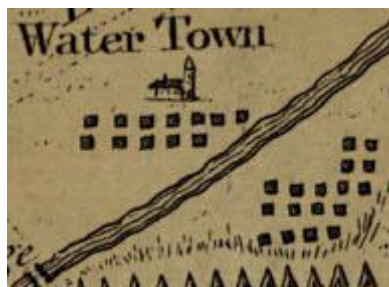


**THOMAS MAYHEW****GOVERNOR THOMAS MAYHEW****1631**

[Thomas Mayhew](#) accepted an offer from a London merchant who was very active in the colonization of New England, Matthew Cradock, to become Cradock's agent in the colonies. This was only a decade after the Pilgrims had landed, first at Provincetown and then at Plymouth, Massachusetts. Mayhew was eventually to make his headquarters in Medford MA, where Cradock would have built for Mayhew a "greate stone house."



However, until about 1646, he would live in Watertown while working for Cradock.

[MARTHA'S VINEYARD](#)[NANTUCKET ISLAND](#)



**GOVERNOR THOMAS MAYHEW****THOMAS MAYHEW****1634**

Thomas Mayhew's 1st wife having died, he remarried with the widow of a Mr. Thomas Paine, Jane Gallion Paine. She moved to New England to join him with her children by Paine, Thomas Paine, Jr. and Jane Paine. Thomas Mayhew already had a son, Thomas Mayhew, Jr., who was then about 15.

Later the step-brother and step-sister would marry, Jane Paine becoming the wife of Thomas Mayhew, Jr.

[MARTHA'S VINEYARD](#)[NANTUCKET ISLAND](#)**1641**

Thomas Mayhew built the initial bridge across the Charles River near [Boston](#).

Lord Sterling, a representative of King Charles I, deeded [Nantucket Island](#) to [Thomas Mayhew](#) and his son [Thomas Mayhew, Jr.](#), whose family had first settled on [Martha's Vineyard](#) and grazed sheep out on Nantucket.





THOMAS MAYHEW

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1646

Until about this point, [Thomas Mayhew](#) had been living in Watertown while working for Matthew Cradock. Unfortunately, some of the business affairs Mayhew had established for himself and for Cradock had not proven successful and his English boss had become displeased with him. Nonetheless, Mayhew had been elected Selectman for Watertown, Representative to the General Court, and Magistrate. He had become also a miller and a merchant and bridgebuilder, building in 1641 the first bridge across the Charles River in [Boston](#). Despite all of these activities, Mayhew suffered financial reverses and was looking for new opportunities. At this time [Martha's Vineyard](#) and [Nantucket Island](#) were part of the province of Maine, which belonged to [Sir Ferdinando Gorges](#) who had received it from the King, Charles I. But title was a little unclear because the King had also given to Lord Stirling the title to Long Island, Martha's Vineyard, and Nantucket Island. Neither Gorges nor Lord Stirling had much interest in Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard nor were they concerned about the conflict in their titles. And so Mayhew, eager to leave his troubles behind, set out to acquire the title. He sought title from both of these gentlemen, so that there could be no disputing his own control over the two islands.

These presents doth witness that I, James Forrett, Gentleman, who was sent over into these Parts of America By the honourable the Lord Sterling with a commission for the ordering and Disposing of all the Island that Lyeth Between Cape Cod hudsons river and hath better unto confirmed his agency without any consideration, Do hereby Grant unto Thomas Mayhew of Watertown, merchant, and to Thomas Mayhew his son, free Liberty and full power to them and their associates to Plant and inhabit upon Nantuckett and two other small Islands adjacent, and to enjoy the said Islands to them their heirs & assigns forever, provided that the said Thomas Mayhew and Thomas Mayhew his son or either of them or their associates Do Render and Pay yearly unto the honourable the Lord Sterling, his heirs or assigns such an acknowledgement as shall be thought tt [?] by John Winthrop, Esq, the elder or any two magistrates in Massachusetts Bay Being chosen for that end and purpose by the honourable the Lord Sterling or his Deputy and By the said Thomas Mayhew his son or associates: it is agreed that the government that the said Thomas Mayhew and Thomas Mayhew his son and their associates shall set up shall Be such as is now established in the Massachusetts aforesaid, and that the said Thomas Mayhew & Thomas Mayhew his son and their associates shall have as much privilege touching their planting Inhabiting and enjoying of all and evry part of the Premises as By the patent is granted to the Patent of the Massachusetts aforesaid and their associates. In witness hereof I the said James Forrett have hereunto sett my hand and seal this 13th Day of October, 1641.

JAMES FORRETT.

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of

Robert . . . . .

Nicholas Davison 2

Richard Stileman 3

In a second instrument which he drew up, James Forrett added "Martin's" Vineyard and the Elizabeth Islands, and authorized the grantees to plant upon and inhabit those parts, as follows:

Whereas By virtue of a commission from the Lord Sterling, James



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Forrett, Gentleman, hath granted Liberty and full Power unto Thomas Mayhew of Watertown, merchant, and Thomas Mayhew his son, and their associates to Plant the Island of Nantucket according to the article In a deed to that purpose expressed: Now for as much as the said Island hath not Been yett whole surrendered whereby it may appear that Comfortable accomodations for themselves and their associates will be found there, this therefore shall serve to testifie that I, the said James Forrett, by virtue of my said commission, Do hereby grant unto the said Thomas Mayhew and Thomas Mayhew his son and their associates, as much. to plant upon Martins Vinyard and Elizabeth Isles as they have by virtue heretofore of the Deed granted unto them for Nantuckett as therein plainly In all considerations Both on the Right honourable the Lord Sterling's part and on the said Thomas Mayhew & Thomas Mayhew his son and their associates Doth appear In Witness whereof I, the said James Forrett have hereunto sett my hand the 3rd Day of October, Annoque Domini 1641.

JAMES FORRETT.

Signed and delivered

In Presence of us

John X Vahane.

Garret Church.

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However, even this was not entirely satisfactory, since still it ignored Sir Ferdinando Gorges's claim and so he concluded to "make assurance doubly sure" by securing the rights as well from the Gorges interests; and two days later the following instrument, executed by Richard Vines, authorized the elder Mayhew to "plant and inhabit upon the Island Capawok alias Martins Vineyard," as set forth in the following copy:

I, Richard Vines of Saco, Gentleman, Steward General for Sir Ferdinando Gorges, Knight and Lord Proprietor of the Province of Maine and the Islands of Cappawok and Nautican, Do by these presents give full power and authority unto Thomas Mayhew, Gentleman, his agents and associates to plant and Inhabit upon the Islands Capawok alias Martins Vinyard with all privileges and Rights thereunto belonging to enjoy the premises to himself heirs and associates forever, yielding and Paying unto the said Ferdinando Gorges, his heirs and assigns annually, or two Gentlemen Independently By each of them chosen Shall Judge to Be meet by way of acknowledgement.

Given under my hand this 25th Day of October, 1641.

RICHARD VI QES.

Witness: Thomas Payne

Robert Long."

This sewed up the deal. Being especially prudent, [Mayhew](#) also "endeavored to obtain the Indian right of them," going to the islands and negotiating for permission for he and his group to intrude. Mayhew interested some of his Watertown neighbors to join him and among them, you will recognize the names of Daggett and Pierce, which are big names in present-day Edgartown. They made their first settlement there in what they called the East End where the Chief Sachem was Towanquatack. Initially, apparently due to the more violent contacts of previous decades, there was little contact between the indigenous red islanders and the new white settlers. Thus the Vineyard was no longer solely the land of the original Alquonquin Wampanoags, but had become home to Thomas Mayhew of Watertown, Massachusetts and before that Tisbury, Wiltshire. And so Thomas had become "Governor" Mayhew, the master of [Martha's Vineyard](#) and [Nantucket Island](#), his very own tight little islands. He would appoint a group of assistants to help adjudicate disputes between islanders.



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1649

[Thomas Mayhew, Jr.](#) converted *Hiacoomes* of *Capawak* ([Martha's Vineyard](#)) to Christianity.

1653

The group of assistants to Governor [Thomas Mayhew](#) in the governing of [Martha's Vineyard](#) and [Nantucket Island](#) included Peter Folger, who had moved from Watertown with Mayhew.

1658

[Sir Ferdinando Gorges](#)'s A BRIEF NARRATION OF THE ORIGINALL UNDERTAKINGS OF THE ADVANCEMENT OF PLANTATIONS INTO THE PARTS OF AMERICA, ESPECIALLY SHEWING THE BEGINNINGS, PROGRESS, AND CONTINUANCE OF THAT OF NEW ENGLAND. WRITTEN BY THE RIGHT WORSHIPFULL, SIR FERDINANDO GORGES, KNIGHT AND GOVERNOUR OF THE FORT AND ISLAND OF PLYMOUTH, IN DEVONSHIRE (London: Printed by E. Brudenell, for Nath. Brook, at the Angell in Corn-Hill)

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Also, his grandson's AMERICA PAINTED TO THE LIFE, THE TRUE HISTORY OF THE SPANIARDS PROCEEDINGS IN THE CONQUESTS OF THE INDIANS, AND OF THEIR CIVIL WARS AMONG THEMSELVES, FROM COLUMBUS HIS FIRST DISCOVERY, TO THESE LATER TIMES. AS ALSO, OF THE ORIGINAL UNDERTAKINGS OF THE ADVANCEMENT OF PLANTATIONS INTO THOSE PARTS; WITH A PERFECT RELATION OF OUR ENGLISH DISCOVERIES, SHEWING THEIR BEGINNING, PROGRESS AND CONTINUANCE, FROM THE YEAR 1628. TO 1658. DECLARING THE FORMS OF THEIR GOVERNMENT, POLICIES, RELIGIONS, MANNERS, CUSTOMS, MILITARY DISCIPLINE, WARS WITH THE INDIANS, THE COMMODITIES OF THEIR COUNTRIES, A DESCRIPTION OF THEIR TOWNS AND HAVENS, THE INCREASE OF THEIR TRADING, WITH THE NAMES OF THEIR GOVERNORS AND MAGISTRATES. MORE ESPECIALLY, AN ABSOLUTE NARRATIVE OF THE NORTH PARTS OF AMERICA, AND OF THE DISCOVERIES AND PLANTATIONS OF OUR ENGLISH IN VIRGINIA, NEW-ENGLAND, AND BERBADOES (LONDON, PRINTED FOR NATH. BROOK AT THE ANGEL IN CORNHILL), including his own "A Brief Description of Laconia, a Province in New England."

### THE LACONIA PROVINCE

Governor [Thomas Mayhew](#) of [Martha's Vineyard](#) and [Nantucket Island](#), perhaps frustrated with the opinions



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Ovid. *Auri sacra fames quid non*——



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of other islanders as to his governing of things, abolished his various assistant positions and declared himself Magistrate. This dismissal, along with his increasing rejection of Puritanism in favor of Baptism (or Anabaptism as it was then called) would lead his former assistant Peter Folger to leave the Vineyard in 1662 and settle in [Portsmouth, Rhode Island](#). From this point forward, Magistrate Mayhew's undiluted authority would be a source of island tension he would need to quell. The source for Mayhew's authority, which had originally been [Sir Ferdinando Gorges](#) but had then become Stirling, had by this point become the Duke of York, courtesy of Charles II. This royal authority which had heretofore been unasserted over Mayhew now became something of a thorn in Mayhew's side as the Duke, through his agent in New-York, Colonel Francis Lovelace, interceded in various island affairs. Mayhew would frequently ignore instructions received from the Colonel, or let them lay dormant on his desk before replying many months later.

**1671**

July 6, Thursday (Old Style): Magistrate [Thomas Mayhew](#) had been summoned from [Martha's Vineyard](#) to New-York for a conference at Fort James. He had brought with him as an assistant his 23 year-old grandson, Matthew Mayhew. Mayhew apparently handled the Duke to his advantage, for when he would leave New-York, he would carry with him the extraordinary title of Governor for Life. Despite the new grandeur of his title, the residents of the Martha's Vineyard and [Nantucket Island](#) still would resist Mayhew's assertion of unconditional authority.

**1673**

The Dutch re-took control of New-York, and attempted to force Governor for Life [Thomas Mayhew](#) to abdicate his control over [Martha's Vineyard](#) and [Nantucket Island](#) on the theory that the "source" for his authority no longer existed (the area would revert again to English rule in 1674).

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1674

As part of the Treaty of Westminster, the Dutch returned Nieuw-Amsterdam to the English. Edmund Andros, the new English governor over the colonies of New-York and New Jersey, restored Governor for Life [Thomas](#)



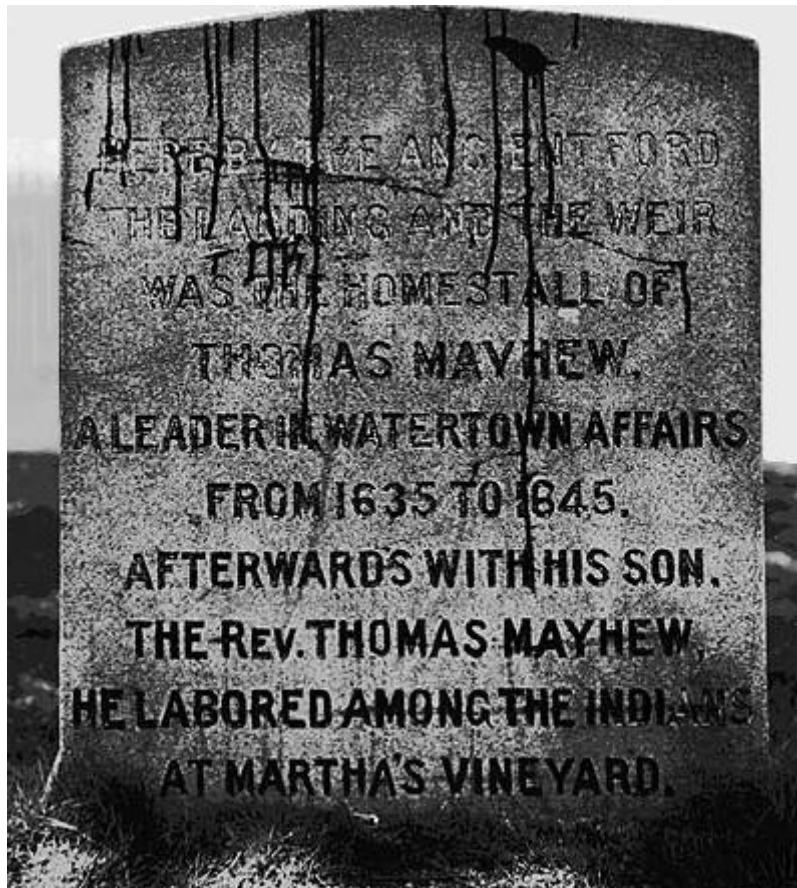
[Mayhew](#)'s unconditional authority over [Martha's Vineyard](#) and [Nantucket Island](#). The Governor for Life promptly fined or punished many of his more prominent critics, and many left the islands. Governor Mayhew's "reign" was not to end until he died on March 25th, 1682. His grandson, Matthew, would have learned the lesson well, and would get himself appointed "Chief Magistrate" — a position in which he would be able to exercise nearly as total an authority as had his grandfather, but without nearly so great a hassle.

Edmund Andros



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March 25, Saturday (New Year's Day, Old Style): Governor for Life [Thomas Mayhew](#) died, and his position of control over [Martha's Vineyard](#) and [Nantucket Island](#) passed to his grandson Matthew Mayhew. The grandson, an astute observer, would forsake titles such as "Governor for Life" and get himself appointed "Chief Magistrate" — a position in which he would be able to exercise nearly as total an authority as had his grandfather without nearly so much of a hassle.





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- Remark by character "Garin Stevens"  
in William Faulkner's INTRUDER IN THE DUST



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