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CAPTAIN THOMAS WHITE

CAPTAIN THOMAS WHITE was born in England, the exact date of his birth is unknown, no records having come down to us, either of his birth or of his age at the time of his death.

It is of record that he came to America in 1630, for in that year we find him as a citizen of Weymouth, Mass. An early writer has stated that he was a son of William White, who came over in the *Mayflower* and who according to family tradition left his son Thomas in England to be educated. It is probable that he came to Plymouth when about twenty-one years of age, settling in Weymouth, in or near which place he was married. There is no record as to the name of his wife or where



she came from or the date of her death or place of burial, but it is undoubtedly true that she was of Weymouth and that she died and was buried there.

That he was possessed of some means is evidenced by the fact that in 1635 he was made a Freeman of Weymouth. (This title was only given to citizens who had the necessary property, land or money, qualifications, except Ministers and Civil Officers of the King.)

In 1635 he was designated in the records as Captain Thomas White and was in command of a Military Company for the maintenance of peace with the Indians. This was an office of great responsibility, to which only men of known courage and good judgment were eligible.

That he was an educated forceful man is proven by the fact that year after year he was elected to represent the town of Weymouth in the General Court at Boston,