

Dr. John Matthews (d. 1739) of Southborough

There might be some additional information in *NEHGR* (1932)

1726 August 21 (Sunday). Captain Willard, Dr. Matthews, Hezekiah Ward and Mrs. Grove of Greenland communicated with us.

1726 September 8 (Thursday). We Sent to Dr. Matthews for Little Molly ill with a fever and violent flux. The cause was from her breading her Eye Teeth. We have Sometimes been up with her till after midnight. My wife has not had a Comfortable night's Rest this week. I reflected upon Davids case when his Child was Sick.

1726 September 12 (Monday). Dr. Matthews came in to see the Child, which was ill yet, but through the Divine Goodness in a more hopefull Condition than heretofore.

1736 January 13 (Tuesday). *Ebenezer* worse with his Fever and Cough....

1736 January 14 (Wednesday). I rode to *Marlborough* to Dr. *Gott's* but he was gone to *Sudbury*. Dined at Coll. *Woods*. Mr. *Rice* and Mr. *Richardson* (preacher at *Marlborough*) came to the Colonel's. They rode to Mr. *Stone's*, I rode to Dr. *Matthews* -- but could not git him to go up. I returned finding *Ebenezer coughing* Still. I tended him all night.

1736 January 15 (Thursday). I Sent *David Bavricks* to Dr. *Gott*, early in the morning But he could not come up to us: but sent some Remedys. P.M. Dr. *Matthews* came to see *Ebenezer* who was very bad with both Cough and Fever. N.B. *Preces* and *Lacrymae*-- towards night he was much Easier and better. We began to conceive Hopes. *Deborah* tended him this Night. What a present Help is God in Time of Trouble! What an Hearer of Prayer! etc.

1736 March 1 (Monday). Dr. Matthews here to See *Ebenezer*. N.B. I sent for him yesterday, by Neighbour Stephen Fay. *Ebenezer* better.

1738 June 11 (Sunday). Dr. Matthew's wife din'd with us.

1738 August 2 (Wednesday). My son *Ebenezer* has a bad Swelling behind his Ear. Dr. Matthews call'd in, accidentally.

1739 December 19 (Wednesday). Dr. Matthews of Southborough, who had been a very usefull Man among the sick for some years, deceas'd, being upward of Eighty years old.