

## Squirrels

1757 November 16 (Wednesday). My Son William goes agunning and brings in 7 Squirrels.

1758 March 13 (Monday). Alexander goes over to t'other House to Secure the Corn there, the House being beset by Squirrels. I went over -- got Mr. *Moses Nurse* to go with a Sled and Tumbrill and brought 36 Bushels over here, of Sound good Corn.

1769 October 23 (Monday). N.B. A great *Squirrel Hunting* in this Town and Neighbourhood. Killed 1884.

1776 November 13 (Wednesday). Deacon *Wood* here at Eve, and Speaks of a Number of young Gentlemen from Boston who come up here for the Sake of hunting -- Squirrels etc.

1778 September 18 (Friday). A sorrowful Occurrence happened yesterday -- *John Bond*, son of Mr. *Abraham Bond*, of 15 years, was pursuing a Squirrel, climed [*sic*] up a tall Tree to beat him down; the Limb which he depended on was dry and broke; he fell down to the Ground, and was taken up senseless -- but after a while revived; but much bruised -- one Arm broke, the other hurt and swelled -- a Snag of the Tree wounded him on the upper part of his Hip. A wonder he was not killed, for he fell, as it was conceived, nigh 30 feet: much Blood issued. What a loud Warning!