

Dr. John Wilson (1712-1756) of Sherborn

Harvard 1733; *SHG*, 369-70.

1754 June 1 (Saturday). Set out Early in the Morning from Brother Harringtons. Stop'd at Mr. Woodburns Tavern in Waltham, and wrote a Letter by him to Brother Samuel Parkmans. Cross'd Charles River and went to Captain Josh Fullers. Proceeded up to Natick. Refresh'd at the Reverend Mr. Badgers; visited Mrs. Peabody: and Mr. Hezekiah Coolidge having invited me to his Fathers in Sherbourn, promising to come up with me -- I therefore rode there; but he was not at Home. It was said he was gone to his Uncle's, Major Coolidge. It was about noon when I left Mr. James Coolidges and proceeded to the Majors -- but neither was he there. I din'd there, and hastened to Colonel Buckminster's. From whence **Dr. Wilson of Sherbourn rode with me** some miles -- and gave me an account of Some of Coolidge's late Conduct at Coltons Tavern in Cambridge -- his gaming etc. In Southborough a storm rising (after I left Mr. Stones) I was oblig'd to stop at Lieutenant Brighams. Arriv'd in Safety and found my Family well. D.O.M. Gratis.

Stephen Badger (1726-1803), Harvard 1747, the last of the missionaries to the Native Americans of Natick; *SHG* 12:104-08.