

## Rev. Samuel Cooke (1709-1783), Harvard 1735, of Arlington

Minister of second, or west, precinct of Cambridge, then called Menotomy, now Arlington.

1738 October 9 (Monday). All the officers met together at Ensign Maynards upon the Affair of a Regemental Muster. Mr. Prentice of Grafton, Mr. Cook, preacher at Marlborough, Dr. Gott, etc., were here.

1738 October 12 (Thursday). Mr. Prentice of Grafton and Mr. Samuel Cook came and din'd with me. Mr. Cook preach'd on 1 Cor. 6, ult.

1738 December 14 (Thursday). I rode to Marlborough, Ebenezer with me, to Colonel Woods's (who was gone to Charleston) to Mr. Butlers, Mr. Tainters and Dr. Gotts. At the last place was Mr. Samuel Cook and others.

1739 February 5 (Monday). I have Heard that to Day the Town of Marlborough were to open Mr. Samuel Cooks answer to their Call.<sup>1</sup>

1739 March 1 (Thursday). Rode over to Cambridge and to College.... Stop'd by Mr. William Williams<sup>2</sup> about Harvard affair, and by Brother Breck in Sudbury. Visited Mr. Cook<sup>3</sup> and his Kinsman<sup>4</sup> who has receiv'd a renewed call to Marlborough.

1739 April 11 (Wednesday). [At Sudbury for Association meeting.] Mr. Prentice of Grafton preach'd the public Lecture on Isa. 1.16. N.B. Conversation with Mr. Samuel Cook upon the Affair of his refusing Marlborough.

1739 May 31 (Thursday). N.B. Mr. Samuel Cook, Mr. Pierce of Dartmouth etc. lodg'd at Brother Elias's. I lodg'd at Brother Williams.

1758 November 7 (Tuesday). It rained -- yet I rode to *Sutton*. Deacon Tainter with me. Deacon *Bond* could not go with us. Mr. Smith and Deacon Woods came to us at Mr. Hutchinsons where we all dined. In Sutton we met at Mr. Samuel Bucks junior. 13 Churches. Mr. *Welds* and Mr. *Bean's* instead of Mr. Porter of Bridgwater and **Mr. Cook** of Cambridge: but the Church of Sturbridge came not at all.

1760 July 4 (Friday). **Mr. Cook of 'Notamy** and his Delegate, from the Council at Sutton call here -- and shew me their Result.

1770 October 3 (Wednesday). To Day, as I have been informed, the General Court keep a Fast at Cambridge, to Seek the Lord under their present Distress. And Mr. *Appleton* and Mr. **Cook** are desired to conduct the Exercises.

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<sup>1</sup>Cooke declined the call.

<sup>2</sup>Minister at Weston.

<sup>3</sup>Rev. William Cooke of Wayland, Mass.

<sup>4</sup>Samuel Cooke, later minister at Arlington, Mass.

1773 May 27 (Thursday). Attended the *Convention* (which was at the school House) from whence we proceeded to the public Exercises at the Old South... “Upon a Motion made and seconded, the Question was put, whether it is the Opinion of this Convention that the state of the Churches in this Province, with respect to Church Order and Discipline is Such as to require the Attention of this Convention?” Passed Affirmatively Nem. Con. Question put -- Whether the Convention will now choose a Committee to make diligent Enquiry into the Sense and meaning of the Platform of Church Discipline and the general Practice of our Fathers and of the Churches in this Land from their Days with respect to Church Order -- They to lay the Result of their Enquiries before the Convention at their next Meeting. Passed affirmatively. Nemine Contr. The Committee chosen, Dr. *Chauncy*, Dr. *Pemberton*, Dr. *Eliot*, President *Locke*, Dr. *Cooper*, Messrs. **Cook of Notomy**, *Adams of Roxbury*, Professor *Wigglesworth*, Dr. *Appleton*, Messrs. *Rogers of Littleton*, *Chandler of Rowley*, P\_\_\_\_\_, *Shute*, *Barnard of Salem*, *Gorden*. I prayed at the Conclusion, when the Convention was adjourned to the Day after Commencement, 9 a.m. at the Same place.

1773 July 7 (Wednesday). At 9 a.m. according to Request, was at Dr. *Chauncy's* to meet the rest of the Conventions Committee. There came Drs. *Appleton*, *Chauncy*, *Pemberton*, *Eliot*, *Cooper*, Messrs. *Lock*, *Wigglesworth*, **Cook**, *Barnard of Salem*, *Shute*, *Adams of Roxbury*, *Gordon*; and Mr. *Howard* of Boston, by Mistake, was present. Messrs. *Rogers* and *Chandler* were absent.

1774 February 24 (Thursday). Mr. **Stephen Cook** brings me from Dr. *Coopers*, his Dudlean Lecture.

1775 May 31 (Wednesday). Rev. Dr. *Langdon* preached before the Congress at *Watertown*, on Isa. 1.26.... Mr. **Cooke** was confirmed Preacher for the next Year. Dr. *Langdon* was chose his Second.

1776 May 30 (Thursday). Attended the Convention. Mr. **Cook of Menotamy** preached on [blank].