

Bowman: References in Ebenezer Parkman's Diary

1726 June 25 (Saturday). Mr. Tainter and Bowman of Sutton mow'd for me.

1726 July 26 (Tuesday). Mr. Bowman came again to Mow for me.... Bowman pol'd what Remained of my Hay.

1736 June 19 (Saturday). Mr. Bowmans wife also came yesterday just when I was mounting my Horse, so I could not finish Examination of her.

1737 March 2 (Wednesday). Thence I rode to Boston, waited upon my mother, and then went and Supped at Brother Elias's. N.B. Mr. Bowman the wharfinger and his wife at Supper with us.

1737 February 22 (Tuesday). A number of Hands came to get wood. Mr. Grout with his Team, Mr. Tainter with his and Mr. Harrington with his, Mr. Grow, Daniel Hardy, Daniel Forbush, Elias Rice, Noah Rice, James Fay, James Bowman, Zebulon Rice, Solomon Rice, John Rogers, Timothy Warren, Jonathan Forbush, Junior, Thomas Winchester, David Baverick, Ebenezer Nurse, Simon Tainter, junior and Samuel Bumpson.

1739 October 18 (Thursday). Several Nei[gh]bours on the South side of Town Mr. Bowman, Stone, Martin Pratt, Beriah Rice, Jonathan Forbes, and Phinehas Walker, Dan Hardy, came and gather'd my Corn.

1739 October 24 (Wednesday). I rode down to Lexington on Mr. Samuel Harringtons Horse.... I went to Captain Joseph Bowmans and lodged there. Very kindly entertain'd by them.

1739 October 25 (Thursday). View'd a Mare of Mr. Francis Bowmans. Rode to Cambridge at Father Champneys.

1739 October 26 (Friday). Met Mr. Francis Bowman and Mr. Samuel Harrington.... Bargained with Mr. Bowman for his Mare.

1740 January 9 (Wednesday). Mr. Bowman and Mr. Daniel Hardy here at Eve.

1740 January 14 (Monday). Mr. Bowman here in the Evening.

1740 April 23 (Wednesday). I sent also to Mr. Francis Bowman of Lexington by the Same.

1740 April 28 (Monday). Visited Mr. Bowman.

1742 September 14 (Tuesday). Thomas went to Mr. Bowmans to Splice Rails for Me.

1742 September 16 (Thursday). Mr. D. Forbush and Phinehas Forb. brought each of them a Load of Rails from Mr. Bowmans -- in all 100.

1744 January 23 (Monday). He din'd with me but it was at a Time when a Number of my Neighbours were here getting Wood. Viz. Mr. Grout, Thomas Whitney, Harrington, Bowman, Daniel Forbush, Jonathan, Phinehas and Eli Forbush, Daniel Stone, Eliezer and Jeb Rice, Benjamin and Daniel Fay, each of which with a Team.

1744 June 9 (Saturday). N.B. Mr. James Bowman took the Care of a Letter from me to Mr. Weld of Upton.

1744 September 18 (Tuesday). I visited Mr. Gibson of Hopkinton who lyes very bad, and Mr. Barrett gone to Boston to his Brother Mr. Thornton Barretts Funeral. In my way I was at Mr. Bowmans.

1744 November 12 (Monday). N.B. The Committee for the School, viz. Lieutenant Holloway, and Messrs. James Bowman and Seth Rice confer with me about Mr. Sharhawk for a Schoolmaster.

1744 December 14 (Friday). Mr. Beeman and Mr. Bowman, Captain Warrin and Captain Maynard here p.m. at Evening.

1745 November 19 (Tuesday). I visited Mr. Bowman who is sick....

1746 April 13 (Sunday). N.B. Deacon Fay, Widow Woods, Mrs. Collister and Mrs. Bowman din'd here.

1747 January 28 (Wednesday). 3 Teams came and number of Hands to Cutt wood. The Teams Mr. Bowman, Mr. Harrington and Mr. Phinehas Hardy, David Batheric -- Jonathan Forbush, Solomon Woods, Tim Warrin, Zebulon Rice, Judah Rice, Nathaniel Whitney and Josiah Grout. They had not gone I think above 2 Turns after Dinner before the Storm prevail'd so that they broke off and went home.

1747 November 18 (Wednesday). N.B. Mr. James Bowman was going down with an Horse for Forbush at Cambridge and a Letter to Molly -- but he was prevented by the Rain.... Captain Maynard here and at Eve Mr. Daniel Forbush informs that his Brother Jonathan as well as Bowman is going to Boston so that he can lead Molly an Horse down if I desire it.

1747 November 19 (Thursday). Sent my mare and Sidesaddle by Mr. Bowman to Molly at Cambridge.

1748 March 7 (Monday). I prayed at the Town Meeting. Mr. Bowman and Billings being the persons sent by the Town to me to request it.

1748 July 13 (Wednesday). Visited at Mr. Millers, Mr. Daniel Forbush, Solomon Woods (by whom I sent for my still at Deacon Drowns at Boston) and Mr. Bowmans.

1748 July 20 (Wednesday). Six Hands mow'd in my ministerial meadow -- viz. Mr. Bowman, Mr. Pratt, Phinnehas Hardy, Solomon Woods, Jonathan Forbush and Zebulon Rice. I waited on them both a. and p.m. at the Meadow and endeavor'd they Should have every Thing for their Comfort that I could.

1749 January 17 (Tuesday). Many Southern Neighbours came to Cutt and Sled wood for me. My Son Thomas went also with my own Team. The Company were Mr. Samuel Harrington with a Team, Mr. Timothy Warrin and Team, Benjamin Tainter (for his Brother Jonathan Forbush -- but) with his Fathers Team, Mr. Growe, Mr. Bowman, Mr. Daniel Hardy, Mr. Phinehas Hardy, Mr. Zebulon Rice, Messrs. Solomon Woods, Jonas Child, Samuel Baker, Eleazer Williams, besides which were Robert Cook, Nathaniel Whitney junior, Joseph Grout, Judah Rice, Thomas Hardy, and Samuel Bumpso. And they got down 34 Load to the Door.

1749 May 29 (Monday). My Kinsman Nathaniel (on Mr. James Bowman's Horse) Set out with me for Boston.

1749 November 20 (Monday). Nineteen persons, older and younger, Three with Teams, to get me wood. They got down to the Door 29 Load. They were Lieutenant Tainter with his Team and his Son, Mr. James Bowman with his Team and his son, Mr. Harrington with his Team and his son, Messrs. Martin Pratt, Daniel Hardy, Cornelius Biglo, William Pierce, Jonathan Forbush junior, Solomon Baker, Joseph Grout junior, Elijah Hardy, Thomas Hardy, Seth Miller, Daniel Forbush junior, Joseph Bowker, and Samuel Bumpso.

1749 December 11 (Monday). P.M. according to the Request brought me by Lieutenant Tainter last Saturday I rode over to Esq. Bakers and Met the Committee of the Precinct, viz. Esq. Baker, Lieutenant Tainter, Lieutenant Thomas Forbush, Messrs. James Bowman and Phinehas Hardy. The Business was, They wanted to know whether I expected or desir'd the Precinct to do any Thing for me about my Remove from my present Dwelling to the New Meeting House, which I certify'd them I depended upon their assistance.

1750 April 20 (Friday). I rode to the South Side as far as Mr. Charles Bruce's -- din'd at Mr. Bowmans. Proceeded to Mr. James Bradishes accompany'd by Mr. Bowman and engag'd him to work on my intended Frame. Was at divers Houses besides, promoting the Same Affair. For the Time of preparing to build is so far elaps'd that unless I am very industrious and Successfull there can be little Hopes of getting into an House before next Winter. But I meet with considerable Encouragement -- and especially from Mr. Bowman, who likewise presented me a Bushel and half of Indian Corn, and carried it to Lieutenant Tainters, in order to its being Sent to Mill.

1750 June 8 (Friday). P.M. a Number of Neighbours went to my Knoll, with Two Yoke of Cattle besides my own, and with Shovels, Hoes and Barrs to levell it further. They were chiefly Mr. Charles Rice, Lieutenant Thomas Forbush, Lieutenant Bruce, Lieutenant Tainter, Mr. Grow, Bowman, Harrington, Simon Tainter Junior, Jonathan Forbush, Charles Bruce, Ephraim Bruce,

Adams, Rogers (with oxen), Timothy Warrin, Abraham Bond, Samuel Forbush junior, [blank] Miller, Eleazer Williams, Abner Rice, and Daniel Forbush junior with a Cart and Oxen.

1750 August 15 (Wednesday). Mr. Bowman carries the Two Plaits to the place.

1750 September 6 (Thursday). At the Frame Messrs. Gale, Grow, Bradish, Tainter, Charles Rice, Jonah Warrin, Bowman, Harrington, Bond, Ephraim Bruce. Since it is concluded upon to raise tomorrow, I very earnestly entreated every one who was at the Work to notifie all the Several Quarters of the Parish which they liv'd in.

1750 September 7 (Friday). Deacon Forbush a.m. and his son Daniel at the Cellar. Deacon Newton tends 'em. At the Frame, Messrs. Gale, Bradish, Grow, Tainter, Batheric, Charles Rice, Nathaniel Whitney, Bowman, Harrington, Jonah Warrin, John Rogers, and [blank] who all gave their Work of this forenoon.

1750 November 8 (Thursday). At Night Nigh 11 o'Clock came Mr. Harrington to call me, Mr. Bowman being apprehended near his End. I went with him. Got there about midnight -- found him alive, and a little reviv'd, but very low -- discours'd and pray'd with him and them present.

1750 November 9 (Friday). Early in the Morning went from Ensign Millers to Mr. Bowman, who was further reviv'd. Discours'd and pray'd with him....

1750 November 12 (Monday). At Captain Bakers Request I pray'd with his Company and din'd at Mr. Ebenezer Rice's with the Officers. After which the Captain accompany'd me in a visit to Mr. Bowman who is still sick.

1751 May 13 (Monday). Mr. Bowman and his Brother Thaddeus din'd here.

1751 September 3 (Tuesday). N.B. Reckon'd with Mr. Bowman and with Mr. Biglo.

1751 September 4 (Wednesday). Mr. Biglo Sent his Son Cornelius to cutt Stalks at the Island. P.M. a number more of Lads came, viz. Joseph and James Bowman: Samuel and Joseph Harrington, Thomas Hardy, and Daniel Grout, who cutt the rest of the Stalks at the Island and Pik'd up those which were cutt in the forenoon by about 5 o'clock p.m.

1751 December 13 (Friday). P.M. Mrs. Forbush, the Deacons Wife, fell from Mr. Wymans (of Shrewsbury) Horse, a little South of the Stables. She was much stunn'd. Mr. Wyman and I took her up in an arm Chair and brought her into my House. Sent for Dr. Chase, who came: he let her Blood. She by Degrees came to. I sent by her son Bowman to her Husband. He and his son Jonathan and Mr. Tainter brought a Whirrey, and they carry'd her Home.

1752 April 1 (Wednesday). Rode to Mr. Gashetts about a breaking up Plough, but he was not at home. In my way I call'd at Mr. Bonds -- Mr. Martyn Pratts, Chaddocks, Dunlops, Charles Bruce, Bowmans, Harringtons etc.

1752 June 24 (Wednesday). Lieutenant Tainter came and brought an Horse, plough and Lad to plough my Island. Mr. Williams also plough'd, Ebenezer Rice junior led, and Eleven Hands hold - viz. Messrs. Grow, Harrington, Jonathan Forbush and Daniel Grout, Joseph Baker, William Stone, James Bowman, Jonathan and Thomas Bond, Abner Warrin came and half hill'd my Corn at the Island; and they finish'd by half after 9 a.m. P

1752 October 13 (Friday). Lieutenant Tainter, Mr. Jonathan Forbush, Joseph Bowman and Isaac Miller cut up my Corn; and my Son William with my Team to Cart it; and afterwards Mr. Harrington with his Team; So that they got it all home before noon. Lieutenant Tainter, Joseph Bowman and Isaac Miller din'd here.... P.M. a number of Hands husk'd out my Corn. Old Mr. Maynard and his sons, Ebenezer and Nathan, old Mr. Rice, Joseph Bowman, Isaac Miller, Mr. Bonds 2 Sons, 2 from Mr. Jonah Warrins, Daniel Grout, Constantine Hardy and some others, made up the Company. The Husking was over by that the Evening came: but they tarried so long as to thrust the Husks into the Barn.

1752 November 3 (Friday). Billy went with the Team and brought home from Mr. Jonathan Fay's, his present a Barrell of Cyder which Ebenezer Nurse presents me, and further Lieutenant Tainter brought a Barrell of Cyder which Mr. Bowman has given. I desire thankfully to acknowledge to Goodness of God in stirring up the Minds of His People to bestow thus bountifully upon me who am so unworthy.

1754 March 14 (Thursday). I visited in the South part of the Town. Din'd at Mr. Harringtons. Was at Mr. Bowmans, both Twitchells, but especially went to see Mr. Dunlop who is sick.

1754 August 1 (Thursday). Joseph Bowman and Richard Kelly reap'd, bound up and with Mr. Timothy Warrins Team Carted in my Rye -- Thomas and Billy helping them.

1754 August 27 (Tuesday). My Wife and I rode to the South part of the Town to visit Mr. Grow and his Wife who were Sick and Mrs. Mary Stewart -- likewise Mr. Bowman and Mr. Thomas Twitchell.

1754 December 25 (Wednesday). Joseph Bowman came from Boston having done Several Errands for us, and call'd me up between 2 and 3 in the Morning.

1755 March 19 (Wednesday). Mr. James Bowman again asks my advice about a School Master.

1755 July 28 (Monday). Lieutenant Tainter and a Young Man of his hiring -- and two Boys also under him, in all four Hands, came and hill'd for me. There were also Ensign Harrington, Mr. Eleazer Whitney, Ezra Baker, Ebenezer Rice junior for Barnebas Newton, and William Bowman - nine in all -- and they ended by baiting Time.

1755 December 5 (Friday). P.M. Mary Latiner here and Examin'd. Also Joseph Bowman.

1755 December 15 (Monday). Captain Stoddard and his son Bowman [Boardman?] left us for Boston.

1756 January 13 (Tuesday). Mr. Joseph Bowman here, chooses to Suspend his Affair of making Profession of Religion etc. He informs that Mrs. *Chaddock* (late a member of this Church dwelling in Hopkinton) dyed this morning.

1756 April 30 (Friday). Visited Mr. *Bowman* who is Sick.

1756 July 21 (Wednesday). Mr. Barachias Morse and Francis Pierce mow in the Ministerial Meadow, but especially fourteen Hands, great and small, came and hilled my New Field of Corn behind the Meeting House. They were Lt. Tainter, and his son Benjamin (with their lad Enoch Biglow), Ensign Harrington, Messrs. Solomon Woods, Zebulun Rice, Jonathan Grout, Amariah Thurston, Joseph Pratt, James Bowman junior, Isaac Miller, Eli Whitney, Elisha Forbush, John Forbush, Joseph Bond. I would take a grateful Notice of this Favour in Providence.

1757 July 10 (Sunday). Joseph Bowman dined with me.

1757 August 4 (Thursday). N.B. Mr. *James Bowman* brings me One of Mr. *Niles's* Books against John Taylor of Original Sin.

1757 August 13 (Saturday). Joseph Bowman here.

1757 August 14 (Sunday). Joseph Bowman propounded.

1757 August 27 (Saturday). Rainy Seasons -- Still Sat out Cabbage Plants. Joseph Bowman.

1757 August 28 (Sunday). Baptized *Joseph Bowman* and admitted him into the Church.

1758 March 28 (Tuesday). Returned at Eve. N.B. Miss Lydia Bowman with me part of the way.

1758 May 29 (Monday). Mr. Daniel Miller and James Bowman come to Clearing north of my Orchard.

1758 August 24 (Thursday). At Night married *Solomon Mathews* to *Lydia Bowman*.

1758 September 21 (Thursday). Visit Mrs. Dunlop, the Twitchells -- Bowmans. N.B. had further Discourse with *Lydia* -- now Mrs. *Matthis*, in order to her making a profession.

1758 September 28 (Thursday). Found Mrs. Lydia Mathews, lately Lydia Bowman, here on Examination and lodges with us.

1758 November 24 (Friday). In returning, visit Mr. Samuel Forb., Widow Whitney -- and Mr. Grow goes with me to Mr. Bowmans, who is upon the recovery, and was able to converse sensibly and Seriously.

1759 January 4 (Thursday). Mr. *Joseph Bowman* keeps School at Deacon *Tainters*.

1759 January 14 (Sunday). Master Bowman (who keeps the School) dined here.

1759 January 25 (Thursday). At Eve Master Bowman, Deacon Tainter -- Mr. Beeton from Boston.

1759 February 6 (Tuesday). *Alexander* Rheumatic does not go to school. This is the last Day of Mr. Bowmans School-keeping for this term.

1759 February 7 (Wednesday). Master Bowman goes to Cambridge.

1759 February 10 (Saturday). N.B. Master Bowman returns from Cambridge because of the Meazles. He informs me that *sister Barretts Daughter Hannah* (of about 21) dyed of the Meazels, and is buryed this week, and that Coll. *James Minot* of Concord is Dead also. He brings me a Letter from the *Widow Hill of Cambridge* to whom I had sent him to excuse my not sending Interest to her by him, for that I knew not his going down in any season to provide it.

1759 March 4 (Sunday). 5. Mrs. Dunlop and Widow Joanna Forbush, as well as Master *Bowman*, dined here.

1759 May 15 (Tuesday). I was obliged to go away from home, to visit Mrs. Bowman who is very bad: and sent for me.

1759 May 17 (Thursday). I also visited Mrs. Bowman again, she being in a very hazzardous Condition. Mr. Bowman drooping, several of his Children have the Meazles: I dined there, and prayed with 'em.

1759 May 22 (Tuesday). Visit Mrs. Bowman who is in a low Condition still, and prayed with her. Mr. Bowman has the Meazles.

1759 May 24 (Thursday). Visit Mrs. *Bowman* again, who is yet alive, and pray with her.

1759 May 26 (Saturday). Mr. Thomas Twitchell informs me that Mrs. Bowman dyed to Day about 12 o'Clock.

1759 May 28 (Monday). A.M. attended Funeral of Mrs. Bowman.

1759 June 16 (Saturday). And to Day (by the kind Motion and Endeavours of Capt. Benjamin *Wood*) Eleven persons came gratis and hoed my Field at the back of the Meeting House. They

were, Capt. Wood and his Son, Mr. Williams and his son, Mr. Daniel Hardy, Mr. Hezekiah Pratt, Mr. Moses Twitchell, John How, Adam Rice, Amon Le Blanc for Capt. Fay, and William Bowman for Neighbour Barny Newton, and they finished the Field by 11 a.m. A great Kindness and Relief to me! May God Himself reward them!

1759 July 26 (Thursday). Preached my Lecture.... After Lecture Master Fessenden and Bowman here.

1759 August 11 (Saturday). Master Bowman comes from Brookfield with Mr. Joseph Mannings Horse. Mr. Manning preaches for my son Forb. and Sends me a Letter by Bowman that he designs to come down with my Daughter Baldwin next Week.

1760 January 2 (Wednesday). N.B. Mr. Bowman keeps School at Mr. Timothy Warrins. I send Alex and Breck to learn Latin, and Samuel to read.

1760 April 24 (Thursday). P.M. William Bowman from Mr. Chaddock of Brookfield with two Notes given by my son Thomas for Leather.

1760 May 11 (Sunday). N.B. Master Bowman dined here.

1760 June 27 (Friday). Mr. Daniel Miller comes to clearing, and, under him, Mr. *Moses Twitchell* and *James Bowman* junior -- the last Mowed my Garden.

1760 July 8 (Tuesday). At Eve the Marriage of James Bowman junior and Mary Gashit.

1760 July 17 (Thursday). N.B. Bowman from College, Deacon Tainter, and Jacob Rice ride with me in Company to Coll. Buckminsters where we were all refreshed (on Free Cost).

1760 August 3 (Sunday). Master *Bowman* dined here.

1760 August 16 (Saturday). P.M. Mr. Forb. and I rode to see Mr. Parsons and Capt. Gilbert, where was Mr. Joseph Bowman with his Aunt Walker from Blanford.

1760 September 25 (Thursday). Wrote also to Mr. John *Foxcroft*, directing to the recording Adams's Deed to Lull, and to search for the Record of Adams's deed to Parks. Sent this by Mr. James Bowman junior to his Brother Joseph at Cambridge.

1760 October 18 (Saturday). Received a Letter from Bowman at College inclosing Capt. Daniel Adams's Deed to Mr. Lull.

1760 November 8 (Saturday). N.B. Mr. Joseph Bowman here. Carrys two Deeds of Mr. Lulls (viz. of Mr. Jonathan Parks to Lull) to Cambridge to be recorded.

1760 December 29 (Monday). At Eve comes Mr. Bowman from Cambridge and tells us *The King is dead*.

1761 January 14 (Wednesday). Lieut. Harrington, Mr. Tainter and Isaac Miller bring six Load of wood from Mr. Bowmans, who gives it.

1761 January 18 (Sunday). Cousen Maynard dined here; as did Mr. *Bowman*.

1761 January 27 (Tuesday). 3 Boys go to Mr. Bowmans school at Deacon Tainters.

1761 February 8 (Sunday). Mr. Bowman dined here.

1761 February 10 (Tuesday). N.B. This Day Mr. Bowmans School at Deacon Tainters, finishes.

1761 May 10 (Sunday). Capt. Taplin and wife, and two of Miss Betty *Johnsons* sisters, dined here, as did Mr. Joseph Bowman likewise.

1761 May 12 (Tuesday). *Mr. Bowman keeps School at Mr. Nathan Maynards*.

1764 June 20 (Wednesday). Mr. Bowman at Eve.

1764 June 27 (Wednesday). Having visited Mrs. Hills, Went with Mr. Bowman to the Funeral of *old Mrs. Green* -- and thence to Mr. Martyns Lecture. I prayed and Mr. Bowman preached. Text [*blank*].

1764 July 5 (Thursday). *Mrs. Hills Funeral*. Mr. Bowman here afterwards and Capt. *Maynard* and his Wife. They drink Tea.

1764 July 9 (Monday). In the Eve Mr. Bowman -- asks advice about Oxford.

1764 July 11 (Wednesday). After Lecture Mr. Bowman, Dr. Crosby, Mrs. Maynard, Mrs. Tainter, Mrs. Hannah Rice, drink Tea -- many Visitants to the Currants.

1764 July 17 (Tuesday). Mr. Bowman at Eve.

1764 July 20 (Friday). At Eve Mr. Bowman. Little *Gott* here with us, grows ill. *Breck* at Mr. Nurse's.

1764 July 21 (Saturday). After Dinner I considered that Mrs. Bowman was expecting her Hour, that it must needs be agreeable to Mr. B. for me to change with him, that he might be with his wife at such a Time as this; not that I would go to *Oxford*, but as he had agreed with Mr. Hutchinson to go there, I would take Mr. Bowmans place at Grafton. This therefore I proceeded to do. Went to Mr. B. who, though at first seemed not to choose it, having had

another Scheme, yet afterwards desired it; and, Mr. Moore my Company I went to Grafton -- Mr. H. to Oxford according to Appointment. I lodged at Grafton.

1764 July 22 (Sunday). Preached at Grafton.... Mr. Bowman has preached for me a. and p.m. on Rom. 8.1.

1764 July 23 (Monday). N.B. *Mrs. Bowman in Travail*. Mrs. P_____ there. May God Himself be there.

1764 July 24 (Tuesday). One o'Clock a.m. Mrs. P_____ returns. *Mrs. Bowman has a Son*. She was delivered by Dr. Ball, not without Instrument.

1764 July 25 (Wednesday). I visit Mrs. Bowman at noon.

1764 July 26 (Thursday). Mr. Bowman here and tells me he Shall defer the Baptism of his son until sabbath come se'nnight.

1764 August 1 (Wednesday). At Eve Mr. Bowman here, tells me Mr. Maccarty will go to Oxford if I will go to Wor'ster.

1764 August 3 (Friday). P.M. Mrs. P_____ and I visit Mrs. Bowman.

1764 August 4 (Saturday). Mr. F. having lodged at [blank] breaks fast there; but drinks Tea with us, as does Mr. Bowman -- who brings Me an Horse to ride to Worcester.

1764 August 5 (Sunday). Mr. *Maccarty* goes to *Oxford*, for Mr. *Bowman*, who preaches for me, and I for Mr. *Maccarty*.

1764 August 14 (Tuesday). At Eve visit Mrs. Bowman.

1764 August 22 (Wednesday). N.B. Mr. Bowman, Master Cushing and Brother Hicks here, at Tea etc.

1764 September 22 (Saturday). Mr. Bowman dines with us. Wants Advice about his Answer to Oxford.

1764 September 27 (Thursday). N.B. Mr. *Bowman* here -- informs me that *Oxford* has met and added 500 £ old Tenor to his Settlement.

1764 September 28 (Friday). Mrs. Parker, widow Newton and Mrs. Bowman here. Mr. Fessenden and his Mother. The last 7 drank Tea here, and the two last lodged here.

1764 October 10 (Wednesday). I proceed to Mr. Bowmans -- thence to Mr. *Ezra Welds* in Braintree, where I was met by Messrs. *Stone* and *Smith*, as we had agreed yesterday: and dined there.

1764 October 28 (Sunday). I read to the Church a Letter from *Westmorland* to desire our Assistance in the Ordination of Mr. William Goddard on Nov. 7 next: but the Request could not be complied with both because it was so far, and too late in the Year for me to pretend to ride so far at so late season and especially because we had another Duty of like kind, at which we could not avoid our assistance and which would interfere, viz. the Installation of Rev. Mr. Bowman -- for I read also a Letter from the Church of Oxford to that purpose, to be on the 14th. This was accepted -- and Squire Whipple and Mr. Daniel Forbes were chosen Delegates.

1764 October 29 (Monday). Mr. Forbes has desired me to pay 100 £ old Tenor of the Gilbert Money urgent Necessity for Mr. Bowmans supply presses it. My Dependence is on Capt. Maynard -- but no money from him.

1764 November 1 (Thursday). Mr. Bowman, his Wife and Child go their Journey to Dorchester. Wrote by Mr. Bowman to Mr. Fessenden who is gone to Gloucester, to preach for Mr. Jaques.

1764 November 11 (Sunday). Read the Proclamation for Thanksgiving and the Church dismissed Mr. Bowman and recommended him to Oxford.

1764 November 14 (Wednesday). We repair to Deacon Davis's, where the Pastors and Delegates are formed into a Council. I was chose Moderator and prayed. Mr. Maccarty Scribe. N.B. The Church drop the Davidson Affair. Mr. Bowman was admitted a member of the Church. The solemnity (of the *Installment* of Mr. *Bowman*) at the Meeting House was opened by Mr. Forbes of Brookfield. I preached on Jer. 3.15. Mr. Martyn gave the Charge. Mr. Gleason prayed after it. Mr. Maccarty the Right Hand. Rev. Bowman appointed Ps. 119, latter part, and gave the Blessing. I visited old Mrs. Campbel and Capt. Griffin. Plentifully entertained at Deacon Davis's. In the Eve at the fine singing at Capt. Moores. Lodged at Deacon Davis's.

1764 November 15 (Thursday). Waited long for my Daughter and Miss Molly Baker, who have kept at Capt. Moores, where Mr. Bowman lodges.

1764 November 20 (Tuesday). At Eve Mr. Bowman.

1764 November 22 (Thursday). Mr. Martyn and his Wife, Mr. Maccarty and Mr. Bowman dined with me.... Mr. Bowman and Master Cushing here after Lecture and the latter at Evening.

1764 December 7 (Friday). When it was late came also Mr. Bowman -- who invites Mrs. P_____ and me to accompany him and Mrs. Bowman to Oxford the week after next.

1764 December 17 (Monday). N.B. Gave an Order to Lt. Baker upon Capt. Maynard for an 100 £ old Tenor to be paid to Mr. Bowman for Mr. Forbes.

1764 December 18 (Tuesday). After Lecture Mr. Asaph Rice and Master Cushing here with Mr. Bowman.

1764 December 19 (Wednesday). Lt. *Baker* sent a Sleigh for me with those Gentlemen above named, to go up to their House to Breakfast and I take Leave of Mr. and Mrs. *Bowman*, who, waited upon by two Deacons, and expecting others, from *Oxford*; attended also by Mr. *Asaph Rice*, Master *Cushing*, my son William, Daughter *Sarah*, and sundry Relations [*blank*], remove home.

1765 April 1 (Monday). At Eve Messrs. Bowman and Moore from Oxford.

1765 April 4 (Thursday). Then visit at Mr. Bowmans, I. Pratts, Twitchells, Dunlops, Joseph Morse's, John Balls, [Mark?] Pratts, Deacon Forb. and Kendals, Mr. Kendals being very poor and low.

1765 August 29 (Thursday). After the Exercise Mr. Bowman of Oxford and his Wife, and Master Cushing here, at Tea etc.

1765 October 3 (Thursday). Mr. Bowman called here in his Way home. Master Cushing after school here, and drank Tea: brought his Relation: supped and lodged here.

1765 October 6 (Sunday). N.B. Mr. Mannings Account of Sad Theft at Coll. [*blank*] Bowman, son of Mr. Noah Bowman, charged with it.

1766 February 3 (Monday). I visited in the South of the Town -- to Mr. Bowmans, Constantine Hardys, Isaac Adams's, and Dunlops.

1766 February 17 (Monday). At Eve came Masters *Cushing* and John *Stone* -- also Mr. Bowman. They Supped here. Mr. Bowman brought me Mr. Forbes's Burnet; the Sacred Theory, Vol. I. The two foresaid young Men lodged here.

1766 June 13 (Friday). Mr. Bowman and Mr. Hezekiah Bellows of Oxford break fast here also.

1766 August 16 (Saturday). Mr. Cushing returns from Boston with his Sister Bridget -- but see nothing of Mr. *Moore*, or my Daughters: Though I have somewhat depended upon his so seasonably arriving that he, or Mr. Bowman of Oxford would assist me in preaching tomorrow.

1766 August 17 (Sunday). Neither Mr. *Moore* nor Mr. *Bowman* have come to my help.

1766 August 24 (Sunday). Read Isa. 33. Mr. *Bowman* of Oxford preached for me a. and p.m. on Joh. 6.44, former part. He, his spouse, Mr. Cushing and Mrs. Maynard dined here. Read Joh. 5, former part. At Eve stopped the Church and proposed Mrs. Thankful Rice (wife of Ensign Josiah) and Mrs. Bowmans, to be dismissed -- which was complied with.

1766 August 25 (Monday). P.M. Mr. Bowman and wife and son, Their mother and Sister Baker, made us a Visit.

1766 August 27 (Wednesday). Dined at Mr. Sumners. Mr. *Bowman* and his Wife, Messrs. *Stewart, Cushing* and Edward *Goddard* junior there.

1766 September 15 (Monday). In the Evening, instead of my being in my Preparation for so remarkable Day with me, as to morrow, or attending upon the Affair of my Wife's Journey, or enjoying the Company of those whom I so rarely see, and are so soon to leave me, there came in no less than 16 Brethren of the Church, viz. Deacon *Bond*, Capt. *Fay*, Capt. *Brigham*, Messrs. Nathaniel *Whitney*, Daniel *Forbes*, Zebulun *Rice*, Ithamar *Bellows*, Daniel *Hardy*, Elijah *Rice*, Thomas *Twitchel*, B. *Tainter*, James *Bowman*, Daniel *Adams*, Constantine *Hardy*, John *Wood*. And I can't tell but there were more. I gave them to understand how unhappy it was to come at this Time; how unprepared I was for it -- that I could not attend upon it -- that it was unkind not to give me more seasonable Warning of their Design. I prayed 'em to consider how my Case was. Nevertheless they tarried and some of them especially were very Zealous in Mrs. *Andrews* Behalf -- rejecting what ever Defence I could make: especially making light of the Results of the Councils, Letters of Ministers, Informations which a Number of Ministers have given me, besides other Persons, especially of late, of the great irregularity among that people at *Chebacco*. Nor could anything I could Say appease them who so warmly withstood me -- nor did it signifie for me to endeavour to Set them right in Things they had taken wrong. Yet vehemently urging and pressing that I *must* be reconciled -- that I *must* -- though I had assured them that I had done many Things in order to it, and had informed them so, over and over -- yet it was in Vain -- especially with Capt. Brigham, Mr. Whitney, Forbes, Tainter, D. Hardy -- and I fear I must add Deacon Bond. This Altercation lasted till full, if not past, Nine o'Clock. For I think it was 1/2 past nine when they left me. May God look upon it and be gracious to us! A Sorrowful Manner of concluding this Year of my Life. The Lord Sanctifie it to me and give me Grace and Wisdom to conduct Suitably in this Day of Temptation -- that I may be patient, and resigned, humble and penitent -- and may God be gracious to all those who are dissatisfied with me when I have taken so much Pains to give them no Cause for it!

1767 January 31 (Saturday). At Eve came (unexpectedly) Mr. *Moore*. His Errand to Westborough is carry Miss Molly Baker to Oxford, Mrs. Bowman being ill. He lodges here.

1767 November 3 (Tuesday). Mr. Moore and I rode to Shrewsbury Association Fast for reviving Family Government and Religion. Mr. *Bowman* a.m. on Prov. 22.6, "train up a Child" etc. P.M. Mr. Buckminster prayed and Mr. Conklin preached on Eph. 6.18. Praying always with all Prayer. I prayed at the Close. May God accept the Offerings and seal Instruction!

1768 March 31 (Thursday). Make and write and Sign, an Agreement with Mr. Conant for his Mill, Tools, Farm and Apprentice, John Millen, in behalf of my son *Alexander*. Esq. *Henshaw* informs that Mr. Maccarty was yesterday taken with a Fit etc. Dine at Mr. *Bowmans*. Visit and drink Tea at Mr. Halls -- his Daughter Lucy very ill.

1768 April 7 (Thursday). Called at Mr. Bowmans. Drank Tea at Mr. *Hutchinsons* (who was come from the Funeral of old Mr. Ebenezer Brooks). Arrived safe at my own House through divine Favour.

1768 September 5 (Monday). At *Man's Tavern* find Company from Oxford: viz. Rev. *Bowman*, Coll. Larned, Capt. Moore, his Brother Richard and Major Davis: also my Son *Samuel* who followed me from Westborough. We rode to *Norton* precinct. Mr. Bowman, Coll. L. and I lodged at Coll. Ephraim Leonards.

1768 October 3 (Monday). We arrived at Mr. *Bowmans* before night. The Delegates proceeded to *Charlton*, but I was So importuned that I could not go from *Oxford*. Visit at Capt. *Moore's* and invite him, his wife and Children to our House on the 13th -- also Mr. Bowman and Lady -- lodge there.

1768 October 4 (Tuesday). Mr. Bowman and I to Charlton. Meet at Mr. John Edwards -- repair to Mr. McIntire's, where the Council forms -- and after Prayer (by me as moderator, Rev. Messrs. Maccarty and Davis Scribes) we repair to the Meeting House, and a.m. obliged to open the Council by Prayer there, though I would fain have been excused. Soon adjourned -- for Dinner which was at Mr. Twiss's -- where also I lodged. The Partys very averse to one another through the Hearing.

1768 November 9 (Wednesday). Mr. Bowman of Oxford, and Mr. *Ballard* (with a Team) go to Boston. Send by them to *Samuel*. P.M. Mrs. *Bowman* and her little son, Mrs. *Baker* and Miss *Polly*, make us a Visit.

1768 November 11 (Friday). At Eve Mr. Bowman of Oxford from Boston, but goes to his Wife at his Mother Bakers.

1769 January 17 (Tuesday). At Eve Mr. Collins Moore brings an Horse from Mr. Bowman of Oxford for Sarah. He informs that the Sickness and Mortality there, continues, and is very distressing. 71 have been buryed in a twelve-month. 7 Graves have 2 in each. 3 are to be buryed to day. He lodges here. N.B. Sarah had a bad Fall from the Mare.

1769 February 1 (Wednesday). P.M. Mr. Ebenezer Lilly of Dudley brings me two Letters from Mr. Bowman -- one writ yesterday, the other to day, concerning *Sarah* and that 'tis hoped she is better. Thanks be to God for His great Goodness!

1769 September 26 (Tuesday). Mr. *Bowman* of Oxford and Lady going to Boston.

1769 October 7 (Saturday). Received a sorrowful Letter from Rev. Mr. *Bowman* of the Sickness and Mortality in Oxford greatly increasing since he went home.

1769 October 8 (Sunday). I also, in the Application, read the chief of Mr. Bowmans Letter which I received yesterday.

1769 October 10 (Tuesday). At Mr. Constantine Hardys and Mr. Bowmans. But was into Evening before I got home.

1770 January 4 (Thursday). I hear also that *Bowman* is come from College to keep at the *Warrin School House* (besides Mr. *Taylor*s at the *Grout School-House*).

1770 January 19 (Friday). Master Bowman came to See me at Eve.

1770 January 23 (Tuesday). At Eve Timothy Warrin junior came with a sleigh and in his Fathers Name, invite me who have not been to their New House, since they dwelt in it, and would have Mrs. P_____ to ride with me, to visit them. We could not resist this, though sudden, yet earnest Importunity. We had a pleasant Time. Mr. Andrews and his Wife, with Master Phinehas Bowman, and Mr. Stockwell, were there. We had handsome Entertainment and civil and religious Conversation. About nine we returned home.

1770 February 23 (Friday). Attended the Funeral of another of Mr. *Seth Gashitts* Children, about 3 years and 5 months old. The name was *Betty*. It dyed yesterday morning. I dined at Mr. *James Bowmans*.

1770 April 11 (Wednesday). Mr. *Bowman* of Oxford here. His Wife has another son which they have called *Oliver*.

1770 November 21 (Wednesday). Funeral of Mr. *Daniel Nurse's* Infant. I attended and Sophy with me; at Eve Master *Bowman* here.

1771 October 16 (Wednesday). Mr. Bowman of Oxford here, his Wife also, her Mother and sister came.

1772 June 22 (Monday). At Eve came *Bowman* from Cambridge and lodged here.

1772 June 23 (Tuesday). Master *Bowman* leaves us, designing to *Oxford* and to *Brookfield*.

1772 July 3 (Friday). Mr. *Phinehas Bowman* in his way to Cambridge calls and asks me to his Commencement.

1772 July 13 (Monday). Mr. William Bowman of Brookfield brings me a Letter of Gratitude from My Kinsman Bradshaw.

1772 July 15 (Wednesday). Attended the *Commencement* at Cambridge.... At Sir *Bowmans*, Sir *Whitneys* etc.

1773 February 23 (Tuesday). I took leave, and went to Mr. *Hutchinsons* where was Mr. Bowman of Oxford.

1773 September 6 (Monday). Mr. *War* [illegible] *Cadaman* of *Oxford*, merchant, brought a Letter from Reverend Mr. *Bowman*, asking Advice concerning Mr. *Ely's Ordination* at *Sommers*.

1773 September 17 (Friday). Finish a Letter to Mr. *Bowman* of *Oxford* (at his Request) concerning Mr. *Ely's Ordination* at *Somers*.

1773 September 29 (Wednesday). Rode to *Shrewsbury*, to an Association Lecture. Mr. *Bowman* prayed.

1773 October 28 (Thursday). A Letter from *John* of his having sold my Horse to Mr. *Ezra Bowman* of *Oxford* for 14 £ lawful.

1773 December 31 (Friday). At Eve John P_____ came from Mr. *Watsons* at *Oxford*: has done living there: brings me a Letter from Mr. *Bowman*, concerning the Transactions of another Council at *Somers*, and Mr. *Eli* and his Brethrens Renunciations and his Dismission.

1774 February 23 (Wednesday). Rode to Westborough with Mr. Bowman of Oxford.

1774 February 26 (Saturday). I was in great Expectation of Mr. *Bowman*, with my Daughter *Hannah* from Boston: and depend upon his preaching for me tomorrow, but he came not.

1774 February 27 (Sunday). Mr. *Bowman* has not come whom I hoped for.

1774 February 28 (Monday). Visited and prayed with Mrs. *Parker*, who gives up Hope of temporal Life, but has, She trusts, good Hope, through Grace, of Life immortal. When I returned home my Daughter *Hannah* was come. Mr. *Bowman* and She came as far as *Southborough* on Saturday Evening but could get no further. He preached for Mr. *Stone*. P.M. Mr. Bowman made me a Visit (from Lt. *Bakers*) and Spent the Evening with us.

1774 April 12 (Tuesday). Masters *Phinehas Bowman* and *Cornelius Waters*, also Old Mr. *Seth Morse* Eat at our House.

1774 June 17 (Friday). My Son *John* Setts out very early for *Boston*. N.B. *John* gave me last Eve Mr. *Ezra Bowmans* Note for Fourteen pounds L.M. for my Horse.

1774 August 20 (Saturday). Mr. *Ezra Bowman* who bought my Horse, came and paid for him. His note is given up, on his paying £ 14.14.8. Lawful money to *Breck* in my behalf.

1775 February 12 (Sunday). Mr. *William Bowman*, Cousen *Davis*, and Miss *Abigail White* dined here.

1775 February 13 (Monday). Mr. William *Bowman* in his way home to *Brookfield* at Breakfast. Relates Some of his uncle Forbes's Troubles.

1775 April 22 (Saturday). Mr. Bowman of *Oxford* here -- wants to Change but I am pre-engaged. He was designed for *Boston* to get out a Friend from thence, but we hear that none are suffered to go out or go in to the unhappy Town. He returns to go back to *Sutton*.

1775 April 23 (Sunday). The said Soldiers, having eat Breakfast here, left us; and two more came, viz. *Appleton Osgood* and *Joseph Bowman* from the Same Town, and had Breakfast among us.

1775 June 17 (Saturday). Rev. Mr. *Bowman* comes from that part of the Army which is at *Roxbury* where has been as a Chaplain. Dined with us.

1776 March 5 (Tuesday). Wrote to my Son *Ebenezer* by Mr. *William Bowman* of *Brookfield*.

1776 March 15 (Friday). Mr. *Bowman* of *Oxford* from the Camp. He says it seems as if the Regulars are moving off. It looks as if they were going to *New York*: And 5 Regiments of our own Forces are going that Way.

1776 November 29 (Friday). Had some Conversation with Ensign Bowman about the late proceedings of the Town.

1776 December 14 (Saturday). Lieut. *Bowman* came to desire for himself and 23 Others, Soldiers, who were going out to join the Army nigh *New York*, public Prayers for them, and would be glad if I would direct a word of Advice to them. To which I consented -- and at Evening he gave me an Account of their Names.

1777 March 17 (Monday). Went to Mr. *Phinehas Forbes's* -- to Mrs. *Bowmans* -- her Husband in the Service....

1777 May 12 (Monday). This Morning I send Six young Cattle to Mr. *Baldwins* Pasture at *Cois Hill* at *Brookfield*, under the Care, for driving, of Benjamin *Bowman*, and Nathan *Champney*. *Sangor* helps part of the way.

1777 June 19 (Thursday). P.M. Mr. *Bowman* calls here in his Way from *Boston*.

1777 June 23 (Monday). A variety of Company -- Mr. *Phinehas Bowman*, as an Officer, came to see Mrs. *Baldwin*.

1777 August 12 (Tuesday). *Hannah* rode with Mr. *Elijah Brigham* to Mr. *Whitneys* at *Northborough*. I rode his Horse to visit in the South. I din'd at Mr. *Noah Hardys*. Visit at Lt. *Bowman's*....

1778 April 7 (Tuesday). In returning dined at Lieut. *Bowmans*. Mrs. *Bowman* has lately had her Eleventh Child, her 7th son.

1779 November 9 (Tuesday). P.M. Mrs. Bowker and her sister Bowman of Oxford make us a visit.

1780 February 19 (Saturday). Rev. Bowman and his Wife came after prayer.

1780 February 20 (Sunday). Rev. Mr. Bowman, who attended the Funeral yesterday, came in the morning to my Assistance. In the Assembly, I prayed first, Mr. B. preached a.m. on Phil. 4.11. P.M. he both prayed and preached. His text was Matt. VII.24-27. At eve, he repeated the latter sermon, but did not lodge here, he returned to his spouse at Squire Bakers.

1780 February 21 (Monday). Mr. Bowman and his Lady made us an evening Visit. N.B. His people make very little provision for him.

1781 February 1 (Thursday). Mr. *Bowman* of *Oxford* visits me, dines here, and tarrys till near Night. He acquaints me with the *Nephritick* State of his Body, and the ungenerous Conduct of his People. Asks Advice. He relates somewhat of the sorrowfully great Success of erroneous *Murray* among his People. Goes to Capt. *Jonas Brigham's*.

1781 June 8 (Friday). Mr. *Bowman* of Oxford with a Kinswoman of his, Stop here.

1781 September 6 (Thursday). P.M. I, by Special Request up to Mr. *Jonathan Pierce's* to attend his marriage to Miss *Lydia Bowman*. A Considerable Company; an handsome Wedding. Sang Select Passages of Ps. 45.

1781 November 26 (Monday). Mr. *Brigham* is desired by Several to take their Sons to instruct them. He has already his Brother *Josiah*. Ensign *Aaron Warrin* wants his son *Abijah* should come (and he is come to day); Lieut. *Jonathan Grout* is earnest to have his son come; *Benjamin Bowman* is expected to come to live with me this Winter to look after my Cattle and chop Wood, hoping to get Learning withal: and Mr. *Thaddeus Warrin* is here and requests that his *John* may come to Mr. *Brigham* to School -- all which coming upon me with without our being prepared for it, is too difficult.

1781 December 4 (Tuesday). *Benjamin Bowman* came to live here to take Care of my Cattle, chop Wood, make the Fires, etc., and to learn to write, Cypher.

1781 December 6 (Thursday). Benjamin Bowman says he would live here on the following Terms, He will take Care of my Cattle and cutt my Wood etc. if he may board here, and learn to write and cypher.

1781 December 21 (Friday). *Benjamin Bowman* returned from *Boston*.

1782 January 12 (Saturday). *Bowman* is so indisposed that he goes home to his Fathers; and the *Brighams* take Care of the Cattle and Wood.

1782 February 13 (Wednesday). A Councill (I hear) is sitting at *Oxford*, upon Account of Mr. *Bowmans* Difficultys there.

1782 February 14 (Thursday). N.B. Two of our Scholars, viz. *Josiah Brigham* and *John Baker*, move their Lodgings from our House to Mr. [blank] Bush's at *North Shrewsbury*, to be under the Tuition of Mr. *Fairbank*. *Bowman* with my Horse, assists them in it.

1782 February 28 (Thursday). *Benjamin Bowmans* Time is out, and he leaves us.

1782 June 6 (Thursday). Visited old Mrs. *Thurston*; Lieutenant *Bowman*, Messrs. *Benjamin Ball*, *Isaac Adams* -- was at Mr. *Jonathan Batherick's* House, but no body at home -- called at Mr. *John Balls* and at Mr. *Martyn Pratts*.