

## Dr. Ebenezer Morse (1718-1802) of Boylston

Ebenezer Morse (1718-1802), Harvard 1737, minister at Boylston, 1743-1775; *SHG*, 10:211-17.

1756 April 20 (Tuesday). I left *Elisha Jones* at work and went to the Association at Marlborough... At Mr. *Smiths* were nine or ten of us together. Mr. Martyn gave us a laboured Concio on Isa. 2.5, first v. At Eve Dr. Morse was called away.

[1782 November 12 (Tuesday). Doctor Ebenezer *Morse* here. Reverend D. Grosvenor here and pray'd.

Shipton writes: "As a young man Morse had practiced medicine as a convenience to his flock and a supplement to his income. Better read than most of the rival doctors, he soon built up a considerable practice. His fellow ministers sent their ailing children to live with him for doctoring, and the Province engaged him to care for Shrewsbury's quota of Acadians. His ledgers show the amazing volume of his business as an apothecary." (215)