

## Dr. Moses Wheat (1739-1770) of Newton

1759 June 7 (Thursday). My Daughter Baldwin had appointed to come up from Boston, and with her Miss Hannah Wheat, and her Brother would wait on 'em -- but they did not come as was expected. It proves very difficult stirring by Reason of the Rain.

1759 June 9 (Saturday). At Eve came My Daughter Baldwin accompanied with Master *Moses Wheat* and his sister Miss *Hannah Wheat*. They came from Boston last Wednesday night and tarried over the storm at Squire Brighams at Marlborough. My Daughter Seems Somewhat better. N.B. Master Moses went to Capt. Maynards where he left his Sister, and there they lodged. N.B. They bring sad News of Cousen Winter's being at the Point of Death, being given over, in great measure, by the Physicians.

1759 June 10 (Sunday). N.B. Mrs. Maynard and Miss Hannah Wheat dined here and the latter lodged here.

1759 June 11 (Monday). Mr. *Moses Wheat* came with Chair and Horses; and my Daughters *Baldwin*, *Sarah* and *Susan* rode with him and his *sister* to Capt. Maynards, where having dined, they went to Capt. *Allens* at Shrewsbury. Cousen Maynard went not with them for she was taken ill of the Meazles.... At Eve My Children returned from Shrewsbury and Mr. Wheat and his sister lodged here.

1759 July 16 (Monday). Dined at Dr. *Wheats* at Boston where I arrived at about 3/4 after one; when they were almost ready to sit down at Table.

1759 July 18 (Wednesday). I brought up my Daughter Baldwin from Dr. *Wheats* to Cambridge, it being *Commencement*, but it was so late that the forenoon Exercise was begun, and it was a very hot Day, So that I did not go to it. I dined in the Hall.... Attended the public Exercise p.m. President under Languor by reason of Indisposition. Mr. *Lovell* Orator, with good success. N.B. My Daughter *Baldwin* at Meeting also. We lodged at Sister Barretts. [*Marginal note*: I paid him 50£ and Mrs. Stoddard 30£. I bought Salmons geographical *Grammar* and a Bible for Alexander. These of Mr. Winter.]

1760 May 28 (Wednesday). P.M. at my Daughter Baldwin lodges at Dr. *Wheats*.

1760 May 30 (Friday). A Number of Gentlemen and Ladies went out in a Convenient Boat, and invited Me to go with them which I chearfully complied with. The Chief of the Company were Dr. *Wheat* and his wife, Young Dr. and his Wife, Mr. *Brown* (young Doctors Father in Law) and his wife, Mr. *William Winter*, his wife and Daughter; Mr. *Joshua Winter* and his wife, Mrs. Gott, Capt. Baldwin and Lucy; with a Number of younger Persons. Sat out from Long Wharf (well provided) about 11 a.m. Sailed down below the Light House. N.B. an evil Pamphlet o'board which libells Governor Pownal (as it is conceived) under the Name of Sir *Thomas Brazen*: To the great Grief of all Serious people. Came to an Ankor. Caught 3 or Four Cod -- for a Chowder. Went o'Shore and viewed the Light House. Drank Tea at the House Keepers. Re-embarked. Eat our Chowder o'board in good order. Returned and landed just after Nine at Eve: having Met with no remarkable Evil. To God be Glory.

1760 June 26 (Thursday). I hastened home to wait on Dr. Gott who is carrying his Wife home. She, her Brother William Wheat, and Miss Katy were here with him.

1770 September 20 (Thursday). Mr. Forbes and I visit Capt. *Abbot*, who is grievously exercised with the *Stone*. I prayed with him. I visit Mrs. *Gilbert* to condole the Loss of her Father and Brother Moses, *Wheat*. Dined at my son Baldwins....