# **James Travis And The Siege Of Brookfield 1675**

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Delve into the harrowing account of the Siege of Brookfield in 1675, a pivotal event during King Philip's War. This historical narrative highlights the courageous role of figures like James Travis amidst the desperate struggle between colonial settlers and Native American forces in Brookfield, Massachusetts, offering insights into one of colonial America's most intense frontier conflicts.

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James Travis and the Siege of Brookfield, 1675

This story is a work of creative non-fiction. It is a first person account of real people and factual events that took place in England and the Massachusetts Colony in the 1600s. The story is about the life of the Travis and Fitts families who came from Devon County, England to the Massachusetts Colony in 1634. The story teller is James Travis who was born in Newbury, Massachusetts in 1648. His parents were English aristocrats who left their family wealth and their country to seek religious freedom and economic prosperity in the New World. The story begins with James and his family during the "Siege of Brookfield" by Nipmuc Indians in 1675. As the siege lingers into its 3rd day with total annihilation a very real possibility, in a flashback the author uses the voice of James to provide a glimpse of what life was like during monumental historical episodes, including the English Civil War, King Philip's War, Puritanism, and the settlement of Massachusetts. James grew up in Newbury with one older sister. Their father died at the age of 36 on a return business trip to London. This placed many hardships on the family at time when single mothers were frowned upon by society and children could be taken from them as indentured servants. Fortunately, their uncle lived close by and was able to help keep the family intact and to teach James the skills required of a young man to be a successful farmer and citizen. The living conditions, food, medicine, clothing, housing, and religious services are all described by James, as are the dominating social mores and the strict legal environment in which he and his family lived. Their mother married a widower 11 years after the death of their father and moved to Gloucester, Massachusetts. At maturity, James inherited money left to him in trust by his father, enabling him to marry. However, his wife, Mercy Pearce, was the daughter of Quaker parents who were persecuted for their religion by the predominant Congregationalists in the community. Although James and Mercy were Congregationalists, his association with his in-laws created many difficult situations for him and his wife, as well as his in-laws and brother-in-law. In 1668, one year after their marriage, James moved his family from the coast as one of the 13 original settlers of Quaboag Plantation (Brookfield) on the Massachusetts frontier about 40 miles west of Boston. Seven years later James found himself, his wife, and their three young children trapped along with 94 others in a building of only 1,300 square feet, Ayers Tavern, in Brookfield under a three-day siege by Nipmuc Indians. The "Siege of Brookfield"

occurred August 2-4, 1675 by the heretofore friendly Nipmuc Tribe during the first year of King Philip's War. The villagers were finally rescued by a 48-man militia unit from Marlborough. After the siege and the destruction of the village, James joined the militia. He was captured by Mohawk Indians and held captive for two years in western New York. After his narrow escape, James returned to his wife and children who had relocated to Sherborn, Massachusetts not far from Brookfield. He died in about 1777 in Framingham or Holliston, Massachusetts. His wife died in Holliston in 1744 at age 94. An epilogue describes a "Peace and Reconciliation" ceremony between the descendants of the settlers at Quaboag and the Nipmuc Tribe of the Wampanoag Nation at the celebration of the 350th anniversary of the founding of Brookfield on September 18, 2010. James and Mercy Pearce Travis are the author's 7th grandparents through their oldest child, Elizabeth Travis who was born in 1668 and died in 1746.

# History of North Brookfield, Massachusetts

This is the definitive study of the Indian war of New England known as "King Philip's War" (1675-1677), with muster and payrolls of colonial soldiers, both regular and militia, and biographical and genealogical sketches integrated throughout the narrative. Also included are lists of grantees and claimants of the Narragansett townships of Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, and Connecticut. The work as a whole is ably researched, intelligently written, well illustrated, and fully indexed, the index of persons alone bearing more than 5,000 references.

## A Genealogical Register of North Brookfield Families

The Rogers were a religious sect founded in 1674 by John Rogers (1648–1721) in New London, Connecticut. They were opposing the Protestant church, refused to celebrate Sunday, as they perceived every day as holy, and also refused to pay taxes. They founded several settlements in Connecticut and New Jersey. This book was aimed to correct the record on some historical information about this family and its controversial leader. It gives many new details about the Rogers and Bolles families and documents many cases of people being jailed, whipped, and otherwise persecuted without due process for their religious views.

## **Quaboag Plantation Alias Brookefeild**

Social security systems throughout the world are faced with unprecedented challenges in response to growing criticisms about unacceptable expenditures for government programs and questions about the appropriate role of government in providing social protection through social insurance and social assistance programs. The challenges are also a result of dramatic demographic, social, and cultural changes around the world. A variety of radical and modest reform measures are currently being discussed which have the potential of significantly impacting the means of income and health care for the elderly, children, and families. This book examines these challenges from the perspective of local analysts in both industrial and economically developing nations. The purpose of the analysis is to promote a better understanding of the integral role that social security plays in the social and economic development of diverse societies. The chapters examine the wide range of challenges to social security in Britain, Egypt and Turkey, the Netherlands, Poland, the United States, Uruguay, and Zimbabwe. An overview of the most prevalent issues are discussed, including fiscal viability, economic development, equity, administration, public confidence, and the role of social security as the primary government instrument for social protection against the loss of income and health. Essential reading for students and researchers in social policy, gerontology, and comparative social welfare.

# Soldiers in King Philip's War

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# James Rogers of New London, Ct

Includes some families from Newbury, Haverhill, Ispwich, and Hampton.

A Book of Strattons; Being a Collection of Stratton Records From England and Scotland, and a Genealogical History of the Early Colonial Strattons in America, With Five Generations of Their Descendants

Soldiers in King Philip's war. Containing lists of the soldiers of Massachusetts Colony, who served in the Indian war of 1675-1677. With sketches of the principal officers, and copies of ancient documents and records relating to the war.

The Todd family in America or the descendants of Christopher Todd, 1637-1919: being an effort to give an account, as fully as possible of his descendants

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Wadhams Genealogy, Proceded By A Sketch Of The Wadham Family In England

A genealogical history of the Rice family; descendants of Deacon Edmund Rice, who came from Berkhamstead, England, and settled at Sudbury, Massachusetts, in 1638 or 9.

The Hovey Book, Describing The English Ancestry And American Descendants Of Daniel Hovey Of Ipswich, Massachusetts

Northeast Pennsylvania's Wyoming Valley was truly a dark and bloody ground, the site of murders, massacres, and pitched battles. The valley's turbulent history was the product of a bitter contest over property and power known as the Wyoming controversy. This dispute, which raged between the mid-eighteenth and early-nineteenth centuries, intersected with conflicts between whites and native peoples over land, a jurisdictional contest between Pennsylvania and Connecticut, violent contention over property among settlers and land speculators, and the social tumult of the American Revolution. In its later stages, the controversy pitted Pennsylvania and its settlers and speculators against "Wild Yankees"—frontier insurgents from New England who contested the state's authority and soil rights. In Wild Yankees, Paul B. Moyer argues that a struggle for personal independence waged by thousands of ordinary settlers lay at the root of conflict in northeast Pennsylvania and across the revolutionary-era frontier. The concept and pursuit of independence was not limited to actual war or high politics; it also resonated with ordinary people, such as the Wild Yankees, who pursued their own struggles for autonomy. This battle for independence drew settlers into contention with native peoples, wealthy speculators, governments, and each other over land, the shape of America's postindependence social order, and the meaning of the Revolution. With vivid descriptions of the various levels of this conflict, Moyer shows that the Wyoming controversy illuminates settlement, the daily lives of settlers, and agrarian unrest along the early American frontier.

## The History of Sudbury, Massachusetts. 1638-1889

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## The Churchill family in America

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## The English and Scottish Popular Ballads

This text provides perspectives on the way in which gender plays a role in leadership dynamics and ethics within organizations. It seeks to offer new theoretical models for thinking about leadership and organizational influence. Most studies of women's leadership draw on an ethics of care as characteristic of the way women lead, but as such, it tends towards essentialist gender stereotypes and does little to explain the complex systemic variables that influence the functioning of women within organizations. This book moves beyond the canon in exploring alternative paradigms for thinking about leadership and gender in organizations. The authors draw on the literature available in systems thinking, systemic leadership, and gender theory to offer alternative perspectives for thinking about the ways women lead. The book offers invaluable theoretical perspectives and insightful narratives to graduate students and researchers who are interested in women's leadership, gender and organization. It will be of interest to all women in leadership positions, but specifically to those interested in understanding the systemic nature of leadership and their role within it.

Genealogy of the Ayres Family of Fairfield County, Conn.

The Old Families of Salisbury and Amesbury, Massachusetts

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