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A NATION TO BE THANKFUL FOR

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Richard Hakluyt (1552-1616) an English minister and prominent geographer. For decades, he advocated that America become a safe haven for those persecuted in Europe. As he explained in his 1584 *Discourse on Western Planting:*

"We shall, by planting there [in America], enlarge the glory of the Gospel and from England plant sincere religion and provide a safe and a sure place to receive people from all parts of the world that are forced to flee for the truth of God's Word"

Here are the statistics of those that fled:

Pilgrims & Puritans from English State Church (1620-1630)
Jews from the Portuguese Inquisition (c 1654)
Quakers fleeing England after 10,000 were imprisoned or tortured (c 1680)
Anabaptists, Mennonites. etc persecuted in Germany (c 1683)
400,000 Bible believing Huguenots in France w/100,000 killed
20,000 Lutherans expelled from Austria (c. 1731) and so on....



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The Virginia Colony, 1607

CAPE HENRY (April, 1607)



Journeyed upriver which the settlers Called the "James" River, and the site Was called Jamestown after King James

400 Indians attacked, killing 2 of the Settlers, however met the Chief Powhaten, and the Chief's daughter Pocahontas.

Pocahontas befriended many of the Jamestown Settlers



Arrival of Jamestown John Smith (who later became Governor of the Virginia Colony) and how he "met" Pocahontas

Pocahontas & John Smith



Pocahantas' story from America to England and becoming Princess Rebecca by King James I and Queen Anne (c 1616)



The Pilgrims & the Plymouth Colony, 1620



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The Voyage

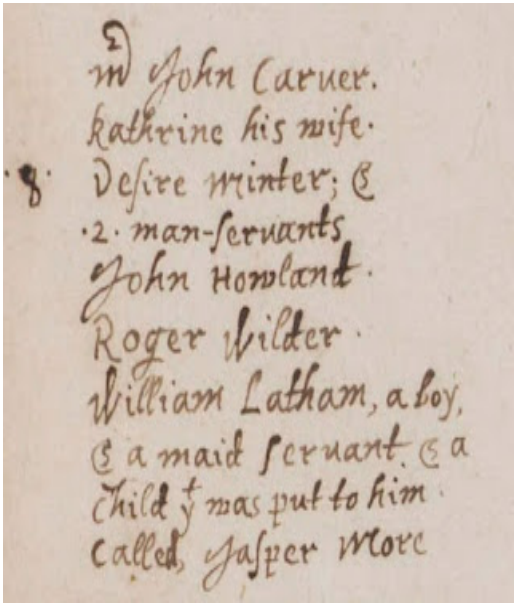
Chronology of the Trip to America

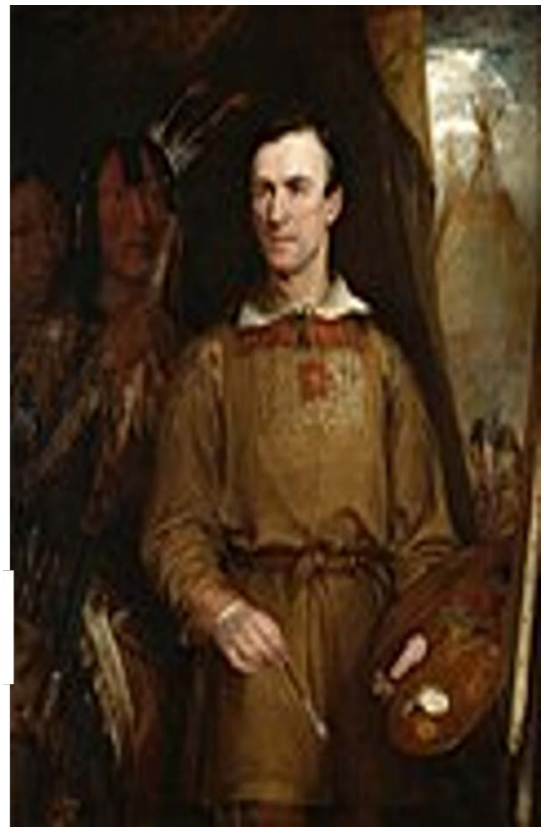


The Amazing Story of a Printing Press on the Mayflower



The Amazing Story of John Howland





Headed towards the Virginia Colony but missed by Hundreds of Miles North !

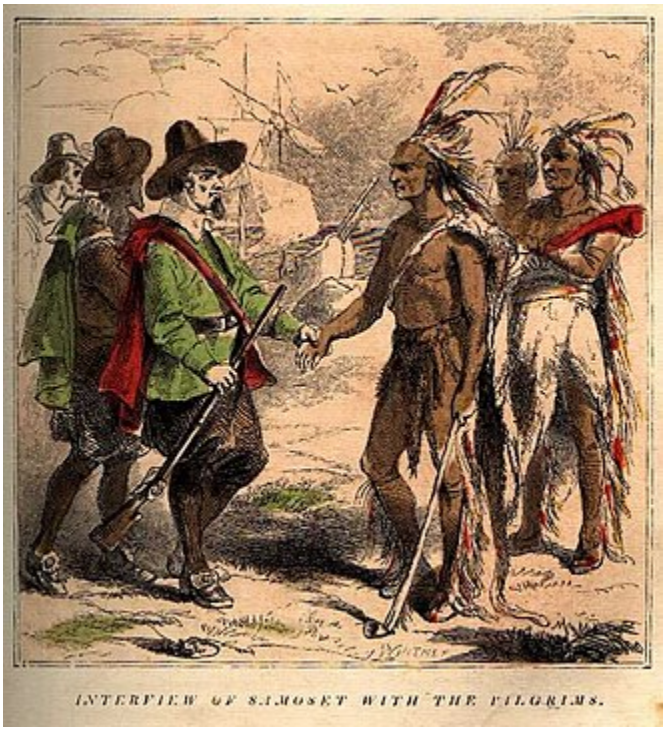
Mayflower Compact



First Governing Document Written in the New World

Declared in 1620 - - “Having undertaken for the Glory of God and advancement of the Christian faith and the honor of our king and country, a voyage to plant the first colony in the northern parts of Virginia, do by these presents (that is, by this legal document and charter) solemnly and mutually, in the presence of God and one of another, covenant and combine ourselves together into a civil body politic ….”

SAMOSET, MASSASOIT & SQUANTO



Samoset **Chief Massasoit**



Governor William Bradford meeting Samoset with Squanto

THE FAMOUS THANKSGIVING & DROUGHT



November, 1621 included 50 surviving Pilgrims and Chief Massasoit with 100 Native Indians from the Wampanoag Tribe.

The Feast lasted for 3 days ! The Pilgrim-Wampanoag Tribe signed a Treaty April, 1621 and lasted over 50 years. Squanto was the translator and taught them how to live with the land.



THE PURITANS & MASSACHUSETTS, 1620





The Original Seal of Massachusetts Bay with an Indian quoting the Bible phrase *"Come Over and Help Us"*

The Puritans with beliefs similar to the Pilgrims waited behind for 10 years attempting to reform (that is "purify") the corrupt practices of the State-established Church of England

The Church of England persecuted the Puritans by slitting their noses, cutting off their ears and branding some of them.

Some left to establish an uncorrupted Church and their charter in 1629 (before leaving) stated their desire to be "so religiously, peaceably, and civilly governed, as their good life and orderly conversation [that is, their Godly lifestyle] may win and invite the natives of country to the knowledge and obedience of the only true God and Savior of mankind, and the Christian faith, which…is the peaceful end of this plantation (colony)"

WHAT IS YOUR BEST THANKSGIVING MEMORY ??

WHAT ARE YOU THANKFUL FOR TODAY??



References, *The American Story: The Beginning* by David Burton & Tim Burton and Scott Powell, Senior Fellow of Discovery Institute from his acclaimed book, *Rediscovering America*