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# Great Migration Begins: Immigrants to New England 1620-1633, Volumes I-III

#### Introduction

For the user of this set of volumes to understand what is being presented, we must define carefully the scope of the Great Migration Study Project. Who were the participants in the Great Migration? What information is being collected on these people?

## Criteria for Inclusion in The Great Migration Begins

The first phase of the Great Migration Study Project attempts to identify and describe all those Europeans who settled in New England prior to the end of 1633. The date was chosen because of the steep increase in migration beginning in 1634 and continuing for the rest of that decade (see Robert Charles Anderson, "A Note on the Pace of the Great Migration," The New England Quarterly 59 [1986]:406-07). As a rough estimate, about 15 percent of the immigrants to New England arrived in the fourteen years from 1620 to 1633, with the remaining 85 percent coming over in half as many years, from 1634 to 1640.

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## **ANTHONY ANNABLE**

ORIGIN: Cambridge, Cambridgeshire

MIGRATION: 1623 on Anne

FIRST RESIDENCE: Plymouth

REMOVES: Scituate 1633, Barnstable 1639

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP: "Goodman Anniball and his wife" were #4 and #5 among the founding members of the Scituate church on 8 January 1634/5 [ NEHGR 9:279]; they may well have been members of the Plymouth church earlier. They stayed with Lathrop and his church when it moved to Barnstable. FREEMAN: In "1633" Plymouth list of freemen, before those admitted 1 January 1632/3 [ PCR 1:3]; also in list dated 7 March 1636/7 [ PCR 1:53]. In another list of freemen, which was begun about 1637 and revised

list dated 7 March 1636/7 [ PCR 1:52]. In another list of freemen, which was begun about 1637 and revised from time to time, Anthony **Annable** is shown under Scituate (where his name has been cancelled) and under Barnstable [ PCR 8:175, 177]; in list of 29 May 1670 [ PCR 5:277].

EDUCATION: No direct evidence of education or literacy, but his inclusion on the 1636 and 1645 committees to reform the laws, given the nature of the task and the known educational level of the other members of the committees, speaks of a well-educated man. Inventory included books valued at 15s. OFFICES: Constable for "ward of Scituate" 1 January 1633/4 and continued in same position 1 January 1634/5 [ PCR 1:21, 32]; committee on "the trade" 1 October 1634 [ PCR 1:31]; committee to reform colony laws 4-5 October 1636, 4 June 1645 [ PCR 1:44, 2:85]; jury 4-5 October 1636 [ PCR 1:44]; Plymouth petit jury 6 March 1637/8, 2 March 1640/1, 1 March 1641/2 [ PCR 7:8, 19, 29]; Plymouth coroner's jury 15 March 1657/8, 22 October 1668 [ PCR 3:147, 5:7]; Scituate deputy to Plymouth General Court, 4 June 1639 [ PCR 1:126]; Barnstable deputy to Plymouth General Court, 2 June 1640, 1 June 1641, 7 June 1642, 27 September 1642, 6 June 1643, 10 October 1643, 5 March 1643/4, 5 June 1644, 20 August 1644, 28 October 1645, 1 June 1647, 4 June 1650, 5 June 1651, 7 June 1653, 3 June 1656, 3 June 1657 [ PCR 1:155; 2:16, 40, 46, 57, 63, 68, 72, 75, 94, 117, 154, 168; 3:32, 99, 115]; in Barnstable in the 1643 list of men able to bear arms [ PCR 8:193]; committee for the defense of Barnstable, 10 October 1643 [ PCR 2:65]; committee on taxes, 2 June 1646 [ PCR 2:101].

*ESTATE:* In the 1623 Plymouth land division, "Anthony Anable" was granted four acres "on the other side of the town towards Eel River" [ PCR 12:6]. In the 1627 division of cattle the eighth company included Anthony, Jane, Sara and Hannah Anable [ PCR 12:11-12].

On 9 June 1630 Anthony Anable sold to Daniel Ray his dwelling house, garden plot, fence and "and all the privileges thereunto belonging" for £15 [ PCR 12:17-18].

Taxed 18s. on 25 March 1633 and 9s. on 27 March 1634 [ PCR 1:10, 27].

Before the end of September 1634 Anthony **Annable** had built a "small plain pallizadoe" house at Scituate [NEHGR 10:42]. On 29 September 1639 Anthony **Annable** of Barnstable, planter, sold to Thomas Rawlins of Scituate "my dwelling house and out house and all my lands thereunto appertaining, viz:" twenty-two acres, on the northeast side of the first herring brook, nine acres of marsh on the same side of the first herring brook, eighty acres of upland on the north side of the North River, and thirteen acres of marsh thereto belonging [PCR 12:82-83, 85].

Anthony Annible was one of the Purchasers or Old Comers [ PCR 2:177]. On 5 March 1660/1 he had permission to purchase at Saconeesett [ PCR 3:216], and on 1 June 1669 he was granted "competent accommodation of land" at Teticut [ PCR 5:20, 24].

In his will, dated 24 February 1672 and probated 4 June 1674, Anthony Annible bequeathed to wife Ann Annible dwelling house and all lands "which lyeth between that land which I have formerly given to my son, Samuel Annible, and Goodman Blush's land," along with half the meadow and half the Great Meadow, for life, and all movables to be at wife's disposal; to daughter Desire Annible household stuff left at wife's

decease; to each of my daughters 12d. In a codicil of 23 April 1674 he gave his remaining lands to son Samuel Annible at his wife's decease, Samuel to pay £30 to [Anthony's] daughter Desire Annible. The inventory, presented 18 June 1674, totalled £100 9s. 6d., with no real estate included [ PCPR 3:1:101; MD 25:90].

BIRTH: About 1595 based on date of marriage.

DEATH: Barnstable between 23 April 1674 (codicil to will) and 4 June 1674 (probate of will).

MARRIAGE: (1) All Saints, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, 26 April 1619 Jane Moumford [ NEHGR 65:380];
"Sister Anniball buried the 13th day of the tenth month [December] 1643 in the Calves pasture" Barnstable [ NEHGR 9:285].

(2) Barnstable 3 March 1644 or 1 March 1645 Ann Elcock or Clark [ MD 2:212; PCR 2:80, 8:41; see also Otis 17-18]. In his will of 25 June 1672 Thomas Shaw of Barnstable bequeathed to "Ann Annible, the wife of Anthony Annible" (without stating any relation to himself) his bed and all his bedding [ PCPR 3:1:42; NEHGR 7:236]. On 30 October 1677 "Anne Annible of Barnstable, widow," was fined 20s. "for selling of beer to English and Indians without license" [ PCR 5:246]. She was still living as late as 30 October 1678, when she was named in the settlement of the estate of her son Samuel Annible [ PCR 5:272]. CHILDREN:

With first wife

i SARAH, b. say 1620; m. "Greens-harbour" [Marshfield] 22 or 23 November 1638 Henry Ewell [ PCR 1:108; NEHGR 9:286].

ii HANNAH, b. Plymouth 1623 (date and place of birth so stated because she was presumably one of those accounted for in the grant of four acres to her father in 1623, and in a 3 June 1662 list of those eligible for a grant of land "as being the first born children of this government" is "Anthony Anible for his daughter, Hannah Burman" [ PCR 4:19]); m. 10 March 1645[/6] Thomas Bourman [ MD 3:51; other dates recorded are 3 March 1644 and 1 March 1645 (PCR 2:80, 8:41), to be compared against the dates of marriage of her father to his second wife]. Anthony Annible was appointed adminstrator on the estate of Thomas Burman, 1 June 1663 [ PCR 4:41].

iii SUSANNA, b. about 1630; "Will[iam] Hatch married to Susanna Anniball daughter of Anth. Anniball" at Scituate 13 May 1652 [ MD 2:33].

iv Daughter, "Brother Anniball buried a maid child being born somewhat before the time" Scituate 8 April 1635 [ NEHGR 9:284].

v DEBORAH, bp. Scituate 7 May 1637 [ NEHGR 9:281]; no further record.

## With second wife

vi SAMUEL, b. Barnstable "about 22 of January 1646 [i.e, 1645/6]" [ MD 2:212], bp. Barnstable 8 February 1645/6 [ NEHGR 9:283]; m. Barnstable 1 June 1667 Mehitable Allyn [ MD 2:213].

vii ESEK, bp. Barnstable 29 April 1649 [ NEHGR 9:284]; no further record.

viii DESIRE, b. Barnstable "about beginning of October 1653" [ MD 2:212], bp. Barnstable 16 October 1653 [ NEHGR 9:284]; m. Barnstable 18 January 1676[/7] John Barker [ MD 3:52].

COMMENTS: In a set of Plymouth Colony vital records published in 1855 are records which indicate that Anthony Annable's second wife died in 1651, that **Annable** married a third time, and that this third wife also soon died [NEHGR 9:315, 317]. Since **Annable** names a wife Ann in his 1672 will, a fourth wife is implied. Savage apparently based his treatment of the **Annable** family on these records, but Otis noted that events occurring in the family of Abraham Blish (or Blush) had been applied to Anthony **Annable**, that **Annable** had only two wives, and that Savage would be correcting his account, which he did in his fourth volume [Savage 1:59, 4:674; Otis 18]. The problem arose because the records published in 1855 had been rearranged, and do not correspond to the originals.

In his marriage index, Torrey identifies the wife of Alexander Kennedy/Canedy as Elizabeth **Annable**. This does not derive from any of the sources cited by Torrey, and is apparently a suggestion based on the fact that this couple named a child **Annable** in 1698 [ MD 1:209]. Despite this interesting name, the chronology makes such an identification unlikely.

BIBLIOGRAPHIC NOTE: The most recent treatment of this immigrant and his descendants, The Anable Family in America: 1623-1967, authored by Anthony Anable and published in 1967, is inadequately documented and makes unsubstantiated claims about the English origin of the immigrant.

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#### **Sketches**

THOMAS APPLEGATE jumptoANTHONYANNABLE Mehitable ALLEN; Mehitable ALLENS; Mehitable ALLEYN; Mehitable ; Ann Elcock/Clark? ANNABLE; Anthony ANNABLE; Deborah ANNABLE; Desire ANNABLE; ElizabethANNABLE; Esek ANNABLE; Hannah ANNABLE; Hannah ANNABLE; Jane Moumford ANNABLE; Mehitable Allyn ANNABLE; Samuel ANNABLE; Sarah ANNABLE; Sarah ANNABLE; Susanna ANNABLE; DesireAnnable BARGES; John BARGES; Abraham BLISH; Abraham BLUSH; Goodman BLUSH; Hannah Annable BOURMAN; Thomas BOURMAN; Ann CLARK; Ann CLARKE; Ann ELCOCK; Henry EWELL; Sarah Annable EWELL; SusannaAnnable HATCH; William HATCH; Alexander KENNEDY; Elizabeth Annable? KENNEDY; John LATHROP; JohnLAWTHROP; Jane MUMFORD; Jane MOUMFORD; Thomas RAWLINS; Thomas RAWLINGS; Thomas RAWLYNS see alsoROLLINS; Daniel RAY; Thomas SHAW; Thomas SHAVE; Cambridge, Cambridgeshire 1623 on Anne PlymouthScituate 1633, Barnstable 1639 In "1633" Plymouth list of freemen, before those admitted 1 January 1632/3 [PCR1:3]; also in list dated 7 March 1636/7 [PCR1:52]. In another list of freemen, which was begun about 1637 and revised from time to time, Anthony Annable is shown under Scituate (where his name has been cancelled) and under Barnstable [PCR8:175, 177]; in list of 29 May 1670 [PCR5:277]. In the 1623 Plymouth land division, "Anthony Anable" was granted four acres "on the otherside of the town towards Eel River" [PCR12:6]. In the 1627 division of cattle the eighth company included Anthony, Jane, Sara and HannahAnable [PCR12:11-12]. About 1595 based on date of marriage. Barnstable between 23 April 1674 (codicil to will) and 4 June 1674 (probate of will). (1) All Saints, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, 26 April 1619 JaneMoumford [NEHGR65:380]; "Sister Anniball buried the 13th day of the tenth month [December] 1643 in the Calvespasture" Barnstable [NEHGR9:285]. With first wife i SARAH, b. say 1620;m. "Greensharbour" [Marshfield] 22 or 23 November 1638 Henry Ewell [PCR1:108;NEHGR9:286]. ii HANNAH, b. Plymouth 1623 (date and place of birth sostated because she was presumably one of those accounted for in the grant of four acres to herfather in 1623, and in a 3 June 1662 list of those eligible for a grant of land "as being the firstborn children of this government" is "Anthony Anible for his daughter, Hannah Burman" [PCR4:19]); m. 10 March 1645[/6] Thomas Bourman [MD3:51; other dates recorded are 3 March 1644 and 1 March 1645(PCR2:80, 8:41), to be compared against the dates of marriage of her father to his second wife]. Anthony Annible was appointed adminstrator on the estate of Thomas Burman, 1 June 1663 [PCR4:41]. iii SUSANNA, b. about 1630; "Will[iam] Hatch married toSusanna Anniball daughter of Anth. Anniball" at Scituate 13 May 1652 [MD2:33]. iv Daughter, "Brother Anniball buried a maid child beingborn somewhat before the time" Scituate 8 April 1635 [NEHGR9:284]. v DEBORAH, bp. Scituate 7 May 1637 [NEHGR9:281]; no further record. vi SAMUEL, b. Barnstable "about 22 of January 1646 [i.e.

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