

MARCH FAMILY

OF ANDOVER- NOTES-

Major John (2) March, son of Hugh (1) March of Newbury, was born Jan. 10, 1658. He married Oct. 1, 1679 Jemima True. He built ships on the Merrimac River at ANDOVER. He died 1713, leaving a widow with three children, who inherited his estate at Salisbury.

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In an old note book belonging to Timothy Osgood of ANDOVER, an item dated March 25, 1713 says:- " Dew me for Ceaping a horse for Mister John March 0-1-6, at the seam time ther came Samuel Downes and John Stevens for to Bord at my Hous."

John March presumably kept his horse at the Osgood stables while engaged in ship building on the river.

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Dorcas (5) March, a daughter of Tom (4) March and Dorcas Woodbridge, (Israel (3) March (George (2) Hugh (1)) was born June 11, 1746. She married in 1763, her cousin Dudley (5) Woodbridge, of ANDOVER. He was the son of Ben (4) Woodbridge and Mary Osgood, b. 1733. He died 1799. They had a son, Thomas March Woodbridge, b. 1765; d. 1841.

Dorcas lived in her old age, with her grand daughter, the wife of Archelaus Rea, in North Parish. Another son, Dudley, born 1776, lived in Berwick, Greenwich and ANDOVER; d. 1795 in Philadelphia. A daughter, Elizabeth Grafton, b. 1778, married Nathe Lovejoy, a son of John.

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Essex Ct. Records: 1653.-- Judith March, wife of Hugh (1), fined for wearing a silk scarf and hood. Discharged, when Hugh proved that he was able to let her spend money on same.

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