

John Winslow: a 1626 "Purchaser"

In 1621, King James I authorized the Council for New England to plant and govern land in this area. This Council granted the Peirce Patent, confirming the Pilgrims' settlement and governance of Plymouth. Peirce and his associates, the merchant adventurers, were allotted 100 acres for each settler the Company transported. The Pilgrims had a contract with the Company stating all land and profits would accrue to the Company for 7 years at which time the assets would be divided among the shareholders. Most of the Pilgrims held some stock. The Pilgrims negotiated a more favorable contract with the Company in 1626. In 1627, 53 Plymouth freemen, known as "The Purchasers," agreed to buy out the Compan over a period of years. In turn, 12 "Undertakers" (8 from Plymouth and 4 from London) agreed to pay off Plymouth's debts in return for trade benefits.

John Winslow and the 1627 Division of Cattle

Plymouth Colony Records, Deeds &c, Vol I 1627-1651 also tells of the 1627 Division of Cattle: "At a publique court held the 22th of May it was concluded by the whole Companie, that the cattell wch were the Companies, to wit, the Cowes & the Goates should be equally devided to all the psonts of the same company ... & so the lotts fell as followeth, thirteene psonts being pportioned to one lot ...

"The sixt lott fell to John Shaw & his companie Joyned (1) to him (2) John Adams (3) Eliner Adams (4) James Adams (5) John Winslow (6) Mary Winslow (7) Willm Basset (8) Elizabeth Bassett (9) Willyam Basset Junor (10) Elizabeth Basset Juno (11) ffrancis Sprage (12) Anna Sprage (13) Mercye Sprage.

"To this lot fell the lesser of the black Cowes Came at first in the Ann wth which they must keepe the bigest of the 2 steers. Also to this lott was two shee goats."

John Winslow & the Records of Plymouth Colony

8 July 1630: "An agreement made this prsent viijth of July 1630 betweene John Winslow on the one pty and John Shawe of the other pty as followeth.

"Imprimis the said John Winslow hath fully and absolutely sould to the said John Shawe all his arrable land that is lying in that Tract of land that is comonly called Knauer acre otherwise named Woodbee in manner and forme as followth.

"ffirst, the said John Shawe is to pay to the said John Winslow for the said lands six pounds of lawfull money or good commodities of wch said sixe pounds three pounds is already payd downe in hand, and the remaynder is to be payed namely three pound in such good comodityes as the said John Winslow well liketh or els in good merchantable Corne to be payd the first of November next ensuing.

"Secondly the said John Shawe is to giue to the said John Winslowe all the Meadow ground that butteth at the vpper end of the said arrable land to the brooke side as well that that was formly the said John Winslowes, as the other of the said John Shawes.

"Thirdly the said John Shawe is to allow the said John Winslow his heires and Assignes a payth & heigh way with free egresse & regresse through the said land vnto any pte of the said John

Winslowes grounds adjoyneing therevnto. In witness whereof wee the said pties haue interchaungably set to our hands the day and yeare aboue written.

"John Winslowe. John Shawe his marke. Witnes herevnto Johnathan Brewster."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 12, p. 15.

25 June 1631: "Edw: Winslow of new Plymouth hath bought of John Wynslow of the same three Acres of land lying in the Comon field on the south side the towne of Plymoth aforesd lying betweene the lands of ffrances Eaton on the north side & Capt Myles Standish on the south for a valuable consideracon agreed on betweene them. The said John binding himselfe to confirme the same to the sd Edw: & his heires for ever.

"John Winslowe."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 12, p. 16.

1633: "The Names of the Freemen of the Incorporacon of Plymoth in New England ... John Wynslow."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 3.

John Winslow's name is also in the 1636-7 List of Freemen (PCR 1:52)

25 March 1633: "According to an order in Court held the 2d of January, in the seaventh yeare of the raigne of our soveraigne lord, Charles, by the grace of God King of Engl., Scotl., France & Irel., defendor of the faith, &c, the psons heere under menconed were rated for publike use by the Govr, Mr Will Bradford ... to be brought in by each pson as they are heere under written, rated in corne at vi s[hillings] p bushell, at or before the last of November next ensuing ... John Wynslow ... 00: 18 [shilling]: 00."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol.1, p. 9.

In 1633, John Winslow was again "rated" at 18 shillings (PCR 1: 27).

1 July 1633: "Orders about moving of Grasse for the prnt Yeare, 1633.

"To Joh Wynslow, Allerton, Mr Fuller, Wido Wright, & Joh Adams that wch Mr Gilson mowed last yeare, & the rest adjoyning unmowed."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 14.

23 July 1633: "John Beaven hath covenanted to serve Joh. Wynslow or his assignes the full terme of six yeares, according to the nature of an apprentise, beginning June 24, 1633. At thend of his said terme, the sd John Wynslow, his master, to giue him twelue bushells of Indian corne, & 25 acres of unmanured land."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 15-16.

24 October 1633: "An Inventory of the goods & Chattels of John Adams late of Plymouth as they were prised by John Wynslow & john Jenny..."

Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 1, p. 157.

28 October 1633: "At this Court the will & test. of Sam Fuller was proved, upon the oath of the witnesses, John Wynslow & Robt Heeks."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 18.

18 October 1633: "A true Coppy of the last will & Testm of Samuell ffuller the elder as it was proved in publick Court ...

"It. I give unto John Jenny & Joh. Wynslow each of them a paire of gloves of five shillings... "

Mayflower Descendant, Vol 1, p. 24-29.

23 July 1634: "Mr. Timothy Hatherly hath turned ouer his seruant, Ephraim Tinkcum, to dwell with John Winslow, of New Plimouth, for the whole terme of yeares expressed in a certayne pare of indentures, and yt the sayd John Winsloe is to performe the conditions expressed in the sayd indenture vnto the said Ephraim.:

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 31.

1 October 1634: "At a Court holden before the Gouernour & Assistants, it was determined concerning the trade that it to continue in the hands of the parteners till the next Court, all other persons excluded as formerly; and for furthering of a course fo hereafter, we made choyse of seuerall persons to treate with the now parteners. The persons made choyce of were Mr St. Hopkins, Mr William Colier, Mr Wil Gilson, Antony Anible, Jonathan Brewster, John Winslow, Manaseh Kempton, John Dunham, they having concluded to meet together about the midle of Nouember."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 31.

- **3 March 1634-35:** "At ye same Court these, whose names are vnderwritten, were added to ye rest yt were apointed ye year before, for to cesse [assess] ye company for ye watch & other publick charge. Manasah Kemton, Josua Pratt, John Winslow, Edward Bangs, Steuen Tracy." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 33.
- **5 July 1635:** "At ye same Courte it was agreed to be needfull to build a mille; and these 4 whose names are vnder writen wer by ye Courte appoynted to collecte ye money for the building of ye same, as also to agree with workmen, and order other all things for ye dispatch therof. Captaine Standish, Mr William Collier, Jone Done, & John Winslow." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 35.
- **5 January 1635-36:** "At this Court was chosen to assiste ye Gouer & Counsell, to sett shuch rates on goods to be sould, & labourers for their hire, as should be meete & juste, John Done, John Winslow, Manasah Kemton, Kenelme Winslow, John Jeney, John Browne, John Barnes" Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 36.
- **1 March 1635-36:** "That Mr John Done, John Jenny, Manasseh Kempton, Josuah Prat, John Winslow, Edw: Bangs, & Stephen Tracy be added to the Govr & Assitants, for the ceasing [assessing] of men for the publick charge of this prsnt yeare." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 38.
- **14 March 1635-36:** "That John, Kenelm, & Josias Wynslow & John Barnes haue that porcon of grownd upon Jones River from the point of the wood right to the coming in at Stony Brooke, & so upward on the sowth side the river." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol.1, p. 40.
- **7 June 1636:** "At this Court an action of slander was tried between John Done, plaintiffe, & Helin Billington, defendant, wherin the defendt was cast in fiue pownds starling to the plaintife, and adjudged to be sett in the stocks & be whipt.
- "At the same Court an accon of battery was tried between John Tisdale, yeoman, plaintiffe, & Stephen Hopkins, Assistant to the governmt, deft, wherein the deft, Stephen Hopkins, was cast in four pownds starling to our sov. lord the King, whose peace he had broken, wch he ought after a speciall manner to haue kept, and also in forty shillings to the plaintiffe, both wch he was adjuged to pay.

"The jewry that served upon these trialls were Capt Myles Standish, Joh. Howland, Joh. Wynslow, Edm. Chandler, Joh. Dunham, Rich. Church, Joh. Cooke the younger, Tho. Cushman, Joseph Rogers, James Hurst, Kanelme Wynslow, William Pontus. Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 42

- **2 November 1636:** "John Winslow hath turned over the service of Edmund Weston for two yeares, beginning the last of May next ensuing, to Nathaniel Thomas, in the behalfe of his father, Mr William Thomas, in consid. of ten pownds starling, the sd William being further to giue the said Edmund six pounds p annum, & fowrteen bushels of corne, at thend of the sd two yeares, & wt else the sd John should make good p his covt [covenant]." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 45.
- **3 January 1636-37:** "It is also ordered by the Court that the Cutt at Greenes Harbor for a boate passage shalbe made eighteene foote wide and sixe foote deepe. And for the manner how the same shalbe donn for the better ordering thereof it is referred to the Gouernr and Assistants wth the help of John Winslowe Jonathan Brewster John Barnes & Christopher Waddesworth aswell to pportion euery man equally to the charge thereof as also to order men that shall worke thereat, that tenn men may worke together there at once, and that the Gounor or whom he shall appynt shall ouersee the same that it may be well pformed...

"It is ordered by the Court That Mr Collyer Mr Hopkins Mr Browne Mr Done John Jenney Jonathan Brewster John Winslowe & Thomas Willett shall treate wth those that haue the trade in theire hands & to prpare such conclusions concning the same That the Court being made acquainted therewth and approueing thereof may conclude the same with them" Plymouth Colony Records, Vol.11, p. 25-26.

3 January 1636-37: "At the Generall Court...

"Comfort Starr, of New Towne, in Mattachusetts Bay, complained against Willm Hatch, of Scituate, in a plea of debt vpon a bond of seaventy eight pounds, for the payment of thirty nine pounds...

"Nathaniell Tilden, of Scituate, complaines against Comfort Starr, of New Towne, in Mattachusets Bay, in a plea vpon the case, to the damnage of one hundred pounds ...

"Nathaniell Thomas complaines against Georg Soule, in an action vpon the case, by attaching two heiffers...

"Georg Soule complains agst Nathall Thomas, in a plea of trespasse, to the damnag of fourty pounds...

"The Jury. Mr. John Atwood, John Winslow, Steeven Tracy, Edward Foster, Willm Gilson, Thomas Willet, Edward Bangs, Willm Paddy, sworne."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 7, p. 3-4.

John Winslow also served on juries on 1 September 1640 (PCR 7:18), 5 October 1640 (PCR 7:17), 1 June 1641 (PCR 7:20), 6 July 1641 (PCR 7:22), 3 May 1642 (PCR 7:29), 6 March 1648-49 (PCR 7:45), 2 March 1651-52 (PCR 7:58), 5 October 1652 (PCR 7:62)

7 March 1636-37: "The Names of the Great Inquest or Grand Jury, sworne to enqire of all Abuses wthin the body of this Goument, &c. John Atwood, gen., Jonathan Brewster, John Winslowe, Kenelme Winslowe, Willm Gilson, Edward Foster, Willm Hatch, John Dunhame, Mr John Vincent, Manasseth Kempton, Edward Banges, John Weekes, Christopher Wadeworth, John Cooke, Junior, Steephen Tracy, Richard Church (xvi.,) Mr Edmond Freeman, sworne." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 54.

John Winslow also served on a Grand Jury in 1639 (PCR 1:126) and in 1642 (PCR 2:34 and 41).

7 March 1636-37: "That John Winslow of Plymouth doth acknowledg that he hath sould a house and a garden place scituate in the New street in Plymouth aforesd to Mr Thomas Burne for the sume of sixteene pounds sterl to him in hand payd To haue and to hold the said house and garden place and all and singuler thapprtences therevnto belonging vnto the said Thomas Burne his heires and Assignes for euer to the onely proper vse and behoofe of the said Thomas Burne his heires and assignes for euer."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol.12, p. 28.

- **20 March 1636-37:** "The pticuler psons assigned this yeare as followeth for hey: -... "To John Winslowe and Josias Winslow, the great Wood Iland at Greenes Harbor, for this yeare." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 55.
- **7 June 1637:** "It is concluded and enacted by the Court, that the colony of New Plymouth shall send forth ayd to assist them of Massachusetts Bay and Conectacutt in their warrs against the Pequin Indians, in reveng of the innocent blood of the English wch the sd Pequins have barbarousl shed, and refuse to giue satisfaccon for...

"It is also enacted by the Court, that Mr Hopkins and John Winslow for the towne of Plymouth, mr Howland and Jonathan Brewster for the towne of Ducksborrow, and MR Gilson an Edward Forster for the towne of Sictuate, shalbe added to the Gounor and Assistants to assesse men towards the charges of the souldiers that are to be sent forth for the ayde of the Massachusetts Bay and Connectacutt...

"Wheras, according to the order of the Court, the Gounor and Assistants, wth the help of Mr Hopkins and John Winslow for the towne of Plymouth, Mr Howland and Jonathan Brewster for the towne of Ducksborrow, and Mr Gilson and Edward Foster for the towne of Scituate, haue mett together & considered of the charge in setting forth the souldiers, and fynd that it will amount vnto the sume of two hundred pounds, the wch is appoynted & concluded to be payd in manner following, vizt: one hundred pounds by the township of Plymouth & the liberties thereof, fifty pounds by the townships of Duckborrow, and thother fifty pounds by the towneship of Scituate." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 60-62.

- **7 June 1637:** "Whereas the trade of beaver, &c, is now likely to goe to decay, in regard that they wch haue had it will not any longer hold yt, the Court hath referred it to the Gounor and Assistants to advise and consider of a way and course how the said trade may be vpholden for the good of the whole collony; and for the better advisement therin haue joyned to the Gounor and Assistants Mr Hopkins, Mr Atwood, Mr Done, Thomas Willett, & John Winslow for Plymouth, Mr John Howland and Jonathan Brewster for Ducksborrow, and Josias Winslow for Sictuate; and what way and course they shall agree and conclude vpon, the whole colony doth consent vnto." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 62.
- **2 October 1637:** "Whereas diuers were appoynted to take a view of the meadow grounds betwixt the Eele riuer and South Riuer, that there might be an equall diuision of them to eich man, and fynding the same by estimacon to amount vnto fiue hundred acres, or thereabouts, the Court doth order, that Mr Willm Brewster, Mr Stephen Hopkins, Mr John Done, and John Winslowe for the towne of Plymouth, Edward Banges for the Eele riuer, mr John Browne for Joanes riuer, and Jonathan Brewster and Edmond chaundler for Ducksborrow, shalbe added to the Gounor and Assistants, to agree vpon an equall course for the diuision of them, and to depute some certaine psons afterwards to make the said diuision." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 67.

13 November 1637: "Whereas Mr Edward Winslowe formly bought three acres of lands of John Winslow lying on the North side of the Towne of New Plymouth and betweene the lands of the

said Edward Winslowe and John Alden Now the said Edward Winslow hath for valuable consideracon sould and reassigned the said three acres of lands vnto the said John Winslowe againe. And the said John winslowe for & in consideracon of the sume of tenn pounds tenn shillings sterl bargained & sould the said three acres together wth one other acre lying betweene the lands of Mr Thomas Prince and the said Edward winslow in the lower diuision of the field on the North side of the said Towne betweene the two brookes vento Josias Winslow his heires and assignes To haue and to hold the said foure acres of lands vnto the said Josias Winslow his heires & assignes for eu to their ownely pp use and behoofe."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 12, p. 23.

2 January 1637-38: "Presentments by the Grant Jury...

"Mr Hopkins is psented for sufferinge excessive drinking in his house, as old Palmer, James Coale, & William Renolds. John Winslow, Widdow Palmer, Widdow Palmers man, thomas Little, witnesss & Stepheen Tracy."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 75.

John Winslow was also a witness against Stephen Hopkins on June 5, 1638, for "selling wine at such excessive rates, to the oppressing & impouishing of the colony" (PCR 1:87).

- **7 May 1638:** "Liberty of enlargement is graunted vnto John Winslow at the vpper end of his lot at Playne Dealeing, as farr as the lesser swamp, where they used to saw spruce trees." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 84.
- **13 August 1638:** "That Joseph Grosse the xiijth of August 1638 doth acknowledg that he hath put himself apprentice to John Winslow for the terme of seaven yeares next ensuing after the date hereof & full to be compleate & ended The said John Winslow fynding him meate drink & apparell during the said terme and in thend thereof to giue him two convenient suits of aparell one for workeing dayes and another for Lords dayes and twelue bushells of Indian Corne." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 12, p. 34.
- **4 September 1638:** "Arthur Peach, Thomas Jackson, Richard Stinnings, & Daniell Crosse were indicted for murther & robbing by the heigh way. They killed and robd one Penowanyanquis, an Indian, as Misquamsqueece, & took from his five fadome of wampeux, and three coates of woolen cloth.

"The jurys names that went vpon them were these: - William Hatch, John Winslowe, Willm Pontus, Edward Foster, Richard Derbye, John Holmes, John Paybody, Richard Sillis, Humfrey Turner, Samuell Hinckley, Giles Rickett, Gabriell Fallowell, sworne.

"They found the said Arthur Peach, Thomas Jackson, and Richard Stinnings guilty of the said felonious murthering & robbing of the said Penowanyanquis...

"Daniell Crosse made an escape, & so had not his tryall; but Peach, Jackson, & Stinnings had sentence of death pnounced; vizt, to be taken from the place where they were to the place from whence they came, and thence to the place of execucon, and there to be hanged by the neck vntill their bodyes were dead, wch was executed vpon them accordingly. Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 96-97.

4 February 1638-39: "Concerneing the differences about the measure of lands betwixt Mr Thomas Burne, Josias Winslow, Kenelme Winslow, & Loue Brewster, the court doth order, that if the said Kenelme winslow and Loue Brewster wilbe at the charg to remeasure the same againe, that then allowing the said Mr Burne and Josias Winslo theire hundred acrees apeece, the said Kenelme & Loue to haue the surplusage of the said neck according to their graunt; and the court appoynteth Mr Edward Winslowe, Mr John Brown, mr Vassall, if he please, John Winslowe, and Josuah Prat, to sett the bounds betwixt them vpon the remeasureing thereof againe."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 111.

24 June 1639: "That John Winslow of Plym yeoman doth acknowledg that for and in consideracon of the sume of eight pounds sterl to him in hand payd by John Barnes of the same yeom hath freely and absolutely bargained & sould vnto the said John Barnes foure acrees of meddow land assigned and layd forth to the said JohnWinslowe at the Heigh Pynes lying to the south east side of the meddow ground there likewise layd forth vnto the said John Barnes wth all & singuler thapprtencs therevnto belonging and all his right title & interrest of & into the said prmisss and euery pt & pcell therof To haue and to hold the said foure acrees of meddow wth all and singuler thapprtencs therevnto belonging vnto the said John Barnes his heires & assignes foreu to the onely pper use and behoofe of him the said John Barnes his heires and assignes foreuer."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 12, p. 45.

- **5 May 1640:** "John Winslow, Nicholas Snowe, Nehemiah Smyth, Georg Soule, Josuah Pratt, are appoynted to view all the meddowes at Greens Harbour, wch are not graunted forth, & to measure them, and to make report thereof the next court." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 151.
- **1 June 1640:** "The Court doth order that Mr Collyer & Mr Alden do shew what land was appropried to Mr thomas at Greens Harbor; and then Mr Prence, Capt Standish, Edward Bangs, Willm Paddy, Jonathan Brewster, John Winslow, Josias Cooke, Thomas Little, and Josuah Pratt to view & measure the meddow lands at Greens Harbour, betwixt this and the next Court; and then to make report of the number of acrees there, that they may be afterwards disposed of; and if they fynd any bound marks to be pulled vp, to set vp others in their stead." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 153.
- **2 July 1640:** "Memorand that the aboue named Daniell Salmon did acknowledg before Nathaniell Sowther & John Winslow that he hath received of Mr John Howland full satisfaccon for the legacy aforesaid due to the said Richard ffrancis (als) Deacon & desired the same might be recorded." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 12, p. 63.
- **28 July 1640:** "That John Winslow, for [missing text] in consideracon of the sum of twelue pounds sterl, hath bargained and sould all his interrest and right in the service of Joseph Grosse, wth & by the consent of the said Joseph, wch is for fiue yeares from the thirteenth of august next after the date hereof, vnto Mr John Howland, the said John fynding his said servant, Joseph Grosse, meate, drinke, & apparell during the said terme, & in thend thereof to giue him two suits of apparell, one for working dayes & another for Lords dayes, and shall also giue him sij bushells of Indian corne, in thend of the said terme." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 158.
- 2 November 1640: "These seuall psons following are graunted these quantities of land following,
- at the North riuer, wth meddow to yt: "To John Winslowe fourscore acres, with some meddow to ut."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 1, p. 165.

17 December 1640: "Whereas there is iiii lb and xxxbushells of corne for a rate levyed upon Plymouth and Greens Harbour The Towne appoynt That John Winslow thomas Willett and Thomas Clarke shalbe added to the committee to levy men equally for the payment of it." Records of the Town of Plymouth, Vol. 1, p. 6.

- **5 January 1640-41:** "The differrences betwixt Georg Bower & Georg Bonum, by the consent of both pties, are referred to foure arbitratrs, viz. John Winslow and Willm paddy on George Bowers pt, and Manasseth kempton and James Hurst on Georg Bonums pt; and if they cannot agree, then the said foure arbitrators to choose a fift man vnto them, to make a fynall end thereof." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 2, p. 6.
- **26 November 1641:** "It was agreed that Mr Willm Paddy Thom Willett Thomas Clarke John Dunhame & John Winslowe shall make and assesse the Rate for the publike charges of this Towne this yeare."

Records of the Town of Plymouth, Vol. 1, p. 8.

14 January 1642: "Concerneing the placeing and disposing of ffrancis Billingtons children according to the Act and order of the court ...

"It is ordered that Benjamin Eaton his eldest Boy shalbe with John Winslow upon these conditions untill he shall accomplish the age of xxi years being about xv years in march next and is to fynd him meate drink and apparell during the said terme and pay tenn pounds for his service or xxxiii s iiii d yearely pvided that if he dye before thend of said terme that then the said John winslow shall pay pportionably to the tyme he lives and no more and the payments to be made in Country [pay] pvided that if any man els will take him upon these condicons he may with the approbation of the Governor and Mr. Prence...

"It is ordered and agreed likewise That Gabriell ffallowell shall have another of his children a gerle ... And shall have wht her xxx s payd him wthin one month after she is come to him towards the apparelling of her and shall also have xxxiii s iiii d for the first three years next after the takeing of her to be payd out of tht wch John Winslow is to pay yearely for Benjamin." Records of the Town of Plymouth, Vol. 1, p. 12.

- **2 August 1642:** "Ephraim Tinckhame is to haue xxv acrees of lands, due for his service by indenture. Affirmed by Mr Hatherly & John Winslowe, the indenture being lost." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 2, p. 43.
- **20 September 1642:** "It is agreed upon that the govr Mr Prence Mr Jenney Mr Paddy Mr Done John Winslow and John Cook or the major pt of them shall dispose of lands for the town on munday come fortnight wch will be second munday in October." Records of the Town of Plymouth, Vol. 1, p. 11.
- **17 October 1642:** "At a townes meeting, held the xvijth of Octobr, 1642, held before Mr Willm Bradford, Mr Thomas Prence, Mr John jenney, Mrt Willm paddy, John Winslowe, & John Cooke, Junr, appoynted to graunt lands this day for the towne of Plymouth...
- "These seuall psons following are graunted these seuall procons of meddow at the North Meddow by Joanes River, of that wch remaynes: -
- "...Thomas Southwood, Thomas Cushman, Nathaniell Morton, John Shawe, John Winslow, to eich of them foure acrees a peece, if it be there to be had." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 2, p. 48-49.
- 28 March 1642-43: "Memorand that Whereas Willm Dennis of Plymouth before his going into England about a yeare and a half since did authorize and assigne John Winslow of Plymouth aforsd to receiue as such Debts and sums of money as were due & oweing vnto him here in New England and whereas also since by his Itres beareing date the sijth of November 1642 directed to the said John Winslow and another of the same date directed to Willm Dennis of Scittuate his Naturall father hath giuen further power that the said John Winslow should assigne and make ouer the said Debts vnto the said Willm Dennis the father for such sume as he should agree wth

him for so that it was not vnder twenty markes Now the said John Winslow by vertue of the said Itres hath assigned and made ouer the said Debts unto the said Willm Dennis the father for the sume of sixteene pounds. And the said Willm Dennis the father in consideracon that the said John Winslow shall pay the said sixteene pounds in Beaver to Willm his sonn and pay him xj I more in manner & forme following that is to say vj I by a Cowe xxx s by a Bill to Georg Lewis of Barnestable and iij I x s in corne or cattell the first of November next at Plymouth Hath reassigned and made ouer vnto the said John Winslow all & singuler such said Debts and sums of money as were or are due & apptaineing vnto the said willm Dennis his sonn here in New England." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 12, p. 89.

2 May 1643: "In the case betwixt Willm Newland, complnt, agst Mr Wm Thomas, deffent, for a debt of iiij li, wch he vndertooke to pay for the towne of Marshfeild, and whereas the court is informed that Mr thomas pferreth the payment thereof in a cowe to Thomas Shillingsworth, for the said Wm Newlands use, the Court doth order, that Mr John Alden and John Winslowe shall indifferrently prize the said cowe accordingly as shee will passe betwixt man and man, and if the cowe shall come to more, that Thomas Shillingsworth shall satisfye Mr Thomas for ye, as the said arbitrators shall in equitie judg fitt, if the said Mr Thomas & the said Thom Shillingsworth do not agree themselves...

[29 August 1643] "Concerning the differrences betwixt Mr Willm thomas & Wm Newland, for the 4 li 10 s he vndertooke to pay for the towne of Marshfield to Richard Church and Robt Bartlett, it is ordered, by consent of both parties, that a cow of Mr Willm Thomas, now in the hands of Christopher Waddesworth, of Duxborrow, shalbe prized by John Winslow and another man, chosen by the sd Christopher, and be deliuered vnto Thomas Shillingsworth; and the said Thomas to giue a note vnder his hand to the said Mr Thomas to pay him so much more as the said cowe comes to, at or before March next; and so all differences betwixt the sid Mr Thomas, Willm Newland, and Thomas Shillingsworth, to be fynally decided and ended." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 2, p. 55, 60.

8 June 1643: "That Abraham Pearse doth acknowledg that for & in consideracon of the sum of seaven pounds sterl to him in hand payd by John Winslow for the use of Thomas King of Scittuate Plant Hath freely and absolutely bargained and sold vnto the said John Winslow for the use of Thomas King of Scittuate Plant Hath freely and absolutely bargained and sold vnto the said John Winslow for the use of the said Thomas King his heires and Assignes All those his fourty acres of vpland with the meddowing therunto belonging lying on the South side of the North riuer and betwixt the lands of Joseph Tilden on the East side and the lands of Henry Sampson on the West side..."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 12, p. 95.

22 June 1644: "In case of alarume in tyme of warr or danger these divisions of the towneship are to be observed and these companys to repaire together.

"At Joanes river: Mr. Bradfords famyly one, Mr Prences one, Mr Hanbury one, Mr Howland one, ffrancis Cooke one, Phineas Pratt, Gregory Armestrong, John Winslow, Mr. Lee." Records of the Town of Plymouth, Vol. 1, p. 17.

- **10 December 1646:** the name of John Winslow appears in a list of citizens of Plymouth. Records of the Town of Plymouth, Vol. 1, p. 21.
- **8 August 1648:** "Know all men by these prsents That I Monquine alias Notahanada the son of ould Natawormett Sagamore of kennebecke river hath sould and sett over unto William Bradford Edward Winslow Thomas Prence Thomas Willitt and William Paddy all the Lands on both sides the said river from Cusenock upward to Weserunskicke...

"This is further to Certify to any whom it may concerne that wee Agadoademego the sonne of Wasshemett and Tassucke the brother of Natahanada Doe freely consent to the agreement and sale abovewritten by the said Nathanada unto William Bradford Edward Winslow Thomas Prence Thomas Willett and Willam Paddy; and for that end doe confeirme it with our hands; In the prsence of John Winslow, George Watson, William hartopp Agodoadomego his marke, Tassucke his Marke"

Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 6, p. 100-101.

1649: [deed of William Bradford to his son John] "alsoe I give unto him all the meddowes that lye therunto adjoyning that is to say four acrees had by exchange with John Winslow called pudle marsh by reason of the salt pudleholes that are therin..."

Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 19, p. 64-65.

1 March 1650: "Mr. howland Mr Paddy Captaine willet Mr John Winslow John Cook Juni and Tho: Clarke have engaged to pay two coats a peece to bee in reddynes in the hands and custetie of John Morton to pay any Indian that shall kill a woolfe and make it known to the Govenr upon undoubted Testimony and for such as kill lesser woolves to have an axe or hatchet for every such woolfe; and that the charge of the said coats bee considered and abated utno the abovesaid pties in the publik charges at the yeares end."

Records of the Town of Plymouth, Vol. 1, p. 31.

In 1650, the Governor of Canada (then a French territory) sent an emissary, Father Gabriel Druillettes, to ask the New England colonies for their assistance in subduing the hostile Iroquois. Druillettes, a Jesuit, was a missionary among the Abenakis along the Kennebec River. During his travels, Druillettes met John Winslow. Druillettes' description of his visit to the New England colonies, Narre du Voyage..., is included in Volume 36 of the "Jesuit Relations" (*La Mission des Jesuites chez les Hurons: 1634-1650*). Druillettes was kindly received in Boston and Plymouth but his mission was ultimately unsuccessful.

References to John Winslow from *The Narrative of the Journey made in behalf of the Mission of the Abnaquiois, and of information obtained in New Englandhe Narrative of the Journey made in behalf of the Mission of the Abnaquiois, and of information obtained in New England,* by Gabriel Dreuillette of the Society of Jesus, 1651:

"LEFT Quebec for this Mission on the first day of September, by order of my Superior,—and with a passport and leave of absence from Monsieur d'Ailleboust, lieutenant-general of the King, and governor on all the river Saint Lawrence,—accompanied by Noel Negabamat, Captain of Sillery: also charged with credentials enabling me to speak on behalf of the said Sieur to the governors and magistrates of that country...I arrived on Michaelmas eve at this highest settlement of the English—which, alike by the English and Savages, is called Coussinoc; and on the following day, the festival of him whom we took for patron and guide on our journey, Noel and I conversed with the Agent of that settlement, accompanied by the Abnaquiois, to whom we had spoken on the way. Noel, speaking with his present of a bundle of Beaver skins, said to him: " Monsieur the Governor of the river Saint Lawrence, through the father who is here, speaks to those of your nation; and I, as an ally, join my word to his, not to speak to thee alone, but rather to tell thee to embark my word,"—that is to say, " my present,"—" in order to convey it to the governor of Plimouth." The Agent informed them that he would do with reference to the governor and the magistrates all that could be expected from a good friend; whereupon Noel and the Abnaquiois requested that I go with him, in order to present in person the Sieur governor's letters,—to explain his intentions, according to the letter of credentials that he had; and to convey the message of the Christians of Scillery, and of the Catechumens of the Kenebec river. The Agent, named John Winslau, a merchant and a citizen of the Plimouth colony, who has a very kindly disposition, as we shall relate hereinafter, answered: "love and respect the patriarch," this is the name they use

on this river, and on all the coast of Acadia, in speaking of me; "I will lodge him at my house, and will treat him as my own brother; for I know very well the good that he does among you, and the life which he there leads." This he said because he has a special zeal for the Conversion of the Savages, as also has his brother Edward Winslow,—agent for this New England before the parliament of old England.—who is trying to institute a brotherhood to train and instruct the Savages, just as is practiced with the poor the charity of London. Other details are in the letters which I wrote both to the Sieur governor at Quebecg, and to my Superior, on the fifteenth of November. I left Coussinoc by land, with that agent, since the frigate which was to convey us had had some occasion to delay, in order to await the Savages, and not be surprised by the ice; we were therefore obliged to go ten leagues, to embark by sea at Maremiten, which the Savages call Natsouac. That road was difficult, especially to the Agent, who is already growing old, and who assured me that he would never have undertaken it if he had not given his word to Noel. On the twenty-fifth, we set sail; and on the way we found at Temeriscau some English fishermen, some of whom complained to the Agent because he was conducting a Frenchman along that coast, who was a spy to serve the French, who were likely to ravage their settlements. Contrary winds prevented us from reaching Kepane [Cape Anne], which forms the Cape of the great bay of Boston, until the fifth of December; for the same reason, we were compelled to go partly by land and partly by boat, in order to cross over the great bay to Charleston; we there crossed the river which separates it from Boston, where we arrived on the eighth. The principal men of Charleston, knowing that I came on behalf of the Sieur governor, went ahead to give notice to Major-General Gebin, so that he might be present at my entrance into his abodes. His agent, John Winslow, whom I shall henceforth call my pereira, on account of the friendliness which he ever showed me, —having made his report to Sieur Gebin regarding the occasion of my journey, he received me as a veritable ambassador on the part of the Sieur governor... I wrote also to Sieur Edward Winslow, at the request of Monsieur his brother, begging him to write in favor of our business to the Magistrates of New England. On the eighth of February, I depart for the river of Kenebec, where I continue my interrupted mission. All the English who are on this river received me with many demonstrations of friendship.On the thirteenth of April, Monsieur John Winslau my true [blank space, arrived from Plimout and Boston at Koussinoc. He assures me that all the Magistrates and the two Commissioners of Plimout have given their word, and resolved that the other colonies should be urged to join them against the Iroquois in favor of the Abnaguiois I have written. with Monsieur John Winslau, to Monsieur Edward Winslau,—the agent in England for the affair of these four Colonies,—in order that he write a word in favor of the Christians and the Savage Catechumens, whom he tenderly loves. A word from him is all-powerful upon the mind of the deputies of these four Colonies. "

March 1651: "The names of those that have Interest and proprieties in the Townes land tt Punckateesett over against Road Iland ... Mr John Winslow." Records of the Town of Plymouth, Vol. 1, p. 36.

3 June 1652: "Att the Generall Court of election, holden at Plym, for the Jurisdiction of New Plym, the 3d of June, 1652...

"The Deputies of the Seuerall Townes. Plym... Mr John Howland, Mr John Winslow, John Dunham, Senir, Lieft Tho Southworth.: Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 3, p. 7-8.

29 November 1652: "Know all men by these prsents that I wosamequen and Wamsutta my sonne have sould unto Mr William Bradford captaine Standish Thomas Southworth John Winslow John cooke and theire associates the Purchasers or ouldcomers all the Tract or Tracts of land lying three miles Eastward from a river called Cushenugg to a certaine harbour called Acoaksett ... And from the sea upward to goe soe high that the English may not bee annoyed by the hunting

of the Indians in any sort of theire Cattle; and I wosamequen and Wamsutta doe promise to Remove all the Indians within a yeare from the Date heerof That Doe live in the said Trace And wee the said Wosamequen and Wamsutta have fully barganed and sold unto the aforsaid Mr Willam Bradford captaine Standish Thomas Southworth John Winslow John Cooke and the Rest of theire associates the Purchasers or oldcomers To have and to ho[Ic] for them and theire heires and assignes for ever; and in consideration heerof wee the abovemencioned; are to pay to the said Wosamequen and Wamsutta as followeth thirty yeards of cloth eight moose skins fifteen axes fifteen hoes fifteen paire of breeches eight blankets two kittles one cloake 2L in Wampan eight paire of stockens eight paire of shooes one Iron pott and ten shilling in another comodities; and In Witnesse heerof Wee have Interchangably sett to our hands the Day and yeare abovewritten

"John Winslow, John Cooke, Wamsutta his marke "In the prsence of Jonathan Shaw, Samuell Eddy." Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 6, p. 245-246.

2 December 1652: "A Deed appointed to bee Recorded

Wtinesseth these presents That Eketabacke hath barganed and sold allianated enfeofed and absolutly made over a tract of land called Punkateesett by the Indian name; unto John Winslow of Plymouth Thomas Southworth John Cooke; and Myles Standish of Duxborrow senior with all and singulare the appurtenances therunto belonging; or any way appertaining; To have and to hold to the said John Winslow Thomas Southworth John Cooke and others whom they are Intrusted for; To them and theire heires for ever; which said Land lyeth sittuate over against Road lland with all and singulare all Rivers brookes Inletts Rivoletts wayes ffishings or whatsoever therunto belongeth or any way appertaining; with all and singulare all the lands meddowes wood underwood privilidges liberties and emunities appertaining or any way belonging to the said John Winslow Thomas Southworth John Cooke Myles Standish with other whom they are Intrusted for To them and theire heires for ever And furthermore the said ekatebacke doth noe onely allyanate enfeof and sell the said Punckateesett fornamed but all his right title and Interest therin or therabout what name or names soever they bee called To the said John Winslow Thomas Southworth John Cooke and Myles Standish senier and others for whom they are Intrusted to them and their heires for ever: To all which bargane and sale the aforsaid Eketabacke beindeth himself to warrant and maintaine the title of every parte of the aforsaid bargaine and sale from time to time and att all time unto the aforsaid John Winslow Thomas Southworth John Cooke Myles Standish senior and others whom they are Intrusted for To all which said bargaine and sale as aforsaid the said Ekatabacke bindeth himselfe under his hand and seale this 2cond of december 1652"

Jeremy Dupertuis Bangs, Land Transactions in Plymouth Colony, 1620-1691. (Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2002), p. 264-265.

January 1652-53: "These prsents Witnesseth That George Soule of Duxburrow hath covenanted with Mr John Winslow of Plymouth That; Mary Soule his Daughter shall Dwell abide and continew with him the said Mr John Winslow the full tearme of seaven yeares beginning from the first day of this prsent month called January and from the said Day fully and compleatly be bee ended; and in case the said mary Soule Doe not change her condicon by marriage shee is to Dwell and abide with him the full tearme of eight yeares beginning from the first of this prsent month as aforsaid and from thence fully to bee ended acknowlidged before Captaine Thomas Willet assistant and by him appointed to bee Recorded."

Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 1, p. 214.

4 March 1652/53: "The Names of those whoe by order of and agreement of the purchase[rs] met att Plymouth to Make Purchase and devision of the Lands as are att Sowamsett and Mattapoisett

the 4th of March 1652 [1653] whoe are to have theire severall partes or Moyeties Layed out att the places above expressed; And are to make and to satisfy the purchase and all other charges arrising therupon according to theire severall proportions

Theire Names are as ffollow;

Mr William Bradford one Moyetie

Mr Thomas Prence one halfe parte

Mr Edward Winslow allhis portion

Capt: Myles Standish his halfe parts

Capt: Thomas Willett his parte

Mr White his parte

Mr Cushman his whole parte

Mr John Winslow all his parte

John Addams his whole proportion

Experience Michell his halfe parte

Thomas Clarke his halfe parte"

Jeremy Dupertuis Bangs, Land Transactions in Plymouth Colony, 1620-1691.

(Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2002), p. 265-266.

7 March 1652/53: "The names of those whoe by order of and agreement of the purchase mett at Plymouth to make Purchase and Devision of the Lands as are att Sowamsett and Mattapoisett the 7th of march 1652 whoe are to have theire severall pte or moyeties Layed out att the places above expressed; and are to make and to satisfy the purchase and all other charges arising therupon according to theire severall proportions

"Theire names are as follow: Mr Willam Bradford, one Moyetie, Mr Thomas Prence one halfe pte, Mr Edward Winslow all his portion, Capt: Myles Standish his halfe pte, Capt: Thomas Willett his pte, Mr White his pte, Mr Cushman his whole pte, Mr John Winslow all his pte, John Addams his whole proportion, Experience Michell his halfe Pte, Thomas Clarke his halfe pte." Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 2, p. 29-30.

"**1653.** Plymouth Regester of the Beirth of theire Children... Beniamine, the sonne of Mr John Winslow, born the 12th day of August."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 8, p. 15.

6 April 1653: "In regard of the many appearances of danger towards the countrey by inimies, and the great nessessitie of counsell and aduise in that respect, the Court thought yt meet to make choise of a counsell of warr, which accordingly were forthwith orderly elected.

"Theire names are as followeth: -Mr Bradford, President. Mr Prence, Capt Standish, Mr Hatherley, Mr Browne, Mr Alden, Capt Willett, Capt Cudworth, Leift Southworth.

"These were confiermed to serue in the same place for another yeare, Mr Collyare and Mr John Winslow added to them."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 3, p. 26.

10 September 1653: "This is to certify unto all men whome it may conserne that I Essemenosque Inhabitant in Kennebecke river and one that is one of the right owners of Taconett the which place as alsoe all that tracte of land from Cobesecante unto a place where I now dwell called Usserumscutt all which land was sold by Munquine alias Natahanada unto Mr William Bradford of Plymouth and his associates all which lands and places I will willing to the sale of and did give my consent unto; and did Receive parte of the pay as alsoe I doe Testify that neither I nor any other Indian did ever blame him for it but wee did all freely approve of it; and for my selfe (and soe many others) are sorry that Lawson doth Now build att Taconett and that I never did way to it and Baggedussett did it against his will by the Importunity of Mr Lake Roger Spencer and Lawson; and

tould them morover when they did desire to buy it hee would not sell it untill hee had spoken with John Winslow; yett they did prevaile with him for which hee did tell all the Indians hee was sorry and would Repay what hee had Received again; all which I doe WItnesse by my hand and Marke; alsoe I doe affeirme that Taconett which Baggadussett did sell to Mr Lake and the Rest hee had nothinge to doe to sell the place being properly mine and Natchogoes wifes and that Lawson ha[th] lately desired to buy it of us which wee have and shall Refuse to doe Essemenosque his Marke

Witnesse William Hartopp John Sprague"

Jeremy Dupertuis Bangs, Land Transactions in Plymouth Colony, 1620-1691.

(Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2002), p. 275.

28 December 1653: "Memorand; That Mr John Winslow of the towne of Plymouthin the Jurisdiction of New Plym: Doth acknowlidg that for an in considerati[on] of the summe of 3 pounds and six shillings to him in hand paied by John shaw senior of Plymouth aforsaid planter; hee hath freely and absolu[tly] barganed and sold unto the said John Shaw a pcell of mersh meddow conteining two acres bee it more or lesse lying in greenharbour mersh att a place called the pinney point over against wood Island lying next a psell of mersh belonging to Mis Jenings; to have and to hold the said two acres of Mersh meddow bee it more or lesse with all and singulare the appurtenances belonging therunto unto the said John Shaw his heires and assigned for e[v]er; unto the onely proper use and behoofe of him the said John Shaw his heires and assignes for ever."

Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 5, p. 91-92.

1653: "Wheras sundry proportions of meddow were graunted unto sundrey psons att the Meddow commonly called Joanes river Meddow in the woods and the measurers appointed to lay it out this Done as followeth...

"6 The sixt is Mr John Winslows which is to have all the meddow from the outter stake between Jacob Cookes and him that lyeth between the pond and the said stake; and soe to the upland on the other side."

Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 6, p. 102.

March 1653-54: "Wheras capt: Standish and mr John Winslow were appointed and Deputed by the court to view and sett out the meddow Land formerly graunted to Mr Edward Winslow att Marshfield; which accordingly they Did; and It is bounded as followeth; videlecett on the west by a meddow commonly called carswell meddow Inclusive to the point of Land of John Rouses, and from thence by stakes pitched in the mersh by capt: Standish Downe to a great River and then by It bounded; and soe Runing Easterly to the cutt creeke; on the East bounded by Greensharbour River and soe ending att a marked tree standing on a point of Land opposite to Mr Howlands Little Itland."

Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 2, p. 95.

7 March 1653-54: "The deputies of each towne appearing, according to the summons directed to each towne for that purpose, the occation of sending for them was delcared, biz: that wheras a letter hath been somtime sence received from the Generall Court of the Massachusetts conserning the confedderacon of the United Collonies, wherunto an answare was required to bee made, accordingly the Court framed an answare, and ordered that in their name it should bee sent with the first conveniency...

"The names of the deputies that appeared and acted in the abouesaid occations were these following: - Mr John Howland, Mr John Winslow, Leift Thomas Southworth, [et al]..." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 3, p. 43-44.

John Winslow also served as a deputy in 1654 (PCR 3:49, 63).

29 March 1653-54: "To all people to whom these prsents shall come Ousamequin Sachem and Wamsitto his eldest sonne sendeth greet &c

"Know yea that wee the said ousameguin and Wamsitto for and in consideracon of thirty five pounds sterlin to us the said Ousamequin and Wamsitto inhand paied pr Thomas Prence gent: and thomas Willet gent: Myles Standish gent: Josiah Winslow gent; for and in the behalfe of themselves and Divers others of the Inhabitants of Plymouth Jurisdiction whose names are heerafter specifyed with which said summe wee the said Ousamequin and Wamsitto Doe acknowlidge our selves fully satisfyed contented and paied have freely and absolutly barganed and sold infeofed and confeirmed and pr these prsents Doe bargain sell infeofe & confeirme from us the said Ousamequin and Wamsitto and our and every of our heires unto thomas Prence Thomas Willett Myles Standish Josiah Winslow agents for themselves and Willam Bradford senior gent: Thomas Clarke John Winslow Thomas Cushman Willam White John Addams and Experience Michell; To them and every of them theire and every of theire heires and assignes forever All those severall prcells and neckes of upland Swamps and meddowes lying and beinge on the southerly side of Sinkcunke allis Rehoboth bounds and is bounded from a Little brooke of water called by the Indians Mosskituash Westerly and soe ranging by a Dead Swamp Eastward and so by marked trees as Ousamequin and Wamsitto directed... To have and to holde all the aforsaid upland Swampe mershes creekes and rivers with all theire appurtenances unto the aforsaid Thomas Prence Thomas Willett Myles Standish Josiah Winslow and the rest of the prteners aforsaid to them and every of them theire and every of theire heires exequitors and assignes forever; and the said Ousamequin and Wamsitto Doe alsoe covenant promise and graunt that whensoever the Indians shall remove from ye necke that then and from thence forth The aforsaid Thomas Prence thomas Willett Myles Standish and Josiah Winslow etc shall enter upon the same by the same agreement as theire propr right and interest to them and theire heires for ever To and for the true prformance of all and every one of the aforsaid seerall prticulares wee the said Ousamequin and Wamsitto bind us and ever of us our and every of our heires exequitors adminnestrators and assignes feirmly pr these prsents; In Witnesse wherof wee have heerunto sett our hands and seales this twenty nineth Day of march Anno Dom 1653." Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 3, p. 225-6.

6 June 1654: "Wheras, upon a psent expedition, p order from his highnes the Lord Protector of England, Scotland, and Ireland, sundry disbursments are forthwith to bee made, for accomplishment wherof the Court, haueing therfore requested Capt Thomas Willett, Mr John Winslow, Thomas Clarke, and Constant Southworth, for the psent procuringe of such nessesaries as conduce to the comfortable carriing on and pforming the said expedition, they therfore heerby order the seuerall townes to repay all such disbursments as shalbee disbursed in the aforsaid expedition in mannor and forme as followeth, viz: one third therof to bee paier in wheat and pease, and the other 2 thirds in wheat; that is to say, one third of that third in pease, and the other 2 3ds in wheat.

"It, another third as followeth, viz, one halfe in butter, and the other halfe in barly or mault. "The other third in beefe, porke, and mackerell, of each a third, and in defect of mackerell, the one halfe therof in beefe, the other in porke." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 3, p. 53.

8 June 1654: "Memorand: That Mr John Winslow of the Towne of Plymouth in the Jurisdiction of New Plymouth Doth acknowlidge that for and in consideration of the summe of an hundred pounds to him in hand paied wherwith hee Doth acknowlidge himselfe fully satisfyed by Mr Stephen Payne of the towne of Rehoboth in the Jurisdiction of Plymouth aforsaid hee hath freely and absolutly barganed allianated and sold enfoefed and confeirmed; and by these prsents Doth bargaine sell enfeofe and confeirme from him the said John Winslow and his heires to him the

said Stephen Payne and his heires and assignes for ever all that his pte portion or share of land both upland & meddow belonging unto him as Purchaser lying and being att Sowamsett Mattapoisett and places adjacent together with all and singulare the appurtenances privilidges and emunities therunto belonging with all the said John Winslow his Right title and enterest of and into the said prmises or any pte or pcell therof to have and to hold the said whole pte or share of upland and Meddow with all and singulare the timbers woods underwoods swamps waters and all other privilidges emunities in upon or in any way belonging unto the said whole share or portion of upland and meddow or any pte or pcell therof unto The said Stephen payne his heires and assignes for Ever The said prmises with all and singulare the privilidges and appurtenances therunto belonging; To appertaine unto the onely proper use and behoof of him the said Stephen payne his heires and assignes for ever with warrantice against all pson or psons whatsoever that by the said John Winslow his right or title might claime any Right title or enterest into the prmises or any pte or pcell therof

"This abovesaid sale of land was acknowlidged before mr Bradford Govr the seaventh of June 1654

"And the said John Winslow Doth heerby covenant prmise and graunt that his wife shall in Due and convenient time Resigne up all her Right in the above mencioned land and the appurtenances belonging therunto unto the said Stephen payne his heires and assignes for ever." Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 6, p. 247.

20 June 1654: "The counsell of warr mett att Plymouth the 20th of June, 1654, att which meeting warrants were issued out in the name of his highnes the Lord protector of england, Ireland, and Scotland, for the pressing of the number of fifty men, to bee taken out of the seuerall townes within this jurisdiction, to goe forth with major Robert Sedgwicke and Capt John Leueritt on an intended expedition against the Duch att the Monhatoes...

"These being well prouided for, were to goe forth vnder the comaund of Captaine Myles Standish, whoe was ordered to bee theire comander in cheife..."

[The commissions given to Captain Standish and to Captain Thomas Willett were signed by the members of the Council of War, including John Winslow.

For his appointment to the Council of War, see 6 April 1653, PCR 3:26.] Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 3, p. 54-56.

1654: "These prsents Witnesseth that wheras Mr John Winslow hath answared an engagement for Willam hoskins to the vallue of thirty pounds; That the said Willam hoskins Doth heerby engage and make over unto the said Mr Winslow Certaine Cattle viz: six Cowes; and two steers of three yeare old and the vantage to bee for the Cecurities of the said Mr winslow incase the said some of thirty pounds should not bee paied in England upon Demannd there by bill; and incase any of the said Cattle should mixcarry that then such losse to bee accounted the losse and Dammage of the said William hoskins; and upon Certaine Intelligence from the said Mr Winslow that the said summe is paied that then the said Cattle to bee free from this engagement." Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 8, p. 74.

14 February 1654-55: "Wee, whose names are heer vnderwritten, being inhabitants of the towne of Marshfeild, being, by the prouidence of god, mett together about the buriall of a young man of the said towne, by name Henery Draiton, whoe hath suddenly come to his end, thought it our duty to examine and to take the best notice wee could, for the satisfaction of the Court and all whom it may concerne, haue taken the examination of the family of Mr Edward Winslow, doe find as followeth: that hee, coming to the house ouer night with his gun from fowling, was well overnight, and suped with the seruants; and the next morning, bring the fourth of this psent December, the seruants, seeing him prouiding to goe a fowling, pswaded him not to goe, the weather being very vnseasonable; but hee was very angrey, and refused to harken to them; and when they were

gone in to dewtyes hee went away, and was seen no more till hee was found dead by Mr John Winslow, goeing towards his sonne, Robert Latham; hee found him lying on his belly, with three doggs not fare of of him, and his gunnand three duckes not farr from him. Alsoe, wee, haueing taken a view of him dead in his clothes, and alsoe stripped, wee testify as followeth: that hee died, for ought wee could descerne, through the violence of the season and over trauelling, and labouring to come to the house of Mr Edward Winslow..."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 3, p. 70.

20 March 1655-56: "Bee it Knowne unto all men whom it may Concern that I stephen Tracye att prsent of great yarmouth in old England have given and Doe heerby give power unto myloving ffrind Mr John Winslow of Plymouth in New England to Despose of all my estate I have in land and Cattle in Duxburrow in New England according as followeth That Is to my sonne John Tracye what land and house I have threr in Duxburrow alsoe one yoake of oxen and one horse...
"I John Winslow Doe Testify That this is the Act of Stephen Tracye and that according to his will heerin I have since his estate Devided among his children to all theire likeing."
Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 10, p. 143-44.

10 October 1657: "That Mr John Winslow somtimes of Plymouth in New England in America gent: Doth acknowlidge that for in Consideration of a valluable sume to him alreddy satisfyed and fully payed by Edward Gray of the towne of Plymouth aforsaid in the Jurisdiction of Plymouth aforsd planter; hee hath freely fully and absolutely bargained allianted and sold enfeofed and Confeirmed and by these prsents Doth bargain allianate sell enfeofe and confeirme unto the said Edward Gray all that his house and land lying and being att plain Dealing in the Township of Plymouth aforsaid The said tract or pcell of land containing acres or therabouts bee it more or lesse being bounded on the one side with the lands of Jonathan Shaw; and on the other side with the lands of Samuell Kinge with all and singulare the orchyards on the said land and all the fruit trees theron with all the outhouses woods trees ffences and all other the appurtenances and privilidges belonging to the said land or any pte or pcell therof with all and singulare the meddows or pcells of meddow belonging therunto To have and to hold the said house with all and singulare the boards shelves Dores lockes and glasse in and belonging unto the said house with all the out houses upon the said land with all the aditions att any time aded or graunted as enlargments therunto as namly an Inlargment att the uper end of the said tract of land which said Inlargment extendeth up unto a rid Swamp att the uper end therof; with all and singulare the appurtenances & privilidges belonging unto the said land or any pte or pcell therof with all the meddow belonging therunto unto the said Edward Gray his heires and assignes for ever; The said prmises with all the said John Winslow his right title and Interest of and into the same and every pte or pcell therof; to belonge and appertaine unto the onely use and behoofe of him the said Edward Gray hee his heires and assignes for ever;

Mis Mary Winslow wife unto the said Mr John Winslow thath given her free Concent unto the abovesaid sale according to order."

Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 11, p. 209-210.

13 October 1657: "Wheras Mr John Saffin Arrested Mr Richard More of Salem in an action of Defamation to the Damage of five hundred pounds for that the said More had uttered and Reported that the said Saffin his carriage and behavior in Verginnia was very Scandalous and of evill Report in Divers respects; the which suit was to bee tryed at a County court held att Boston the twenty seaventh of October 1657 but by the earnest Request of the said More and som frinds in his behalfe the matter was Refered to the Arbetration of those whose names are underwritten; whose Determination: therof is heer underneath Inserted and by Authorities ordered to bee Recorded as followeth viz:

"Wee underwritten being Chosen to end a difference between Mr John Saffin and Mr Richard

More whoe by exchaung of money are bound in five hundred pounds to stand to our award; and having heard and seen what was aledged on both sides doe award and Determine that mr More hath uttered and spoken many groundles Reports from which Mr John Saffin is for ought wee can see legally free and ought to bee soe accounted and that mr More shall acknowlidge before us hee Did speake unadvisedly and shall Desire Mr John Saffin to forgive him; and shall further promise not to Intermeddle about any thing of this Nature for time to come witnesse our hands this 23 of the 8th month 1657

"William Paddy James Olliver Josias Winslow John Winslow" Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 11, p. 167-168.

- **1 June 1658:** "Mr Paddy and Mr John Winslow are requested and appointed by the Court, to joyne with our comissioners att Boston to giue meeting to those that shalbee sent from Road lland, to deside the contruercy about Hogg lland." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 3, p. 142.
- **19 November 1660:** [from the will of Richard Sparrow] "my biggest brasse kettle and eight or ten shillinges that is in the hand of mr John Winslow att Boston to provide an Iron kettle" Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 12, p. 57.
- **3 June 1662:** "In reference to a petition prefered by the Court by sundry of the freemen, and in reference vnto a graunt made to some to looke out accommodations of land, as being the first borne children of this goument, and for the disposing of two seuerall tracts of land lately purchased, the one by Major Winslow and the other by Captaine southworth, the Court, haueing viewed the seuerall lists of the names of those that desired to bee accommodated therin, haue settled it vpon those whose names follow:... Mr. John Winslow..."

 Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 4, p. 18-19.
- 11 August 1662: "Memorandum that Edward Gray of the Towne of Plymouth in the Jurisdiction of Plymouth in New England in America plantor Doth acknowlidge that for and in Consideration of a valluable sume to him in hand payed by Mr John winslow of the Towne of Boston in the Jurisdiction of the Massachusetts in New England Marchant: That hee hath freely and absolutely barganed allianated and sold enfeofed and Confeirmed; and by these prsents Doth bargan[e] sell enfeofe and Confeirme unto the said John Winslow hee his heires and assignes forever; eight share or portions of land in that Tract of land which is belonging to the Towne of Plymouth aforsaid: lying over against Road Iland Comonly Called and knowne by the Name of Punchateesett; and places adjacent... with all and singulare the meddowes woods waters and all other appurtenances belonging therunto with all the said Edward Gray his right title and enterest of and Into the same or to any pte or pcell therof; unto the said John winslow hee his heires and assignes forever; The said prmises with all and singulare the appurtenances therunto belonging; with whatsoever enlargments may heerafter bee aded therunto or belonge unto the same or any pte or pcell therof within the said graunt to the towne of Plymouth; as yet unpurchased of the Indians; to appertaine and belong unto the onely proper use and behoof of him the said John Winslow hee his heires and assignes forever" Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 17, p. 171-172.

1664: [Land granted by the Plymouth Colony Court] "the severall lots layed forth and bounded lying and being upon Pochade necke neare unto Namassakett graunted unto severall psons afternamed are as followeth...

"Mr John Winslow, 7 Lott is bounded with two red oake trees marked and with the river" Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 34, p. 80-81.

16 October 1664: "Honored Sir this is onely to Certify you or any it may Concerne that I have freely given what enterest of land belongeth of mee in the late purchase of the Indians about Namassekett unto my two grand children Sarah Gray and Anna Gray; and if theire father Edward Gray see cause to sell or otherwise for to Dispose of it for the said Childrens further benefitt, then hee to put in Cecurities to pay the worth of it unto the said Children or the longest liver att the age of eighteen yeares old; the securities ten pounds a peece; not else by my Respects prsented I Rest youers in my service Boston the 16th of the 8th 1664 "John Winslow"

Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 34, p. 84.

22 February 1664-65: "The Testimony of John Winslow of Boston aged about eighty eight This Deponant Testifyeth that in the yeare 1661 Myles Standish of boston and Edward Gray of New Plymouth being both of them together att my house the said Standish Did Impower and authorize the said Gray to seel for him all his land with the appurtenances therunto belonging att a place called Coaksett in the Govrment of New Plymouth and to returne the pay for the same unto the wife of the said Standish and further saith not" Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 34, p. 83.

18 October 1665: "A true and pfect Inventory of all the goods Cattles and houshold stuffe of mr Thomas howes Deceased as it was taken and Apprised the eighteenth of October Anno: Dom: 1665, by us whose names are heer underwritten...

"his Debtes Due to bee payed by him are Item to mr John Winslow 05 [pounds] 08 [shillings] 08 [pence]"

Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 6, p. 159-160.

7 July 1668: "Mr John Winslow complained against Ralph Smith, in an action of the case, to the damage of eighty pounds, for non payment of a debt of thirty nine pounds due vpon bill. "The jury find for the defendant the cost of the suite." Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 7, p. 147.

25 October 1668: "Mr Constant Southworth, Treasurer, in the behalfe of Mr John Winslow, of Boston, complaineth against Ralph Smith, in an action of the case, to the damage of fifty pounds, for non payment of a debt of thirty nine pounds two shillings and two pence farthing due to the said John Winslow from the said Ralph Smith.

"The jury find for the plaintiffe his debt of thirty nine pound two shillings two pence farthing, nine pound damage, and the cost of the suite."

Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 7, p. 155.

23 April 1673: "An Inventory of the Goods and Chattles of Thomas Prence Esqr lately Deceased taken and apprised by Thomas Cushman Ephraim Tinkham senir and William Crow the 23 Day of Aprill 1673...

"Debts owing to be payed out of the estate ... Item to mr John Winslow of Boston about 02 [pounds] 10 [shillings]"

Mayflower Descendant, Vol. 3, 206-215.