

SEATON FAMILY

of ANDOVER

The Seaton family was one of the oldest and most respected families in Scotland- Mary Seaton being Lady in Waiting to Mary, Queen of Scots. Queen Mary, in her flight from Loch Eevin castle in May 1568, sought protection from Lord Seaton at Niddy, in Midlothian.

Consequently, the Seatons were banished and their estates were confiscated at the downfall of the Stuarts. Some went to Ireland and others came to America, 1729 to 1739. Our families of that name went to Boxford and adjoining ANDOVER.

John, James and Samuel Seaton, said to have been brothers, went to Amherst. Their uncle, Andrew Seaton, was father to Ismemia, who married a John Seaton, in Andover, 1744. It is said that he went to Amherst immediately, and became a deacon there. An Andrew Seaton, as well, was on the tax list with the others, 1753. Deacon John resigned in 1787 and moved to Washington-probably N.H.- and died there, April 1793.

On the Andover Town Records, are marriages :-

Martha Seaton, to John Wasson, May 22, 1744.

James Seaton to Elizabeth Robinson, May 5, 1748; she d. of Jos. Robinson and Elizabeth Stevens, m. Mch. 20, 1707, Eliz. b. 1727, bap. No. Samuel Seaton to Ruth Smith, Dec. 2, 1756. /Ch.

Boxford:- John Seaton to Ismemia Seaton of Andover, published Oct. 1744.

Mary Seaton published to John Main of Methuen, 1737.

James and Elizabeth (Robinson) Seaton had a daughter Elizabeth, born in Andover, July 13, 1754 . James is thought to have been a son of Andrew Seaton of Andover , who went from Boxford or Andover to Amherst.

James was a selectman in Amherst 1776-1779; on a committee of the church, 1777; on a subscription paper, 1774.