

HADLEY NEWSLETTER

(Hadley, Headley, Hadlee, Hadly, Hadleigh, etc and their related kin)

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A Bit of Mayflower History . . .

Do you really know the reasons why 102 passengers were on the Mayflower in 1620?

All those who stayed in Plymouth (Plimouth, Plimoth) Colony upon the arrival of the Mayflower in 1620 are referred to as Pilgrims.

Those sailing on the Mayflower consisted of the following four groups:

1. **Puritans:** These were the men and women that wanted to “Purify” the Anglican Church which was the official religion in England.
2. **Separatists:** These consisted of the folks that had moved from England to Leiden, Holland. Their life in Leiden for the preceding years was not what they envisioned and thus they felt a need to start a new life in the “The New World”.
3. **Non-Separatists:** Also referred to as “Strangers”. These were English folks who just wanted to start a new life and did not have religious freedom as their primary goal.
4. **Crew:** These were the additional 25-30 members on the ship. John Alden was the ship cooper (barrel maker) who decided to stay in Plymouth and is thus considered a pilgrim.



Hadley - Topography:

We continue in our efforts, identifying where the Hadley name is found. Please see the attachment for interesting topographical features that bear the Hadley name.

Hadley Standish:

Readers of the Hadley Newsletter may recall we had asked the question about the origins of the first name of **Hadley Standish**. We do know he was a direct relative to the Mayflower Myles Standish but we are still trying to determine the origin of his first name. **Sven Berg** has shared the picture of the cemetery plaque which is found in the Covil's Corners Cemetery, South Bristol, Ontario, New York. If there are readers that could shed some light on the genesis of his first name, we encourage you to share that with us.



Another Hadley Branch:

Henry Hadley (ca.1800- 1854), his wife Jane (Richardson) Hadley, and their children emigrated to Canada probably from Cockfield, Yorkshire, England in 1817. To date, no connection of Henry's line has been found to George Hadley who arrived in Massachusetts about 1628. A search is in progress to identify a living male from the Henry Hadley family and to have that individual participate in the **Hadley DNA Project**. It is hoped the results of that DNA will match the George Hadley line. If a match is found, we may be able to back into the origin and location of the roots of George. For those interested in reading about the ongoing Hadley DNA project we invite you to visit:

www.hadleydna.org/

Lola Jean Hadley:

Lola was born on Apr 29, 2012 in Greensboro, North Carolina. Congratulations to the parents, **Mark and Megan Hadley** and to the grandparents **Jon and Maddy Hadley**.



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