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# New England Colonies Basics



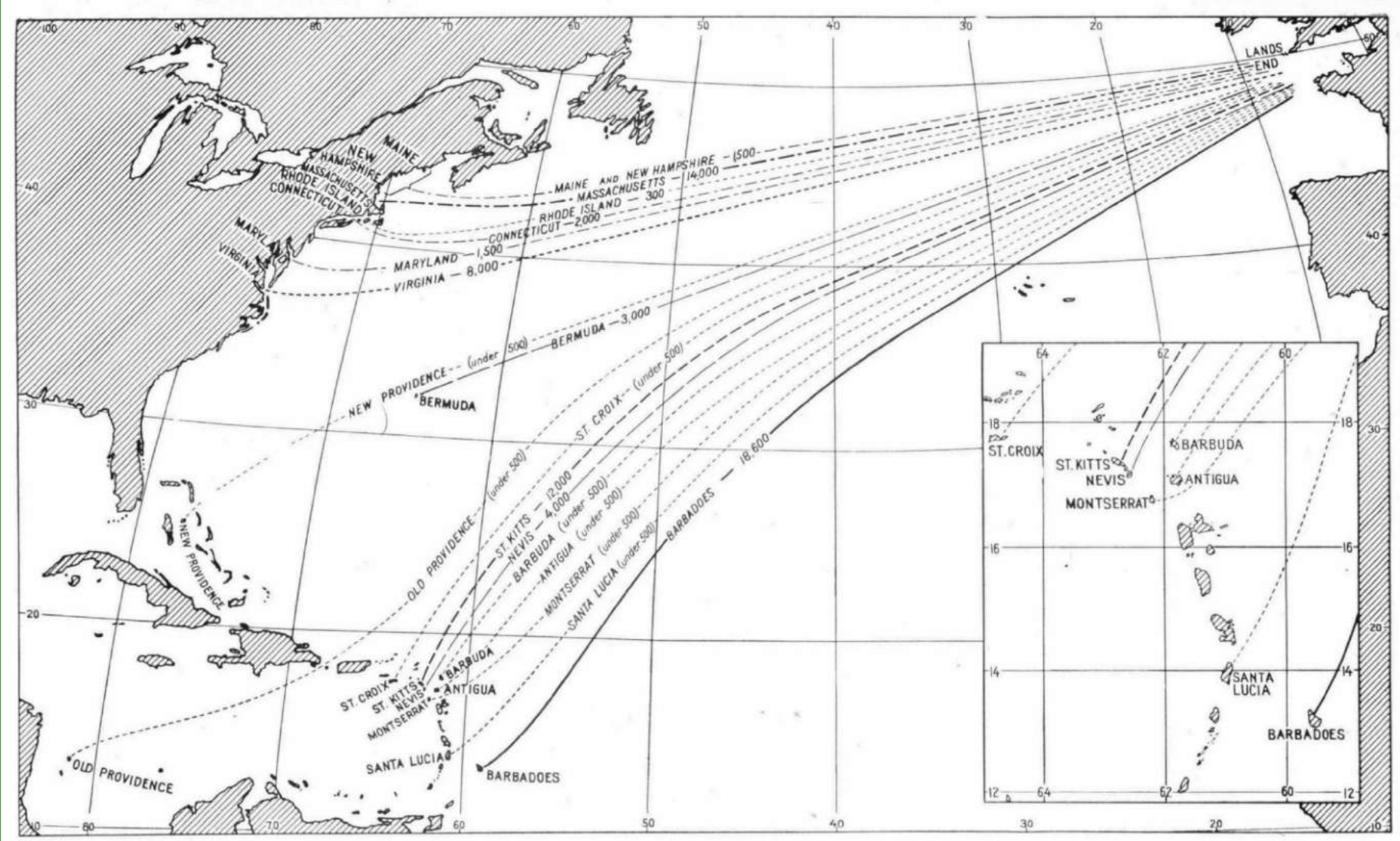
The British who settled in the New England colonies built rustic, square homes with details drawn from medieval Europe. Of course the American flag would not appear for approximately 150 years after Massachusetts was founded. This image is courtesy of [architecture.about.com](http://architecture.about.com).

# New England Colonies Vocabulary



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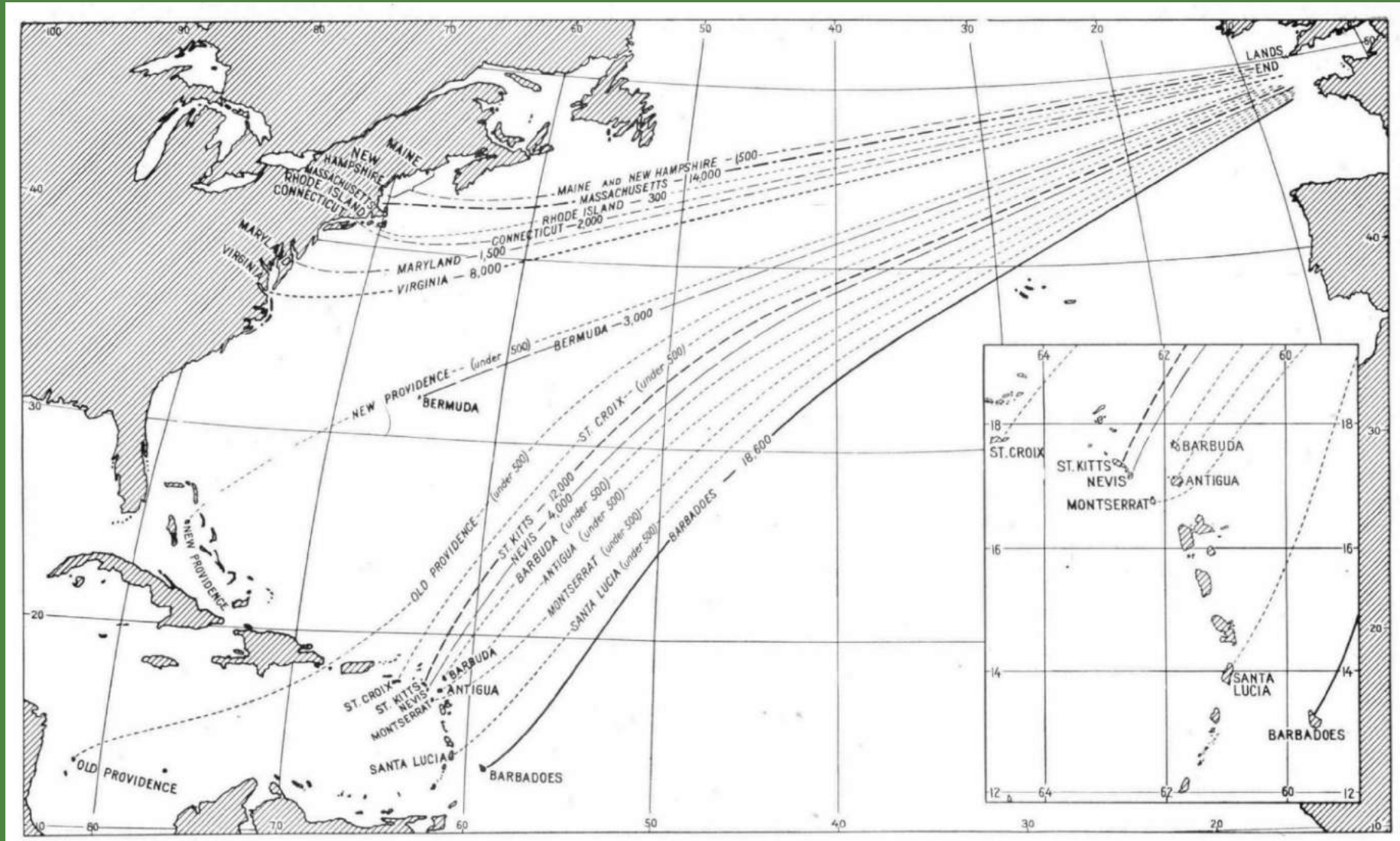
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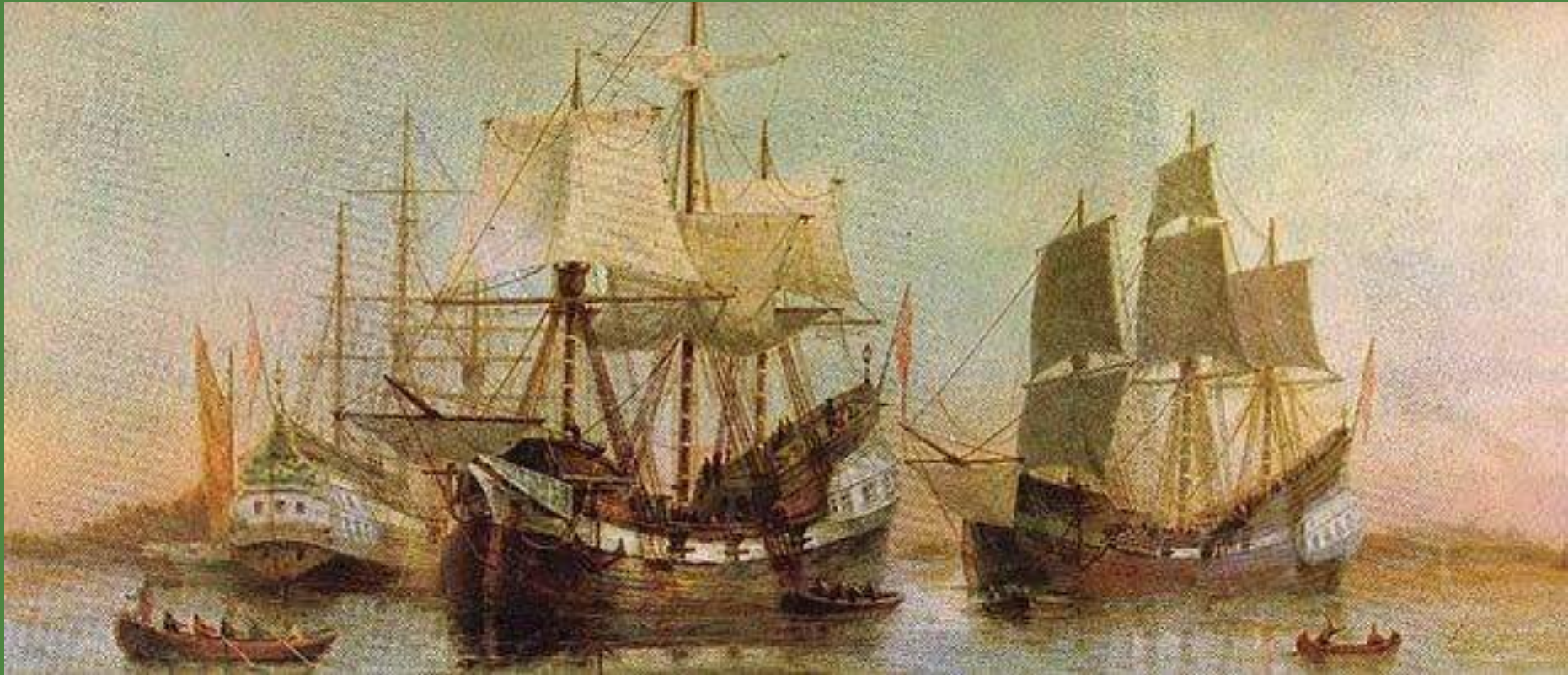
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The **Great Migration** began in 1630 when 1000 English colonists crossed the North Atlantic Ocean to New England.



Five ships and 300 colonists led by Francis Higginson left for New England on May 1, 1629. The Winthrop Fleet left England on April 8, 1630 with 12 ships and over 700 people. This image titled "Arrival of the Winthrop's Ships in Boston Harbor" was created circa 1880 by William F. Halsall (1841-1919). The ships are just coming to anchor, with the flagship in the foreground. The flagship, named the *Arbella* after one of her passengers, Lady Arbella Johnson, weighed 350 tons and carried 23 cannon. The ship in the right background is the *Jewel*. The ship in the left background is the *Talbot*.

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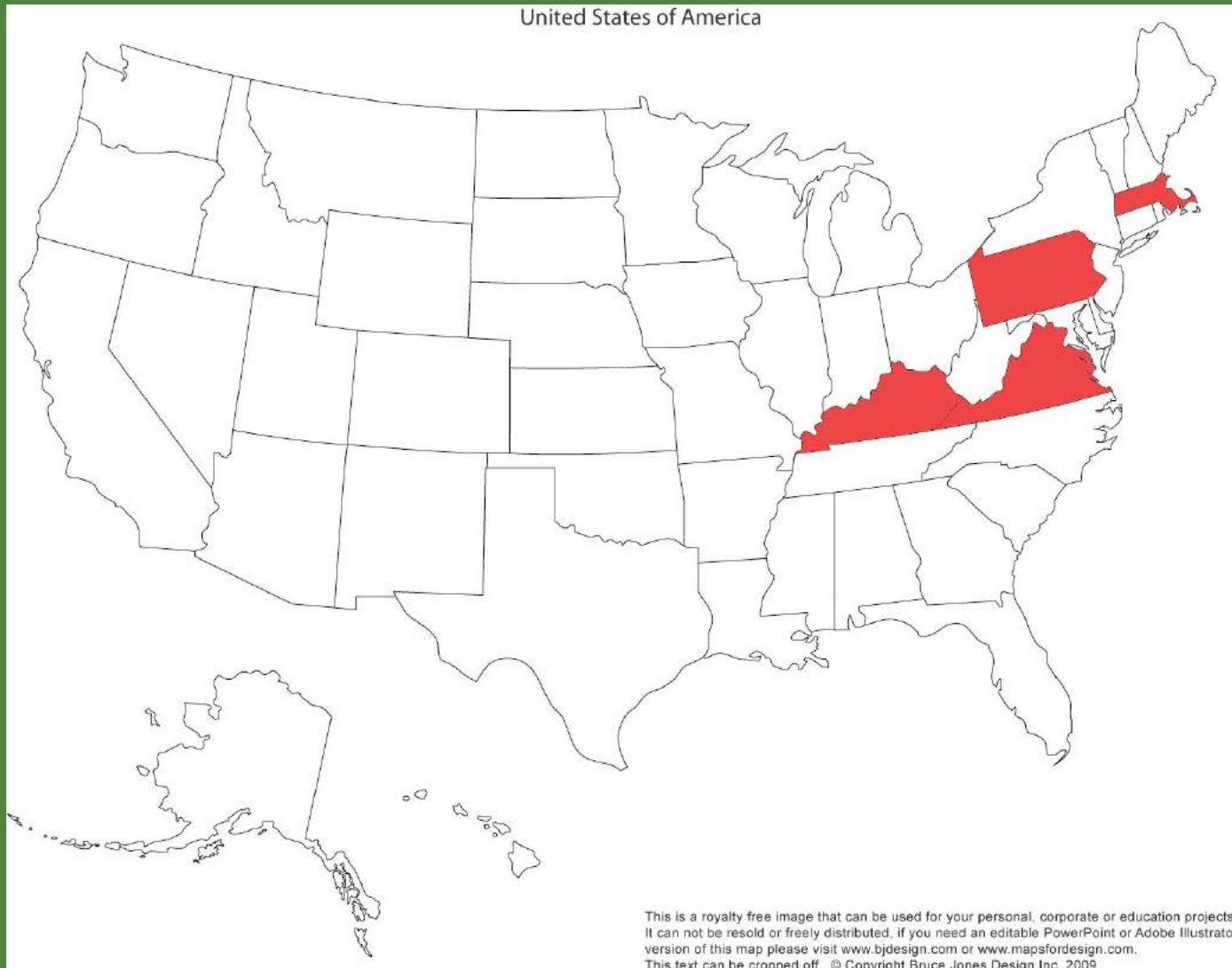
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The **Massachusetts Bay Company** was a joint stock company chartered by the King of England to colonize a large area of what is now New England.



This map shows the Native American tribes in the area of Massachusetts Bay where the Puritans had received a charter to establish the Massachusetts Bay Colony. This image is courtesy of Wikimedia Commons.

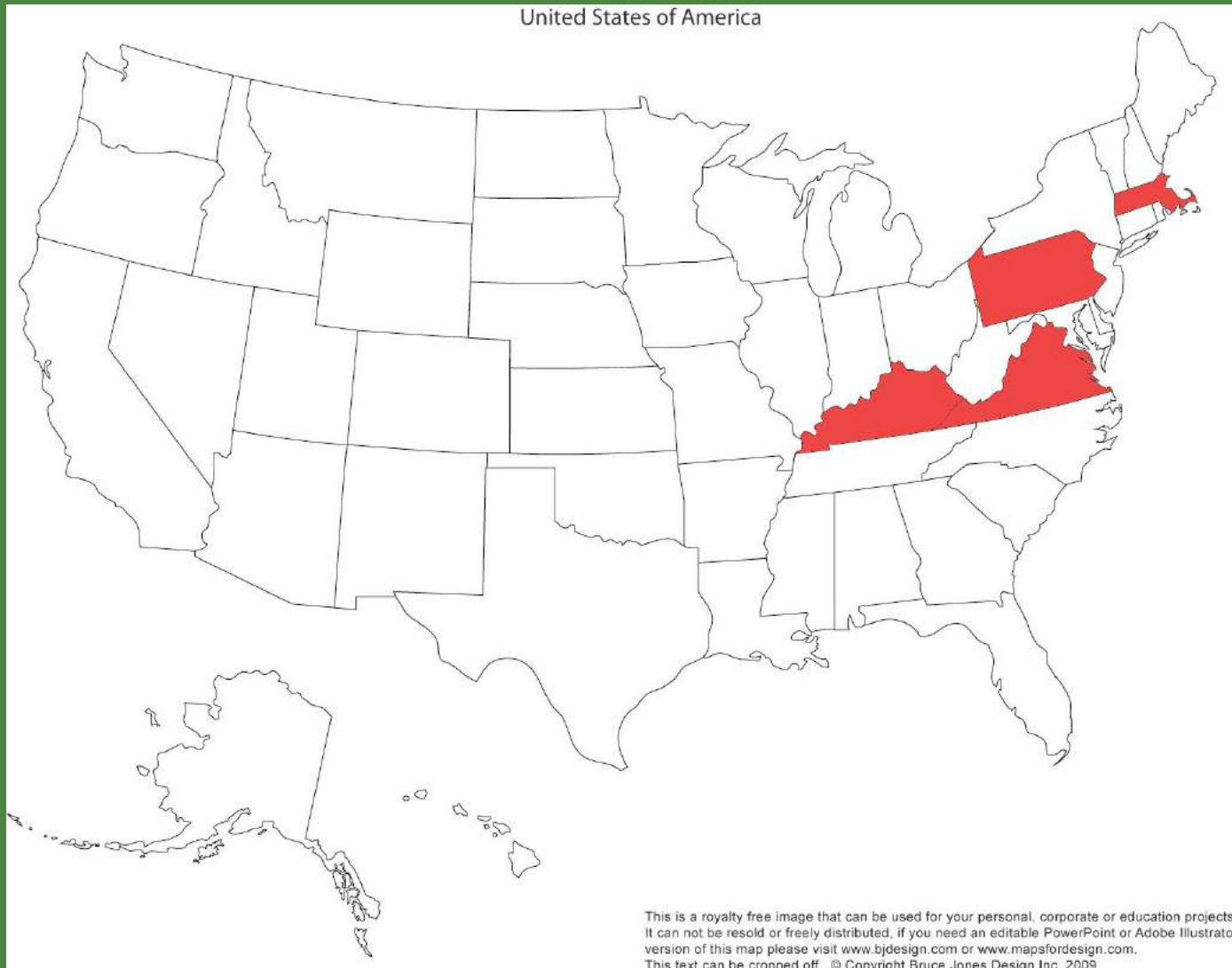
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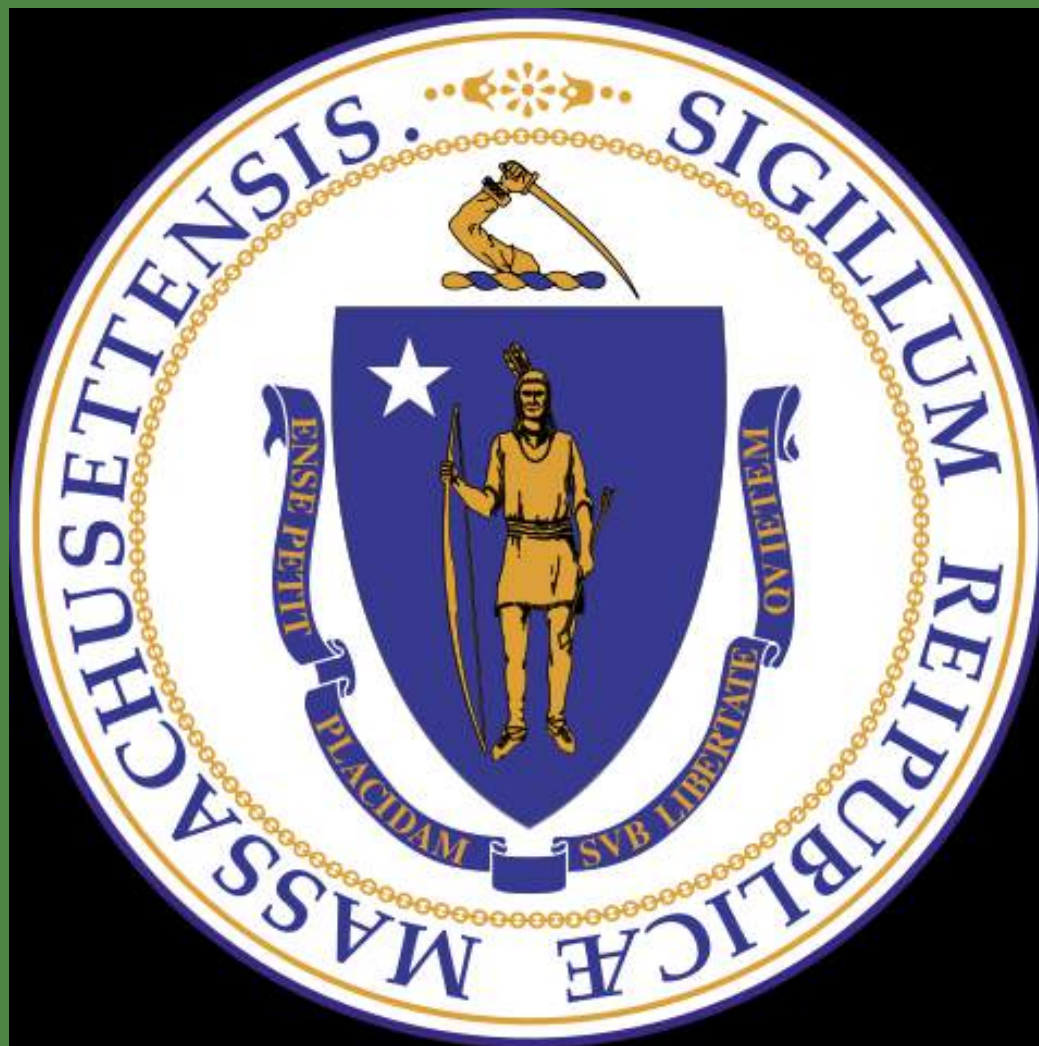
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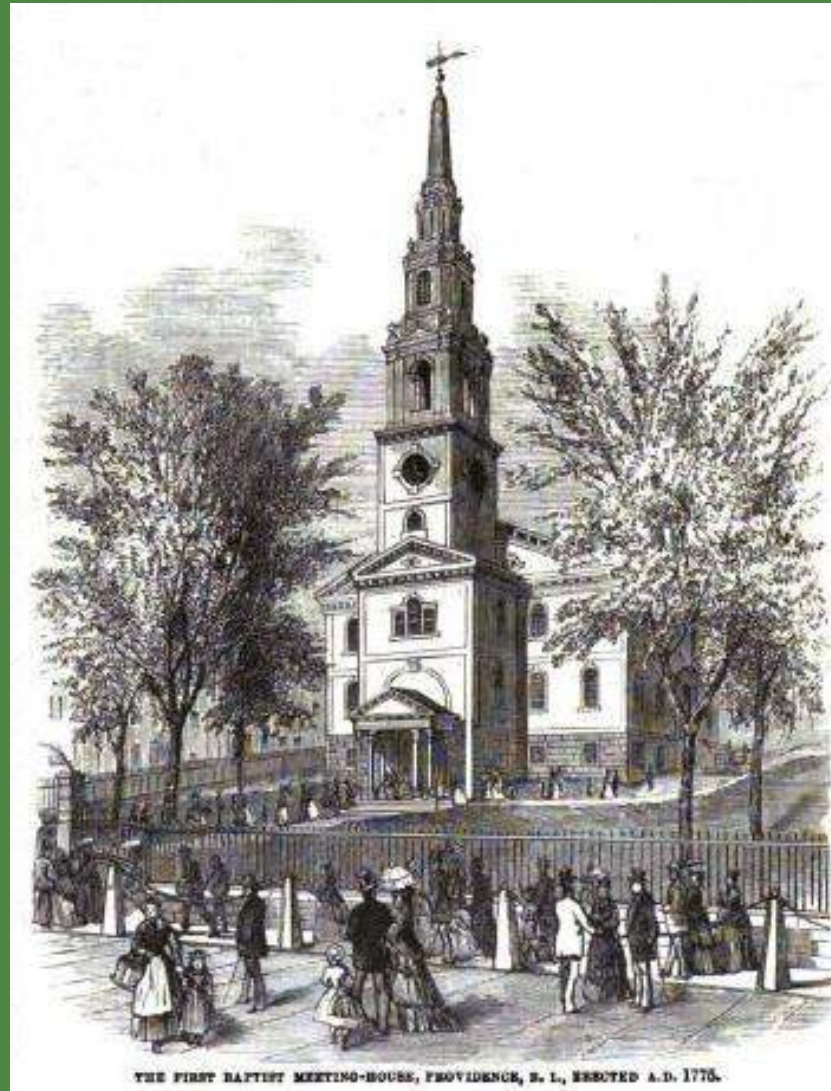
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A **commonwealth** emphasizes that these political units have a “government based on the common consent of the people.”



Commonwealths distinguished themselves from other earlier colonies whose status was obtained from the monarch of Great Britain. This image shows the seal of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The seal was adopted on June 4, 1885. In Latin, around the figure holding the bow is the following phrase: “By the sword we seek peace, but peace only under liberty.” This image is of courtesy of Wikimedia Commons.

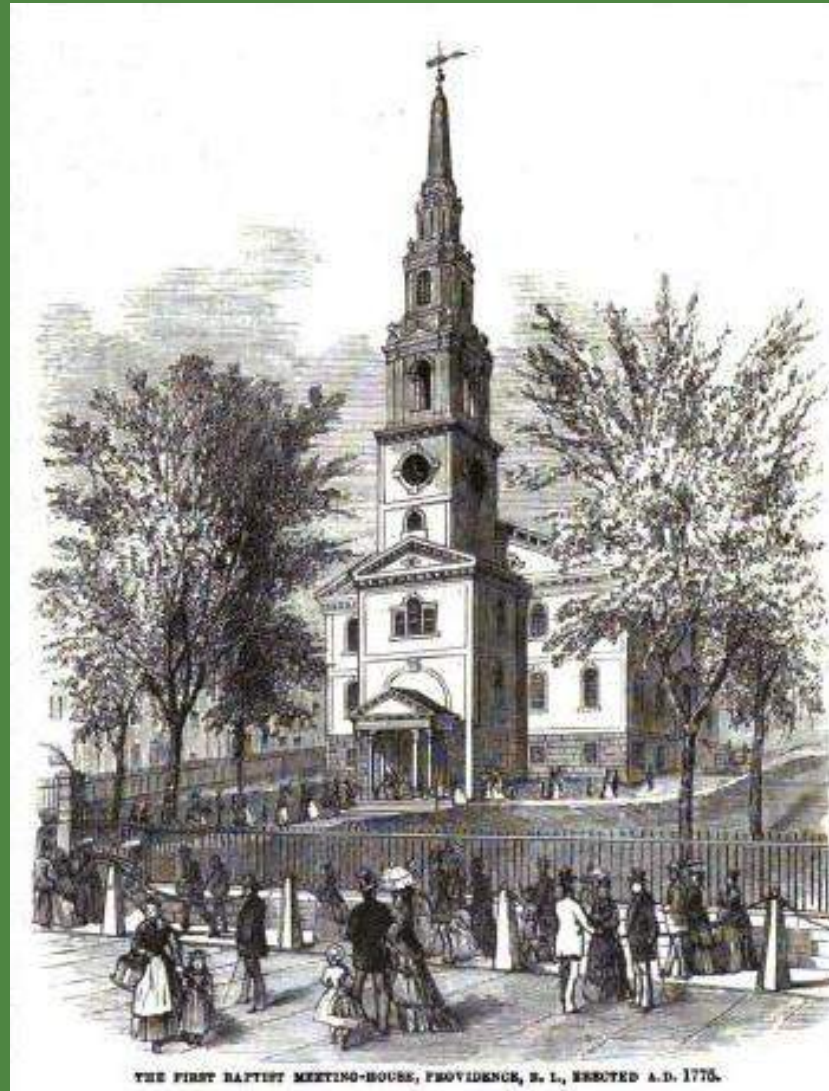
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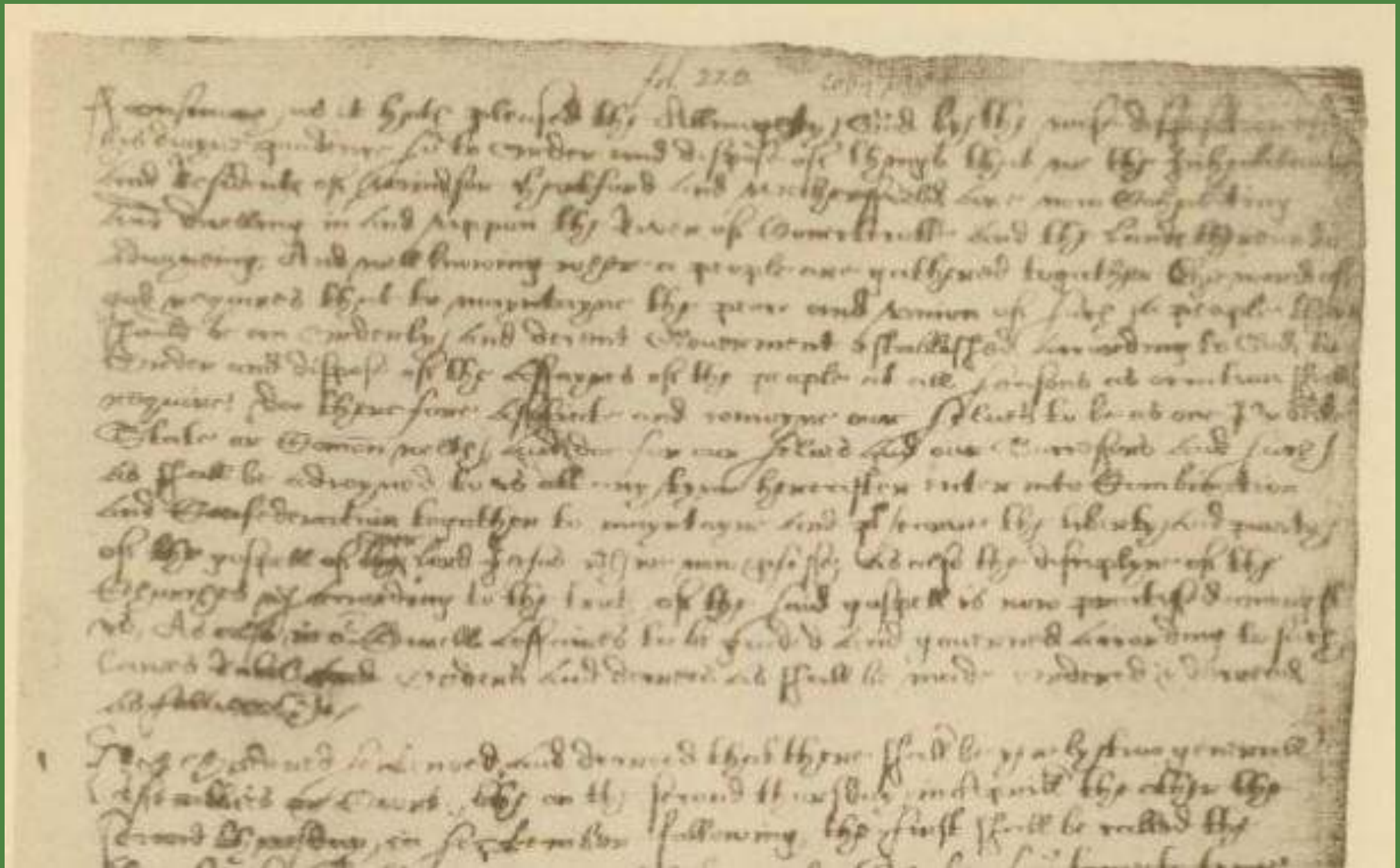
Although the Puritans came to Massachusetts to find freedom for their own beliefs, they did not believe in religious toleration for others.



This image of a man in the stocks who did not obey Puritan law is titled "Puritan Morality Enforced." This is a colorized version of the original which appeared in Benjamin Lossing's *Our Country: A Household History For All Readers*.... Page 387.



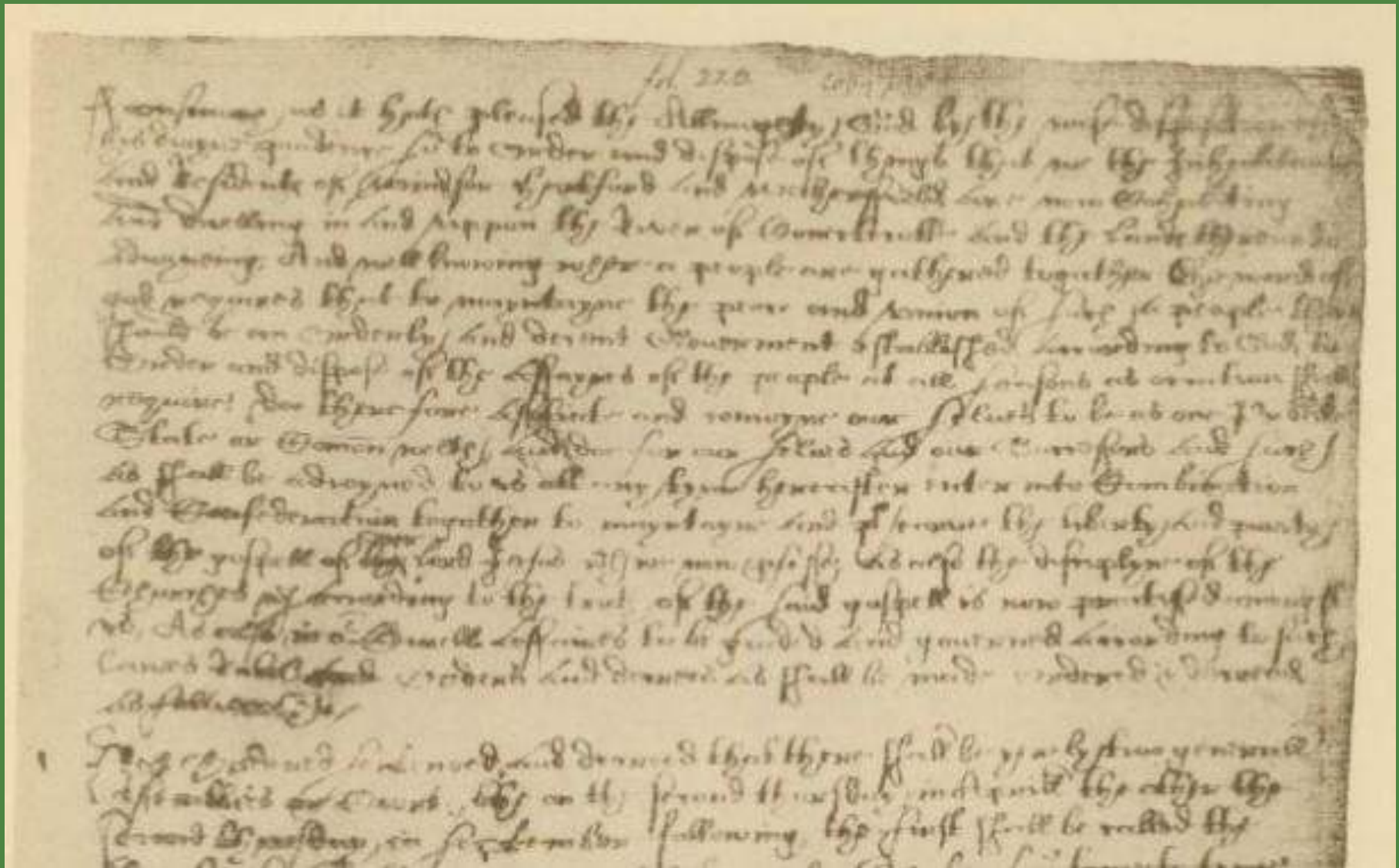
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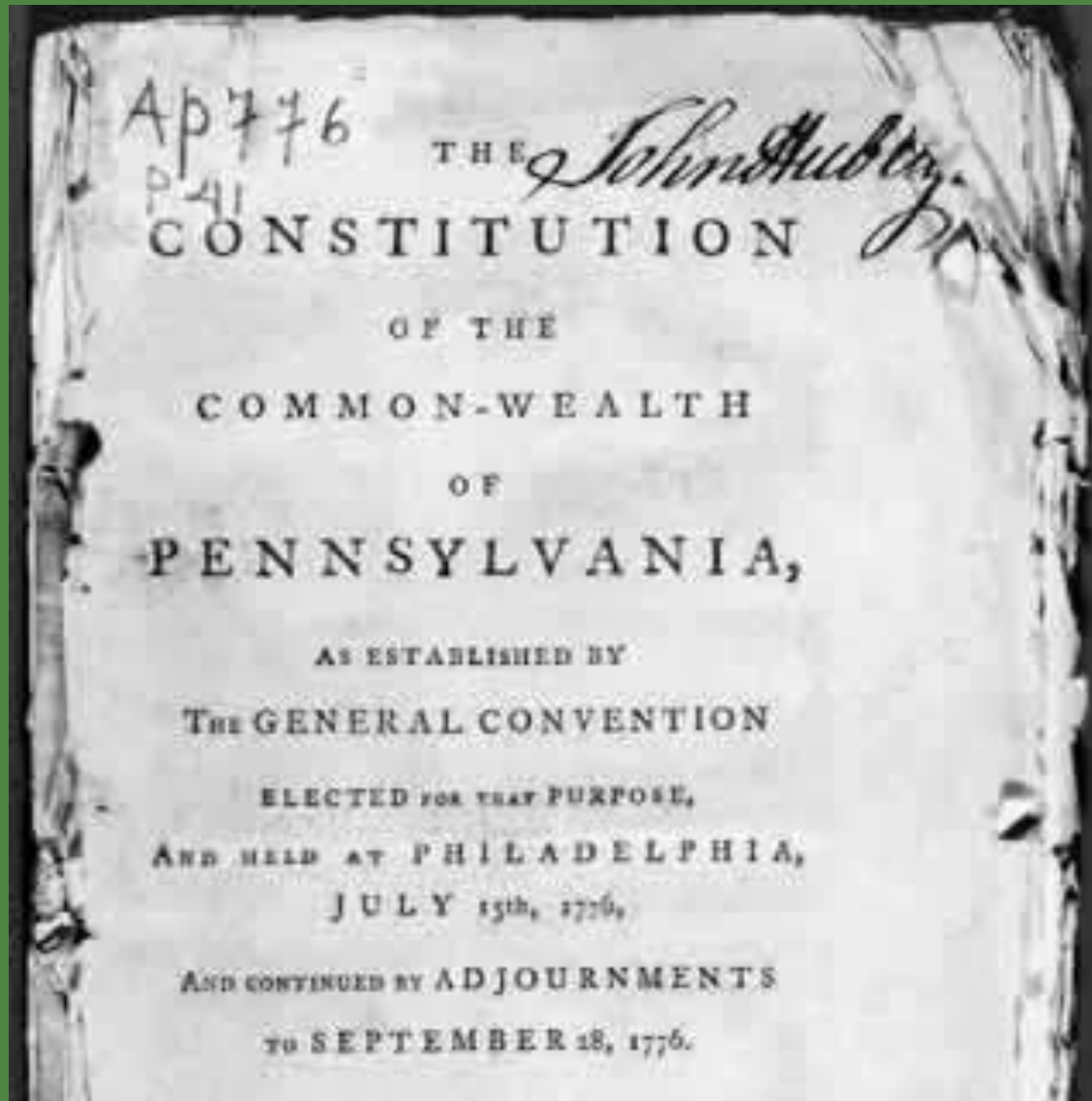
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The Fundamental Orders of Connecticut established some rights later contained in the United States Constitution, such as government is based on the rights of the individual, and the powers and limits of government. It also stated that all free men were able to elect their representatives and specified the use of secret, paper ballots. This mural, titled *The Signing of the Fundamental Orders 1638-1639* hangs in the Connecticut Supreme Court Chamber. It was painted by Albert Herter in 1913, and is courtesy of the Connecticut State Library.

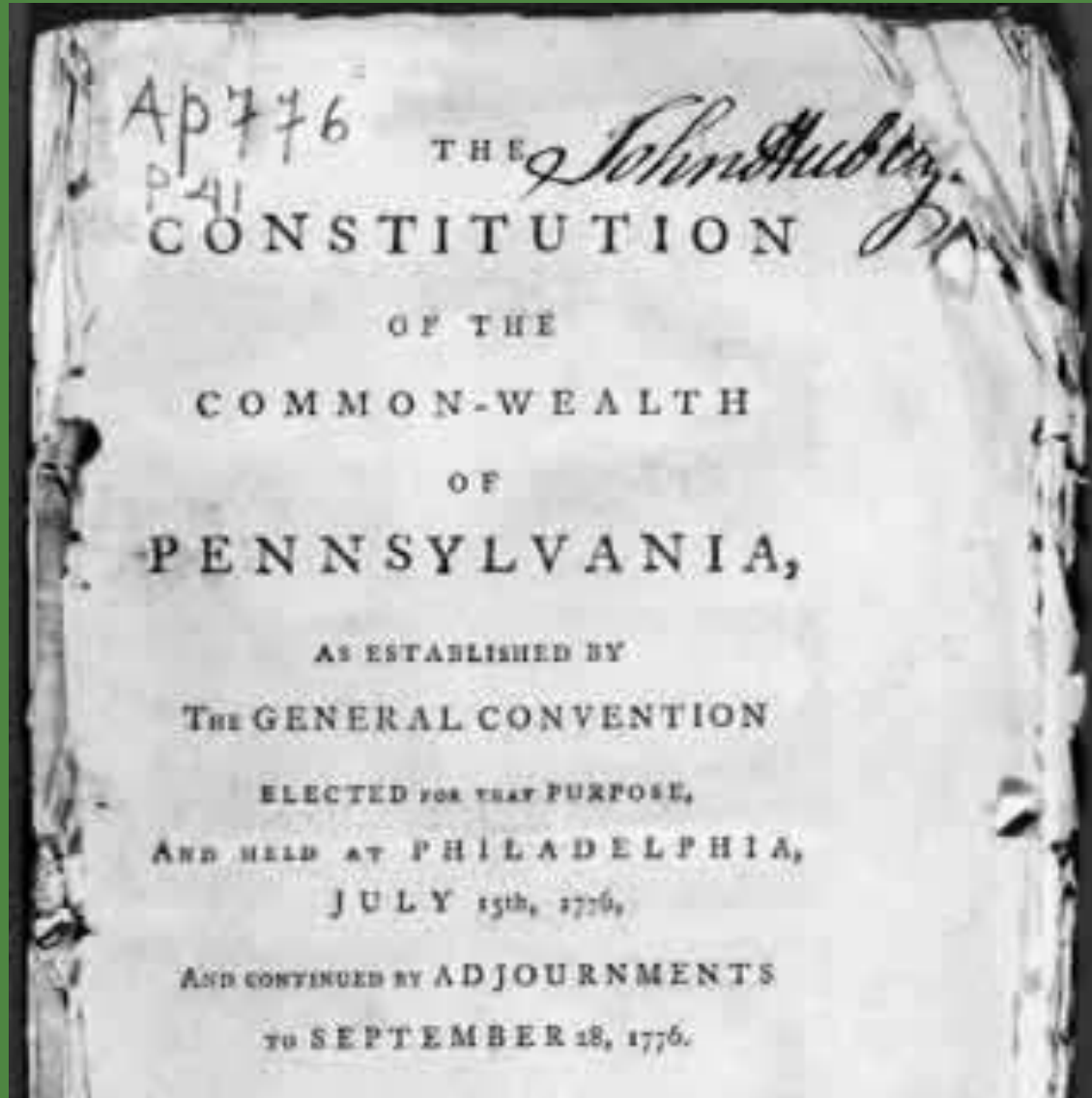
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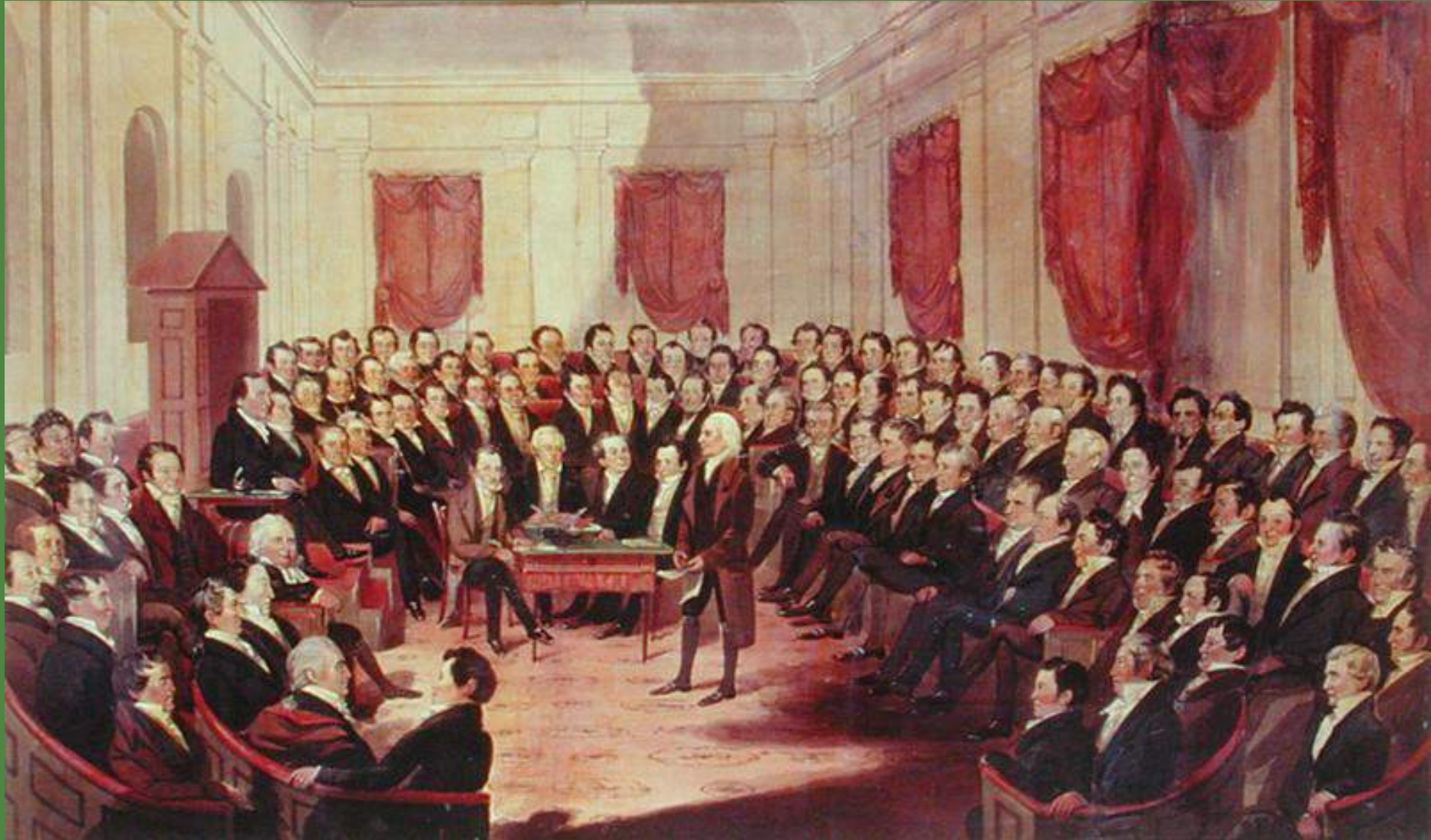
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Some early **constitutions** provided for an elected legislature and an elected governor.



This painting is titled *The Virginia Constitutional Convention*. It was painted by George Catlin (1796-1872) in 1830. Therefore this painting shows Virginia revising its constitution of 1776. This image is courtesy of Wikimedia Commons.

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## People to Meet



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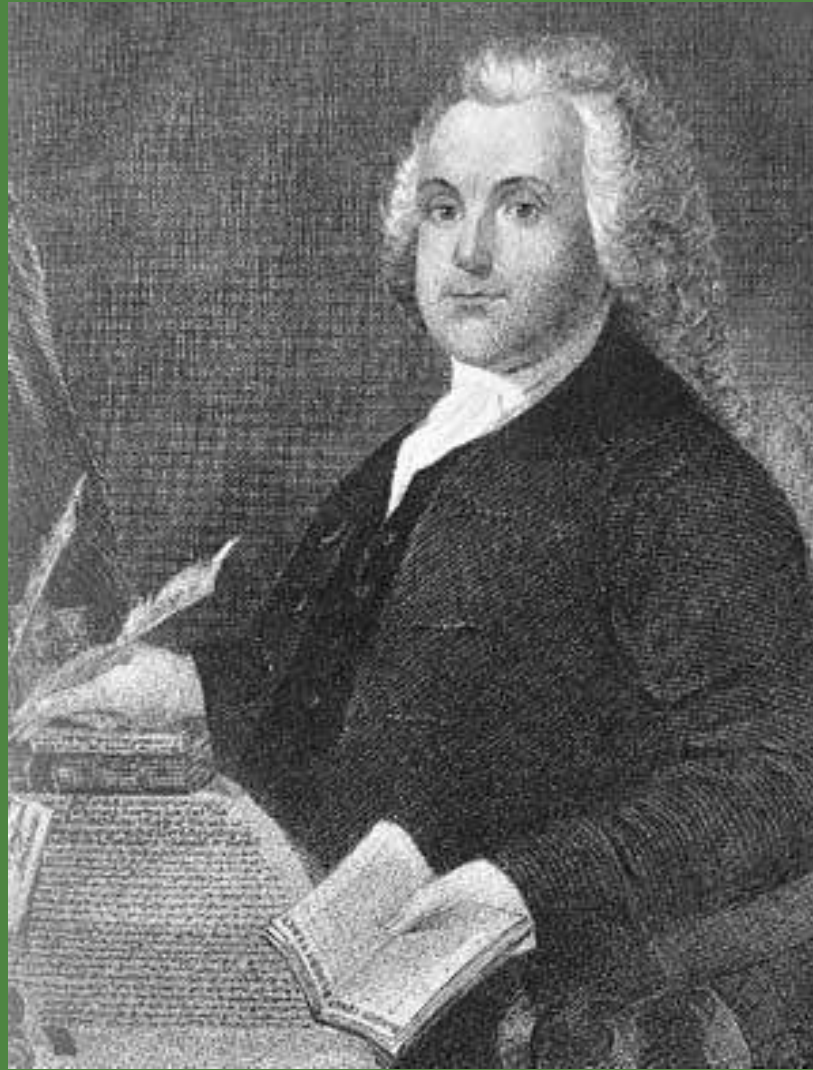
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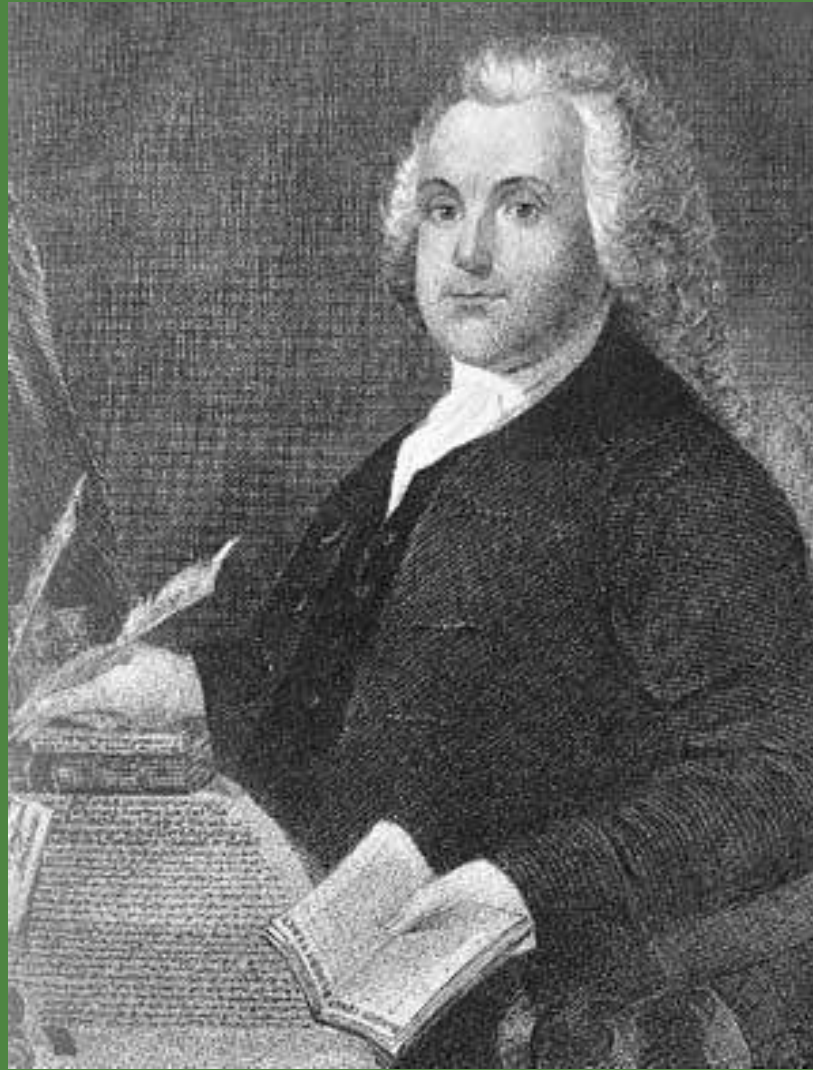
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## Maps



This is a map of the New England colonies. In purple is Connecticut. In orange is Massachusetts. In Green is New Hampshire. In yellow is Rhode Island. This map is courtesy of [13colonies.swsd.wikispaces.net](http://13colonies.swsd.wikispaces.net).

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