

pebble stones, jetting most jocundly where they doe meete; and hand in hand runne downe to Neptunes Court, to pay the yearely tribute, which they owe to him as Sovereaigne Lord of all springs."

Soon after Rev. Mr. Hull and his Company arrived in Weymouth and for eight years up to the time of the removal of Rev. Samuel Newman to Rehoboth in 1643 the town had gained rapidly and became one of the most important of any in the Massachusetts Colony. A record of the lands and their owners, while not perfect, is quite good, and serves to show who occupied the soil, with the number of acres held by them.

Among those who are mentioned in these lists we find the following:—

The Lands of Henry Kingman.

Twelve acres in the westerneck first given to John Whitmarsh bounded on East, with the land of Nicholas Onisepherus and Richard Whitmarsh, on the west & with the land of John Allin, the sea on the north, the land of Thomas Holbrooke on the south,

Three acres in the westerneck first given to William Smith, bounded on the East and south with the land of William Smith, on the north with the land of Thomas White, on the south with the comon.

Three acres first given to Edward Poole, bounded on the East with a highwaie, on the west with the land of William Hayard, on the north with the land of Enoch Hunt, on the south with the land of Ralph Allin.

ffower acres first given to George Allin bounded on the East with a high waie, on the west with the sea, his own land on the north, and the land of Ralph Allin on the south.

Three acres in the Easterneck of saltmarsh first given to M^r. Buslem bounded on the north with the bay, on the south with the back River.

Two acres of salt marsh neere "burying Iland" first given to Aingell Holard bounded on the East and south with the land of Robert Martin, on the west wth the creeke, on the north with m^r Parkers marsh.

Six acres in the westerneck first given to Samuel Butterworth bounded on the East with the comon, on the west with a highwaie.

Mr. Kingman continued to add to his possessions from time to time, till he became what was called in that time a large owner.

The following deed is the first conveyance of land to Henry Kingman, which after a complete examination of both town and county records, we have been able to find: