

This was evidently the son of Lieut. John Andrews, a mere lad.

Lieut. John Andrews was the oldest of the four Johns then living at Ipswich (and Chebacco.) And was then called John Andrews, Senior. At that time, 1658 (not 1667,) Corporal John Andrews, the son of Capt. Robert of Ipswich (not Chebacco,) was living; but from the context, we do not believe it was him who was engaged in that affair. He was then a man but little younger than Lieut. John. We thus conclude because of the reference to Robert Cross, Jr., who was the cousin of the John Andrews, Jr., mentioned; and the John Giddings mentioned, may have been another kinsman to John, Jr.

This affair was probably the mischievous prank of boys, rather than the act of full grown men.

From what has been discovered Lieut. John Andrews appears to have been an honorable, courageous, level headed man, of local prominence, respected and trusted by his neighbors and associates.

As a mere youth we find him fighting the battles of his country against the wily, fierce and warlike Pequot Indians, then threatening the destruction of the infant colonies of Massachusetts and Connecticut. In middle life he had secured an estate for himself and homes for his children and had provided against old age. Later, at the head of the trulband and as a leader of the local government he was among the first in Massachusetts possessing the courage to oppose the tyrannical and unlawful encroachments of England against the colonies. Still later, when the clergy and public officials had lost common sense and reason about public affairs and were yielding to the ignorance and superstition of the witchcraft craze, we find him allied with those tolerant of human rights and merciful toward the unfortunate, courageously opposing against that reign of terror of an unwise, wicked, cruel clergy and magistrates, who were ruthlessly murdering their victims, bathing their hands and wallowing in innocent blood, under the pretense of law and justice!

He was a better man than some recent local writers of that vicinity have portrayed him and who have erroneously ascribed to him the acts of another person of the same name, as before explained.

There were several persons named John Andrews, living in Ipswich and Chebacco between 1635 and 1708, making it difficult to identify them and more especially, their several acts. A little examination will explain: There was but one Lieut. John Andrews and he is the subject of this work and the oldest living at Chebacco or Ipswich, who bore the name, sometime called the Senior. It appears that he was once called Corporal; but it will further appear that there was another Corporal John Andrews.

Corporal John Andrews was the son of Capt. Robert Andrews, who came from Norwich, Eng. in the "Angel Gabriel" and settled in Ipswich, 1635. He was named in the will of Capt. Robert, in 1643 as being then a minor. He lived in Ipswich in 1646 and appears to have lived later in Lynn. In 1659 he and his wife Sarah sold their Inn in Ipswich village called the "White Horse Inn" in Hill street to Mr. Dumer. It was this Corporal John and this place about which there was so much complaint in the courts, etc. His father, Capt. Robert was licensed to draw wine in Ipswich in 1635. It seems probable the son followed the

