

### Third Generation.

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ISSUE OF JOHN FREEMAN, who m. MERCY PRENCE.

7. I. John, b. Feb. 2, 1650; d. inf.
8. II. John, b. Dec. 1651, in Eastham; m. *Sarah Merick*, dr. of Wm., Dec. 18, 1672, and 2nd, "*Mrs. Mercy Watson*, wid. of Elkanah of Plym." 1701.
9. III. Thomas, b. Sept. 1653; m. *Rebecca Sparrow*, dr. of Jonathan, Esq., Dec. 31, 1673.

The preceding Maj. John Freeman is frequently mentioned in the public records, first as "Lieut.," subsequently as "Capt.," and later as "Major," and who m. Mercy, a dr. of Gov. Prence and was a resident in Sandwich. A few years after, removed to Eastham, was among the earliest settlers with Gov. Prence. Did service in the Indian wars. Was a large land holder. He was prominent in public affairs in Eastham. He was Deputy, from 1654, eight years; Selectman, from 1663, ten years; Assistant in the Government, from 1666, several years; and later in life, Dec. 7, 1692; was appointed to the Bench of the Court of Common Pleas. Was Deacon of the Eastham Church, for many years. His wife Mercy d. Sept. 28, 1711, aged 80. He d. Oct. 28, 1719, aged 92. Both are buried in the graveyard at Eastham.