where he settled in Wraisburg, and died there 29 Oct., 1661, aged 72 years.

His son, known as Major John, or the worshipful John Pynchon, remained here as a ruler and representative of the state government.

His marriage with Amy Wyllys (30 Oct., 1644), daughter of Gov. George Wyllys of Connecticut, bestows upon us, their descendants, a Colonial governor ancestor.

"The figure of John Pynchon stands out in the latter part of the eighteenth century like a fair monument in a rude land. While the hardest-worked man in western Massachusetts, not a word reflecting upon his honor has come down to us. He had a placid disposition, a dignified bearing, and yet was as tender-hearted as a woman. He was a town organizer, a maker, administrator, and interpreter of laws, and a student of trade and commerce. When John Pynchon visited Boston he took his place among the assistants in the General Court. When he entered the County Court-room, his seat was at the head of the bench of judges; the town magistrate's chair was his chair, and at the town meeting he was always moderator, and upon training-day he was captain of the company. He was Springfield's most distinguished citizen." (His. of Springfield, by Mason A. Green.)

William Pynchon mar. { Anna Andrew; d. 1630.
Frances Sanford; d. 10 Oct., 1657.