## **ISAAC HART**

He was born in Scratby, County of Norfolk, England about the year 1614. He left England from Yarmouth in April 11,1636 (age 22) He sailed in the vessel called "Rose" as a servant (tutor) in the family of Richard Carver. He made his home at Watertown, Mass. So you see he landed in America only 16 years after the "Mayflower". Isaac married Elizabeth Hutchins about 1650 at Habstown, Mass. So she, too, had arrived in America at the beginning of settlement. He bought land in Watertown in 1642 and built a cottage. He sold this in 1656 and purchased a farm of 270 acres in Reading (now North Lynnfield, Mass.) He became a soldier in "King Phillip's War and served in Captain Gardner's company from February, 1675 until November, 1676. Elizabeth was accused of witchcraft and sent to prison in Boston on May 18, 1692 and held there until Dec. Her son, Thomas petitioned the court for her release. \*Source book by James M. Hartt, in archives. Isaac died Feb. 10, 1699. Elizabeth died Nov. 28. 1700

## From "Emigrant Ancestors"

Family History: 217 Genealogy Books

April 11, 1637. The examination of RICHARD CARUCAR, of Strathby, in the County of Norfolk, husbandman, aged 60 years, and

GRACE, his wife, aged 40 years, with 2 children, ELIZABETH, aged 18 years, and SUSANNA, aged 18 years, being twynes.

Mor. 3 servants, ISACKE HARTT, aged 22 years, and THOMAS FLEGE, aged 21 years, and one MARABLE VNDERWOOD, a

mayd servant, aged 20 years; goes all for New England, to inhabitt and remaine

From: "Pioneers of Massachusetts" by Charles H. Pope, 1977 HART/HEART

ISAAC- yeoman; Watertown; before General Court in 1640; proprietor 1642; sold land 1656, removed to Lynn, afterward to Reading; proprietor 1647 (I think proprietor meant he owned land?

also: from "Genealogical Register if the First Settlers of New England" by John Farmer, 1976:

ISAAC; Lynn 1640; removed to Reading 1647 wife Elizabeth, member of church 1648; petitioned Middlesex County Court with him in 1656 See also from "Names in the Salem Witch Trial" - Virginia Library (internet)

## **WARRANT v. ELIZABETH HART**

To: To the Marshall of the County Essex or his Deputy

You are in theyr Majestys Names hereby required to apprehend & bring before us upon Tuesday Next, being the Seavententh day of this Instant May by (torn) of the clock in the forenoone att the house of Leut Nath'll Ingersoll in Salem Village, the bodys of Thomas f\_rer sen'r of Lin Husbandman, and Elizabeth Hart the wife of Isaac Hart of Lin Husbandman,

whoe Stand charged in behalf of theyr Majestys, with high Suspition of Sundry Acts of Witchcraft done or Comitted upon (the)Bodys of Ann Putnam, Mercy Lewis & others in Salem Village, whereby great hurt hath bin done them, And hereof you are nott to faile,

Salem dat'd May 14th 1692 John Hathorne Assists Jonathan Corwin Assists

(Essex Couty Archives, Salem --Witchcraft Vol. I Page 75

(Officer's Return)

May 15th--1692 I have apprehended the above named persons and brought them att the time and place above written to answer as above. George Herrick --Marshall of Essex

Ann Putnam, Jr. v. Elizabeth Hart

The Deposistion of Ann Putnam who testifieth and saith that I have often seen the apperishtion of gooddy heart among the witches butt I did not know who she was: nor she did me no hurt tell the 13<sup>th</sup> of May 1692; that she came to my father house parsonally and tould me who she was and asked me if she had ever hurt me: but ever sence that day she has hurt me most greviously severall times and urgeth me greviously to writ in hir book. Son Thomas petition: 1692

To the honoured Generall Court now Sitting in Boston The humble Petition of Thomas Hart Inhabitant at Linn Sheweth that whereas Elizabeth Hart mother to the petition'r was taken into Custody in the Latter end of May last, and ever since committed a prison'r in Boston Goal- for witchcraft, Tho in al w'ch time nothing appeared against her whereby to render her deserving of Imprisonm't: or death, the petition'r being obliged by all Christian duty as becomes a child to parents, to make application for the Inlargment of his said Mother, being ancient and not able to undergo; the hardship that is Inflicted from lying in Miserie, and death rather to be Chosen then a life in her Circumstances, the father of the petition'r being ancient and decriped was wholly unable to---attend in this matter and the petition'r having lived from his childhood under the same roofe with his said Mother he dare presume to affirme that he never saw nor knew any "Evill nor Sinfull practice wherein there was any Show of Implety nor witchcraft by her, and were it otherwise he would not for the world and all the Enjoyments thereof Nurrish or support any creature that he knew ingaged in the Drugery of Satan it is well knoune to all the neighbourhood that the petition'rs Mother has Lived a sober and Godly life alwise ready to discharge the part of A good Christian and never deserving of Allictions from the hands of men for any thing of this nature May it humbly therefore please yo'r hon'rs, to take this Matter into yo'r Consideration in order to the Speedy Inlargment of this person So. Much abused and the petion'r as in duty bound shall Ever pray.

## Dated the 19<sup>th</sup> Octob'r 1692 \*Thomas Hart

References: The James. M. Hart 1903 book and Information from the Essex County Archives, Salem- Witchcraft Vol 1, Page 75.