

The Toppan Book....

Never before published, this book tells the tale of the early settlers of Hampton, NH and their relationship with town government, land ownership and family life in colonial New England. Edmund Willoughby Toppan (1808-1845), librarian of Hampton, collected information from town and church records, as well as legal documents such as wills and deeds to put together short biographies on the first settlers of Hampton. His 3X great granddaughter, teacher and historian Lori Cotter, has transcribed these handwritten notes, and included references on Hampton history and genealogical information.

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Announcing.....

Toppan's History of Hampton: The Early Settlers

By
Edmund
Willoughby Toppan
(1808-1845)

Edited
by Lori W. Cotter



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2009

Passed through the family for 165 years

Edmund Willoughby Toppan died at the age of 36, never publishing his work. The handwritten notes have passed to the oldest living child of the oldest child for six generations. Included in this book is an extensive Toppan genealogy, with sideline references to other Toppan/Tappan families and the relationship with the Sewall family of Boston and the Pepperell family of Kittery. Toppan has collected information on 120 first settlers of Hampton (Part I), 165 of the next generation (Part II) and 16 people who were third generation or came to Hampton from extended towns (Part III).

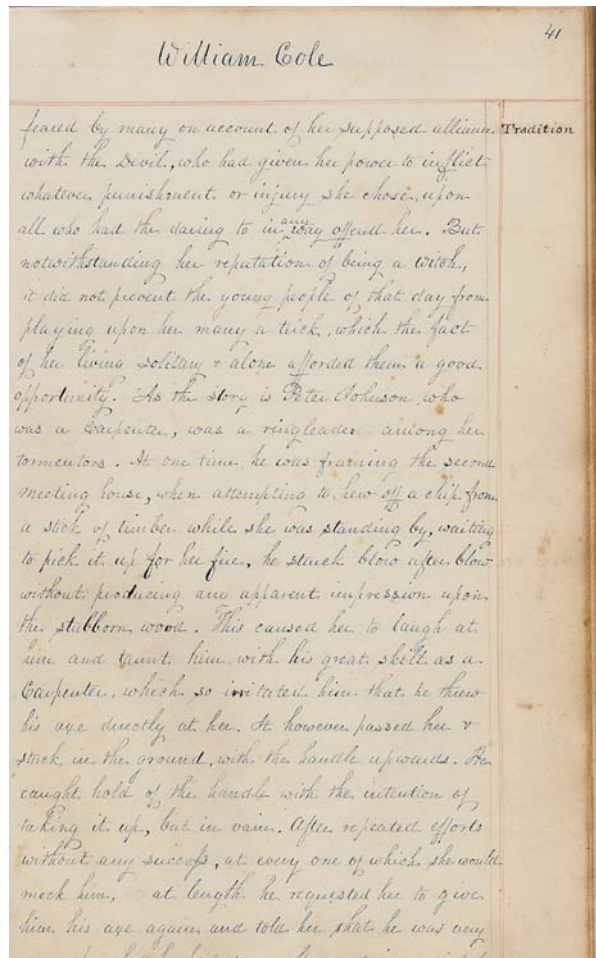
Apart from *Dow's History of Hampton*, Toppan includes marriage dates of many of his settlers.



Toppan Family Stone, High Street Cemetery, Hampton, NH

Traditions and Tales

Toppan lends insight into the world of historical research in the early 1800's. Writing from this perspective, he includes many family traditions that he has heard told to him, or those that he has read from family papers. His references are very clear, and he does not hesitate to incorporate his own political beliefs on the times and people of the 1600's.



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