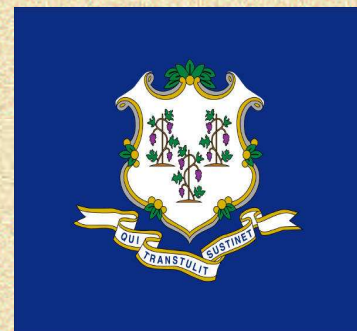


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Connecticut

Founding of the Colony

Connecticut founded in 1633 by Thomas Hooker. Thomas Hooker and his followers declared freedom from all slave divine authority. In 1639 the fundamental orders were enacted to govern the colony. Captain Joseph Wadsworth was in the position of the charter at the time of chaos. He hid the charter in an old oak about 500 years old. Which was later call the charter oak tree. Settlement didn't start in Connecticut until 1633. A small fort was erected at the site of Hartford call New Hope. Settlements started forming an the Connecticut River in the 1630's.





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HOME LIFE

Connecticut did not provide a sufficient funding to operate first rate schools. Public education in 1650 meant that 50 families would hire a school master. That school master would teach reading and writing. The women would tend to the children and cook, clean, make candles, churn butter, and milk cows. The children would usually help the mother out with whatever she was doing. The men didn't do as much work as the women but they did attend to the soil and chopping down trees. The women were in charge of cooking so that means food that they made was usually corn meal. She also would make stew, pudding bread, porridges, and fried meat.

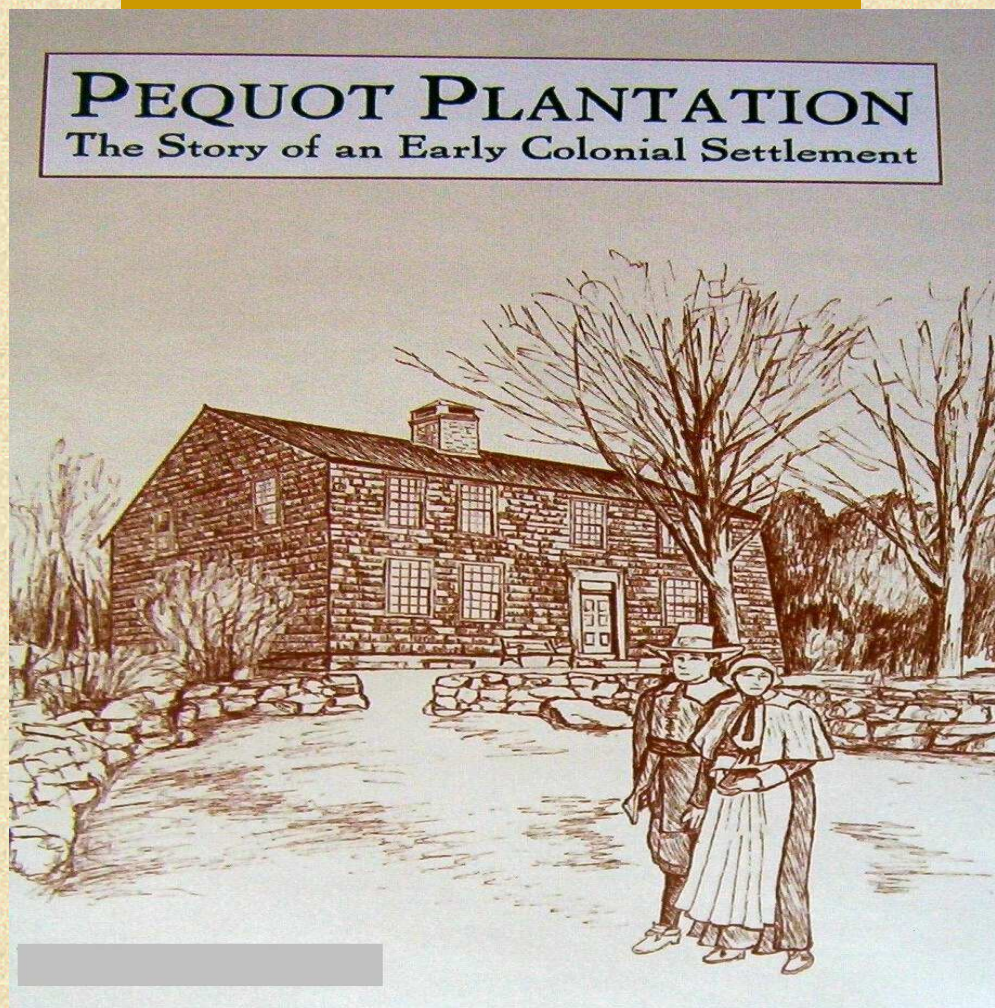


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NATIVE AMERICANS



The natives traded deer meat to unskilled hunters. They also traded canoes so colonist could travel on water. The natives taught colonist how to fish and clam. For the early settlers of southern Connecticut, the piquet war of 1637 had great consequences. It was the first serious battle between settlers and Indians in New England. At the time the piquet was occupying and controlling the Connecticut valley which caused them to fight. Natives in Connecticut help the colonists by serving them as guides. They killed wolves that tried to attack livestock. They also were used as messengers if anything had to be told to anyone.





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