European Settlement of North America (17th Century)

SSUSH1 The student will describe European settlement in North America during the 17th century.

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- c. Explain the development of the mid-Atlantic colonies; include the Dutch settlement of New Amsterdam and subsequent English takeover, and the settlement of Pennsylvania.
- d. Explain the reasons for French settlement of Quebec.
- e. Analyze the impact of location and place on colonial settlement, transportation, and economic development; include the southern, middle, and New England colonies.

Development of Virginia

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Virginia Company

- Founded in 1606 as a joint-stock company
- Why? Land ownership
 - Profit Trade monopoly



Vocabulary

Monopoly:

control over all or almost all trade or production of a good



Joint-stock company:

trading venture that sold shares to divide cost and profits

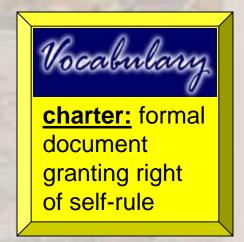
Seal of the Virginia Company.

From http://www.preservationvirginia.org/rediscovery/page.php?page_id=22

Virginia Company

- Given a charter by King James I
 - Purpose:





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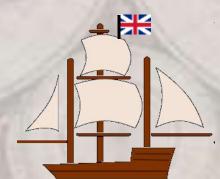
England's need for timber and rising unemployment encouraged many to travel to the new colony.

Virginia Company

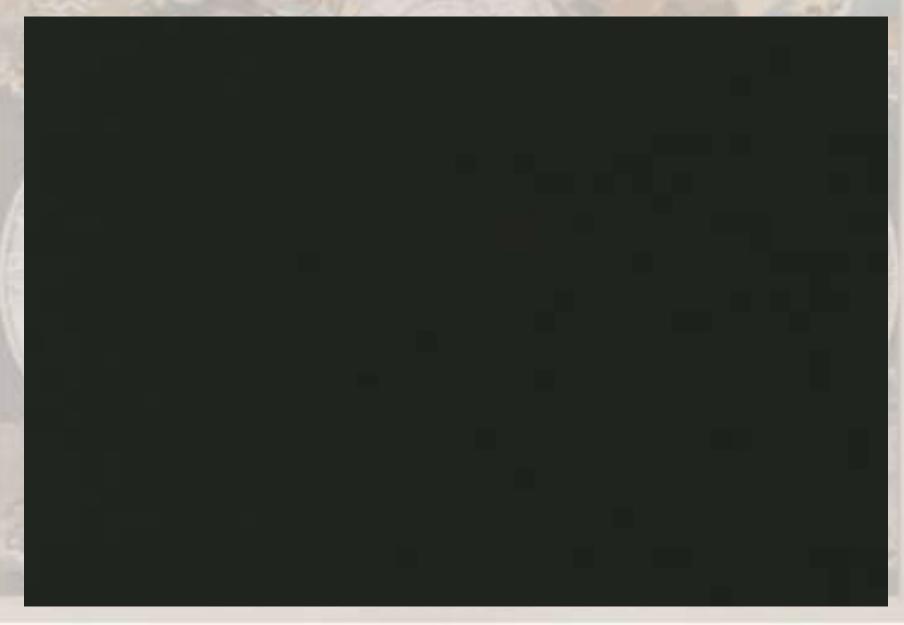
April 1607 –
 ships land at
 mouth of
 Chesapeake Bay







Life in the Early Colony



1610: A Big Year

- "Starving Time"
 - 90% of residents died during winter of 1609-10
 - Colony was almost abandoned
 - Rescued by ships from Bermuda

- Tobacco
 - John Rolfe began planting tobacco
 - First exported in 1612

DID YOU KNOW:

Rolfe began planting *Nicotiana* rustica, a form of tobacco that has between 18-20% more nicotine than the more common *Nicotiana* tabacum

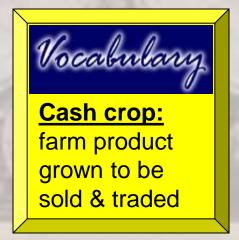
Tobacco Cultivation

 Tobacco had been introduced to Europe by Columbus



Was very popular

 Provided a cash crop for the colony

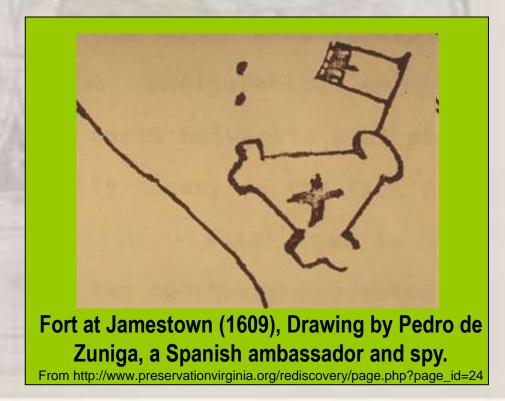




Relationship w/ Native Americans

- Major neighbors = Powhatan
- Relationship was tense at first
 - Fighting was off-and-on
- Fort was built to protect the colony

Algonquin Indians in the Tidewater region of Virginia



The Powhatan Confederacy

- Empire had been formed by Chief Wahunsenacawh by 1607
 - Lived in a village on the James R.
 - -≈ 14,000 under his control
- Lived in wooden longhouses
- Agricultural
 - moved during Spring (gather shellfish) and Fall (hunt)



Relationship w/ Native Americans

- April 1613 Pocahontas captured
 - Favorite daughter of Powhatan
 - Hostage for 1 year
 - Married John Rolfe



Pocahontas and John Rolfe traveled

to England in 1616 to attempt to gain

more investors for the colony. She

became sick and died in early 1617.

- After 1617:
 - Continued warfare
 - Powhatan had
 been permanently weakened

Development of House of Burgesses

- First Representative Assembly in America
 - Met July 30, 1619 in the church at Jamestown

Purpose:

- Make laws for the colony
- Could be vetoed by the governor and/or company directors in London



Development of Slavery

- First slaves in colony: April 19, 1619
 - Sold from a Dutch warship
 - Treated as indentured servants



- Indentured servants
 - Would work for free for a set period of time (4-7 years)
 - Not paid, but would receive some \$ at end of time
 - Freed at end of contract

Development of Slavery

Who came to Virginia as an indentured servant?

- Usually, young men and women in their late

teens and 20's



Lack of opportunity at home



Indentured
servant: person
who worked as
a slave for a
period of time
(4-7 yrs.) in
order to pay for
his journey to
America.

Bacon's Rebellion (1676)

- Issues in Virginia:
 - Class conflict
 - Hatred of natives
 - Thirst for land / glory / gold

Indentured servants/slaves had been treated poorly

From past attacks

Natives controlled much land that could be exploited

- Led by Nathaniel Bacon
 - Asked Gov. William Berkeley for permission to attack a group of natives
 - Berkeley refused, Bacon attacked anyway

Bacon's Rebellion (1676)

- Gov. Berkeley ordered Bacon to stop attacking the natives
 - He refused, marched on Jamestown and burned it to the ground on Sept. 19,1676

"Bacon's Castle"

The home of
Arthur Allen
(a member of the
House of
Burgesses)

Seized by Bacon's followers and fortified



Bacon's Rebellion (1676)

- Nathaniel Bacon died of dysentery on October 26, 1676
 - Rebellion disappeared shortly after

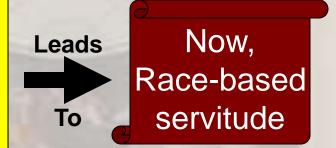
1,100 troops from England arrived at about the same time...

- Significance:
 - Move away from indentured servants towards

slaves

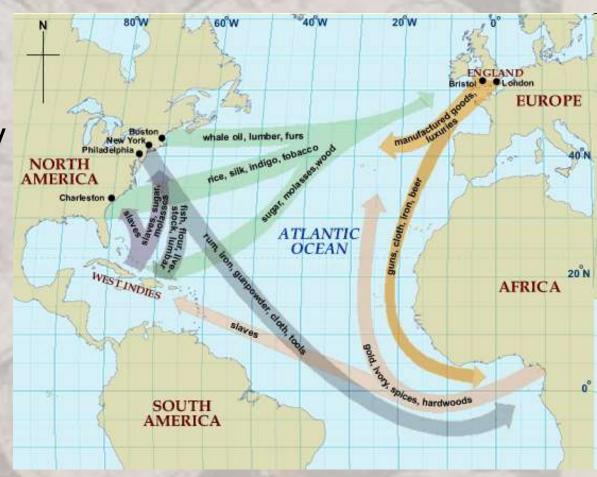


- 1. English had taken over slave trade
- 2. No economic benefit to indentured servants
- 3. Easier to control



Development of Slavery

- Due to:
 - British slave trade monopoly
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 - Bacon'sRebellion



Summary Questions:

Life in Jamestown – easy or hard? Why?

How did the institution of slavery develop?

Why was tobacco important to Virginia?

 Bacon's Rebellion: Would you have participated? Why?

Development of the Southern Colonies

Carolina

- Charter issued in 1663
 - In return for political support
 - Capital at Charles Town = Charleston, SC

Eventually separated into North Carolina and South Carolina

Founded for profit

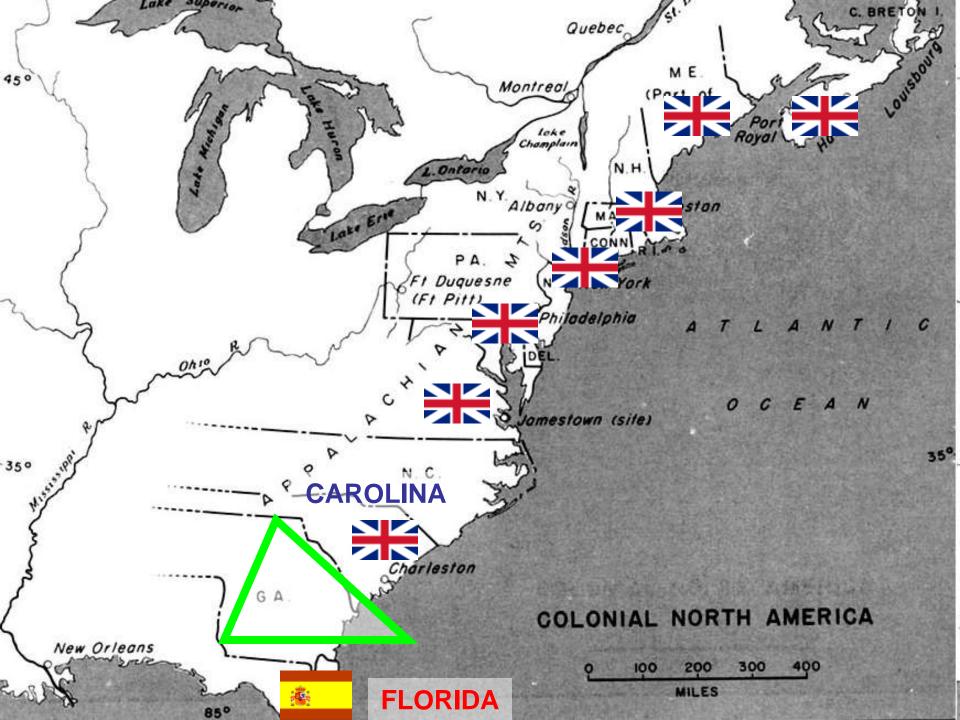
Became royal colonies in 1729



Georgia

Founded 1733

- Purpose:
 - Buffer colony between Spanish Goal of King Florida and Carolina
 - Refuge for criminals, poor Goal of Founders



Georgia

- Goal:
 - Colony with no large landowners, rum, slaves
- "and the example of a whole Colony, who shall behave in a just, moral, and religious manner, will contribute greatly towards the conversion of the Indians"
 - Some Account of the Designs of the Trustees for Establishing the Colony of Georgia in America

Settlement of New England

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New England Colonies

Massachusetts Bay

(1620)

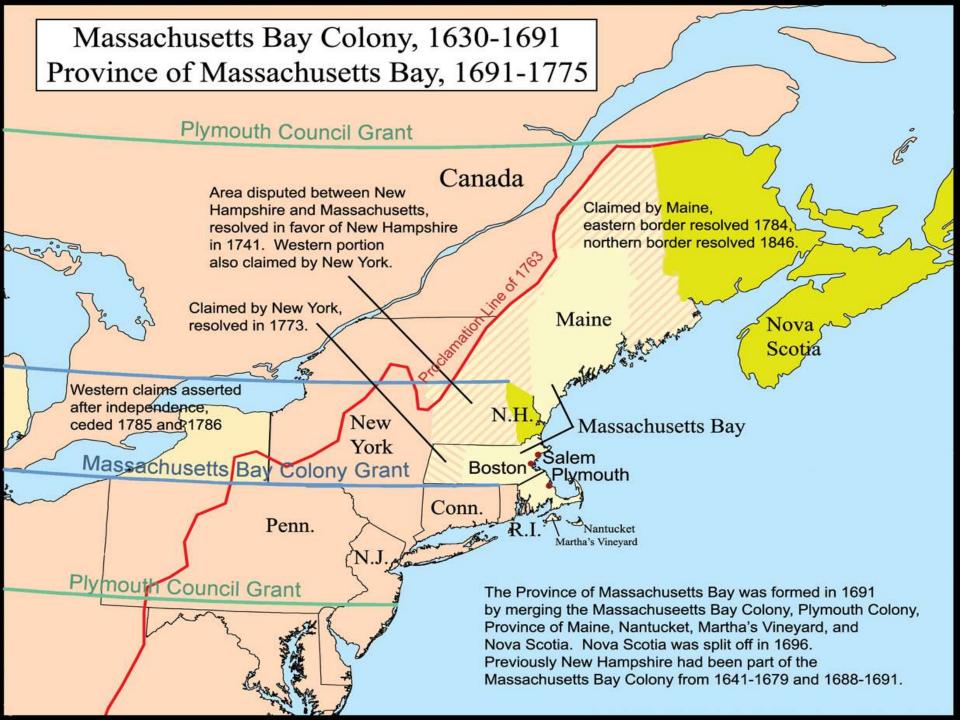
Connecticut

(1640)

New Hampshire

(1629)

Rhode Island & Providence Plantations (1636)



Religious Reasons for Settlement

- Pilgrims founded Plymouth Colony (1620)
 - Religious separatists
 - Sought freedom to practice their brand of Christianity
 - Mayflower, Squanto, Plymouth Rock, etc.

<u>Difference:</u> Pilgrims wanted

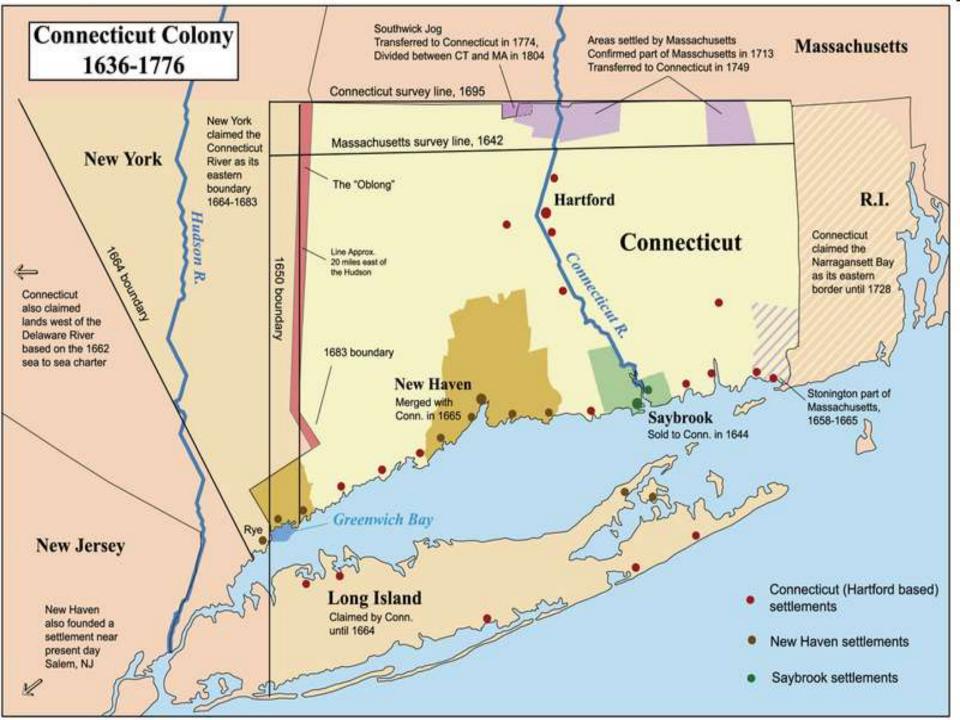
- Puritans quickly followed to leave Church of England
 - Wanted to "purify" Church of England
 - i.e. get rid of all Catholic-like observances

Religious Reasons for Settlement

- Puritan Rule
 - Used government to enforce religious beliefs
 - Must be a church member to participate in gov't
 - Caused division:

Anne Hutchison & Roger Williams - Rhode Island

Thomas Hooker - Connecticut



Relations with Native Americans

- Began peacefully, but tensions began to mount
 - Why?

More settlers = more territory

More territory = more pressure on Native Americans



Conversion to Christianity

King Phillip's War

Tensions increase

- Murder of Native American convert to Christianity
 - Why? Warned Massachusetts Bay of attack
 - Response: Natives attack frontier towns

King Phillip's War

- Results:
 - Native Americans defeated

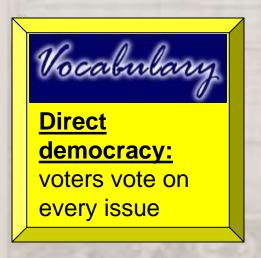
All of New England open for English colonization

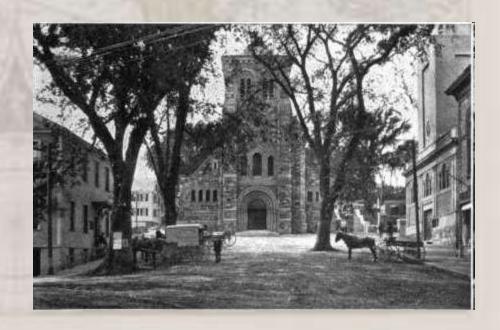
- Significance
 - No more Native Americans in New England

Establishment of Town Meetings

Developed out of Puritan church meetings

Direct democracy





Development of Legislatures

 Gradually developed out of town meeting structures

- Colonies were basically self-governing
 - England was occupied
 - Colonies elected their own leaders
 - Generally ignored laws from England they didn't like (i.e. Navigation Acts)

Founding of Rhode Island

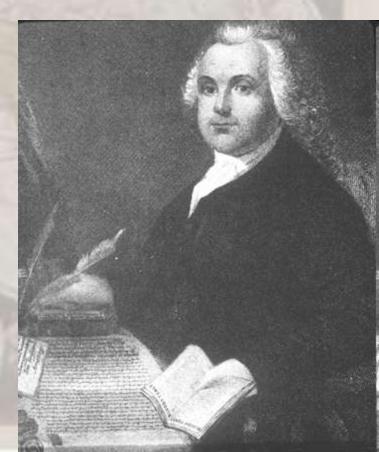
Religious Tensions

- Roger Williams banished from Mass. Bay (1636)

- Why?

Preached separation of church and state and better treatment of Native Americans

- Sheltered by Native Americans, founded new colony of "Providence Plantations"
 - -1636

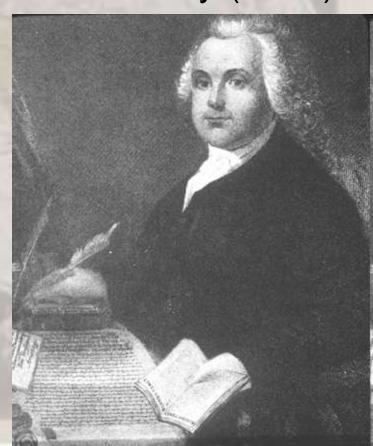


Founding of Rhode Island

- Religious Tensions
 - Anne Hutchinson banished from Mass. Bay (1637)
 - Why?

Theological differences (Works v. Grace)
Status of women

- Established Portsmouth, RI
 - -1638



Founding of Rhode Island

1644 – granted charter

- Notable for:
 - Religious tolerance
 - Good relations w/ Native Americans
 - Progressive laws (Slavery, debtors prisons, etc.)

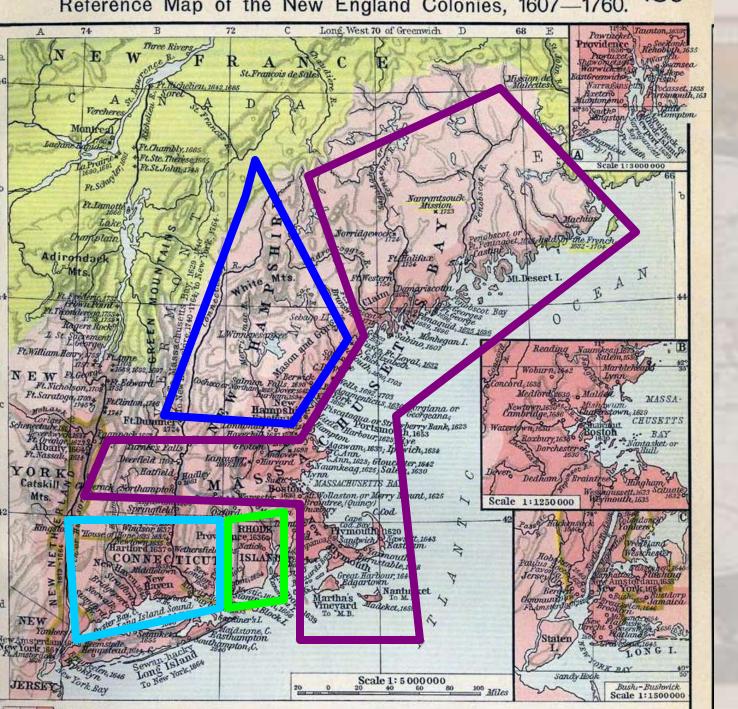
Founding of Connecticut

- Thomas Hooker
 - Took 100 settlers and founded Hartford
 - Left Mass. Bay over voting rights dispute



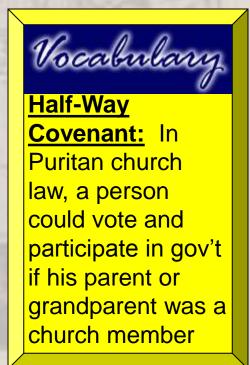
- Fundamental Order of Connecticut
 - January 24th, 1639
 - First written Constitution in America

Reference Map of the New England Colonies, 1607—1760. Long. West 70 of Greenwich Three Rivers



Half-Way Covenant

- Issues within Massachusetts Bay (1662)
 - Church membership declining
- Solution:
 - Half-Way Covenant
- Result:
 - Puritans maintain political control



Salem Witch Trials

- June-September 1692
- 20 killed on charges of witchcraft
 - Hundreds of others arrested
 - Accusations made because of property disputes, religious disagreements

DID YOU KNOW: 19 of the 20 were hung, while one man was crushed to death under rocks for refusing to go to trail for witchcraft.

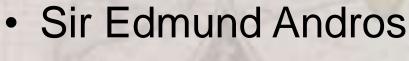




Massachusetts' Transition to Royal Colony

- Dominion of New England (1686-1689)
 - Union of Mass. Bay, Plymouth,
 New Hampshire, Rhode Island,
 Connecticut, New Haven,
 New York, New Jersey





- Promoted Church of England (religious freedom)
- Banned town meetings
- Revoked some land grants
- Raised taxes



Massachusetts' Transition to Royal Colony

Reaction to Andros



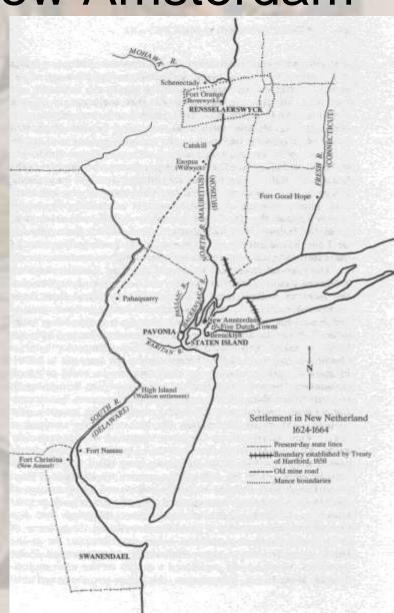
- Andros appointed by King James II
 - Glorious Revolution (1689)
- End of the Dominion of New England
 - Massachusetts becomes a royal colony
 - Union of Massachusetts Bay, Plymouth, Maine
 - Legislatures are reappointed/written constitutions honored again

Development of Mid-Atlantic Colonies

c. Explain the development of the mid-Atlantic colonies; include the Dutch settlement of New Amsterdam and subsequent English takeover, and the settlement of Pennsylvania.

Dutch Settlement of New Amsterdam

- Claimed:
 - Henry Hudson 1609
- Dutch West India
 Company Founded
 (1621):
 - Forts at Manhattan Island and Long Island, Fort Orange (Albany) & Fort Nassau on Delaware R.





Dutch Settlement of New Amsterdam

- Peter Minuit (1626-1633)
 - Director-General of New Netherland
 - Bought Manhattan Is. from natives

- Peter Stuyvesant (1647-1664)
 - Director-General of New Netherland
 - Conquered New Sweden
 - Defeated by the British

English Takeover of New Amsterdam

- 1664
 - Four English warships sailing for the Duke of York enter into New Amsterdam and demanded it accept English rule.

- Duke of York becomes King James II
 - New York becomes a royal colony

Settlement of Pennsylvania

The "Holy Experiment"

 Colony granted by King Charles II to William Penn as repayment for a debt

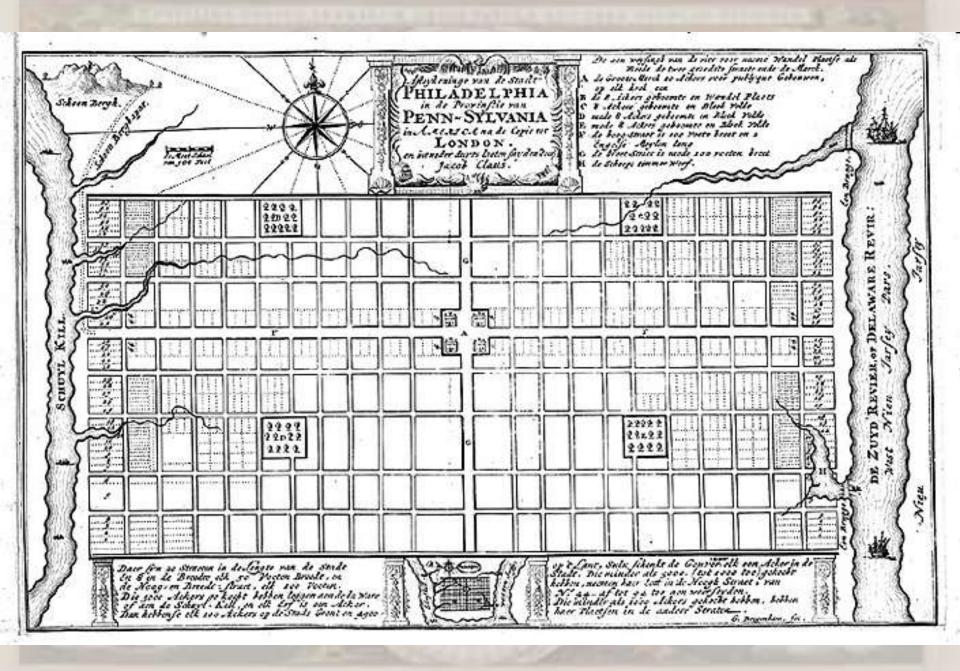
-1681

- Purpose: safe haven for Quakers
- Philadelphia planned city, made on a grid, center of trade, second-largest English-speaking city of the Empire

Vocabulary

Quakers:

religious group,
"Society of
Friends,"
members
believed in
direct
experience w/
God, wore
simple clothes
and were
pacifists



The French in Canada

d. Explain the reasons for French settlement of Quebec.

Quebec

- Founded 1608
 - By Samuel de Champlain



Samuel de Champlain

- Main purpose of French colonization:
 - Controlling the fur trade
 - Fishing/Whaling
 - How?
 - Control Mississippi River, Canada
- Differences: less people, more emphasis of relationship w/ Native Americans

Quebec

- Problems:
 - Low population
 - · Why?



Location and Place in the Colonies

e. Analyze the impact of location and place on colonial settlement, transportation, and economic development; include the southern, middle, and New England colonies.

Location Where is it?

One of the 5 Themes of Geography

Absolute location – latitude and longitude

 Relative location – described by landmarks, time, direction or distance from one place to another

Place

One of the 5 Themes of Geography

- · Includes:
- Human Characteristics
 - Who lives there?
 - What about buildings, roads, clothing, and food habits?

- Physical Characteristics
 - What is it like?
 - What about mountains, rivers, soil, beaches, wildlife, soil?

Impact on Settlement

In the Southern Colonies



Early cities built on rivers, oceans



Farms were built quickly (fertile soil)
Most people lived in rural areas

Impact on Settlement

In the Middle Colonies



Early cities built on rivers, oceans



Cities became centers of trade

Impact on Settlement

In the New England Colonies



Early cities built on rivers, oceans



Farms were built quickly (fertile soil)

Many small fishing villages were built

Impact on Transportation

In the Southern Colonies



Rivers used to move - poor roads



Farming meant people were spread out – transportation is slow

Impact on Transportation

In the Middle Colonies



Rivers, oceans used to move



Good roads & rivers connected people

Impact on Transportation

In the New England Colonies



Early cities built on rivers, oceans



Well developed road system

Impact on Economic Development

In the Southern Colonies



Ports used to transport crops



Tobacco grew easily – "cash crop"

Impact on Economic Development

In the Middle Colonies



Cities built on rivers, oceans



Cities became centers of trade Basic industry flourished

Impact on Economic Development

In the New England Colonies



Easy access to ocean

Many trees / good timber



Many fished and farmed
Shipbuilding became important