

**MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT MUSEUM AND  
RESEARCH CENTER**  
*Archives & Special Collections*

**Bibliography of Pequot Materials**

**Introduction**

The Mashantucket Pequot Museum and Research Center, Archives & Special Collections seeks to develop collections to support original research, first and foremost in the areas of Mashantucket Pequot culture, history and enterprise. This bibliography was produced to assist researchers in finding Pequot materials needed to complete their projects.

The list that follows covers the broad subject headings of the Pequot materials in the A&SC collections. These consist of records of the Tribe itself: its activities, government and contemporary life. Historical materials about the Tribe include government records and legal documents, manuscripts from those on the outside who have written about the Tribe, as well as family papers which document the Tribe from within. A rich collection of maps spanning five centuries literally puts the Pequots “in their place.”

Each entry under the subject headings has been annotated with a brief description to help researchers further refine the search for information. The entries are arranged by author/creator; title; date or time span (if known); and finally, accession, series or MSS number. (EC)

**Tribal Records**

**Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation.** Awards and commendations, n.d. Accession Number 1996-0025.

----- Bumper stickers, 1997. Series 22.

----- Calumet Cultural Center award, August 1990. Accession Number 1998-0089.

----- Casino article plaque, 14 February 1993. Series 19.

----- Channel 25 ECC cable television appearance, 18 May 2000 (videotape). Accession Number 2000-0088.

On 18 May 2000, Kenny Reels, James Wherry, Jackson King, and Leon Jacobs appeared on Murray Renshaw's local cable television program in response to Jeff Benedict's book *Without Reservation*. (JA)

----- Clippings and Scrapbooks, 1904-1998. Series 31.

This collection consists of loose clippings and scrapbooks of clippings from newspapers and magazines selected either by members of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation or by MPTN staff. The clippings span a nearly forty-year time period, and cover subjects such as the Tribe's achievement of federal recognition, the various Tribal enterprises and the development of the Mashantucket Pequot Museum and Research Center. (EC)

----- Construction magazine plaque, 17 March 1994. Accession Number 1998-0092.

----- Employee Benefit Plan. Handbook, 1991. Series 26.

----- Federal recognition documents, 1983-1984. Series 37.

These documents are of high importance to the Tribe. They include the Quit Claim Deed ceding the Pequot Burial Ground located in Ledyard, CT back to the Tribe, the pen used to sign the deed, and a photograph of Governor William O'Neill signing the deed while then-Tribal Chairman Richard “Skip” Hayward and his mother Theresa Hayward, among others, look on. Another document in the collection is an official copy of the “Mashantucket Pequot Indian Claims Settlement Act,” of the Ninety-eighth Congress of the United States of America, dated 3 January 1983. (EC)

- Indian Child Welfare workshop, 1-5 June 1992. Series 28.
- Information Forum material, n.d. (ca.1999). Accession Number 1999-0062.

In the Spring of 1999, the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation held a series of information forums for the purpose of increasing communication and improving community relations between the Tribe and the neighboring towns of Preston, Ledyard and North Stonington, CT. This is material from the forum held at the Garde Center, New London, CT on 7 May 1999. It consists of reprints of articles, graphs and charts on the subject of Tribal sovereignty and land use. (EC)

- Ken Reels drumming (audio cassette), n.d. (ca. 1990s). Accession Number 1998-0078.
- Kiwanis Foundation of New England award, 19 December 1990. Accession Number 1998-0061.
- Poster, 1996. Series 10.
- Poster, "Come Meet the Pequots...", n.d. Series 10.
- Schemitzun material, 1993-ongoing. Series 11; 16. Accession Numbers: 1997-0134; 1997-0172; 1997-0256; 1998-0148.

Schemitzun is the Mashantucket Pequot's Feast of Green Corn. This is a traditional celebration which occurred when the first ears of maize ripened. The celebration included songs, dancing, games, prayer, and traditional foods. The present festival includes many of the same elements of the original celebration. The modern event also includes intertribal dance competitions and a parade. There are also appearances by Native American singers, comedians and musicians. This series includes the brochures, press releases, videocassettes, and other materials used to advertise and promote the event. (See also "Visual Materials," Schemitzun posters and Connecticut Public Broadcasting, "Schemitzun! The Mashantucket Tribal Nation Presents...") (TS)

- Symposium on Indian Law and Tribal Sovereignty, 5 June 1998. Series 27.

This consists of a program for the symposium, reprints of articles on Indian tribal sovereignty; synopses and outlines of remarks made by Jackson King, General Counsel to the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation and Jill Shibles, Chief Judge of the Tribal Court; a paper by Patrice Kunesh, co-chair of the Advisory Committee; and the Table of Contents of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Laws. (EC)

- Tourism advertising, 1998. Series 34.
- "Wuskusu Yertum" (Tribal newsletter), January-March 1987; June 1991. Accession Number 1997-0215.

Before there was the "Pequot Times," there was "Wuskusu Yertum." These early Tribal newsletters give insight into life on the Mashantucket Pequot reservation "before Foxwoods." (See MPTN, Public Relations, "Pequot Times.") (EC)

**MPTN. Career Development.** "Drum, The," (newsletter), January 1995. Accession Number 1996-0016.

**MPTN. Education Department.** Teen Program. "Mashantucket Pequot Teens Newsletter", December 1995-March 1996. Accession Number 1996-0017.

**MPTN. Human Resources Department.** Personnel policies and procedures, 30 May 1990. Series 25.

- Benefit plans, 1994-1995. Series 26.

**MPTN. Mashantucket Pequot Museum and Research Center.** Aerial photograph, August 1996. Accession Number 1998-0114.

- Computer-animated walk-through video, n.d. (ca. 1996) Series 19.
- Fliers, January 1999. Series 39.
- Framed posters, 1990; 1992. Accession Number 1998-0156.
- Groundbreaking banner, n.d. (ca. 1996) Series 19.
- Invitation, 21 January 1998. Series 19.
- Postcards, 1998. Series 19.
- Promotional material, 1998. Series 19. Accession Numbers: 1998-0105; -0145; 1999-0064.
- Videocassettes, 1997. Series 19.

----- **MPMRC. Director, Museum Project (Jack Campisi, Ph.D.).** Correspondence, 1993-1994. MSS 108.

This small collection consists of two letters and a memo. One of the letters and the memo discuss the proposed working relationship between MPMRC and the National Museum of the American Indian during that period (1993-1994) of the Pequot Museum's development. (EC)

----- **MPMRC. Information Resources. Archives & Special Collections.** Records, 1998. Accession Number 1998-0144.

----- **Research Library.** Catalogued and cross-indexed material in the Helen Pep Collection as of September 1995. Accession Number 1999-0082.

----- Inventory of books owned by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe, 1 March 1999. Accession Number 1999-0083.

----- **MPMRC. Planning and Construction Records.** Architectural drawing. Polshek & Partners, n.d. Accession Number 1997-0107.

----- Conceptual drawings, n.d. (ca. 1990s) Accession Number 1998-0113.

----- **MPMRC. Public Programs.** Fliers, January 1999. Series 39.

These are printed advertising and descriptive materials for performances and other events held at the MPMRC. (EC)

----- Program schedules, 1998-ongoing. Series 29. Accession number 1998-0138.

Consists of handouts listing events for the museum scheduled by Public Programs. (TS)

----- Study guide ("Toronto at Dreamer's Rock"), Spring 1999. Accession Number 1999-0041.

This is a study guide meant for high school students which addresses the subjects and themes of the play, "Toronto at Dreamer's Rock," written by Drew Hayden Taylor and presented by Public Programs at the Mashantucket Pequot Museum and Research Center in the Spring of 1999. It includes a glossary of terms and a bibliography. (EC)

----- Toquam School letter and photographs, 1999. Accession Number 1999-0152.

On 31 March 1999, five classes from Toquam Elementary School in Stamford, CT visited the MPMRC. This item contains a letter written on 23 June 1999 to the Museum by one of the teachers, Ms. Rosalea S. Fisher. Subsequent to their field trip, her class constructed a small-scale diorama of a Pequot village, based on what they had seen at the Museum. Six color photographs show various stages of the construction, from the initial blank sheet of cardboard to the finished work. A seventh color photograph shows the class and the instructors standing behind the diorama. (JA)

----- **MPMRC. Public Relations.** Promotional material, 1991-1998. Series 19. Accession Numbers 1997-0125; 1998-0025; 1998-0071; 1998-0097; 1998-0100; 1998-0145;

Items in this collection include stationery, brochures for the Museum and Research Center, and press releases about the museum. (EC)

----- **MPMRC. Retail.** Visitor comment register, 1998, 1999. Accession Number 1999-0033.

**MPTN. Mashantucket Post Office.** Project manual, 2-5 January 1995. Accession Number 1999-0153.

**MPTN. Pequot River Shipworks.** Promotional material, 1996-? Accession Number 1997-0124.

**MPTN. Public Relations.** "Pequot Times," 1992- ongoing. Series 35 and Accession Number 2000-0045 (the latter refers to bound volumes containing the twelve issues for the year 1999).

This is an official publication of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation, and is published monthly. It replaces the earlier Tribal newsletter, "Wuskusu Yertum." (See MPTN, "Wuskusu Yertum.") (EC)

----- "Pequot Times" Cartoon Cels, January-February 1997. Series 35. Accession Number 1998-0102.

"Cels" are images on celluloid film used for projection or for publication. These particular "cels" are of cartoons created for the "Pequot Times." (EC) (See "Pequot Times.")

----- "Pequot Times" photographs, 1994-ongoing. Series 35. Accession Numbers: 1997-0267; 1999-0002.

This photograph collection thoroughly records the development of Mashantucket Pequot enterprises, particularly Foxwoods Resort Casino. Other building and development projects are also represented, and there are numerous photographs of Tribal members and employees. (See "Pequot Times.") (EC)

----- Photocopied newspaper clippings, 1996-1998. Series 36. Accession Number 1999-0106.

This collection consists of photocopied articles about the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe which appeared in local and national newspapers, including "The Norwich Bulletin;" "The New London Day;" "The Hartford Courant;" "The Providence Journal;" "The New Haven Register;" "The New Haven Chronicle;" "The Boston Globe;" "The Boston Herald;" and "The New York Times." (Previous years are in the Research Library.) (EC)

**MPTN. Recreation Department.** "Recreation News," (newsletter), n.d. Accession Number 1996-0043.

**MPTN. Summer Youth Training Program.** "Our Pequot Past," n.d. (ca. 1992). Series 7.

This charming booklet, filled with drawings, stories, maps and the lyrics to a song, was created by Tribal youngsters who participated in a Summer 1992 Youth Training Program on the Mashantucket Pequot reservation. Considerable research into Pequot history by the program's participants was undertaken at Mystic's Indian and Colonial Research Center, and all of the drawings are signed originals by the creators of the booklet. The participants listed are: Matthew Cooper; Sherri Daggett; Jason Guyot; Danny Pantalone; Ernest Reels; Augustus Sebastian; Ottawa Sebastian; and Sequoyah Sebastian. (EC)

**MPTN. Tribal Council.** Promotional material, ca. 1995-1996. Series 40.

These are two mailers sent by the Tribal Council to residents of the towns of Preston, Ledyard, and North Stonington, CT regarding the Tribe's desire to add 247 acres to the existing reservation. (EC)

----- "Genesis 2 Fashion and Talent Show, 28 August 1999" (2 copies of program). Accession Number 1999-0151.

This begins with brief descriptions (quoted from primary sources) of apparel and accessories which Natives of New England wore and used at the time of the arrival of the first Europeans. At the Fashion and Talent Show, men, women, teenagers, and children displayed garments appropriate for mornings, afternoons, and evenings for each season of the year. Also featured were traditional bridal outfits worn by Native Americans, Africans, and Asians. The Talent portion featured singers, dancers, and a poet. The program contains photographs of the people who modeled the clothing, of the Talent participants, and, on the last page, of the Tribal Council members. (JA)

**MPTN. Tribal Court.** Mashantucket Pequot Rules of Evidence, 11 June 1996. Accession Number 1999-0061.

This is a standard legal "rules of evidence" adapted for the Tribal Court of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation for use in official court proceedings. (EC)

----- "Pequot Court News" (newsletter), February, July 1996; 1997. Series 32. Accession Number 1996-0042.

This is the official newsletter of the Mashantucket Pequot Court System, and documents the activities of the court, the court's weekly scheduling calendar, additions to the staff, and other items of interest to the Tribe's legal department. It is published semi-annually. (EC)

-----. Promotional material, 1996. Series 33.

This consists of three brochures entitled, "A Guide to the Use of the Mashantucket Pequot Employment Appeal Process;" "Mashantucket Pequot Court System;" and "Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Pretrial Intervention Program." (EC)

**MPTN. Two Trees Inn.** n.d. (ca. 1990s). Accession Number 1997-0092.

This collection consists of a placemat reproduction of the Spiess map of Connecticut. (See Maps, Spiess, Mathias) (EC)

**MPTN. Utilities and Water Department.** Promotional material, 1996. Series 23. Accession Number 1997-0123.

This is a full-color brochure entitled, "Membrane Filtration at Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation" which gives full specifications and description of the Tribal water treatment facility. An invitation to the dedication of the plant is enclosed. (EC)

## **Tribal Family Papers**

**Langevin, Martha Hoxie (1862-1927).** Correspondence, 1926-1927. MSS 1.

The collection consists of letters written by Martha Hoxie Langevin, a Mashantucket Pequot Tribal member, to her daughter, Alice Guevremont (Brend). Mrs. Langevin was a skilled traditional basket maker whose letters contain information about methods of basket making, family concerns, and the political issues facing the Mashantucket Pequots during the 1920s. (EC/TS)

**Locke, Frank Winfield, Jr.** Family papers, ca. 1890-1984. Accession Number 2000-0013.

This collection of papers, photographs, medals, and memorabilia comes from the family of Frank W. Locke, Jr. Among the earliest materials are school essays, high school yearbooks, and Locke's high school varsity numbers (Bulkeley High School, Class of 1928) and athletic medals. During the 1930s, Locke played professional baseball with the St. Louis Cardinals. He and his brother Harold subsequently served in the United States Army during World War II (Frank served in Europe, and Harold served in the Pacific). From the war years, the collection contains Frank's "dog-tags," military insignia, and guidebooks obtained during the campaign in Italy (1944-1945). It also contains Harold's Purple Heart award (issued posthumously in 1945), and a letter of condolence from General Douglas MacArthur. (CP)

## **Visual Materials**

**Connecticut Public Broadcasting, Inc.** "The Pequot Indians: A Nation Reborn," 1988-1989. MSS 23.

This collection consists of a copy of the documentary and the edited outtakes on one-inch videotape reels and VHS videocassettes. The documentary includes interviews of Mashantucket Pequot Tribal members and focuses on the resurgence of the Mashantucket Pequots under the leadership of Tribal Chairman Richard A. (Skip) Hayward. (TS)

-----. "Schemitzun! The Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation Presents Their Seventh Annual Feast of Green Corn," n.d. (ca. 1998). Accession Number 1999-0092.

This is a videocassette of a program about Schemitzun '98 produced by the Connecticut educational television station. (For a description of the program's subject see MPTN, Schemitzun materials, under "Tribal Records.") (EC)

**Daggett, Sandy Hayward.** Mashantucket Bingo photo album, 1989. MSS 21.

Sandy Hayward Daggett, a member of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation, created this album of color photographs of events, customers, and employees while managing the Tribe's bingo operation in 1989. (EC/TS)

**Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation.** Schemitzun posters, 1994-ongoing. Series 11.

This series includes the posters used in advertising the event. (See also MPTN, Schemitzun materials, under "Tribal Records.") (EC)

**Morgan, Nathan D.,** photographer. Carte-de-Visite (Amasa Lawrence Photograph), n.d. (1864). MSS 2.

The inscription on the back of this Civil War-era carte-de-visite identifies Amasa Lawrence as "Chief of Pequots." He also had familial ties to the Narragansett Tribe. Substituting for one John D. Brewster, Lawrence enlisted in the 29<sup>th</sup> Connecticut Volunteer Colored Regiment on 9 August 1864. (Colored Regiments included Native American, as well as African-American, soldiers.) Although he was 55 years of age at the time, he claimed to be only 41 years old (since those over 45 years of age were ineligible for combat duty). Although he was sent to the siege of Petersburg, Virginia, his actual age was soon discovered. Accordingly, he was discharged, without receiving a bounty payment, on 26 September 1864. (JA)

**Prindle, Tara L.** Basket designs, n.d. (ca. 1996). MSS 35.

Tara Prindle was commissioned by the Mashantucket Pequot Museum and Research Center to document the designs of traditional Pequot baskets. In this series of watercolors she depicts the types of baskets found in private and public collections, as well as cites the location where each basket was found. (EC/TS)

**Underhill, John (d. 1672).** *Newes from America. The figure of the Indians Fort or Palizado in New England and the Maner of the Destroying it by Captayne Underhill and Captayne Mason*, 1638. MSS 52.

John Underhill, an English army captain, along with Captain John Mason, led the attack on the Pequots' fort at Mystic in 1637. This engraved diagram of the fort, which was originally part of *Newes from America* published in London in 1638, is the only representation of the event by an eyewitness. (EC)

## **Conferences**

**Mashantucket Pequot History Conference.** Records, 1980-1993. Series 8.

The Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation and the Anthropology Department of the University of Connecticut sponsored two historical conferences to advance the study of Native peoples of New England. The first conference was held in 1987 in commemoration of the 350<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Pequot War. The second conference was held in 1993 in celebration of the tenth anniversary of federal recognition of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe. Papers from the 1987 conference were published in *The Pequots of Southern New England: The Fall and Rise of an American Indian Nation*, edited by Laurence M. Hauptman and James D. Wherry (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 1990). This collection consists of a brochure, participants' packet, papers, and videotapes. (TS)

## Ephemera

**Windsor Historical Society, Mason Family Memorial Association, Inc., and Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection.** "Ceremonies at the Rededication of the statue erected in the honor of Major John Mason" (program), 26 June 1996. Accession Number 2000-0052.

This statue was originally located in Mystic, where it was first unveiled in 1889. J. G. C. Hamilton of Westerly, RI sculpted this monument (see below). In 1996, it was relocated to Windsor 's Palisado Green "in the interest of amity for all Americans" and "to respect a sacred site of the 1637 Pequot War." (JA)

## Foxwoods

**Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation. Foxwoods Resort Casino.** Advertising material, 1992-ongoing. Series 4 and Accession Number 1997-0135.

After receiving federal recognition in 1983, the Tribal Council of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation passed a resolution to open a bingo operation. The Tribe's right to open a high stakes bingo hall was challenged by the State of Connecticut. After successfully defending this challenge, the Tribe opened the doors of the bingo operation on 5 July 1986. On 12 February 1992, the Tribe expanded its operation, opening Foxwoods Resort Casino which continues to operate today. Foxwoods' facilities include restaurants, hotels, and theaters in addition to casinos and the high stakes bingo hall. This series consists of brochures, recordings of radio advertising, and other related advertising material for the high stakes bingo and casino enterprise. The oversized items are proofs for advertising pamphlets. (TS)

-----. Bingo game cards, 1981-1996. Accession Number 1999-0148.

-----. \$430,000 summer cash giveaway (button pin), July -August 1998. Accession Number 2000-0012.

-----. "New Millenium at Foxwoods, 31 December 1999" (invitation). Accession Number 2000-0075.

-----. Polshek and Partners. Architectural plans, 1993. Accession Number 1998-0153.

-----. Posters (1988-1997). Series 3.

Material in this series consists of posters advertising the Casino and its high-stakes bingo operation. (EC)

**Government Records and Legal Documents** (These records were not created by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation; in most instances they were created by the Colony or State of Connecticut.)

**Connecticut. Register of Probate Records (Town of Stonington).** Records, (Thomas Sinnemon Probate) 1782; 1783; n.d. (ca. 1783). MSS 10.

These documents certify that Thomas Sinnemon (or Cinnemon) served in Captain Samuel Hait's Company of the Fifth Regiment of the Connecticut Line of the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War and was due three pounds, thirteen shillings and three pence for his service. He had enlisted on 21 April 1777, and died on 27 January 1778, possibly at Valley Forge. The court at Stonington designated Paul Wheeler as the executor of his estate. The record shows that Sinnemon died intestate without designating an heir. (EC/TS)

-----. Depositions, 1732; 1747; 1760. MSS 9.

Consists of records on the use and ownership of land disputed by the Town of Groton, Connecticut and the Mashantucket Pequot tribe. Pequots cited in the documents are Joseph Wuyeck and Paunuck Cocheats, as well as the Tribe's overseers John Richards and Daniel Coit. Deponents are Parke Avery, Nathaniel Bellows, John

Morgan, and Solomon Morgan, all residents of Groton. Public officials witnessing the depositions are John Chester, Jesse Dean, Jabez Hamilton, William Williams, William Witter, and George Wyllys. (EC/TS)

**Gookin, Daniel (1612-1687).** *Petition of the Poor Distressed Pequits (sic) Now Living at Poquatuck*, 21 May 1664. MSS 197.

According to an accompanying letter from 1930, Gookin is the probable author of this petition to "the Honored Generall Court now assembled in Boston." He wrote it on behalf of the "Pequits" at "Poquatuck." They had been given a five-year lease on land in Squomacut and Poquatuck, in order to improve it by planting. At the expiration of this lease, they had been promised "a convenient Track of land elsewhere in the woods" consisting of eight thousand acres. Unfortunately, the Pequots met resistance from white settlers in the area; Gookin states that "...we cannot get the land layed out according to these orders, nor can quickly possess and improve the same." (JA)

**Norwich, (Connecticut).** Order to pay, 30 August 1766. Accession Number 2000-0034.

This is a handwritten directive to "pay unto Mr. Jedidiah Huntington on order the sum of twenty pounds, and charge the same to the colony...for the Indians at Groton, pursuant to an act of the General Assembly at their sessions in May last." (JA)

## **Manuscripts**

**Hauptman, Laurence M.** Papers, n.d. (ca. 1996). Accession Number 1996-0027.

These are the author's working papers for his book, *Trials and Tribulations: Misconceptions about American Indians and Their Histories*. The files contain background information about the Civil War and also about American Indians who served in the colored regiments of the Union Army. There is also some biographical information about members of the Pequot, Mohegan and Scaticook (Schaghticoke) tribes from the first quarter of the twentieth century. (See also Morgan, Nathaniel D. under "Visual Materials" for materials on Pequots and the Civil War.) (EC)

**Mason, Ida M.** Papers, 1936-1938. MSS 131.

This collection of papers is comprised of two clippings and a letter. One of the clippings, dated 31 January 1936 from *The Norwich Bulletin* is a biography of John Mason, which includes information about his involvement in the Pequot War. The other clipping, dated 26 November 1937 and also from the *Bulletin* relates the history of Norwich and John Mason's role in its founding. The letter, dated 5 March 1938, is from Mrs. Mason to a Mrs. Avery. In it, Mrs. Mason declines Mrs. Avery's request for information about the Mason family's history. She recommends some genealogical sources along with her husband, Louis Bond Mason's, book, *The Life and Times of John Mason of Connecticut, 1600-1672* (see below). (TS/EC)

## **Books**

**Amt, Gerhard.** *Casino Impact Study: An Analysis of the Impacts of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe's Economic Enterprises in Ledyard, Connecticut, on Land Use and Traffic in the Southeastern Connecticut Planning Region*, 1991. MSS 130.

This study, whose title outlines its content, was prepared by the Southeastern Connecticut Regional Planning Agency. It contains maps of the region. (EC)

**Apess, William (b. 1798).** *Indian Nullification of the Unconstitutional Laws of Massachusetts Relative to the Mashpee Tribe, or, The Pretended Riot Explained.* Boston: Press of Jonathan Howe, 1835.  
Copy 1: PEQRARE E99 .M4 A6 1835. Copy 2: RARE E99 .M4 A6 1835.

Author, Methodist minister, and political activist on behalf of Northeastern Tribes, William Apess (he added the second "s" to his surname around 1836) was a member of the Pequot Tribe through his father's side of his family.

In the decades since the Revolutionary War, the Mashpee Tribe in Massachusetts had been seeking autonomy, free of white, state-appointed overseers and Harvard University-appointed ministers. In 1833, Apess arrived in Mashpee to take up the tribe's cause. Designated one of the Mashpee leaders for the occasion, he drafted several manifestos on their behalf, eventually leading the Governor of Massachusetts, Levi Lincoln, Jr. (1782-1868) to fear a possible armed uprising. In the end, the Mashpee Tribe obtained most of its demands. This monograph is Apess's account of the episode. (JA)

----- *A Son of the Forest: The Experience of William Apes, a Native of the Forest.* New York: Published by the author, 1831. VAULT E90 .A5 A5 1831.

First appearing in 1829, *A Son of the Forest* is one of the earliest published writings by a Native American, and the first full-length published indigenous autobiography. (JA)

**Collier, Thomas S. (Thomas Stephens) (1842-1893).** *A History of the Statue Erected to Commemorate the Heroic Achievement of Maj. John Mason and his Comrades, with an Account of the Unveiling Ceremonies.* [New London]: The Commission (for the Statue), 1889. LHRARE F104 .M9 H57 1889.

This booklet provides a history of the construction of the statue of John Mason (see above) from 1887 to its unveiling in 1889. Included is the text of the oration given during the unveiling ceremony. (JA)

**Cuffe, Paul (1759-1817).** *Memoir of Captain Paul Cuffee, a Man of Colour.* York, England: Printed by C. Peacock for W. Alexander, 1811. MSS 232.

Of mixed ethnic heritage (his father, a former slave, was African-American, and his mother was Pequot), Paul Cuffe entered the maritime trade early in life. The whaling trade made him a rich man; by the early nineteenth century, he was reputed to be the wealthiest African-American in the United States. He channeled his fortune into the burgeoning Abolitionist crusade, supporting the repatriation of African-Americans to the British colony of Sierra Leone (and financing the repatriation of several families). (JA)

**Cuffe, Paul (b. 1795 or 1796).** *Narrative of the Life and Adventures of Paul Cuffe, a Pequot Indian, During Thirty Years Spent at Sea, and in Travelling in Foreign Lands.* Vernon: Printed by Horace N. Bill, 1839.  
VAULT E99 .P53 C84 1839.

This is an autobiography of one of the sons of Paul Cuffe (see previous entry). Like his father, the junior Paul Cuffe became a prosperous merchant, specializing in the whaling industry. (JA)

**De Forest, John William (1826-1906).** *History of the Indians of Connecticut, From the Earliest Known Period to 1850.* Hartford: William James Hamersley, 1851. RARE E78 .C7 D3 1851.

De Forest begins his study with an overview of Native religious beliefs and social customs. Although he offers profiles of each tribe residing within the present state of Connecticut, he devotes most of his attention to the histories of the Pequot and Mohegan Tribes. (JA)

----- *History of the Indians of Connecticut, From the Earliest Known Period to 1850.* Hartford: William James Hamersley, 1853. LHRARE E78 .C7 D4 1853.

This is an 1853 edition of the previously cited work. (JA)

**Frost, John (1800-1859).** *Indian Wars of the United States, From the Discovery to the Present Time, With Accounts of the Origin, Manners, Superstitions, &c. of the Aborigines.* Philadelphia: Leary & Getz, 1853. RARE E81 .F77 1853.

Frost wrote this book under the pseudonym William V. Moore. He examines all the major armed conflicts between Natives and white from the colonial period through the mid-nineteenth century, including the Pequot War and King Philip's War. (JA)

----- *Indian Wars of the United States, From the Discovery to the Present Time, With Accounts of the Origin, Manners, Superstitions, &c. of the Aborigines.* Philadelphia: James B. Smith and Company, 1860. RARE E81 .F76 I53 1860.

This is an 1860 edition of the previously cited work. (JA)

**Gardiner, Lion (1599-1663).** *A History of the Pequot War.* Cincinnati: Printed by J. Harpel for W. Dodge, 1860. PEQRARE E83.63 .G22 1860.

An expert in fortifications, Lieutenant Lion Gardiner constructed a fort for English settlers in Saybrook, Connecticut in 1635. When the Pequot War began the following year, Gardiner struggled to keep his garrison adequately supplied and to ensure that merchant vessels plying the lower Connecticut River were adequately armed. Although Pequot warriors did not attack the fort, they assailed various foraging expeditions in the autumn of 1636 and the subsequent winter. In the spring of 1637, Gardiner approved Major John Mason's fateful plan for a counteroffensive. (JA)

**Graham, Isabella Hummel (b. 1859).** *Lion Gardiner: A Tale of the Pequot War.* Privately printed by permission of the author, 1918. LHRARE PS3513 .R34 L56 1918.

This historical novel discusses Gardiner's emigration to the colony of Connecticut in 1635 and his subsequent military career.

**Harris, William Wallace (19<sup>th</sup> cent.).** *The Battle of Groton Heights: A Collection of Narratives, Official Reports, Records, etc., of the Storming of Fort Griswold...on the Sixth of September, 1781.* New London: Charles Allyn, 1882. LHRARE E241 .G8 H32 1882.

During the Revolutionary War, the harbor of New London, Connecticut served as a base of operations for American privateers that preyed on British commercial ships. By the summer of 1781, seized loot filled the town's warehouses, presenting a tempting target for British retaliation. The opportunity came in early September. As the Continental Army was preparing for its march from New York City to Yorktown, Virginia, the British Commander-in-Chief, Sir Henry Clinton, decided to attack New London to create a diversion. The planned assault would also eliminate the "Rebel pirate ships" and cripple a major supply center. Commanding the attack was Norwich native and erstwhile American war hero Benedict Arnold. On 6 September 1781, Arnold's force of British regulars burned the warehouses in New London (along with much of the rest of the town). Subsequently, another large force of British and Loyalist troops landed on the east side of the Thames River and attacked the small American garrison at Fort Griswold. The British overwhelmed the defenders, and (at least, according to American accounts) massacred them and their commander, Colonel William Ledyard. At the end of the day, the British forces withdrew. (This information was obtained from the pamphlet available at the Fort that was written by the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection.)

One of the surviving American defenders was a Pequot named Tom Wansuc. After receiving a bayonet wound in the neck, he was paroled by the senior British officer in the field, Major Stephen Bromfield, and sent home.

This book, assembled for the centennial observance of the battle, brings together contemporary accounts of it from various participants (including members of the Hempstead family, and Brigadier-General Arnold), as well as articles from the *Connecticut Gazette* that first appeared in September

1781. A list of American casualties includes Wansuc's name. (JA)

**Johnston, Alexander (1849-1889).** *Connecticut: A Study of a Commonwealth-Democracy.* Boston: Houghton, Mifflin, and Company, 1898. LHRARE F94 .J72 1898.

Two chapters in this book discuss Connecticut's tribes and the Pequot War. (JA)

**Mason, John (1600-1672).** *A Brief History of the Pequot War: Especially of the Memorable Taking of Their Fort at Mistick in Connecticut in 1637.* (Boston: Printed and sold by S. Kneeland and T. Green, 1736). MSS 213.

Mason, who had emigrated from England in 1632, commanded the predawn raid on the Pequot villages of Mystic, Connecticut on 26 May 1637. Aided by Mohegan and Narragansett warriors, the colonists decimated the villages, and sold the survivors into slavery. (JA)

----- *A Brief History of the Pequot War.* New York: Reprinted by J. Sabin & Sons, 1869. PEQRARE E83.63 .M379 1869.

This is a later reprint of the previous item. (JA)

**Mason, Louis Bond (1869-1936).** *The Life and Times of Major John Mason of Connecticut, 1600-1672.* New York: Putnam, 1935. LHRARE F97 .M38 M47 1935.

This twentieth-century biography of Mason was written by one of his descendants. (JA)

**Mayo, Lawrence Shaw (1888-1947).** *John Endecott: A Biography.* Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1936. RARE F67 .E557 1936.

In 1628, John Endecott (ca. 1588-1665) led a group of fellow English colonists under the aegis of the New England Company to found the Massachusetts town of Salem. He quickly established Puritan religious control over the neighboring town of Quincy, and, in 1629, he briefly served as governor after the Massachusetts Bay Colony appropriated the charter of the New England Company. (As a result, some consider him, rather than John Winthrop, to be the first governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony.) After Winthrop was officially sworn in as governor in October 1629, Endecott served as a chief military advisor. In the spring of 1636, Endecott commanded an unsuccessful expedition against the Pequots. In later years, as the often re-elected governor of Massachusetts Bay between 1644 and 1665, Endecott presided over the colony's relations with other neighboring tribes. (JA)

**Orr, Charles (b. 1862).** *History of the Pequot War: The Contemporary Accounts of Mason, Underhill, Vincent, and Gardener.* Cleveland: Helman-Taylor Company, 1897. PEQRARE E83.63 .H57 1897.

Reprinted from the *Collections* of the Massachusetts Historical Society, this compendium contains the Pequot War narratives of John Mason, John Underhill, Philip Vincent, and Lion Gardiner. (JA)

**Speck, Frank Gouldsmith (1881-1950) and John Dyneley Prince (1868-1945).** *Glossary of the Mohegan-Pequot Language.* Reprinted from *American Anthropologist*, Vol. 6, No. 1, January-March, 1904. Lancaster, PA: New Era Printing Company, 1904. PEQRARE PM1885 .P85 1904.

Anthropologist Frank G. Speck, whom the *Handbook of North American Indians* calls "the leading ethnographer of the Indians of eastern North America," strove to preserve and record cultural information about tribes throughout his career. According to the *Handbook*, his efforts saved "masses of information that would otherwise have been completely lost."

This book is the result of several interviews which Speck had conducted with Fidelia Fielding (1827-1908), whom the Introduction describes as the only living person (in 1904) with any memory of the Mohegan-Pequot language system. Philologist John D. Prince arranged into an alphabetized list over four hundred Mohegan-Pequot words (with their English translations) which Fielding had taught

Speck. Etymological notes frequently explain how individual words were adapted from (or lent to) the languages of neighboring tribes. In the Introduction, Prince credits Speck with "rescuing from oblivion the remains of what was once the speech of a powerful New England nation, a speech which according to all previous accounts had perished at least sixty years ago!"

**Trumbull, Benjamin (1735-1820).** *A Compendium of the Indian Wars in New England.* Hartford: Published for Charles Archibald Goodwin by Edward Valentine Mitchell, 1926. PEQRARE E83.63 .T85 1926.

Historian and clergyman Benjamin Trumbull apparently completed the manuscript of this study in the summer of 1767. It summarizes the Pequot War, the Mohegan-Narragansett conflict of the early 1640s, and King Philip's War. (JA)

**Vincent, Philip (b. 1600).** *A True Relation of the Late Battell Fought in New England, Between the English, and the Pequot Salvages: In Which was Slaine and Taken Prisoners about 700 of the Salvages...* (London: Printed by M.P. for Nathanael Butter and John Bellamie, 1638) Second issue of first edition. MSS 206.

According to a loose sheet inside the front cover of this book, Vincent may have been one of the English soldiers under the command of Captain John Underhill, who assisted Mason in the Pequot War: "The narrative bears all the marks of having been written by an eyewitness of the occurrences..." (JA)

## Newspapers

*Mystic Pioneer*, (Mystic, Connecticut), 14 May 1859. MSS 103.

This edition of the newspaper contains an article about the Pequot Tribe on page thirty-nine, second column. The article details the number of people living on the Pequot reservation in 1859, the number of acres comprising the reservation lands and their value. (TS/EC)

*Norwich Bulletin*, (Norwich, Connecticut), 1983. Accession Number 1999-0129.

An editorial cartoon from Douglas MacGregor (enlarged and partially colorized), which depicts a Native American man sitting in a forest and holding a newspaper bearing the headline "Pequot Indians Win \$900,000 Land Claim." His headdress is festooned with dollar bills, rather than feathers. (JA)

*Odd Fellow*, (Boston, Massachusetts), 15 April 1846. MSS 244.

This edition of the Boston weekly newspaper *The Odd Fellow* tells the story of a fateful love triangle among the Pequots in 1637. Wequash, one of the Tribe's chiefs, proposed marriage to Chantaywa, daughter of one of the Tribe's Sachems. She turned him down, saying that she loved Oneactah, the son of the other Tribal chiefs. Eventually, she married Oneactah. Meanwhile, her would-be suitor, after an unsuccessful individual attack on Oneactah, fled and joined the Narragansett Tribe, where he plotted revenge. The opportunity came in May of 1637. Thoroughly familiar with Pequot territory and the defenses at Mystic, Wequash guided John Mason's forces in their assault on the Pequot fort. Oneactah and his wife managed to escape the massacre. In the final fight between rival lovers, Chantaywa intervened, fatally stabbing Wequash and saving her husband's life. (JA)

## Maps

The following maps were selected for inclusion in this bibliography because, in some way, they make reference to the Pequot Tribe, or to places associated with the Tribe. The first four entries are arranged alphabetically by title, all the others are arranged alphabetically by author's name. Some of the early maps refer to the Tribe as "Pequatoos," others have references to places like "Indian Church," or to a known Tribal focal point such as "Lantern Hill." (Annotations for these maps may be found on the Archives & Special

Collections' "Cartobibliography.") (EC)

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- Blaeu, Willem Janszoon**, 1571-1638. *Nova Belgica et Anglia Nova*, ca. 1635. MSS 26.
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