



**Connecticut Settlements in the Mid Seventeenth Century
Prior to the Establishment of Killingworth**

This Courte taking into consideracion the many dangers that the families of Thomas Holcombe, Edward Grisswold, John Bartlitt, Francis Grisswold, and George Grisswold, all of Wyndsor, are in and exposed unto, by reason of their remoate living from neighbors and nearenes to the Indians, in case they should all leave their families together without any guard; doth free one souldyer of the forementioned families from training upon every training day; each family aforesaid to share herein according to the number of souldgers that are in them; provided that man which tarryes at home stands about the aforesaid howses upon his sentinell posture.

A search for the Farnhams in the Windsor town records as well as in the records of all of the towns at the eastern end of Long Island has failed to uncover any reference whatsoever to a Farnham presence. We know that Henry was a substantial citizen, an active participant in church and civic affairs as later demonstrated in Killingworth, so it is hard to believe that his activities in either small community could have gone entirely unrecorded. Their absence only confirms the family's need to maintain a very low profile for their own and Elizabeth's protection which, apparently, came to an end with the move to Killingworth.