



Hawthorne and Salem Witchcraft (Paperback)

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Createspace, United States, 2014. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Three great crises - Antinomian (1636-1638), Quaker (1656-1663), and witchcraft (1692-1693) - threatened the Puritans in New England in the seventeenth century. Nathaniel Hawthorne's ancestors were on the winning side each time. They correspond to the Pyncheon family in the book *The House of the Seven Gables*. Colonel Pyncheon was responsible for execution of Mathew Maule for witchcraft. Colonel Pyncheon then seized the valuable land belonging to Maule. Nathaniel Hawthorne's moral lesson is that greed is destructive, and that the sins of one generation are visited upon the next. Which family corresponds to the Maule family in the book? In answer, we tender the Wardwell family. They were directly involved in each of the three crises. In each crisis, they confronted members of the Hawthorne family. Antinomian Thomas Wardwell was forced out of Massachusetts. Major William Hawthorne was largely responsible for the persecution of the Quakers. Thomas's son, Eliakim Wardwell, was a Quaker. In protest to the persecution of the Quakers, Eliakim's wife Lydia Wardwell appeared naked at Puritan church services in Newbury. Eliakim...



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