

# THE ENGLISH ANCESTRY AND HOMES OF THE PILGRIM FATHERS

WHO CAME TO PLYMOUTH ON THE  
"MAYFLOWER" IN 1620, THE "FORTUNE"  
IN 1621, AND THE "ANNE" AND  
THE "LITTLE JAMES" IN 1623

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## RICHARD WARREN

**R**ICHARD WARREN came from London and was called a "merchant" of that city (*Mourt*). Extensive research in every available source of information—registers, chancery and probate in the London courts, proved fruitless in an attempt to identify him. As he died before 1628 it is probable that he was considerably past middle life at the date of emigration.

A careful analysis of the reading of Bradford's statement about Richard Warren in the section devoted to "Decreasings and Increasinges" justifies the compiler's belief that Mrs. Elizabeth Warren, who came over in the *Anne* in 1623, was his second wife. After stating that "his wife came over to him" he adds the significant statement "*by whom* he had two sons before (he) dyed." After stating the "increase" he adds: "but he had five daughters more come over with his wife" which can only be accurately read as his children and not hers. His separation of the sons, who were the specific issue of the wife Elizabeth, from the daughters who came over with the wife completes the picture of family relationships. As she survived him for nearly half a century, dying in 1673, it is almost conclusive confirmation of this theory. An estimation of the probable dates of birth of the five

daughters, based on the known facts, gives the following result: Mary, born 1606; Elizabeth, 1608; Anne, 1612; Sarah, 1614, and Abigail, 1616.

Richard Warren, a London haberdasher, was licensed to marry Elizabeth Evans of St. Mildred Poultry, 1 January, 1592/3, at St. Leonard's Shoreditch, and a Richard Warren married Marjorie Jordan, 1 September, 1606, at St. Martin's in the Field. Either one of these might be the *Mayflower* Pilgrim.

St. Leonard Shoreditch parish adjoins that of St. Botolph without Aldgate and St. Mary whitechapel, from both of which came Pilgrims, and Nicholas Snow has been identified as of St. Leonards (*q.v.*). It is in the heart of the Pilgrim area in London. The records of the Honorable Artillery Company of London, 1612, contain the admission of a Richard Warren as a member that year but no further information is available as to his identity.