# APUSH

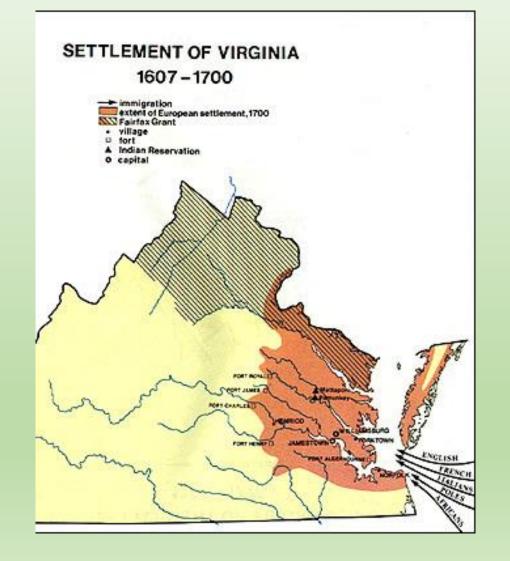
Chapter 4: American Life in the Seventeenth Century



### The Unhealthy Chesapeake

- Widespread disease
- Virginia was the largest colony in 1700.

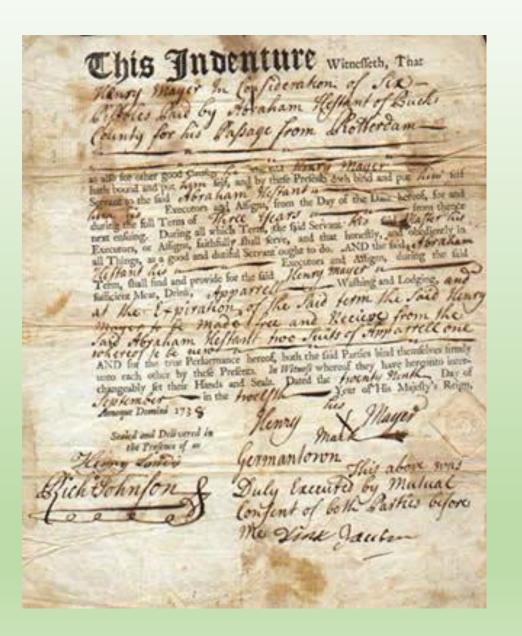




# The Tobacco Economy

- Tobacco in Virginia
- Indentured servants
  - Freedom dues
- Headright system
- "White slavery"
  - ¾ of all immigrants to VA and MD were indentured servants





### Frustrated Freemen and Bacon's Rebellion

- Nathaniel Bacon rebellion against William Berkeley
  - Wanted better protection from Indians
- Bacon dies mid-revolution from disease
- Planters fear further rebellion from troublesome laborers



### The Burning of Jamestown



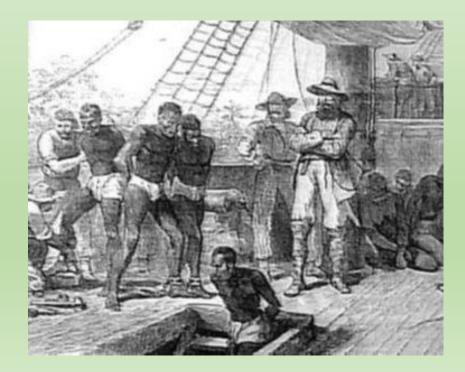
# **Colonial Slavery**

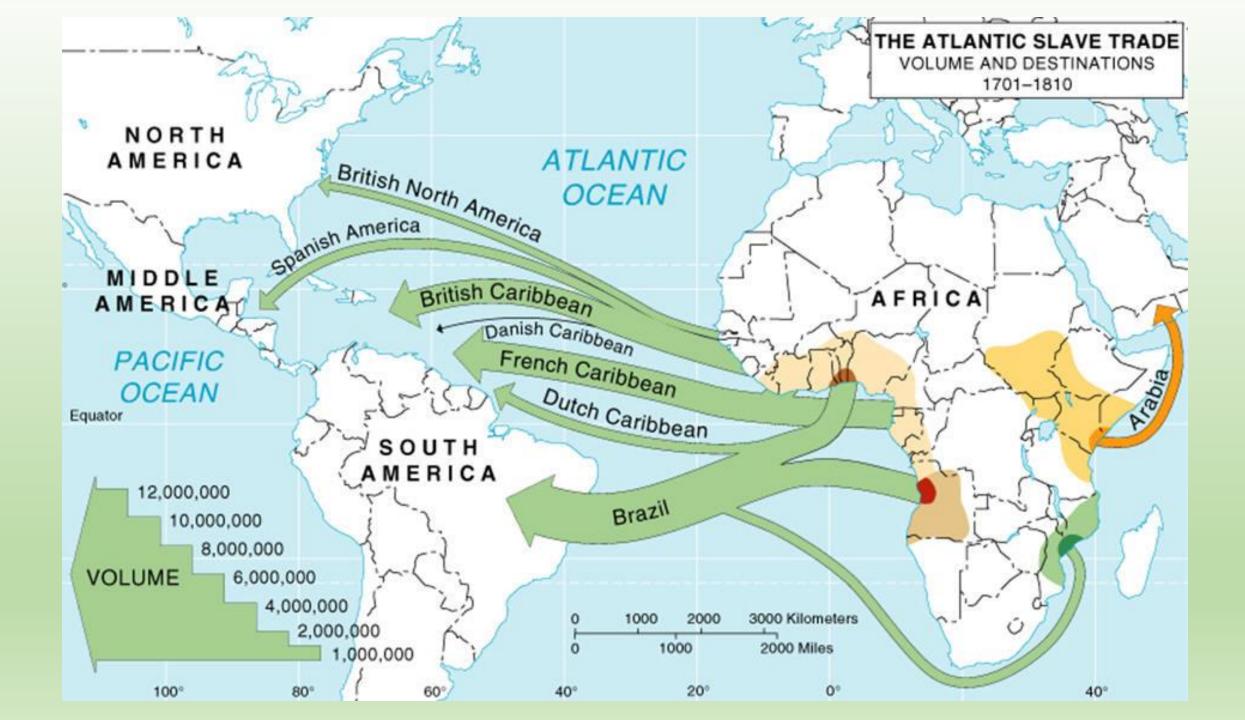


- Africans did not come in larger numbers until the late 1600s.
- 1680s the thriving British economy stifled indentured servitude
- Royal African Company lost monopoly on slave trade
- Black populations swell
  - Most slaves from the west coast of Africa
  - Virginia Slave Codes (1662)









### Africans in America

- 1720 proportion of females in the Chesapeake soon rose families increased.
- Gullah = English with African language
- 1712 New York slave revolt
- 1739 South Carolina slave revolt
  - Attempted to flee to Spanish Florida







### Estimated Slave Imports to the New World, 1601-1810

Region	17th Century	18th Century	Total	Percent
Spanish American	292,500	598,600	871,000	11.7
Brazil	560,000	1,891,400	2,451,400	33
British Caribbean	263,700	1,401,000	1,664,700	22.5
Dutch Caribbean	40,000	460,000	500,000	6.7
French Caribbean	155,800	1,348,400	1,504,200	20.3
Danish Caribbean	4,000	24,000	28,000	0.4
British North America and future United States	10,000	390,000	400,000	5.4
TOTAL	Х	Х	7,419,300	100

### Southern Society

### • Social Scale:

 $\downarrow$  <u>Planters</u>-owned slaves and domains of land; ruled the economy and monopolized political power.

↓<u>Small Farmers</u>-largest social group; tilled modest plots and may have owned one or two slaves.

 $\downarrow$  Landless Whites-former indentured servants.

 $\downarrow$  Black Slaves

### New England Family

- Migration as a family
  - Family came first with New Englanders.
- Low premarital pregnancy rates in contrast with the Chesapeake.
- Different inheritance
- Benefits for women in New England
  - Defend the integrity of marriages.



# Life in New England Towns

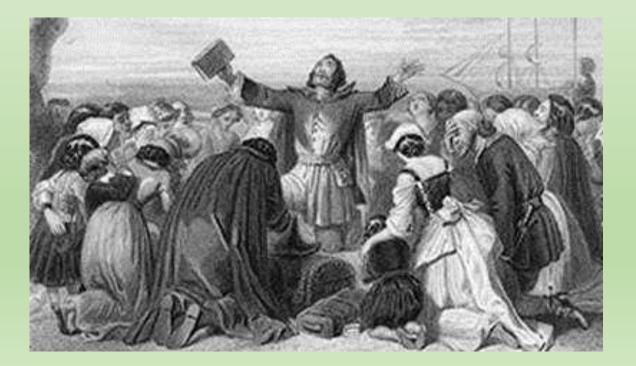
- Abolish slavery in Massachusetts
- Land claims
- Elementary schools
  - Towns of more than 50 families



- Massachusetts established Harvard College, in 1636. Virginia established its first college, William and Mary, in 1693.
- Puritans: Democracy in Congregational Church = Democracy in government

### Half-Way Covenant

- The "Jeremiad"
- Half-way Covenant increases church membership





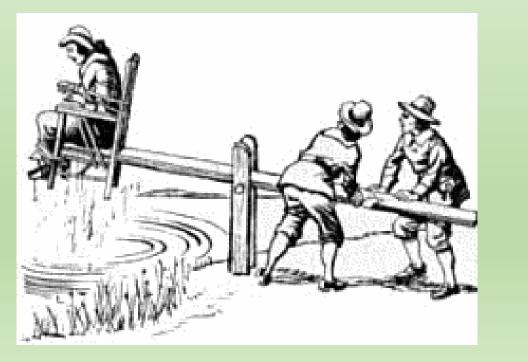
#### BACK IN MY DAY WE HAD TO WALK 20 MILES THROUGH THE SNOW..UP HILL..EACH WAY...

AND WE LIKED IT THAT

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### The Salem Witch Trials

- Salem Witch Trials (1692-1693)
- Conviction of the "witches" overturned, families compensated



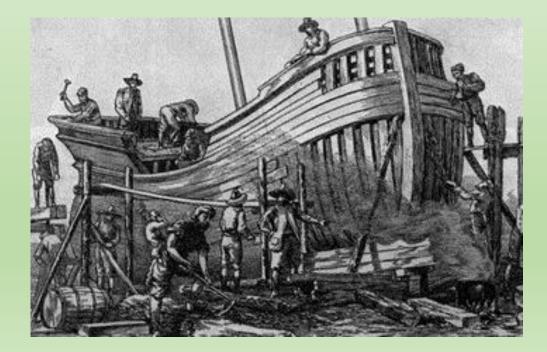




# The New England Way of Life

- New England soil not good for farming
- New England less diverse
- The Native Americans recognized their right to USE the land, but the concept of OWNING was unknown.
- Timber and cod lead to thriving shipbuilding and commerce







### The Early Settlers' Days and Ways

- Strict gender roles
- Leisler's Rebellion in New York
- Adherence to social stratification





Jacob Leisler