

## Synopsis

# Richard Mullens of Sturminster Newton, Dorset Bye Boatkeeper of Western Bay, Newfoundland

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Richard Mullens of Sturminster Newton, Dorset, was the second husband of the widow Anne Thacker. As of now, we don't know Anne's maiden name. Richard was the stepfather to many important surnames of Western Bay, Newfoundland. These include Perry, Curtis and Snelgrove (of Lower Island Cove). Since there are very few written records in Newfoundland for the period, I must deduce what I can about the people we are interested in to see if I can make some connections.

Luckily, Richard Mullens did leave a good clue of his origins because of the very unusual name of his father: Renaltus. Through my careful review of the existing Dorset records, I have been able to pinpoint with a fair degree of accuracy when Richard Mullens lived. By inference therefore, the same timing should relate to his wife Anne.

In my search for Anne's identity, particularly her maiden name, learning what we can about Richard himself is very helpful.

This article is a companion to the papers on William Thacker and Anne Mullens (Thacker). These three papers shed a lot of light on the family and will be of interest to the descendants of Anne's daughters, Phillis Perry and Mary Curtis of Western Bay, and Ann Snelgrove of Lower Island Cove.

**RESEARCH QUESTION – When was Richard Mullens born and how does he relate to the Thacker family of Western Bay?**

### INDEX OF PEOPLE MENTIONED:

Mullens, Anne	Bussey, John Jr (Bursey?)	Rose, Hezekiah
Mullens, Elizabeth	Churchill, Elizabeth	Snelgrove, Ann
Mullens, Jane	Curtis, Mary	Thacker, Ann
Mullens, John	Knott, Ambrose (Sinnott?)	Thacker, John
Mullens, Nathaniel	Knott, Richard (Sinnott?)	Thacker, Robert
Mullens, Renaltus	Penny, Elizabeth	Thacker, William
Mullens, Richard	Penny, John	Thistle, Michael
Mullens, Robert	Perry, Phillis	Tolervy, Elizabeth