

THE HISTORY OF THE  
CITY OF BOSTON

FROM THE FOUNDATION  
TO THE PRESENT

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The City of Boston, situated on a neck of land between the harbor and the bay, was first settled by a company of Puritan emigrants from England, in the year 1630. They were led by John Winthrop, who gave to the settlement the name of New England, and to himself the title of Governor. The city was at first a small town, but it soon increased in size and importance, and became one of the most flourishing cities in the colonies.

The city was the seat of the first printing press in the colonies, and the first university, the Harvard College, was founded in 1636. The city was also the seat of the first public school, and the first public library, in the colonies.

The city was the scene of the first battle of the Revolution, the Battle of the Clouds, in 1775. The city was also the scene of the first execution by guillotine, in 1793.

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