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man whose life seemed absolutely ruined by something that was not his fault und in any way shape or form but God was preparing him in order to make him one of those who would have a tremendous influence on the whole history of the U.S. and indirectly on the history of the world.

Now in Scruby there was a minister who came who preached sermons that apple applear appealed very much to the heart of the people there. And a number of the people became very much stirred in their spiritual life by what this minister preached and then he moved away to another place, and they found another minister 10 miles away who was giving similar sermons and they began some of them to go to hear him. I don't know whether Brewster could afford a horse to ride over there or whether he had to walk but many of the pep people in Scruby had to walk, and thy walked 10 miles to the services, and then they would walk 10 miles back. And they would do that every Sunday and thought it was well worth while for the wonderful spiritual messages they were receiving. After a time the church there grew considerably, and it seemed large enough, enough people from Scruby that they could support a minister of their own, and so Wm Brewster invited them to hold services in his maner house, and so in his home they held these services Sunday after Sunday. They had a minister and a teacher == that was the custom then in those days, to have two men a pastor whom they called one, and a second whom they called a teacher and when ##W the pastor would retire or move away the teacher would then become pastor and they would then get another teacher. And this teacher was a man named John Robinson whowas very important in the fittee history of the pilgrims. There was a young man in the town named named Wm Bradford who became greatly interested in these services. He had walked the 10 miles and back Sunday after Sunday, and now he was very active in these services with Wm Brewster there in Scruby. But Q. Elizabeth while she was a great bulwark of Protestantism and if it were not for Q. E's strong opposition to the efforts of the counter-reformation to deserry Protestantism in England, it probably would have been utterly destroyed. But though she was a great bulwark of Protestantism, she was a great autocrat and she was determined that all the churches in England must follow exactly the sort of services she wanted and that included a lot of forms and ceremonies, a lot of folderol that some of the people thought was contrary to the Bible! others thought it certainly is not ordered in the Bible but it's not too bad; we can put up with it if we get good spiritual services. Now these people in Wm Brewster's place felt it