

SYNOPSIS

The House of the Seven Gables is located in small New England town. In the development of the house in the present time it lefts a little evidence of its former grandeur. Wind, sun, storm, and neglect left its sides, shingles and chimney crumbling. Its gray look mottle here and there with moss. The lattice fence surrounding it is in ruin. The lawn in front, and what must have been a spacious garden at rear, long since had missed the care of the cultivator's hand.

The House reflected the unfortunate circumstances under which Colonel Pyncheon, one of the early Puritans, has built it some 160 years before on the bleak New England coast.

The site upon which the house stood originally belonged to a man of poor circumstances named Matthew Maule. In the center of the site there is a wonderful spring of sweet flowing water. Colonel Pyncheon is interested on that wonderful land and would like to build a mansion on it. To obtain it he is instrumental in Matthew Maule's being charged with witchcraft, for which he is hanged. On the gallows Maule cried out that the Pyncheon would forever be cursed.

No sooner the cruel and grasping Colonel Pyncheon completes his beautiful and imposing house he die of strange death on the very day the towns people are together to celebrate the grand opening of the mansion.

Some people say that his death because the curse upon the house that will be haunted all the Pyncheon who lives there.

The change situation starts to move, from a harmony but greedy family they change into a family that has a secret individual motivation. Most of them obsess to have the richness left by the Colonel. This situation has lead into a broken family ties and they will not care any more with other even they are family.

Gervayse Pyncheon is the only grandson of the Colonel has left for many years to stay in Europe but on this days he is back only to get the wealth left by his grand father. His motivation to be rich and has a good reputation after having so much wealth has lead him to sacrifice his only daughter. And no sooner than he is also death in the competition in looking for wealth with his cousin. No one knows that exactly. People who live around the house think that it is because the curse upon the house that has happens to Colonel Pyncheon too.

The sole family member that inhabiting the old place is Hepzibah Pyncheon, and aging old maid, and Mr. Holgrave an artist, who rents an upstairs room. There is also a young girl named Phoebe that is also included as Pyncheon. She just arrives and wants to stay there.

At about this time Hepzibah's brother arrives at the old house to make his home there. These poor, aging man had been in jail for almost thirty years

because of the murder of his uncle Gervayse that actually he did not. His cousin Jeffrey did it because the material's motivation.

At about this time Judge Jeffrey Pyncheon, a wealthy man of the town who lives in a palatial country place visits Hepzibah and demanded to see Clifford. The Judge wants to get the wealth left that he has tried so hard since long time ago when Gervayse did too. Hepzibah steadfastly refused, but one day the Judge said he must see Clifford or institute proceedings to have him committed to an insane asylum. On his effort to meet Clifford the Judge is death on the chair in the parlor.

At least only the Pyncheon's who are not greedy are able to live happily even there are no enough food or money to survive. The Pyncheon's left inherits the judge wealth. Examination to all the Pyncheon who are death in a strange way because they are greedy. The mansion is left in its tragic and sad memories.