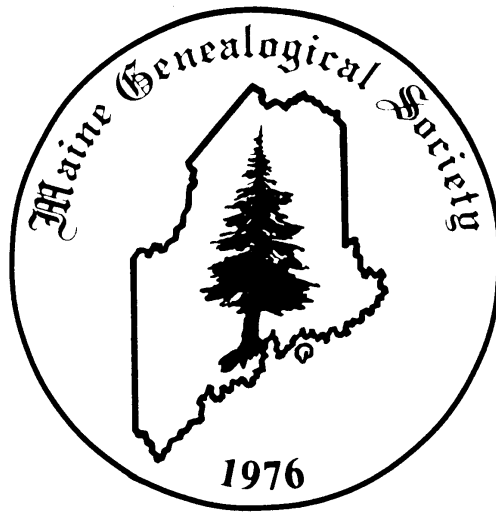


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EDITOR'S PAGE

Recently I had to buy a new computer, the old one finally giving up the ghost after churning out one too many issues of *The Maine Genealogist*. It had been a number of years since I had purchased a computer, and I was looking forward to upgrading to lightning-fast processing speed and a hard drive with an unfathomable amount of storage capacity. But my excitement soon waned when I began setting up the system and discovered that many of my most frequently used programs and CD-Roms were incompatible with the new Windows 7 operating system. This included my older version of MS Word, my Adobe Acrobat program that I use to create .pdf files for the final page proofs, and all of my CDs using the *Folio* software—including the Massachusetts vital records series CDs, all of the data CDs published in recent years by the New England Historic Genealogical Society, and *The Mayflower Descendant* CD. It was little comfort that the information on most of the data CDs is now available on the Internet, as there are many occasions when it is simply more convenient to use the CDs. I found myself obligated to purchase the Windows 7 version of MS Word, which I resented, because that version does not have the simplicity and ease of use of my older Word program for manipulating files with large numbers of footnotes and document styles.

While technology has unquestionably made things more efficient in most areas of daily life, the “here today gone tomorrow” aspect of it is worrisome. In recent years I have received an increasing number of article submissions where the research and documentation make heavy use of Internet sites. Part of my editing tasks involve checking each cited URL to ensure it is properly copied, still active, and contains the information claimed by the author. I occasionally find links that are broken or Internet sites that have been taken down since the author did the original research. This makes me wonder how many of the online sources that we regularly use today will still be available in the future, even those offered by large and seemingly financially stable corporations and societies.

It is difficult to predict what form of information will survive in the future. Since the time of the ancient Egyptians, libraries and archives have been the traditional storage places for mankind's accumulated knowledge. But libraries today are in jeopardy, with many seeing declines in patronage and facing financial cutbacks due in large part to the number of books being imaged to the Internet. As the daily volume of their visitors diminish, so does these facilities' ability to keep their doors open.

With so much genealogical research now appearing on the Internet, we have also witnessed a decline in new genealogies being printed in book form, and for this reason book reviews in this journal have become an occasional feature. Included in this issue, however, are reviews of two new sources for Maine genealogists—one a published book and the other an Internet database. It would be interesting to know which of these will still be available to us fifty years from now.

Joseph C. Anderson II, FASG, Editor

THE JONAS RICE AND JOSHUA MOORE FAMILIES OF
GOULDSBORO, MAINE

Related on Paper but Not by Blood or Marriage

By Glenn D. Nasman

Muriel Johnson's *Early Families of Gouldsboro Maine* [EFG], published in 1990, contains genealogical summaries of nearly all of the families that resided in Gouldsboro from the time the area was settled until the turn of the twentieth century.¹ The compiler gathered much of her information from the Gouldsboro town records, census data, and gravestone inscriptions, but a review of some of the families included in this volume make it clear that this source is not very reliable, especially where information has been included without references.

A case in point is the Jonas Rice family of Gouldsboro. According to EFG, Jonas Rice married Ruth Bickford in Gouldsboro on 5 November 1807. Jonas, born about 1779, and Ruth, born about 1780, were listed as the parents of five children born between 1810 and 1821 when Ruth would have been 30 to 41 years old. A fourteen-year gap followed the birth of their fifth child, and then they supposedly had five more children, born between 1835 and 1848, when Ruth would have been 55 to 68 years old. The list of children as reported in EFG is as follows:²

- i Joseph, b. 19 Aug. 1810
- ii Lydia, b. 19 Feb. 1814
- iii Stephen, b. 25 July 1816
- iv Nancy, b. 6 Oct. 1818
- v Jonas, b. 26 Nov. 1821
- vi Deborah, b. abt. 1835
- vii Leonard, b. abt. 1836
- viii Benjamin, b. abt. 1843
- ix Unnamed child, b. and d. abt. 1845
- x Ann, b. abt. 1848

The EFG account is obviously flawed. If these ten children were all Jonas's, then they could not have been born to one mother over such a long span of time.

There is no question that the first five children were part of Jonas's family. They are all recorded with the birth dates given above in the original Gouldsboro town records as his and Ruth's children,³ and they all appear to have been present in Jonas's household at the time of the 1830 census, as shown below:

¹ Muriel Sampson Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro Maine* (Rockport, Maine, 1990) (hereafter cited as Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*).

² Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 219.

³ Original Records of Maine Town and Cities, *Town of Gouldsboro* (Picton Press CD, 2005), image 75 (hereafter cited as *Gouldsboro VR CD*).

Jonas Rice Household, 1830 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro⁴

1 male 70–79	Unknown
1 male 40–49	Jonas, age 51
1 male 15–19	Joseph, age 19
1 male 10–14	Stephen, age 14
1 male 5–9	Jonas Jr., age 8
1 females 40–49	Ruth, age 50
1 females 15–19	Lydia, age 16
1 female 10–14	Nancy, age 12

By the time of the 1840 census, Jonas's household included a male and a female under age 5, who may have been the first two of the younger group of children, but the female aged 50–59 in the household was most likely Ruth, aged about 60, and too old to be the mother of those children:

“Jonah” Rice Household, 1840 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro⁵

1 male 50–59	Jonas, age 61
1 male 30–39	Unknown
1 male 15–19	poss. Jonas Jr., age 18
1 male under 5	Unknown [but poss. Lydia's son John, age 4, see discussion below]
1 female 50–59	Ruth, age 60
2 females 20–29	poss. Nancy, age 22, and Lydia, age 26
1 female under 5	Unknown [but poss. Lydia's daughter Justine, see discussion below]

In 1850 Jonas's household (he enumerated as “James” Rice) contained three individuals: 71-year-old Jonas, 70-year-old Ruth, and 13-year-old Julian E. Rice, most likely a grandchild.⁶ None of the children supposedly born between 1835 and 1848 (i.e., Deborah, Leonard, Benjamin, and Ann) were present in the household.

Under the conjecture that the younger children may have been living elsewhere in 1850, other households in Gouldsboro were searched, but none of the four children could be found. In fact Leonard Rice, supposedly born about 1836, and Benjamin Rice, born about 1843, could not be found in any census returns in any state from 1850 through 1930.

Another possibility was that the younger children assigned to the Jonas Rice family had been placed by EFG in the wrong family and did not even have Rice as a surname. Searching again through the 1850 census of Gouldsboro, four children with the correct given names and approximate ages were found enumerated in the household of “Joshua” [Joshua] and “Loiza” [Louisa] Moore, as follows:

⁴ Jonas Rice household, 1830 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 162.

⁵ “Jonah” Rice household, 1840 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 252.

⁶ “James” Rice household, 1850 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 257, #115/123. The parentage and fate of Julian have not been determined. It is possible that “Julian E.” Rice was in fact “Justine E.” Rice who m. 11 April 1852, Amos Y. Bragg [see below for the children of Jonas's daughter Lydia (Rice) Curtis].

"Joshuary" More Household, 1850 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro⁷

Joshuary More	46	seaman
Loiza "	42	
Hariet "	16	
Deborah "	15	
Leonard "	14	
Samuel "	12	
David "	10	
Wilech [<i>sic</i> : Welch] "	5	
Ann M. "	2	
Benjamin R "	7	

The names and birth dates of the four highlighted More/Moore children above are identical to the names and birth dates of the younger Rice children in EFG's account. Based on this comparison and the age of Jonas Rice's wife, Ruth, it becomes clear that the last five children assigned by EFG to the Jonas Rice family were undoubtedly part of the Joshua Moore family.

A review of the family of Capt. Joshua M. Moore in EFG revealed additional discrepancies. Although there were eight children living in the household in 1850, EFG assigned only five children to Capt. Joshua M. Moore:⁸

- i Thomas Leonard, b. 6 Feb. 1836
- ii Samuel Oscar, b. 23 Mar. 1838
- iii Catherine W., b. abt. 1840 (age 10 in 1850 census) [*sic*, see note 9]
- iv Anna L., b. abt. 1848 (age 2 in 1850 census)
- v William H., b. 5 Nov. 1856

The reasoning for this was soon apparent. Joshua Moore's second wife, Louisa, whom he married on 27 December 1846, was the widow of Welch Moore, with whom she had had five children. The family in 1850 therefore was a blended family, including children that were "his," "hers," and "theirs." Since both of Louisa's husbands were Moores, it is not obvious which children belong in which family. The list below shows all of the children in the 1850 census along with clarification as to how each one is related to Joshua Moore:

Hariet "	16	step-daughter (hers)
Deborah "	15	step-daughter (hers)
Leonard "	14	son (his)
Samuel "	12	son (his)
David "	10	step-son (hers)
Benjamin R "	7	step-son (hers)
Wilech [<i>sic</i> : Welch] "	5	step-son (hers)
Ann M. "	2	daughter (theirs)

⁷ "Joshuary More" household, 1850 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 258, #123/131.

⁸ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 183.

Joshua's daughter Catherine W. Moore, born about 1840, was not included in the family on the 1850 census return, but she was enumerated with Joshua and Louisa and other family members on the 1860 census of Gouldsboro, aged 20.⁹

The account of the Welsh Moore family in EFG contains an additional error. The five children of Welch and Louisa Moore are mistakenly assigned to their grandparents, Welch Sr. and Sally (Spurling) Moore, who filed marriage intentions at Mount Desert on 25 April 1796.¹⁰ Welch Moore Sr. died at sea in 1805, long before his grandchildren were born.

The remainder of this article will correct the summary of the Jonas Rice family, which was so misrepresented in EFG. Updated accounts of the Capt. Joshua M. Moore and Welch Moore families will appear in the next issue of *The Maine Genealogist*.

JONAS RICE FAMILY SUMMARY

JONAS⁶ RICE (*Jonas⁵, John⁴, Ephraim³, Thomas², Edmund¹*) was born circa November 1780, reportedly in Natick or Sudbury, Massachusetts, son of Jonas⁵ and Mary (Stearns) Rice.¹¹ He died in Gouldsboro on 24 March 1858, aged 77 years, 4 months.¹² He married in Gouldsboro on 5 November 1807 RUTH BICKFORD of Gouldsboro,¹³ born circa 1780, daughter of Joseph and Louisa (Rhodes) Bickford.¹⁴ She died likely before 1860 when she is not found in the census. In 1850 Jonas and Ruth were living in Gouldsboro, where he was a farmer.¹⁵

Children of Jonas⁶ and Ruth (Bickford) Rice, all b. Gouldsboro:¹⁶

⁹ Joshua M. Moore household, 1860 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 528, #11/11. It is unclear why EFG refers to her age as 10 in the 1850 census, since Catherine is not found in that census.

¹⁰ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 184; Alice MacDonald Long, *Vital Records of Mount Desert, Maine, and Nearby Islands, 1776–1820* (Camden, Maine, 1990), 50.

¹¹ Internet sources give a birth date of 29 April 1778, but documentation for that date has not been found. The death record of son Joseph Rice (Maine Vital Records, 1892–1922, Augusta [hereafter cited as Maine VRs, 1892–1922]) gives a birthplace of Natick, Mass., but other undocumented sources say he was b. in Sudbury, Mass. No record of Jonas's birth is found in the published vital records of Natick or Sudbury, Mass., or in any of the surrounding towns. Jonas Rice of Sudbury m. 13 Feb. 1766, Mary Stearns of Weston (*Vital Records of Sudbury, Massachusetts, to the End of the Year 1849* [Boston, 1903], 259). The line of filiation from Edmund¹ Rice, immigrant, to Jonas⁶ Rice, husband of Ruth Bickford, was obtained from the records of the Edmund Rice (1638) Association, <www.edmund-rice.org>, Harvard, Mass., 2010.

¹² Death notice, *Ellsworth Herald* [after 1866 called *Ellsworth American*], 30 April 1858, online at <www.mnopltd.com/jean/>.

¹³ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 219.

¹⁴ Her parentage given in Joshua Bickford family by Rev. Charles Austin Joy in Joseph Crook Anderson II, ed., *Maine Families in 1790, Vol. 8* (Rockland, Maine, 2003), 28.

¹⁵ "James" Rice household, 1850 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 257, #115/123.

¹⁶ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 75.

- i JOSEPH⁷ RICE, b. 19 Aug. 1810, d. Gouldsboro, 12 May 1901, aged 89 years, 8 months, 23 days;¹⁷ m. (cert.) Gouldsboro, 27 Feb. 1834, ANNA MERITHEW,¹⁸ b. Isle au Haut, Maine, 28 June 1813, daughter of Aaron Joseph and Nancy (Knowlton) Merithew, d. Gouldsboro, 5 March 1903, aged 89 years, 8 months, 6 days.¹⁹ They resided in Birch Harbor, Gouldsboro, where he was a fisherman and farmer.²⁰ Children of Joseph and Anna (Merithew) Rice, all b. Gouldsboro:²¹
- 1 *Lydia Ann Rice*, b. 10 Feb. 1835, d. 5 Sept. 1912, aged 77 years, 6 months, 26 days;²² m. Gouldsboro, 22 Jan. 1852, Andrew C. Lindsey,²³ b. [calc.] 8 Nov. 1830, son of James and Sarah (Grover) Lindsey,²⁴ d. 13 Dec. 1899, aged 69 years, 1 month, 6 days.²⁵ Both are bur. in Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro. Andrew was a fisherman in Gouldsboro.²⁶
 - 2 *Capt. David M. Rice*, b. 6 March 1837, d. 27 Oct. 1903, aged 66 years, 7 months, 21 days;²⁷ m. (1) Gouldsboro, 8 Oct. 1865 Abigail P. Stevens,²⁸ b. [calc.] 6 March 1848, daughter of Capt. Nahum and Abigail (Pettee) Stevens,²⁹ d. 25 Oct. 1882, aged 34 years, 8 months, 19 days,³⁰ m. (2) Gouldsboro, 30 Dec. 1885 Alice H. Decker,³¹ b. May 1869, daughter of Capt. Joseph Smith and Lydia Mariah (Young) Decker,³² d. 15 June 1896, aged 27

¹⁷ Maine VRs, 1892–1922; gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro, states he was b. 19 Aug. 1811 and d. 8 May 1901.

¹⁸ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 107. Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 219, incorrectly says Joseph married twice. He was married to Anna for over 67 years at the time of his death. Anna was mistakenly entered as “Alma” by the census taker in 1880 and is not a 2nd wife.

¹⁹ Death record, Maine VRs, 1892–1922, which also provides her place of birth and parents’ names; her gravestone in Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro, has her birth date and gives her death date as 6 April 1903. Her birth date was given as June 1812 in Joseph Rice household, 1900 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 56, p. 174B, #199/206.

²⁰ Joseph Rice households, 1850 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 257; #113/121; 1860 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 534, #46/53; 1870 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 552, #150/166; 1880 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 161, p. 416B, #128/146.

²¹ The first 8 are recorded in *Gouldsboro VR CD*, images 75, 99.

²² Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro.

²³ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 449.

²⁴ James Lindsay death record, Maine VRs, 1892–1922.

²⁵ Maine VRs, 1892–1922.

²⁶ James Lindsey household, 1850 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 253, #88/96; Andrew Lindsey household, 1860–70 U.S. Censuses, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 534, #45/52 (1860, Andrew C. Lindsey); p. 552, #151/167 (1870).

²⁷ Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro.

²⁸ Marriage notice, *Ellsworth Herald*, 20 Oct. 1865 [note 12].

²⁹ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 265. The names of Abigail’s parents are confirmed in the 1850 census when Abigail was age 2 (Nahum “Stephens” household, 1850 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 253, #79/86).

³⁰ Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro; death notice, *Ellsworth American*, 2 Nov. 1882 [note 12].

³¹ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, images 638, 639.

³² Alice Rice death record, Maine VRs, 1892–1922.

years, 1 month;³³ m. (3) 6 March 1899, Rosina (Alley) (Alley) Smith,³⁴ b. [calc.] 30 March 1853, daughter of Andrew and Priscilla (Bryant) Alley of Jonesport,³⁵ d. Gouldsboro 9 April 1915, aged 61 years, 9 days.³⁶ Rosina had m. (1) Jonesport, 31 Jan. 1876, Joshua Alley of Jonesport, and m. (2) Jonesport, 21 June 1881, Samuel H. Smith of Jonesport.³⁷ David was a master mariner in Gouldsboro.³⁸

3 *Jonas Rice*, b. 6 Feb. 1839, d. 9 Nov. 1839.³⁹

4 *Wilson G. Rice*, b. 9 Sept. 1840, d. Sept. 1841.⁴⁰

5 *Aaron M. Rice*, b. 5 Sept. 1843, d. 22 Sept. 1913, aged 69 years, 7 [sic] days;⁴¹ he m. Gouldsboro, 15 Aug. 1895, Susan H. Young,⁴² a woman almost 12 years older than himself, b. 27 April 1832, daughter of Solomon and Eliza (Young) Young of Gouldsboro.⁴³ She was prob. the Susan H. Young, single woman, aged 47, working as a housekeeper in the home of John B. Wooster in Hancock in 1880.⁴⁴ Aaron, a fisherman in Gouldsboro, lived in his parents' household until they died, even after he was married.⁴⁵

6 *John A. Rice*, b. 19 Feb. 1846, d. 27 June 1890;⁴⁶ m. 24 April 1870, Alfaretta Decker,⁴⁷ b. ca. 1853, daughter of Capt. Levi and Lydia Mariah (Young) Decker and half-sister of Alice Decker who married David M. Rice above.⁴⁸ John was a fisherman in Gouldsboro.

³³ Death record, Maine VRs, 1892–1922; gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro (birth and death).

³⁴ Maine VRs, 1892–1922.

³⁵ Death record, Maine VRs, 1892–1922; Leonard F. Tibbetts and Darryl B. Lamson, *Early Jonesborough Families of Washington County, Maine* (Rockport, Maine, 2004), 13 (hereafter cited as *Early Jonesborough Families*).

³⁶ Maine VRs, 1892–1922.

³⁷ *Early Jonesborough Families*, 13, 21.

³⁸ David M. Rice household, 1880–1900 U.S. Censuses, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 161, p. 416B, #127/145 (1880); E.D. 56, p. 174B, #194/201 (1900, David Rice).

³⁹ Lenna Gowdey, *Our Sire's Monument: The Merrithews of America* (Seattle, 1973), 75 (hereafter cited as Gowdey, *Merrithews of America*).

⁴⁰ Gowdey, *Merrithews of America*, 75.

⁴¹ Maine VRs, 1892–1922.

⁴² Maine VRs, 1892–1922.

⁴³ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 330.

⁴⁴ John B. Wooster household, 1880 U.S. Census, Hancock, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 155, p. 323A, #149/158.

⁴⁵ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 219, citing TRs (marriage). Johnson incorrectly states Aaron married twice. According to the 1880 census (Joseph Rice household, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 161, p. 416B, #128/146), Aaron was single after Johnson states he m. in 1868. Johnson (pp. 330 and 332) also incorrectly says that Susan m. 24 Aug. 1878, William W. Young, citing Gouldsboro TRs. *Gouldsboro VR CD*, images 159 and 602, both show William W. Young m. Miss. Lizzie J. Young, not Susan H. Young. According to their marriage record, Aaron's marriage to Susan Young in 1895 was the first marriage for both.

⁴⁶ Gowdey, *Merrithews of America*, 75.

⁴⁷ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 553; marriage notice, *Ellsworth American*, 28 April 1870 [note 12].

⁴⁸ In 1860 "Rhett" Decker, age 7, was living in the home of her maternal grandparents with her mother Lydia, stepfather Joseph Decker, and 2 siblings (Noah Young household, 1860 U.S.

- 7 *Capt. Joseph M. Rice*, b. 1 July 1848, d. 27 Feb. 1929;⁴⁹ m. Gouldsboro, 18 March 1871, Harriet/Hattie Elizabeth Sargent,⁵⁰ b. 12 May 1851, daughter of John S. and Mary (Strout) Sargent, d. May 1925.⁵¹ He resided in Gouldsboro where he was a mariner in 1870, an icehouse worker in 1880, a sardine factory worker in 1900, a lobster fisherman in 1910, and a farmer in 1920.⁵²
- 8 *Rev. William Handy Rice*, b. 21 June 1850, d. 6 Dec. 1928;⁵³ m. Lamoine, 12 Sept. 1873, Ellen Mary Young,⁵⁴ b. 24 April 1854, daughter of Cyrenus and Mary (Higgins) Young, d. in 1938.⁵⁵ William was a clerk in a store owned by Hiram Coombs in Gouldsboro in 1870,⁵⁶ but he was living in Lamoine by 1875 where he was a partner with Coombs in a dry goods and grocery store. In 1884 he sold out to the Lamoine Grange Store Co. and ran a general store for them for 8 years.⁵⁷ Beginning in 1893–94, he was a lay minister for the Hancock Baptist Association, serving as pastor of Baptist churches in Larabee (part of Machias) (1898–1900), Orient (Aroostook Co.) (1900–2), Levant (1902–5), North Livermore (1905–10), and Lamoine again (1910–24).⁵⁸

Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 532, #36/41). Capt. Joseph Decker of Islesboro m. 18 Sept. 1859, Mrs. Lydia M. Decker of Gouldsboro per the 23 Sept. 1859 issue of the *Ellsworth Herald* [note 12].

⁴⁹ Gowdey, *Merrithews of America*, 75.

⁵⁰ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 558; marriage notice, *Ellsworth American*, 23 March 1871 [note 12].

⁵¹ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 133 (birth); names of Hattie's parents are from the 1870 census when Hattie was age 19 (John Sargent household, 1870 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 549, #112/124); Gowdey, *Merrithews of America*, 75 (death).

⁵² Joseph [M]. Rice household, 1870–1920 U.S. Censuses, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 552, #150/166 (1870); E.D. 161, p. 416B, #130/149 (1880); E.D. 56, p. 174B, #193/200 (1900); E.D. 68, p. 55B, #233/242 (1910); E.D. 20, p. 41A, #182/184 (1920).

⁵³ Gowdey, *Merrithews of America*, 77.

⁵⁴ Marriage notice, *Ellsworth American*, 25 Sept. 1873 [note 12], with father's name, Cyrenus Young, mentioned.

⁵⁵ Cyrenus and Mary Young were bur. together in Forest Hills Cemetery, Lamoine. Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 219, 334, incorrectly shows William Rice married to Eleanor/ Ellen S. Young of Gouldsboro rather than to Ellen M. Young of Lamoine. Ellen S. Young m. Emery Tracy, 11 Dec. 1873 (*Gouldsboro VR CD*, images 153, 572). Birth and death dates for Ellen Rice are from her gravestone, Forest Hills Cemetery, and Gowdey, *Merrithews of America*, 77.

⁵⁶ Joseph Rice household, 1870 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 552, #150/166.

⁵⁷ William H. Rice household, 1880 U.S. Census, Lamoine, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 156, p. 330D #75/83.

⁵⁸ Censuses identify his residences in 1900, 1910, and 1920 (Alton L. Tripp household, 1900 U.S. Census, Lamoine, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 61, p. 208A, #1/1; William H. Rice household, 1910–20 U.S. Censuses, Livermore, Androscoggin Co., Maine, E.D. 53, p. 116B, #50/52 [1910]; Lamoine, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 22, p. 70B, #94/94 [1920]). The *Ellsworth American* [note 12] shows when he changed churches: (1) 18 May 1898: "W.H. Rice former lay missionary for this county has accepted a call to the Baptist Church at Larrabee and removed his family to that town last week." (2) 23 May 1900: "Mrs. W.H. Rice and daughter Edith are at their home in Lamoine. Mr. Rice . . . will join his family soon. He has just closed a two years' pastorate at Larrabee." (3) 5 Dec 1900: "Mrs. W.H. Rice and daughter Edith leave for Orient this morning [Dec 3]. Mr. Rice has the pastorate of the Baptist church in Orient and the family will reside there." (4) 12 Nov. 1902: "Rev.

- 9 *Sarah Jane Rice*, b. 30 July 1853, d. 27 April 1924 and bur. in Forest Hills Cemetery, Lamoine;⁵⁹ m. Ellsworth, 11 Nov. 1876, Edward F. Young of Lamoine as his 2nd wife,⁶⁰ b. 18 April 1850, d. 26 Jan. 1939 and bur. in Forest Hills Cemetery, Lamoine.⁶¹ Edward had m. (1) 15 Feb. 1874, Amanda E. Hopkins of Eden.⁶² Sarah and Edward were close neighbors to her brother William in Lamoine in 1900 and 1920. Edward worked as a carpenter in 1880, 1900 and 1910 and as a farmer in 1920.⁶³
- 10 *Nathan H. Rice*, b. 28 Sept. 1856, d. at age 5.⁶⁴
- ii LYDIA RICE, b. 19 Feb. 1814; m. Gouldsboro, 4 Nov. 1843, LEONARD CURTIS.⁶⁵ Leonard, a laborer in Rockland in 1850, was b. ca. 1812 and d. by 1860, when Lydia, a nurse, and her 3 youngest Curtis children were living in the home of Amos Bragg.⁶⁶ In 1870 Lydia, a nurse, was living in the family of her daughter and son-in-law Betsey and Martin Myrick.⁶⁷ Lydia apparently was the mother of two “out-of-wedlock” Rice children.
- Probable children of Lydia Rice, father(s) unknown:
- 1 *John Rice*, b. Gouldsboro, 1 June 1836. The Gouldsboro clerk inserted between the listings of the 5 children of Jonas and Ruth Rice and the 3 oldest children of Joseph and Anna Rice the birth of John Rice to Lydia Rice on 1 June 1836 with no mention of the father’s name.⁶⁸ John is probably the male under 5 living in the “Jonah” Rice household in 1840, but he is not found in 1850 or

W. H. Rice, formerly of this town, has closed his labors in Orient and has accepted a unanimous call to the Baptist church in Levant.” Finally, the Lamoine Baptist Church records provide information on his last pastorate: (1) Letter to the Association held at Bluehill, 12–13 Sept. 1911: “On Sept last [1910] Rev. W.H. Rice and family returned to us after an absence of twelve years. . . . He also goes to East Lamoine and Marlboro alternate Sunday afternoons and Wednesday and Friday evenings to North Lamoine and Partridge Cove, beside the regular services at the church.” (2) Letter to the Association 10–11 May 1923: “Our church sustained the usual services until December [1922] when our Pastor Rice was obliged to go away for surgical treatment since then he has not been able to hold any services.” (3) Church records dated 11 May 1924: “It was voted to accept the resignation of our beloved Pastor Rev. W.H. Rice and to give him our sincerest thanks for his labor and kindness to us during the eleven years he has been our Pastor.”

⁵⁹ Gravestone inscription, Forest Hills Cemetery, Lamoine (birth and death).

⁶⁰ Marriage notice, *Ellsworth American*, 16 Nov. 1876 [note 12], 2nd marriage.

⁶¹ Gravestone inscription, Forest Hills Cemetery, Lamoine (birth and death).

⁶² Marriage notice in the *Ellsworth American*, 19 Feb. 1874 [note 12], 1st marriage.

⁶³ Edward F. Young households, 1880 U.S. Census, Lamoine, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 156, p. 331A, #89/97; 1900 U.S. Census, Lamoine, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 61, p. 208A; #12/12; 1910 U.S. Census, Lamoine, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 72, p. 88A, #100/100; 1920 U.S. Census, Lamoine, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 22, p. 70B, #100/100.

⁶⁴ Gowdey, *Merrithews of America*, 79 (birth and death).

⁶⁵ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 81, citing TRs; *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 112, which contains the record of this marriage, is illegible.

⁶⁶ Leonard Curtis household, 1850 U.S. Census, Rockland, Lincoln Co., Maine, p. 110, #659/767; Amos Y. Bragg household, 1860 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 538, #74/83.

⁶⁷ Martin Myrick household, 1870 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 545, #45/50.

⁶⁸ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 75.

1860 as being raised by Lydia, nor by anyone else in Gouldsboro. EFG states that it was this John Rice who m. (int.) Gouldsboro, 7 Oct. 1868, Herrinda (Emerson) Fitzgerald, and m. 27 April 1870, Marietta Ann Decker, daughter of Capt. Joseph Smith and Lydia Mariah (Young) Decker and older sister of Alice Decker who m. David M. Rice above.⁶⁹ If so, he d. prior to 6 Nov. 1870 when his widow m. (2) Eleazer Y. Tracy.⁷⁰

- 2 *Justine Elizabeth Rice*, b. ca. 1837, apparently d. by 1870,⁷¹ m. Gouldsboro, 11 April 1852,⁷² Amos Y. Bragg, a fisherman and carpenter, b. ca. 1821, in whose household Lydia (Rice) Curtis and 3 Curtis children were living in 1860.⁷³ Amos Y. Bragg of Sullivan m. (2) (cert.) Gouldsboro, 5 Oct. 1872, Mrs. Mary E. Wallis of Gouldsboro.⁷⁴

Children of Leonard and Lydia (Rice) Curtis:⁷⁵

- 3 *Charles L. Curtis*, b. ca. 1847, living in the George Wescott household in 1860, aged 13.⁷⁶ No further record found.
- 4 *Betsey Curtis*, b. [calc.] 17 June 1848, d. Gouldsboro, 6 Jan. 1899, aged 50 years, 6 months, 19 days;⁷⁷ m. Gouldsboro, 19 Nov. 1866, Martin V. Myrick,⁷⁸ b. Vinalhaven, [calc.] 27 Dec. 1837, son of Anthony and Permelia (Merrithew) Myrick, d. Gouldsboro, 26 April 1916, aged 78 years, 3 months, 27 days.⁷⁹ Martin was a fisherman in Gouldsboro and served as a private in the 19th Maine Infantry, Co. I, during the Civil War, when he was shot in the left leg.⁸⁰
- 5 *Matilda Ellen Curtis*, b. ca. 1852. She was a domestic servant in the Simon Andrews household in 1870, aged 18.⁸¹ No further record found.
- 6 *Willis Curtis*, b. ca. 1860, living with his mother in 1870, aged 10.⁸² No further record found.

⁶⁹ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 84, 222, cites both marriages/intentions; *Gouldsboro VR CD*, images 147, 149, contains both records, but the data is partially illegible on both.

⁷⁰ Marriage notice, *Ellsworth American*, 10 Nov. 1870 [note 12].

⁷¹ She was living with Amos Y. Bragg in 1860, aged 21, but not found with Amos in 1870 (Amos Y. Bragg household, 1860 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 538, #74/83; John Clark household, 1870 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 551, #138,154).

⁷² *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 446). As posited above [see note 6], Justine was possibly “Julian” E. Rice, living in 1850 with Jonas and Ruth Rice in Gouldsboro.

⁷³ See note 66.

⁷⁴ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 152.

⁷⁵ The first two are enumerated in the Leonard Curtis household, 1850 U.S. Census, Rockland, Lincoln Co., Maine, p. 110, #659/767; the youngest three enumerated in the Amos Y. Bragg household, 1860 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 538, #74/83.

⁷⁶ George Wescott household, 1860 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 539, #76/85.

⁷⁷ Maine VRs, 1892–1922.

⁷⁸ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 531.

⁷⁹ Death record, Maine VRs, 1892–1922, which provides his place of birth and parents’ names.

⁸⁰ 1890 Veterans Schedule Record, E.D. #167.

⁸¹ Simon Andrews household, 1870 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 544, #44/48.

⁸² Martin Myrick household, 1870 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 545, #45/50.

- iii STEPHEN C. RICE, b. 25 July 1816, d. 1 Feb. 1892, aged 75 years, 6 months, 7 days;⁸³ m. (1) Gouldsboro, 20 Dec. 1844, EUNICE ANN CRANE,⁸⁴ b. 12 April 1827, d. 6 July 1867;⁸⁵ m. (2) (int.) Gouldsboro, 18 Nov. 1871, LYDIA JANE (AREY) GROVER,⁸⁶ b. Fox Island, Maine, [calc.] 27 April 1831, daughter of Thomas and Elvira (Grant) Arey, d. Gouldsboro, 5 Feb. 1892, aged 60 years, 10 months, 8 days.⁸⁷ Lydia had m. (1) (cert.) Gouldsboro, 4 May 1846, Ebenezer Grover.⁸⁸ Stephen was a farmer in Gouldsboro.⁸⁹

Children of Stephen and Eunice (Crane) Rice, b. Gouldsboro:⁹⁰

- 1 reportedly *Pamela Rice*, b. ca. 1845,⁹¹ not in Stephen's household in 1850 or 1860. No further record found.
- 2 *Cornelia F. Rice*, b. 10 June 1846, d. 2 April 1871, aged 24 years, 10 months, 22 days;⁹² m. 28 March 1869 Capt. Samuel H. Brown as his 2nd wife,⁹³ b. 2 Nov. 1835, son of Amos and Mercy (Higgins) Brown,⁹⁴ d. in 1924.⁹⁵ Samuel had m. (1) Gouldsboro, 8 Nov. 1863 Rosetta Lindsey.⁹⁶ He m. (3) Sullivan, 11 Sept. 1872, Clara (Petee) Ash, who d. 23 Feb. 1903,⁹⁷ and m. (4) ca. 1908, Mary F. (Rolfe) Stevens.⁹⁸ Cornelia and Samuel lived with her parents in 1870, his occupation given as mariner.
- 3 *Medora Rice*, b. 14 May 1848, blind and living in her father's household in 1880, aged 32. In 1900 and in 1920, she was with her brother Elmer.⁹⁹

⁸³ Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro.

⁸⁴ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 414.

⁸⁵ Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro (birth and death). Unverified internet sources claim that Eunice Ann Crane was the daughter of John Thomas Gilbert and Abigail (Bunker) Crane of Mount Desert, and sister of David L. Crane who m. Nancy Rice below.

⁸⁶ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 150.

⁸⁷ Death record, Maine VRs, 1892–1922, which provides her place of birth and parents' names.

⁸⁸ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 113.

⁸⁹ Stephen Rice household, 1850–1880 U.S. Censuses, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 257; #114/122 (1850); p. 534, #48/55 (1860, Stephen C. Rice); p. 552, #148/164 (1870); E.D. 161, p. 416B, #126/144 (1880).

⁹⁰ Children 2–5 recorded in *Gouldsboro VR CD*, images 98, 135; others enumerated in Stephen's census households as youths.

⁹¹ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 220.

⁹² Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro; death notice, *Ellsworth American*, 13 April 1871 [note 12], states her age was 24 years, 9 months.

⁹³ Marriage notice, *Ellsworth American*, 15 April 1869 [note 12]; Samuel H. Brown's name is shown as Harrick H. Brown on the marriage record in *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 147.

⁹⁴ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 93, date of birth illegible, copied here from Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 40; Johnson states that Samuel's mother was Mercy (Zumla) Brown; however, the death record of Amos and Mercy's daughter Sarah (Brown) Sawyer states Mercy's surname was Higgins (Maine VRs, 1892–1922, deaths, 1914).

⁹⁵ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 40, citing g.s.

⁹⁶ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 514.

⁹⁷ *Ellsworth American*, 19 Sept. 1872 [note 12] (marriage); Maine VRs, 1892–1922 (death).

⁹⁸ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 40.

⁹⁹ Elmer Rice household, 1900 and 1920 U.S. Censuses, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 56, p. 175A/B, #212/219 (1900); E.D. 20, p. 41B, #188/190 (1920, Elmer E. Rice).

- 4 *Archelaus/Archibald/Archie H. Rice*, b. 23 June 1851 or 28 June 1850. He was a fisherman living in his father's household in 1870, and was working in a lobster factory in 1880, still residing with his father.
- 5 *Lemuel G. Rice*, b. 24 April 1852, d. 28 Feb. 1869, aged 16 years, 10 months.¹⁰⁰
- 6 *Alice E. Rice*, b. [calc.] 3 Dec. 1856, d. 12 July 1878, aged 21 years, 7 months, 9 days, and bur. in Bayview Cemetery, Franklin;¹⁰¹ m. Gouldsboro, 4 July 1877 Edwin S. Springer of Franklin.¹⁰² Edwin m. (2) Hancock, 12 April 1880, Ida E. Springer of Hancock.¹⁰³
- 7 *Louisa C. Rice*, b. ca. 1859. No further record found.
- 8 *Ruth L. Rice*, b. ca. 1860, d. 22 July 1879, aged 20 years, 8 months.¹⁰⁴
- 9 *Elmer E. Rice*, b. 5 March 1861,¹⁰⁵ d. 29 Nov. 1940;¹⁰⁶ m. Gouldsboro, 31 May 1886, Betsey/Bessie E. Bickford,¹⁰⁷ b. 26 Jan. 1865, daughter of Obediah/Obed C. and Alzira (Handy) Bickford, d. 1948.¹⁰⁸ Elmer was a farmer.¹⁰⁹
- 10 *Francis/Frank G. Rice*, b. 10 May 1863,¹¹⁰ d. 1947;¹¹¹ m. Gouldsboro, 17 May 1888, Annie M. Sinclair,¹¹² b. Newfoundland, Sept. 1863, d. ca. 1942.¹¹³ A resident of Gouldsboro, he was a fisherman in 1900, a sailor on a yacht in 1910, a farmer in 1920, and a night watchman on a private estate in 1930.¹¹⁴
- iv NANCY RICE, b. 6 Oct. 1818, d. 7 Aug. 1872, aged 53 years, 10 months,¹¹⁵ m. Gouldsboro, 22 Jan. 1842, DAVID L. CRANE,¹¹⁶ b. [calc.] 19 June 1822, d. 13

¹⁰⁰ Death notice, *Ellsworth American*, 11 March 1869 [note 12].

¹⁰¹ Maine Old Cemetery Association, *Maine Cemetery Inscriptions: Hancock County*, Picton Press CD-Rom (Rockland, Maine, 2006), image 577 (hereafter cited as *Hancock Co. Inscriptions*).

¹⁰² *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 590.

¹⁰³ Alice MacDonald Long, ed., *Marriage Returns of Hancock County, Maine* (Camden, Maine, 1992), 346 (hereafter cited as *Hancock Co. Marriage Records*).

¹⁰⁴ Death notice, *Ellsworth American*, 31 July 1879 [note 12].

¹⁰⁵ 1900 census [note 109] indicates birth in March 1861; gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro, also gives 1861 as year of birth.

¹⁰⁶ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 221; gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro, gives 1940 as year of death.

¹⁰⁷ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 645.

¹⁰⁸ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 31 (birth date, parents, and death date citing g.s.).

¹⁰⁹ Elmer Rice households, 1900–30 U.S. Censuses, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 56, p.175A/B, #212/219 (1900); E.D. 68, p. 55B, #231/240 (1910); E.D. 20, p. 41B, #188/190 (1920, Elmer E. Rice); E.D. 5-21, p.149B, #260/266 (1930).

¹¹⁰ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 220; 1900 census [note 114] confirms his birth in May 1863.

¹¹¹ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 221, citing gravestone.

¹¹² *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 176.

¹¹³ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 221, citing gravestone.

¹¹⁴ Frank Rice household, 1900–30 U.S. Censuses, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 56, p.175A, #206/214 (1900, Frank "J." Rice); E.D. 68, p. 46A, #6/6 (1910); E.D. 20, p. 45A, #237/241 (1920, Frank G. Rice); E.D. 5-21, p.149A, #254/260 (1930, Frank G. Rice).

¹¹⁵ Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro; death notice, *Ellsworth American*, 29 Aug. 1872 [note 12], states she d. 8 Aug. 1872 of consumption, aged 55 years.

¹¹⁶ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 77, citing TRs; *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 111, contains the record of this marriage, but the dates are illegible.

Feb. 1878, aged 55 years, 7 months, 24 days.¹¹⁷ He m. (2) (cert.) Gouldsboro, 14 Oct. 1875, Mary E. Bragg.¹¹⁸ David was a farmer in Gouldsboro.¹¹⁹

Children of David and Nancy (Rice) Crane, all b. Gouldsboro:¹²⁰

- 1 *John T. Crane*, b. 16 May 1842. He was a mariner living in his parents' household in 1870, aged 28. No further record found.
- 2 *Jonas R. Crane*, b. 11 June 1845, d. 1915,¹²¹ m. (int.) Gouldsboro, 15 April 1865, his cousin Betsey Curtis,¹²² daughter of Leonard and Lydia (Rice) Curtis (see above), but they apparently never married; m. (1) Gouldsboro, 30 Dec. 1873, Naomi J. (Farrar) Wakefield,¹²³ daughter of William and Lydia (Bickford) Farrar of Gouldsboro and widow of Albert Wakefield;¹²⁴ m. (2) Gouldsboro, 20 Feb. 1876, Lucy Jane Grover,¹²⁵ b. 6 Oct. 1852, daughter of Ebenezer and Lydia Jane (Arey) Grover, d. 1935.¹²⁶ Jonas was a private in the 1st Maine Infantry, Co. H, during the Civil War and was shot in the right hand at Cold Harbor.¹²⁷ In 1870 he was living with his housekeeper and future wife, Naomi Wakefield, and her 7-month-old son. The marriage with Naomi must have ended in divorce as she was listed as a widow, living with her son Charles in the household of her parents in 1880 and d. in 1889, aged 38.¹²⁸
- 3 *Jerod C. Crane*, b. 10 June 1847, d. 1938,¹²⁹ m. Gouldsboro, 17 Sept. 1877, Mary Ann (Gray) Trimble of Saint David, New Brunswick,¹³⁰ b. Aug. 1850,¹³¹ d. 1935.¹³² Jerod lived in Gouldsboro, where he was a farmer.¹³³

¹¹⁷ Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro. Unverified internet sources claim that David L. was the son of John Thomas Gilbert and Abigail (Bunker) Crane of Mount Desert, and brother of Eunice Ann Crane who m. Stephen C. Rice above.

¹¹⁸ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 155. Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 78 incorrectly states that Mary Bragg was the widow of B. M. Merithew. However, this cannot be true since her surname was Bragg in 1875 when she married David Crane, not Merithew.

¹¹⁹ David L. Crane household, 1860–70 U.S. Censuses, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 535, #49/57 (1860); p. 552, #147/163 (1870).

¹²⁰ Births of the first 4 in *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 99, others living as youths in their parents' census households.

¹²¹ Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro.

¹²² Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 78, citing *Gouldsboro TRs*, which incorrectly states that Jonas Crane m. Betsey Curtis in April 1865. This cannot be true since Miss Betsey Curtis m. Martin Myrick, 19 Nov. 1866 (*Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 531).

¹²³ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 572.

¹²⁴ William Farrar household, 1860 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 535, #51/59 (parents); Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 78, 298, citing TRs (marriage to 1st husband on 21 Jan. 1867).

¹²⁵ Marriage notice, *Ellsworth American*, 9 March 1876 [note 12].

¹²⁶ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 133 (birth); her parents' marriage on 10 May 1846 in *Hancock Co. Marriage Records*, 105; gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro (death), which states she was b. in 1853.

¹²⁷ 1890 Veterans Census Schedule, Maine, E.D. #167.

¹²⁸ Jonas Crane household, 1870 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 552, #146/162; William Farrar household, 1880 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 417C, #134/153; gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro (death).

¹²⁹ *Hancock Co. Inscriptions*, image 1438, gravestone, Birch Hill Cemetery, Winter Harbor.

¹³⁰ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 602.

- 4 *William H. Crane*, b. 26 May 1850, d. 21 Sept. 1902, aged 52 years, 3 months, 26 days;¹³⁴ m. (1) (cert.) Gouldsboro, 5 July 1873, Elveretta Lindsey,¹³⁵ b. 11 July 1856, daughter of Andrew C. and Lydia Ann (Rice) Lindsey (see above), d. 15 May 1878, aged 24 years, 3 months, 15 days;¹³⁶ m. (2) Gouldsboro, 23 May 1880, Charlotte Lindsey of Gouldsboro,¹³⁷ b. 25 Jan. 1862, younger sister of his first wife, d. 17 Aug. 1935.¹³⁸ William and both his wives are bur. in Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro. William was a farmer in Gouldsboro.¹³⁹
- 5 *Jethro/Jether Crane*, b. ca. 1853, d. 1 April 1882, aged 29 years.¹⁴⁰
- 6 *Ellis H. Crane*, b. ca. 1855, living in his parents' household in 1870, aged 15. No further record found.
- 7 *Hannah J. Crane*, b. ca. 1858; m. Gouldsboro, 10 May 1874, Calvin H. Crane,¹⁴¹ b. ca. 1848, son of Henry B. and Abigail (Leighton) Crane,¹⁴² d. Feb. 1880 of consumption, aged 32 years.¹⁴³ He was a mariner.
- v JONAS RICE Jr., b. 26 Nov. 1821, d. 16 Sept. 1896, aged 74 years, 10 months;¹⁴⁴ m. Gouldsboro, 13 Aug. 1846, LUCINDA/LUCY S. LINDSEY,¹⁴⁵ b. [calc.] 22 June 1828, daughter of James and Sarah (Grover) Lindsey and sister of Andrew C. Lindsey above, d. Winter Harbor, 24 Aug. 1909, aged 81 years, 2 months, 2 days.¹⁴⁶ Jonas and Lucy lived in Gouldsboro, where he was a sailor in 1850, a fisherman in 1860 and 1870 and a farmer in 1880.¹⁴⁷
- Children of Jonas and Lucy (Lindsey) Rice, all b. Gouldsboro:¹⁴⁸

¹³¹ Jerod Crane household, 1900 U.S. Census, E.D. 56, p. 175B, #219/227.

¹³² *Hancock Co. Inscriptions*, image 1438, gravestone, Birch Hill Cemetery, Winter Harbor.

¹³³ Jerod Crane household, 1880–1920 U.S. Censuses, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 161, p. 416B; #124/142 (1880); E.D. 56, p. 175B; #219/227 (1900); E.D. 20, p. 41B; #191/193 (1920, “Jerard” Crane).

¹³⁴ Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro.

¹³⁵ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 152; the marriage notice, *Ellsworth American*, 17 July 1873 [note 12], gives 4 July as the marriage date.

¹³⁶ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 169 (birth); gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro (death). Johnson incorrectly indicates that Elveretta d. 21 Nov. 1919, citing gravestone inscription, but she confused Elveretta with Clara, the wife of William W. Crane, another individual who also lived in Gouldsboro.

¹³⁷ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 609.

¹³⁸ Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro (birth and death).

¹³⁹ William Crane household, 1900 U.S. Census, E.D. 56, p. 175B, #213/220.

¹⁴⁰ Death notice, *Ellsworth American*, 6 April 1882 [note 12].

¹⁴¹ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 572.

¹⁴² Henry B. Crane households, 1850 U.S. Census, Camden, Waldo Co., Maine, p. 196, #332/369 and 1870 U.S. Census, Rockland, Knox Co., Maine, p. 147, #10/12.

¹⁴³ 1880 U.S. Census Mortality Schedule, E.D. 161, p. 1, line 8.

¹⁴⁴ Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro.

¹⁴⁵ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 415.

¹⁴⁶ Death record, Maine VRs, 1892–1922, which gives her place of birth and parents' names.

¹⁴⁷ Jonas Rice households, 1850–80 U.S. Censuses, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 257, #116/124 (1850, “James” Rice Jr.); p. 534, #47/54 (1860); p. 552, #152/168 (1870); E.D. 161, p. 416B, #129/147 (1880).

¹⁴⁸ Births of first 3 in *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 99; others living as youths in their parents' census households.

- 1 *Capt. James William Rice*, b. 19 April 1848, d. 1937;¹⁴⁹ m. (cert.) Gouldsboro, 23 March 1872, Clarissa H. Sargent,¹⁵⁰ b. 10 Feb. 1852, daughter of James and Sarah (Gouldsborough) Sargent, d. 1931.¹⁵¹ He lived in Gouldsboro, where he was a mariner in 1870 and 1880, a sailor in 1900, and a lobster fisherman in 1910, 1920, and 1930.¹⁵²
- 2 *Araedna/Ariadna Rice*, b. 18 May 1850, d. 4 May 1873, aged 23 years;¹⁵³ m. Gouldsboro, 28 Sept. 1865 Andrew J. Lindsey,¹⁵⁴ b. Isle au Haut, [calc.] 8 June 1839, son of Michael and Hannah (Staples) Lindsey, d. Birch Harbor, 18 Sept. 1910, aged 71 years, 3 months, 10 days.¹⁵⁵ Andrew m. (2) ca. 1876, Carrie —¹⁵⁶ and in 1880 he was living in the household of William H. Crane (see above) with his 2nd wife and his daughter by his 1st wife.¹⁵⁷
- 3 *Capt. George F. Rice*, b. 11 April 1853, d. 20 Oct. 1924,¹⁵⁸ m. 19 Nov. 1877, Elizabeth/Lizzie A. (Bullock) Johnson of Calais,¹⁵⁹ b. March 1856.¹⁶⁰ He was a sailor in Calais in 1880 and a sea captain in 1900.¹⁶¹ He was living in the household of his brother-in-law and sister Andrew and Flora (Rice) Joy in Gouldsboro in 1920 (see below).¹⁶²
- 4 *Francena G. Rice*, b. April 1854,¹⁶³ m. Steuben, 13 April 1872, Gleason R. Wilson of Steuben,¹⁶⁴ b. 23 Feb. 1853, son of William and Mary (Small)

¹⁴⁹ Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro.

¹⁵⁰ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 151.

¹⁵¹ Johnson, *Early Families of Gouldsboro*, 240, citing TRs (birth); Clarissa's parents' names from 1870 census when Clarissa was age 18 (James Sargent household, 1870 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 549, #111/123); gravestone, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro.

¹⁵² Jonas Rice household, 1870 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 552, #152/168; "Joseph" W. Rice household, 1880 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 161, p. 416B, #129/148; James Rice household, 1900–30 U.S. Censuses, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 56, p. 175A, #206/214 (1900); E.D. 68, p. 55A, #217/226 (1910); E.D. 20, p. 42A, #198/200 (1920, James W. Rice); E.D. 5-21, p. 149A, #240/246 (1930, James W. Rice).

¹⁵³ Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro.

¹⁵⁴ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 527.

¹⁵⁵ Death record, Maine VRs, 1892–1922, which gives his place of birth and parents' names.

¹⁵⁶ Andrew Lindsey household, 1900 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 56, p. 175B, #218/226.

¹⁵⁷ William H. Crane household, 1880 U.S. Census, E.D. 161, p. 416B, #125/143.

¹⁵⁸ As given in numerous undocumented submissions to the Ancestry World Tree website.

¹⁵⁹ Sharon Howland, *Vital Records of Calais, Maine, Prior to 1892* (Rockport, Maine, 1998), 478. Per various undocumented internet sources, her previous husband was Wellington Johnson.

¹⁶⁰ 1900 census [note 161].

¹⁶¹ George Rice household, 1880–1900 U.S. Censuses, Calais, Washington Co., Maine, E.D. 169, p. 91D, #60/78 (1880); E.D. 198, p. 15B, #276/306 (1900, George F. Rice).

¹⁶² Andrew G. Joy household, 1920 U.S. Census, Winter Harbor, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 20, p. 52B, #125/127.

¹⁶³ Gleason Wilson household, 1900 U.S. Census, Jonesboro, Washington Co., Maine, E.D. 208, p. 209A, #142/148.

¹⁶⁴ Steuben, Maine, marriage records, online at http://home.comcast.net/~downeastgenealogy/Vital_Records/StbnMRecds_Data4.htm (hereafter cited as Steuben Marriages).

Wilson.¹⁶⁵ Gleason was a laborer in Steuben in 1880, worked in a sawmill in Jonesboro in 1900 and 1910, and was a machine operator in a watch factory in Waltham, Mass., in 1920, when they were living in the household of their oldest son.¹⁶⁶

- 5 *Solomon P. Rice*, b. ca. 1856. He was a mariner living in his parents' household in 1880, aged 24. No further record found.
- 6 *Charles W. Rice*, b. ca. Feb. 1858, d. unmarried, Gouldsboro, 19 Oct. 1898, aged 40 years, 8 months.¹⁶⁷ He was living in his parents' household in 1880, age 21.
- 7 *Drusilla W. Rice*, b. 15 Jan. 1860, d. Steuben, 28 May 1930;¹⁶⁸ m. 8 June 1878 Milford Leighton,¹⁶⁹ b. Steuben, 2 Feb. 1855, son of Curtis and Sarah (Scammon) Leighton of Steuben, d. Steuben, 20 Sept. 1934, aged 79 years, 7 months, 18 days.¹⁷⁰ Milford was a lumberman and farmer in Steuben.¹⁷¹
- 8 *Flora H. Rice*, b. 25 July 1867, d. 21 March 1936;¹⁷² m. Gouldsboro, 6 Aug. 1882, Andrew G. Joy,¹⁷³ b. 19 Feb. 1862, son of David and Mary (Tracy) Joy,¹⁷⁴ d. 28 April 1949.¹⁷⁵ He was a fisherman in Gouldsboro.¹⁷⁶

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¹⁶⁵ Steuben, Maine, birth records, online at: http://home.comcast.net/~downeastgenealogy/Vital_Records/SibnBRecds_Data2.htm; the names of Gleason's parents are from the 1860 census when Gleason was age 7 (William R. Wilson household, 1860 U.S. Census, Steuben, Washington Co., Maine, p. 475, #139/145).

¹⁶⁶ Gleason Wilson household, 1880 U.S. Census, Steuben, Washington Co., Maine, E.D. 194, p. 456C, #98/106; 1900–10 U.S. Censuses, Jonesboro, Washington Co., Maine, E.D. 208, p. 209A, #142/148 (1900); E.D. 290, p. 73A, #155/155 (1910); Emerson K. Wilson household, 1920 U.S. Census, Waltham, Middlesex Co., Mass., E.D. 503, p. 275B, #14/108/160.

¹⁶⁷ Maine VRs, 1892–1922.

¹⁶⁸ Perley M. Leighton, *A Leighton Genealogy: Descendants of Thomas Leighton of Dover, New Hampshire*, 2 vols. (Boston, 1989), 2:656 (hereafter cited as Leighton, *Leighton Genealogy*).

¹⁶⁹ Steuben Marriages.

¹⁷⁰ *Leightons Genealogy*, 2:656 (birth); gravestone inscription, Unionville Cem., Steuben.

¹⁷¹ Curtis Leighton household, 1880 U.S. Census, Steuben, Washington Co., Maine, E.D. 194, p. 456C, #103/112; Milford Leighton household, 1900–20 U.S. Censuses, Steuben, Washington Co., Maine, E.D. 218, p. 388A, #196/208 (1900); E.D. 301, p. 257, #187/193 (1910); E.D. 184, p. 110, #144/150 (1920).

¹⁷² Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro (birth and death dates).

¹⁷³ *Gouldsboro VR CD*, image 622.

¹⁷⁴ Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro (birth); names of parents from 1870 census when Andrew was age 8 (David Joy household, 1870 U.S. Census, Gouldsboro, Hancock Co., Maine, p. 547, #86/97).

¹⁷⁵ Gravestone inscription, Birch Harbor Cemetery, Gouldsboro.

¹⁷⁶ Andrew G. Joy households, 1910–30 U.S. Censuses, Winter Harbor, Hancock Co., Maine, E.D. 69, p. 64A, #40/40 (1910); E.D. 20, p. 52B, #125/127 (1920); E.D. 43, p. 288A, #4/4 (1930).

BIBLE RECORD OF JESSE HINKS OF BREWER, MAINE

Contributed by Leslie D. Sanders

The Holy Bible, Containing the Old and New Testament, Translated Out of the Original Tongues, . . . Includes Cannes Marginal References, Apocrypha, and Tables (New York: B. Waugh and T. Mason, 1832).

Family Record page [*Hand-titled births on left in blue ink, hand-titled deaths on right, title in pencil and probably added at a later date. Birth entries in same hand and same blue ink color, death entries in differing hands and in pencil.*]

Jesse Hinks born Jan 13th 1806
died Feb 1st 1883 Ag. 76 years, 18 days

Eliza L. Hinks born August 31st 1807
died Nov 17 1881 agd 74 years 2 months and 17 days

Second Family Record page [*Children births column hand-titled on left, children deaths column hand-titled on right. The birth dates of Julia through Josephine are entered in one hand and blue ink color, probably at one sitting. The birth dates of Louisa through John are entered in a different ink color at a different time, possibly in the same hand, but possibly not. Death dates in a variety of hands and different colored inks and pencil.*]

Julia L Hinks born Jan 1829
Died Feb 18th 1861

Mary N. Hinks born March 10th 1830,
Died May 10 1907

Elizabeth G. Hinks born Nov 30th 1832
Died Mar 26 1906

Jesse Y. Hinks born April 20th 1834
[*no death date listed*]

Jane L Hinks born Sept 15th 1836,
Died June 19th 1840

Josephine Hinks born Feb 15th 1839
[*no death date listed*]

Louisa Hinks born May 19 1841,
Died June 17 1893

Phebe L Hinks born Dec 25th 1843,
Died July 1st 1900

Emma D Hinks born March 18th 1846
[*no death date listed*]

John L A Hinks born April 26 1849
Died May 5th 1886

[*Inside back cover contains in pen the date September 1st 1841, with a single illegible word in front of it.*]

The following genealogical summary contains additional information about the family of Jesse Hinks, whose Bible record is shown above.

JESSE HINKS/HINCKS was born in Buckstown [later Bucksport], Maine, on 13 January 1806, son of Jesse Young and Ruth Paine (Rich) Hinks.¹ He died at Brewer, Maine, on 1 February 1883, aged 76 years, 18 days.² He married ELIZA LEWIS ELDRIDGE both of Bucksport, their marriage intentions recorded in Bucksport 13 October 1827, certified 5 November 1827.³ Eliza was born in Bucksport on 31 August 1807, undoubtedly daughter of Elisha Doane and Phebe (Lewis) Eldridge.⁴ She died in Brewer on 17 November 1881, aged 74 years, 2 months, and 17 days.⁵ Jesse lived in Brewer where he was a farmer, a one-time (1860) baggage master for the railroad, and a Brewer collector and tax assessor.⁶

Children of Jesse and Eliza Lewis (Eldridge) Hinks:⁷

- i JULIA L. HINKS, b. Bucksport, 6 Jan. 1828 (Brewer VRs) or Jan. 1829 (Bible), d. Boston, Mass., 18 Feb. 1862, aged 33 years, 1 month, 12 days;⁸ m. (cert.) Brewer, 15 May 1855, GEORGE CUTLER,⁹ b. New Salem, Mass., 23 April 1821, son of Dr. William H. and Abigail H. (Lowe) Cutler, d. Boston, Mass., 11 Jan. 1898, aged 76 years, 8 months.¹⁰ In 1860 George and Julia Cutler, with their children Walter G., aged 3, and Charles R., age 1, resided in West Roxbury, Mass., where George was described as a druggist.¹¹ George m. (2) Julia's sister Josephine, below.
- ii MARY NYE HINKS, b. 10 March 1829 (Brewer VRs) or 10 March 1830 (Bible), d. Boston, Mass., 10 May 1907, aged 77 years, 2 months;¹² m. Bangor, 14 Jan. 1851,

¹ Patricia Adams, *Vital Records of Bucksport, Maine* (Rockland, Maine, 2007) 87 (hereafter cited as *Bucksport VRs*); his parents' marriage intentions in 1797, exact date not given, recorded in Provincetown, Mass., VRs [online database at <www.americanancestors.org>].

² Bible record; *Original Records of Maine Towns and Cities: City of Brewer*, Picton Press CD-Rom (Rockport, Maine, 2005), CD-2, image 267 (hereafter cited as *Brewer VR CD*).

³ *Bucksport VRs*, 123.

⁴ As noted on various internet sites; her parents' marriage intentions recorded at Bucksport 7 Nov. 1799 per *Bucksport VR*, 8. Her purported parentage is supported by her middle name of *Lewis* and the naming of her daughter *Phebe Lewis* Hinks, obviously for her mother.

⁵ Bible record; *Brewer VR CD*, CD-2, image 264.

⁶ Jesse Hinks household, 1850–80 U.S. Censuses, Brewer, Penobscot Co., Maine, p. 179, #93/108 (1850); p. 54, #358/372 (1860); p. 296, #359/381 (1870); E.D. 56, p. 547B, #140/152 (1880).

⁷ The first 6 children are recorded in *Brewer VR CD*, CD-1, image 56, citing Brewer VRs, 1:96. The Bible record and the Brewer VRs do not agree on all of the birth dates as noted.

⁸ "Massachusetts Vital Records, 1841–1910" (from original records held by the Massachusetts Archives), online database at <www.NewEnglandAncestors.org>, 158:25 (hereafter cited as Mass. VRs, 1841–1910); the Bible Record gives d. 18 Feb. 1861. Her death record indicates she was b. in Bucksport and died of "puerperal insanity, exhaustion."

⁹ *Brewer VR CD*, CD-1, image 379, citing Marriage Book 3:17.

¹⁰ Death record, Mass VRs, 1841–1910, 483:24. His baptism on 2 Sept. 1821 is recorded in *Vital Records of New Salem, Massachusetts, to the End of the Year 1849* (Salem, Mass., 1927), 15. His birth date found in his obituary notice, see note 35.

¹¹ George Cutler household, 1860 U.S. Census, West Roxbury, Mass., p. 688, #902/988.

¹² Bible record; Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, Boston vol. 1907/12, p. 194.

MONCENA DUNN of Bangor,¹³ b. Poland, Maine, 17 Sept. 1822, son of Eliphalet and Hannah (Sawyer) Dunn, d. West Roxbury, Mass., by suicide, 30 June 1895, aged 72 years, 9 months, 13 days.¹⁴ In 1850 Moncena Dunn, aged 27, b. Maine, was listed as an “inn keeper” in Bangor.¹⁵ Ten years later, Moncena, with wife “Ellen” [*sic*] and two children, was listed as “hotel keeper” living in the Norfolk House in Roxbury, Mass.¹⁶ In 1870, Moncena and Mary were living in Chelsea, Mass., with their two children—Lizzie S., age 17, and Edwin W., age 11—where he was listed as a clerk in the Custom House.¹⁷ His obituary was published in the *Boston Journal*.¹⁸ Mary’s nephew, Charles F. Cutler, acted as executor of Moncena Dunn’s estate.¹⁹ In 1900 Mary N. Dunn, aged 71, was living in Boston with her widowed daughter, Lizzie Irving, and two Irving grandchildren.²⁰

- iii ELIZABETH GOODALE HINKS, b. Brewer, 1 Dec. 1831 (Brewer VRs) or 30 Nov. 1832 (Bible), d. Bangor 26 March 1906, aged 73 years, 3 months;²¹ m. Bangor, 2 June 1852, THOMAS GAGE STICKNEY of Bangor,²² b. Vassalboro, Maine, [calc.] 12 Jan. 1820, son of Amos and Alatheia (Soule) Stickney, d. Bangor, 23 April 1902, aged 82 years, 4 months, 11 days.²³ Thomas and Elizabeth resided in Bangor and had one son, Charles Henry Stickney, b. in 1855.²⁴ In census returns, his occupation was given as “retired merchant,” “coal dealer,” and “coal merchant.”

¹³ Ruth Gray, ed., *Marriage Returns of Penobscot County, Maine, Prior to 1892* (Camden, Maine, 1994), 137 (hereafter cited as *Penobscot Co. Marriage Returns*).

¹⁴ Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 456:256. According to the death record, he d. by “suicide by bullet wound of abdomen.”

¹⁵ Moncena Dunn household, 1850 U.S. Census, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, p. 41, #582/626. In addition to himself, there were 41 other persons enumerated in his hotel.

¹⁶ 1860 U.S. Census, Roxbury Ward 4, Norfolk Co., Mass., p. 540, #489/575.

¹⁷ “Marcena” Dunn household, 1870 U.S. Census, Chelsea, Suffolk Co., Mass., p. 49, #712/818.

¹⁸ *Boston Journal*, 1 July 1895: “Col. Moncena Dunn died at his residence on Corey Street, West Roxbury, last evening. Services at home on Wednesday, July 3, at 3 P.M. Cars leave Park Square station at 2:10 P.M. for Highland station. Interment at Forest Hills. Col. Dunn was born at Poland, Me., Sept. 17, 1822. He was commissioned First Lieutenant in the Nineteenth Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, Aug. 22, 1861, Captain, June 18, 1862, Major, Feb. 28, 1864, Lieutenant Colonel, July 28, 1864. He was captured with a remnant of the regiment in front of Petersburg, Va., on the 22d of June, 1864, was a prisoner of war about six months. He took part with the old Nineteenth in nearly all of its engagements until his capture. Since the close of the war he was in the Government service at the Custom House, in the warehouse division, under Gen. Barnes, and afterward Store Keeper. He was a Past Commander of Post 35, G.A.R., of Chelsea, a member of the Massachusetts Commandery of the Loyal Legion, the Nineteenth Massachusetts Infantry Association, and a Master Mason.”

¹⁹ Notice of probate, *Boston Journal*, 22 July 1895.

²⁰ Lizzie Irving household, 1900 U.S. Census, Boston Ward 23, Suffolk Co., Mass., E.D. 1517, p. 6A, #100/109.

²¹ Maine Vital Records, 1892–1922, Augusta [hereafter cited as Maine VRs, 1892–1922]; Bible record.

²² *Penobscot Co. Marriage Returns*, 162.

²³ All information from death record, Maine VRs, 1892–1922.

²⁴ Thomas G. Stickney households, 1860–1900 U.S. Censuses, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, p. 173, #1202/1267 (1860); p. 40, #322/339 (1870); E.D. 25, p. 98A, #45/47 (1880); E.D. 70, p. 16A, #228/336 (1900).

- iv JESSE YOUNG HINKS, b. 20 April 1834 (Bible and Brewer VRs), d. Bangor, 17 Jan. 1909, aged 74 years, 8 months, 28 days;²⁵ m. Old Town, 14 Dec. 1869, ELIZABETH/LIZZIE F. SMITH,²⁶ b. March 1850, daughter of Joseph L. and Caroline Amelia (LeBallister) Smith,²⁷ d. 1929.²⁸ Jesse Y. and Elizabeth had one son, named Joseph L. S. Hinks, evidently named for her father.²⁹ They lived in Bangor in 1870, where Jesse was described as a “R.R. Conductor” and in Old Town in 1880 and 1900 where he was a farmer in 1880 and no occupation listed in 1900.³⁰ His death record calls him a “Conductor.”
- v JANE L. HINKS, b. 15 Sept. 1836 (Bible and Brewer VRs), d. 19 June 1840.³¹
- vi JOSEPHINE HINKS, b. 15 Feb. 1839 (Bible and Brewer VRs), d. after 1910 when she was living as a widow in Brookline, Mass., aged 70;³² she was a resident of Bangor when she m. Brewer, 9 July 1863, GEORGE CUTLER of Boston, Mass., in a double wedding ceremony with her sister Louisa.³³ George was the widower of Josephine’s sister Julia, above, and he and Josephine raised Julia’s two surviving children, Charles and Minnie Cutler, aged 10 and 8, respectively in 1870, and 19 and 17, respectively, in 1880.³⁴ George was a druggist wholesaler in Boston.³⁵ In a

²⁵ Maine VRs, 1892–1922].

²⁶ Ruth Gray, *Vital Records of Old Town, Maine, Prior to 1892* (Camden, Maine, 1996), 207 (hereafter cited as *Old Town VRs*); *Penobscot Co. Marriage Returns*, 498.

²⁷ Jesse Y. Hinks household, 1900 U.S. Census, Old Town, Penobscot Co., Maine, E.D. 119, p. 18B, #285/363 (birth date); her father named on the marriage record in *Old Town VR*, 207; her parents’ m. (int.) Old Town, 17 Oct. 1840 (*Old Town VR*, 135).

²⁸ *Old Town VRs*, 418, citing Lawndale Cemetery inscription, her dates given as 1849–1929.

²⁹ *Old Town VRs*, 418, citing Lawndale Cemetery inscription, buried with his parents.

³⁰ Jesse E. Harriman household, 1870 U.S. Census, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, p. 63, #178/222, Jesse and Lizzie Hinks listed as residing in the Harriman Hotel; Jesse Y. Hincks household, 1880 U.S. Census, Oldtown, Penobscot Co., Maine, E.D. 16, p. 572D, #149/161; Jesse Y. Hinks household, 1900 U.S. Census, Old Town, Penobscot Co., Maine, E.D. 119, p. 118B, #285/363.

³¹ Bible Record.

³² Josephine Cutler household, 1910 U.S. Census, Brookline, Norfolk Co., Mass., E.D. 1088, p. 10A, #130/190. Josephine, listed as having had no children, was living with a servant. She has not been found in the 1920 census.

³³ *Ellsworth American*, issue of 17 July 1863; *Penobscot Co. Marriage Returns*, 330.

³⁴ George Cutler household, 1870 U.S. Census, Boston Ward 11, p. 71, #729/1041; Geo. Cutler household, 1880 U.S. Census, Boston, E.D. 649, p. 426C, #26/27.

³⁵ George’s career is described in his obituary notice in the *Boston Daily Advertiser*, 13 Jan. 1898: “George Cutler of this city, the wholesale druggist, who probably has been longer connected with that line of business than any other man at present engaged in the trade in Boston, died Tuesday at 822 Beach St. He was born in New Salem, in this state, on April 23, 1821, and came to Boston at the age of fifteen. He entered the employ of Lowe & Reed, wholesale druggists, of which firm Dr. A. T. Lowe, the senior partner, was his uncle. . . . George Cutler was admitted as a partner soon after 1850. He had two brothers who also were connected with the firm during their entire business careers. The elder one, W. J. Cutler, died on April 1, 1894, and the younger of the three brothers, E. W. Cutler, died on Oct. 31, 1896. Since their deaths, the firm of Cutler Bros. & Co. has been composed of George Cutler and C. F. Cutler. Mr. Cutler was twice married, his first wife being Miss Julia Hincks of Brewer, Me., and his second wife, who survives him, was her sister, Miss Josephine Hincks. Besides the son, C. F. Cutler of Boston, one daughter, Mrs. E. R. Tilton of West Roxbury, survives her father.”

- U.S. passport application made in 1891, Josephine Cutler described herself as 51 years old, 5' 11" in height, light complexioned, and with brown hair and eyes.³⁶
- vii MARIA LOUISA HINKS, b. 19 May 1841 (Bible, birth not in Brewer VRs), d. Bangor, 17 June 1893, aged 51 years [*sic*], 29 days;³⁷ she was called "Maria Louisa" Hinks and a resident of Bangor when she m. Brewer, 9 July 1863, SAMUEL HORATIO STEARNS of Bangor in a double wedding ceremony with her sister Josephine,³⁸ b. Brewer, 9 June 1838, son of Charles G. and Margaret (Lunt) Stearns,³⁹ d. Bangor, 2 Sept. 1912, aged 74 years, 2 months, 24 days.⁴⁰ Samuel, a lumber dealer, and Louisa resided in Bangor, where they raised their two daughters, Josephine and Fannie.⁴¹
- viii PHEBE LEWIS HINKS, b. 25 Dec. 1843 (Bible, birth not in Brewer VRs), d. unmarried, Brookline, Mass., 1 July 1900, aged 55 years [*sic*], 6 months, 7 days.⁴² On 15 June 1900, "Febia L. Hicks," sister, aged 56 years and b. Dec. 1843, single, was living in Brookline, Mass., with her older widowed sister Josephine Cutler.⁴³ She d. just 15 days later and her death certificate indicates she was bur. in Brewer.
- ix EMMA D. HINKS, b. 18 March 1846 (Bible, birth not in Brewer VRs), living in the household of her brother-in-law and sister Thomas G. and Elizabeth G. Stickney in Bangor in 1900, aged 50 years [*sic*], single.⁴⁴ No further information.
- x JOHN L. A. HINKS, b. 26 April 1849 (Bible, not in Brewer VRs), d. unmarried, 5 May 1886.⁴⁵ John lived in his father's household through the time of the 1870 census when he was 21 years old. In 1880, aged 31 and described as a clerk, he was living in Augusta as a patient at the Maine Insane Hospital.⁴⁶

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³⁶ "U.S. Passport Applications, 1795–1925," database at Ancestry.com.

³⁷ Bible Record; Maine Vital Records, 1892–1922. "The funeral services of the late Mrs. Samuel Sterns were held yesterday after noon at three o'clock at her late residence on State Street. . . . The interment was at Mt Hope. Among those present at the funeral were Mrs Monsena Dunn, Mr and Mrs George Cutler, Miss Lou Hincks [*sic*: probably sister Phebe Lewis Hinks], of Boston, and Mr and Mrs Jesse Hincks, of Old Town (*Bangor Daily Whig and Courier*, 21 June 1893, p. 3).

³⁸ *Ellsworth American*, issue of 17 July 1863; *Penobscot Co. Marriage Returns*, 330.

³⁹ *Brewer VR CD*, CD-1, image 137, citing Brewer VRs 2:88; his parents' m. (cert.) Brewer, 28 Sept. 1836 per *Brewer VR CD*, CD-1, image 262, citing Marriage Book 1:147.

⁴⁰ Maine Vital Records, 1892–1922. His cause of death was "ptomaine poisoning, contracted in Boston, food unknown."

⁴¹ Samuel Stearns household, 1870–1910 U.S. Census, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, p. 47, #403/523 (1870, Samuel "Sterns"); E.D. 25, p. 96A, #6/6 (1880); E.D. 79, p. 2B, #42/50 (1900, Samuel "Sterns"); Ward 5, E.D. 0144, p. 12A, #234/265 (1910).

⁴² Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 506:22; Bible record.

⁴³ Josephine Cutler household, 1900 U.S. Census, Brookline, Norfolk Co., Mass., E.D. 1019, p. 21A, #286/431.

⁴⁴ Thomas G. Stickney household, 1900 U.S. Census, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, E.D. 70, p. 16A, #228/336.

⁴⁵ Bible record; "Brewer Families," in Joseph W. Porter, ed., *The Bangor Historical Magazine Later the Maine Historical Magazine 1885–1894*, 4 vols. (Camden, Maine, 1993), 3:2125.

⁴⁶ Maine Insane Hospital, 1880 U.S. Census, Augusta Ward 5, Kennebec Co., Maine, E.D. 85, p. 76D, #1/1.

THE DESCENDANTS OF NATHAN¹ LORD OF KITTERY AND BERWICK, MAINE

By Priscilla Eaton, CG

(Continued from page 20)

Children of Nathan² and Martha (Tozer) Lord (continued):

- x ANNE LORD,¹⁸⁹ b. 27 May 1697; m. Berwick, 18 Dec. 1718, DANIEL FURBUSH,¹⁹⁰ b. Kittery, 9 March 1690, son of Daniel and Dorothy (Pray) Furbush,¹⁹¹ d. Berwick, “suddenly Saturday, 9 Feb. 1771.”¹⁹² On 24 April 1720, Daniel Furbush Jr. and Anne his wife owned the covenant at the Berwick Church.¹⁹³ A debt was due Daniel Furbush Jr. from the estate of his father, Daniel Furbush, 20 May 1746.¹⁹⁴
- Proposed children of Daniel and Anne³ (Lord) Furbush, some bp. at the First Church of Berwick, birth order uncertain:¹⁹⁵ 1. *Elizabeth Furbush*, bp. 24 April 1720; m. prob. Kittery, 8 May 1754, Joseph [or John] Thompson of Rochester, N.H.¹⁹⁶ 2. *Joanna Furbush*, bp. 7 June 1722. 3. poss. *Hannah Furbush*, m. Kittery, 23 Nov. 1755, Jonathan Moore.¹⁹⁷ 3. *Daniel Furbush*, m. Elizabeth Hodsdon.¹⁹⁸ 4. (prob.) *Nathan Furbush*, m. before 14 April 1754, Mary —.¹⁹⁹ 5. (prob.) *Abraham Furbush*, m. Wells, 4 Dec. 1766, Anna Chick.²⁰⁰ 6. *William Furbush*, bp. 6 May 1731.
- xi Capt. ABRAHAM LORD, b. 29 Oct. 1699, d. Berwick, before his 8 April 1779 funeral;²⁰¹ m. Berwick, 10 April 1718,²⁰² MARGARET GOWEN, daughter of Nicholas and Abigail (Hodsdon) Gowen.²⁰³ She was bur. Berwick, 11 Feb. 1775.²⁰⁴
- On 6 Jan. 1718/9, Abraham Lord and Margaret his wife appeared in court to answer their presentment for fornication.²⁰⁵ Ten months later, on 11 Oct. 1719,

¹⁸⁹ Lord erred in saying the Anne Lord who married Daniel Furbush was the daughter of Benjamin² Lord (Lord, *Descendants of Nathan Lord*, 126).

¹⁹⁰ Frost and Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 112.

¹⁹¹ Anderson and Thurston, *Kittery VRs*, 21. See also *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, p. 251.

¹⁹² “Master Tate’s Diary,” NEHGR 74(1920):130.

¹⁹³ Anderson, *Berwick Church Records*, 14.

¹⁹⁴ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 7/89, citing York Co. Probate Records, 7:57.

¹⁹⁵ Anderson, *Berwick Church Records*, 14, 20, 31.

¹⁹⁶ Anderson and Thurston, *Kittery VRs*, 131. He is called John on the marriage intention.

¹⁹⁷ Anderson and Thurston, *Kittery VRs*, 139.

¹⁹⁸ A 12 July 1756 warrant for the distribution of Samuel Hodsdon’s estate named his daughter Elizabeth, wife of Daniel Furbush Jr., as one of the heirs (Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 9/265, citing York Co. Probate Records, 9:169).

¹⁹⁹ Anderson, *Berwick Church Records*, 83. Mary, wife of Nathan Furbush, was bp. 14 April 1754. Nathan is included largely on the basis of naming patterns.

²⁰⁰ Shelley, *Wells VRs*, 77. Abraham is included largely on the basis of naming patterns.

²⁰¹ Anderson, *Berwick Church Records*, 107.

²⁰² Frost and Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 112.

²⁰³ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 280.

²⁰⁴ Frost and Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 305.

²⁰⁵ *Maine Province and Court Records*, 6:5.

“Abraham and his wife owned the covenant and Margaret the wife of sd Abraham was baptized & th^r son Simon.”²⁰⁶ In 1733 Abraham’s father, Nathan Lord, left him all the land “on the North side of the Highway where he now lives.”²⁰⁷ Lord remarked that Abraham lived at Old Fields in what is now South Berwick, was a large owner of real estate, and that his house was the Lord garrison. He commanded the Blue Troop of Horse, First York Co. Regiment, Sir William Pepperell, colonel. Abraham was an integral member of the early Berwick church. Meetings were held in his home, he was frequently asked to represent the church, and baptisms were conducted at his funeral. On 1 June 1746, Mrs. Margaret Lord, wife of Mr. Abraham Lord Sr., contributed to the purchase of new bushing for the church pulpit.²⁰⁸ In his will of 11 April 1772,²⁰⁹ Abraham mentioned sons Simon, Benjamin Meads, Abraham, Nathan, Nicholas, Joshua, Jeremiah, David, Solomon, and Elisha, as well as Joseph and Abraham Hanson, who were sons of his deceased daughter Margaret.

Noyes Libby and Davis noted that Abraham and Margaret Lord had twelve children. Perhaps they included the Sarah Lord who married Samuel Jellison of Berwick, 29 July 1762,²¹⁰ and who Stackpole also speculated was a daughter of Abraham.²¹¹ However, Master Tate noted that Margaret was Abraham’s only daughter, there is no record of a baptism for Sarah, daughter of Abraham, Sarah Lord was “of York” when she married Samuel Jellison in 1762,²¹² and though Sarah Jellison was still living in 1772, neither she nor any heirs were mentioned in Abraham’s will.

Children of Abraham³ and Margaret (Gowen) Lord, all bp. 1st Church of Berwick:²¹³ 1. *Simon Lord*, bp. 11 Oct. 1719; m. Kittery, 5 Nov. 1743, Mary Kennard.²¹⁴ 2. *Benjamin Meads Lord*, bp. [no date] Oct. 1720; m. (1) Mary March, (2) Eleanor (—) Dennet.²¹⁵ 3. *Abraham Lord*, bp. 15 July 1722; m. Phebe Heard.²¹⁶ 4. *Nathan*

²⁰⁶ Anderson, *Berwick Church Records*, 13.

²⁰⁷ Sargent, *Maine Wills*, 339–42, citing York Co. Probate Records, 4:159.

²⁰⁸ Frost and Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 203.

²⁰⁹ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 13/271, citing York Co. Probate Records, 13:143. This transcription does not include mention of son Benjamin Meads Lord. The will as transcribed in *Descendants of Nathan Lord* notes that Abraham Lord left his son Benjamin Meeds £4 lawful money (Lord, *Descendants of Nathan Lord*, 191).

²¹⁰ Frost and Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 197. This assertion is repeated in numerous genealogies.

²¹¹ Stackpole, *Old Kittery*, 591.

²¹² Frost and Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 1. The Lords of York came from Ipswich, and before that, probably from co. Suffolk, England. Jonadab Lord, in York by 17 March 1711/2, was the son of Thomas Lord of Ipswich (Essex Co., Mass. Deeds, 39:216) and nephew of Nathaniel Lord of Gosport (Charles Henry Pope, *The Pioneers of Massachusetts* [Boston, 1900], 291; and *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 443–44).

²¹³ Anderson, *Berwick Church Records*, 13, 15, 20, 22, 25, 28, 30, 32, 35, 52.

²¹⁴ Anderson, *Berwick Church Records*, 13. See note 72 for the evidence for this Simon Lord’s marriage to Mary Kennard.

²¹⁵ Charles Bradbury, *History of Kennebunk Port from Its First Discovery by Bartholomew Gosnold, May 14, 1602, to A.D. 1837* (Kennebunk, 1837), 260; Remich, *History of Kennebunk*, 522, 525. He was obviously named after the first husband of Abraham’s sister Judith.

²¹⁶ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 8/264, citing York Co. Probate Records, 8:164.

Lord, bp. 1 Dec. 1723; m. Berwick, 1 Aug. 1754, Elizabeth Shackley.²¹⁷ 5. *Nicholas Lord*, bp. 11 Sept. 1726; m. Berwick, 4 Feb. 1747, Ruth Hart.²¹⁸ 6. *Joshua Lord*, bp. 5 May 1728. 7. *Jeremiah Lord*, bp. 15 March 1729/30; m. Berwick, 21 June 1758, Sarah Hamilton.²¹⁹ 8. *David Lord*, bp. 30 April 1732; m. Kittery, 6 Dec. 1759, Phebe Coffin of Portsmouth.²²⁰ 9. *Solomon Lord*, bp. 2 June 1734. 10. *Margaret Lord*, no baptism recorded; m. Berwick, 24 March 1756, Ephraim Hanson.²²¹ 11. *Elisha Lord*, bp. 17 May 1741; m. Berwick 27 April 1762, Sarah Shackley.²²²

3 **ABRAHAM² LORD** (*Nathan¹*) was born probably in Kittery, about 1658,²²³ and died in Kittery, before 5 November 1705, when the inventory of his estate was returned by his brother Nathan Lord Sr. and his brother-in-law John Cooper.²²⁴ Since his son William Lord purchased land in 1706,²²⁵ and was therefore at least 21 years old, Abraham married his wife, SUSANNA —, probably by 1685.²²⁶ Susanna

²¹⁷ Nathan⁴ Lord (*Abraham³, Nathan²⁻¹*) was called Nathan Lord 3rd at the time of his 1754 marriage in Berwick. As established above (see note 155), at this point he was probably the second oldest Nathan Lord living in Berwick, and should have been styled Nathan Jr. But perhaps because he was only six months older than his cousin who had married six years earlier and had already had two children, there may have been some issue as to who would be styled Nathan Jr. and who would be styled Nathan 3rd. This issue was resolved in subsequent baptisms. During the period 1756–73, which followed the death of Nathan⁴ Lord (*Richard³, Nathan²⁻¹*), both Nathan⁴ Lord (*Samuel³, Nathan²⁻¹*) and Nathan⁴ Lord (*Abraham³, Nathan²⁻¹*) baptized children concurrently at the Berwick Church. By this point, the Nathan Lord with wife Elizabeth was never given a particular designation, suggesting that he was the elder, while the Nathan Lord who had married Esther Perkins was consistently designated “Jr.”

²¹⁸ Frost and Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 192.

²¹⁹ *Maine Families in 1790*, 9:296–98. Lord erred in saying she was Sarah Grant, the widow of Gabriel Hamilton. As shown by Gabriel Hamilton’s will, she was rather his daughter (York Co. Probate Records, docket #8206, recorded at 14:64–66).

²²⁰ Anderson and Thurston, *Kittery VRs*, 140.

²²¹ *Dover VRs*, 50. Margaret’s baptism was not recorded, but Master Tate noted that Margaret Hanson, the wife of Ephraim Hanson, who d. 23 Aug. 1769, was the *only* daughter of Captain Abraham Lord of Berwick (“Master Tate’s Diary,” NEHGR 74[1920]:126).

²²² Stackpole noted that Elisha³ Lord (*Benjamin², Nathan¹*) m. Sarah Shackley and d. bef. 1757 (Stackpole, *Old Kittery*, 588). However, this is impossible, as the marriage of Elisha Lord and Sarah Shackley took place on 27 April 1762 (Frost and Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 1) with the baptisms of their ten children extending to 1781 at the Berwick Church. Given that this couple twice named a child Abraham (Anderson, *Berwick Church Records*, 230, 232), it is more likely that the Elisha Lord who m. Sarah Shackley was the son of Abraham and Margaret (Gowen) Lord. Abraham’s son Elisha was known to be living at least until 1772, as Abraham left his son Elisha all his land at Cranberry Meadow in Berwick where he now dwells. Three pages later, Stackpole noted that Abraham’s son Elisha also m. Sarah Shackley (Stackpole, *Old Kittery*, 591) and in this case he was likely correct, although he erred in stating that this was the Elisha Lord who removed to Lebanon.

²²³ Abraham was about 23 years old in Feb. 1681 (*York Deeds*, 4:240).

²²⁴ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 1/156, citing York Co. Probate Records, 1:116.

²²⁵ *York Deeds*, 8:92.

²²⁶ *York Deeds*, 6:77. There are very few young women with the name Susanna in this region, b. say 1655–65, free to marry around 1678–85, but no candidates could be identified.

was likely deceased by 6 July 1733 when her former Lord in-laws claimed her land.²²⁷ Susanna married second at Berwick on 29 August 1714 Robert Knight.²²⁸ Robert was born about 1663, son of Robert and Mary (—) Knight of Manchester, Massachusetts. He died after 1739 when he was received into the church at Rochester, New Hampshire, above age 70. He had married first, at Ipswich, Massachusetts, on 3 February 1686, Abigail Wilson, daughter of Shoreborn and Abigail (Osgood) Wilson.²²⁹

Abraham, along with his brother Nathan, was mentioned in the 1674 will of their [step] grandfather, Abraham Conley, who left them two tracts of land, one commonly called “Coole harbour,” and the other his property at Sturgeon Creek, the part which was being leased to Francis Small. Nathan, as the elder brother, was to have first choice when he arrived at the age of 21 years.²³⁰ Four years later, on 28 June 1678, Abraham’s parents sold the forty-acre Sturgeon Creek property to Thomas Abbott and Jonathan Nason.²³¹ Sixteen years later, on 4 July 1694, Abraham sued Thomas Abbott and Sarah Nason [Jonathan’s widow] “for entering upon and holding in possession a Certain Legasie in Land given by Abraham Conley.”²³² The jury found for the plaintiff. On 11 May 1695, Abraham settled the “contest in law” over the land at Sturgeon Creek, and for a consideration Abraham and “Susanna his wife” deeded the forty-acre property to Abbott and Nason’s widow.²³³ On 20 November 1689 Abraham presented the inventory on the estate of his deceased brother, Samuel, which included a dwelling house, barn, and forty acres.²³⁴ Abraham served as a juror, grand juror, constable, and highway surveyor.²³⁵ Abraham and his brother Nathan were appointed sureties on their father’s estate, 24 December 1697.²³⁶ Abraham was one of seventeen “Foundation Brethren” of the Berwick church and took the confession of faith on 4 June 1702.²³⁷

Following the death of her son William in 1712, Abraham’s widow Susanna obtained her son’s property.²³⁸ She remarried in 1714, and two years later Susanna

²²⁷ Sargent, *Maine Wills*, 340, citing York Co. Probate Records, 4:159. Nathan Lord’s will mentions that Robert Knight was still living on the property formerly owned by his brother Abraham, but made no mention of Susanna.

²²⁸ Frost and Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 111.

²²⁹ Melinde Lutz Sanborn and Dean Crawford Smith, “Mary Leathers, Ann Hoyle, Martha Dutch Jewell, Christian Abbott and Margaret Crowell: Daughters of Robert and Mary Knight of Manchester and Marblehead, Massachusetts,” *NEHGR* 144(1990):142; *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 405.

²³⁰ Sargent, *Maine Wills*, 96–97, citing York Co. Probate Records, 5:74.

²³¹ *York Deeds*, 3:71.

²³² *Maine Province and Court Records*, 4:29.

²³³ *York Deeds*, 5:242, 6:77.

²³⁴ *York Deeds*, 5:91.

²³⁵ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 443.

²³⁶ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 1/58, citing York Co. Probate Records, 1:47.

²³⁷ Anderson, *Berwick Church Records*, 3.

²³⁸ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 2/76, citing York Co. Probate Records, 2(Part 2):45.

Knight was received into the Berwick church.²³⁹ On 7 October 1718, Robert and Susanna Knight deeded their property in exchange for “sustenance during their lives” to Robert Knight’s sons by his first marriage, Grindall and Robert Knight.²⁴⁰ Members of the Lord family sued for the property in 1719, but were unsuccessful. After Susanna’s death, her former Lord in-laws claimed the land, as was made clear in the will of Nathan² Lord (*Nathan*¹), her former brother-in law.²⁴¹ On 6 July 1733, Nathan² Lord willed his share of “land that was my Brother Abraham Lords formerly of Berwick Deceased and after him was my Cozen [*i.e.*, *nephew*] William Lords And on part of which Robert Knight Sen^r who Married my sd Brothers Widow Now Lives” to his own son, also named William.²⁴²

Child of Abraham² and Susanna (—) Lord:

- i WILLIAM³ LORD,²⁴³ b. prob. Kittery, say 1685, d. prob. Kittery, before 26 Nov. 1712, when administration of his estate was granted to his mother, Susanna Lord.²⁴⁴ On 22 March 1706 William had purchased the dwelling house and 40 acres of land owned by his uncle Samuel who met an untimely death in 1689.²⁴⁵ He was called a “singleman” at the time of his death, and his estate included a dwelling house, 140 acres of land, a bible, and other books.²⁴⁶ Samuel Tibbetts, speaking ill of the dead, called William Lord “distracted” in a 1738 deposition.²⁴⁷

4 **MARTHA² LORD** (*Nathan*¹) was born say 1667 and died before 6 December 1728, when her third husband’s marriage intentions were published.²⁴⁸ She married first, by 14 December 1687 when they were presented for fornication, MOSES LITTLEFIELD of Wells.²⁴⁹ Moses was the son of Thomas and Ruth (—) Littlefield,²⁵⁰ and died in Wells on 1 April 1714.²⁵¹ Moses’s father, Thomas Littlefield, met an “untimely death” with Samuel Lord in 1689.²⁵² Martha married second, at

²³⁹ Anderson, *Berwick Church Records*, 10.

²⁴⁰ *York Deeds*, 9:225.

²⁴¹ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 405.

²⁴² Sargent, *Maine Wills*, 340, citing York Co. Probate Records, 4:159.

²⁴³ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 1/152, citing York Co. Probate Records, 1:116. Administration of his father’s estate was granted to “Susanna Lord, widow of Abraham Lord, & William his son.”

²⁴⁴ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 2/76, citing York Co. Probate Records, 2:Part 2:45.

²⁴⁵ *York Deeds*, 8:92.

²⁴⁶ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 2/109, citing York Co. Probate Records, 2:Part 2:67.0

²⁴⁷ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 443.

²⁴⁸ Anderson and Thurston, *Kittery VRs*, 65, 95. Alexander Taylor m. 24 Dec. 1728, Hannah Barton.

²⁴⁹ *Maine Province and Court Records*, 3:267. Stackpole erred in giving Martha as the wife of Thomas Downs Jr. (Stackpole, *Old Kittery*, 588).

²⁵⁰ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 440.

²⁵¹ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 1/154, citing York Co. Probate Records, 2(Part 2):100.

²⁵² *Maine Province and Court Records*, 3:290.

Berwick on 22 January 1715/6, JOHN ABBOTT,²⁵³ son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Green) Abbott.²⁵⁴ He had married first at Kittery on 3 January 1694, Abigail Nason, daughter of Jonathan and Sarah (Jenkins) Nason.²⁵⁵ John Abbott died before 25 May 1719 when his widow Martha took the administration of his estate.²⁵⁶ Martha married third, in Berwick on 18 August 1720, ALEXANDER TAYLOR.²⁵⁷

The fornication case of 1687 indicates a pregnancy; the child either did not survive or was perhaps the son Moses baptized with his father in 1708. Martha and three of her Littlefield children, Aaron, Tabitha, and Ruth, were among the New England captives of 10 August 1703.²⁵⁸ It is unknown how long she remained in captivity, but she returned to New England in time to administer the estate of her first husband, Moses Littlefield. The only known descendants of Moses and Martha (Lord) Littlefield are Aaron's children, born and raised as French speaking Catholics in Quebec.

Children of Moses and Martha² (Lord) Littlefield, b. Wells, birth order uncertain.²⁵⁹

²⁵³ Frost and Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 111. John was the brother of Patience Abbott who married Martha's nephew William Lord.

²⁵⁴ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 57.

²⁵⁵ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 57.

²⁵⁶ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 3/17, citing York Co. Probate Records, 3:16.

²⁵⁷ Frost and Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 112. Alexander's parents are unknown. He was taken into the Berwick Church, 7 April 1721, the year following his marriage to Martha.

²⁵⁸ Emma Lewis Coleman, *New England Captives Carried to Canada Between 1677 and 1760 During the French and Indian Wars*, 2 vols. (Portland, Maine, 1925), 1:403–9 (hereafter cited as Coleman, *New England Captives*).

²⁵⁹ See Kenneth Freeman Mosman and Beverly Ruth Frerichs, "Sisters Martha (—) (Stevens) Stackpole and Judith (—) Downes of Somersworth, New Hampshire: Were They Daughters of Moses and Martha (Lord) Littlefield?" *The Maine Genealogist* 27(2005):179–82. The authors make a plausible case based on circumstantial evidence. However, when Aaron Littlefield sold his father Moses Littlefield's property to Nicholas and John Shapleigh, 11 Sept. 1727, he called himself the "true sole and lawful owner," without reference to anyone else who may have had a claim on the property. And when Aaron Littlefield sued his Lord relatives in 1736 for his mother's portion of land, he again called himself her "only son and heir." He likely knew that Ruth/Angélique had passed away three years earlier, and he would be unlikely to call himself the sole heir if he had two sisters living, as was the case with Martha Stevens and Judith Downes. Even though Martha (Lord) (Littlefield) (Abbott) Taylor d. before 6 Dec. 1728, and Martha Stevens and Judith Downes lived locally, they and their husbands took no action in regard to their conjectural parents' estates. Eight years later, when Aaron came all the way from Canada to seek an interest in his mother's share of the Lord property which had formerly belonged to her brother Abraham, and then to Abraham's son William, Aaron sued for one-seventh part. This would have been his mother's share among the seven Lord siblings or their heirs, as by 1736, of the original nine children, Samuel had died without heirs and Abraham's only son William had died without heirs. This left seven remaining children (or heirs) of Nathan and Martha (Everett) Lord with an interest in the property. As noted above, Nathan willed his share to his son William in 1733 (even though Robert Knight was still living on the property). John and Sarah (Lord) Cooper sold her share to Elisha Hill, 25 March 1736 (*York Deeds*, 18:68). Tobias and Ann (Lord) Hanson, the children of William and Margery (Lord) Fost, and the children of Thomas and Mary (Lord) Downes quitclaimed and sold their shares to Benjamin Lord (*York Deeds*, 18:108, 332, 445). The children of Thomas and Mary

- i MOSES³ LITTLEFIELD, bp. Wells, 13 June 1708, along with his father,²⁶⁰ not listed among the captives and d. before his mother.²⁶¹
- ii AARON (“Pierre Augustin”) LITTLEFIELD, b. Wells, 20 Oct. 1694,²⁶² d. Pointe-Olivier (St-Mathias), Quebec, 9 Jan. 1761;²⁶³ m. Boucherville, Quebec, 3 Feb. 1717, MARIE BRUNEL,²⁶⁴ bp. 24 March 1692, daughter of Jacques and Suzanne (Bertault) Brunel,²⁶⁵ d. Pointe-Olivier (St-Mathias), Quebec, 30 Nov. 1739.²⁶⁶ Aaron was captured 10 Aug. 1703 and taken to Canada. He was baptized at Boucherville, 27 Jan. 1704, age about 9 years, “born in Wels in new England,” as Pierre Augustin.²⁶⁷ In July 1714, Aaron agreed to return home, but before his departure the priest with whom he had been living in Boucherville persuaded him to remain.²⁶⁸ The marriage record of “Augustin Ligtfil” notes that he was 23 years old, the “fils de feu [son of the deceased] Moysse Ligtfil et de Marthe anglois.”²⁶⁹ A letter of administration was granted at Wells, 2 Sept. 1727, to Aaron Littlefield of Wells, mason, on the estate of his father Moses Littlefield late of Wells, yeoman, deceased.²⁷⁰ On 11 Sept. 1727, Aaron sold land in Kittery to Nicholas and John Shapleigh which had originally been granted to his grandfather, Nathan Lord, and Abraham Conley.²⁷¹ On 1 April 1736, Aaron Littlefield “of Canada,” as the “only son and heir,” successfully sued his Lord relatives to recover his mother’s portion of a parcel of land. The other Lord heirs had objected to this claim on the grounds that Aaron had become a Catholic.²⁷²
- Children of Aaron and Marie (Brunel) Littlefield, all bp. Boucherville, Quebec, Canada:²⁷³ 1. *Pierre Littlefield*, bp. 5 Nov. 1717, d. Boucherville, 8 Nov. 1717. 2.

(Lord) Downes included Samuel and his wife Judith, with no mention made that she might be a Lord heir in her own right. There is no record of Martha Stevens claiming or quitclaiming her interest in this property. The “one-seventh” did not apply to seven *Littlefield* heirs; it applied to seven *Lord* heirs. The fact that Aaron called himself the “only son and heir” of Martha (Lord) (Littlefield) (Abbott) Taylor is a strong indication that Martha had no other surviving children.

²⁶⁰ “Records of the First Church of Wells, Me.,” NEHGR 75(1921):46. Mosman and Frerichs speculate that Moses was the child born about 1687 in conjunction with the fornication case and was baptized as a young adult along with his father.

²⁶¹ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 440.

²⁶² Shelley, *Wells VRs*, 4.

²⁶³ *Le programme de recherche en démographie historique* [PRDH], Université de Montréal [online database at <www.genealogie.umontreal.ca/en>].

²⁶⁴ Ancestry.com, Quebec Vital and Church Records (Drouin Collection), 1621–1967, online database, Boucherville, image 170.

²⁶⁵ PRDH online database [note 264].

²⁶⁶ PRDH online database [note 264].

²⁶⁷ Quebec Vital and Church Records (Drouin Collection), 1621–1967 [note 264], Boucherville, image 58.

²⁶⁸ “[John] Stoddard’s Journal,” NEHGR 5(1851):37.

²⁶⁹ Quebec Vital and Church Records (Drouin Collection), 1621–1967 [note 264], Boucherville, image 170.

²⁷⁰ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 3/296, citing York Co. Probate Records, 3:241.

²⁷¹ *York Deeds*, 12:102.

²⁷² *Maine Province and Court Records*, 10:313.

²⁷³ PRDH online database [note 264]. Baptisms, marriages, and burials all from this source.

Marie-Josophe Littlefield, bp. 29 March 1719, d. Boucherville, 27 Aug. 1719. 3. *Marie-Anne Littlefield*, bp. 26 Dec. 1720, d. Boucherville, 2 Feb. 1733. 4. *Elizabeth Littlefield*, bp. 18 April 1723, d. Pointe Olivier, Quebec, 13 Sept. 1742. 5. *Marie-Josophe* [the 2nd of that name] *Littlefield*, bp. 24 April 1725; m. Pointe Olivier, 27 April 1744, Nicolas Lagueu. 6. *Marie-Françoise Littlefield*, bp. 21 Oct. 1728; m. (1) Pointe-Olivier, 21 Aug. 1746, Charles Lagueu; m. (2) Chambly, 17 May 1773, Basile Pelletier. 7. unnamed son, bp. 25 Feb. 1730/1, d. same day. 8. *François Littlefield*, bp. 12 Oct. 1733; m. (1) Pointe-Olivier, 29 Jan. 1753, Marie Parent; m. (2) Pointe-Olivier, 8 Feb. 1768, Marie Lavoye.

- iii TABITHA LITTLEFIELD, b. Wells, abt. 1696, reportedly killed 10 Aug. 1703 by the Indians in the raid on Wells, but tradition brings her back to Wells as an Indian squaw. She is said to have spoken to Abigail (Littlefield) Harding, asking if she remembered Tabitha Littlefield, and without waiting for an answer, escaped from the house. The Indians could not be induced to bring her back.²⁷⁴ If this tale is true, it is possible there were great-grandchildren of Nathan Lord to be found among the New England native population. There was also a “Josephine” Littlefield²⁷⁵ among the captives, perhaps a new name for Tabitha, as was the case with her brother Aaron, renamed Pierre Augustin, and her sister Ruth, renamed Angélique.
- iv RUTH (“Angélique”) LITTLEFIELD, b. Wells, 23 June 1698,²⁷⁶ d. Montreal, Quebec, 9 Jan. 1732/3, aged 33. Her birthdate suggests she was Sister Angélique Lidre-fil of the Hotel Dieu, Montreal.²⁷⁷ In April 1738, Christian Baker deposed: “I See his [Aaron’s] Sister in the Nunnery in Canaday About fifteen or Sixteen years ago.”²⁷⁸

5 **MARY² LORD** (*Nathan*¹) was born say 1668 and was killed by Indians at Dover, New Hampshire, on 26 July 1696.²⁷⁹ She married, probably before 1688, about the time her son Thomas was born, as his second wife, Sergeant THOMAS DOWNES, born in Boston on 17 March 1653/54, son of Thomas and Catherine (—) Downes. Thomas Downes died in Dover in the spring of 1711, killed by Indians while working in a field with three others.²⁸⁰ Thomas had married first Martha — and, following the death of Mary, married third at Dover on 24 October 1698 Abigail (Roberts) Hall,²⁸¹ daughter of John and Abigail (Nutter) Roberts and widow of John Hall.²⁸²

²⁷⁴ Edward E. Bourne, *The History of Wells and Kennebunk* (Portland, Maine, 1875), 253–54 (hereafter cited as Bourne, *History of Wells*).

²⁷⁵ Coleman, *New England Captives*, 409

²⁷⁶ Shelley, *Wells VRs*, 4.

²⁷⁷ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 440.

²⁷⁸ Bourne, *History of Wells*, 253.

²⁷⁹ “Journal of the Rev. John Pike,” *N.H. Hist. Soc. Colls.*, 3(Concord, N.H., 1832):47.

²⁸⁰ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 203.

²⁸¹ *Dover VRs*, 130.

²⁸² *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 203, 589; “Thomas Downes of Dover, N.H., and His Descendants,” *New Hampshire Genealogical Record* [NHGR] 6(1909):145–48. Both Stackpole and Lord erred in calling the Lord wife of Thomas Downes “Martha” (Stackpole, *Old Kittery*, 588, 749; Lord, *Descendants of Nathan Lord*, 62). Lord also erred in noting that the Mary Downes killed by

Rev. John Pike's journal has the following entry for 26 July 1696: "Being sacrament day—an ambush of Indians laid between Capt. Gove's field and Tobias Hanson's orchard—shot upon people returning from the meeting—killed Nicho Otis, Mary Downs, and Mary Jones."²⁸³ Administration of the estate of Thomas Downes of Dover was granted to his son Gershom [by his first wife] on 18 April 1711 with no mention of a wife.²⁸⁴ An 18 May 1737 deed in which the children of Thomas and Mary (Lord) Downes quitclaimed and sold their share in property formerly owned by their uncle Abraham Lord and cousin William Lord confirms their names and spouses, as the deed mentions: Thomas and Sarah Downes, John and Martha Mackelroy, Ebenezer and Elizabeth Downes, Samuel and Judith Downes, and William and Mary Downes.²⁸⁵

Children of Thomas and Mary² (Lord) Downes, probably b. Dover:

- i THOMAS³ DOWNES, b. say 1688, d. Somersworth, N.H., before 29 Nov. 1749 when the administration of his estate was granted to Samuel Wentworth, Charles Baker, and Amos Howard;²⁸⁶ m. bef. 22 Feb. 1710/1, when his daughter Mary was born in Dover,²⁸⁷ SARAH HAM, daughter of John and Mary (Heard) Ham,²⁸⁸ who prob. d. bef. 1 Jan. 1749 when she was not mentioned in the administration of her husband's estate. In 1713, Martha Lord gave to her "beloved grandson" Thomas Downes of Dover 100 acres of land on the east side of the great pond. Among Thomas Downes' heirs in the 1749 division of his estate were: heirs of Samuel Dam deceased and Mary his wife; heirs of Daniel Ham and Sarah his wife; heirs of John Garland and Elizabeth his wife; heirs of Benjamin Heard and Anna his late wife; heirs of Thomas Downs and Mercy his wife; Samuel Wentworth and Patience his wife; Charles Baker and Love his wife; and Amos Howard and Charity his wife.²⁸⁹

Children of Thomas³ and Sarah (Ham) Downes, all b. Dover:²⁹⁰ 1. *Mary Downes*, b. 22 Feb. 1710/1; m. Samuel Dam. 2. *Sarah Downes*, b. 25 Nov. 1712; m. Daniel Ham. 3. *Elizabeth Downes*, b. 25 July 1714; m. John Garland. 4. *Anne Downes*, b. 3 Feb. 1716; m. Benjamin Heard. 5. *Marcy Downes*, b. 15 July 1719; m. Thomas

Indians on 26 July 1696 was a daughter of Thomas and Martha Downes. Lord corrected this error on a later page (p. 118). Lord also erred in including Gershom Downes as a son of Mary (Lord) Downes. Gershom recorded his own birth record, calling himself the son of Thomas Jr. and Martha, b. 10 Jan 1680/1 (*Dover VRs*, 6). Even though Gershom Downes lived until 27 June 1746 when he was killed by Indians in Rochester (*Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 203), he was not included among the Lord heirs in 1737. Gershom was a son of Thomas Downes's 1st wife, Martha.

²⁸³ "Journal of the Rev. John Pike," N.H. Hist. Soc. Colls., 3(Concord, N.H., 1832):47.

²⁸⁴ Albert Stillman Batchellor, Henry Harrison Metcalf, and Otis G. Hammond, eds., *Probate Records of the Province of New Hampshire, 1635–1771*, 9 vols., vols. 31–39: N.H. State Papers Ser. (various places, 1907–41), 1:669 (hereafter cited as *N.H. Provincial Probate Records*).

²⁸⁵ *York Deeds*, 18:445.

²⁸⁶ *N.H. Provincial Probate Records*, 3:742–45.

²⁸⁷ *Dover VRs*, 29.

²⁸⁸ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 302.

²⁸⁹ *N.H. Provincial Probate Records*, 3:742–45.

²⁹⁰ *Dover VRs*, 29–30. The births of the first 7 daughters were recorded at Dover. The last two, Love and Charity, are named in the division of their father's estate, as are the names of all spouses.

Downes. 6. *Patience Downes*, b. 13 Apr. 1721; m. Samuel Wentworth. 7. *Abigail Downes*, b. 10 July 1724. 8. *Love Downes*, m. Charles Baker. 9. *Charity Downes*, m. Amos Howard.

- ii MARTHA DOWNES, b. say 1690, d. prob. soon after the death of her 2nd husband in 1772,²⁹¹ m. (1) about 1717, as his 2nd wife, JAMES BUNKER, b. Oyster River, N.H., before 1665, son of James and Sarah (Nute) Bunker, d. abt. 1722. James had married (1) Anne Thomas, the daughter of James and Martha (Goddard) Thomas of Dover.²⁹² Martha m. (2) bef. 8 Dec. 1725, JOHN MACKELROY, who d. Somersworth, N.H., 16 Feb. 1772.²⁹³ James Bunker was much older than Martha, and when his estate was settled on 5 May 1724, the administration was granted to his grown sons from his 1st marriage, James and Joseph. On 8 Dec. 1725, Martha (Downes) Bunker, by then Martha Mackelroy, signed an agreement with her step-sons regarding her living quarters on their late father's property in Somersworth, and the care she would provide her young son Elijah Bunker.²⁹⁴ Martha Mackelroy was bp. on her sick bed in Dover, 17 April 1744,²⁹⁵ but apparently recovered, as Master Tate listed her death immediately following that of her husband John Mackelroy on 16 Feb. 1772.²⁹⁶

Child of James and Martha³ (Downes) Bunker: 1. *Elijah Bunker*, m. Judith — say by 1746, they baptizing at Dover 5 daughters on 17 Oct. 1756.²⁹⁷

- iii EBENEZER DOWNES, b. say 1692; m. ELIZABETH —. On 1 Oct. 1716, Ebenezer Downes of Dover sold to John Hurd 50 acres, “being one half of land given my brother Thomas Downes, by my grandmother Martha Lord.”²⁹⁸ Ebenezer's captivity during Dummer's War is much in print. In 1724 he was captured by Indians and carried to Canada, where he refused to dance for the entertainment of his captors. The *Boston News-Letter* of 2 Sept. 1725 noted that he returned from captivity in 1725, “having a Wife & five Children at Piscataqua.” Ebenezer was still living in 1755 when he bought land in Arundel.²⁹⁹

²⁹¹ Master Tate's Diary,” NEHGR 74(1920):183.

²⁹² Edward Carlton Moran, *Bunker Genealogy, Descendants of James Bunker of Dover, N.H.* (Rockland, Maine, 1961), 7–8; *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 679.

²⁹³ “Master Tate's Diary,” NEHGR 74(1920):183. Both Stackpole and Lord say that Martha (Downes) (Bunker) Mackelroy m. (3) Philip Stackpole and d. 24 Sept. 1792, age 101 (Stackpole, *Old Kittery*, 749). Mosman and Frerichs sort this out. See Kenneth Freeman Mosman and Beverly Ruth Frerich, “Martha (Downs) (Bunker) Mackelroy and Martha (—) Stevens Stackpole of Dover, New Hampshire: Different Women, Different Lives,” NHGR 22(2005):61–62.

²⁹⁴ *N.H. Provincial Probate Records*, 2:219–21.

²⁹⁵ *Dover VRs*, 151.

²⁹⁶ “Master Tate's Diary,” NEHGR 74(1920):183. Immediately after noting her husband's death, the diarist wrote, “Mrs. Martha Mackelroy, W[id]o[w] of ye abovesd Jno Mckleroy Dy'd,” but he did not provide a date.

²⁹⁷ *Dover VRs*, 159. Judith Bunker, wife of Elijah, was dismissed to the Sanford church, 9 Oct. 1791 (*Dover VRs*, 210). Boyle gives Judith's surname as Heard, but the evidence for this is not explained (Frederick R. Boyle, *Early Families of Alfred, Maine* [Portsmouth, N.H., 2006], 35).

²⁹⁸ Lord, *Descendants of Nathan Lord*, 62.

²⁹⁹ “Thomas Downes of Dover, N.H., and His Descendants, NHGR 6(1909):148.

- Children of Ebenezer³ and Elizabeth (—) Downes: 1. *Ebenezer Downs*,³⁰⁰ m. Jane Walton.³⁰¹ 2. *Nathaniel Downes*, m. prob. Berwick, bef. 2 March 1756, Susanna —.³⁰² 3. *Lois Downes*, m. abt. 1749, Mathurin Ricker.³⁰³ 4. *Ephraim Downes*.
- iv SAMUEL DOWNES, b. say 1694, d. Somersworth, N.H., before 30 May 1755 when his will was probated;³⁰⁴ m. JUDITH —, b. about 1693, d. Lebanon, 23 Dec. 1782, aged 99.³⁰⁵ Samuel's will mentioned his wife Judith and [Judith's] "sister Martha Stackpole ye Wife of Philip Stackpole," to whom he left ten acres of land on his homestead in Somersworth which were to be divided after Martha's demise to all her "natural" children.³⁰⁶
- v WILLIAM DOWNES, b. say 1699, d. Somersworth, N.H., before 28 Aug. 1754 when the administration of his estate was granted to his son Samuel; m. Dover, N.H., 3 May 1721, MARY PITMAN,³⁰⁷ b. prob. Oyster River, N.H., daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (—) Pitman.³⁰⁸
- Children of William and Mary (Pitman) Downes, all b. Dover:³⁰⁹ 1. *Samuel Downes*, b. 18 Dec. 1721; m. Rochester, N.H., 22 Feb. 1745/6, Anne Canney.³¹⁰ 2. *William Downes*, b. 18 Jan. 1723; m. Rochester, N.H., 22 Feb. 1745/6, Mercy Canney.³¹¹ 3. *Phebe Downes*, bp. 31 July 1726. 4. *Thomas Downes*, bp. Dover, 23 Feb. 1729; m. Phebe Lord.³¹² 5. *Daniel Downes*; m. [poss.] Judith Canney.³¹³

³⁰⁰ In 1746 his father deeded him half his homestead (*Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 203).

³⁰¹ In 1777 Ebenezer Downes, with wife Jane, both of a place called Number 4, Lincoln Co., conveyed land at Newington to John Walton, father of Jane ("Thomas Downes of Dover, N.H., and His Descendants," NHGR 6(1909):149.

³⁰² Nathaniel and Susanna Downs baptized sons Nathaniel and Ichabod, 2 March 1756 (Anderson, *Berwick Church Records*, 212).

³⁰³ N.H. Province Deeds, 44:410.

³⁰⁴ *N.H. Provincial Probate Records*, 5:256.

³⁰⁵ George Walter Chamberlain, ed., *Vital Records of Lebanon, Maine, to the Year 1892*, 3 vols. (Portland, 1922–23), 3:33; Kenneth Freeman Mosman and Beverly Ruth Frerichs, "Martha (Downs) (Bunker) Mackelroy and Martha (—) (Stevens) Stackpole of Dover, New Hampshire: Different Women, Different Lives," NHGR 22(2005):61–62.

³⁰⁶ *N.H. Provincial Probate Records*, 5:256. Mosman and Frerichs (see note 305) provide evidence showing that Martha was Judith's sister and the widow of (1) Thomas Stevens and (2) Philip Stackpole (*Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 203, 660).

³⁰⁷ *Dover VRs*, 11.

³⁰⁸ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 558.

³⁰⁹ *Dover VRs*, 31, 136, 138.

³¹⁰ Franklin McDuffee, *History of the Town of Rochester, New Hampshire, from 1772 to 1890* (Manchester, N.H., 1892), 594 (hereafter cited as McDuffee, *History of Rochester*).

³¹¹ McDuffee, *History of Rochester*, 594.

³¹² Phebe Lord was the daughter of Benjamin² (*Nathan*¹) and Patience (Nason) Lord. She was called the wife of Thomas Downes in a deed (John Wentworth, *The Wentworth Genealogy, English and American*, 3 vols. [Boston, 1878], 1:369). See below for more on this family.

³¹³ Daniel was mentioned in the will of his brother William (Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 13/382, citing York Co. Probate Records, 13:198); "Thomas Downes of Dover, N.H., and His Descendants," NHGR 6(1909):150.

6 **SARAH² LORD** (*Nathan*¹) was born say 1671, probably at Kittery, and died probably at Berwick, after 25 March 1736, when she sold property with her husband,³¹⁴ and before 18 April 1758, when she was not mentioned in the administration of his estate.³¹⁵ She married at Kittery on 13 December 1691 JOHN COOPER.³¹⁶ He was born about 1667, as his father Alexander's will calls him "about sixteen years of age" on 9 February 1683.³¹⁷ John died in Berwick on 18 April 1758.³¹⁸

Two days before his death, Alexander Cooper of Berwick left unto his "onely sonn John Cooper, as the true & proper heyre," his entire estate, without mention of a wife or other children.³¹⁹ On 10 August 1697, John Cooper of Berwick was granted administration of the estate of John Drisco of Wells,³²⁰ perhaps a relative of his unknown mother. John was a juror, grand juror, and constable, appraised numerous estates, and appeared frequently in York County deeds.³²¹ He died intestate, the estate to be administered by his son-in-law "Noah Emery of Kittery, Gentleman, & Sarah, his wife, & John Emery, Jr., their son."³²²

Children of John and Sarah² (Lord) Cooper:

- i ALEXANDER³ COOPER, b. Kittery, 28 Dec. 1697,³²³ d. without issue.³²⁴
- ii JOHN COOPER, b. Kittery, 7 Oct. 1702,³²⁵ d. Berwick, April 1792;³²⁶ m. abt. 1737, MARY (GOODWIN) LORD,³²⁷ bp. Berwick, 18 June 1710, daughter of Thomas and Mehitable (Plaisted) Goodwin,³²⁸ and widow of Richard⁴ Lord Jr., son of Capt. Richard³ (*Nathan*²⁻¹) and Mary (—) Lord.³²⁹ She likely died before her husband, as she was not mentioned in the administration of his estate. Apparently there was some conflict involving John's father's estate, as on 1 Nov. 1759, his brother-in-law, Noah Emery, informed the court that in 1758 he was granted administration of

³¹⁴ *York Deeds*, 18:68.

³¹⁵ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 9/436, citing York Co. Probate Records, 9:270.

³¹⁶ Anderson and Thurston, *Kittery VRs*, 12.

³¹⁷ Sargent, *Maine Wills*, 77, citing York Co. Probate Records, 5:27.

³¹⁸ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 162.

³¹⁹ Sargent, *Maine Wills*, 77, citing York Co. Probate Records, 5:27.

³²⁰ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 1/51, citing York Co. Probate Records, 1:40.

³²¹ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 162.

³²² Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 9/436, citing York Co. Probate Records, 9:270.

³²³ Anderson and Thurston, *Kittery VRs*, 12.

³²⁴ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 162.

³²⁵ Anderson and Thurston, *Kittery VRs*, 13.

³²⁶ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 16/241, citing York Co. Probate Records, 16:264, which notes that John d. "April last."

³²⁷ Deponents refer to Richard Lord Jr., late of Berwick, decd., & his wife Mary, the now wife of John Cooper (Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 9/54, citing York Co. Probate Records, 9:34).

³²⁸ Anderson, *Berwick Church Records*, 6; Frost & Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, ix.

³²⁹ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 9/54, citing York Co. Probate Records, 9:34, and 6/178, citing York Co. Probate Records, 6:155. Mary Goodwin m. Richard Lord Jr. about 1729 and had three children: 1. *Daniel Lord*, named his "father-in-law" [stepfather] John Cooper Jr. as his guardian and d. about 1748 without issue. 2. *Richard Lord*, d. as an infant. 3. *Olive Lord*, m. Jonathan Abbott Jr. of Berwick.

the estate of John Cooper, late of Berwick. Despite this, “John Cooper, son of the deceased, still keeps the goods of the deceased which ought to be administered upon and for which the administrator commenced and presented a law suit in which the verdict went against them and the administrator acquired nothing to present as an inventory of said estate.”³³⁰ In his will of 1 Jan. 1761, Noah Emery specifically mentioned “the money due to me from John Cooper.”³³¹ Likely the John Cooper who administered John Cooper’s estate in 1792 was also a son.³³²

Children of John³ and Mary (Goodwin) Cooper, bp. Berwick:³³³ 1. *John Cooper*, b. say 1739; m. Berwick, 21 Oct. 1773, Mary Grant.³³⁴ 2. *Sarah Cooper*, bp. 14 Feb. 1741/2. 3. *Alexander Cooper*, bp. 18 Aug. 1745; m. Berwick, 31 Dec. 1767, Patience Goodwin.³³⁵ 4. *Mary Cooper*, bp. 21 March 1746/7; m. Berwick, 27 Nov. 1765, Moses Warren.³³⁶ 5. *Daniel Cooper*, bp. 25 May 1749; m. Berwick, 2 Dec. 1773, Mary Warren.³³⁷ 6. *Sarah Cooper* [the 2nd of that name], bp. 7 July 1751. 7. *Eleanor Cooper*, bp. 22 Dec. 1754.

- iii SARAH COOPER, b. Kittery, 29 Jan. 1703/4,³³⁸ d. prob. Kittery, before 1 Jan. 1761, when her husband did not mention her in his will;³³⁹ m. Kittery, 30 Oct. 1740, as his 2nd wife, NOAH EMERY,³⁴⁰ b. Kittery, 11 Dec. 1699, son of Daniel and Margaret (Gowen) Emery.³⁴¹ Noah d. Kittery between 1 Jan. 1761, when he wrote his will, and 12 Dec. 1761, when it was probated.³⁴² He had m. (1) Kittery, 22 Jan. 1721/2, Elizabeth Chick, b. abt. 1702, daughter of Richard and Martha³ (Lord [Nathan²⁻¹]) Chick,³⁴³ d. 30 Dec. 1739 in “ye 38 year of her age.”³⁴⁴

Child of Noah and Sarah³ (Cooper) Emery, b. Kittery:³⁴⁵ 1. *John Emery*, b. 9 June 1743.

- iv ELEANOR COOPER, bp. Berwick, 3 May 1708.³⁴⁶ Noyes, Libby, and Davis note that Eleanor married one Horne and had a daughter Sarah who married one Kimball

³³⁰ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 10/261, citing York Co. Probate Records, 10:186.

³³¹ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 10/419, citing York Co. Probate Records, 10:268.

³³² Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 16/241, citing York Co. Probate Records, 16:264.

³³³ Anderson, *Berwick Church Records*, 56, 64, 74, 85.

³³⁴ Anderson, *Berwick Church Records*, 147. He left a will dated 28 Jan. 1817, naming sons John and Benjamin and daughters Sarah Cooper, Lydia Hodsdon, and Polly Hackley (Joseph C. Anderson II, *York County, Maine, Will Abstracts 1801–1858* [Camden, Maine, 1997], 263–64).

³³⁵ Frost and Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 115.

³³⁶ Frost and Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 114.

³³⁷ Frost and Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 116.

³³⁸ Anderson and Thurston, *Kittery VRs*, 13.

³³⁹ Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 10/419, citing York Co. Probate Records, 10:268.

³⁴⁰ Anderson and Thurston, *Kittery VRs*, 111.

³⁴¹ Anderson and Thurston, *Kittery VRs*, 11.

³⁴² Frost, *Maine Probate Abstracts*, 10/419, citing York Co. Probate Records, 10:268.

³⁴³ *Dover VRs*, 130. Her parents m. Dover, 11 July 1702. She was named in the will of her grandfather, Nathan Lord Sr. (Sargent, *Maine Wills*, 341, citing York Co. Probate 4:159).

³⁴⁴ Anderson and Thurston, *Kittery VRs*, 57–58. The family of Noah Emery and Elizabeth “Cheek” is presented together in the Kittery records.

³⁴⁵ Anderson and Thurston, *Kittery VRs*, 111.

³⁴⁶ Anderson, *Berwick Church Records*, 5. Stackpole erred in calling her “Ebenezer” (Stackpole, *Old Kittery*, 328).

by 1759.³⁴⁷ Possibly Eleanor m. JOHN HORNE Jr. of Dover, whose daughter Sarah m. 12 Sept. 1750, Ephraim Kimball.³⁴⁸ John Horne Jr.'s daughters Mary and Sarah were bp. Dover, 10 Feb. 1734, and then seven years elapsed before "Mary, Wife of John Horn, jun^r & their Childⁿ John and Eleanor" were bp. 18 April 1741. Other children included Patience, bp. 8 July 1744, and Susanna, bp. 26 Oct. 1746, their mother's name not mentioned.³⁴⁹ Perhaps Eleanor Cooper was a 1st wife of John Horne Jr., the mother of Mary and Sarah. By 1741 John Horne Jr. had married Mary —, and they named a daughter Eleanor for John's deceased 1st wife. Ephraim and Sarah (Horne) Kimball's son, also named Ephraim, named a daughter Eleanor Cooper Kimball,³⁵⁰ possibly for her great-grandmother.

Proposed children of John and Eleanor³ (Cooper) Horne, bp. Dover:³⁵¹ 1. *Mary Horne*, bp. 10 Feb. 1734. 2. *Sarah Horne*, bp. 10 Feb. 1734; m. Dover, 12 Sept. 1750, Ephraim Kimball.³⁵²

7 **MARGERY² LORD** (*Nathan¹*) was born say 1674, probably at Kittery, and died before 26 April 1703 when her husband remarried. She married before 1 November 1692 WILLIAM FOST [or Foss].³⁵³ William was born at Dover on 11 March 1673/4,³⁵⁴ son of John and Mary (Chadbourne) Fost.³⁵⁵ He married second at Dover on 26 April 1703 Sarah (Fernside) Heard,³⁵⁶ daughter of John and Elizabeth (Starr) Fernside and widow of Nathaniel Heard; she was still living in 1714.³⁵⁷ William married third, before 24 June 1728,³⁵⁸ widow Mary (Horne) Hanson, daughter of John and Mary (Ham) Horne.³⁵⁹ She had married first Benjamin Hanson, son of Tobias and Lydia (Canney) Hanson.³⁶⁰

In his will of 17 December 1699, William Fost's father, John, left him one shilling and forty acres of land that had been granted him by the town of Dover.³⁶¹ William Fost was baptized as an adult at Dover on 22 August 1725.³⁶² A 15 January

³⁴⁷ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 162.

³⁴⁸ Leonard Allison Morrison and Stephen Paschall Sharples, *The History of the Kimball Family in America* (Boston, 1897), 123 (hereafter cited as Morrison and Sharples, *Kimball Family*).

³⁴⁹ *Dover VRs*, 141, 149, 151, 153.

³⁵⁰ McDuffee, *History of Rochester*, 604.

³⁵¹ *Dover VRs*, 141.

³⁵² Morrison and Sharples, *Kimball Family*, 123.

³⁵³ William and Margery were presented at court for fornication (*York Deeds*, 5:228).

³⁵⁴ *Dover VRs*, 40.

³⁵⁵ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 241.

³⁵⁶ *Dover VRs*, 130. She was called Sarah Heard, widow.

³⁵⁷ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 231. Their daughter Lydia was bp. Dover, 7 Jan. 1705/6 (*Dover VRs*, 5).

³⁵⁸ Dover records note that this was the date on which Mary Fost, daughter of William Fost by his wife Mary, was born (*Dover VRs*, 40).

³⁵⁹ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 241.

³⁶⁰ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 648, 308, 350.

³⁶¹ *N.H. Provincial Probate Records*, 1:450.

³⁶² *Dover VRs*, 136.

1735/6 deed in which the children of William and Margery Fost quitclaimed and sold their share in property formerly owned by their uncle, Abraham Lord and cousin, William Lord, confirms the names of William's children with Margery Lord, as the deed mentioned: John and Mary Waldron, Joseph and Sarah Conner, James and Margery Richards of Dover, and Benjamin Frost [*sic*] of Rochester.³⁶³ Another son, William Frost [*sic*], of Portsmouth, mariner, sold his share on 29 June 1737.³⁶⁴ William had at least one child with his second wife, a daughter Lydia born to William and Sarah on 7 January 1705.³⁶⁵ William recorded his own birth of 11 March 1673/4 as well as the births of two children with his third wife.³⁶⁶ Daughter Mary was born 24 June 1728 and son Chadbourn on 26 March 1731. On 26 July 1730, Mary Foss was baptized at Dover along with her children Lydia and Timothy Hanson (by her first husband, Benjamin Hanson) and Mary (by William Foss). A week later, on 2 August 1730, John Hanson, son of Mary Foss the wife of William Foss, was baptized. Daughter Mary's baptism was followed by Chatborn [Chadbourne] on 28 November 1731, Daniel on 26 August 1733, and Lydia on 14 May 1738.³⁶⁷ On 18 June 1739 William "Forst" and wife Mary of Dover sold to Amos Main land in Rochester which was granted to William Forst, Benjamin Forst, and Samuel Alley.³⁶⁸ Noyes, Libby, and Davis have him as the William Fost of Dover, mariner, whose estate was inventoried 29 June 1764.³⁶⁹ William Sr. would have been just over 90 years old, and more likely the estate was that of his son, William, a mariner, who was known to have returned from Portsmouth to Dover.

Children of William and Margery² (Lord) Fost, probably all b. Dover bef. 7 Jan 1705:³⁷⁰

- i WILLIAM³ FOST, b. abt 1692,³⁷¹ d. bef. 29 June 1764 when the inventory of his estate was returned,³⁷² m. Portsmouth, N.H., 1 June 1716, ELIZABETH SNELL,³⁷³ daughter of Lt. John and Elizabeth (Hull) Snell.³⁷⁴ She d. bef. 29 June 1764 (not mentioned in the administration of her husband's estate). William accepted the covenant of the South Church of Portsmouth on 24 March 1716/7. He and his

³⁶³ *York Deeds*, 18:332.

³⁶⁴ *York Deeds*, 18:462.

³⁶⁵ *Dover VRs*, 5.

³⁶⁶ His 3rd wife Mary was considerably younger, probably b. 1690–1700, as she accused Benjamin Wentworth, 20 July 1715, and m. Benjamin Hanson by 1720 (*Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 308, 350).

³⁶⁷ *Dover VRs*, 40, 139, 140, 143.

³⁶⁸ Stackpole, *Old Kittery*, 431.

³⁶⁹ *N.H. Provincial Probate Records*, 8:32–33; *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 241.

³⁷⁰ *Dover VRs*, 5. This is the date of birth for Lydia, a child by his 2nd wife.

³⁷¹ He was probably the child associated with the fornication case.

³⁷² *N.H. Provincial Probate Records*, 8:32–33.

³⁷³ "A Record of Births, Marriages, and Deaths in Portsmouth, N.H., from 1706 to 1742," *NEHGR*, 23(1869):392. He was called "formerly of Nichowanuck, now of Portsmouth."

³⁷⁴ *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 648.

mother-in-law were named to administer the will of John Snell, 3 Sept. 1718.³⁷⁵ He was called "William Frost, of Portsmouth, Mariner" on 29 June 1737 when he sold his share in the property formerly owned by his uncle, Abraham Lord.³⁷⁶ By 13 Dec. 1741, William and Elizabeth "Frost," his wife, were "of Dover" when they sold to Giles Seward half of a house with a small piece of land in Portsmouth.³⁷⁷ In Oct. 1748, William "Faus" became a member of the Dover Church.³⁷⁸ Administration of the estate of William Foss of Dover, mariner, was granted to William Foss, yeoman, most likely his son. The son was possibly the William Frost, husbandman, who d. 1780 in Dover, leaving wife Elizabeth and children John, William, Samuel, and George, all underage.³⁷⁹

Children of William³ and Elizabeth (Snell) Fost, the first 5 bp. Portsmouth:³⁸⁰ 1. *Elizabeth Fost*, bp. 7 April 1717. 2. *Hannah Fost*, bp. 6 Sept. 1719. 3. *John Fost*, bp. 16 April 1721. 4. *Eliza Fost*, bp. 16 Aug. 1724. 5. *Lydia Fost*, bp. 7 May 1727. 6. (prob.) *William Fost*, m. Elizabeth —.

- ii HUMPHREY FOST, b. say 1696, bp. Dover as an adult, 31 July 1720,³⁸¹ d. prob. Dover, before 15 Jan. 1735/6 when he was not named among the Lord heirs living in Dover, as noted above; m. CATHERINE WEDGEWOOD, b. poss. Exeter, N.H., daughter of John Wedgewood,³⁸² d. Dover, 23 March 1776.³⁸³
- iii MARY FOST, born say 1700; m. before 3 July 1726, JOHN WALDRON,³⁸⁴ son of John and Mary (Ham) Waldron,³⁸⁵ b. abt 1698, bp. Dover, 3 July 1726 with son John, d. Dover 4 July 1778, aged 80.³⁸⁶ Mary, wife of John Waldron Sr., was a member of the Dover Church, 1 Aug. 1742.³⁸⁷
 - Child of John and Mary (Fost) Waldron, bp. Dover:³⁸⁸ 1. *John Waldron*, bp. 3 July 1726.
- iv SARAH FOST, b. say 1702, d. aft. 15 Jan. 1735/6 when she signed a deed and bef. 25 Jan 1738 when her husband remarried; m. prob. Dover, bef. 31 Aug. 1729 when they were bp. together, JOSEPH CONNER,³⁸⁹ poss. the son of Jeremy Conner of

³⁷⁵ *N.H. Provincial Probate Records*, 32:73.

³⁷⁶ *York Deeds*, 18:462.

³⁷⁷ Stackpole, *Old Kittery*, 430.

³⁷⁸ *Dover VRs*, 209.

³⁷⁹ Stackpole, *Old Kittery*, 431.

³⁸⁰ "Records of the South Church of Portsmouth, N.H.," NEHGR 81(1927):425. The children were baptized as "Forse." He was called "Captain William" in Lydia's baptismal record.

³⁸¹ *Dover VRs*, 134.

³⁸² *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 732.

³⁸³ *Dover VRs*, 189.

³⁸⁴ *Dover VRs*, 136. This is the date John Waldron was bp. with his son John Jr.; *York Deeds*, 18:332.

³⁸⁵ His parents m. Dover 29 Aug. 1698, she called "Mary Horn wid[ow]" in the marriage record (*Dover VRs*, 130); *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 130.

³⁸⁶ *Dover VRs*, 190.

³⁸⁷ *Dover VRs*, 209.

³⁸⁸ *Dover VRs*, 136.

³⁸⁹ *Dover VRs*, 138.

Exeter, N.H.,³⁹⁰ d. Dover, 26 April 1776, of old age.³⁹¹ Joseph Conner m. (2) Rye, N.H., 25 Jan 1738, Mary Seavey, and then bp. three children in Rye: Samuel Conner, bp. 8 Sept. 1739; Sarah Conner, bp. 10 June 1744; and Benjamin Conner, bp. 13 Sept. 1747.³⁹² His will of 14 March 1768 was administered 4 Sept. 1777 by his son John Conner. Both father and son were residents of Dover and described as cordwainers. Also mentioned were son Benjamin and daughter Sarah Hanson,³⁹³ consistent with two of the births recorded in Rye. Other legatees included grandchildren Joseph, Judith, John, and Elizabeth Whitehouse, and Mary and Elizabeth Gage.³⁹⁴ Whitehouse children Joseph, John, Jonathan, Judith, and Elizabeth were all bp. together in Rochester with their father, Jonathan Whitehouse.³⁹⁵ Their mother could be the Elizabeth/Betty Whitehouse bp. Rochester, 10 June 1750.³⁹⁶ The Mary Conner of Dover who m. William Gage at Rochester was likely another daughter. In addition to these two daughters, Sarah Fost was probably the mother of the John Conner who d. Dover, 25 Nov. 1783, aged 48 [b. ca. 1735],³⁹⁷ who administered his father's estate in 1777. John's estate was administered 16 Nov. 1785³⁹⁸ by his widow, Mary, and son-in-law Joseph Drew, also a cordwainer, who had married his daughter Sarah Conner, 25 Nov. 1784.³⁹⁹

Proposed children of Joseph and Sarah³ (Fost) Conner, birth order uncertain: 1. daughter *Conner*, m. Jonathan Whitehouse. 2. *Mary Conner*, m. Rochester, 6 Oct. 1748, William Gage.⁴⁰⁰ 3. *John Conner*, b. abt. 1735; m. Mary —.

v BENJAMIN FOST, bp. Dover, 31 July 1725,⁴⁰¹ d. Rochester, N.H., before 20 June 1787 when his will was probated;⁴⁰² m. Newington, N.H., 2 Feb 1734/5, ANN

³⁹⁰ Noyes, Libby, and Davis list two sons named Joseph for Jeremy Conner of Exeter, but they are probably the same person (*Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 160). Joseph Conner's ancestry is not proven. He could be the son of Jeremy Conner of Exeter as suggested by Noyes, Libby, and Davis. He could also be the Joseph Conner, b. Salisbury, Mass., 1 Sept. 1691, son of John and Elizabeth (—) Conner, who was still living in 1723 when his father's estate was settled (David W. Hoyt, *The Old Families of Salisbury and Amesbury, Massachusetts* [Providence, R.I., 1897], 113). Joseph was likely related to the Mercy Conner who m. Dover, 13 Dec. 1723, Zachariah Pitman (*Dover VRs*, 32).

³⁹¹ *Dover VRs*, 189.

³⁹² Langdon Brown Parsons, *History of the Town of Rye, New Hampshire, from Its Discovery and Settlement to December 31, 1903* (Concord, N.H., 1908), 327.

³⁹³ Sarah Conner m. 11 Feb. 1768, Benjamin Hansen Jr. (*Dover VRs*, 170).

³⁹⁴ Helen F. Evans, *Abstracts of the Probate Records of Strafford County, N.H.* (Bowie, Md., 1983), 28 (hereafter cited as Evans, *Strafford Co. Probate Abstracts*).

³⁹⁵ McDuffee, *History of Rochester*, 593.

³⁹⁶ McDuffee, *History of Rochester*, 590.

³⁹⁷ *Dover VRs*, 192.

³⁹⁸ Evans, *Strafford Co. Probate Abstracts*, 28.

³⁹⁹ *Dover VRs*, 82; *Gen. Dict. Maine & N.H.*, 241. The relationships between the Whitehouse, Connor, Gage, and Pitman families is seen by William Whitehouse, Joseph Conner, Jonathan Gage, and Zachariah Pitman being listed sequentially as receiving land grants in Middleton, N.H., 27 April 1749 (Albert Stillman Batchellor, "Township Grants of Lands in New Hampshire," *Province and State Papers of New Hampshire*, vol. 27, N.H. State Papers Ser. (Concord, N.H., 1896), 493. The executors of John Conner's estate were empowered to sell a lot of land in Middleton.

⁴⁰⁰ McDuffee, *History of Rochester*, 594.

HODSDON.⁴⁰³ Given that the marriage occurred in Newington, and Benjamin and Ann Fost named their 1st daughter Mary and their 2nd son John, it is possible Ann was the daughter of John and Mary (Hoyt) Hodsdon of Newington. He was the Benjamin “Faust” who was dismissed from Dover to the Rochester Church, 22 Aug. 1732.⁴⁰⁴ In addition to the children bp. at Rochester, daughters Elizabeth and Abigail were also named in Benjamin’s 22 March 1775 will. On 14 March 1776, Benjamin and Benjamin Fost Jr. signed a resolution at Rochester to do “the utmost of our power to oppose the hostile proceedings of the British fleets and armies against the United American Colonies.”⁴⁰⁵

Children of Benjamin³ and Ann (Hodsdon) Fost, bp. Rochester:⁴⁰⁶ 1. *Mary Fost*, bp. 13 Jan. 1736.⁴⁰⁷ 2. *Daniel Fost*, bp. 1 April 1739. 3. *John Fost*, bp. 18 Sept. 1743. 4. *Benjamin Fost*, bp. 7 April 1745. 5. *Sarah Fost*, bp. 5 July 1747. 6. *Susanna Fost*, bp. 11 June 1749. 7. *Lydia Fost*, bp. 9 Dec. 1750. 8. *Rebecca Fost*, bp. 27 May 1753. 9. *Samuel Fost*, bp. [no date] March 1756. 10. *Abigail Fost*.

vi MARGERY FOST, bp. Dover, 4 April 1725;⁴⁰⁸ m. JAMES RICHARDS,⁴⁰⁹ b. abt. 1709, prob. Dover, son of John and Sarah (Cheney) Richards, d. Camden, Maine, 1789, about 80 years old. Their son James removed to Camden, Maine in 1769, and is considered the town’s first settler. He was joined later that same year by his brothers Dodipher and Joseph.⁴¹⁰ Daughter Sarah m. Joseph Hardy and also resided in Camden. James Sr. removed to Camden in 1774 where he d. 15 years later.⁴¹¹

Children of James and Margery³ (Fost) Richards, all born in Dover:⁴¹² 1. *Sarah Richards*. 2. *James Richards*, m. before 1766, Eliza —.⁴¹³ 3. *Dodiphar Richards*. 4. *Joseph Richards*.

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⁴⁰¹ *Dover VRs*, 136. Benjamin was not an infant, as his baptism followed that of his younger half-sister, Lydia. His father, William Foss, was bp. three weeks later.

⁴⁰² Evans, *Strafford Co. Probate Abstracts*, 55.

⁴⁰³ “Church Records of Newington, NH,” NEHGR 22(1868):25, they both “of Rochester.”

⁴⁰⁴ *Dover VRs*, 207. The Dover records note that Mary, daughter of Benjamin Foss, was bp. at Rochester on Fast Day.

⁴⁰⁵ McDuffee, *History of Rochester*, p. 61.

⁴⁰⁶ McDuffee, *History of Rochester*, 587–93.

⁴⁰⁷ *Dover VRs*, 141.

⁴⁰⁸ *Dover VRs*, 136. Margery was not an infant, as she was bp. with her younger half-sister, Lydia.

⁴⁰⁹ *York Deeds*, 18:332.

⁴¹⁰ John L. Locke, *Sketches of the History of the Town of Camden, Maine* (Hallowell, Maine, 1859), 26.

⁴¹¹ Rev. Abner Morse, *Genealogical Register of the Descendants of Several Ancient Puritans*, vol. 3 (Boston, 1861), 185 (hereafter cited as Morse, *Genealogical Register*).

⁴¹² Morse, *Genealogical Register*, 3:185.

⁴¹³ A Camden family record lists seven children for James and Eliza Richards beginning in 1766 (Marlene A. Groves, *Vital Records of Camden/Rockport, Maine* [Rockland, Maine, 2006], 1).

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Births of Children Born of Abigail wife of
Benjamin Osborn
John Osborn [born] December 29th 1800
[Veranes?] Osborn [born] December 22
1802
Thayer Osborn [born] January 9th 1804
Charlotte Osborn [born] June 11th 1806
Isley Osborn [born] August 5th 1808
Eppraym Osborn [born] Sept 18th 1813
Jacob Osborn [born] April 15th 1816
Benjamin Osborn [born] July 5th 1818

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Births of Children born of Betsy wife of
Elder Joseph Blasdel
[Pemla?] Blasdel born September 1798
Betsy Blasdel [born] December 22d 1804
Florena Blasdel [born] May 31st 1807
Joseph Blasdel [born] February 23 1809
Samuel Blasdel [born] May 8th 1811
Emily Blasdel [born] April 19th 1813
Caroline Blasdel [born] February 25th
1815
Catherine Blasdel [born] January 14th 1817
Daniel Blasdel [born] November 15th 1820

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Births of Children born [to] Sally wife of
John McLure
[Raveena?] McLure [born] Sept 16th 1806
Nancy McLure [born] August 16th 1808
John McLure [born] May 20th 1810
Sally McLure [born] September 13th 1812
Isabel McLure [born] July 13 1814
Fanny McLure [born] ~~Dec~~ January 15th
1816

Joseph McLure [born] August 1st 1818
Permela McLure [born] December 15 1820
Hambleton McLure [born] February 15
1823

Helen M. Stuart daughter of Frederick &
Sabrina Stuart was born in Oldtown
March 5th 1847

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Births of Children born of Lydia wife of
John Parkman
Benjamin Parlen Parkman born February
14th 1810
Asa Parkman [born] October 18th 1813
John Parkman [born] November 4th 1817
Betsy Parkman [born] March 10th 1820
Children born of Dolly formerly wife of
James Hutcherson Now wife of John
Parkman jr
James B. Hutchinson born Nov 7 1842,
died Aug 15 1863
Alvin C. Parkman born Jan 12 1857
Elmer E. Parkman born Oct 6th 1861

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Births of Children born of Rebecca wife of
John Dunham
Lemuel Dunham [born] July 3d 1819
Sarah Elizabeth D [born] April 29th 1821
John Dunham [born] July 4th 1822
Samuel Robinson D [born] Nov 2d 1823

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Births of Children born of Polly wife of
Benjamin Fields
[Alevesta?] Fields born November 10 1815
Cyrus Fields [born] March 17th 1818

Benjamin Franklin Fields [born] October
8th 1819

Betsy Fields [born] December 22d 1821
George Fields [born] March 24th 1824

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Births of Children born of Lovey wife of
Francis Miles

Hareat Miles born June 29th 1823
Martha Ann Miles born August 28. 1834

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Births of Children born of Abigail wife of
Joseph Warren

Hariat Warren born April 8th 1805
Joseph Warren [born] June 14th 1807
John Warren [born] May 16 1809
Edward Warren [blank]

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Births of Children born of Elizabeth wife
of Benjamin S. Judkins

Henry Judkins born November 18th 1823
Mary Elizabeth Judkins born March 21th
1826
Almond Judkins born February 8th 1828
Shepard Judkins born January 2d 1830
Lucia Ann Morrel Judkins born October
24th 1831, died June 7th 1855
Peter Judkins died Nov 10th 1864 aged 92
years

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Births of Children born of Mehitable wife
of Benjamin Daggett

Henrietta Daggett born January 19th 1829
Mary Lucretta Daggett [born] October 30th
1830
Kesia S. Daggett born Feb 20 1822
Betsy Jane Daggett born Feby 26. 1827
Adam Clark Daggett born May 8 1834,
Died Oct 27 1858
Caroline Daggett born Dec 30 1839
Mehetable wife of Benj Daggett died Sept
17th 1851

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Births of children born Lovina [to] wife of
John Osborn
John Alfonso Osborn born May 19th 1829

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Births of children born of Eunice wife of
Thomas Philbrick
Hanah Philbrick born March 31st AD 1823
Eunice wife of Thomas Philbrick died
August 14th AD 1824

Asa Russel Philbrick born of Edy Second
wife of Thomas Philbrick [born] No-
vember 22d AD 1827
Nathaniel Green Philbrick born February
14th AD 1829

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Births of Children born of Betsy N White
wife of John White

Mary S White born June 26th 1810
John W White born November 2d 1812
Samuel S White born January 2d 1816
Elizabeth N White born December 16th
1818
James White born August 4th 1821
Joseph White born July 31st 1824
Benjamin White born March 31st 1827
Anna White born January 27th 1829
Nathaniel White born July 2d 1831

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Births of Children born of Dorothy wife of
Benjamin F Furber

Atlante Furber born July 13th 1830
Marcia Wells Furber born June 21st 1832
Ann Eliza Furber born July 22nd 1834
Olive Augusta Furber born March 30th
1836
Moses Franklin Furber born December
26th 1843

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Births of Children born of Sophronia N
Keen wife of Snow Keen

Norris Keen born April 20th 1824
 Moses Keen born July 22th AD 1825
 Seraphina Augusta Keen born November
 23d 1830
 Maroa Madaline Keen born August 12th
 1832
 Rosannah Maria Keen born November 28.
 1840
 George Patterson son of Isaac P and Maroa
 M. Ridley born Sept 8th 1856

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Births of Children born of Mary wife of
 William Smith
 Mary Frances Smith born Sept 24th 1825
 William Albert Smith born April 10th 1827
 Stephen Hilton Smith born July 13th 1829
 Agnes Ann Smith born Dec 30th 1830

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Births of Children born of Mrs Allen wife
 of Harper Allen
 Henry Harper Allen born July 17th 1826
 Obiel Allen born January 26th 1829
 Obiel Allen died Sept 14th 1830
 Joseph Kelsy Allen born December 9th
 1831

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Births of Children born of Eleanor wife of
 Daniel D Estus
 Melzer Estus born April 24, 1832

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Births of Children born of Martha wife of
 Enoch Knight
 John S. Knight born in Palmyra April 27
 1828
 Entered April 20, 1833, Daniel Wells Jr,
 Town Clerk
 Margaret [J.?] Knight born in Durham
 February 27 1811
 Joseph Knight born in Durham Sept 29
 1812

Eben^f M. Knight born in Rome April 19
 1815
 Clarissa Knight born in Rome March 2
 1818
 John Knight born in Rome Oct 13 1822 and
 died March 24th 1826
 Bathsheba Knight born in Rome January 29
 1826
 Entered Jany 5th 1834

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Births of Children born of Sarah W wife of
 Robinson Dexter
 Mary Ann & Clarissa N. Dexter born April
 20 1833
 Martha Elizabeth Dexter born December
 26th 1820
 Harret Devereux Dexter born February
 16th 1823
 Eliza Ann Dexter born Sept 26th 1826
 Nathaniel Devereux Dexter born March
 11th 1829
 Entered April 1833

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 Edmund Gifford's family
 Mercy wife of Edmund Gifford died May
 12th 1834
 Born of Martha H wife of said Edmund
 Gifford
 George Applebee Gifford [born] Aug. 30.
 1835
 Mercy Gifford born January 11. 1837

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Births of Children born of Almyra S. wife
 of Heman Adams
 Caroline Matilda Adams born April 24th
 1834

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Births of Children born of Mary Ann wife
 of David Estis
 Simeon Estis born February 10th 1834
 Henry P. Estis born August 10. 1835

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Births of Joseph Pendleton Children and
Born of Mary Emeline wife of said
Pendleton
Marcellus Avander Pendleton born July
2nd 1836

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~~Birth of Elijah Wood Jr Children and born
of Esther wife of said Wood
Elijah Albert Wood [born] March 4th 1830
Alfred Wood born August 1st 1837~~

Daniel Robinson formerly of Mount Ver-
non died March 3d 1838 aged 48 years 4
months

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Birth of Children born of Mary wife of
John Harvey
John Francis Harvey born June 11th 1839

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Children born of the wife of George B.
Coffin
Adeline Pitts Coffin born Bloomfield
March 2. 1825
George Alfred Coffin born in Cornville
October 2. 1826
Franklin Richard Coffin born Cornville
June 2. 1828
Tristram Sanborn Coffin born Cornville
October 7. 1833
Sarah Love Coffin born Cornville Nov^r 11.
1837
William Sylvanus Coffin born in Palmyra
Nov^r 16. 1840

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Children born of Olive Augusta wife of Dr
Benj^a Pollard
Martha Ann Pollard born in Palmyra March
6. 1840
Theano Jocasta Pollard born in Palmyra
September 10th 1842

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Birth of children Born of Mary wife of
Daniel T. Robinson
Mary Ellen Robinson Born Feb. 17. 1835
John Henry Robinson Born Feb 25. 1836
Daniel Flint Robinson Born Mar 29. 1840

Sabrina Baker wife of Oliver C. Baker died
Sept 12 A.D. 1850

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Births of children Born of Charlotte wife of
John L. McLure
Alvan K McLure Born Dec 15th 1822
Gideon P McLure Born Nov 5th 1824
Atlanta S. McLure Born Oct 11th 1828
Marth A. McLure Born [no date]
Andrew Augustus McLure born [no date]
John S. McLure born [no date]

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Elijah Wood Jr Born in Winthrop Novem-
ber 15th 1805
Esther Stafford wife of Elijah Wood Jr
Born in Boidoin [*sic*] March 22 1809
Children born of Esther Wood wife of Eli-
jah Wood Jr
Albert Wood Born in Hartland March 4th
1830
Alfred Wood Born Palmyra Aug 1. 1837
Enoch Wood Born Palmyra Oct 28. 1841
John Wood Born Palmyra Nov 17 1846

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Samuel S Lang Born in Palmyra Sept 6th
1818
Sarah J Burgess wife of Saml S Lang Born
in Windsor Jan 26th 1827
Child Born of Sarah J Lang wife of Saml S
Lang
Gershom B. Lang born Palmyra Aug 1st
1846

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Children Born of Lydia wife of Hiram P
Sinkler

James S Sinkler born Nov 2d 1834
Lewis E Sinkler Born Oct 1st 1836
Nicholas F Sinkler [born] July 8th 1838
Hiram C Sinkler [born] May 19th 1840
Lydia A Sinkler born June 19 1842
William P Sinkler born Nov 27. 1844
Harret A Sinkler born May 17 1846

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John Q. A. Davis born Aug 9th 1829, Died
1853

Children born of Mary wife of Rufus
Badger

Orin H. Badger born August 8th 1842
Sarah J. Badger born Sept 17th 1844
Eben M Badger born Sept 22d 1849
Moses C Badger born May 28th 1851

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Children born of Lucinda wife of Moses
Hanson

Caroline E Hanson born March 25th 1833
Sarah Ann Hanson born Oct 10th 1834
Mark Edgecomb Hanson born May 22d
1837
George Washington Hanson born February
11th 1840
Mary Augusta Hanson born April 17th
1844
Emily Alfarata Hanson born January 6th
1849

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Children born of Tamson wife of Moses L
Daggett

Zebulon Manter Daggett born November
14th 1842
Moses Asbury Daggett born December 1st
1846

Children born of Jane wife of Elisha J
Goodwin

Sarah W. Goodwin born Oct 8. 1838
Susan E. Goodwin born Dec 31. 1840

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Enoch P Judkins born in Salsbury N.H.
January 5 1798

Abigail C. Shaw born in Brentwood N.H.
Oct 8th 1800

Children born of Abigail wife of Enoch P
Judkins

Abigail Judkins born March 10th 1821
Marion Judkins born May 11th 1823, died
Oct 27 1824

Rocilla Judkins born June 20th 1828

Lyman Judkins born Oct 27th 1833 and
died Nov 10th 1841

Sanford P Judkins born Jan 20th 1839
Hannah Elizebeth Boston adopted daughter
born in Garland Aug 13th 1832 and died
Dec 5th 1850

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Benjamin Anthony Shaw born in Wool-
wich Dec 6th 1817

Louisa Miller Laton born at Hope Feb 16th
1833

Births of their children

Washington Laton Shaw born Oct 26th 1853
Elizabeth Jane Shaw born June 19. 1857

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Samuel Paine born in Standish Dec 28th
1811

Susan Goodale born in Winthrop Oct 27th
1810

Married 30th of November 1837

Their Children

Susan Ann Paine born July 10th 1839

Sarah Maria Paine born April 7th 1842,
died March 12th 1849

Cyrus Paine born Jan 7th 1843

Jeremiah Paine born April 3d 1844

Isabelle Paine and Arabelle Paine born Dec
23d 1847

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Births of Children born of Martha wife of
Joseph R. Hanson

Georgiana Hanson born in Buxton Jan 9th
1852

Byron Porter Hanson born Sept 26th 1853

Aliston Wilbur Hanson born April 5th 1858

Elmer Palmer Hanson born Dec 15th 1860

Births of children born of Apphia L. Pol-
lard wife of Jacob Pollard

Thomas J. Pollard born January 1st 1842

Ruth M. Pollard born March 19th 1844

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Births of children born of Hannah wife of
James Hanson

Phineas Towle Hanson born April 20th
1842

Emeline Hanson born April 10th 1844

Sarah Elen Hanson born May 7th 1848

Julius Emory Soule son of F. A. Soule of
the East Maine Conference was born
Dec 20th 1844

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Births of children born of Margaret wife of
Joseph Damans

Eveline N. L. Damans born in Orono Oct
26 1830

Elvira C. Damans born in Orono March 12
1832, Died Oct 24th 1854

Joseph N. Damans born in Palmyra Nov
13th 1833

Ruth E. Damans born Nov 27th 1835

Harriet J. Damans born Sept 28th 1837

George W. Damans born Jan 22d 1840,
died Aug 24th 1845

Sophonria K. Damans born Jan 5th 1842

Mary L. Damans born Nov 16th 1843, died
Sept 4th 1845

Onslow W. Damans born Aug 7th 1845,
died in Army 1864

Charles O. Damans born May 10th 1847

Benjamin A. Damans born April 10th 1849

John M. Damans born March 20th 1853

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Robert B. Mills born in Vinalhaven Octo-
ber 22d 1813

Orrilla wife of said Robert born in Detroit
Dec 19th 1812

Their Children

Mahala Mills born June 19th 1834

Vesta Ann Mills born March 20th 1836

Temple E. Mills born Jan 20th 1838

Angeline F. Mills born Dec 29th 1839

Gilbert Ellis Mills born Aug 14th 1842

John Mills born Oct 23d 1844

Warren Mills born June 26th 1847

George Mills born Nov 26th 1849

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Births of Children born of Susan wife of
Thomas Larry

Ira Franklin Larry born April 2d 1827

Lewis Larry born Nov 27th 1828

Uranus Larry born Nov 26th 1830

Susan Mary Larry born March 14th 1833

Jefferson Larry born Sept 17th 1835

Sarah Elizebeth Larry born Jan 12th 1837

Robert Larry born Dec 3d 1840

Martha Maria Larry born Jan 4th 1844

Margaret Ann Larry born Jan 5th 1847

Laurinda Larry born Sept 19th 1849

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Births of children born of Sophia wife of
George D Waterhouse

Forest Ashley Waterhouse was born May
11th AD 1851

Elmer L Waterhouse was born May 14th
AD 1853

Arvesta Elba Waterhouse born Jan 1st 1855

Births of children born of Mary Ann wife
of Arnold Palmer

Joseph B. Palmer born Dec 1st 1843
Wm Martin Palmer born May 30th 1845
Ferdinand Palmer born April 23rd 1847
Alfaro Palmer born March 4th 1857

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Birth of children born of Eliza wife of John
Goodwin

Adeliza Goodwin born Sept 1st 1834 and
died August 22d 1835
Mark F. Goodwin was born Nov 28 1836
Adeliza Goodwin was born Oct 8th 1838
Sarah Otis Goodwin born Oct 25 1842 and
died May 21 1847

Births of children born of Rachel J. Johon-
nett wife of John G. Johonnett

Frederic W. Johonnett born Feb 17th 1842
Adele A. Johonnett born March 13th 1845
John N. Johonnett born Sept 26th 1848
Viola L. Johonnett born June 25th 1851

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Albert G. Wyman born in Bloomfield Nov
20th 1809

Maria Judkins wife of sd Wyman born Feb
15th 1816

Their children

Eliza A. Wyman born March 30th 1841,
died 1855
Harriet F. Wyman born Apr 24th 1844
Charles A. Wyman born July 12th 1846

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Children born of Orinda wife of Peleg
Sanford

Abby Ladora Sanford born June 10th 1853

Births of children born of Rosetta wife of
Elbridge Varney

Eva Etta Varney born in Bloomfield May
2d 1854
Ella Varney born Dec 3d 1856

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Samuel Clements born March 5th 1805

Benjamin Clements son of first wife born
June 7th 1828

Melinda Clements present wife of sd Sam-
uel was born Feb 29th 1812

Children born of sd Melinda

Justin S. Clements was born May 6th 1836
Joseph F. Clements was born May 21st 1837
Martha A. Clements was born June 6th 1840
Mary A. Clements was born June 6th 1840
Charles W. Clements was born June 15th
1843

Sarah J. Clements was born May 31st 1845

Albion L. Clements was born Feb 24th 1852

Ella M. Clements was born April 11th 1855

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John C. Wilson was born Feb 19th 1797

Sarah wife of said [blank] born May 17th
1806

Births of children born of Sarah wife of
John C. Wilson:

James C. Wilson was born Oct 26 1832

Laurania P. Wilson born April 13 1835

Mary E Wilson was born June 23d 1837

Jeremiah T Wilson born Jan 31st 1840

Josiah H Wilson was born Dec 23d 1842

Emily J Wilson born April 22 1845

Laura J Wilson born Jan 16th 1848

Elen F. Wilson born Oct 22 1850

Laurania P. Wilson died May 18 1853

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REVIEWS

VEAZIE GENEALOGY: Some Descendants of William Veazie Who Settled at Braintree, Massachusetts, in 1640, compiled by Ralph E. Hillman, CG (n.p.: Penobscot Press, 2011), hardcover, 9" x 6", 700 pp., illustrations, maps, photographs, appendices, every-name index, \$60.00 + \$4.00 shipping. Order from the author, 600 Lakeside Circle, Midland, MI 48640-7252.

This expertly researched and beautifully produced volume is a welcome new contribution to the genealogical literature. William¹ Veazie, probably born in the small Leicestershire parish of Gumley about 1616, came to Braintree, Mass., and was made a freeman there in 1643. Through three sons, William², Solomon², and Samuel² Veazie, the author traces nine generations of Veazie descendants. For the first few generations, the family remained in the area around Braintree and Boston, but began migrating to other parts of the country by the fourth generation. A major branch of the family founded by Rev. Samuel⁴ Veazie (*Samuel*³, *Solomon*², *William*¹) was established in Maine. Hillman provides an extensive biography of this Samuel, a Harvard-educated minister who moved to Harpswell after years of controversy with local authorities over his "New Light" beliefs when he was minister of the churches in Duxbury and Hull, Mass. Samuel's son John⁵ founded the Veazie clan in the Portland area and his son Samuel⁵ was the progenitor of the family in Islesborough.

The book is thoroughly documented with footnote references, many of which include lengthy explanations of the basis for any conclusions drawn from the evidence. Most of the family sketches, even in the later generations, include interesting biographical information on the family members, sometimes several pages in length. The book is further enhanced with numerous maps and photographs, nine appendix sections containing additional information, and an every-name index. This work is highly recommended for anyone with Veazie connections or others researching families in Cumberland, Hancock, or Penobscot counties.

—Reviewed by Joseph C. Anderson II, Editor

"MAINE BIRTH RECORDS, 1621–1922," "MAINE DEATH RECORDS, 1617–1922," "MAINE MARRIAGE RECORDS, 1705–1922," three databases available on the Ancestry.com website with a membership in Ancestry.com. For further details, see <www.ancestry.com>.

State-wide vital record registration in Maine was implemented in 1892 and these records were copied on cards which have been available for years on microfilm at the Maine State Archives. An additional series known as the Delayed Vital Records exists for the twenty percent of Maine towns that complied with the request from the State in the 1920s to submit their pre-1892 records, and these were also copied on cards and are available at the Archives on microfilm. The microfilm is organized alphabetically by surname and then by year for that surname, so it can be a time consuming job to page through it and find a particular record.

Ancestry.com has loaded all of these records down to 1922 into the three databases listed above. Unlike the records on microfilm, Ancestry.com's search engine makes it possible to search the records in multiple ways, including by surname, first name, parents' names, and place of event. Recently I was able to find the married name of a daughter I was researching, simply by entering her first name and her parents' names into the death record search form. These databases have powerful searching capabilities, and will undoubtedly solve many long-standing problems.

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