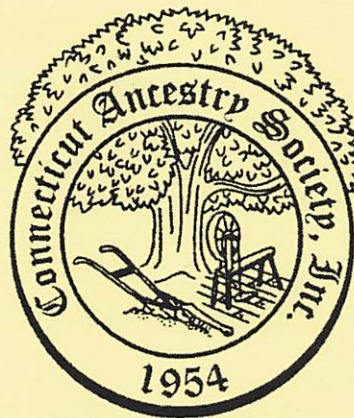


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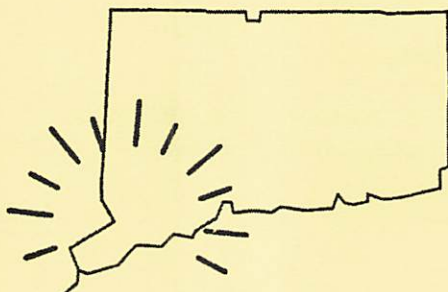
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- Apr** **8th** **10:30-12:00**
Lecture **Trumbull Public Library**
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- Apr** **26-29** **NERGC Conference, Springfield, Mass. See ad on back cover.**
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Sydney J. Harris

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Editorial Notes

We are pleased to have two excellent articles about some of the most ancient European residents of Fairfield County. Both ably demonstrate the need for dogged research. Louis Ogden and Brent Owen stumbled upon information about Daniel Scofield, Richard Scofield and John Northend, all of whom lived in early Stamford, while researching their own ancestors. They pursued the leads, and their thorough article provides a place of birth, parents and grandparents for these three men. It also proposes a reason for the large gap in North American records for Richard Scofield. Even if you are not related to these men, the story of community members moving from England to New England is quite interesting.

Frederick C. Hart, Jr., reports on his search for more information to help distinguish among the several men named Thomas Sherwood who lived in early Fairfield County towns and other parts of present-day Connecticut. He tells us about a newly discovered document and presents us with a series of questions that remain to be answered about these men.

We continue to publish the Baptism Records from Greens Farms Congregational Church (early Fairfield, now Westport) transcribed by Barbara Dempsey.

A book about genetic genealogy is reviewed in this issue. It would be a good resource for adding to the knowledge you gained from the articles in the two previous issues of this journal.

Finally, we present a notice of the death of Robert A. Ferry, former editor and board member of this Society. He will be missed.

Your editor welcomes comments and submission of articles.

Nora Galvin, CG

We appreciate submission of articles by our readers whether CAS members or not. Sharing your research is what keeps the publication going. Reports on work in progress are encouraged—reader response to such an article may advance your research.

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The English Origins of Richard¹ Scofield, Daniel¹ Scofield and John¹ Northend of Stamford, Connecticut

Louis G. Ogden and Brent M. Owen

Two brothers, Richard¹ and Daniel¹ Scofield, are among the early settlers of Stamford, Connecticut. They are generally assumed to have originated in Rochdale parish, Lancashire, England, although no evidence has been discovered to support that assumption. A recent search of Lancashire and Yorkshire parish registers, available online, coupled with information in relevant Yorkshire wills, suggest that they were sons of Richard “Scolfield” baptized in Halifax parish, Yorkshire. Further, it is likely that their cousin, John¹ Northend, son of Henry^A Northend, is identical to the man of that name who was also among the original Stamford settlers. The following, after a review of relevant literature, will set out that new evidence.

PREVIOUS RESEARCH AND PUBLISHED MATERIAL

The surname Scofield is thought to have originated in the parish of Rochdale in Lancashire.¹ The earliest record of the surname there is from 1310 when John de “Scolefield” witnessed a charter. Cuthbert “Schofield” first appeared as a claimant for the long-held family seat at Schofield Hall in 1557. This Cuthbert, although unsuccessful in his claim for Schofield Hall according to Henry Fishwick, left his mark as a colorful reprobate, one who perhaps left an untraceable descent due to his penchant for the ladies.² From this source alone, Scofield family tradition has long held that the immigrant brothers Richard¹ and Daniel¹ Scofield originated in Rochdale and were the grandsons of Cuthbert Schofield.

Another publication had this entry pertaining to Daniel¹: “Daniel, grandson Sir Cuthbert S., of Scofield, Manor, England, b. Rochdale, Lancashire, Eng., came Ipswich, Mass., 1639, removed Stamford, Conn., 1641, where he died 1670.” And the entry pertaining to Richard¹ reads: “Richard, b. Eng. 1626, came Ipswich, Mass., 1648, removed Stamford, Conn., 1650, where he died 1671.”³ These data were oft repeated in genealogical compendiums of the day and remain prevalent in genealogies and online sources today.

Perhaps the earliest serious published research into the English origins of the Scofield brothers was written by Charles Arthur Hoppin in 1932.⁴ Hoppin dismissed the tradition that Cuthbert Schofield was the grandfather of Richard¹ and Daniel¹ Scofield as “highly improbable because this Cuthbert is shown by Lancashire records to have had no legitimate issue.” Hoppin further stated that he “searched the baptismal records of forty-one Lancashire parishes and as many Yorkshire parishes” and found multiple Richards, but no Richard with a brother Daniel. Despite this failure Hoppin concluded that “we can hardly doubt that Richard and Daniel Schofield, the immigrants, were related to the Schofields of the vicinity of Rochdale and the

¹ Henry Harrison, *Surnames of the United Kingdom: A Concise Etymological Dictionary*, (London: Eaton Press, 1921), 140.

² Henry Fishwick, *History of the Parish of Rochdale in the County of Lancaster*, (Rochdale: James Clegg, 1889), 357-361.

³ Frank R. Holmes, “Ancestral Heads of New England Families,” *Americana, American Historical Magazine*, 16 (1922), ccxii.

⁴ Charles Arthur Hoppin, “Schofields of Connecticut, New York, and Ohio,” *The Washington Ancestry and Records of the McClain, Johnson, and Forty Other Colonial American Families*, Vol. 3, (Greenfield, Ohio: Privately Published, 1932), 213. Hoppin used the form “Schofield” throughout as that was the predominant spelling found in Rochdale records in the period of interest.

Yorkshire border, whose ancestors held Schofield Hall.”⁵ Hoppin also provided a reference to the Stamford land record in which Richard referred to Daniel as his brother. He summarized his findings, “Richard Schofield came from England in the year 1635 and settled, first, at Ipswich in the colony of Massachusetts Bay. His brother, Daniel Schofield, was . . . a founder of a town [Stamford] in the colony of New Haven . . . a few years after Daniel came . . . Richard left Ipswich, Massachusetts, and settled at Stamford, Connecticut, on a lot of land adjoining Daniel’s land. Side by side they lived; there both died; one soon after the other.”⁶

In 1976 Paul Prindle wrote that Richard Scofield was from Halifax parish, Yorkshire West Riding, although he cited no source for his statement.⁷ Prindle related that Richard Scofield, aged 22 years old and unmarried, appeared on the 1635 list of 89 passengers on the *Susan and Ellen* bound for New England, and that “six male passengers, including Richard Scofield, settled at Ipswich, in the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Bay Colony.”⁸ Among these six male passengers was Richard Saltonstall, son of Sir Richard Saltonstall, who was the first assistant of the Massachusetts Bay Company and founder of Watertown.⁹ The significance of this association with the younger Richard Saltonstall will become apparent later.

In 2007 Frederick C. Hart, Jr., reviewed claims made in prior publications as to the Scofields’ origins, dismissing some as inadequately supported by records. However, with regard to Richard Scofield, Hart did agree that “we therefore know that he was on board the *Susan & Ellen* in 1635” and that he “is known to have come from Ipswich, Massachusetts [to Stamford].”¹⁰

In the Great Migration Study, Robert Charles Anderson disagreed that the Richard Scofield listed aboard the *Susan and Ellen* and the Richard Scofield first found in Ipswich records in 1641 were the same man. He found the seven-year gap in records to be too great, especially since the passenger was already an adult in 1635.¹¹ Furthermore, Anderson was unconvinced that the 22-year-old passenger was the same Richard¹ Scofield of Stamford who did not have any children until about 1649—some fourteen years after his arrival in New England. Anderson felt that discovery “of the English origin of the Stamford Scofield brothers might provide a firm date of birth for this Richard Scofield, and indicate whether the identification of the 1635 passenger with the Stamford resident is chronologically possible.”¹²

Perhaps the bottom line on the ancestral origin of Scofield brothers was written by Blair C. Scofield in 1998. He wrote that he was “still struggling with the inclusion of Daniel’s lineage” which he nevertheless stated was through “Alexander, Sir Cuthbert and James.” However, he included the following caveat. “Harriet Scofield [another long-time Scofield family historian] kept insisting that this was not proved, however later in her life she wrote some letters which filled in all the circumstantial evidence indicating that the lineage could be correct. I have no

⁵ The Rochdale parish of Lancashire shares the county border with Halifax parish of Yorkshire. As the crow flies, there is only about 15 miles separating the towns of Rochdale and Halifax, although travel between the towns was greatly inconvenienced by the daunting Pennine Range, the backbone of England, that defines the border between Lancashire and Yorkshire.

⁶ Hoppin, “Schofields of Connecticut,” 211, citing original Stamford Land Records (transcription), A:162, Town Records Microfilm, Reel 4244.7, Connecticut State Library. “Witnes this presents yt I Richard Scofield doe hereby discharge my brother Daniel Scofield of a certain parsell...”

⁷ Paul Prindle, *Ancestry of Elizabeth Barrett Gillespie*, (New Orleans: Polyanthos, c1976), 437.

⁸ Prindle, *Ancestry of Elizabeth Barrett Gillespie*, 437.

⁹ Richard M. Saltonstall, *Ancestry and Descendants of Sir Richard Saltonstall of New England: first associate of the Massachusetts Bay colony and patentee of Connecticut*, (Bowie, Md.: Heritage Books, 1997 reprint), 55-56.

¹⁰ Frederick C. Hart, Jr., “Ancestry of William Weed of Stamford and Darien, Connecticut, A New Series,” *Connecticut Ancestry*, 50 (August 2007), 1-2, 21-28.

¹¹ Robert Charles Anderson, *Great Migration: Immigrants to New England, 1634-1635*, 7 vols., (Boston, New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS)), 1999-2011), 6:201.

¹² Anderson, *Great Migration: Immigrants*, 6:202.

proof yet but one man claimed to have found the baptismal records for both Richard and Daniel. Reader be warned.”¹³

NEW FINDINGS

Since publication of the above, parish registers have become accessible on the internet, providing an opportunity to search again, perhaps more thoroughly, for records that may pertain to Richard¹ and Daniel¹ Scofield. We believe we have discovered baptismal records for the brothers in the Halifax parish registers. Recognizing that indexing is not always perfect, a search of Lancashire baptismal records for variants of the name “Richard Scofield” yielded nine alternatives for the period 1600-1620.¹⁴ A similar search for “Daniel Scofield” yielded no results.¹⁵ This supports findings reported by Hoppin.¹⁶ Expanding these searches to all-of-England yielded only three more Richards: two in Bury Saint Edmunds, Suffolk, and one in Halifax, Yorkshire West Riding.¹⁷ The all-of-England search for “Daniel Scofield” yielded only two results, both in Halifax parish.¹⁸ This is consistent with Prindle’s statement about the Scofields’ origins in Halifax.

Only one of the Daniels had a brother Richard. Richard “Scofield,” baptized 17 March 1610/1,¹⁹ and Daniel “Scofield,” baptized 10 April 1614,²⁰ were both sons of Richard “Scofield” of Hipperholme.

The boys’ father Richard Scofield married Effam^A Northend, daughter of Henry^B and Effam (Lister) Northend on 16 June 1600.²¹ Halifax parish registers document the baptisms of seven sons of Richard Scofield of Hipperholme (their mother is not named) between 1601 and 1618, all of whom will be addressed in the “Genealogical Summary.” However, the naming of his last son

¹³ Blair C. Scofield & Robert W. Spiers, “Descendants of Daniel Scofield 1616-1669/70,” *Connecticut Ancestry*, 41(Aug. 1998), 43. Note that Harriet Scofield was an oft cited Scofield researcher and a member of the Western Reserve Historical Society in Cleveland. After her death in 1970, her compiled genealogy was published in typescript form as “A Scofield Survey.” Ms. Scofield’s research notes were donated to the Stamford Genealogical Society and are now found in a Connecticut Ancestry Society collection in the archival vault at the New Canaan Historical Society (Manuscript Collection CAS-1).

¹⁴ Digital index to “Lancashire, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812” database, search terms: “Richard + Scofield” (box below given and surname checked for exact, sounds like and similar), “1600-1620;” Ancestry.com (<http://www.ancestry.com>): accessed 1 Feb 2017). URL for ancestry.com not repeated below.

¹⁵ Digital index to “Lancashire, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812” database, search terms: same as note 14 except given name “Daniel;” Ancestry.com, accessed 1 Feb 2017.

¹⁶ Hoppin, “*Schofields of Connecticut*,” 213. “We have searched the baptismal registers of Rochdale and of forty-one other Lancashire parishes . . . there are so many Richards in the baptismal records, and as no one of them is recorded in connection with a Daniel, it is beyond our present convenience to distinguish one Richard from another.”

¹⁷ Global search (main search page), Ancestry.com, search terms: “Richard + Scofield” (check-box below both given and surname fields checked for exact, sounds like and similar), [year of birth] 1610 +/-10, [place of birth] England, accessed 1 Feb 2017.

¹⁸ Global search, Ancestry.com, search terms: same as above except using “Daniel” as the given name. accessed 1 Feb. 2017. Note, another Daniel Scofeeld of Warley was baptized on 26 Oct 1600, the son of Richard Scofeeld of Warley. The Halifax registers use the township of residence to differentiate between people with the same name. Richard Scofield of Warley is a different man than Richard Scofield of Hipperholme. Only Richard Scofield of Hipperholme had a son named Richard baptized.

¹⁹ Church of England, parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, Baptisms, Marriages, Burials, 1610, Richard & Samuel, sons of Richard Scofield, [of] “Hipp[erholme],” 17 Mar 1610[/1], unpaginated; digital image, “West Yorkshire, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1512-1812,” database, Ancestry.com, accessed 1 Feb. 2017. Note, this parish register was viewed at Ancestry.com as described here unless otherwise noted. Database name and website will not be repeated. All records accessed 1 Feb 2017.

²⁰ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, 1614, Daniel, son of Richard Scofield, [of] “Hipp[erholme],” baptized 10 Apr 1614, unpaginated.

²¹ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, 1600, Richard Scofelde and Effan Northend married 16 June 1600, unpaginated. This record is incorrectly indexed as 16 January 1600 at Ancestry.com. The month is written “Junii” and “1600” is clearly written at the top of the page.

Jeremy Scofield, baptized 21 Mar 1618/9, is worth special notice. Conducting an all-of-England search for a "Jeremy Scofield," including variants, for the one-hundred-year period 1540-1640, yielded no additional instances of a Jeremy Scofield.²² Yet Richard¹ Scofield had a son named Jeremy, born 10 March 1658/9 at Stamford.²³ Clearly "Jeremy," as was "Daniel," was a unique name shared by both the Halifax and Stamford branches of these Scofields.

THE NORTHEND-SCOFIELD CONNECTION

Researcher Matthew Wood found that Matthew Mitchell, Rev. Richard Denton, and Edmond Wood, all among the original settlers at Stamford, resided around Coley Chapel, Halifax parish, prior to their emigration.²⁴ In the conclusion of his article, recognizing that these three and others who did not emigrate represented a related group of English Puritans, Matthew Wood wrote that a

circle of associations may be detected drawing together Abraham Halstead, John Lumme of Westercroft, Henry Northend of Quarlers (Wharlers), and Richard Wood of Northowram and his son Joseph Wood. There were Northends in Rev. Heywood's puritan congregation, and also in New England. Quarlers may have been the 'Quarry House' which was earlier the residence of Matthew Mitchell. Richard Wood may have been a relative of both Abraham Halstead and Edmund Wood. John Lumme of Westercroft may have been a relative of Martha (Lome) Wood and John Lum the emigrant. All of these families seem to have been puritans and formed a pocket of religious dissenters focused around Coley Chapel, near Shelf, where at least two of the curates, Richard Denton and Oliver Heywood, were puritan ministers.²⁵

Among Wood's "circle" were members of the Northend family, which had long been resident in Northowram and surrounding areas, owning a number of manor houses and other properties,²⁶ one of which has been known by many names including Wharlers, Quarlers and Quarry House.²⁷ "Thos. del Northend de Ourum" was present in court as early as 1308.²⁸ Furthermore, the family had been significantly involved in development and support of Coley Chapel, which originated in 1513.²⁹ In 1533, the will of another Thomas Northend provided for a bequest "to the chapel of Coldley."³⁰ Richard Northend was the second curate at Coley, being stationed there around 1530.³¹ Years later, Henry^A Northend was among the ringleaders in the removal of Ralph Marsden, the eighth curate at Coley.³² Thus the family was heavily involved and very influential in local affairs, particularly those of the church.

²² Global search, Ancestry.com, search terms: "Jeremy," + "Scofield" (exact, sounds like and similar checked), 1540-1640 (requires multiple 20-year searches), England, accessed 1 Feb 2017.

²³ Paul Finch, *Stamford Town Records, 1641-1723*, (Boston: NEHGS, 2011), 1:76.

²⁴ Matthew Wood, "English Origins of the Mitchell, Wood, Lum and Halstead Families," *New York Genealogical and Biographical Record* 120 (1989): 1-9, 98-101, 142-47, 229-36; 121 (1990): 96-101.

²⁵ Matthew Wood, "English Origins," 121 (1990):96

²⁶ W.B. Trigg, *History of Northowram Hall*, (Halifax Antiquarian Society: 1932), 132-139; and, Mark Pearson, *Ancient Shibden Mansions*, (Halifax Antiquarian Society: 1906), 141, 143-154.

²⁷ Michael Beecham, *Brynescoles Valley, Northowram, Earlier Histories of the Valley & Northowram Village*, (Northowram: Northowram Historical Society, 2016), 47-50. Unless quoted, Quarlers will be used throughout this paper.

²⁸ J. Horsfall Turner, *The History of Brighouse, Rastrick and Hipperholme*, (Bingley, Yorkshire, Eng.: Thomas Harrison and Sons, 1893), 57.

²⁹ Turner, *History of Brighouse*, 137.

³⁰ Church of England, Archbishop of York, Exchequer and Prerogative Courts, Wills and Administrations, registered copies, v. 11, fol. 70, will of Thomas Northend of Halifax parish, dated 24 Nov 1533, filed 16 Dec 1533; FHL microfilm series "Wills and administrations, 1389-1858," (456 rolls), roll 99,462 (Registered copies v. 11, 1531-1544).

³¹ Mark Pearson, *Northowram: Its History and Antiquities*, (Halifax, Eng: F. King & Sons, 1898), 42.

³² Pearson, *Northowram History*, 42.

Richard^A Scofield became involved with the Northend family when he married Effam^A, daughter of Henry^B Northend.³³ Living on property adjacent to Effam's father, Richard^A Scofield undoubtedly had considerable interaction with the Northend family. Ultimately, he, Effam and five of their sons including Richard¹ and Daniel¹ were named in the will of Henry^B Northend "of Wharlers" dated 6 June 1616 and recorded 18 December 1616.³⁴ After the usual preamble, it reads: (bold emphasis added to indicate sections relevant to Richard^A Scofield and family)

I give unto Michael Northend my son the sum of four pounds Item I give unto Richard Northend my son the sum of thirty pounds and to Henry Northend my son the sum of thirty pounds and to William Drake my son-in-law twenty pounds Item I give unto Michael Northend son of my late son John six pounds & thirteen shillings four pence Item I give unto John Whiteley son of John Whiteley five pounds and my will and mind is that the acquittance of the said John Whiteley the father upon the receipt of the said five pounds at mine executors hand shall be a sufficient discharge unto them for the said Item I do give unto Sara and Mary Whittaker daughters of Edward Whittaker deceased to either of them twenty shillings and to either of them a cupboard And to Henry Whittaker their brother I forgive three pounds which he oweth me **Item I do give unto Oswould Joseph Richard Samuel and Daniel Scolefeild the five younger sons of Richard Scolefeild my son in law ten pounds to wit to each of them forty shillings which I will shall be paid them as they shall severally accomplish the full age of twenty one years and in the meantime the sum to remain in the hands of Henry Northend my son And my mind is that if any of the said five children die within the said then the part and portion of the said legacy belonging to the said child or children so dying shall remain and be divided amongst the residue living** The residue and remainder of all my goods chattels and debts I do give devise and bequeath to the said Richard Northend and Henry Northend my sons and to Martha my daughter equally to be divided amongst them And I do name make and appoint the said Richard and Henry Northend my sons joint executors of this my last will and testament And I do request my well beloved friends John Drake of Horley Green and Samuel Lister of Southowram to be overseers of this my will In witness whereof I the said Henry Northend the elder have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written **Item I give to Effam my daughter two coverlets a pair of blankets a pair of sheets a mattress one boulder and one pillow lying upon a bed in the lower chamber** Sealed and signed in the presence of Gilbert Longbothem John Scolfeild Richard Wood.³⁵

The will not only verifies family connections, but also suggests that Richard^A was not doing as well financially as other members of the family. One son-in-law, John Whitely, was permitted to hold the bequest to his son while Richard^A was not. Instead, Henry^B placed the amount for the Scofield children in the hands of his son Henry^A. This suggestion of financial instability and financial reliance on in-laws is borne out by an earlier record pertaining to Richard^A's real estate.

This earlier record provides more evidence that Richard Scofield may have had financial problems. On 21 August 1612, Richard^A "Scolefeild" firmly bound himself to John Whitley of Hipperholme.³⁶ Whitley was his brother-in-law, husband of Sebbel Northend, Effam^A's sister.³⁷

³³ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1600, Richard Scolfelde and Effan Northend married 16 June 1600.

³⁴ Church of England, Archbishop of York, Exchequer and Prerogative Courts, Wills and Administrations, registered copies, v. 34, fol. 286, will of "Henry Northend the elder" of Northowram, dated 6 June 1616, filed 10 Dec 1616; FHL microfilm series "Wills and administrations, 1389-1858," (456 rolls), roll 99,501 (Registered copies v. 34, 1616-1617).

³⁵ Will of "Henry Northend, the elder."

³⁶ "Ancestral Deeds, Research and Transcription," online at www.ancestraldeeds.co.uk/index.php?p=1_21_Renaissance-English-with-Latin, viewed 9 Nov 2016.

³⁷ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1598/9, John Whitley and Sibil Northende married 24 April 1599, unpaginated; digital image, "West Yorkshire, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1512-1812," database, Ancestry.com, accessed 1 Feb 2017. This record is incorrectly indexed at Ancestry.com as occurring in 1598.

It appears this was a mortgage of freehold property held by “Scolefield” which was adjacent to Quarlers. “Scolefield” had apparently borrowed £65 from Whitley which was due to be repaid on 21 June 1613. Should “Scolefeild” fail to repay the loan, he provided warranty of clear title to the freehold property, which would transfer by deed of feoffment.³⁸ The property was described as a “close of land & meadow called Bally Brigyng, and one cottage and one garden, standing or being in or near the foresaid close . . . in Lightcliffe within the township of Hipperholme in the said county of York, now in the tenure or occupation of the said Richard Scolefeild.” The property was “abutting upon the highway between Wakefield & Halifax towards the North, upon a certain river there towards the east, upon the lands of Samuel Hoile towards the south, and upon one close called Wharlers towards the west.” This property had apparently come to “Scolefeild” as dowry from his marriage to Effam^A Northend as Whitley was warranted “especially of & from the Jointure Dower & title of Dower of Effan now wife of the said Richard Scolefeild.”³⁹

Apparently “Scolefield” ultimately was unable to repay the loan because the property transferred to Whitley. A “foot of fine”⁴⁰ recorded the Easter Term 1613 shows that Edward Northend and John Whitley, querents (purchasers), received from John and Phebe Bentley and Richard and Effam “Scolefeild,” defendants (sellers) a messuage, cottage and lands in Northowram, Lightcliffe and Hipperholme.⁴¹ This is likely the same property as that mortgaged since the location places it very close to Quarlers. An impoverished financial condition, as demonstrated by the 1612 mortgage and the 1613 fine, may explain the restrictive nature of the 1616 bequests to Richard^A's sons as well as providing a cause for their later immigration.

Quarlers, subsequent to the death of Henry^B, ended up in the hands of his son Richard Northend, who held the property at his own death sometime before 1634. In that year Richard's widow, Jane Northend, quitclaimed those lands to Matthew Mitchell, a “chapman” formerly of Southowram.⁴² Mitchell did not long reside on the property, being burned out shortly thereafter.⁴³ In 1635 Mitchell and family immigrated to New England on the *James*, eventually settling in 1641 in Stamford where he died by 16 June 1646.⁴⁴ Henry^A Northend then rebuilt Quarlers and lived in it with his second wife Susannah.⁴⁵

Henry^A and his family, in the meantime, remained intimately connected with the Coley circle and its members. Henry^A married twice and had a number of children, including John¹ who was born in 1619 and David who was born in 1624. The will of another of Henry^A's sons, Joseph, dated 6 July 1632 and filed 23 October 1634, contains another connection to the Scofield family. Among other bequests was one leaving forty shillings to his “cousin Oswald Scolefield” (son of

³⁸ Feoffment is a grant of ownership of freehold property.

³⁹ “Ancestral Deeds, Research and Transcription,” viewed 9 Nov 2016.

⁴⁰ “Land conveyances by feet of fines 1182-1833,” nationalarchives.gov.uk. “Feet of fines are court copies of agreements following disputes over property. In reality, the disputes were mostly fictitious and were simply a way of having the transfer of ownership of land recorded officially by the king's court.” See also, David Hey, ed., *The Oxford Companion to Family and Local History*, (NY: Oxford University Press, 2008), 387.

⁴¹ William Brigg, *Yorkshire Fines for the Stuart Period, Vol. 1, 1-11 Jas. 1, 1603-1614*, (Leeds: Yorkshire Archaeological Society, 1915), 201. Easter Term 1613, “Edw. Northend and John Whitley, quer: John Bentley and Phebe his wife and Rich. Scolefeild and Effan his wife, def. Messuage, cottage and lands in Northowrom, Lightcliffe and Hipperholme.” The identity of the Bentleys is not known.

⁴² Turner, *The History of Brighouse*, 181. A “chapman” was a middleman who may have had extensive commercial activities. See David Hey, ed., *The Oxford Companion to Family and Local History*, (New York: Oxford University Press, 2008), 315.

⁴³ Pearson, *Northowram History*, 59.

⁴⁴ Robert Charles Anderson, *Great Migration: Immigrants*, 5:125.

⁴⁵ Pearson, *Northowram History*, 59.

Richard^A and Effam^A Scolefield). The will also left ten shillings to “Mr. Denton preacher at Coley.”⁴⁶

THE THREE IMMIGRANTS

Richard¹ Scofield

As noted above, until Robert Charles Anderson’s *Great Migration* sketch of Richard Scofield, genealogists had generally accepted that Richard¹, a settler in Ipswich and Stamford, was the same person as Richard who sailed on the *Susan and Ellen*. Anderson did not agree, chiefly because there was a seven-year gap between the *Susan and Ellen* passenger list and Richard Scofield’s appearance in Ipswich. We believe the gap may be explained and that there is good reason to accept that Richard¹ Scofield of Ipswich and Stamford was the same as Richard Scofield on the *Susan and Ellen*.

We have demonstrated that the Scofields had a significant connection to the Northend family of the Coley “circle,” perhaps as the somewhat “poor relations.” They probably had links with another Yorkshire family as well. Richard Saltonstall, with family connections in Hipperholme, was another passenger on the *Susan and Ellen*.⁴⁷ Richard¹ Scofield’s likely connection to his English neighbor and fellow passenger provides further evidence that Richard¹ Scofield of Stamford is the Richard Scofield born in Hipperholme in 1610/1, the Richard Scofield of the *Susan and Ellen*, and the Richard Scofield who first appears in Ipswich records in late 1641.

First of all, their ages stated in the passenger list are reasonably consistent with their baptismal records and show them to have been contemporaries. Richard¹ Scofield’s baptismal date indicates he would have been about 24 years old in 1635 when he departed on the *Susan and Ellen*. This age correlates well with his age recorded as 22 on the passenger list.⁴⁸ Richard Saltonstall, also originally from Yorkshire, was born in 1610,⁴⁹ making him about 25 in 1635. The passenger list for the *Susan and Ellen* shows him to have been age 23. Apparently, ages recorded on the passenger list were approximated, at best,⁵⁰ but the two Richards were only a year apart in age.

That Richard¹ Scofield and Richard Saltonstall were both on the *Susan and Ellen* is no coincidence. So close in age, they had likely known each other since childhood. The Scofield and Saltonstall families had both resided in Lightcliffe, a hamlet in Hipperholme township, for more than 100 years.⁵¹ Rookes Hall, the Saltonstall family seat in Hipperholme, was purchased

⁴⁶ Church of England, Archbishop of York, Exchequer and Prerogative Courts, Wills and Administrations, registered copies, v. 42, fol. 320, will of Joseph Northend of Northowram, dated 6 July 1632, filed 23 Oct 1634; FHL microfilm series “Wills and administrations, 1389-1858,” (456 rolls), roll 99,518 (Registered copies v. 42 (cont.), 1632-1637).

⁴⁷ John Camden Hotten, *The Original Lists of Persons of Quality*, (London: self-published, 1874), 59; see also, “Great Migration: Passengers of the Susan and Ellen, 1635,” online at <https://www.geni.com/projects/Great-Migration-Passengers-of-the-Susan-and-Allen-1635/15966>.

⁴⁸ Hotten, *The Original Lists*, 59; see also, “Great Migration: Passengers of the Susan and Ellen, 1635.”

⁴⁹ Saltonstall, *Ancestry and Descendants of Sir Richard Saltonstall*, 86. His maternal grandfather was Robert Kaye of Woodsome in Almondbury Parish.

⁵⁰ Anderson, *Great Migration: Immigrants*, 5:371. Anderson, in his sketch of another *Susan and Ellen* passenger, Thomas Parker, makes note of the “known inaccuracies of the ages given in the London Port Books...”

⁵¹ James Parker, *Illustrated Rambles from Hipperholme to Tong ...* (Bradford: Percy Lund, Humphries, 1904), 429. In “List of Money Towards Maintaining a Priest at Lightcliffe Chapel, 1529,” each giving one shilling, are found; John Scofield, out of his messuage and lands, etc., thereto belonging in Lightcliffe; Gilbert Saltonstall,

by Gilbert Saltonstall, Richard's great-grandfather, about 1566.⁵² The property was located in Lightcliffe, near Norwood Green.⁵³ Richard^A Scofield was a resident of Lightcliffe when he mortgaged Bally Brigying to his brother-in-law John Whitley in 1612.⁵⁴ Sir Richard Saltonstall, father of the *Susan and Ellen* passenger, probably resided in Yorkshire until he sailed to America, at which time he divested his property there⁵⁵ selling Rookes Hall to the same John Whitley in 1628.⁵⁶

Richard Saltonstall was a resident of Ipswich in 1635,⁵⁷ apparently going directly there upon arrival in New England. However, the first record for Richard¹ Scofield in Ipswich is not until 1641, almost seven years later.⁵⁸ Since the two men were associated in Hipperholme and they sailed together to New England on the *Susan and Ellen*, it follows that on arrival in New England they both lived in Ipswich. Additionally, the Scofield surname was relatively rare in early New England,⁵⁹ making it likely that the 1641 Ipswich settler was the same person as the 1635 *Susan and Ellen* immigrant. The difficulty lies in explaining why no record of Scofield was created in Ipswich before 1641.

Comparing the ship's passenger list to the known residents of Ipswich, there were at least eight adult men aboard the *Susan and Ellen* who located in Ipswich.⁶⁰ The following table provides their names, ages and two sources that date their first appearance in the town.

Name and Age ⁶¹		Date in Ipswich ⁶²	First Residence in North America ⁶³
Saltonstall, Richard	23	1635	Ipswich in 1635 ⁶⁴
Procter, John	40	1635	Ipswich: in 1635 granted a houselot
Wells, Thomas	30	1635	Ipswich: in 1635 granted house

out of his message and land in Lightcliffe; and Richard Scofield, out of Gib-House (Giles House), and lands thereto belonging in Lightcliffe."

⁵² John Watson, *History and Antiquities of the Parish of Halifax, in Yorkshire*, (London: Lowndes, 1775), 237. "Gilbert Saltonstall, of Halifax, 8 Eliz [1566], as by deed at Coley, purchased Rookes, and other lands in Hipperholme, and accordingly is mentioned as of Rookes, by deed 37 Eliz.[1595]."

⁵³ "Historic England," online database, www.historicengland.org.uk, "Upper Rookes," list entry number 1300198, viewed 9 Oct 2016.

⁵⁴ "Ancestral Deeds, Research and Transcription."

⁵⁵ Saltonstall, *Ancestry and Descendants of Sir Richard Saltonstall*, 56-57.

⁵⁶ William Brown, *Yorkshire Deeds: Volume 2*, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2013), 77.

⁵⁷ Joseph B. Felt, *History of Ipswich, Essex, and Hamilton*, (Cambridge: 1834), 13 and 95.

⁵⁸ Felt, *History of Ipswich*, 13.

⁵⁹ James Savage, *A Genealogical Dictionary of the First Settlers of New England*, (Boston: Little, Brown, 1862), 4:35-36, combines the surnames Scofield and Scovil in identifying 17th Century settlers but only finds two as early as the 1630s and 1640s: Daniel and Richard. Similarly, current compendia identify only Daniel and/or Richard as early 17th Century settlers. See Mary Louise Marshall Hutton, comp., *Seventeenth Century Colonial Ancestors*, (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1984), 223; Martin E. Hollick, *New Englanders in the 1600s*, (Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2012), 207; and, Robert Charles Anderson, *The Great Migration Directory*, (Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2015), 299.

⁶⁰ Prindle, *Ancestry of Elizabeth Barrett Gillespie*, 437. Prindle incorrectly states six male passengers went to Ipswich. In addition to the eight listed in the table above, the family of Henry Pinder was aboard the *Susan and Ellen*. Anderson, *Great Migration: Immigrants*, 5:466. With regard to Henry Pinder, there is no record of Henry's arrival, but he was there by 6 Sep 1636.

⁶¹ "Passengers of the Susan and Ellen." Name and age of the eight passengers tabulated.

⁶² Felt, *History of Ipswich*, 10-13. Name and date of first record of townsmen tabulated.

⁶³ Anderson, *Great Migration: Immigrants*, 5:540-544 (Procter), 7:294-300 (Wells), 5:267 (North), 1:231-237 (Belcher), 4:361-365 (Lumms), and, 5:477-479 (Podd). Note: Anderson does not address the younger Saltonstall, but references the Saltonstall Papers 1:25-41 for a biographical sketch.

⁶⁴ Saltonstall, *Ancestry and Descendants of Sir Richard Saltonstall*, 87.

North, John	20	1637	Ipswich: in 1637 granted three acres
Belcher, Jerney	22	1639	Ipswich: made freeman 13 Mar 1638/9
Scofield, Richard	22	1642	Unknown: a Richard Scofield is first found in Ipswich records in late 1641
Lummus, Edward	24	1642	Ipswich: a weaver, made freeman 4 Nov 1645.
Podd, Samuel	25	1642	Ipswich: on 28 Feb 1641[2] included in the list of commoners [proprietors] of Ipswich

Three of these men, Richard¹ Scofield, Edward Lummus and Samuel Podd, left no record in Ipswich for almost seven years. This duration coincides well with the typical term of service for an indentured servant during this period.⁶⁵ Indentured servants were common in this time period and the presence of several among the passengers of the *Susan and Ellen* has been well documented.⁶⁶ Robert Charles Anderson makes the following comments concerning servants in his *Great Migration Newsletter*,

Not surprisingly, all the leading citizens of the [Massachusetts Bay] colony had servants, which they must have brought with them from old England...From this mass of evidence, a regular pattern emerges. Those families immigrating to New England during its first two decades who could afford servants took on young men and women from their native parish and environs in old England. These servants were frequently relatives of the hiring master, or children of neighboring families which had long been associated with one another in England. Upon arrival in New England, these servants completed the terms of their contracts, and then moved immediately into the mainstream of New England society, frequently at the same social level as their recent masters. They married, joined the church, held office, were granted land, and otherwise participated fully in the community. These earliest New England servants were not members of a permanent underclass. Their time in service was just a common and accepted stage in the life cycle of the 'middle class' of the time.⁶⁷

The Saltonstalls were among the "leading citizens" of the colony and would have brought over servants under the circumstances described by Anderson. Sir Richard Saltonstall, the father of Richard, sent servants over in 1629 in advance of his own arrival in 1631.⁶⁸ Certainly his son, a leading citizen of Ipswich, was likely to have had servants in a situation similar to his father and those servants likely would have been from "neighboring families" such as the Scofields. It seems possible and plausible that, during the seven-year gap in Richard¹ Scofield's record, he was indentured to Saltonstall, working off the terms of his passage before taking his place in Ipswich society in 1641.

⁶⁵ Eric Amesen, *Encyclopedia of U.S. Labor and Working Class History, Vol. 1*, (New York: Taylor & Francis, 2007), 1:639.

⁶⁶ Anderson, *Great Migration: Immigrants*, 2:152 (Clement Cole), 1:298 (Simon Bird), 7:393 (George Wilby). These are just three examples. Ages of other passengers are suggestive of their having a status of indentured servant, such as Philip Atwood, aged 13 (Anderson, 1:104).

⁶⁷ Robert Charles Anderson, *The Great Migration Newsletter*, Volumes 1-20, (Boston: NEHGS, 2012) 463-464. Interestingly, these comments are wrapped around a discussion of the presence of servants on another *Susan and Ellen* passenger list.

⁶⁸ Robert Charles Anderson, *The Great Migration Begins*, 3 Vols (Boston: NEHGS, 1995), 3:1820-1822. Hugh Tilley, a servant of Sir Richard Saltonstall, arrived on the *Lyon's Whelpe* in 1629. The first record of him in New England occurs when he was admitted as a freeman on 3 Sep 1634, a period of five years.

Daniel¹ Scofield

Daniel¹ Scofield was clearly identified as brother of Richard¹ Scofield in Richard¹'s deed to Daniel¹ on 11 March 1666/67 and recorded in Stamford records.⁶⁹ As shown above, Daniel¹ was born in Hipperholme township in 1614 and baptized at Halifax on 10 April 1614. His uncle Henry^A Northend of Quarlers, was among the "circle of associates" of those from Halifax connected to those who immigrated to Stamford. Daniel¹ was not on the passenger list of the *Susan and Ellen* in 1635, thus he probably did not immigrate to New England with his brother and Richard Saltonstall. There also is no evidence to indicate that Daniel¹ lived for any time in Ipswich prior to arriving at Stamford. The first record for Daniel¹ Scofield in New England is on 7 December 1641 when he received a two-acre home lot and three acres of wood land in Stamford.⁷⁰ That he did not participate in the original land allocation may indicate that he was a relatively new arrival, having spent little or no time in New England prior to coming to Stamford. It seems possible that he may have immigrated with another group of Coley associates, including Rev. Richard Denton and John¹ Northend, Daniel¹'s cousin, who were recorded briefly in Wethersfield in 1641 prior to moving on to Stamford. In any case, the Stamford deed cited by Hoppin clearly shows that Daniel¹ Scofield was Richard¹'s brother.

John¹ Northend

John¹ Northend, a settler in Wethersfield and an original settler in Stamford, left few records from which he might be identified. While there were several men named John Northend in Halifax parish, there is no direct evidence which one was the immigrant. Given the numerous family and religious connections demonstrated within the Stamford group, it seems likely that John Northend of Stamford was the one closely related to Richard¹ and Daniel¹ Scofield. He was the John¹ Northend, son of Henry^A Northend, and nephew of Effam^A (Northend) Scofield, who was baptized at Halifax on 12 September 1619.⁷¹ Thus, John was a first cousin of Daniel¹ and Richard¹ Scofield. His father was among the "circle of associates" which included Stamford settlers Edmund Wood, Matthew Mitchell and Richard Denton.⁷² After John's baptism, no records of him—neither marriage nor burial—appear in the Halifax parish registers, which may reflect his leaving the area prior to marrying or having children. His immigration may account for his younger brother David later possessing Quarlers after the death of Henry^A, their father.⁷³

It appears probable that John¹ Northend traveled with other Coley area "associates," most notably the Rev. Richard Denton who had been partially supported by the Northends. On 10 April 1640, the Connecticut General Court dealt with Wethersfield land issues. Among its decisions was that "There is fifteen acres for Mr. Deynton and a frynd of his, to be sett out...wth two howse lotts and a prportion of upland thereunto belonging."⁷⁴ Since the friend was not named, it is probable that Denton and his friend had not yet arrived in Wethersfield. Contrary to

⁶⁹ Stamford Land Records, A:162; *Town Records Microfilm*, Reel 4244.7, Connecticut State Library.

⁷⁰ Finch, *Stamford Town Records*, 1:6.

⁷¹ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, Baptisms, 1619, John, son of Henry Northend [of] North[owram], 12 Sep 1619, unpaginated; digital image, "West Yorkshire, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1512-1812," database, Ancestry.com, accessed 1 Feb. 2017.

⁷² Matthew Wood, "English Origins," 121 (1990):96.

⁷³ Pearson, *Northowram History*, 59.

⁷⁴ J. Hammond Trumbull, ed., *Public Records of the Colony of Connecticut. . .* (Hartford: Brown & Parsons, 1850), 1:63.

what is generally accepted—that he sailed for America in 1635⁷⁵—Rev. Denton probably did not depart Halifax prior to 21 June 1638, the date that his daughter Mary was baptized at Halifax.⁷⁶

Subsequently, both Denton and Northend had certainly arrived by 24 April 1641 when they recorded their land holdings in consecutive pages of the Wethersfield land records, each recorded as having two of their parcels of land bounded by lands of the other.⁷⁷ Thus, it seems likely that Northend was the anticipated “frynd” of Denton. If Daniel Scofield and possibly others immigrated along with Denton and Northend, it is likely that they were in Wethersfield only a brief time, and since no land had been set aside for them, they left no mark in Wethersfield records.

Stamford town records show that John¹ Northend was among the Wethersfield men, including Matthew Mitchell and Rev. Richard Denton, who committed to remove to Stamford, shared in payment of the purchase price for the land, and received the initial grant of land in the town.⁷⁸ John¹ Northend’s name appears in town accounts dated 7 January 1642/3, his account being connected to that of John Ogden, Richard Ogden and Edmund Wood.⁷⁹ All were probably Yorkshiremen and one, Wood, certainly had been associated with the Coley Chapel group back in Halifax.⁸⁰ Thereafter, John¹ Northend does not appear in Stamford records, perhaps reflecting an early death.

SUMMARY

In summary, Richard¹ and Daniel¹ Scofield of Stamford were born in Hipperholme and baptized in Halifax, sons of Richard^A and Effam^A (Northend) Scofield, being the only Richard-Daniel brother combination located in available records. The Scofields had connections to many of the immigrants who went to Ipswich, Wethersfield and/or Stamford either through family connections or through the Coley “circle.” Richard¹ Scofield likely immigrated to New England in 1635, probably being the same one who accompanied Richard Saltonstall on the *Susan and Ellen*. Richard¹ Scofield first settled in Ipswich where he likely served as an indentured servant. He later removed to Stamford where he was proven to be Daniel¹’s brother through a deed recorded in town records in 1666/67. John¹ Northend, son of Henry^A Northend, the brother of Effam^A (Northend) Scofield, was first cousin to Richard¹ and Daniel¹. Again, this family relationship as well as his father’s association with the Coley “circle” make it likely that John¹ Northend was the same one who accompanied Rev. Richard Denton first to Wethersfield and subsequently to Stamford where he was one of the original settlers, arriving just prior to Daniel¹ Scofield.

⁷⁵ Walter C. Krumm, “Meeting the Reverend Richard Denton (1603-1663?),” *Connecticut Ancestry*, 47 (Dec 2004), 109.

⁷⁶ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, Baptisms, 1638, Mary [d/o] Rich: Denton Hipp[erholme], minister, 21 June 1638, unpaginated.

⁷⁷ Wethersfield Land Records, 1:215 (Denton) and 1:216 (Northend).

⁷⁸ Finch, *Stamford Town Records*, 1:6.

⁷⁹ Finch, *Stamford Town Records*, 1:16.

⁸⁰ Jack Harpster, *John Ogden, the Pilgrim (1609-1682): A Man of More than Ordinary Mark*, (Cranbury, N.J.: Associated University Presses, 2006), 69. Harpster postulates that Matthew Mitchell and John Ogden were friends back in England, living “within a stones throw from each other.” John Ogden’s record is very similar to Daniel Scofield’s, in that Ogden’s earliest New England record is at Stamford on 7 Dec 1641. It is possible that he and his brother Richard were also among the group of Coley associates traveling with Denton.

GENEALOGICAL SUMMARY

HENRY^B NORTHEND was born, say, 1539-1544 (marriage in 1564), and he was buried at Halifax, Yorkshire, England, on 06 August 1616.⁸¹ He married at Halifax 18 September 1564, **EFFAM LISTER**.⁸² Effam was the daughter of Richard Lister of Halifax baptized at Halifax on 26 February 1545/6.⁸³ She was buried at Halifax on 26 July 1611.⁸⁴

Children of Henry^B Northend and Effam (Lister) Northend:

- i. **RICHARD NORTHEND**; baptized at Halifax on 11 November 1565;⁸⁵ died before 1634;⁸⁶ married at Halifax on 26 August 1588 to **JANE OLDFIELD**.⁸⁷ Richard purchased Dove House from James Oldfield in 1579, and sold Dove House to Samuel Lister of Shibden Hall in 1614.⁸⁸ Richard was named in his father's will in 1616 and later possessed Quarlers. His widow Jane quitclaimed Quarlers to Matthew Mitchell in 1634.⁸⁹
- ii. **MARTHA NORTHEND**; baptized at Halifax 6 March 1567/8.⁹⁰ She married first **EDWARD WHITTAKER**, say, 1591 (first known child baptized 1592/3). She married second on 30 November 1602 at Halifax to **WILLIAM DRAKE** of Lee in Northowram.⁹¹ Martha, her deceased husband Edward Whittaker and their three children, and her then husband William Drake were all mentioned in her father's will in 1616.

Children of Edward and Martha (Northend) Whittaker:

- a. **HENRY WHITTAKER**; baptized at Halifax on 25 February 1592/3.⁹²
- b. **SARA WHITTAKER**; baptized at Halifax on 14 December 1595.⁹³
- c. **MARY WHITTAKER**; baptized at Halifax on 1 January 1598/9.⁹⁴

Child of William Drake and Martha (Northend) (Whittaker) Drake:

⁸¹ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, burial, 6 Aug 1616, "Henry Northend [of] North[owram]."

⁸² E.W. Crossley, *Parish Registers of Halifax, Co. York, Vol. II, Marriages and Burials - 1538 to 1593*, (Wakefield, Yorkshire Parish Register Society, 1914), 50, marriage 18 Sep 1564, "Henricus Northende et Effame Lister."

⁸³ E.W. Crossley, *Parish Registers of Halifax, Co. York, Vol. I, Baptisms - 1538 to 1593*, (Wakefield: Yorkshire Parish Register Society, 1910), 42. 26 Feb 1545[/6], "Effame filia Ric. Lister de Halifax."

⁸⁴ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, burial, 26 Jul 1611, "Uxor [wife of] Henry Northend [of] North[owram]."

⁸⁵ Crossley, *Parish Registers of Halifax, Baptisms*, 160, 11 Nov 1565, "Richard fili Henruci Northend de North."

⁸⁶ Turner, *History of Brighouse*, 181. "Jane Northend of Southouram, wid. of Ric. N[orthend] of Northouram, quitclaimed lands in N[orthowra]m to Matthew Mitchell of N[orthowra]m."

⁸⁷ Crossley, *Parish Registers of Halifax, Marriages and Burials*, 117, 26 Aug 1588, "Ric. Northend et Jane Oldfeld."

⁸⁸ "Antiquarians at Shibden. Daisy Bank, Dove House, and Shibden Hall," *Papers, Reports, etc., Read before the Halifax Antiquarian Society* (Halifax: The Society, 1901), unnumbered, last page of article. "in 1579 James Oldfield conveyed Dove House, etc., to Richard Northend, yeoman, of whom it was purchased by Samuel Lister, of Shibden Hall, in 1614."

⁸⁹ Turner, *History of Brighouse*, 181.

⁹⁰ Crossley, *The Parish Registers of Halifax, Baptisms*, 175.

⁹¹ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, marriage, 30 Nov 1602, "William Drake [&] Martha Whitaker."

⁹² Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 25 Feb 1592[/3], Henrie [son of] Edward Whitakers de Skircoat.

⁹³ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 14 Dec 1595, "Sara [d/o] Edw Whittakers [of] Skir[cote]."

⁹⁴ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 1 Jan 1598[/9], "Mary [d/o] Edw. Whittaker [of] Skir[cote]."

d. EDITH DRAKE; baptized at Halifax on 4 December 1603.⁹⁵

iii. JOHN NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 6 January 1569/70;⁹⁶ He died before 6 June 1616 (mentioned as deceased in father's will).

Children of John Northend and his unknown wife:

a. MICHAEL NORTHEND. Identified as "Michael Northend son of my late son John" in his grandfather's will written on 6 June 1616.⁹⁷

iv. GRACE NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 1 June 1572;⁹⁸ she was buried at Halifax on 27 September 1593.⁹⁹

2 v. HENRY^A NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 2 January 1574/5;¹⁰⁰ he died before 28 September 1650.¹⁰¹ Henry married first MARY ROYDE at Halifax on 31 May 1602.¹⁰² He married second SUSAN (NORTHEND) WOOD, a distant cousin, at Halifax on 1 February 1613.¹⁰³

3 vi. EFFAM^A NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 16 March 1576/7,¹⁰⁴ and she was buried at Halifax on 10 April 1632.¹⁰⁵ She married RICHARD SCOFIELD at Halifax on 16 June 1600.¹⁰⁶

vii. SEBBEL NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 31 May 1579;¹⁰⁷ she was buried at Halifax on 24 September 1603.¹⁰⁸ She married JOHN WHITLEY "of Hipperholme" at Halifax on 24 April 1599.¹⁰⁹ Sebbel was not mentioned in her father's will, but her husband and son were: "John Whiteley son of John Whiteley."¹¹⁰

Children of John Whitley and Sebbel (Northend) Whitley:

⁹⁵ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 4 Dec 1603, Edith [d/o] William Drake [of] North[owram]."

⁹⁶ Crossley, "The Parish Registers of Halifax, Baptisms, 188. 6 Jan 1569[/70], "Johne fil. Henryi Northend [de] North[owram]."

⁹⁷ Will of "Henry Northend, the elder."

⁹⁸ Crossley, "The Parish Registers of Halifax, Baptisms, 207. 1 Jun 1572, "Grace fil. Henrye Northend de Northour."

⁹⁹ Crossley, "The Parish Registers of Halifax, Marriages and Burials, 358. 27 Sep 1593, "Grace [d/o] Henry Northend de Northour."

¹⁰⁰ Crossley, "The Parish Registers of Halifax, Baptisms, 224. 2 Jan 1574[/5], "Henrye fil. Henrye Northend de Northour."

¹⁰¹ Matthew Wood, "Origins," 120:231.

¹⁰² Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, marriage, 31 May 1602, "Henry Northend [&] Mary Royde [of] Nor[thowram]."

¹⁰³ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, marriage, 1 Feb 1613[/4], "Henry Northend [of] North[owram &] Susan Woode."

¹⁰⁴ Crossley, "The Parish Registers of Halifax, Baptisms, 239. 16 Mar 1576[/7], "Effane fil. Henrici Northend de Northouru."

¹⁰⁵ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, burial, 10 Apr 1632, "ux[or] Richard Scolefield [of] Hiph[erholme]."

¹⁰⁶ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, marriage, 16 June 1600, "Richard Scolfelde [of] Hiph[erholme &] Effan Northend."

¹⁰⁷ Crossley, "The Parish Registers of Halifax, Baptisms, 254. 31 May 1579, "Sebbel fil. Henrye Northend de Northor."

¹⁰⁸ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, burial, 24 Sep 1603, "Ux [wife of] John Whitley [of] Hiph[erholme]."

¹⁰⁹ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, marriage, 24 Apr 1599, "John Whitley [of] Hiph[erholme &] Sibil Northende."

¹¹⁰ Will of "Henry Northend, the elder."

a. JOHN WHITLEY, was baptized at Halifax on 9 March 1599/1600.¹¹¹
 viii. MICHAEL NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 24 Jun 1582;¹¹² probably died before 6 June 1616 (not mentioned in his father's will).¹¹³

2. HENRY^A NORTHEND (*Henry^B*), was baptized at Halifax on 2 January 1574/5;¹¹⁴ died before 26 September 1650.¹¹⁵ He married first MARY ROYDE at Halifax on 31 May 1602.¹¹⁶ Mary was dead before 1 Feb 1613/4 when he married second SUSAN NORTHEND, a distant cousin, at Halifax.¹¹⁷ Susan (Northend) Wood was the widow of ABRAHAM WOOD whom she married at Halifax on 11 July 1608.¹¹⁸ Susan died in 1674.¹¹⁹

The first wife of Henry^A Northend, Mary Royde, died before 1 Feb 1613/4 (Henry's remarriage date). She was the daughter of Richard Royde of Northowram.¹²⁰ Her sister, Ann Royde, married Joseph Wood "of Northowram" at Halifax on 30 November 1613.¹²¹ The father of Mary and Ann, Richard Royd, made his will on 13 June 1614.¹²² In his will he names his daughter Ann, the wife of Joseph Wood; Henry Northend, his son-in-law; his grandchildren, Joseph, Jeremy and Mary Northend; and Robert Royde, his brother, lately deceased leaving four children. He also left sizable bequests to the poor of Warley, Sowerby, Keighley, Bingley, Halifax and Northowram, and for repairs to Coley Chapel. His daughter Ann Royde and son-in-law Henry Northend were named as executors. Ann and Henry delivered the bequest to Bingley parish, as recorded in the Bingley burial register on 23 August 1615:

"Receyved the day and year above written at the hands of Henry Northend of Northowrome in the County of yorke, and Anne Roydes nowe wife of Josephe Wood the joint executors of Richard Roydes of the Townshipp of Owrome aforesaid Deceased, the inst and whole Some of Ten pounds, being the gift and Lecacye of the aforesaid Richard Roydes in his last will and testament."¹²³

Henry^A Northend purchased the north end of a barn and lands in Westercroft from James Wood of Hipperholme and Isabella his wife on 22 February 1622/3, leased the same to James Wood on 9 March 1623/4, and returned the same to John Lomme of Westercroft on 12 December 1634, after the death of James Wood.¹²⁴ (James Wood was buried at Halifax on 8

¹¹¹ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 9 Mar 1599[/1600], "John [s/o] John Whitley [of] North[owram]."

¹¹² Crossley, *The Parish Registers of Halifax, Baptisms*, 280. 24 Jun 1582, "Mychaell fil. Henry Northend de Northour."

¹¹³ Will of "Henry Northend, the elder."

¹¹⁴ Crossley, *The Parish Registers of Halifax, Baptisms*, 224. 2 Jan 1574[/5], "Henrye fil. Henrye Northend de Northour."

¹¹⁵ Matthew Wood, "Origins," 120:231. On 28 Sep 1650, Susan Northend of Quarlers is described as a widow.

¹¹⁶ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, marriage, 31 May 1602, "Henry Northend [&] Mary Royde [of] Nor[thowram]."

¹¹⁷ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, marriage, 1 Feb 1613[/4], "Henry Northend [of] North[owram &] Susan Woode."

¹¹⁸ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, marriage, 11 Jul 1608, "Abraha Woode [of] North[owram &] Susan Northend."

¹¹⁹ Pearson, *Northowram History*, 59.

¹²⁰ Crossley, *The Parish Registers of Halifax, Baptisms*, 280. 17 Jun 1582, "Marye fil. Richard Royde de Northouru."

¹²¹ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, marriage, 30 November 1613, "Joseph Woode [of] North[owram &] Anne Royde."

¹²² Church of England, Archbishop of York, Exchequer and Prerogative Courts, "Wills and administrations, 1389-1858," vol. 33, folio 213, Richard Royd of Northowram, chapman, dated 9 Jun 1614, filed 3 Aug 1614 (FHL 99,499).

¹²³ W.J. Stavert, *Parish Register of Bingley, in the County of York, 1577-1686*, (Leeds: Yorkshire Parish Register Society, 1901), 124.

¹²⁴ Matthew Wood, "Origins," 120:230.

April 1628.)¹²⁵ He rebuilt Quarler House after Matthew Mitchell and lived there the remainder of his days.

Henry had died by 28 September 1650 when his second wife Susan was mentioned as a widow “of Quarlers in Northowram” when she acquired Greenlanefields in Northowram from Nathaniel Northend.¹²⁶

The second wife of Henry^A Northend, Susan Northend, was baptized at Halifax on 10 November 1588.¹²⁷ She was a distant cousin, the daughter of Edward Northend of Northowram and probably the granddaughter of John Northend of Northowram.¹²⁸ Susan married first Abraham Wood, the son of Robert Wood and Alice Sunderland, at Halifax on 11 Jul 1608.¹²⁹ She married second Henry^A Northend. After Henry’s death, Susan resided at Quarles when it was owned by her son David. Susan was “of a great old age” when she died in 1674.¹³⁰

Children of Henry and Mary (Royde) Northend:

- i. MARTHA NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 17 April 1603;¹³¹ buried at Halifax 16 January 1612/3.¹³²
- ii. JOSEPH NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 18 August 1605;¹³³ buried at Halifax on 2 November 1632.¹³⁴ Joseph Northend of Northowram made his will on 6 July 1632 in which he describes himself as the “son of Henry Northend.” He left bequests to his first cousin, Oswald Scofield, and to Rev. Richard Denton of Coley.¹³⁵
- iii. JEREMY NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 24 June 1607;¹³⁶ he was buried at Halifax on 22 January 1619/20.¹³⁷
- iv. MARY NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 26 February 1608/9;¹³⁸ she was buried at Halifax on 2 December 1614.¹³⁹

¹²⁵ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, burial, 8 Apr 1628, “James Wood [of] North[owram].”

¹²⁶ Matthew Wood, “Origin,” 120:231.

¹²⁷ Crossley, “*The Parish Registers of Halifax, Baptisms*, 320. 10 November 1588, “Susa fil. Edward Northend de Northor.”

¹²⁸ Crossley, “*The Parish Registers of Halifax, Baptisms*, 66. 21 Dec 1550, “Edward fili Johis Northend de Northm.”

¹²⁹ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, marriage, 11 Jul 1608, “Abraha Woode [of] North[owram &] Susan Northend.”

¹³⁰ Pearson, *Northowram History*, 59.

¹³¹ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 17 Apr 1603, “Martha [d/o] Henery Northende [of] North[owram].”

¹³² Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, burial, 16 Jan 1612[/3], “Martha [d/o] Henry Northend [of] North[owram].”

¹³³ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 18 Aug 1605, “Joseph [s/o] Henry Northend [of] North[owram].”

¹³⁴ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, burial, 2 Nov 1632, “Joseph [s/o] Henry Northend [of] North[owram].”

¹³⁵ Church of England, Archbishop of York, Exchequer and Prerogative Courts, “Wills and administrations, 1389-1858,” vol. 42, folio 320, Joseph Northend of Northowram, son of Henry Northend, dated 6 Jul 1632, filed 23 Oct 1634 (FHL 99,518).

¹³⁶ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 24 Jun 1607, “Jeremy [s/o] Henry Northend [of] North[owram].”

¹³⁷ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, burial, 22 Jan 1619[/20], Jeremy [s/o] Henry Northend [of] North[owram].”

¹³⁸ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 26 Feb 1608[/9], “Mary [d/o] Henry Northende [of] North[owram].”

¹³⁹ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, burial, 2 Dec 1614, “Mary [d/o] Henry Northend [of] North[owram].”

- v. SUSAN NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 17 March 1610/1;¹⁴⁰ she was buried at Halifax on 27 June 1611.¹⁴¹
- vi. EFFAM NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 5 August 1612;¹⁴² she was buried at Halifax on 14 August 1612.¹⁴³

Children of Henry and Susan (Northend) (Wood) Northend:

- vii. MARY NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 2 Mar 1616/7.¹⁴⁴
- viii. JOHN^I NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 12 September 1619.¹⁴⁵ He is probably the John Northend who, along with his cousin Daniel^I Scofield, was among the first settlers in Stamford, Connecticut.¹⁴⁶ He may have died shortly after receiving his land in Stamford.
- ix. JEREMY NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 3 February 1621/2.¹⁴⁷ He was buried at Halifax 17 March 1623/4.¹⁴⁸
- x. DAVID NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 8 September 1624;¹⁴⁹ he was buried at Halifax on 21 August 1670.¹⁵⁰ He possessed Quarles after the death of his father.
- xi. NATHANIEL NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 15 May 1625.¹⁵¹
- xii. SUSAN NORTHEND, was baptized at Halifax on 13 September 1629;¹⁵² buried at Halifax on 23 May 1633.¹⁵³

3. EFFAM^A NORTHEND (Henry^B) was baptized at Halifax on 16 March 1576/7, daughter of Henry Northend and Effam Lister.¹⁵⁴ She was buried at Halifax on 10 April 1632.¹⁵⁵ She

¹⁴⁰ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 17 Mar 1610[/1], "Susan [d/o] Henry Northend [of] North[owram]."

¹⁴¹ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, burial, 27 Jun 1611, "Susan [d/o] Henry Northend."

¹⁴² Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 5 Aug 1612, "Effam [d/o] Henry Northend [of] North[owram]."

¹⁴³ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, burial, 14 Aug 1612, "Effam [d/o] Henry Northend [of] North[owram]."

¹⁴⁴ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 2 Mar 1616[/7], "Mary [d/o] Henry Northend [of] North[owram]."

¹⁴⁵ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 12 Sep 1619, "John [s/o] Henry Northend [of] North[owram]."

¹⁴⁶ Finch, *Stamford Town Records*, 1:6.

¹⁴⁷ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 3 Feb 1621[/2], Jeremy [s/o] Henry Northend [of] North[owram]."

¹⁴⁸ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, burial, 17 Mar 1623/4, "Jermie [s/o] Henrie Norden [of] North[owram]."

¹⁴⁹ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 8 Sep 1624, "David [s/o] Henrie Northend [of] North[owram]."

¹⁵⁰ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, burial, 21 Aug 1670, "David Northend [of] North[owram]."

¹⁵¹ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 15 May 1625, "Nathaniel [s/o] Henry Northend [of] North[owram]."

¹⁵² Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 13 Sep 1629, "Susan [d/o] Henry Northend [of] North[owram]."

¹⁵³ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, burial, 23 May 1633, "Susan [d/o] Henry Northend [of] North[owram]."

¹⁵⁴ Crossley, *The Parish Registers of Halifax, Baptisms*, 239. 16 Mar 1676[/7], "Effane fil. Henrici Northend de Northouru."

¹⁵⁵ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, Burial, 10 Apr 1632, "ux[or] Richard Scolefield [of] Hiph[erholme]."

married RICHARD SCOFIELD at Halifax on 16 July 1600/1.¹⁵⁶ He was probably the Richard Scofield baptized at Halifax on 30 April 1581, the son of Oswald Scofield of Hipperholme.¹⁵⁷

Henry^B Northend gave to “Effam my daughter two coverlets a pair of blankets a pair of sheets a mattress one boulder and one pillow lying upon a bed in the lower chamber.” He also mentioned Oswald, Joseph, Richard, Samuel and Daniel Scofield, the five younger sons of Richard Scofield, Effam’s husband.¹⁵⁸

Out of 146 Scofield baptism records found in the Halifax parish registers between their inception in 1538 and 1635, there are only two for an Oswald Scofield. One is Oswald the son of Richard Scolfeld baptized on 12 November 1542.¹⁵⁹ The second is for Oswald the son of Richard Scolfeld baptized 30 September 1604.¹⁶⁰ A third Oswald, the son of Michael Scofield of Hipperholme, was buried at Halifax on 3 December 1606.¹⁶¹ The only other reference found to an Oswald Scofield occurs in the 1616 will of Henry^B Northend, who left a legacy to “Oswould Scofeild,” his grandson.¹⁶² This is clearly the Oswald baptized in 1604. The forename Oswald is so uncommon among the Scofields that it is a clear indicator of the Hipperholme branch of the Scofield family. Thus it is probable that the Richard Scofield who married Effam^A Northend was the Richard who was baptized at Halifax in 1581, son of Oswald Scofield of Hipperholme. That father was probably the Oswald baptized at Halifax in 1542, son of Richard, and buried at Halifax on 23 November 1587.¹⁶³ This Oswald married at Halifax 13 June 1575, Alyce Barowcloughe.¹⁶⁴

Richard “Scolefeild” was named in the will of Henry^B Northend, his father-in-law, on 6 June 1616.¹⁶⁵ Five of his sons, Oswould, Joseph, Richard¹, Samuel, and Daniel¹, received a £10 legacy, forty shillings (£2) each to be paid as they reach the age of 21 years. This legacy was to be in the hands of Henry Northend, his son, rather than their father, Richard Scofeild. This seems a bit unusual, as another legacy to [grandson] John Whitley, son of John Whitley, was entrusted to John Whitley, the father.

Children of Richard^A and Effam^A (Northend) “Scolfield”:

- i. JOHN SCOFIELD, was baptized at Halifax on 19 July 1601.¹⁶⁶ Not traced further. Henry Northend named “Oswould, Joseph, Richard, Samuel, and Daniel Scofeild, the five younger sons of Richard Scofeild, my son-in-law,” in his 1616 will. As these are described as the “younger sons” of Richard, it implies that John was the eldest son, that John was still living, and that John’s exclusion in his grandfather’s will was intended.

¹⁵⁶ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, marriage, 16 Jan 1600[/1], “Rich: Scolfelde [of] Hip. [and] Effan Northend.”

¹⁵⁷ Crossley, *The Parish Registers of Halifax, Baptisms*, 271. 30 Apr 1581, “Ric. fil. Oswold Scolfeld de Hipor.”

¹⁵⁸ Will of “Henry Northend, the elder.”

¹⁵⁹ Crossley, *The Parish Registers of Halifax, Baptisms*, 25. 12 Nov 1542, “Oswaldus fil. Rici Scoffeld de Hipome.”

¹⁶⁰ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 30 Sep 1604, “Oswald [s/o] Rich. Scolfeild [of] Hipp[erholme].”

¹⁶¹ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, burial, 3 Dec 1606, “Oswald [s/o] Michael Scolfeild [of] Hipp[erholme].”

¹⁶² Will of “Henry Northend, the elder.”

¹⁶³ Crossley, *The Parish Registers of Halifax, Marriages and Burials*, 321. 23 Nov 1587, “Oswold Scolfeld de Hipor.”

¹⁶⁴ Crossley, *The Parish Registers of Halifax, Marriages and Burials*, 78. 13 Jun 1575, “Oswald Scolfeld et Alyce Barowcloughe.”

¹⁶⁵ Will of “Henry Northend, the elder.”

¹⁶⁶ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 19 Jul 1601, “John [son of] Richard Scolfelde [of] Hipp.”

Perhaps John had some relationship to the "Jn^o Miller, alius Scolford, of Standford," son of John Miller the settler, who received property from Joseph Allsop, in Stamford in 1662.¹⁶⁷ Notably the fact that he was the only Scofield son not to be mentioned in his grandfather Northend's will may raise questions as to his origins. Could there have been some connection to a Miller (or Milner in the Yorkshire dialect) which surfaced some sixty years later in the Stamford deed? No evidence was located to clarify this situation.

- ii. OSWOULD SCOFIELD, was baptized at Halifax on 30 September 1604.¹⁶⁸ Oswald was mentioned in the will of his grandfather Henry^B Northend.¹⁶⁹ He was married prior to 1638 when he had son Samuel baptized at Halifax.¹⁷⁰ Oswald received a bequest in the will of his cousin Joseph Northend, son of Henry Northend.¹⁷¹
- iii. JOSEPH SCOFIELD, was baptized at Halifax on 24 April 1608.¹⁷² Joseph was mentioned in the will of his grandfather, Henry^B Northend.¹⁷³
- iv. SAMUEL SCOFIELD, was baptized at Halifax on 17 March 1610/1.¹⁷⁴ Samuel was mentioned in the will of his grandfather Henry^B Northend.¹⁷⁵
4. v. RICHARD¹ SCOFIELD, was baptized at Halifax on 17 March 1610/1.¹⁷⁶ Richard was mentioned in the will of his grandfather Henry^B Northend.¹⁷⁷ He died at Stamford, Connecticut, in 1670.¹⁷⁸
5. vi. DANIEL¹ SCOFIELD, was baptized at Halifax on 10 April 1614;¹⁷⁹ Daniel was mentioned in the will of his grandfather Henry^B Northend.¹⁸⁰ He died at Stamford, Connecticut in 1669.¹⁸¹
- vii. JEREMY SCOFIELD, was baptized at Halifax on 21 Mar 1618/19.¹⁸²
4. RICHARD¹ SCOFIELD (*Richard^A*) was baptized at Halifax on 17 March 1610/1;¹⁸³ he died at Stamford, Connecticut about 1670.¹⁸⁴ He was married to MARY (___?___) prior to ___ 1652.¹⁸⁵

¹⁶⁷ Finch, Stamford Town Records 1:33.

¹⁶⁸ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 30 Sep. 1604, "Oswald [son of] Rich: Scolfeeld [of] Hipp."

¹⁶⁹ Will of "Henry Northend, the elder."

¹⁷⁰ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, Jul 1638, "Samuell [s/o] Oswald Scofeield [of] Northo[wram]."

¹⁷¹ Will of Joseph Northend.

¹⁷² Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 24 Apr 1608, "Joseph [s/o] Richard Scolfeeld [of] Hipp[erholme]."

¹⁷³ Will of "Henry Northend, the elder."

¹⁷⁴ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 17 Mar 1610[/1], "Richard [&] Samuel [sons of] Richard Scolfeeld [of] Hipp[erholme]."

¹⁷⁵ Will of "Henry Northend, the elder."

¹⁷⁶ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, baptism, 17 Mar 1610[/1], "Richard [&] Samuel [sons of] Richard Scolfeeld [of] Hipp[erholme]."

¹⁷⁷ Will of "Henry Northend, the elder."

¹⁷⁸ Spenser P. Mead, *Abstract of Probate Records at Fairfield, County of Fairfield, and State of Connecticut, Volume 2* (Fairfield: 1934), 22. "Scofield, Richard, late of Stamford, inventory taken Mch. 6, 1671, and filed Mch. 16, 1671, mentioned his widow, now wife of Robert Pennoyer, page 62."

¹⁷⁹ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 10 April 1614, "Daniel [s/o] Richard Scolfeeld [of] Hipp[erholme]."

¹⁸⁰ Will of "Henry Northend, the elder."

¹⁸¹ Mead, *Abstract of Probate Records*, 22. "Scofield, Daniel, late of Stamford, Will dated Sept. 4, 1669, probated May 10, 1669/70, mentioned his wife, and children Daniel, John, Joseph, Mary, and Sarah, and her two children. Witnesses, George Slawson and John Holly, page 49."

¹⁸² Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 21 Mar 1618[/9], "Jeremy [s/o] Richard Scolfeeld [of] Hipp[erholme]."

Richard¹ Scofeild was named in the 1616 will of Henry^B Northend, his grandfather.¹⁸⁶ His legacy was 40 shillings to be paid to him when he reached 21 years of age. Richard Skofield was a passenger for New England aboard the *Susan and Ellen* that sailed from London in 1635.¹⁸⁷ Also onboard was Richard Saltonstall, a contemporary from back in Hipperholme. Both Richard Scofield and Richard Saltonstall were among the male passengers that settled at Ipswich.¹⁸⁸ It is possible that Richard Scofield was in the service of Richard Saltonstall for seven years, accounting for the lack of record in New England prior to 1642.

The first record of Richard Scofield in Ipswich is found on 28 of 11th month [January] 1641[2] when Richard Scofield of Ipswich purchased a "house and houselott contayning two acres more or less . . . in the Towne of Ipswich in New England."¹⁸⁹ Richard¹ Scofield remained in Ipswich 26 August 1652, at which time "Richard Scofeild & Mary his wife of Ipswich in the County of Essex, leather dresser" sold to "Moses Pengrye of the same towne and county, yeoman, all that his dwelling house, scituate & being in Ipswich aforesaid."¹⁹⁰ After this date, Richard and his family removed to Stamford, joining his brother, Daniel, one of the original Stamford settlers. The first recorded evidence of Richard's arrival at Stamford is the birth of his daughter, Elizabeth, on 27 November 1655.¹⁹¹

The only record found in New England that proves Richard¹ and Daniel¹ Scofield were brothers was recorded in Stamford on 11 of 1st month [March] 1666/7; "I, Richard Scofield, doe hereby discharg my brother Daniel Scofield of a certain parsell of the comon fence in the east field . . ."¹⁹² Richard¹ Scofield died intestate before 15 March 1670/1.¹⁹³

For the complete record of Richard¹ Scofield in America, the reader is referred to the *Ancestry of Elizabeth Barrett Gillespie*, written by Paul Prindle in 1976.

Known children of Richard¹ and Mary (___?___) Scofield, as detailed in the *Ancestry of Elizabeth Barrett Gillespie* and abstracted here for the convenience of the reader:¹⁹⁴

- i. RICHARD SCOFIELD was born by 1649 (made freeman in 1670); he died after 1 May 1745 (signed deed at Stamford). He married 14 September 1689 at Stamford RUTH BRUNDISH daughter of John Brundish.
- ii. HANNAH SCOFIELD was born about 1653. She married JOSEPH WEBB on 8 January 1672/3.
- iii. ELIZABETH SCOFIELD was born at Stamford on 27 November 1655; married JOHN SMITH.
- iv. JEREMY SCOFIELD was born at Stamford on 10 March 1658; he died in his childhood before the 1670 death of his father.

¹⁸³ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 17 Mar 1610[/1], "Richard [&] Samuel [sons of] Richard Scolfeild [of] Hipp[erholme]."

¹⁸⁴ Mead, *Abstract of Probate Records*, 22. Richard Scofield.

¹⁸⁵ Prindle, *Ancestry of Elizabeth Barrett Gillespie*, 438.

¹⁸⁶ Will of "Henry Northend, the elder."

¹⁸⁷ "Passengers of the Susan and Ellen".

¹⁸⁸ Felt, *History of Ipswich*, 13.

¹⁸⁹ George A. Schofield, *The Ancient Records of the Town of Ipswich, Volume 1*, (Ipswich: Chronicle Motor Press, 1899), unnumbered, generally in chronological order. 28th of the 11th month [January] Anno Dom 1641[/2], Humphrey Griffen to Richard Scofield.

¹⁹⁰ Prindle, *Ancestry of Elizabeth Barrett Gillespie*, 438, citing *Ipswich Deeds*, 1:321.

¹⁹¹ Finch, *Stamford Town Records*, 1:53.

¹⁹² Hoppin, "Schofields of Connecticut," 217. Citing Stamford Land Records, volume A, page 162.

¹⁹³ Mead, *Abstract of Probate Records*, 22. Richard Scofield.

¹⁹⁴ Prindle, *Ancestry of Elizabeth Barrett Gillespie*, 440.

5. DANIEL¹ SCOFIELD (*Richard^A: Effam Northend^A, Henry Northend^B*) was baptized at Halifax on 10 April 1614;¹⁹⁵ he died at Stamford, Connecticut in 1669.¹⁹⁶ He married SARAH (___?___)

Daniel¹ Scofeild was named in the will of Henry Northend, his grandfather.¹⁹⁷ His legacy was 40 shillings to be paid to him when he reached 21 years of age. The first record of Daniel Scofield in New England is at Stamford on 7 December 1641, when Daniel received a two-acre home lot and three acres of wood land.¹⁹⁸ This is the first instance of the "Scofield" spelling of Daniel's last name.

For the complete record of Daniel¹ Scofield in America, the reader is referred to "Ancestry of William Weed of Stamford and Darien, Connecticut," Frederick C. Hart, Jr. (see footnote 10).

Known children of Daniel¹ and Sarah (___?___) Scofield, as found in Hart's "Ancestry of William Weed of Stamford and Darien, Part 2: Scofield," and abstracted here for the convenience of the reader:¹⁹⁹

- i. SARAH SCOFIELD, m. 13 Jul (5th month) 1665 at Stamford to JOHN PETTITT.
- ii. DANIEL SCOFIELD, born say about 1650 (age of wife who was born in 1652), died at Stamford on 10 October 1714. He married ABIGAIL MERWIN, born about 1652, daughter of Miles and Elizabeth Merwin of Milford.
- iii. JOHN SCOFIELD, died 27 Mar 1698/9, married 12 or 13 July 1677, HANNAH MEAD.
- iv. JOSEPH SCOFIELD, died say about 1675 in King Philips War.
- v. MERCY SCOFIELD, born latter end of November 1657, died before 1699, married 6 January 1581/2 at Milford, SAMUEL CAMP.

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¹⁹⁵ Parish register for St. John Baptist Church, Halifax Parish, baptism, 10 April 1614, "Daniel [s/o] Richard Scolfeild [of] Hipp[erholme]."

¹⁹⁶ Mead, *Abstract of Probate Records*, 22. Daniel Scofield.

¹⁹⁷ Will of "Henry Northend, the elder."

¹⁹⁸ Finch, *Stamford Town Records*, 1:6.

¹⁹⁹ Hart, "Ancestry of William Weed," 25-26.

Sherwood Notes: New Discoveries Complicate the Thomas Sherwood Picture

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Writing in 1951, Donald Lines Jacobus observed that the records of two different Sherwood families in early Fairfield County, Connecticut, were continually being misinterpreted, and he closed by saying that, “[T]he Sherwoods are, without question, a very difficult family.”¹ Having studied these families himself in considerable detail, and having published his results in his landmark book on the families of this locale many years earlier,² he was disappointed that his careful work was apparently being ignored or at least was not well understood. The situation still exists today, with an almost endless number of versions of these Sherwood families appearing and spreading without limit on the Internet.

Recently, while attempting to better understand some of the evidence used by Jacobus (and by later writers Prindle³ and Anderson⁴), several items of additional evidence have come to light that have, unexpectedly, raised more questions than they have answered.⁵ The present article will describe this new (or at least newly viewed) evidence for the information of other Sherwood family researchers. Although the new evidence does support one new conclusion, much of it is conflicting and/or ambiguous, preventing additional conclusions at this time.

Background

The basic alignment of the two known and distinct Sherwood families living in close proximity to each other in Fairfield County was first described by Samuel Orcutt in 1886⁶ and confirmed by Jacobus in 1930:⁷

- ❖ One Thomas Sherwood, born in England ca. 1586, who arrived in America in 1634 accompanied by part of his family onboard the ship *Francis*, married (1) Alice Tiler⁸ and (2) Mary _____, who later married John Banks, lived in Wethersfield, Connecticut, from an unknown time until 1640, and later in Fairfield, Connecticut,

¹ Donald L. Jacobus, “Sherwood of Fairfield and Stratford, Connecticut,” *The American Genealogist*, 27(1951): 156-9, at 159.

² Donald L. Jacobus, *History and Genealogy of the Families of Old Fairfield*, 3 volumes (Fairfield, CT: Eunice Dennie Burr Chapter, NSDAR, 1930-32, repr. Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Company, 1991), 1:548-61.

³ Paul W. Prindle, *Ancestry of Elizabeth Barrett Gillespie (Mrs. William Sperry Beinecke)* (New York: The New York Public Library, 1976), 443-452)

⁴ Robert Charles Anderson, *The Great Migration / Immigrants to New England 1634 – 1635*, volume 6 (Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2009), 301-12.

⁵ Some of this additional information has been contributed by D. Eugene Chamberlain of Cincinnati, Ohio, whose collaboration and support of this article are greatly appreciated.

⁶ Samuel Orcutt, *A History of the Old Town of Stratford and the City of Bridgeport Connecticut* (Fairfield, CT: Fairfield County Historical Society, 1886), 1290-3.

⁷ Jacobus, *Old Fairfield* (note 2).

⁸ Her surname was first reported by Leslie Mahler in, “The English Home of Thomas Sherwood of Wethersfield, Stamford, and Fairfield, Connecticut,” *The American Genealogist*, 80(2005): 278-82).

where he died in 1655. Because of his strong Fairfield connection he will be identified herein as Thomas^{F1}.

- ❖ A younger Thomas Sherwood, born at an unknown time and place, say before about 1622 in England, married a daughter of Robert Seabrook and was an early settler of Stratford, Connecticut, sometime before 1650,⁹ where he died in 1657. He is identified herein as Thomas^{S1}.

Both of these men just mentioned had sons who were also named Thomas Sherwood:¹⁰

- ❖ The Fairfield man had a son Thomas^{F2} who lived from ca. 1624 to 1698 and married four times.
- ❖ The Stratford man had a son Thomas^{S2} who lived from ca. 1656 to 1676, and was apparently unmarried.

Of these four men, only three of them were old enough to have generated any records prior to 1650. However, many of these newly found (or at least newly interpreted) documents, all created before 1650, are not conclusively identified with any of them. One of the two “Fundamental Rules of Genealogy” recently formulated by Robert Charles Anderson states that, “You must have a sound, explicit reason for saying that any two individual records refer to the same person.”¹¹ Regarding this new evidence, we might suggest a similar additional rule that says, “You must have a sound, explicit reason for saying that any two individual records do not refer to the same person.” The new evidence will now be described in chronological order..

A new finding: Thomas Sherwood’s bond of 1642

First, a document has been found in the Connecticut Archives that proves that Thomas^{F1} Sherwood was already in “Uncoway” (now Fairfield) by 25 March 1642.¹² This document—a bond by Thomas^{F1} Sherwood to George Wyllys of Wethersfield relating to work to be done on the Wethersfield properties that Wyllys had purchased from Sherwood two years earlier—was signed by Thomas Sherwood with a full signature, consistent with his procedure on other documents, including his will written in 1655.¹³ The grantor signed his name as “Thomas Shirwood” in this case and he was referred to in the body of the document as, “Thomas Sheerwoode of Uncoway in the jurisdiction of Quintecotte, carpenter.”¹⁴ The body of the document also made mention of a previous agreement of 1640 between the two men that has apparently not

⁹ When his name appeared on a list of fence owners (Lewis G. Knapp, *In Pursuit of Paradise / History of the Town of Stratford, Connecticut* (West Kennebunk, ME: Phoenix Publishing, 1989), 13).

¹⁰ Again following Orcutt (note 6) and Jacobus (notes 1 & 2)..

¹¹ Robert Charles Anderson, *Elements of Genealogical Analysis* (Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2014), xii.

¹² Connecticut Archives, Private Controversies, Series 1, 1:1.

¹³ As transcribed in Fairfield Probate Records, 1: 9-10. The original will has not survived, but the transcriber did not mention that a mark had been used..

¹⁴ I am indebted to Ms. Kristina Bedford of London, England (www.ancestraldeeds.co.uk) for her expert transcription of this document and her translation of its Latin portions.

survived.¹⁵ This bond record places Thomas^{F1} Sherwood in Fairfield by 1642, and not, therefore, in Stamford as has often been claimed (see below).

The two witnesses were a “William Smithe” of unknown residence, who signed with a signature, and a “Thomas Sherworde of Poquanocke” who signed with a mark that looks like “(2)”. This witness cannot automatically be identified as either the grantor’s son Thomas^{F2} Sherwood or his contemporary Thomas^{S1} Sherwood later found in Stratford, because both of these young men are known to have been literate enough to have written their own signatures at later points in their lives. The identity of the witness of this document is therefore in question and requires further investigation and analysis.

“Pequonocke,” the stated residence of this witness, was a name derived from that of a Native American tribe that occupied lands in what is now Bridgeport—Connecticut’s most populous city and town. Roger Ludlow, acting as an agent for the Connecticut Colony, had purchased a large tract of land from the Native Americans along Long Island Sound from what is now the western boundary of Norwalk eastward to the Housatonic River and containing the present towns of, from west to east, Norwalk, Westport, Fairfield, Bridgeport, and Stratford. The first two towns to be created were Fairfield and Stratford, but within those two towns there were three settlements of colonists moving to the shoreline from the inland “River Towns” of Hartford, Wethersfield and Windsor. One was at the present center of Fairfield, called “Uncoway” by the natives, a second at the present site of Stratford center on the Housatonic River, called “Cupheague” by the natives, and a third about halfway between those two at the place called Pequonock.¹⁶ All three English settlements survived, “Pequonocke” eventually becoming a church parish called Stratfield, and then even later becoming the present town of Bridgeport in 1821.

The agreement that George Wyllys attempted to complete with Thomas Morehouse in 1640 mentioned his plan to buy adjoining Wethersfield properties from “Thomas Sherwoode of Poquanocke carpenter.”¹⁷ This was, of course, Thomas^{F1}, since he had been the extensive land holder in Wethersfield. So this new document shows that, by 1642, Thomas^{F1} Sherwood had indeed sold out to George Wyllys, possibly moved briefly to Pequonock, and then from there to nearby Uncoway, now Fairfield. Somehow, he was by then associated with another adult

¹⁵ This agreement was in addition to the actual sale of Sherwood’s property that was recorded in Wethersfield (as noticed by all previous researchers) at Wethersfield Land Records, 2: 35. Wyllys had attempted to make a similar auxiliary agreement with Thomas Morehouse in 1640, whose lands he had also just purchased. That agreement, although never signed by Morehouse, has been preserved in, *The Wyllys Papers, Collections of the Connecticut Historical Society*, volume 21 (Hartford: the Society, 1924, 8), and makes reference to adjoining lands in Wethersfield formerly owned by Thomas Sherwood “of Pequonock.”

¹⁶ For further information see R. A. Douglas Lithgow, *Native American Place Names of Connecticut* (Bedford, MA: Applewood Books, 2001), 9, 36, 50. This source gives the original spelling as “Pequonnock.” A section of Windsor, Connecticut was and still is known as “Poquanock,” and likewise that same name is found in the Groton area near New London. Because of the association that Thomas^{F1} Sherwood had with the settlement midway between Fairfield and Stratford, it is felt that this was the meaning of this reference, regardless of the spelling..Pequonock was nominally within the Stratford town limits at that time, but the boundary was in dispute. See, for example, the order of the Connecticut General Court in the same year, 1640, that “Mr. Heynes, Mr. Wells and Captain Mason shall goe downe to Paquanucke, to settle bownds between them and the Plantations on boath sid[e]s [of] them, according as they judge equall, as also to heare and determin[e] the difference betwixt the inhabitants of Cupheg amongst themselves” (J. Hammond Trumbull, *The Public Records of the Colony of Connecticut, prior to the Union with New Haven Colony, May, 1665* [Hartford: Brown & Parsons, 1850], 62).

¹⁷ Wyllys Papers (note 15).

Thomas Sherwood, the witness of Pequonock in 1642, who signed with his mark and whose identity is not yet evident.

Considering the court records of 1645

In 1645, the Particular Court of Connecticut heard and decided on cases of slander between a Thomas Sherwood and Jehu Burr and Henry Gray,¹⁸ both of the latter men also being early settlers of Fairfield.¹⁹ These cases have been noted before and Prindle concluded that they proved the residence of Thomas^{F1} Sherwood in Wethersfield through that time.²⁰ However, since that court had jurisdiction over the entire Connecticut Colony, and since we now know that Thomas^{F1} Sherwood was in Fairfield by 1642, it is much more reasonable to conclude that all three men were instead in Fairfield by that time, where they all continued to reside.

Sherwood, by the way, won all the suits. But it should be noted that the court records called him “Thomas Sherwood the Elder.” Although it could be that this title was meant to distinguish him from his son Thomas^{F2}, that son was just reaching his majority at about this same time. Also, Thomas^{S1} may have been an adult and a resident somewhere in the Connecticut Colony by then, and therefore also under the Court’s jurisdiction, as was probably also the still-unknown witness of 1642. This issue of Thomas “the elder” and “the younger” is therefore not yet clear but will be considered again in another context below.

A new light on Thomas Sherwood’s sale of land in Stamford

Why, then, could most previous writers have claimed that Thomas^{F1} Sherwood went from Wethersfield to Stamford before settling in Fairfield? Even without this new evidence placing him in Fairfield by 1642, the name of Thomas Sherwood does not appear on any of the several original lists of Wethersfield men who were the first settlers of Stamford in 1639-1640 or who followed soon afterward from other parts of New England.²¹

The evidence for this claimed interlude in Stamford was the fact that a Thomas Sherwood was named twice in the early Stamford town records, one of which was a sale of property on Rocky Neck to John Holly in 1648,²² and the other of which was the naming by Robert Husted of a neighboring landowner Thomas Sherwood in his (Husted’s) land inventory of 6 March 1650(/51?).²³ Additional information now applies to both of these records.

Although the 1648 sale to John Holly has been cited many times, no previous writer has mentioned the important fact that the grantor signed that deed with his mark and not with a full

¹⁸ *Records of the Particular Court of Connecticut 1639 – 1663, Collections of the Connecticut Historical Society*, volume 22 (Hartford: the Society, 1928), 34. The same information appears in the published colony records (note 16), 126-7.

¹⁹ Elizabeth Hubbell Schenck, *The History of Fairfield, Fairfield County, Connecticut from the first Settlement of the Town in 1639 to 1818* (New York: the author, 1889), 52.

²⁰ Prindle, Gillespie Genealogy (note 3), 444.

²¹ Paul W. Finch, *Stamford Town Records, Volume 1, 1641 – 1723* (Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2011), 1-17.

²² Finch, Stamford Records (note 21), 49, citing original 1:51.

²³ Finch, Stamford Records (note 21), 30, citing original, 1:29.

signature.²⁴ This fact alone should cause serious doubt that the grantor was Thomas^{FI} Sherwood, since it appears that Thomas^{FI} signed all of his other documents with a full signature. But in combination with the other evidence just mentioned it appears to completely rule out any possibility that the Fairfield man of 1642 was the 1648 grantor to John Holly in Stamford. That Stamford grantor must therefore be considered to be a different Thomas Sherwood.

Newly found Thomas Sherwood records in Greenwich

If both of the aforementioned Stamford records applied to the same Thomas Sherwood, we can consider that he did not leave Stamford at the time of his sale in 1648 and was still a resident there at least until Husted's recording of lands in March 1650(/51?), even though there was no land inventory specifically recorded for any Thomas Sherwood in those town records. This raises the question of whether he may have been the same Thomas Sherwood who, along with the same Robert Husted (and William Hallett, Richard Crabb and Jeffrey Ferris) received title to lands in the adjoining settlement at Greenwich from Governor Peter Stuyvesant of New Netherland on 14 July 1649, retroactive to 14 March 1646.²⁵ Furthermore, on 18 September 1649 a Thomas Sherwood joined with Robert Husted, Richard Crabb and John Coe, all four representing themselves as Greenwich men at the time, in a petition to Governor Stuyvesant for his help regarding disagreements with "Stamford men."²⁶ To further complicate matters, the Thomas Sherwood who signed the Stuyvesant petition used a full signature, while the seller to John Holly a year earlier did not!

Only one other mention of any Thomas Sherwood has been found in the Greenwich records. On 25 November 1650 (recorded 5 December 1650) William Hallett and his wife Elizabeth (Fones) (Winthrop) (Feake) Hallett sold all their housing, lands and rights in Greenwich to Jeffrey Ferris, and the description of the properties included, "Also a piece of upland in consideration of the ox pasture Goodman Sherwood did and should take in."²⁷ The meaning of

²⁴ Stamford Land Records, A:50, both the original and the town's typed transcription copy. The Stamford Town Clerk at the time of recording on 20 May 1672, Abram Ambler, appears to have reproduced the mark directly from the original deed of 1648 that Holly had brought in as his evidence. That handwritten version gives the mark as a short vertical line with a longer horizontal line to the right from its top, as reproduced below. The typewritten transcribed version gives the mark as a capital "X" probably because the transcriber had to make use of one of the typewriter's available keys..The "ould Booke" that was being used as a guide in the 1672 recording was the original Stamford Town Records, volume 1, which included the residents' land inventories made in 1650-1651. Holly's inventory was listed there at 1:51, as cited in note 22 above. That earlier recording did not have either a signature or a mark for the grantor—only Holly's description of the property and the name of his grantor. The mark was added in 1672 because Holly had produced the deed itself at that later time and the clerk was clearly being thorough..

²⁵ Original document, "Confirmation and renewal of a Patent...etc," Connecticut State Library, Greenwich documents, 974.62 G85st.

²⁶ B[erthold] Fernow, *Documents Relating to the History of the Early Colonial Settlements Principally on Long Island*, published as, *Documents Relating to the Colonial History of the State of New York*, volume 14 (Albany: Weed, Parsons and Company, 1883), 116-7. The original document has survived in damaged condition (available on the New York State Archives web site, <http://www.archives.nysed.gov/>) and it is evident that all four men signed with their complete signatures. The only English settlers in Greenwich at this time were in what is now called Old Greenwich, between the Mianus River and the Stamford boundary. They (at least Husted and Sherwood) apparently held lands in both jurisdictions and were being mistreated by men who only held land in Stamford, see Gordon L. Remington, "Robert² Huestis of Westchester County: His Ancestry and Descendants," *The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record*, 129(1998): 198-9.

²⁷ Robert Charles Anderson et. al., *The Great Migration: Immigrants to New England, 1634-1635*, volume 2, C-

“did and should take in” is mysterious, but it does appear to indicate that one Thomas Sherwood was still living in Greenwich in late 1650.

Mention of “the elder” and “the younger”

The designation of Thomas Sherwood “the elder” to identify Thomas^{F1} in his Particular Court cases of 1645 has already been mentioned above. Only one instance of the title of Thomas Sherwood “the younger” has been found, and that was in the will of James Boosey of Wethersfield, dated 21 June 1649.²⁸ In that will, Boosey gave his oldest son Joseph Boosey “when he shall come to the age of 21 years ... my Homelott, with a Barne standing upon it, w[hi]ch I bought of Mr. Alcot [Olcott], w[hi]ch was Thomas Sherwood’s, the younger, con[tain]ing 6 acres more or less,” in addition to other lands that he had bought from Robert Coe..

Although this suggests that another Thomas Sherwood lived in Wethersfield it remains a mystery for several reasons. First, it is an isolated case since no other Wethersfield records have been found that give any Thomas Sherwood a title, “younger,” “senior,” “junior,” etc.²⁹ Second, neither the claimed Sherwood to Olcott deed nor the claimed Olcott to Boosey deed has survived in the records and therefore the time of those events cannot be determined.³⁰ And, third, Olcott was a Hartford man and his ownership of land in Wethersfield must have been for non-residential purposes.

The only three candidates for a “younger” Thomas Sherwood landowner in Wethersfield sometime prior to 1649 would (so far) appear to be (a) Thomas^{F2} Sherwood of Fairfield who was not of age until about 1645, (b) Thomas^{S1} Sherwood of Stratford (although he had no other associations with Wethersfield), and (c) the mysterious “Thomas Sherworde of Poquanocke” who witnessed Thomas^{F1} Sherwood’s bond of 1642 with his mark and may or may not have been identical with either (a) or (b). The evidence seems insufficient to resolve this “elder” or “younger” issue at this time, or even to conclude that more than one Thomas Sherwood had appeared as a landholder in Wethersfield.³¹

Appearances as deputy to the General Court of Connecticut: one man or two?

The name of Thomas Sherwood appears among the deputies (town representatives) to the Connecticut General Court (legislature) in its sessions of September 1645, September 1649, May

F, 518.

²⁸ Charles William Manwaring, *A Digest of Early Connecticut Probate Records, Volume 1, Hartford District, 1635 – 1700* (Hartford: R. S. Peck & Co., 1904), 98-9, citing original volume 2: 17-9. The will was apparently unsigned but still recorded and filed.

²⁹ The terms “senior” and “junior” were, however, used later by the Thomas Sherwoods in Fairfield on a conventional town-specific basis, that is, Thomas^{F1} was called “senior” prior to his death in 1655, and his son Thomas^{F2} was promoted from “junior” to “senior” from that time until his own death in 1698/998 (Prindle, Gillespie Genealogy [note 3], 450, and Anderson, *Great Migration* [note 4], 306-7).

³⁰ The difficulty of reconstructing the early land transactions in Wethersfield was described in Robert Charles Anderson in, “Focus on Wethersfield,” *Great Migration Newsletter*, 4:4 (October-December 1993), 27-30.

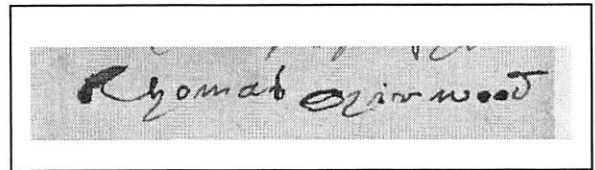
³¹ That is, since we do not know if the designation was meant to apply to Wethersfield alone or to the entire Connecticut Colony. Normally the designation applied on a town basis for real estate and tax purposes, but Boosey’s statement was a probate matter.

1650, October 1653, and October 1654.³² In two of those records (1649 and 1650) the name was spelled “Sherratt,” and in the other three it was spelled “Sherwood.” Jacobus felt that all of these records applied to the same man, that being Thomas^{S1} Sherwood of Stratford.³³ However, in the earliest cases, especially in 1645, it would be much more reasonable to expect that the deputy was Thomas^{F1} rather than Thomas^{S1}, not only on the basis of age, but also because we now know that Thomas^{F1} was already established in Fairfield by that time (and under Connecticut Colony jurisdiction, not in Stamford which would have placed him in the New Haven Colony). Mrs. Schenck, the Fairfield historian, reported that Jehu Burr and Thomas Sherwood were the two deputies from Fairfield in 1645.³⁴ If one of these appearances can be in this much question, then all of them should be reconsidered as open issues.

Illustrated summary of signatures and marks

Three cases of actual ‘Thomas Sherwood’ signatures have survived and they are all distinctly different from each other. Of those, the signature of Thomas^{F1} Sherwood of Fairfield (from the bond of 1642) appears to be entirely in secretary hand, tending to confirm that he was, indeed the oldest of those persons being considered.³⁵ By comparison, the signature of Thomas^{S1} Sherwood of Stratford (from a town agreement of 1654) was made in the more modern italic hand, indicating that he was probably the youngest of the men being considered.³⁶ The third available signature image is from Thomas Sherwood of Greenwich (from the petition to Gov. Stuyvesant in 1649) and the handwriting in this case was a mixture of secretary and italic style, indicating that this man was probably of an age somewhere between the other two. The marks made by the Thomas Sherwoods of Pequonock in 1642 and Stamford in 1648 were quite distinct from each other, suggesting, at least on the surface, that they were made by different people.

1. Thomas^{F1} Sherwood of Fairfield, born ca. 1586, migrated from England in 1634, then to Wethersfield soon afterward, then to Pequonock (Bridgeport) in 1640, and finally to Fairfield by 1642. He died in Fairfield in 1655, leaving a will recorded in the probate volume, but the original with his signature has not survived. The image here



³² Trumbull, Colony Records (note 16), 130, 195, 207, 248, 261.

³³ Donald L. Jacobus, *List of Officials Civil, Military, and Ecclesiastical of Connecticut Colony from March 1636 through 11 October 1677 and of New Haven Colony throughout its Separate Existence ...* (New Haven: Roland Mather Hooker, 1935), 48; and, Jacobus, Old Fairfield (note 2), 560.

³⁴ Schenck, Fairfield (note 19), 64-5.

³⁵ The expert assistance of Dr. Ronald A. Hill, CG, FASG in the interpretation of these signatures is greatly appreciated. Discussion of the terms ‘secretary hand’ and ‘italic hand’ may readily be found on the Internet. The secretary hand uses individual letters and was generally used in parts of Europe during the 16th and 17th centuries. It was gradually replaced by the italic hand or script that is still in use today, using a flowing connection between letters in a word. In general, a person using secretary hand would have learned to write at an earlier age than one writing in italic script.

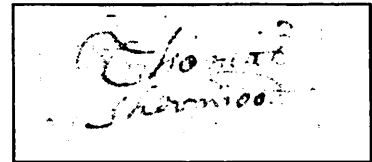
³⁶ This was an agreement to build and operate a mill in Stratford, dated 5 January 1654 (Stratford Town Records, 1: 243). The parties signed the document directly in the record book since it was an agreement with the town itself and therefore constituted the original document and not a transcription.

(spelling the surname, "Shirwood") is from his 1642 bond to George Wyllys (note 12)..

2. Thomas^{F2} Sherwood, son of the above, born ca. 1624, died in Fairfield in 1698/99 leaving a nuncupative will. Although his land records in later life in Fairfield consistently indicate that he made his own signature, no original image has been found.

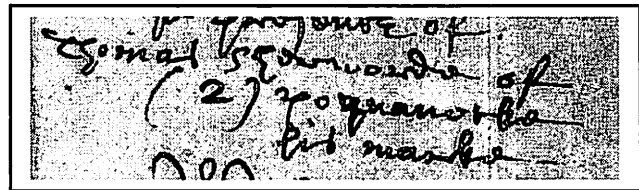
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3. Thomas^{S1} Sherwood of Stratford, born, say, before 1622, presumably in England, died in Stratford in 1657, leaving a will recorded in the probate volume, but the original with his signature has not survived. The image here is from a 1654 agreement with the town (note 36)..

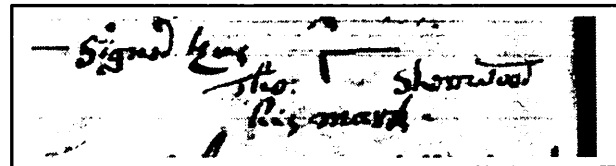


4. Thomas^{S2} of Stratford, son of the above, born ca. 1656, died there intestate in 1676, age about 20 years,³⁷ probably unmarried and childless He was not living during the period of interest before 1650.

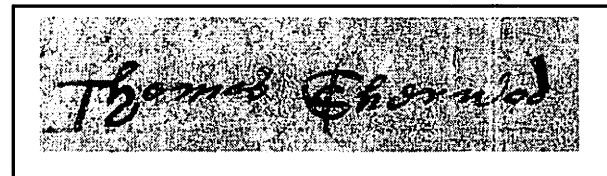
5. Unidentified Thomas Sherwood of "Poquanocke" who witnessed the bond by Thomas^{F1} to George Wyllys in 1642, signing with his "2" mark. The image here is from the original document (note 12).



6. Unidentified Thomas Sherwood of Stamford who signed his deed to John Holly in 1648 using his mark. The Stamford Town Clerk apparently had the original document before him in 1672 and attempted to reproduce the actual mark in the town's record volume at that time (notes 22 and 24), as shown here.



7. Unidentified Thomas Sherwood of Greenwich who signed a petition to Governor Peter Stuyvesant in 1649. The image here is from an online image of the original document in the New York State Archives (note 26).



The interpretation of these marks and signatures is crucial to our understanding of the associated records, but is made difficult by the uncertainty of how marks alone can be regarded as an indicator of illiteracy. Some literate men of advanced age have been known to make a mark instead of a signature for several reasons, including physical infirmity, loss of memory, etc.³⁸ In

³⁷ Jacobus, Old Fairfield (note 2), 1: 560-1.

³⁸ Kenneth A. Lockridge, *Literacy in Colonial New England* (New York: W. W. Norton & Company, Inc.,

addition, at least one study has shown that some men, regardless of age, have been “inconsistent signers,” alternating between signatures and marks for unknown reasons.³⁹ And, perhaps more directly applicable to these Sherwood marks, Dr. Ronald Hill has recently documented a case in which a young man signed with a mark but then had learned to make his full signature in later life.⁴⁰ It is extremely difficult, therefore, to draw any identity conclusions solely from the evidence of marks being made by the 1642 witness of Pequonock or by the 1648 grantor in Stamford.

Summary and opportunities for further study

There are now multiple reasons to conclude that Thomas^{F1} Sherwood went directly from Wethersfield to Fairfield, and not by way of Stamford as previously thought: he identified himself as being of Uncoway (Fairfield) in a document dated in 1642; he signed that same document with a full signature, rather than with a mark as did the Stamford man at a later time; he appears to have been a representative from Fairfield to the Connecticut Colony legislature in 1645 while Stamford was in the New Haven Colony at that time; and his name did not appear on any of the lists of men who were Stamford settlers from Wethersfield. For these same reasons and more already described, the identity of the Thomas Sherwood (or Sherwoods?) who appeared in Stamford records of 1648 and 1650 must now be considered unknown.

All this uncertainty raises (at least) the following questions:

1. Does any of this new evidence suggest that there were one or more additional adult Thomas Sherwoods besides Thomas^{F1}, Thomas^{F2} and Thomas^{S1} in this geographical area before 1650? If so, who might they be?
2. What is the significance of the very different marks used by the unidentified Thomas Sherwoods in 1642 (of Pequonock) and 1648 (of Stamford)?
3. Which Thomas Sherwood(s) was/were representative(s) to the General Court of Connecticut in various years?
4. Who was the Thomas Sherwood “the younger” who sold land to Mr. Olcott in Wethersfield that was eventually owned by James Boosey?
5. Given their associations with Robert Husted, was Thomas Sherwood of Stamford in 1648 the same person as Thomas Sherwood of Greenwich in 1649-1650?
6. How many Thomas Sherwoods were in the Stamford – Greenwich area between 1648 and 1650?
7. Could a Thomas Sherwood of Stamford and/or Greenwich in 1648-1650 have been identical with Thomas^{F2} who eventually settled in Fairfield with his father?

1974), 7-13.

³⁹ Robert E. Gallman, “Two Problems in the Measurement of American Colonial Signature-Mark Literacy,” *Historical Methods*, 20:4 (Fall, 1987, 137-41.

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Continuation of Greens Farms Church Records, 1742 – 1822
Baptisms: October 1791 - through 1796

Transcribed by Barbara Dempsey

N. B. The Greens Farms Church records were known to Donald Lines Jacobus and were used by him when compiling the data for *Families of Old Fairfield*. The publication of these records here in *Connecticut Ancestry* marks the first time they have been transcribed and published as a whole. Please see *Connecticut Ancestry* Vol. 58, No. 1, August 2015 for the introduction and first set of records from this source. Additional baptism records have been published in subsequent journals. This is Part 7. Note the 1796 baptisms end with 30 October. There are no records dated November or December 1896.

Date	Surname	Given Name	Relationship	Additional notes
02 Oct 1791	Allen	Lidea	d/o Gershom	
09 Oct 1791	Burr	Pamelia	d/o David Jr.	
09 Oct 1791	Bennet	Deborah	s/o Thomas Jr.	
30 Oct 1791	Meeker	Seth	s/o Seth	
30 Oct 1791	Meeker	Joseph	s/o Joseph	
30 Oct 1791	Davies	Banks		offered by Levi Disbrow
26 Nov 1791	Bets	Abigail	d/o Moses	of Wilton
26 Nov 1791	Bets	Moses	s/o Moses	of Wilton
27 Nov 1791	Batterson	Morriss	s/o John	
27 Nov 1791	Godfrey	Abel	so Jonathan	
04 Dec 1791	Goodsel	Silas	s/o John	
25 Dec 1791	Bennet	Charles	s/o Jabez	
25 Dec 1791	Mills	Moses	s/o John	
25 Dec 1791	Jesup	William Henry	s/o Ebenezer Jr.	
25 Dec 1791	MnRowe	Chary	d/o Ebenezer Jr.	
08 Jan 1792	Bennet	Ebenezer	s/o Daniel	
15 Jan 1792	Poor	Mary	d/o Jonathan	

15 Jan 1792	Darrow	Jonathan (twin)	s/o Daniel	
15 Jan 1792	Darrow	Anna (twin)	d/o Daniel	
28 Jan 1792	Downs	Sturges	s/o Samuel	
05 Feb 1792	Allen	Sarah	d/o Eliphalet	
19 Feb 1792	Andrews	Aletheia	d/o Thomas	
26 Feb 1792	Davis	Abigail	d/o Thomas	
26 Feb 1792	Burr	Henrieta	d/o Jonathan	
26 Feb 1792	Hide	Arete	d/o Joseph Jr.	
04 Mar 1792	Couch	Samuel	s/o Joshua	
04 Mar 1792	Wicks	Marcey Morehouse	d/o Nathaniel	
26 Mar 1792	MunRowe	John	s/o John	
15 Apr 1792	Mills	Lymon	s/o Joseph	
10 Jun 1792	Disbrow	Ester	d/o Elias	
24 Jun 1792	Moyer	Chary	d/o George	
01 Jul 1792	[Bennet]	Nancy		d/o Jim, servant to Capt. Benet
01 Jul 1792	[Disbrow]	Lilie		servant to Asehel
15 Jul 1792	Thorp	Harry	s/o Burr	
26 Jul 1792	Smith	Sarah	d/o Samuel	
05 Aug 1792	Gray	Charles	s/o Widow Anna	
16 Sep 1792	Cooley	William	s/o John	
16 Sep 1792	Adams	Abigail	d/o Nathaniel	
16 Sep 1792	Elwood	Rachel	d/o Joseph	
21 Sep 1792	Sherwood	Ebenezer	s/o Seth	of Greenfield
21 Sep 1792	Sherwood	Zalmon	s/o Seth	of Greenfield
21 Sep 1792	Sherwood	Samuel	s/o Seth	of Greenfield
21 Sep 1792	Sherwood	Polly	d/o Seth	of Greenfield
23 Sep 1792	Brotherton	Samuel	s/o Samuel	
23 Sep 1792	Brotherton	Zalmon	s/o Samuel	

23 Sep 1792	Elwood	Clarissa	d/o Nathan	
04 Nov 1792	Morehouse	Nabby	d/o Solomon Jr.	
18 Nov 1792	Allen	Barnibas	s/o Stephen	
25 Nov 1792	Morehouse	Esther	d/o Stephen	
02 Dec 1792	Jennings	Marita	d/o Burr	
30 Dec 1792	Chapman	Sarah	d/o James	
30 Dec 1792	Burr	Mary	d/o Elena	
19 Jan 1793	Elwood	Stephen	s/o Stephen	of Croten River
03 Feb 1793	Whitlock	Betsy	d/o Thaddeus	of Croten River
03 Feb 1793	Oysterbanks	Joseph	s/o Joshua	of Croten River
03 Feb 1793	[Downs]	Thomas		child offered by Samuel; of Croten River
03 Mar 1793	Morehouse	Samuel Taylor	s/o Abraham	
17 Mar 1793	Bennet	John Hervey	s/o Hains	
31 Mar 1793	Burrit	Abigail	d/o Wakeman	
31 Mar 1793	Burrit	Elizabeth	d/o Wakeman	
31 Mar 1793	Burrit	Wakeman	s/o Wakeman	
31 Mar 1793	Burrit	Stephen	s/o Wakeman	
02 Apr 1793	Smith	Ira	s/o Samuel	
02 Apr 1793	Jennings	Wakeman	s/o Peter	[surname spelled "Gennings"]
03 Apr 1793	Pattison	Gellio	ch/o John/Mary	
03 Apr 1793	Pattison	Matilda	d/o John/Mary	
10 Apr 1793	Chapman	Elizabeth	d/o Lovel	
10 Apr 1793	Chapman	Denny	s/o Lovel	
05 May 1793	Jesup	Harriet	d/o Deacon Jesup	
16 Jun 1793	Brotherton	Israel	s/o Daniel	
16 Jun 1793	Sherwood	Eunice	d/o Daniel 3 rd	
16 Jun 1793	[Nash]	Maria		d/o Peter, servant of Thomas
23 Jun 1793	Adams	Charles	s/o Capt. Stephen	

23 Jun 1793	Morehouse	Sarah Bradley	d/o Samuel	
23 Jun 1793	Mills	Charity	d/o John	
30 Jun 1793	Thorp	Polina	d/o Eliphalet	
30 Jun 1793	Meeker	Burr	s/o Benjamin	
30 Jun 1793	Meeker	Jonathan	s/o Benjamin	
04 Jul 1793	Allen	James	s/o Ebenezer	
07 Jul 1793	Godfrey	Ebenezer	s/o Jonathan	
14 Jul 1793	Ogdon	John	s/o John	
14 Jul 1793	Disbrow	Lucinda	d/o Justus	
14 Jul 1793	Beers	Polly	d/o David	
14 Jul 1793	Parsall	Kaziah	d/o Samuel Jr	
21 Jul 1793	Banks	Abigail	d/o Talcot	
28 Jul 1793	Disbrow	Daniel Ketchum	s/o Betty	
29 Jul 1793	Allen	Joseph	s/o Gabriel	
29 Jul 1793	Allen	James Hull	s/o Gabriel	
29 Jul 1793	Allen	Esthre	d/o Gabriel	
04 Aug 1793	[Couch]	Gin		servant to Lymon
04 Aug 1793	[Adams]	Dorcas		servant to Nathaniel; offered by his mother Sill__
11 Aug 1793	Phillips	Lydia	d/o John	
11 Aug 1793	Cooley	Eunice	d/o John	
11 Aug 1793	Couch	Charry	d/o Gideon	
11 Aug 1793	Hide	Eleanor	d/o Joseph Jr.	
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18 Aug 1793	Allen	Martha	d/o Gabriel	
18 Aug 1793	Allen	Gabriel	s/o Gabriel	
18 Aug 1793	Allen	Elizabeth	d/o Gabriel	
18 Aug 1793	Allen	Edward	s/o Gabriel	
02 Sep 1793	Gorham	Joseph	s/o Joseph	

08 Sep 1793	MnRow	Lymon	s/o Lockwood	by wife
22 Sep 1793	Wood	David	s/o Samuel	
22 Sep 1793	Bennet	William Ward	s/o Tim	
26 Sep 1793	Plat	Anna	d/o Justus	
06 Oct 1793	Couch	Joshua	s/o Joshua	
20 Oct 1793	Burr	Samuel	s/o Widow Eleanor	[Beers, possibly Burr, per Jacobus]
27 Oct 1793	Osborn	Joseph Burr	s/o Jeremiah	
27 Oct 1793	Green	James	s/o Rachel	
03 Nov 1793	Hill	Nathaniel Lewis	s/o Thomas	
03 Nov 1793	Wicks	Lemuel	s/o Nathaniel	
10 Nov 1793	Gorham	Abigail	d/o Ebenezer	
10 Nov 1793	Burr	Priscilla	d/o John	
10 Nov 1793	Sword	Francis	s/o Libeus	
13 Nov 1793	Gray	Mary	d/o Joseph	
24 Nov 1793	Seeley	Nancy	d/o James & wife	[surname spelled "Ceeley"]
15 Dec 1793	Cable	Thomas Guyer	s/o Charlotte	
15 Dec 1793	Bennett	Abigail	d/o Thomas	
15 Dec 1793	Guyer	Stephen	s/o Thaddeus Burr	
26 Jan 1794	[Sturges]	Pri[nce?]		servant to Andrew
16 Mar 1794	Chapman	Joseph	s/o Daniel	
24 Mar 1794	Phillips	William	s/o Thomas	
24 Mar 1794	Phillips	Anna	d/o Thomas	
25 Mar 1794	Raymond	Abigail	d/o David Jr.	
06 Apr 1794	Gorham	Phoebe	d/o Samuel	
06 Apr 1794	Green	Lidia	d/o Samuel	
13 Apr 1794	Bennett	Nabby	d/o Capt. Joseph	
13 Apr 1794	Chapman	Henry	s/o Maj. Allbert	
13 Apr 1794	Bennitt	Esther	d/o Lt. William	

13 Apr 1794	Jesup	Edwin	s/o Ebenezer Jr.	
13 Apr 1794	Bennitt	Nathan	so Josiah	
15 May 1794	Mills	Sarah	d/o Daniel	
15 May 1794	Mills	Hezekiah	s/o Daniel	
18 May 1794	Thorp	David Burr	s/o Burr	
18 Jun 1794	Wakeman	Happy Osborn	d/o Banks	
11 Aug 1794	Downs	Betsey	d/o Samuel	of Croton
17 Aug 1794	Bennet	Phebee	d/o Moses	
17 Aug 1794	Davis	Hezekiah	s/o Thomas	
17 Aug 1794	Wood	Lorinda	d/o Elizur	
17 Aug 1794	Baker	Bradley	s/o Ebenezer Jr.	
04 Sep 1794	Allen	Benjamin	s/o Benjamin Jr.	
21 Sep 1794	Adams	Miranda	d/o Nathaniel	
21 Sep 1794	Burr	David	s/o Jonathan	
21 Sep 1794	[Wynekoop]	Rose		servant maid of Grizel
28 Sep 1794	Bennitt	Daniel	s/o Daniel	
03 Oct 1794	Sherwood	Abigail	d/o Asa	
05 Oct 1794	Smith	Stephen Sherwood	s/o Priscilla	
12 Oct 1794	Allen	Burr Nichols	s/o Joseph	
02 Nov 1794	Rockwell	Elizabeth		presented by her grandmother Mary MnRow
06 Nov 1794	Sherwood	Abraham	s/o Abraham	
18 Nov 1794	Jesup	Mary Ann	d/o Deacon Ebenezer	
30 Nov 1794	MnRow	Esther	d/o Lockwood	
21 Dec 1794	Jennings	Burr	s/o Burr	
28 Dec 1794	Nash	Lidia	d/o Peter	
20 Feb 1795	MnRowe	Bennett	s/o Ebenezer	
20 Feb 1795	MnRowe	William	s/o John	
06 Mar 1795	Hide	Annis	d/o Peter	

14 Mar 1795	Seeley	Sally	d/o James	
22 Mar 1795	Hide	John	s/o Joseph Jr.	
02 Apr 1795	Bennett	Myrinda	d/o David	
05 Apr 1795	Disbrow	Thaddy	s/o Elias	
19 Apr 1795	Andrews	George	s/o Thomas	
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04 Oct 1795	Sword	William	s/o Libeus	

04 Oct 1795	[Morehouse]	Ned		servant of Grummon
11 Oct 1795	Cooley	Edwin	s/o Eunice	
18 Oct 1795	Allen	William	s/o Gabriel	
18 Oct 1795	Goodsel	Harriot	d/o John	
15 Nov 1795	Morehouse	Elizabeth Buckley		
15 Nov 1795	Jennings	Abigail	d/o Peter	[surname spelled "Ginnings"]
18 Dec 1795	Hill	Samuel	s/o Thomas	
21 Feb 1796	Adams	Polly	d/o Capt. Stephen	
21 Feb 1796	Bennett	Sarah	do Thomas Jr.	
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24 Apr 1796	Couch	Joseph	s/o Joshua	
29 Apr 1796	Osborn	Susannah	d/o Jeremiah	
29 Apr 1796	Raymont	Gold		offered by Jeremiah Osborn
__ Apr 1796*	Bennett	Stephen	s/o Capt. Joseph	*"beginning of April"
08 May 1796	Wood	David	s/o Elizur	
08 May 1796	[Sherwood]	Nancy		d/o Cesar, formerly servant of Moses
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28 Jun 1796	MnRowe	Eunice		granddaughter of Mary MnRowe; offered by her

03 Jul 1796	Baker	Elijah	s/o Lockwood	
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30 Oct 1796	Brush	Priscilla	d/o Zophur	

Note: There are no baptisms for November or December 1796. The next issue will begin with January, 1797.

To be continued

Book Review

Blaine T. Bettinger, *The Family Tree Guide to DNA Testing and Genetic Genealogy*, Family Tree Books, 2016, 239 pp; paperback, \$29.99 (cover price), available from Amazon.com: paperback \$19.01 (on a recent day), Kindle \$9.90 .

Blaine Bettinger's book is a wonderful reference that provides the knowledge you need to be an informed consumer and star researcher in the field of genetic genealogy. Bettinger is an experienced lecturer on the subject and is a leader in the field. His presentation is clear and uncomplicated.

Bettinger starts with a section on genetic genealogy basics which provides a history of the field. He discusses ten misconceptions about DNA testing, e.g., "My ethnicity estimate from the testing company should match my known genealogy." This section ends with a discussion of ethics and how we should conduct DNA studies, and including the need to respect other testers' rights to privacy and setting their own limits.

Section two, "Selecting a Test," describes the different types of DNA tests and what can be learned from each. Using text and diagrams, Bettinger explains, for example, how mitochondrial DNA is passed on and what kind of genealogical questions can be answered using this technique. He does the same for autosomal DNA and X- and Y-DNA tests. With about 20 pages for each type of DNA, the book provides plenty of details to help you understand these tests.

Section three is "Analyzing and Applying Test Results." Here Bettinger introduces third-party autosomal DNA tools such as GEDmatch.com, DNAGedcom, and others. He also discusses ethnicity estimates, how they are determined, and the tools available at each company for exploring the results. "Analyzing Complex Questions with DNA," provides strategies for using your DNA data to identify relatives or solve family history mysteries. The next chapter addresses genetic testing for adoptees which would include people who don't know the identity of a father or grandfather. Finally, Bettinger talks about the future possibilities in the field.

Three appendices provide extremely useful information. Appendix A, "Comparison Guides," has a flow chart for helping you decide which test is appropriate for your particular genealogical questions. Another chart compares the types of DNA to what information might be learned (e.g., whether haplogroups are assigned or whether cousins can be matched using each test). A third chart compares the three main companies (Family Tree DNA, 23 & Me, and Ancestry.com) on three categories: general information (e.g., price and accessibility to your matches), genealogy tools (surname search and family tree availability) and genetic tools (chromosome browsers, data on amounts of shared DNA).

Appendix B provides a chart explaining the important concept of Most Recent Common Ancestor. This is followed by several examples of worksheets you might want to use to keep track of your DNA relatives. While several of these contain headings that should be included in such a record, this reviewer did not find that any of the worksheets fully met the record-keeping need. They are useful as reminders of what information should be kept track of, however. Appendix C contains a multitude of resources: books, blogs, forums and mailing lists.

--Nora Galvin, CG

Robert A. Ferry

1925-2017

It is with sadness that we must report the death of Bob Ferry on January 31 of this year. Bob was editor of this journal from 1994 to 2003, longer than any prior editor. A "Tribute to Robert A. Ferry" was published in our "Ferry Recognition Issue" of August 2003, together with Bob's article, "Family Research: A Report on a Decade of Learning."

Bob was raised in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, was a radio gunner in the Air Force in World War II, and graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute as an electrical engineer. He was employed by General Electric Company and later for the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He also served as deacon and as church clerk at the First Congregational Church of Greenwich.

As editor Bob manually put together each issue of *Connecticut Ancestry* for nine full years. He delivered his master copy of each issue to the printer, collected the printed issues, stuffed them in envelopes which he had labeled from the membership list, sorted them in zip code order to achieve the best mailing rate, and delivered them to the Stamford post office. Further, he personally contributed many articles and book reviews through his term as editor.

Bob is survived by Mary, his wife of 57 years (and an active helper in the manual tasks of mailing each journal issue), and also by sons Allan and Thomas and by two grandchildren.

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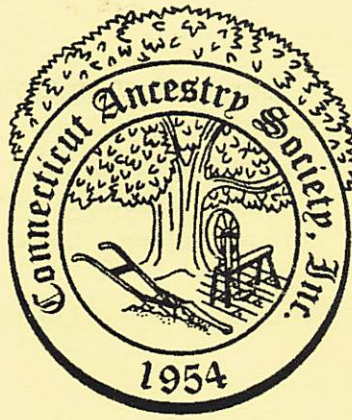
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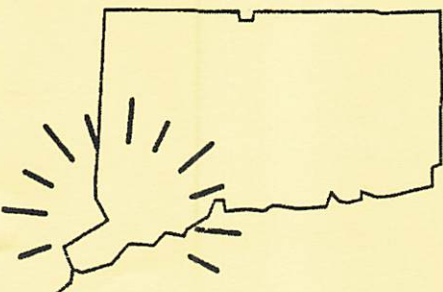
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Editorial Notes

We continue our 1790 US census series with two submissions by Kathryn Downs Wolff: Elihu Thompson of Huntington (now Shelton) and Samuel Peck of Newtown. Kathy displays her awesome skill at ferreting out the relationships among these late 18th-century residents. To enhance the 1790 theme, we present an estate inventory and some newspaper advertisements from the period. They give you some insight into how some of the people lived at that time.

Because works by Robert C. Anderson were extensively cited in the Scofield/Northend article in our last issue, we asked him to comment on the new research. See his response on p. 132.

We publish another letter, this one from 1849, from Benjamin Mead in Ohio to his brother Hugh in Pennsylvania. Benjamin discusses the terrible cholera epidemic raging at that time. The two had been born in Greenwich and moved west with their parents and siblings in 1817.

We have had some replies to our request for DNA stories and relate three on p. 135. We would welcome hearing how *you* are applying DNA testing to your genealogical research.

We include another ten pages of Barbara Dempsey's transcriptions of baptisms from the Greens Farms Congregational Church. There are fewer annotations in this batch, but it is still interesting to see what was worthy of comment. Harlan Jessup found a birth certificate from 1916, amended in 1946, and shares it for our enjoyment. This really could have confused descendants!

Finally, we give you reviews of two new resources that could provide the break-through you have been working toward. Helen Ullman has written a genealogy of the Smith family of Waterbury, and Mel Smith of the Connecticut State Library has created an index to Fairfield County divorces, 1798-1941, with some gaps noted. The issue ends with indexes for the year.

Your editor welcomes comments and submission of articles.

Nora Galvin, CG

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Fairfield County, Connecticut, Families in 1790

Elihu Thompson of Huntington in 1790

Kathryn Downs Wolff

Thompson, Elihu

1-1-2-0-0¹

Huntington

ELIHU THOMPSON was born 7 Dec 1732 in Stratford, the first child of Joseph and Temperance (Nichols) Thompson² who had been married in Stratford 31 December 1731.³ No death record was found for Elihu, but his gravestone in St. Paul's Cemetery, Huntington, says he died 27 Aug. 1802, in the 70th year of his age.⁴

Elihu married first, **HANNAH** (___?___)⁵ who died 29 January 1770 in the 38th year of her age. She is buried with Elihu.⁶ It is likely that Hannah died from complications of childbirth.⁷ At Hannah's death, Elihu was left a widower with six children ranging in age from about 13 down to newborn. Not unusual for the era, Elihu remarried. Sometime before 27 Mar 1771, Elihu married second, **SILENCE** (___?___) **BIRDSEY**, widow of Abel Birdsey, Jr. On that date Silence and Elihu Thompson sold her dower rights in Abel Birdsey's property to her Birdsey step-children.⁸ By the time of his death, he had married at least one more time, as his will names his 'loving wife', **EUNICE** (___?___), and one of his sons was too young to have been a child of Hannah. Since no death date could be found for either Silence or Eunice, it is not possible to determine which wife was the mother of this youngest child.

Elihu was Episcopalian in his religious views. In May 1768 he was the church warden for the Church of England in Ripton parish, and as such, together with James Clark of the parish of New Stratford, petitioned the General Assembly that they no longer had to pay the established church tax and instead would pay the tax to support their parish. They stated that by having to pay the established church tax, they "have No Liberty...we humbly Conceeve it unconstitutional to be taxed without our Consent [--] and should be Glad & are desireous to enjoy the Liberty and previledges of [loyal] and faithfull English Subjects in taxing our Selves and Gathering the Same for the Support of the Gosple which we are willing to do in such Manner as is agreeable to our Contionces."⁹

¹ 1790 US Census, Fairfield County, Connecticut, Huntington, p. 93, col. 1, Elihue Thompson; database and image, Ancestry.com, accessed 17 May 2017, citing National Archives and Records Administration microfilm M637, Roll 1.

² Barbour Collection of Connecticut Vital Records to 1870, (Hartford: Connecticut State Library (CSL), 1925), Huntington volume, 135; citing original in Shelton (current name of town) Land Records, 5:20.

³ Barbour Collection, Stratford, 136, Thompson-Nicolls marriage; citing original in Stratford Land Records, 5:20.

⁴ Charles R. Hale, compiler, *Connecticut Headstone Inscriptions*, Hartford: Connecticut State Library, abt 1934, Vol 44, Huntington, p. 99. Hereinafter called "Hale Collection." Hale calls this cemetery St. Paul's; findagrave.com (memorial #21340106) calls it Old Cemetery of Huntington.

⁵ Connecticut Probate Court, Stratford District, probate file #1792 for Elihu Thompson, 1802; digital image, ancestry.com, acc. 17 May 2017, citing CSL microfilm "Probate Files Collection, Early to 1880, Stratford, Sterling, P-Tomlinson, J, 1778-1880." The will specifies that a monument be erected "at my first wifes and my own graves."

⁶ Hale Collection, Vol. 44, Huntington, p. 99. www.findagrave.com, memorial #21340124.

⁷ Daughter Hannah's birth occurred two weeks earlier on 14 Jan 1770. See genealogical summary.

⁸ Stratford Land Records, 17:440; Stratford Town Clerk. For information on the Birdsey family, see Barbara Jean Mathews, *The Descendants of Gov. Thomas Welles of Connecticut and his Wife Alice Tomes*, Volume 2, Part A, (Wethersfield, Conn.: Welles Family Association, 2015), 595-596.

⁹ Kenneth Walter Cameron, *The Church of England in pre-Revolutionary War Connecticut*, (Hartford: Transcendental Books, 1976), 152. This source contains a complete transcription of their petition.

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When Elihu died in 1802, his estate was valued at \$2,296.55, of which \$2,028 was real estate. He owned 72 acres of land in four parcels. His son-in-law Balmarine Judd was named executor of Elihu's estate. One of his bequests to Eunice was that she got to pick one cow to be hers. His inventory shows he owned a red cow (valued at \$20) and a white-face cow (valued at \$15). The record doesn't state which cow Eunice picked. His other livestock included a horse, two oxen, twelve sheep, and three swine, which were part of the bequest to his son, Joseph. His daughter Jerusha received a set of silver spoons; the other girls received varying amounts of cash (provided for by selling real estate). Elihu bequeathed his clothing to his sons Samuel and Joseph to be equally divided between the two.¹⁰

Members of his household in 1790: Elihu was the adult male over sixteen. The male under sixteen was his youngest child Joseph, age about six. The two females were probably his wife, Eunice, and his youngest daughter, Hannah, who didn't get married until 1791. By 1800, his family consisted of three persons:¹¹ one male over 45, one female over 45, and one male 16-25, which would match Elihu, Eunice and Joseph.

Children of Elihu Thompson, gleaned from his probate record as well as the probate record of his youngest son, Joseph:¹²

By his first wife, Hannah:

1. JERUSHA THOMPSON, b .c. 1756, d. 9 June 1821, age 66, buried in Huntington,¹³ wife of BIRDSEY LEWIS. Birdsey Lewis was also a 1790 head of household in Huntington (1-1-5-0-0).¹⁴ Six children received distributions in Birdsey's probate.¹⁵ Another son, Elihu, had died earlier.
2. ABIGAIL THOMPSON, b. c. 1757, d. 22 Nov 1823, ae. 66,¹⁶ wife of BALMARINE JUDD. Balmarine was also a 1790 head of household in Huntington ("Balmerim" 3-2-4-0-0).¹⁷ Ten children were baptized in the Huntington Congregational Church.¹⁸
3. SAMUEL THOMPSON, b. 20 May 1762,¹⁹ d. 16 Aug 1822, buried Roxbury,²⁰ but his probate record and his brother Joseph's probate record calls him 'of New Milford,²¹ m. SARAH "SALLY"

¹⁰ Conn. Probate Court, Stratford District, will of Elihu Thompson.

¹¹ 1800 US Census, Fairfield County, Conn., Huntington, p. 952 (stamped), Elihue Thomson; ancestry.com, acc. 17 May 2017, citing NARA microfilm publication M32, roll 1.

¹² Conn. Probate Court, Bridgeport District, probate file #412, Joseph Thompson, 1839; CSL microfilm "Probate Files Collection, Early to 1880," Summers, Lo-Treat M, 1840-1880. Joseph's distribution names all the daughters' spouses and the town in which they resided. However, it does err in calling Hannah "Huldah".

¹³ Hale Collection, Huntington, p. 81

¹⁴ 1790 US census, Huntington, p. 93

¹⁵ Conn. Probate Court, Stratford District, file #2256 for Birdsey Lewis of Huntington, 1823; ancestry.com.

¹⁶ Hale Collection, Huntington, p. 87. Balmarine is seen as "Balbarine" on his gravestone.

¹⁷ 1790 census, Huntington, p. 95

¹⁸ Connecticut Church Records Index, (Hartford: Connecticut State Library), Shelton (formerly Huntington) Congregational Church, pp 84-85, referencing various pages in volumes 3 & 4; CSL. (Now also available at ancestry.com.)

¹⁹ Elias Warner Leavenworth, *A Genealogy of the Leavenworth Family in the United States*, (Syracuse: 1873), 112.

²⁰ Hale Collection, Vol. 42, Roxbury, p. 30.

²¹ Conn. Probate Court, New Milford Dist., file #2603, Samuel Thompson, 1822; ancestry.com, citing CSL microfilm.

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- LEAVENWORTH 21 Nov 1784 in Huntington.²² She d. 17 July 1855, ae 92. Samuel was also a 1790 head of household in Huntington, (1-1-3-0-0).²³ Seven children were listed in his will.²⁴
4. TEMPERANCE THOMPSON, b. c. 1764, d. Newtown, 27 Aug 1833, ae 69;²⁵ m. PETER LAKE of Newtown.²⁶ Peter was a 1790 head of household in Newtown. (1-2-3-0-0).²⁷ Five children are listed in Peter's probate record,²⁸ plus daughter Avis who died earlier and is buried next to her parents.²⁹
 5. ANNA THOMPSON, b. c. 1767, d. 7 or 8 July 1807, ae 40,³⁰ m. EBENEZER BEARD in Huntington 24 Sep 1786;³¹ he d. 14 Feb 1809, ae. 50.³² Eight children baptized in Huntington Congregational Church; one died at age three.³³ The seven surviving children are named in the distribution of Ebenezer's estate.³⁴ Ebenezer is not a 1790 head of household. Anna, Ebenezer and their oldest two boys are probably living with Ebenezer's father, David Beard, in 1790 Huntington.
 6. HANNAH THOMPSON, b. 14 Jan 1770, d. Newtown, 10 May 1835, age 65 years, 3 months, 26 days.³⁵ Hannah married first at Huntington Feb 1791 EZRA LAKE of Newtown,³⁶ who died 24 May 1816, age 52.³⁷ Ezra was Peter Lake's brother. Hannah and Ezra had one son, Philo Lake.³⁸ Hannah married second, LAMSON BIRCH of Newtown, 30 Aug 1823, as his third wife.³⁹

Child by a subsequent wife, which one undetermined:

7. JOSEPH THOMPSON, b.c. 1784, d. Huntington, 4 Apr 1839, ae 55. He died intestate, and administration of his estate was granted to his cousin Cyrus Lewis. No widow's dower was apportioned, so it is assumed he was not married. His estate was distributed to his six siblings.⁴⁰ He is buried in Huntington near Elihu and Hannah.

²² Frederic W. Bailey, *Early Connecticut Marriages as found on Ancient Church Records prior to 1800*, 7th book, (New Haven, Conn.: Bureau of American Ancestry, 1906), p. 89.

²³ 1790 US census, Fairfield Co., Conn., Huntington, p. 93. He is enumerated three lines above Elihu.

²⁴ Conn. Probate Court, New Milford District, file #2603, will of Samuel Thompson, 1822.

²⁵ Barbour Collection, Newtown, 102; citing original Newtown VR 2:136. The death date on her headstone is 17 Aug 1834. (Hale Collection, Newtown vol., 78.)

²⁶ Conn. Probate Court, Bridgeport District, file #412, Joseph Thompson, 1839.

²⁷ 1790 US Census, Fairfield County, Connecticut, Newtown, p. 214.

²⁸ Conn. Probate Court, Newtown District, file #1180, Peter Lake, 1835; CSL microfilm.

²⁹ Hale Collection, Vol. 36, Newtown p. 78.

³⁰ Connecticut Church Records Index lists her death date as 8 July 1807 at age 39. (Huntington/Shelton Cong., 6.) Her headstone reads 7 July. (Hale, Huntington, 94.) Her age was read as only '4' by Rev. Samuel Orcutt, *A history of the old town of Stratford and the city of Bridgeport, Connecticut*, (New Haven: Fairfield Historical Society, 1886), 968.

³¹ Bailey, Vol. 7, p. 89

³² Hale, Huntington, p. 94.

³³ Conn. Church Records Index, Huntington Congregational, pp. 6-11, referencing various pages in volume 3.

³⁴ Conn. Probate Court, Stratford Dist., file #88, Ebenezer Beard, 1809. Ebenezer's second wife was Tabitha (—). Tabitha m. Billy Hubbell in 1811 and died in 1830 at age 64. She is buried in Newtown with Billy and his first wife.

³⁵ Hale Collection, Newtown p. 81. Her birth date is computed from age at death on gravestone. Also, Barbour Collection, Newtown, 19, citing Newtown VR 2:131.

³⁶ Bailey, Book 7, p 15.

³⁷ White Barbour referencing Newtown VR 2:157; Hale, Newtown, p. 81.

³⁸ Ezra Levan Johnson and Jane Eliza Johnson, *Newtown's History and Historian*, Newtown: 1917, gen. section, p.96.

³⁹ Philo Lake married Lamson Birch's daughter, Polly Ann, in 1822; thus Hannah marrying Lamson made Polly Ann's mother-in-law also her stepmother.

⁴⁰ Conn. Probate Court, Bridgeport District, probate files, Joseph Thompson, file #412, 1839.

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Samuel Peck of Newtown in 1790

Kathryn Downs Wolff

Peck, Samuel
Newtown

3-2-4-0-0¹

SAMUEL PECK was born in Newtown on 20 August 1744, son of Heth and Hannah (Camp) Peck.² He died 12 May 1832, ae 88,³ and is buried in Newtown Village Cemetery.⁴

He married, first, **SARAH SKIDMORE**, eldest daughter of Nehemiah and Charity (Lake) Skidmore.⁵ She died 18 September 1819, age 72, and is also buried in Newtown Village Cemetery.⁶ Sarah was the mother of all of Samuel's children.

Samuel married, second, widow **SARAH BURRETT**.⁷ Samuel's will, written 28 Mar 1816 while his first wife was still living, gives his personal estate to his wife "Sarah Peck" for her use during her lifetime and says the furniture would then go to this three daughters after his death and that of his wife. Perhaps since the two wives shared a name, he did not need to change his will.⁸ There is no death record or headstone in Newtown for a second Sarah Peck who died before Samuel. She may be the Sarah Peck, widow, who died 11 November 1834, age 62.⁹ No burial information was found.¹⁰

Although Samuel Peck's final resting place reportedly was marked as a "Patriots Grave," no other evidence was found showing he was a veteran of the American Revolution.¹¹ In the 1767 Grand Levy of Newtown, Samuel was assessed £24, 0s, 0d. He took the Freeman's Oath in 1768.

¹ 1790 US Census, Fairfield County, Connecticut, Newtown, p. 208, NARA microfilm M637, Roll 1.

² Newtown Vital Records, 1:29; Newtown Town Clerk Office.

³ Newtown VR 2:138.

⁴ Charles R. Hale, compiler, *Connecticut Headstone Inscriptions*, Vol. 36, Newtown, (Hartford: Connecticut State Library (CSL), abt. 1934), 56. Hereinafter referred to as Hale Collection, Newtown, unless otherwise indicated.

⁵ Emily C. Hawley, *A Genealogical and Biographical Record of the Pioneer Thomas Skidmore*, (self-published, 1911), 115. (Emily was a relative by marriage.) No other record was found for this marriage.

⁶ Newtown VR, 2:154. Also, Hale Collection, Newtown, 56.

⁷ Ira B. Peck, *A Genealogical History of the Descendants of Joseph Peck, Appendix: The Connecticut Pecks, Joseph of Milford, Conn.*, (Boston: 1868), 298. No other record was found for this marriage. This Sarah was probably the widow of Amos Burritt, and if so, probable daughter of John and Charity (Hinman) Seeley. (For the parentage of Amos Burritt's wife Sarah see: Cynthia Wald, "Mary Who?" *Connecticut Nutmegger*, 29 (June 1996): 4. No headstone is listed in the Hale Collection for this widow Sarah, but neither is there a headstone for Amos Burritt. So, it remains one of those 'within the realm of possibility, but hard to verify almost 200 years later' relationships.

⁸ Connecticut Probate Court, Newtown District, 4:54, will of Samuel Peck, dated 28 Mar 1816, proved 24 May 1832; digital image, familysearch.org, accessed 18 May 2017, catalog search: Place (Connecticut, Fairfield Co., Newtown) > probate records > click camera image for digital images, scroll to vol. 4, p. 54 (Image 416/708).

⁹ Newtown VR, 2:134. This age correlates with the probable age of Sarah Seeley.

¹⁰ Hale Collection, Newtown. There is no entry for Sarah Peck, d. 1834, or for Sarah Burrett, or Amos Burrett.

¹¹ Hale Collection, Newtown, 56, reports grave decorations. Other sources consulted for evidence: DAR Patriot Index; *Connecticut Men in the Revolution* (ancestry.com): none of the several Samuel Pecks can be distinguished as this one; *Supplement to the Record of the Connecticut Men of the Revolution*, Volumes I & II (Ct Historical Society, 1901); lastly, *Newtown's History & Historian* doesn't list him as one of Newtown's Revolutionary War soldiers.

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In 1802, he was one of the landowners impacted by the construction of the Bridgeport and Newtown Turnpike and was paid \$63.67 in damages.¹² His estate inventories in 1832 totaled \$3,762.72 in real estate and \$60.93 personal property.¹³ In his will he made cash bequests to daughters Clarry Glover, Annes Botsford, and Joanna Curtis. Samuel's real estate was willed to sons Isaac Peck and David C. Peck.¹⁴

Members of the household in 1790: One of the adult males was Samuel. The other two adult males are unidentified. The two males under sixteen are sons Isaac, age 14, and David, age 7. The four females are wife Sarah and daughters Annis, Clarissa and Joanna.

Children of Samuel and Sarah (Skidmore) Peck:¹⁵

- i. CLARISSA PECK, d. 2 Oct 1832, age 60,¹⁶ married BENJAMIN CURTIS GLOVER, son of John and Elizabeth (Curtis) Glover, d. 27 June 1841, age 70.¹⁷ Five children.¹⁸
- ii. ANNIS PECK, b. 30 June 1774,¹⁹ d. 13 July 1844, m. RICHARD BOTSFORD. She is buried in Taunton Cemetery.²⁰ Annis and Richard had at least three children.²¹
- iii. ISAAC PECK, d. 1 Oct 1835,²² m. AURILLA BOTSFORD, daughter of Moses and Huldah (Winton) Botsford.²³ Four children.²⁴
- iv. DAVID C. PECK, d. of dropsy, 5 Apr. 1862, age 79.²⁵ David married first, 8 Jan 1809,²⁶ REBECCA BEERS, daughter of Simeon and Phedina (Nichols) Beers.²⁷ Both David and

¹² Johnson Ezra Levan and Jane Eliza Johnson, *Newtown's History and Historian*, (Newtown: 1917), 220, 120, 154.

¹³ Conn. Probate Court, Newtown Dist., file #1513, Samuel Peck, 1832; digital image, ancestry.com, acc. 17 May 2017, citing CSL microfilm "Probate Files Collection, Early to 1880, Probate Packets, Peck, Cornelia-Platt, P., 1820-1880."

¹⁴ Conn. Probate Court, Newtown District, will of Samuel Peck.

¹⁵ Samuel's children's names are listed in his will. No births or baptisms were recorded.

¹⁶ Hale Collection, Newtown, 27. Buried in Village and Town Plot Cemeteries.

¹⁷ Hale Collection, Newtown, 27. Buried in Village and Town Plot Cemeteries.

¹⁸ Johnson, genealogical section p. 75, lists four; Hawley *Skidmore*, pp. 116-17, lists five. Their daughter Marcia married Gould Curtis' brother, Hezekiah, which makes her Aunt Joanna also her sister-in-law.

¹⁹ Botsford Family Historical Association, Inc., *Botsford Family Genealogy: The Line of John, Draft*, Vol. 5, (Milford, Conn.: Botsford Historical Family Assoc., Inc., 1999), 42, citing Newtown VR 2-118, and LR 4-1..

²⁰ Hale Collection, Newtown, 114.

²¹ *Botsford Family Genealogy: The Line of John, Draft*, Vol. 5, 42. The two sons listed in this resource (Samuel P. and Gideon B.) are buried with Annis and Richard. *Newtown's History*, genealogical section, p. 34, lists one son Gideon B. and the daughter Sarah Ann. It does not follow Sarah Ann's story completely. However, looking at *Newtown's History*, genealogical, p. 136, and Hawley, *Skidmore*, plus other records, you can piece her story together. Sarah Ann's husband, Frederick Dibble, died in March, 1850. At some point by 1854, she married her neighbor, Daniel S. Skidmore, who had become a widower in May, 1853. He died before she did, and when she died in 1863 (Newtown BMD vol 4-7, p 140, Sarah A Skidmore, widow), she was buried in Taunton Cemetery as Sarah Ann Dibble, wife of Frederick (Hale, Newtown, 111). Their son's death record (Lauren Skidmore, Newtown BMD, vol. 4-9, p. 360) confirms his parents as Daniel S. Skidmore and Sarah N. [sic] Botsford.

²² Hale Collection, Newtown, 56.

²³ Botsford Family Historical Association, Inc., *Botsford Genealogy, Vol. 1: Line of Henry 1.1.7*, (Milford, Conn.: Botsford Family Historical Association, 1959), 44, 51, 52, 71, 72.

²⁴ *Newtown's History and Historian*, genealogical, p. 117, among others. Their son Robert married as his third wife, his cousin Elizabeth Curtis (daughter of Joanna (child v. herein) and Gould). After Robert died, Elizabeth married her cousin Simeon Beers Peck (son of David and Rebecca) as his second wife.

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Rebecca are buried in Newtown Village Cemetery.²⁸ David and Rebecca had one son, Simeon Beers Peck.²⁹ David married, second, on 10 Apr 1842 HARRIET BOOTH.³⁰ She was the widow of Philo W. Booth, and daughter of Abijah and Jerusha Bradley.³¹ She died in Bridgeport, 6 Sept. 1892, age 99, and was buried next to her first husband.³²

- v. JOANNA PECK, b. 9 Apr 1788, d. of dysentery, 7 Nov 1860.³³ She married GOULD CURTIS, son of Gold and Elizabeth (Gould) Curtis.³⁴ Five children; four lived to adulthood, and one died as an infant and is buried with them.³⁵

²⁵ Hale Collection, Newtown, 57; Newtown BMD vol. 4, section 7, p. 138.

²⁶ Harlan R. Jessup, transcriber, Peck family Bibles and photocopies held at Cyrenius H. Booth Library, Newtown," specifically David C. Peck Bible and Simeon B. Peck Bible; www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ctgnc/Peckbible.htm accessed 20 Nov 2013.

²⁷ Mary Louise Regan, *The Beers Genealogy, Vol. Two: The Descendants of Anthony Beers of Fairfield Connecticut Through His Son John*, (Fredonia, NY: Chautauqua County Genealogical Society, 1974), reprinted 2004, 41-42.

²⁸ Hale Collection, Newtown, 57.

²⁹ Peck Family Bibles, David C. Peck bible. Simeon B. Peck served as president of Newtown Savings Bank for twelve years and his picture faces page 237 in *Newtown's History and Historian*

³⁰ Newtown VR, 3:111. Johnson, genealogical section, p. 115, refers to her as "Mrs. Harriet Booth," indicating she was a widow.

³¹ A series of records provide proof of her identity: 1-1850 US Census, Fairfield Co., Conn, Newtown, p. 38 (stamped), dwelling 560, family 633, David C. Peck; digital image, Ancestry.com, acc. 18 May 2017, citing NARA microfilm publication M432, roll 37. Harriet Peck, age 57, is David Peck's apparent wife; this provides a baseline age. 2- Hawley, Emily C., *Annals of Brookfield*, (Brookfield: 1929), 560, says Lewis Sherman married Catherine Booth (no parents named). 3-Later, this couple appears on the census with Harriet Peck, mother-in-law. (1880 US Census, Fairfield Co., Ct., population schedule, Bridgeport, p. 713 (stamped), dw. 148, fam. 253, Lewis Sherman; digital image, Ancestry.com, citing NARA microfilm T9, Roll 95.) 4- Hale Collection, Vol. 5, Bridgeport, 498 (1st line on pg), "Booth, Harriet, wife, b. Jan 1, 1793, d. Sept. 6, 1892." Philo W Booth is the last entry on the previous page, indicating they are buried side-by-side. These dates for Harriet Booth match those in the death record for Harriet Peck. (next fn.)

³² Bridgeport Vital Records, Deaths 1889-1893, 202, Harriet Peck; Bridgeport Office of Vital Statistics. This record says that that she was the widow of David, that her maiden name was Bradley, and that her parents were Abijah and [blank]. The birth and death dates match those on the Harriet Booth headstone (previous fn).

Commemorative Biographical Record of Fairfield County, (Chicago: J.H. Beers & Co, 1899), p. 1324, in a sketch about George W. Bradley, says that his grandfather Abijah had a daughter "Harriet, who married David Peck, of Newtown." Abijah Bradley is buried in Bradleyville Cemetery (Hale, Newtown, 152) next to "Jerusha, wife of Abijah."

³³ Newtown VR, BMD 4-7: 134; Hale Collection, Newtown, 103.

³⁴ Frederic Haines Curtiss, *A Genealogy of the Curtiss Family*, (Boston: Rockwell and Churchill Press, 1903), 55, 93, 94. Also, *Newtown's History and Historian*, genealogical section, 48, lists the four who lived to adulthood. Hale Collection, Newtown, 103.

³⁵ *Commemorative Biographical Record*, 1004, lists all five children. Their son, Samuel, founded the Berkshire Company in 1845. It is now known as Curtis Packaging and is still in business in Sandy Hook.

Connecticut Life in 1790

Inventory for the Estate of Elihu Thompson of Huntington dated 29 October 1802 submitted and transcribed by Nora Galvin, CG

This inventory, taken only twelve years after the first United States census, gives us a window onto the historical period and helps us to answer the question "What was life like in 1790?"

*The following is an Inventory of the Estate of
Elihu Thompson late of Huntington Decd taken
as presented to us Appraisers. Qualified as the Law directs*

7 pair of Shovel	\$ 13 -- 00
5 pair of pillow Cases	3 -- 00
9 towels	3 -- 00
4 table Cloaths	3 -- 00
1 Feather Bed w th 36 th	7 -- 50
1 D ^o with 1 Bolster & 2 pillows w th 31 th	6 -- 50
2 Under Beds	0 -- 50
3 Bedsteads & Boards	1 -- 67
3 White Blankets	4 -- 25
1 Green Blanket	1 -- 67
Shagreen Coverlid	2 -- 50
3 old Coverlids	1 -- 00
2 Coiffs	1 -- 54
Cup of Drawers	10 -- 00
round table	1 -- 00
2 old tables	0 -- 50
Great Chair	0 -- 75
6 Chairs	2 -- 00
Churn 36 comb 3 Earthen Milk pans 25	0 -- 59
3 Milk bins 836 - & 2 tin Milk pans 67	1 -- 50
Earthen, pot & various, pans & Earthen platters	0 -- 58
Lashings glass	1 -- 25
Bible & other books	0 -- 50
4 Pewter platters	1 -- 25
2 pewter Dishes	0 -- 50
first Cup pewter & 6 th old pewter	1 -- 25
Black tin 1 Earthen tea pot & 4 tea Cups & saucers	0 -- 50
five Dinner & Lays 2 Trammels & 1/2 th old Dishes	2 -- 83
Stool yards	0 -- 75
tin Kettle	0 -- 67
10. Sad Irons 3/4 Kettle pernice pot & Brass Bafors	2 -- 17
2 Brass Skillets old	3 -- 50
2 old pails 36 comb yellow Bottle 17	0 -- 51
Kitchel	1 -- 50
2 Candle sticks 12 comb 3 knives & forks 134 comb	0 -- 46
Great Wheel & Double Wheel	1 -- 17
Small tub & Churn saws	0 -- 42
	85 -- 18

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	brought over		85	-18
2 Hats		8	0	-50
3 Linnen shirts		3	-	34
2 Woollen shirts		1	-	25
4 pair Stockings		0	-	83
2 Linnen Vests		0	-	50
3 Woollen Vests		1	-	25
3 Coats		4	-	34
2 pair of Breeches		1	-	00
1 pair woolen trousers		1	-	50
3 pair Linnen trousers		1	-	25
1 pair Silver Buckles		3	-	50
1 pair Silver Buckles		1	-	00
1 set Silver tea Spoons		2	-	00
Chain Yoke & Irons		1	-	83
Haye Collar & traces		1	-	42
2 pair 2-50 horse plow & 6 cow		3	-	00
2 Oxen & pair & Irons & harness		1	-	17
3 old axes		0	-	59
the 1 third part of Cyder Mill		1	-	00
6 Cyder Barrels		3	-	00
1 Great Barrel & 6 old Eggs		1	-	25
100 3/4 Cents in half Bushel 42 cents		0	-	76
1 Cyder tub 83 Cents 2 pitch forks 42 Cents		1	-	25
Butterings & 1 Wedge		0	-	50
1 Haye			30	-00
2 Oxen			53	-34
1 Red Cow			20	-00
1 white face Cow			15	-00
12 Sheep			11	-00
3 Swine wt. 300			12	-50
52 Acres of Land in the Home stead with a Dwelling House thereon			1300	-00
10 Acres of Land Call'd the Elbo			358	-00
15 1/2 Acres Land Call'd Lumber Mill			310	-00
1/2 Acre at Easting Island so Call'd			60	-00
			2296	-85

Completed this 29th of October 1802

by us Lem^d Judson Sr^r } appraisors
David Thompson } under call

Source: Connecticut Probate Court, Stratford District, probate file #1792 for Elihu Thompson, 1802; digital image, ancestry.com, accessed 17 May 2017, citing Connecticut State Library microfilm "Probate Files Collection, Early to 1880, Stratford, Sterling, P-Tomlinson, J, 1778-1880."

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[Transcription:]

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The following is an Inventory of the Estate of Elihue Thomson late of Huntington Dec^d taken as presented to us Appraisers Qualified as the Law Directs

7 pair of sheets	\$	13		00
5 pair of pillow cases				3 00
9 towels				3 00
4 table cloaths				3 00
1 Feather Bed w ^t 36 lb				7 50
1 D[jitt] ^o with 1 Bolster & 4 pillows w ^t 31 ¾ lb				6 50
2 Under Beds				0 50
3 Bedsteads & Cords				1 67
3 White Blankets				4 25
1 Chec ^d Blanket				1 67
Flowerd Coverled				2 50
3 old Coverleds				1 00
2 Chests				1 34
Case of Drawers				10 00
round table				1 00
2 Old tables				0 50
Great Chair				0 75
6 Chairs				2 00
Churn 34 cents 3 Earthan Milk Pans 25				0 59
5 Milk trays 83 c & 2 tin milk pans 67				1 50
1 Earthan pot t Earthan pan & 5 Earthan platters				0 58
Looking glass				1 25
Bible & other books				0 50
4 Pewter platters				1 25
2 pewter Basons				0 50
pint Cup pewter & 6 # old pewter				1 25
1 Block tin 1 Earthan tea pot & 4 tea Cups & sausers				0 50
fire shoves & tongs 2 trammels & 1 pr And Irons				2 83
Steelyards				0 75
tea Kettle				0 67
pr Sad Irons Dish kettle porridge pot & Iron Bason				2 17
2 Brass Kettles old				3 50
2 old pails 34 cents Gallon Bottle 17				0 51
Hatchet				1 50
2 Candle sticks 12 cents 3 knives & forkes 34 cents				0 46
Great Wheel & Double Wheel				1 17
small tub & Cheese press				0 42
				85 18

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	brought over	85	18
2 Hats		0	50
3 Linning shirts		3	34
2 Woollen shirts		1	25
4 pair stockings		0	83
2 linning Vests		0	50
3 Woollen Vests		1	25
3 Coats		4	34
2 pair of Breeches		1	00
1 pair woolen trousers		1	50
3 pair linning trousers		1	25
Gr[e]at Coat		3	50
pair silver Buckles old		1	00
Set Silver tea Spoons old		2	00
Chain Yoke & Irons		1	83
Horse Collar & traces		1	42
Ox plow 2-50 horse plow 50 cents		3	00
2 Clovis (?) & pins & Iron fetters		1	17
3 old axes			59
the 1 third part of Cyder Mill		1	00
6 Cyder Barrels		3	00
1 Meat Barrel & 6 old Cases		1	75
Keg 34 cents & half Bushel 42 cents		0	76
Scythe & tackle 83 cents 2 pitch forkes 42 cents		1	25
Butterings & 1 Wedge		0	50
1 Horse		30	00
2 Oxen		53	34
1 Red Cow		20	00
1 whiteface Cow		15	00
12 Sheep		14	00
3 Swine w ^t 300		12	50
52 Acres of Land in the Homestead with a Dwelling House thereon at		1300	00
10 Acres & $\frac{3}{4}$ Land call ^d the Elbo		358	00
15 $\frac{1}{2}$ Acres land Calle ^d Quimbers Hill		310	00
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Acre at Carting Island so call ^d		60	00
		<u>2296</u>	<u>55</u>

Completed this 29th of October 1802

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	David Thompson		

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Selected advertisements published in the *Connecticut Courant and Weekly Intelligencer*, Hartford, 07 June 1790¹

transcribed by Nora Galvin, CG

Items that were available for purchase in Hartford, and likely Fairfield County, too.

AMOS BULL

Has just received for sale, an additional supply of GOODS, among which are Nankeens, Leno, Thread Net, Muslin and Lawn Aprons and Handkerchiefs, Muslins and Muslinets, Black Calamancoe and Lastings, Silk and Thread Stockings, Gloves, Ribands, Fans, with several other articles.—He has also on hand, a quantity of Pins, elegant Buckles and buttons, cutlery and other Hard Ware, best Hylon and Souchong Tea, Indigo, fine Powder, Shot, Lead, &c.—for cash only.

Hartford, May 31, 1790

Miles Beach & James Ward,
South of the Bridge Hartford—

Continue to carry on the Silver and Gold Smith's business; Brass Founding—Clock and Watch making, &c.—Have ready made, Gold Beads, Stone Earrings and Buttons; Silver Spoons, viz. Table, Desart, Coffee and Tea, do. Sugar Tongs; a great variety of Plated and Silver Shoe and Knee Buckles; Pinchbeck and Brass do. Plated Bits, Buckles and ornaments for Bridles; plated Spurs; all kinds of brass work for Chaise Trimming, Harness, &c. clocks and Watches, Brass Trumpets, &c. &c. for sale on all reasonable terms as can be had in this or any of the United States. -----Also, a new, fashionable and well made fall back Chaise for sale much under the real value.

Hartford, May 10, 1790.

The payment of the second moiety of the Pension of the Invalids, due March 5, 1790, will commence at the Office of the Collector of the customs at New-London, on the 5th day of June next.

All the Printers in this State are desired to publish this notice, in compassion to the poor objects of it.

May 27, 1790

¹ *Connecticut Courant and Weekly Intelligencer*, Hartford, Conn., 7 June 1790, p. 4; ProQuest Historical Newspapers: Hartford Courant. This publication is available at iconn.org with a Connecticut library card.

**Comments from Robert C. Anderson about the Scofield/Northend article
published in the previous issue of *Connecticut Ancestry***

Since works by Robert Anderson were cited multiple times in the article published in our last edition (Louis G. Ogden and Brent M. Owen, "The English Origins of Richard¹ Scofield, Daniel¹ Scofield and John¹ Northend of Stamford, Connecticut," CA, 59:81-100), we wanted to get his thoughts on the new scholarship, some of which had been suggested by Mr. Anderson himself. Here are his comments:

Thanks for sending me the excellent Scofield/Northend article. The authors have certainly found the English origin of the Richard Scofield who appeared in Ipswich in 1641 and then moved to Stamford a decade or so later. And, since the birthdate for this Richard is in reasonable agreement with the age of the 1635 passenger on the *Susan & Ellen*, their work has substantially increased the likelihood that this passenger was identical with the Richard Scofield of Ipswich and Stamford. Were I writing the Richard Scofield sketch now, I would have accepted this origin and described the connection with the 1635 passenger as probable, perhaps even approaching highly probable.

I do have two small remaining reservations, however. First, I don't believe the Saltonstall connection is quite as strong as the authors imply. Although the Saltonstall family certainly had a Hipperholme connection, Sir Richard Saltonstall, after his marriage, resided at Wragby, Yorkshire, from 1609 to 1626, and then moved to London from 1626 until his migration to New England in 1630. His son Richard, the passenger of 1635, would have lived in Wragby or London from his birth until his departure for England in 1630, and when he came back to England briefly, he married in London in 1633. Thus, it is not clear how and when he might have made a connection with Richard Scofield in England.

Second, I very much applaud the careful analysis of the passengers on the *Susan & Ellen* who settled in Ipswich. This is just the sort of handling of the available evidence which leads to unexpected conclusions. The authors focus on Richard Scofield, Edward Lummus and Samuel Podd. Edward Lummus, though, does not quite match with the other two. Although there are no contemporary records for him after 1635 for just as long a period as Scofield is absent from the records, Lummus was married and having children by the later 1630s, and perhaps as early as 1636, so his absence from the records was not because he was a servant for all those years after arrival. This focuses more attention on Samuel Podd; given his unusual name, he becomes an attractive focus for further research.

This is an important and well-executed article which advances our knowledge of these families immensely and is just the sort of contribution which illuminates the whole migration process.

Regards,

Bob Anderson

Letter from Walter P. Mead to Hugh Mead 16 September 1849

transcribed by Robert and Lois Franklin

Walter P. Mead and Hugh Mead were sons of Jeremiah Mead junior, a resident of Greenwich, a veteran of the Revolutionary War and a "sufferer"—victim of British attacks in Connecticut during the Revolution. In 1817, at the age of 62, Jeremiah traveled with his wife and entire family to southwest Ohio to begin a new life. This move took place during the peak of migration from Connecticut to points west. See earlier articles for more background information about this family. (Connecticut Ancestry, 58:96 ("Fairfield County in 1790: Jeremiah Mead junior of Greenwich," Sandra Johnson Witt, Ph. D.) and 58:103 ("Introduction to Mead Family Letters," Nora Galvin, CG).

The original letter is in the possession of the transcribers. It was passed down through Hugh Mead's daughter Frances (Mead) Tingley and her daughter Juliette (Tingley) Phillips and was discovered by Juliette's grandson Robert Franklin in the old family home. Punctuation (or lack thereof) and spelling have not been altered.

Springdale [Ohio] Sept the 16th 1849

My Dear Brother

Your kind and interesting letter came to hand in due time it found us in tolerable health although in the midst and surrounded on all sides by that dread scourge the Cholera which has made such dreadful havoc through the western country in some instances depopulating almost entire vilages & neighborhoods causing a deep gloom on every countenance and almost an entire suspension of business Cincinnati has had a severe visitation indeed I can bear witness to the deep meloncholly that prevaded that city during the worst time of its distress as my Business calls me there once a week during the year I must confess I sometimes felt a little repugnance to going right in among the most infected parts of the city but I soon got used to it you no a body will get used to a most any thing even meeting with from 25 to 35 funeral procesions within 4 miles of the the city got to be an every day occuranc indeed sometimes a lone cart with an old horse and drive were seen winding there way to the grave yard with one or more corps. Then a furniture car with 4 and 5 of a family indeed all manner of vehickles were employed during the worst stages of the epidemic I see the mortality of the city is computed to be six thousand four hundred and odd in 4 monts May June July August

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in Springdale there were a number of cases one man buried 4 of his family all in a day or two Some of the most worthy citizens of the place have died at this time there is not much of the diseas about and business seems to be reviving People that fled from the pestilence are returning home and for a stranger to visit the city he would not think it posible that so soon after the epidemic had left for there to so much bustle and hurra & commotion as is to be seen in all parts of the city Tuesday morning there were 700 markets wagons in market besides the huscksters which number a great many

Erastus has been very sick indeed with flux when your letter arrived he was very low he is now about there has been numerous cases of the above disease Mary and a young lady her niece that was with us both have the cholera both taken within a few minuets of each other we commenced immediatly and by using very energetic means succeeded in arresting it Since I wrote you last I have had two very severe sick spells of something like cramp cholic at present my health and the health of my family is good all able for our allowance by the by I must inform

you that we have an addition to the family 3 ½ months old and as fine a fat good natured little fellow as ever inhabited the Buckeye State I verily believe so its Mamma thinks two and that is just as good as it was so you no

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The friends in this vicinity are all well at this time Brother Peck & family & the Dr were all well a short time since Billy Peck has had no increas in family as yet.----we have for the last two years been ingaged in the dairy business Making Butter have it engaged at 25 per # the year round take it in the city once a week to Private families men that are doing business and are independent as it were do not want the trouble of going to market we put in stone crocks have 2 for each family leave one take the other home so alternately through the season at the same time they take potatoes corn meal chickens, in fact everything that raised on the farm at the full market price for instance the last I got 25 for a butter 50 cts for potatoes 50 cts for corn meal 20 cts a piece for chickens 10 cts for eggs and so on for the various artickles I had last season we mad about 1600 # Butter shall probably do the same this year if we have usual health I have a light spring wagon for the purpose start early in the morning run down in 2 ½ hours 14 miles first rate turnpike this season I have 18 acres of first rate corn just sowed 12 acres manly my wheat crop this season was light meadow light I have 20 acres now ready to sow in timothy the insuing week James is with me seems content & I am in hopes will remain so he is a stout able boy can do a mans work Emma and Eliza grow finely Em is 7 years old Eliza 5 years James 16 and the last and Best of course 3 ½ months we call him Elmer Cunningham Mead after James Uncle I nearly think you have forgot that you was to make us a visit 2 years since you talked strongly coming out to se us come no backing out we are expecting you Except of our best wishes for your future welfare we all join in love to you and yours likewise remember me to Floyd Hibard and all others that think of me

B C M

PS I cannot subscribe to what you say in regard to President Taylor Penn will not either Mark that

[Addressed to]

Springdale Sept 20

To Hugh Mead

Lenox

Susquehanna Co

Penna

DNA success stories from members

I had some success with DNA matches on my Italian side. I knew where my great-grandfather was from, but not my great-grandmother, although we thought it was near Genoa. I share DNA with two different people with ancestors from a little town called Moconesi in Italy. The top match had an extensive online tree which was extremely helpful. I started going through online records for that town (at antenati.san.benicultural.it and FamilySearch). I found lots of records for people named DeBarbieri (my great-grandmother's maiden name) but none for Malatesta (her mom's name). Using Google maps to identify nearby villages, I started looking at records for all the little towns near Moconesi and found one town, Cicagna, that seemed to have bunch of Malatesta records. Despite the records' being written in Italian in atrocious handwriting, I managed to find the 1882 record of my great-great-grandparents' marriage, which directly connects into the family tree of that closest match. Ancestry says we're probable fourth cousins. Our actual relationship is second cousins twice removed, which is well within that range of total shared DNA. I still don't know how I am related to the slightly more distant match from another nearby town, Favale di Malvaro. And yes, those places are near Genoa.

I thought that was cool and wanted to share!

--Kathryn Wolff

I have a small DNA success story. Through Family Tree DNA, I connected to someone whose last name was my grandmother's maiden name. We discovered that his grandfather and my grandmother were brother and sister! I knew the names of my grandmother's siblings, but I did not know that this brother came to America. It is a small world.

--Mary Ann Robinson

I did not know where my great-grandmother Annie Dugan came from in Ireland. A third-cousin, whose great-grandmother Kate was Annie's sister, said their family had been told the Dugans came from County Donegal. I displayed healthy (though private) skepticism, but distinguishing baptismal records for Annie Dugan and Kate Dugan from the dozens that were born in Ireland around the same time was proving to be a difficult task. The day I posted my DNA data at GEDmatch.com I received an email from a man in Canada. He wanted to know if I had any ancestors from County Donegal! It turned out that his great-grandparents were from the townland of Leiter, Kilcar parish, in Donegal. He did not know who their parents were, so he had embarked on a DNA project which included other people whose ancestors came from Kilcar, as well as a couple of nonagenarians who actually lived there. While I did not match this man himself, I did match the people who lived in Kilcar as well as many of the other people in his group whose ancestors came from there. Subsequently, I found the baptismal records for Annie and several of her siblings, and their residence was Leiter. Another blank filled on my pedigree chart!

--Nora Galvin

Please submit your DNA stories to editor@connecticutancestry.org

Continuation of Greens Farms Church Records, 1742 – 1822
Baptisms: October 1797 - through 1803

Transcribed by Barbara Dempsey

N. B. The Greens Farms Church records were known to Donald Lines Jacobus and were used by him when compiling the data for *Families of Old Fairfield*. The publication of these records here in *Connecticut Ancestry* marks the first time they have been transcribed and published as a whole. Please see *Connecticut Ancestry* Vol. 58, No. 1, August 2015 for the introduction and first set of records from this source. Additional baptism records have been published in subsequent journals. This is Part 8. Note the 1802 baptisms end with 21 November. There are no records dated December 1802.

Date	Surname	Given Name	Parents/relationship	Other notes
01 Jan 1797	Coley	John Hide	s/o Michael	
01 Jan 1797	Godfrey	Abigail	d/o Stephen Jr.	
01 Jan 1797	Smith	Fanny Bennett	d/o Widow Eunice	
01 Jan 1797	Godfrey	Solome	w/o Stephen Jr.	
01 Jan 1797	Elwood	Eunice		
22 Jan 1797	Taylor	Seymour	s/o Seymour	
22 Jan 1797	Morehouse	Lorinda	d/o Stephen	
29 Jan 1797	Swords	Betsey	d/o Libbeus	
05 Feb 1797	Hide	Myrinda	d/o Joseph Jr.	
05 Feb 1797	Burr	Elizabeth	d/o Jonathan	
12 Feb 1797	Bennet	Maccabees	s/o Daniel	
12 Feb 1797	Nash	Nancy	d/o Peter	
19 Feb 1797	Chapman	Samuel Sherwood	s/o Lt. James	
19 Feb 1797	Jennings	Eleanor	d/o Burr	
19 Feb 1797	Whitehead	Burr	s/o Joseph	
05 Mar 1797	Gorham	Polly	d/o Joseph B.	
05 Mar 1797	Osborn	Nancy	d/o Amoss	
05 Mar 1797	Chapman	Eli	s/o Nance	
09 Mar 1797	Ketchum	Hannah	d/o Isaac	

19 Mar 1797	Meeker	Silas	s/o Joseph	
19 Mar 1797	Ogdon	Joseph	s/o John	
19 Mar 1797	Wakeman	Anna	d/o Nathaniel	
19 Mar 1797	Meeker	Abigail Gorham	d/o Daniel	
02 Apr 1797	[none]	Amoss (twin)	s/o Tim & Lill	Negroes
02 Apr 1797	[none]	Almira (twin)	d/o Tim & Lill	Negroes
09 Apr 1797	MnRowe	Lockwood	s/o Lockwood	offered by his wife
16 Apr 1797	Batterson	Molly	d/o Selick	
30 Apr 1797	Banks	Lymon	s/o Talcut	
30 Apr 1797	Thorp	Abigail Hide (twin)	d/o Eliphalet	
20 Apr 1797	Thorp	Elen Wakeman (twin)	d/o Eliphalet	
14 May 1797	Morehouse	Sturgis	s/o Samuel	
21 May 1797	Morehouse	Jarvis	s/o Abraham	
21 May 1797	Jennings	Peter Burr	s/o Peter	[surname spelled "Ginnings"]
04 Jun 1797	Thorp	Eleanor	d/o Burr	
11 Jun 1797	Chapman	Lidia	d/o Maj. Albert	
02 Jul 1797	Batterson	Susanna	d/o John	offered by mother
16 Jul 1797	Allen	Henry	s/o Stephen	
16 Jul 1797	Lockwood	Stephen Godfrey	s/o Seymour	
16 Jul 1797	[none]	Susan	d/o Lill	free Negro
30 Jul 1797	Wood	Aletheia Martha	s/o Samuel	
24 Aug 1797	Allen	Rebeckah	d/o William	
24 Aug 1797	Allen	Esther	d/o William	
24 Aug 1797	Allen	Tammy	d/o William	
27 Aug 1797	Bennett	Edward	s/o Jabez	
03 Sep 1797	Brotherton	Eli	s/o Daniel	
03 Sep 1797	Sherwood	Asa	s/o Asa	
16 Sep 1797	Allen	Hames Harvey	s/o Gershom	
16 Sep 1797	Allen	Ann	d/o Gershom	

08 Oct 1797	Elwood	Hulda	d/o Stephen	
08 Oct 1797	Darrow	Eunice	d/o Daniel	
08 Oct 1797	Wakeman	Joseph Hide	s/o Joseph	
15 Oct 1797	Plat	David	s/o Justus	
29 Oct 1797	Mills	Betsy	d/o Joseph	
26 Nov 1797	Couch	Eli	s/o Gideon	
26 Nov 1797	Handford	Jonathan	s/o Bradley	
26 Nov 1797	Baker	Florilla	ch/o Ebenezer	
01 Dec 1797	Boughten	John	s/o Joshua	
01 Jan 1798	Chapman	Abigail	d/o Lovel	
22 Jan 1798	Elwood	Sally	d/o Nathan	
26 Jan 1798	[unnamed]	Marvin	ch/o Ozias	of Whitestown
15 Feb 1798	Adams	Miranda	d/o Nathaniel	
16 Feb 1798	Brush	Polly	d/o Zopher	
16 Feb 1798	Brush	Betsy	d/o Zopher	
16 Feb 1798	Brush	Lockwood	s/o Zopher	
16 Feb 1798	Allen	Chary	d/o Samuel	by wife
21 Feb 1798	Wood	Elizur	s/o Elizur	
04 Mar 1798	Bennett	Lucinda	d/o David	
18 Mar 1798	Cumstock	David	s/o Enoss	
08 Apr 1798	Swords	Henry	s/o Libbeus	
22 Apr 1798	Couch	Hezekiah Allen	s/o Joshua	
06 May 1798	Mills	Abraham	s/o John	
10 May 1798	Bennet	Phylander	s/o Nathaniel	offered by his wife
10 May 1798	Bennett	Hariet	d/o Nathaniel	offered by his wife
10 May 1798	Taylor	Walter	s/o John	
10 May 1798	Star	Abigail	d/o Christopher H.	
02 Jun 1798	Godfrey	Jonathan	s/o Jonathan	
02 Jun 1798	Patterson	Ann	d/o Mary	

02 Jun 1798	Patterson	John	s/o Mary	
02 Jun 1798	Patterson	James	s/o Mary	
03 Jun 1798	Beers	Kiah	s/o David	
03 Jun 1798	Coley	Sally Burr	d/o Hezekiah	
10 Jun 1798	Buckley	Harriet	d/o Bradley	
10 Jun 1798	Disbrow	Eloisa	d/o Daniel	
24 Jun 1798	Wakeman	Maria	d/o Banks	
24 Jun 1798	Baker	John	s/o Lockwood	
24 Jun 1798	Gray	Eleanor	d/o Joseph	
24 Jun 1798	Gray	Charlotte	d/o Joseph	
01 Jul 1798	Elwood	Rhoda	d/o Abijah	[surname written "Eldwood"]
01 Jul 1798	Osborn	Abigail	d/o Jeremiah	
15 Jul 1798	Jesup	Caroline	d/o Ebenezer Jr.	
15 Jul 1798	Batterson	Lucy	d/o Slick	
05 Aug 1798	Disbrow	Ebenezer	s/o Squire	
12 Aug 1798	Wilson	Edward	s/o Charles	who died the next day with it 8 days old
16 Aug 1798	Chapman	Lorra	d/o Phineas	
26 Aug 1798	Nash	Thomas	s/o Peter	Negro
26 Aug 1798	Sherwood	Amy	d/o Cesar	Negro
23 Sep 1798	MnRowe	Clary	d/o Ebenezer Jr.	
23 Sep 1798	Nichols	Mary	d/o William	
14 Oct 1798	Sherwood	Moses	s/o David	
21 Oct 1798	Green	Ebenezer	s/o Rachel	
04 Nov 1798	Hide	Joseph	s/o Joseph Jr.	
18 Nov 1798	Hill	Catherine	d/o Thomas	
18 Nov 1798	Ogdon	Abigail	d/o Jonathan	
22 Jan 1799	Taylor	Alfred	s/o Seymour	
10 Feb 1799	Davis	Rebeckah	d/o Thomas	
03 Mar 1799	Jennings	John Morehouse	s/o Burr	

03 Mar 1799	Taylor	Hezekiah Coley	s/o Lt. Jesup	
03 Mar 1799	Morehouse	Polly	d/o Ens. Abraham	
03 Mar 1799	Jennings	Anna Burr	d/o David	
24 Mar 1799	Banks	Talcut	s/o Talcut	
07 Apr 1799	Seeley	William Smith	s/o James	
19 May 1799	Sherwood	Abigail	d/o Daniel	
19 May 1799	Meeker	Alma	ch/o Daniel	
26 May 1799	Chapman	Betsy	d/o Phineas	
02 Jun 1799	Squire	William	s/o Joseph	by wife
09 Jun 1799	MnRowe	Mary	d/o Lockwood	by wife
21 Jul 1799	Allen	Alfred	s/o Joseph	
21 Jul 1799	Allen	Polly	d/o Benjamin Jr.	
11 Aug 1799	Burr	Caroline	d/o Ezra Jr.	
01 Sep 1799	Banks	Levi	s/o Cesar	
01 Sep 1799	Chapman	Maryan	d/o Nance	
15 Sep 1799	Baker	William	s/o Ebenezer	
20 Sep 1799	Brush	Charles	s/o Zopher	
29 Sep 1799	Osborn	Dorcas	d/o Amoss	Negro
27 Oct 1799	Chapman	Sally Ketchum	d/o Maj. Albert	
27 Oct 1799	Bennet	Miranda	d/o Daniel	
27 Oct 1799	Allen	Lucinda	d/o Stephen	
03 Nov 1799	Thorp	Sally	d/o Eliphalet	
07 Nov 1799	Godfrey	Charles	s/o Stephen	
24 Dec 1799	Allen	Hull	s/o Gabriel	
05 Jan 1800	Elwood	Elizur	s/o Stephen	
07 Jan 1800	Hurd	Delia	d/o Abijah	
14 Jan 1800	Coley	David	s/o Michael/Eunice	
14 Jan 1800	Swards	David	s/o Libbeus	
29 Jan 1800	Morehouse	Molly	d/o Solomon Jr.	

02 Feb 1800	Burr	Patty	d/o Jonathan	
19 Feb 1800	Bennett	Eliza	d/o William	
20 Feb 1800	MnRowe	Esther	d/o Ebenezer	of Cornwall
02 Mar 1800	Jennings	Gideon Morehouse	s/o Jesse	[surname spelled "Gennings"]
02 Mar 1800	Burr	Mary Ann	d/o Aaron	
02 Mar 1800	Disbrow	Sally Ann	d/o John Jr.	
16 Mar 1800	Mills	Betty	d/o John	
16 Mar 1800	Burr	Gershom	s/o Seleck	
16 Mar 1800	Stratton	Gold	s/o Hull	
13 Apr 1800	Banks	Hagar	w/o Ceasar	
20 Apr 1800	Meeker	Alva	s/o Samuel	
20 Apr 1800	Cooley	Mercy Ann	d/o Hezekiah	
20 Apr 1800	Handford	Abigail Adams	d/o Bradley	
20 Apr 1800	Meeker	Sally Wakeman	d/o Joseph	
20 Apr 1800	Bennet	Betsy	d/o David	
20 Apr 1800	Baker	Abigail Hendrick	d/o Lockwood	
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04 May 1800	Gregory	Joel Allen	s/o Abraham	
01 Jun 1800	Wicks	Nash	s/o Nathaniel	
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13 Jul 1800	[none]	Charlotte	s/o Lill	
27 Jul 1800	Parsall	Betsey	s/o Samuel Jr.	
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31 Aug 1800	Wood	Hezekiah	s/o Elizur	
31 Aug 1800	Wakeman	Charles	s/o Banks	
31 Aug 1800	Whitehead	Caroline	d/o Joseph	
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12 Oct 1800	[none]	James	s/o Peter/Lid	
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26 Oct 1800	Bennett	Sarah Reed	d/o James	
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18 Jan 1801	Taylor	Sally Ann	d/o Lt. Jesup	by Mr. Burnet [Burret?]
21 Jan 1801	Allen	William	s/o William	
21 Jan 1801	Allen	Mary	d/o Joseph	
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08 Nov 1801	Rowe	Aletheia	d/o John	of Kent
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13 Dec 1801	Godfrey	Caroline	d/o Stephen Jr.	
20 Dec 1801	Swords	John Dawson	s/o Libeus	
23 Dec 1801	Allen	Alba	s/o Stephen	
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13 Jan 1802	Philips	Thomas	s/o Widow Anna	
17 Jan 1802	Baker	Lewis	s/o Ebenezer	
17 Jan 1802	[Adams]	Henry		black child offered by Widow Adams
29 Mar 1802	Godfrey	Seth	s/o Jonathan	
18 Apr 1802	Elwood	Aletheia	d/o Stephen	
02 May 1802	Allen	Alfred	s/o Joseph	
02 May 1802	Sherwood	Abraham	s/o Daniel	
02 May 1802	Couch	Charry	d/o Gideon	
02 Jul 1802	Couch	Sally Ann	d/o Joshua	
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04 Jul 1802	Thorp	Eliphalet	so Eliphalet	

08 Aug 1802	Hide	Rachel	d/o Joseph	
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22 Aug 1802	Coley	Orra	d/o Hezekiah	
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19 Sep 1802	Burr	Sarah	d/o Jonathan	
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22 Sep 1802	Chapman	Abigail	d/o Lovel	
22 Sep 1802	Chapman	Joseph	s/o Lovel	
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24 Oct 1802	Raymong	Elizabeth	d/o David	of Greenfield
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11 Nov 1802	Taylor	Almaria	d/o Capt. Seymour	
11 Nov 1802	Jesup	Caroline (twin)	d/o Maj. Ebenezer	
11 Nov 1802	Jesup	Angeline (twin)	d/o Maj. Ebenezer	
14 Nov 1802	Stratten	Philander	s/o Hull	
21 Nov 1802	Hazard	John Van Schoonhoven	s/o John	
21 Nov 1802	Hide	Priscilla	d/o Sill [?], w/o Ned Hide	
10 Jan 1803	Guyer	Charlotte	d/o Burr	
16 Jan 1803	Jennings	Joseph	s/o Jesse	[surname spelled "Gennings"]
23 Jan 1803	Davis	Caroline	d/o Daniel	
18 Feb 1803	Burr	Aveline	d/o Aaron	
10 Mar 1803	Finch	Alba	ch/o John/Hulda	
03 Apr 1803	Bennett	David Burr	s/o James	
09 Apr 1803	Taylor	Polly	d/o Lt. Jesup	
28 Apr 1803	Nash	Mary	d/o Thomas Jr.	
14 May 1803	Squire	Aaron		

15 May 1803	Squire	Mary		
15 May 1803	Baker	Abba Jane	d/o Widow Sarah	
15 May 1803	Baker	Henry	s/o Lockwood	
11 Jun 1803	Couch	Mary	d/o Joshua	
12 Jun 1803	Batterson	Joel	s/o Silleck	
12 Jun 1803	Squire	William Sturges	s/o Aaron	
17 Jul 1803	Wood	Ebenizar Jesup	s/o Elizur	
14 Aug 1803	Allen	Maryann	d/o Jesup	
14 Aug 1803	Burr	Abigail	d/o Selleck	
21 Aug 1803	Disbrow	Heneretta	d/o John	
28 Aug 1803	Smith	Harry	s/o Samuel	
29 Aug 1803	Davis	Seth	s/o Thomas	
29 Aug 1803	Godfrey	Esther	d/o Jonathan	
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01 Sep 1803	Bulkley	Abigail	d/o Bradley	
01 Sep 1803	Handford	Esther	d/o Bradley	
04 Sep 1803	Baker	Hezekiah	s/o Ebenezer	
04 Sep 1803	Sherwood	William	s/o William	
25 Sep 1803	Taylor	Alva Burr	s/o John	
25 Sep 1803	Whitehead	Benjamin Jackson	s/o Benjamin	
25 Sep 1803	Jennings	Betsy	d/o Burr	
02 Oct 1803	Swords	Eleanor	d/o Libbeus	
02 Oct 1803	Sherwood	Betsy	d/o David	
06 Oct 1803	Patrick	Edward	s/o Peter	
06 Oct 1803	Patrick	Charles	s/o Peter	
23 Oct 1803	Osborn	Benjamin	s/o Amos	Negro
23 Oct 1803	Osborn	Harry [Henry?]	s/o Amos	Negro
13 Nov 1803	Disbrow	Deborah Squire	d/o Solomon	
27 Nov 1803	Disbrow	Hariot (twin)	d/o Jesse	
27 Nov 1803	Disbrow	Mary (twin)	d/o Jesse	

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That Andrechik Baby

Harlan R. Jessup

On 14 April 1916 John and Sophia (Yaddovski) Andrechik of Winnipauk in the town of Norwalk became the proud parents of their third child. Not until eleven days later the attending physician, R. M. Wolfe, provided corrected information to the town clerk for the birth certificate of the female child, Mary Andrechik.

Then, some thirty years later, on 8 June 1946, and "on the basis of a Baptismal Certificate of St. Mary's Church, Norwalk," that the child's sex listing was changed to male and his name to Joseph Marian Andrechik, now marked on the original birth certificate.

Confusing to genealogists and family members, the typed copy of the handwritten original certificate in the Connecticut state files has never been changed, the child still reported and indexed as Mary Andrechik.

Norwalk town copy of certificate

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State of Connecticut Bureau of Vital Statistics

Certificate of Birth

1. Name of child Joseph Marian Mary Andrechik 2. Sex Male Female

3. Place of birth—Town Winnipauk No. 46 Slocum Street

4. Date of birth 14 day of April 1916

5. Full name of Father John Andrechik

6. Age of Father 31 years

7. Color of Father white

8. Residence of Father—Town Winnipauk State or Country Poland

9. Birthplace of Father—Town _____ State or Country Poland

10. Occupation of Father Rubber mixer

11. Maiden name of Mother Sophia Yodlovski

12. Age of Mother 27 years

13. Color of Mother white

14. Residence of Mother—Town Winnipauk State or Country Poland

15. Birthplace of Mother—Town _____ State or Country Poland

16. Number of child of Mother third (3) No. living two (2)

17. Remarks*

I Certify the above from the best information I can obtain.

Dated Apr. 25 1916 Name R. M. Wolfe, M.D.

Capacity in which he signs
Address 61 S. Main St.

*If twin or illegitimate, so state 6/8/46. Correction in name and sex made on basis of Baptismal Certificate of St. Mary's Church, Norwalk signed by Rev. Harry M. Callahan, R. Gregory, Registrar.

Book Review

Helen Schatvet Ullmann, CG, FASG. *Descendants of Anthony Smith of Waterbury, Connecticut*. Boston: Newbury Street Press, 2016. 271 pp., hardcover, \$44.95. Order by phone at 1-888-296-3447, online at shop.AmericanAncestors.org, or by writing New England Historic Genealogical Society, Sales Dept., 99-101 Newbury St., Boston, MA 02116.

Though Anthony Smith's family and most of their children and grandchildren resided just outside of our focus area of Fairfield County, our members and other readers of *Connecticut Ancestry* might well pay attention to in this well-crafted volume by one of the long-term members of our Society.

Anthony⁵ Smith's lineage to the immigrant George¹ Smith is documented in the well-known *Families of Ancient New Haven* by Donald Lines Jacobus. But Helen Ullmann had long postponed publication of Anthony's descendants because, in spite of much circumstantial evidence, there was no source specifically citing his parentage to eight sons and three daughters. Finally, a published connection to one son in the *Encyclopedia of Connecticut Biography* [Boston, 1917-23], prompted her to publish this five-generation genealogy of his family.

The genealogy includes all sons and their descendants for four generations including some detail on the fifth generation children and their families. There is also a sketch for each daughter identifying her husband and children with the spouses of those children. For most sketches Helen has documented many land records and available census records describing the family.

The index to the volume is somewhat unusual, combining a listing of every name grouped by surname together with all identified locations, listing them by state and by county or town within each state. An extensive bibliography shows the long list of published sources used by Helen in describing each family, in addition to the usual vital records, deeds, and other primary sources.

This volume gives a refreshingly complete sketch for each family. Not only will it be most interesting to anyone having a family connection, but it is an exemplary model for others who may be considering publication of a family record.

--Harlan R. Jessup

A Connecticut Genealogy Treasure Trove: Announcing creation of an index to Fairfield County divorces, 1798-1808, 1825-77, and 1868-1941, at the Connecticut State Library

The Connecticut State Library is well known in the history and genealogy communities for having one of the finest collections for conducting their family history or genealogy research. Countless primary and secondary resources are available for use by patrons in manuscript and published form, along with thousands of microfilms of such materials as Connecticut vital, church, land, and probate records.

One valuable yet often overlooked type of record to discover information about one's family is Connecticut divorce records. Divorce records may contain a great deal of information that might not be found elsewhere. The maiden name of the wife may be given, along with other historical family clues such as the date and place of marriage, as well as the names of minor children. Divorce records also will provide a clue, or narrative, as to why the marriage broke down. In some cases, the causes of the divorce will provide a great deal of information about the family unit and may explain the disappearance of family members decades or centuries ago.

Divorces were granted in Connecticut during the earliest colonial times by the General Court, which later became the General Assembly. The Connecticut State Library holds a great deal of the original divorce petitions to the General Court in our "Connecticut Archives" collection; many of these early divorce petitions are published in *The Public Records of the Colony of Connecticut*. In 1711, Superior Courts were created for each Connecticut county and were given the authority to grant divorces as well. The Superior Courts supplanted the General Assembly in the mid to late 19th century as the primary mechanism for Connecticut divorces.



A depiction of colonial era
divorce (The Divorce, by Jan
Hendrik van de Laar. 1846

As the Connecticut State Library is one of the primary central repositories for Connecticut Superior Court Records, both court files and record volumes, it only makes sense that genera-

¹ https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Dutch_Painting_in_the_19th_Century_-_Van_de_Laar_-_The_Divorce.png

tions of family historians have visited the State Library to use our records to find divorce information about their families. In fact, to aid patrons conducting such research, two genealogical researchers, Barbara B. Ferris and Grace Louise Knox combed through five Connecticut counties' superior court files and published two books in the late 1980s which index and provide a brief abstract of the divorces found in the superior court files for the counties investigated. The two books they created, *Connecticut Divorces Superior Court Records for the Counties of New London, Tolland & Windham 1719-1910* and *Connecticut Divorces Superior Court Records for the Counties of Litchfield 1752-1922 and Hartford 1740-1849* are heavily used by all types of family historians.

Recently, the State Library acquired two new index volumes highlighting additional divorce information for Fairfield County. Created by Connecticut State Library reference librarian Mel Smith of the History & Genealogy Unit, the *Index for 1798-1808 & 1825-77 divorce judgments found in Fairfield County, Connecticut Superior Court record volumes found in the Connecticut State Archives* and *Index for 1868-1941 divorces found in Fairfield County, Connecticut Superior Court divorce record volumes found in the Connecticut State Archives* provide patrons with index information for over one hundred years of Fairfield County divorces and contains over 17,000 individual entries. These indexes, unlike the two earlier divorce books by Ferris and Knox which used the individual files of the various superior courts, are based on divorces entered into the official record volumes of the Fairfield Superior Court. Divorce records created after 1941 are still in the custody of the Fairfield Superior Court District.

These two divorce index books are arranged in two sections, first alphabetically by the surname of the husband, and secondly by the wife's former name if known. Each section provides the name of the husband and wife (and former name if known) along with the year of divorce, the volume and page number or court term if no page number is provided, and where the document resides in the State Archives as part of archival record group (RG) #003, Records of the Judicial Department. Once a patron has consulted the index and found an entry of interest they may view the original court record(s) by visiting the Connecticut State Library, or requesting that a copy be made for a minor fee.

An added bonus is that these two divorce index volumes have been digitized and are available in their entirety via the Connecticut State Library catalog for free at the following links:

[Index for 1798-1808 & 1825-77 divorce judgments found in Fairfield County, Connecticut Superior Court record volumes found in the Connecticut State Archives](#)

[Index for 1868-1941 divorces found in Fairfield County, Connecticut Superior Court divorce record volumes found in the Connecticut State Archives](#)

While these two indexes have been available for a relatively short time, many patrons, both those who visit the Connecticut State Library along with those who access the volumes remotely, have used them to discover new facts about their Fairfield County ancestors and the lives they led. It is anticipated that in the years to come, many more new family historians and genealogists will use these Fairfield County Superior Court divorce indexes to shed light on their families past!

-- Mel Smith

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