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Research Highlights

GOALS

- Continue to research and extend the ancestry of Jane Whitney on all lines as far back as possible.
- This project will focus on the ancestry of Jane Whitney's maternal grandmother Huldah Markham (1791–1878) beginning with the client's 9th generation ancestors:
  - William Markham and Esther Arnold,
  - Benajah Willey and Rachel Dutton,
  - Thomas Dexter and Mary or Mercy Fish, and
  - Samuel Smith and Zepporah Morse.

PROGRESS

- **Parents of Abigail Cone Willey Markham.** Discovered that Benajah Willey and Rachel Dutton were **not** the parents of Abigail Cone Willey Markham as claimed in the book *Isaac Willey of New London, Conn., and his Descendants* by Henry Willey. Her parents were Benajah Willey's brother David Willey, and an unidentified first wife.
- **9th generation.** Extended the ancestry of Huldah Markham to include families in all four of the ancestral branches in the 9th generation.
- **10th generation.** Identified families in seven of the eight ancestral branches in the 10th generation.
- **11th generation.** Documented thirteen out of sixteen families in the 11th generation.
- **Surnames researched.** Surnames researched in this project include: Markham, Collins, Whitmore, Parke, Lock, Salter, Clark, Arnold, Wakeman, Smith, Willey, Harvey, Sanders or Saunders, Dexter, Vincent, Hallett, Bessey, Fish, Soule?, Hall, Tripp, Fairbank, Day, Craft, Morse, Wood, Penniman, and Parmenter.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Extend Huldah Markham's lineage in the 12th generation and beyond on lines that have been documented. Due to the limited availability of primary sources in this early period and the difficulties of tracing immigrants, this strategy is expected to become increasingly time-intensive.
2. Research the Cone families in the area near Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut who could have had a daughter who married about 1745 and been the mother of Abigail Cone Willey. Since the middle name of Cone appeared on Abigail's baptismal record, there is almost certainly a connection to this family. Abigail's mother's maiden name was probably Cone.
3. Once her mother has been identified, extend the maternal ancestry of Abigail Cone (Willey) Markham going back from the 9th generation.
4. Continue to extend the following surname branches that proved more challenging. Research in the late 1600s and early 1700s in Colonial America becomes difficult, especially on maternal lines. By researching land, probate, tax, and historical records, it is likely some of these ancestral lines can be extended.
    - In the 10th generation, the father of Elizabeth (Smith) Arnold has proven <u>not</u> to have been Simon Smith, but it is possible that her correct parentage may be discovered.
    - In the 11th generation, establish the parentage of Sarah Sanders/Saunders (about 1705–1791), the wife of John Willey. The surname of Mary, wife of Thomas Fish, has not been proven but may have been Soule. The parentage of Christopher Smith, born about 1615 in England, has not been discovered, nor has the parentage of Ralph Day, born about 1623 in England. The parentage of Elizabeth (Wood) Morse may be more readily proven since she was probably born in Massachusetts.

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Research Report

The Whitney1604 project discussed the client's 8th generation ancestors on Huldah Markham's ancestry. Preliminary research, including an online DNA study, confirmed the direct Markham surname line back to parents of the immigrant ancestor, Daniel Markham, and parents of his first wife, Elizabeth Whitmore, who was born in Massachusetts in 1649.[1] Elizabeth Whitmore's mother, Isabel Park(e), was sister to Elizabeth Park(e), the client's direct-line ancestor on the Dunster-Russell-Dickson-Winship line. During the Whitney1604 project, names and birthdates for siblings of direct-line Markham ancestors were also added to the client's tree from Connecticut Town Records, though time did not permit discussing those findings in the report. Children were added for families of William Markham/Esther Arnold, James Markham/Elizabeth Lock, and Daniel Markham/Elizabeth Whitmore at that time. These families will be discussed briefly in this project.

The Whitney1604 project also extended the direct Willey surname line back to the immigrant ancestor, using a published genealogy of the Willey family titled *Isaac Willey of New London, Conn., and his Descendants*. The book listed the parents of Abigail Cone Willey, as Benajah Willey/Rachel Dutton, and Abigail's grandparents as John Willey/Elizabeth Harvey and Samuel Dutton/Rachel Cone. The Willey surname continued back two more generations, with the families of John Willey/Miriam Moore, and their parents, Isaac Willey/Joanna and Miles Moore/Isabel Joyner, but the findings were not fully documented, as will be discussed in this report. As research progressed, it was discovered that Benajah

[1] *Markham DNA Project*, family of Deacon Daniel Markham and Elizabeth Whitmore, http://worldfamilies.net/suenames.marcum/pats, accessed May 2016. See Whitney1602, DOCUMENT 180.

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Willey and Rachel Dutton, were not in the ancestral line, which came instead through Benajah's older brother David Willey and an unknown wife.

Huldah Markham's maternal lines had only begun to be researched in previous projects, so this project will also focus on extending and documenting the Dexter, Fish, Smith, and Morse surnames.

9TH GENERATION ANCESTORS

William Markham (1706–1752) and Esther Arnold (1706–1746)

The book *Some Descendants of John Arnold, a Founding Father of Hartford, Connecticut and his son Joseph Arnold, a Founding Father of Haddam, Connecticut,* by Lt. Col. Preston T. Arnold, was consulted during this session and provides a wealth of information on the ancestry of Esther Arnold.[2] She had six children with her first husband, William Brainerd, Jr., and five more with her second husband, William Markham, including the ancestor, William Markham, Jr. born in 1738.

[2] Lt. Col. Preston T. Arnold, *Some Descendants of John Arnold, a Founding Father of Hartford, Connecticut and his son Joseph Arnold, a Founding Father of Haddam, Connecticut*, 2nd ed., vol. 1, (Leesburg, FL: P.T. Arnold, 2014), pp. 41-42, Family History Library U.S. Book 929.273 Ar64ap, http://dcms.lds.org, accessed February 2017. DOCUMENT 1f-g.

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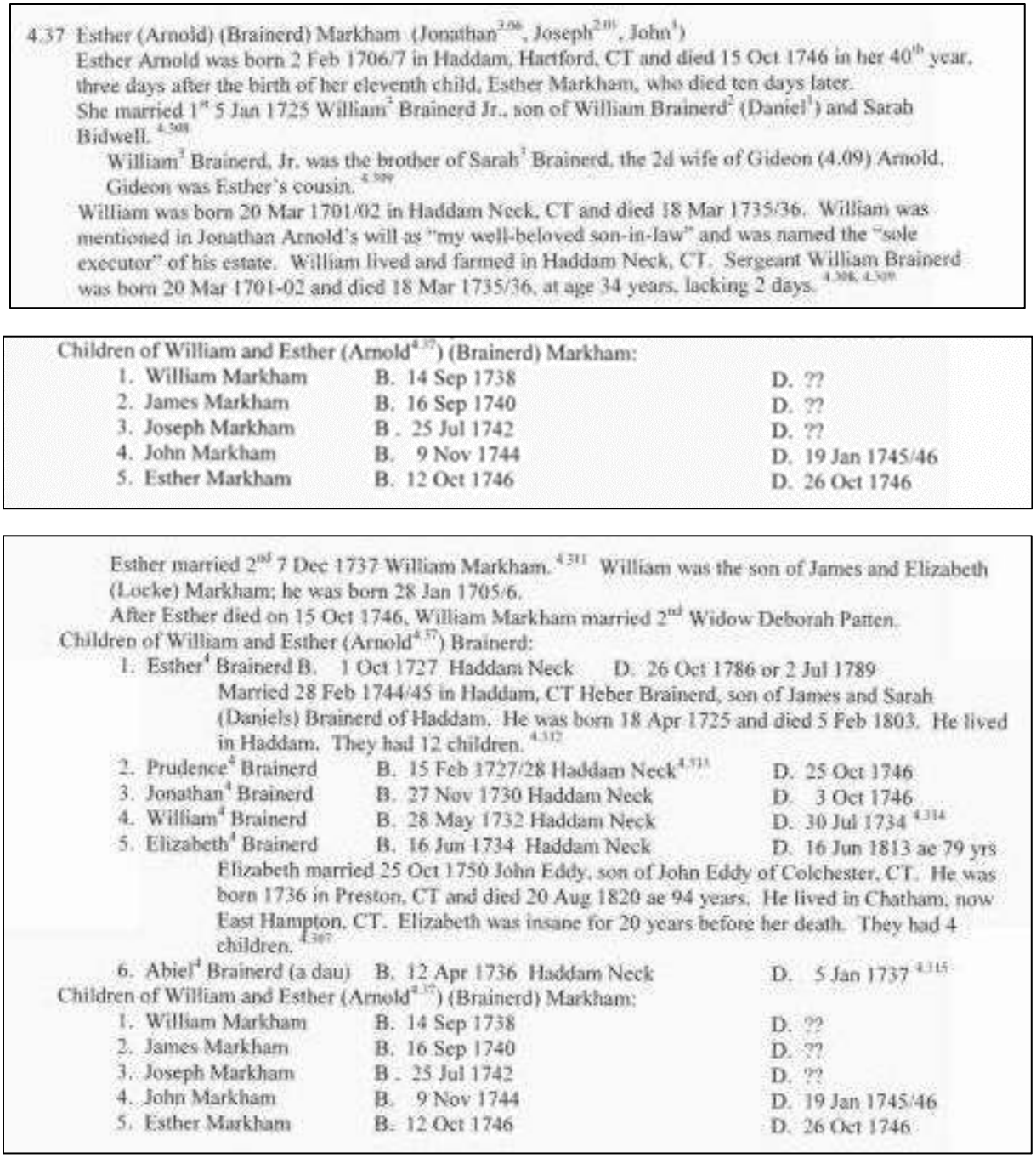

4.37 Esther (Arnold) (Brainerd) Markham (Jonathan[3.06], Joseph[2.01], John[1])
Esther Arnold was born 2 Feb 1706/7 in Haddam, Hartford, CT and died 15 Oct 1746 in her 40th year, three days after the birth of her eleventh child, Esther Markham, who died ten days later.
She married 1st 5 Jan 1725 William[3] Brainerd Jr., son of William Brainerd[2] (Daniel[1]) and Sarah Bidwell. [4.308]
William[3] Brainerd, Jr. was the brother of Sarah[3] Brainerd, the 2d wife of Gideon (4.09) Arnold. Gideon was Esther's cousin. [4.309]
William was born 20 Mar 1701/02 in Haddam Neck, CT and died 18 Mar 1735/36. William was mentioned in Jonathan Arnold's will as "my well-beloved son-in-law" and was named the "sole executor" of his estate. William lived and farmed in Haddam Neck, CT. Sergeant William Brainerd was born 20 Mar 1701-02 and died 18 Mar 1735/36, at age 34 years, lacking 2 days. [4.308, 4.309]

Children of William and Esther (Arnold[4.37]) (Brainerd) Markham:

1. William Markham	B. 14 Sep 1738	D. ??
2. James Markham	B. 16 Sep 1740	D. ??
3. Joseph Markham	B . 25 Jul 1742	D. ??
4. John Markham	B. 9 Nov 1744	D. 19 Jan 1745/46
5. Esther Markham	B. 12 Oct 1746	D. 26 Oct 1746

Esther married 2nd 7 Dec 1737 William Markham. [4.311] William was the son of James and Elizabeth (Locke) Markham; he was born 28 Jan 1705/6.
After Esther died on 15 Oct 1746, William Markham married 2nd Widow Deborah Patten.
Children of William and Esther (Arnold[4.37]) Brainerd:

1. Esther[4] Brainerd B. 1 Oct 1727 Haddam Neck D. 26 Oct 1786 or 2 Jul 1789
   Married 28 Feb 1744/45 in Haddam, CT Heber Brainerd, son of James and Sarah (Daniels) Brainerd of Haddam. He was born 18 Apr 1725 and died 5 Feb 1803. He lived in Haddam. They had 12 children. [4.312]
2. Prudence[4] Brainerd B. 15 Feb 1727/28 Haddam Neck[4.313] D. 25 Oct 1746
3. Jonathan[4] Brainerd B. 27 Nov 1730 Haddam Neck D. 3 Oct 1746
4. William[4] Brainerd B. 28 May 1732 Haddam Neck D. 30 Jul 1734 [4.314]
5. Elizabeth[4] Brainerd B. 16 Jun 1734 Haddam Neck D. 16 Jun 1813 ae 79 yrs
   Elizabeth married 25 Oct 1750 John Eddy, son of John Eddy of Colchester, CT. He was born 1736 in Preston, CT and died 20 Aug 1820 ae 94 years. He lived in Chatham, now East Hampton, CT. Elizabeth was insane for 20 years before her death. They had 4 children. [4.307]
6. Abiel[4] Brainerd (a dau) B. 12 Apr 1736 Haddam Neck D. 5 Jan 1737 [4.315]

Children of William and Esther (Arnold[4.37]) (Brainerd) Markham:

1. William Markham	B. 14 Sep 1738	D. ??
2. James Markham	B. 16 Sep 1740	D. ??
3. Joseph Markham	B . 25 Jul 1742	D. ??
4. John Markham	B. 9 Nov 1744	D. 19 Jan 1745/46
5. Esther Markham	B. 12 Oct 1746	D. 26 Oct 1746

Family of William Markham and Esther (Arnold) Brainerd, DOCUMENT 1

Time was not taken to document the births of the Brainerd children independently, but Haddam town records show that William Markham and Esther Brainerd, widow of William

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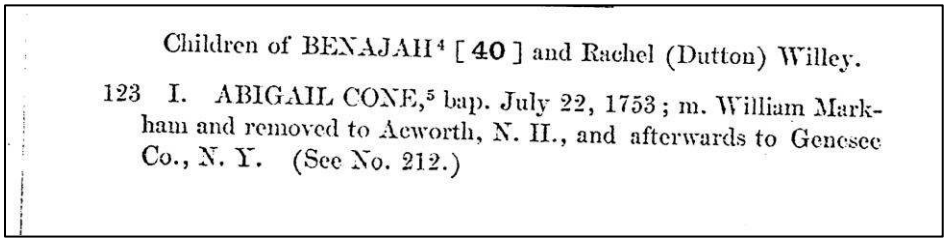
Brainerd, Jr. were married 7 December 1737.[3] Births of the five children of William and Esther Markham appear in the town record with dates as given by Arnold, along with the death dates of their two youngest children. William Markham's wife "Martha" [*sic*—should be Esther] died 15 October 1746; these are the only Markham entries in Haddam during this time, so it is conclusive that he did not marry a woman named Martha and the record incorrectly stated her name. The town records also document William Markham's marriage to Deborah [?] on 21 [blank] 1747; the original record must have been damaged. Arnold states that she was the widow Deborah Patten, though her maiden name is unknown.

David Willey (1725–after 1794) and Miss Fuller (?)

The book *Isaac Willey of New London, Conn., and his Descendants* quoted in the Whitney1604 project gives the parents of Abigail Cone (Willey) Markham as Benajah Willey and Rachel Dutton.[4] Two other children listed for this couple, John and David Willey, were baptized the same day, 22 July 1753, in East Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut.



Children of BENAJAH[4] [**40**] and Rachel (Dutton) Willey.

123 I. ABIGAIL CONE,[5] bap. July 22, 1753; m. William Markham and removed to Acworth, N. H., and afterwards to Genesee Co., N. Y. (See No. 212.)

Parentage of Abigail Cone Willey from Henry Willey's book, DOCUMENT 3k

[3] *Connecticut Town Records, pre-1879 (Barbour Collection)*, p. 61, marriage of William Markham and Esther Brainerd, widow of William Jr., 7 December 1737; birth records of five children; Martha [*sic*–Esther] wife of William Markham died 15 October 1746; William Markham married Deborah (?) 21 [blank] 1747, Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut, http://ancestry.com, accessed February 2017. DOCUMENT 2.

Note: Haddam is presently in Middlesex County, but was in Hartford County until 1785.

[4] Henry Willey, *Isaac Willey of New London, Conn., and his Descendants*, (New Bedford, MA: Henry Willey, 1888), pp. 22-24, family of Benajah Willey and Rachel Dutton, http://ancestry.com, accessed May 2016 and March 2017. DOCUMENT 3o-q.

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However, the church records from East Haddam clearly stated that the three children baptized that day were the children of David Willey, and used Abigail's full name: Abigail Cone Willey.[5] On pages 31-33 of Henry Willey's book, he included a family history written by Allen Willey, born in Lempster, New Hampshire on 28 July 1760, making him slightly younger than David Willey's children baptized in 1753. Abigail Cone (Willey) Markham and her husband were some of the first settlers of Lempster. The author of this brief history was the son of Allen Willey and Mary Fuller, grandson of Allen Willey and Mehitabel Richardson, called Mary in the history, and great-grandson of John Willey and Elizabeth Harvey. Allen Willey, born in 1760, began his history with his great-grandfather, John Willey, who supposedly came from England about 1686 and settled in East Haddam, [Middlesex], Connecticut. Further research showed that there were at least two more generations in Connecticut before the John Willey (1675-1754) who married Elizabeth Harvey in 1698. Allen Willey's history continues below, using original spelling and punctuation. Comments added by this researcher appear in brackets, and ancestral names are in bold.

> He [**John Willey**] married an amiable woman [**Elizabeth Harvey**], by whom he had ten children, seven sons and three daughters. Abel, **John**, Isaac, Allen, Joseph, Noah, Benjamin [Benajah in another copy] all lived to be settled and had families. [East Haddam records show the births of nine children: John, Allen, Elizabeth, Mary, Joseph, Lydia, Phebe, Mehitabel, and Noah, but many of the names match.] … A son of John named **David** married a girl named Fuller. They had three children, John, David, and **Abigail**. [These are the three children christened in 1753.] John was a blacksmith and had a large family. I knew two of them, Calvin and Asa. Calvin settled in Tolland, was an eminent lawyer, and afterwards became a Senator in Congress from that State. Asa settle in Ellington, and was afterwards appointed one of the Judges for the Co. of Hartford. David had no children. **Abigail married a Markham**, who removed to New Hampshire. He was the first inhabitant of Lempster. Thence moved to Ackworth, thence to Genesee Co., New York. A few months after their arrival there both died, leaving four sons, William, David, John, Arnold, and a number of daughters…

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[5] *Connecticut, Church Record Abstracts, 1630-1920*, Vol. 25, East Haddam, p. 300, Abigail Cone, John, and David, children of David Willey, baptized 22 July 1753, East Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 4a-b.

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The marriage record of William Markham and Abigail Cone Willey shows they were married 4 June 1761 in East Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut.[6] Obviously, Abigail Cone Willey could not have been an infant at the time of her baptism in 1753, and if she were sixteen years old at the time of her marriage, she would have been born about 1745. The birth of David, son of John Willey, Jr. and Sarah was recorded in East Haddam on 19 April 1725.[7] Abigail Cone Willey was probably David's oldest child, born when he was about twenty years old.

There were no marriage records in Connecticut for any Willey to a woman with the Fuller surname between 1740 and 1753, but David Willey married Rachel Spencer on 20 August 1752 in East Haddam First Congregational Church and was admitted into full communion with the church on 14 January 1753.[8] It is probable that David Willey's first wife died before 1752, leaving him with three young children, and he had them baptized on the same day a few months after he was admitted into the church. An unnamed child of David Willey was baptized 31 August 1755, and baptisms of other children followed: Jeremiah on 27 August 1758, Rachel on 14 December 1760, Lovina [Willes] on 24 April 1763, Nathan on 23 June 1765, Reuben on 12 July 1767, Olive on 1 July 1770. David Willey underwent church discipline on 4 January 1774. The same church record shows that John Willey married Elisabeth Marshall 30 April 1767 in the First Congregational Church of East Haddam; he was the same John Willey baptized there in 1753, though he was also mistakenly assigned as a son Benajah Willey by Henry Willey.[9]

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[6] *Connecticut, Town Records, pre-1870 (Barbour Collection)* "East Haddam Vital Records 1743-1857," p. 380, marriage of William Markham and Abigail Cone Willey, 4 June 1761, East Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 5a.

[7] *Connecticut, Town Records, pre-1870 (Barbour Collection)*, "East Haddam Vital Records 1743-1857," p. 380, birth of David, son of John Willey, Jr. and Sarah, 19 April 1725, East Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 5a.

[8] See DOCUMENT 4a-b.

[9] See DOCUMENT 3n.

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Returning to Henry Willey's book, he listed David Willey with Rachel Spencer as his first wife, and a second wife, Rachel Church, widow of Hezekiah Mack, who died in 1755 at the age of 28.[10] The end of this note refers to the history by Allen Willey, quoted above, but it is more likely that Henry Willey was actually at fault assigning the three children baptized in 1753 to Benajah Willey, since Abigail Cone Willey was clearly listed as the daughter of David Willey in their christening record at the First Congregational Church of East Haddam, David Willey married Rachel Spencer in the First Congregational Church of East Haddam in 1752, and seven of his younger children were baptized there between 1755 and 1770.

77 II. DAVID,[5] b. at E. H., Ap. 19, 1725; m. at E. [188
H., Aug. 20, 1752, Rachel, probably dau. of Abigail and Sarah (Booge) Spencer, who was b. at E. H. March 6, 1728, and bap. April 1, 1728.

He joined the 1st ch. in E. H., Jan. 14, 1753, but changed his connection and was confirmed in St. Stephen's Prot. Epis. ch. in E. H., Nov. 21, 1794. He m. (2d), Rachel Church, widow of Hezekiah Mack, who had d. in Oct. 1755, at Lake George, in his 28th year. She d. July 10, 1801, in her 69th year, and was b. Sept. 5, 1732, dau. of John and Mary Church, and was perhaps the Rachel Willey who joined the ch. at Millington, July 1, 1792, and the 1st ch. in July, 1796. The recollection of Allen Willey [212] in regard to his family was at fault, as the names of the wife and ch. given by him are those of Benajah Willey [40.]

David Willey and wives, DOCUMENT 3L

In the section of the book where he discusses David Willey's children, Henry Willey also includes the information that the first Jeremiah died young, and a second Jeremiah Willey, son of David, was baptized as an adult in 1794 in St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in East Haddam, along with another daughter, Sarah Willey, who married John Osborne there the same day.[11] Strengthening the evidence that Abigail Cone (Willey) Markham was the

[10] See DOCUMENT 3l (L).

[11] See DOCUMENT 3p-q.

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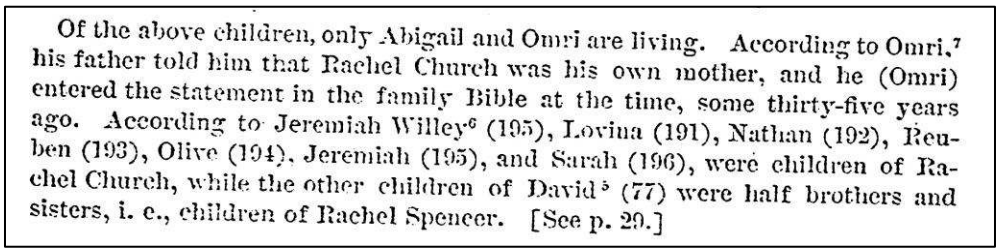
daughter of David Willey, David's sons Nathan and Reuben also went to Lempster, New Hampshire, along with the David Willey, [Jr.] who was baptized the same day as Abigail. An obscure note on page 73 quotes Omri Willey, son of the second Jeremiah Willey, saying that Rachel Spencer was the mother of Ahimaaz (the unnamed child baptized in 1755), Jeremiah, and Rachel Willey.[12] Rachel Church was the mother of Lovina, Nathan, Reuben, Olive, the second Jeremiah, and Sarah. If this is the case, Rachel Spencer likely died soon after the birth of her daughter Rachel, who was baptized 17 December 1760. David Willey and Rachel (Church) Mack would have likely married in 1761 or 1762, since their daughter Lovina was baptized 24 April 1763.



Of the above children, only Abigail and Omri are living. According to Omri,[7] his father told him that Rachel Church was his own mother, and he (Omri) entered the statement in the family Bible at the time, some thirty-five years ago. According to Jeremiah Willey[6] (195), Lovina (191), Nathan (192), Reuben (193), Olive (194), Jeremiah (195), and Sarah (196), were children of Rachel Church, while the other children of David[5] (77) were half brothers and sisters, i. e., children of Rachel Spencer. [See p. 29.]

Note about children by the two of the wives of David Willey, DOCUMENT 3t

The last known document about the ancestor, David Willey, was when he was confirmed a member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in East Haddam, Middlesex, Connecticut on 21 November 1794.[13] Nothing further is known of his first wife, mother of Abigail Cone (Willey) Markham, only that her maiden name may have been Fuller.[14] Research to discover her identity can be undertaken at a later date, as desired, but many ancestors for Huldah Markham have already been discovered on other surname lines, and the decision

[12] See DOCUMENT 3t.

[13] See DOCUMENT 3L.

Note that East Haddam became a part of Middlesex County, Connecticut, when that county was created in 1785.

[14] See DOCUMENT 3s.

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was made to discuss these discoveries as part of this project, leaving the first wife of David Willey as a mystery for the time being.

Thomas Dexter (1686–1762) and Mary or Mercy Fish (1693–1768)

The ancestors Elisha Dexter (1731–about 1800) and Lydia Smith (1735–1825) were discussed in the Whitney1604 project. Elisha Dexter's link to his probable parents Thomas Dexter and Mary Fish has not been proven conclusively, but there is strong circumstantial evidence that he was their son.

Thomas Dexter was born 26 August 1686 in Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts, son of John Dexter and his wife Mehitabel [Hallett].[15] He had two sisters and a brother, also born in Sandwich: Elizabeth born 2 November 1693, Abigail born 26 May 1689, and John, born 11 September 1692. The John and Mehitabel Fish family probably moved to Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island before 1710. Thomas Dexter married Mary Fish at Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island on 28 April 1710; Abigail Dexter married Job Lawton there on 10 September 1713, and John Dexter, Jr. married Mercy Manchester there on 12 December 1717.[16] There was only one other Dexter marriage in the Portsmouth records in the 1700s: for Gershom Dexter of Rochester, Massachusetts in 1739.

Two children were born to Thomas and Mary Dexter in Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island: Mehitable [*sic*] on 16 March 1710/11 and Zuriel (a son) on 16 December 1712.[17]

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[15] Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988, "Sandwich Births, Marriages, Deaths, 1671-1815" (image), p. 8, births of children of John Dexter and his wife Mehitabel: Elizabeth 2 November 1693, Thomas 26 August 1686, Abigail 26 May 1689, John 11 September 1692, Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 6.

[16] *Rhode Island, Vital Extracts, 1636-1899*, vol. 4, Newport County, "Portsmouth marriages," p. 19, marriages of Thomas Dexter and Mary Fish 28 April 1710, Abigail Dexter and Job Lawton 10 September 1713, and John Dexter, Jr. and Mercy Manchester 12 December 1717, Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 7.

[17] *Rhode Island, Vital Extracts, 1636-1899*, vol. 4, Newport County, "Portsmouth births and deaths," p. 71, births of children of Thomas and Mary Dexter: Mehitable 16 March 1710/11, and Zuriel 16 December

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Births for seven children of Thomas's brother John and Mercy Dexter were recorded in Portsmouth between 1718 and 1734; those nine were the only Dexter births in Portsmouth in this record. The book *Genealogy of the Dexter Family in America: Descendants of Thomas Dexter, Together with a Record of Other Allied Families* by William Albert Warden contains no further information on the family of Thomas Dexter and Mary Fish after the birth of their two children in Portsmouth besides the short notation that Thomas was on a jury in 1733 and was elected Representative in 1738, though no places were listed.[18]

A search for birth records for children of Thomas and Mary Dexter produced only a few results near Providence, Rhode Island within twenty-five years after their marriage. John Dexter, son of Thomas and Mary, was born 31 July 1716 in Swansea, Bristol, Massachusetts.[19] Swansea, Massachusetts is located about 24 miles north of Portsmouth, Rhode Island, and Barrington, Rhode Island is about eight miles straight west of Swansea.

1712, Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 8.

[18] William Albert Warden, *Genealogy of the Dexter Family in America: Descendants of Thomas Dexter, Together with a Record of Other Allied Families*, (Worcester, Mass: unknown, 1905), pp. 14, 22, http://ancestry.com, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 9a-l.

[19] *Massachusetts Births and Christenings, 1639-1915*, birth of John Dexter, son of Thomas and Mary, 30 July 1716, Swansea, Bristol, Massachusetts, http://familysearch.org, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 10.

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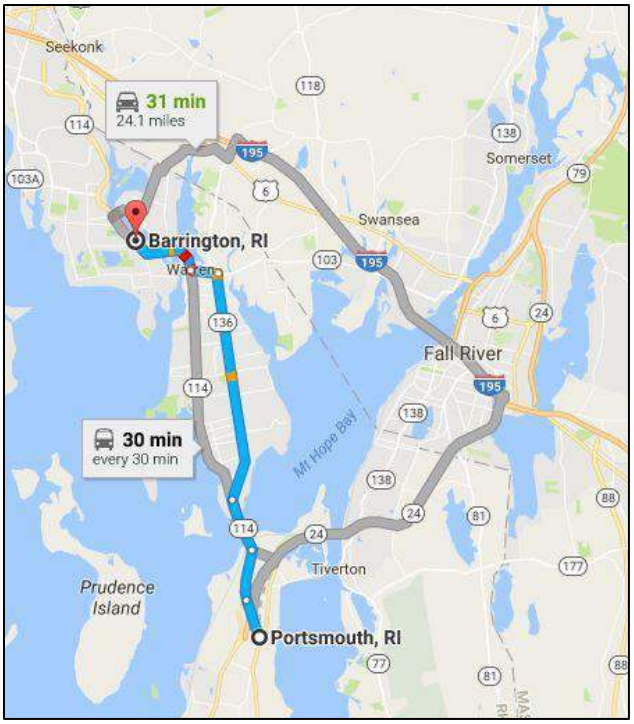

Map of Portsmouth and Barrington, RI and Swansea, MA. Image courtesy of Google Maps

In 1724, Thomas Dexter served as town clerk in Barrington, Bristol, Rhode Island, and on 14 April 1733, he took in two stray horses there.[20] Two children of Thomas Dexter were born in Barrington, Bristol, Rhode Island during this decade: Elisha, son of Thomas Dexter, was baptized 8 August 1631 by Peleg Heath, pastor of Christ's Church (Congregational). Jonathan Dexter, son of Thomas and Mary Dexter, was born 30 March 1733/4 as recorded in Barrington town records.[21]

By 1737, it appears that the family of Thomas Dexter and Mary Fish had moved yet again, this time about 65 miles east to Mansfield, Windham, Connecticut, which became part of

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[20] Thomas Williams Bicknell, *A History of Barrington, Rhode Island*, (Providence: Snow & Farnham: 1898), pp. 222 (birth of Elisha), 253, 274, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 11a-c.

[21] *Rhode Island, Vital Extracts, 1636-1899*, vol. 6, Bristol County, p. 26, birth of Jonathan, son of Thomas and Mary Dexter, 30 March 1733/4, Barrington, Bristol, Rhode Island, hppt://ancestry.com subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 12.

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Tolland County in 1785. Thomas and Mary Dexter's son Zuriel Dexter married Ruth Stebbins on 23 June 1737 in Mansfield.[22] Zuriel is an unusual name, but as will be discussed later in this report. Zuriel Hall was Mary (Fish) Dexter's maternal grandfather, and she also had a brother named Zuriel Fish born in 1697. Mary likely named her eldest son after them. Zuriel Dexter died about six weeks after his marriage, on 8 August 1737 in Mansfield, Windham, Connecticut.[23] An important piece of evidence that this was the same Zuriel Dexter born in 1712 in Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island was an estate paper which gave Thomas Dexter the right to manage the deceased's affairs on 10 May 1739 in Mansfield.[24]

Other Dexter marriages recorded in Mansfield, Tolland (formerly Windham County), Connecticut included the second marriage of Zuriel Dexter's widow, Ruth (Stebbins) Dexter to Andrew Campbell on 18 May 1738; the marriage of Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. Thomas Dexter of Ashford, to Jonathan Fuller on 6 April 1738; the marriage of Thomas Dexter and Sarah Knap on 17 June 1743, and the ancestral marriage of Elisha Dexter and Lydia Smith, daughter of Samuel Smith of Ashford on 12 December 1757.[25] In nearby Ashford, Windham, Connecticut are the marriage records of Isaac Dexter and Esther Davis on 15 December 1745, and Jonathan Dexter and Sarah Rice on 5 February 1751.[26] The same page of these Ashford records include the births of several children of the ancestors, Elisha and Lydia [Smith] Dexter: Lydia on 1 September 1760, Phebe (the ancestor) on 13 December

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[22] Susan W. Dimock, *Births, Baptisms, Marriages and Deaths from the Records of the Town and Churches in Mansfield, Connecticut 1703-1850*, (New York: Baker & Taylor Company, 1898), transcribed by Bill Carr, Dexter marriages, http://dunhamwilcox.net, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 13.

[23] Susan W. Dimock, *Death Records of Mansfield, CT, 1703-1850*, death of Zuriel Dexter, 8 August 1737, Mansfield, Tolland, Connecticut, http://genealogytrails.com/conn/tolland/mansfield_deaths.html. DOCUMENT 14.

[24] *Connecticut, Wills and Probate Records, 1609-1699*, estate papers for Zuriel Dexter of Mansfield, Windham, Connecticut, #1132, account to Thomas Dexter 10 May 1739; sale of land 6 June 1755, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 15a-b.

[25] See DOCUMENT 13.

[26] *Connecticut Vital Records to 1870* (Barbour Collection), Ashford, pp. 56-57, Dexter marriages and births, Ashford, Windham, Connecticut, http://americanancestors.org, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 16a-b.

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1765, Amos on 28 July 1768, Asa on 19 October 1770, John on 27 October 1775, and Lois on 25 August 1778.

These marriage records help establish the identity of three more probable children of Thomas and Mary (Fish) Dexter between Zuriel, born in 1712, and Elisha, born in 1731. Assuming that the children were at least twenty years old at the time of their marriage, approximate birth years have been added to the family tree for Elizabeth Dexter, about 1718; Thomas Dexter, about 1723; and Isaac Dexter, about 1725.

There were not many Dexter births in Mansfield or Ashford in the mid-1700s.[27] Most important for the discussion of this family is the birth of Mary Dexter, daughter of Thomas and Mary, on 27 August 1739 in Ashford, Windham, Connecticut. Mary (Fish) Dexter would have been forty-six years old in 1739—just on the edge of too old for childbearing—but this document gives a wife's name to the Thomas Dexter who probably took care of Zuriel Dexter's estate in 1737. Alternately, this couple's son also named Thomas could have had a first wife named Mary and a daughter born in 1739 if he had been born soon after Zuriel Dexter. In this case, the marriage of Thomas Dexter to Sarah Knap in 1743 would have been his second marriage.

Thomas and Sarah (Knap) Dexter had four children in Mansfield between 1745 and 1751: Luriel (*sic*—Zuriel), Thomas, Ruth, and Sarah.[28] Isaac and Esther (Davis) Dexter had two children, David and Esther, in Ashford between 1747 and 1749: then nine more children in Mansfield between 1751 and 1771: Hannah, John, Ruth, Nathan, James, Isaac, Ruth, Daniel, and Rhoda. Elisha and Lydia (Smith) Dexter had a son Elisha born in Mansfield in 1758, then six more recorded in Ashford between 1760 and 1778: Lydia, Phebe, Amos, Asa, John,

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[27] Susan W. Dimock, *Births, Baptisms, Marriages and Deaths from the Records of the Town and Churches in Mansfield, Connecticut 1703-1850*, (New York: Baker & Taylor Company, 1898), transcribed by Bill Carr, Dexter births, http://dunhamwilcox.net, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 17.

[28] See DOCUMENTS 16 and 17.

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and Lois; this record does not contain the births of Thomas in 1761 or Joshua in 1775. Jonathan and Sarah (Rice) Dexter had three children in Mansfield between 1757 and 1767: William, Darias [*sic*], and Patty, and three in Ashford between 1761 and 1765: Elizabeth, Warham, and Silis (Silas).

A page of land records for grantees with the Dexter surname from A to John in Mansfield, Tolland/Windham, Connecticut was attached to the *Find a Grave* memorial for Thomas Dexter (1686–1762).[29] Some of the earliest records show that John Dexter was deeded land from Thomas Dexter in 1737 and 1738, Isaac Dexter bought land from five different individuals in 1750, and Elisha Dexter bought a parcel of land in 1754 and another in 1758 in the north part of town. Dexter family names from the latter part of the alphabet—Jonathan, Thomas Sr. and Jr., and Zuriel—would have logically appeared on the next page.[30]

The *Find a Grave* memorial for Thomas Dexter, Sr. states that no gravestone has been located for him and offers no documentation for his death date. No probate records could be located for Thomas Dexter within five years after his indicated death in 1762.[31] There was an inventory of the estate of Thomas Dexter which was recorded in August 1756, taken the previous 20 December in Mansfield, [Windham], Connecticut, but there is nothing to indicate whether this was the inventory of Thomas Dexter, Sr. or Jr.[32] Since the youngest child of Thomas and Sarah (Knap) Dexter was born in 1751, this inventory could have easily been for the son.

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[29] *Find a Grave*, Old Storrs Cemetery, Storrs, Tolland, Connecticut, memorial for Thomas Dexter, 26 August 1686–1762, memorial no. 77549593, http://findagrave.com, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 18a. General Index to Land Grantees, Mansfield, Connecticut, attached to this memorial DOCUMENT 18b.

[30] The Family History Library does not have a copy of these land records.

[31] The Family History Library does not have a copy of these probate records, and there were none for him within five years after 1762 online at Ancestry.com.

[32] *Connecticut Wills and Probate Records, 1609-1999*, inventory of Thomas Dexter of Mansfield, taken 20 December [1755], recorded August 1756, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 19.

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The *Find a Grave* memorial for "Mary Mercy" Fish Dexter lists her dates as 1 March 1693–17 April 1768, but no gravestone has been located for her, and there is no documentation for her death date.[33] Town records in Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island confirm that Mary Fish was born there 1 March 1692/3, daughter of Robert and Mary Fish.[34] The *Find a Grave* memorial for Jonathan Dexter includes a photo of his headstone in Old Storrs Cemetery, Storrs, Tolland, Connecticut which shows he died 30 January 1816 at the age of 82.[35] His age at death matches the birth record in Barrington, Bristol, Rhode Island for Jonathan, son of Thomas and Mary Dexter, born 30 March 1733.[36] There are links from his memorial to his three wives: Sarah Rice, who died 28 May 1776 at the age of 41; Abagale Dunham, who died 29 April 1805 at the age of 70; and Ruth (maiden name unknown), who died 25 October 1810 at the age of 52.

Samuel Smith (about 1697–1753) and Zipporah Morse (1702–after 1749)

The marriage record of the ancestors Elisha Dexter and Lydia Smith on 12 December 1757 in Mansfield, Windham, Connecticut identified Lydia's father as "Samuel Smith of Ashford."[37] The headstone inscription of Samuel Smith in Ashford Cemetery, Ashford, Windham, Connecticut, shows that he was the husband of Zepporah [*sic*] and died in March 1753, though the exact date and his age were illegible in 1934 when the inscriptions were

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[33] *Find a Grave*, Old Storrs Cemetery, Storrs, Tolland, Connecticut, memorial for Mary Mercy Fish Dexter, 1 March 1693–17 April 1768, memorial no. 77552848, http://findagrave.com, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 20.

[34] *Rhode Island, Vital Extracts, 1636-1899*, vol. 4, Newport County, "Portsmouth births," p. 73, births of children of Robert and Mary Fish: Robert 17 May 1690, Mary 1 March 1692/3, William 7 June 1695, Zuriel 10 July 1697, Isaac 25 December 1699, Alice 3 July 1702, Jonathan 27 October 1704, Daniel 17 May 1707, David 10 March 1709/10, Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 21.

[35] *Find a Grave*, Old Storrs Cemetery, Storrs, Tolland, Connecticut, (image and transcription), Jonathan Dexter headstone, died 30 January 1816, age 82, memorial no. 44042730, http://findagrave.com, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 22.

[36] See DOCUMENT 12.

[37] See DOCUMENT 13.

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copied.[38] The same page shows that Joshua Smith, son of Samuel and Zepporah [*sic*] Smith, died 24 December 1764 at the age of 21. Lydia (Smith) Dexter was probably between 16 and 25 when she married in 1757, placing her in the appropriate age range to have been Joshua's older sister.

Births of three children of Samuel and Zepharah [*sic*] Smith were recorded in Ashford, Windham, Connecticut: Ebenezer on 12 August 1741, Joshua on 9 April 1743, and Lois on 25 August 1749; Lois died 20 June 1750;[39] Joshua died 24 December 1764 at the age of 21. Samuel Smith and Zipporah Mors [*sic*] were married 30 May 1722 in Needham, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[40] Births of eleven children were recorded in Needham to parents Samuel and some spelling variation of Zipporah Smith: Samuell [*sic*] on 15 May 1723, Ruth on 1 November 1724, Zeporah [*sic*] on 26 March 1726, Isaac and Jacob on 6 October 1727, (Isaac died 19 October 1727, Jacob died 26 October 1727), Pelatiah (a son) on 24 September 1728, Josiah on 4 Sep 1730, Hezekiah on 30 March 1732, Elizabeth on 19 April 1733, Sarah on 7 April 1735, and Solomon on 21 May 1737.[41] This list of children leaves a space for the birth of the ancestor Lydia Smith about 1739, meaning she was married at about age 18. It is unknown whether she was born in Massachusetts or Connecticut, but birth records show

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[38] *Connecticut, Hale Collection of Cemetery Inscriptions and Newspaper Notices, 1629-1934*, "Connecticut Headstone Inscriptions," vol. 4, Old Ashford Cemetery, Ashford, Connecticut, p. 33: Joshua Smith, son of Samuel and Zepporah, died 24 December 1764, age 21; Samuel Smith, husband of Zepporah, died __ March 1753, age __, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 23.

[39] *Connecticut Births and Christenings, 1649-1906*, births of children of Samuel and Zephara Smith: Ebenezer 12 August 1741, Joshua 9 April 1743, Lois 25 August 1749 died 20 June 1750, Ashford, Windham, Connecticut, http://familysearch.org, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 24.

[40] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Needham Marriages 1720-1801," p. 1, (image and transcription), marriage of Samuel Smith and Zipporah Mors, 30 May 1722, Needham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 25.

[41] *Massachusetts Births and Christenings, 1639-1915*, births of children of Samuel and Ziporah Smith: Samuell 15 May 1723, Ruth 1 November 1724, Zeporah 26 March 1726, Isaac and Jacob born 6 October 1727, Isaac died 19 October 1727, Jacob died 26 October 1727, Pelatiah 24 September 1728, Josiah 4 September 1730, Hezekiah 30 March 1732, Elizabeth 19 April 1733, Sarah 7 April 1735, Solomon 21 May 1737, Needham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://familysearch.org, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 26.

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that the family moved from Needham, Massachusetts to Ashford, Connecticut between May 1737 and August 1741.

The name Zipporah is unusual, but adding to the documentation that this is the same Samuel and Zipporah (Morse) Smith family in both places are the names of these children born in Needham, Massachusetts appearing in Ashford records as grooms, brides, and parents.[42] Samuel Smith, Jr. married Mehitabel Wadkens [*sic*] on 7 November 1745, and Ruth Smith and Jacob Wilson were married 21 May 1741 (p. 208). Silence, daughter of Pelatiah and Mary Smith was born 2 November 1755 (p. 209). Josiah Smith and Mary Stoel were married 6 December 174_ (p.207). Amos, son of Hezekiah and Meriam Smith, was born 21 November 1758 (p. 204). Sarah Smith married Solomon Mason on 15 November 1753 (p. 208). Time was not taken to add these marriages and births of children to the family tree since their relationships to Samuel Smith and Zipporah (Morse) Smith are assumed but have not been proven.

The index to births in Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts shows that Zipporah Morse, male [*sic*] was born 20 April 1702 to Joshua Morse, and Elizabeth Penniman and her brother Samuel was born 4 May 1703 in the same place; the image of her birth record from the same source states that she was the daughter of Joshua Morse and his wife Elizabeth.[43] No record has been found of her death. The website *Smith Official DNA Project* lists Samuel Smith, husband of Zipporah Morse, as the son of John Smith (1655-1722) and Abigail Day

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[42] *Connecticut, Town Records, pre-1870 (Barbour Collection),* "Ashford Vital Records 1710-1851," pp. 204-209, marriage of Samuel Smith, Jr. and Mehitabel Wadkens 7 November 1745; marriage of Ruth Smith and Jacob Wilson 21 May 1741; birth of Silence, daughter of Petaliah Smith 2 November 1755; marriage of Josiah Smith and Mary Stoel 6 December 174_; birth of Amos, son of Hezekiah Smith 21 November 1758, marriage of Sarah Smith and Solomon Mason 15 November 1753, Ashford, Windham, Connecticut, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 27a-e.

[43] *Massachusetts, Town Clerk, Vital and Town Records, 1626-2001*, (image) index: birth of children of Joshua Morse and Elizabeth Penniman: Zipporah 20 April 1702, Samuel 4 May 1703, (28a), image of Zipporah Morse's birth record (28b), Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://familysearch.org, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENTS 28a-b.

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(1661–1726).[44] The website states that Samuel was born about 1697 in Massachusetts, and lists his fourteen children born in Needham, Massachusetts and Ashford, Connecticut as documented above, but does not include the ancestor, Lydia (Smith) Dexter. The family group sheet at the same website for John Smith (1655-1722) and Abigail Day (1661–1726) lists nine children of the couple and indicates that their eldest son, John Smith, died 12 November 1730 in Ashford, Windham, Connecticut.[45] The presence of Samuel Smith's brother's family in Ashford was likely the reason he moved westward to that place about 1740.

10TH GENERATION ANCESTORS

James Markham (1675–1731) and Elizabeth Lock (1681–1753)

As discussed in the Whitney1602 and Whitney1604 projects, there is a Markham DNA project website which includes information about this family.[46] James Markham was born 1 March 1674/5 in Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts, son of Daniel and Elizabeth Markham.[47] Elizabeth Lock, daughter of William Lock, was born 4 11th month [January] 1680/1 in Woburn, Middlesex, Massachusetts.[48] An article in *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register* from 1860 listed several families from Middletown, Connecticut,

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[44] *Smith Official DNA Project*, Family Group Sheet for Samuel Smith and Zipporah Morse, http://www.smithsworldwide.org, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 29.

[45] *Smith Official DNA Project*, Family Group Sheet for John Smith (1655-1722) and Abigail Day (1661–1726), http://www.smithsworldwide.org, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 30.

[46] *Markham DNA Project*, family of Deacon Daniel Markham and Elizabeth Whitmore, *http://worldfamilies.net/suenames.marcum/pats*, accessed May 2016. See Whitney1602, DOCUMENT 180.

[47] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Cambridge Vital Record Transcripts," p. 464, births of children of Daniel and Elizabeth Markham: Daniel 1 November 1671, Elizabeth 13 July 1673, James 1 March 1674, Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 31.

[48] *Massachusetts, Town Clerk, Vital and Town Records, 1626-2001*, "Woburn, Middlesex, Births, marriages, deaths 1641-1843" (image), birth of Elizabeth Lock, daughter of William Lock, 4 11m [January] 1680/1, Woburn, Middlesex, Massachusetts, http://familysearch.org, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 32.

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including James Markham and Elizabeth Lock, helping to confirm that this is the same family.[49]

> James Markham m. Elizabeth Lock, Oct. 14, 1699. He died June 8, 1731. She died Sept. 17, 1753. (See grave stone.) Children,—Thomas, Elizabeth, William, John, Mary, Abigail, Martha, Hannah, Nathaniel, born between 1701 and 1719.

Family of James Markham and Elizabeth Lock from NEGHS, DOCUMENT 33

Town records from Middletown document that James Markham and Elizabeth Lock were married 14 October 1699 in Middletown, Middlesex, Connecticut.[50] The *NEGHS* article gave the name of their eldest child as Thomas, but birth records state that James Markham was born 22 November 1701 in Middletown, followed by Elizabeth on 18 January 1703, William on 28 January 1705, John on 28 December 1707, Mary on 14 May 1710, Abigail on 22 July 1712, Martha on 14 June 1714, Hannah on 6 September 1716, and Nathaniel on 27 February 1719.[51] James Markham, Sr. died 8 June 1731 in the 57th year of his age, and Elizabeth Markham, widow of James, died 23 September 1753 in Middletown, Middlesex, Connecticut.[52]

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[49] "Births, Marriages, &c., in Middletown, Ct.," *New England Historical and Genealogical Register*, vol. 14, 1860, p. 67, family of James Markham and Elizabeth Lock, http://americanancestors.org, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 33.

[50] *Connecticut, Town Records, pre-1870, (Barbour Collection),* "Middletown Vital Records 1651-1854," p. 38. marriage of James Markham and Elizabeth Lock, 14 October 1699; death of James Markham, Sr. 8 June 1731 in his 57th year; death of Elizabeth Markham, widow of James, 23 September 1753, Middletown, Middlesex, Connecticut, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 34.

[51] *Connecticut Births and Christenings, 1649-1906*, births of children of James and Elizabeth Markham: James 22 November 1701, Elizabeth 18 January 1703, William 28 January 1705, John 28 December 1707, Mary 14 May 1710, Abigail 22 July 1712, Martha 14 June 1714, Hannah 6 September 1716 Nathaniel 27 February 1719, Middletown, Middlesex, Connecticut, http://familysearch.org, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 35.

[52] See DOCUMENT 34.

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Jonathan Arnold (1679–1729) and Elizabeth Smith(?) (1682?–after 1729)

The *Barbour Collection of Town Records before 1870* in Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut documents the vital information for this family.[53] Jonathan Arnold and Elizabeth [blank] were married 12 August 1699 in Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut. Town records include the births of seven children of Jonathan and Elizabeth Arnold: Jonathan on 11 January 1700/01, Elizabeth on 22 November 1704, Esther (the ancestor) on 3 February 1706/7, Abigail on 26 December 1708, Samuel on 22 December 1710, Mary on 22 November 1712, Huldah on 31 March 1718. Jonathan Arnold died 6 January 1728/9 in the 49th year of his age, in Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut, but town records do not have a death record for his wife.

Jonathan Arnold left a will which mentioned his wife Elizabeth, two sons, Jonathan and Samuel, a beloved son-in-law, William Brainerd, and five daughters, Elizabeth, Esther, Abigail, Mary, and Huldah.[54] Recall that the ancestor, Esther (Arnold) Markham, first married William Brainerd on 5 January 1725/6 in Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut, and had six children with him before his death in 1736.[55] She then married William Markham and was the mother of five more children, including the ancestor, William Markham, Jr. born 14 September 1738.

The book *Some Descendants of John Arnold, a Founding Father of Hartford, Connecticut and his son Joseph Arnold, a Founding Father of Haddam, Connecticut* by Preston T. Arnold identifies Jonathan Arnold's wife as Elizabeth Smith, born in 1682 in Haddam to Simon

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[53] *Connecticut Town Records, pre-1870 (Barbour Collection),* "Haddam Vital Records 1668-1852," pp. 1-4, marriage of Jonathan Arnold and Elizabeth [blank] 14 August 1699; births of children of Jonathan and Elizabeth Arnold: Jonathan 11 January 1700/01, Elizabeth 22 November 1704, Esther 3 February 1706/7, Abigail 26 December 1708, Samuel 22 December 1710, Mary 22 November 1712, Huldah 31 March 1718; death of Jonathan Arnold 6 January 1728/9 in the 49th year of his age, Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 36.

[54] See DOCUMENT 1f.

[55] See DOCUMENT 2

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Smith; she was also a sister of the Susannah Smith who married Jonathan's brother Joseph Arnold.[56] The only Elizabeth Smith whose father was Simon Smith in the Haddam town records was born in 1689—far too young to have married in 1699.[57] More research will need to be conducted on Jonathan Arnold's wife since it is not even certain that her maiden name was Smith.

John Willey (1699–1743) and Sarah Saunders (about 1705–1791)

Town records of East Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut document the birth of John, son of John and Elizabeth Willey, on 24 May 1699, and continue with the marriage of John Willey and Sarah Sanders [*sic*] on 5 April 1722.[58] These same records also include the births of their five children, Keziah, David, Nathan, Jonathan, and Asa; marriages of Keziah, David, and Jonathan; and the deaths of Asa as a child, the passing of John Willey on 13 November 1743, and Widow Willey's death in 1791, who was almost certainly Sarah (Saunders) Willey.

The book *Isaac Willey of New London, Conn., and his Descendants* by Henry Willey summarizes this information about the John Willey and Sarah Saunders family on page 8, followed by a sketch about each of their children's lives on pages 15-16.[59] Note that this book missed the first wife of the ancestor, David Willey, and begins this account with his second wife, Rachel Spencer. The author discounted the history by Allen Willey that the ancestor, Abigail Cone Willey, was the daughter of David Willey and a wife whose maiden name he remembered as Fuller. Allen Willey included the information that Abigail married

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[56] See DOCUMENT 1e.

[57] *Connecticut Town Records, pre-1870 (Barbour Collection),* "Haddam Vital Records 1668-1852," p. 76, birth of Elizabeth Smith, daughter of Simon 2nd Smith, 2 July 1689, Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 37.

[58] See DOCUMENT 5a-e.

[59] See DOCUMENTS 3f, j-k.

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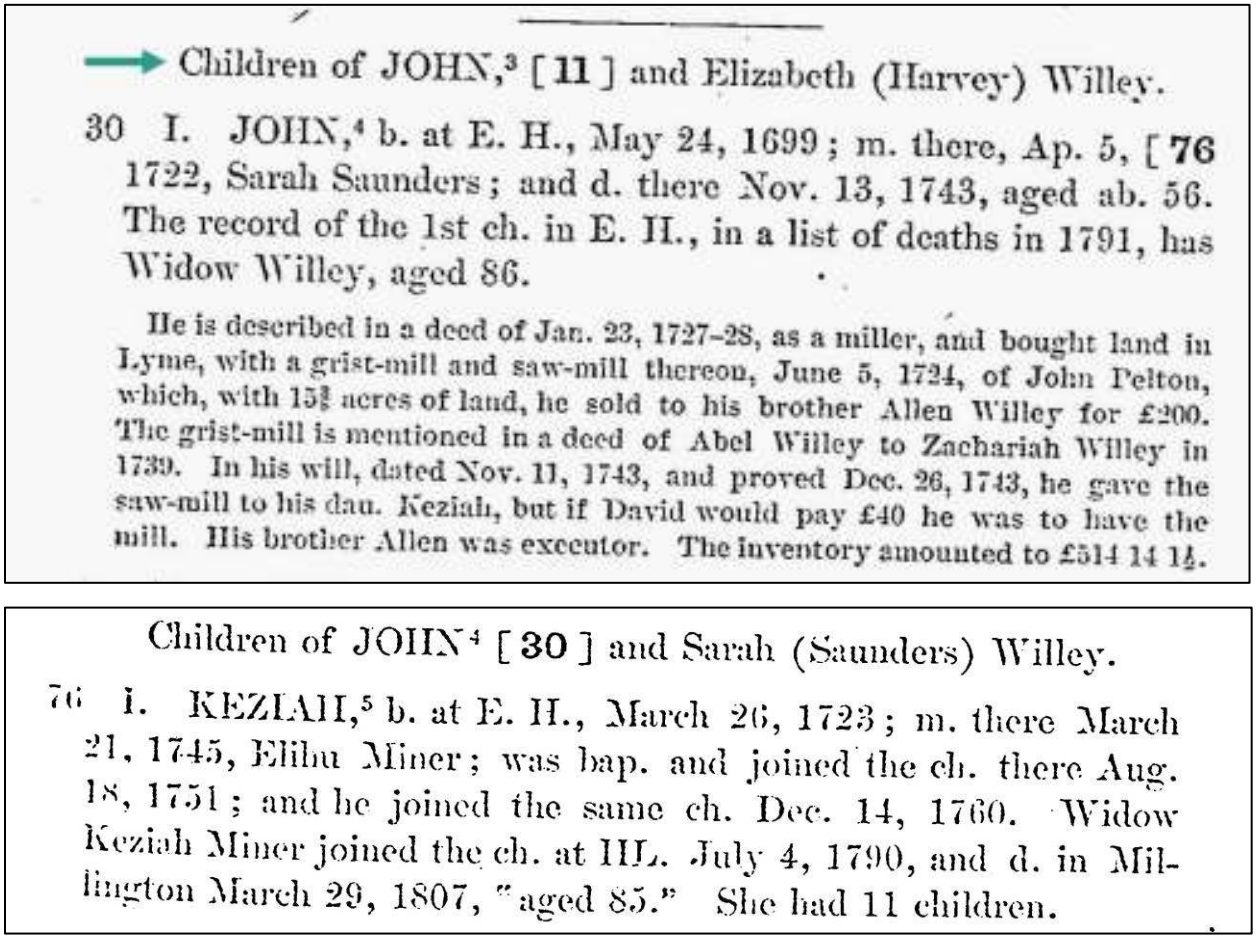
a Markham and later moved to Lempster, New Hampshire and Genesee County, New York.[60]



Children of JOHN,[3] [**11**] and Elizabeth (Harvey) Willey.

30 I. JOHN,[4] b. at E. H., May 24, 1699; m. there, Ap. 5, [**76**
1722, Sarah Saunders; and d. there Nov. 13, 1743, aged ab. 56.
The record of the 1st ch. in E. H., in a list of deaths in 1791, has
Widow Willey, aged 86.

He is described in a deed of Jan. 23, 1727–28, as a miller, and bought land in Lyme, with a grist-mill and saw-mill thereon, June 5, 1724, of John Pelton, which, with 15¾ acres of land, he sold to his brother Allen Willey for £200. The grist-mill is mentioned in a deed of Abel Willey to Zachariah Willey in 1739. In his will, dated Nov. 11, 1743, and proved Dec. 26, 1743, he gave the saw-mill to his dau. Keziah, but if David would pay £40 he was to have the mill. His brother Allen was executor. The inventory amounted to £514 14 1½.

Children of JOHN[4] [**30**] and Sarah (Saunders) Willey.

76 I. KEZIAH,[5] b. at E. H., March 26, 1723; m. there March 21, 1745, Elihu Miner; was bap. and joined the ch. there Aug. 18, 1751; and he joined the same ch. Dec. 14, 1760. Widow Keziah Miner joined the ch. at HL. July 4, 1790, and d. in Millington March 29, 1807, "aged 85." She had 11 children.

John Willey family, DOCUMENT 3j-k

[60] See discussion of this family in 9th Generation Ancestor David Willey on pp 4-8 of this report.

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77 II. DAVID,[5] b. at E. H., Ap. 19, 1725; m. at E. [188
H., Aug. 20, 1752, Rachel, probably dau. of Abigail and Sarah (Booge) Spencer, who was b. at E. H. March 6, 1728, and bap. April 1, 1728.

He joined the 1st ch. in E. H., Jan. 14, 1753, but changed his connection and was confirmed in St. Stephen's Prot. Epis. ch. in E. H., Nov. 21, 1794. He m. (2d), Rachel Church, widow of Hezekiah Mack, who had d. in Oct. 1755, at Lake George, in his 28th year. She d. July 10, 1801, in her 69th year, and was b. Sept. 5, 1732, dau. of John and Mary Church, and was perhaps the Rachel Willey who joined the ch. at Millington, July 1, 1792, and the 1st ch. in July, 1796. The recollection of Allen Willey [212] in regard to his family was at fault, as the names of the wife and ch. given by him are those of Benajah Willey [40.]

78 III. NATHAN,[5] b. at E. H., March 1, 1734–35; probably d. before Feb. 1756.

79 IV. JONATHAN,[5] b. at E. H., July 10, 1737; m. [197
there May 4, 1758, Mary Bates, who may have been b. there Aug. 21, 1735, and bap. Oct. 5, 1735, dau. of Clement and Mary (Strowbridge) Bates. He is said to have d. in Middletown, Conn.

80 V. ASA,[5] b. at E. H., Sept. 6, 1740; d. there Oct. 22, 1743.

John Willey family, DOCUMENT 3j-k

There were only two women named Sarah Sanders/Saunders in online colonial birth records who were born about 1705: the daughter of Henery [*sic*] and Ann on 14 February 1703 in Plymouth, and the daughter of John on 2 June 1705 in Dorchester.[61] The same search returned a reference to a third Sarah Sanders, daughter of John, who was born in Boston on 8 August 1706; she was married first to a Stevens, and afterward married James Varney. The daughter of John Sanders of Boston was therefore not the ancestor. The daughter of Henry Sanders married Micah Gibbs 11 May 1732 in Sandwich, proven by the

[61] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, birth of Sarah Sanders, daughter of Henery and Ann Sanders, 14 February 1703, Plymouth, Massachusetts; Sarah Sanders, daughter of John Sanders, born 2 June 1705, Dorchester, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 38.

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fact that Micah inherited some of Henry Sanders' land there.[62] The daughter of John Sanders, born in Dorchester in 1705 may have been the one who married John Willey in 1722, but the connection will need to be documented. A quick search for biographies of Sanders families from Dorchester, Massachusetts, and Haddam, Connecticut produced no results, but time can be taken to further research Sarah Sanders ancestry in the future, as desired.

John Dexter (1656–1721) and Mehitabel Hallett (about 1662–1725?)

John Dexter and Mehitable [*sic*] Hallett were married 10 November 1682 in Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts.[63] This newer version of the town records was copied from the earliest records of Sandwich where the top of the page showing the couple's marriage date has been fragmented.[64] The older version, referenced on page 9 of this report, documents the births of their four children: Elizabeth Dexter was born 2 November 1683, Thomas Dexter (the ancestor) was born 26 August 1686, Abigail Dexter was born 26 May 1689, and John Dexter was born 11 September 1692.

The Dexter family history by William Albert Warden discussed earlier in this project includes the following paragraph about the family of John Dexter and Mehitabel Hallett:[65]

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[62] Linda B. (Phinney) Brownson, "Henry Sanders of Sandwich, Mass.," *New England Historical and Genealogical Register*, vol. 127, 1973, p. 366, http://americanancestors.org, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 39.

[63] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Sandwich General Records, 1651-1691" (image), marriage of John Dexter and Mehitabel Hallett, 20 November 1682, Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 40.

[64] See DOCUMENT 6.

[65] See DOCUMENT 9i.

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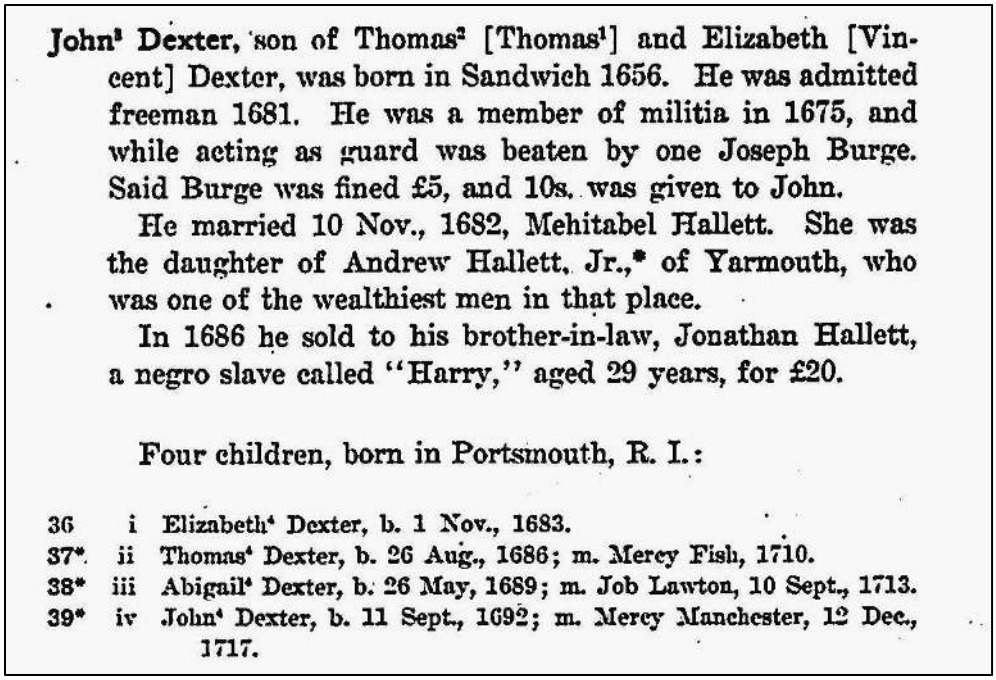

John[3] Dexter, son of Thomas[2] [Thomas[1]] and Elizabeth [Vincent] Dexter, was born in Sandwich 1656. He was admitted freeman 1681. He was a member of militia in 1675, and while acting as guard was beaten by one Joseph Burge. Said Burge was fined £5, and 10s. was given to John.

He married 10 Nov., 1682, Mehitabel Hallett. She was the daughter of Andrew Hallett, Jr.,* of Yarmouth, who was one of the wealthiest men in that place.

In 1686 he sold to his brother-in-law, Jonathan Hallett, a negro slave called "Harry," aged 29 years, for £20.

Four children, born in Portsmouth, R. I.:

36 i Elizabeth[4] Dexter, b. 1 Nov., 1683.
37* ii Thomas[4] Dexter, b. 26 Aug., 1686; m. Mercy Fish, 1710.
38* iii Abigail[4] Dexter, b. 26 May, 1689; m. Job Lawton, 10 Sept., 1713.
39* iv John[4] Dexter, b. 11 Sept., 1692; m. Mercy Manchester, 12 Dec., 1717.

Family of John Dexter and Mehitabel Hallett, DOCUMENT 9i

Warden did not supply any documentation for John Dexter's birth year, but the memorial for John Dexter at *Find a Grave* indicates that in the 1930s, the Works Project Administration inventoried the cemetery in the home yard of John and Mehitabel Dexter on Corey Lane in Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island.[66] John Dexter's memorial gives his dates as 1656–7 January 1721, and the memorial for Mehitable [*sic*] Hallett Dexter gives her dates as 1652–8 November 1725. The *Rhode Island Historical Cemetery Commission* has a reference to the gravestone of John Dexter with dates about 1656–7 January 1721, but there was no reference to a gravestone for his wife.[67] John's headstone was last seen in 1900 and was referenced in a survey taken in 1890.

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[66] *Find a Grave*, Dexter Lot, Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island, memorials for John Dexter, 1656–7 January 1721, no. 77550031, and Mehitable Hallett Dexter, 1652–8 November 1725, no. 77553010, http://findagrave.com, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 41a-b.

[67] *Rhode Island Historical Cemetery Commission*, Dexter Lot, Corey Lane, Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island, grave of John Dexter, about 1656–7 January 1721, http://rihistoriccemeteries.org, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 42.

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Mehitabel Hallett was probably born about 1663 according to her father's biography in *The Great Migration* by Robert Charles Anderson.[68] Her father, Andrew Hallett, Jr., was christened 19 May 1607 in Symondsbury, Dorset, England, the son of Andrew Hallett and Beatrice Knote. He had five children in Massachusetts by an unknown first wife, then married Ann Bessey, daughter of Anthony Bessey by 1663. Mehitabel was Ann's daughter.

MARRIAGE: (1) By about 1642_____ _____ [TAG 26:193-95].
(2) By 1663 Ann Bessey [TAG 26:193-95], daughter of ANTHONY BESSEY {1635, Lynn} [GM 2:1:266-70].
CHILDREN:
With first wife
i ABIGAIL HALLETT, b. say 1642; m. Duxbury 10 December 1672 Jonathan Alden, son of JOHN ALDEN {1620, Plymouth} [GMB 1:24; MF5 Alden 1:43-45].
ii RUHAMAH HALLETT, b. say 1644; m. (1) Sandwich 14 December 1664 Job Bourne [SandVR 1:9], son of RICHARD BOURNE {1636, Plymouth}; m. (2) by 1689 William Hersey (in his will of 5 July 1689, "William Hearsey of Hingham" made provision for "Ruhamah my now wife," according to their marriage contract [SPR 8:67]).
iii DORCAS HALLETT, bp. Barnstable 1 June 1646 (one of four baptisms on that date of children of men who were "of the church of Yarmouth") [NEHGR 9:283]; no further record.
iv JONATHAN HALLETT, b. Yarmouth 20 November 1647 [PCR 8:3]; m. Yarmouth 30 January 1683[/4] Abigail Dexter [YarVR 1:128; MD 2:209], daughter of Thomas Dexter of Sandwich (in the settlement of the estate of Thomas Dexter on 16 February 1686/7, one of the shares was received by "Jonathan Hallett of Yarmouth, for his wife Abigail" [MD 3:176-77, citing BarnPR 1:8]).
v JOHN HALLETT, b. Yarmouth 11 December 1650 [PCR 8:12]; m. Yarmouth 16 February 1681[/82] Mary Howes [YarVR 1:127; MD 2:209].
With second wife
vi MEHITABLE HALLETT, b. say 1663; m. Sandwich 10 November 1682 John Dexter [SandVR 1:11, 37].

Family of Andrew Hallett, Jr. with his two wives, DOCUMENT 43d

[68] Robert Charles Anderson, *The Great Migration: Immigrants to New England, 1634-35*, Vol. 3. pp. 195-200, Andrew Hallett, Jr., http://americanancestors.org, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 43a-f

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The biography of her father, Anthony Bessey, in *The Great Migration* states that Anna Bessey was with child on 4 March 1661/2 when she was brought to court to answer for cruel acts toward her "father-in-law" (i.e., stepfather) George Barlow.[69] The child was probably Mehitabel (Hallett) Dexter, who would have been born later that year. Note that Mehitabel Hallett's half-brother, Jonathan Hallett, born in 1647, married Abigail Dexter, full sister of Methitabel's husband, John Dexter. Jonathan Hallett was left an inheritance on his wife's behalf in the settlement of the estate of Thomas Dexter of Sandwich on 16 February 1686/7.

Robert Fish (about 1665–1730) and Mary Hall (before 1670–1735)

Robert Fish and Mary Hall, daughter of Zuriel Hall, were married 16 September 1686 in Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island.[70] Nine children were born to the couple in Portsmouth: Robert on 17 May 1690, Mary (the ancestor) on 1 March 1692/3, William on 7 June 1695, Zuriel on 10 July 1697, Isaac on 25 December 1699, Alice on 3 July 1702, Jonathan on 27 October 1704, Daniel on 17 May 1707, and David on 10 March 1709/10.[71]

Lester Warren Fish's book *The Fish Family in England and America* contains the following paragraph about the children in this generation:[72]

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[69] See DOCUMENT 95.

[70] *Rhode Island, Vital Extracts, 1636-1899*, vol. 4, Newport County, "Portsmouth marriages," p. 32, marriage of Robert Fish and Mary Hall of Zuriel, 16 September 1686, Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 44.

[71] See DOCUMENT 21.

[72] Lester Warren Fish, *The Fish Family in England and America*, (Rutland: Tuttle, 1948), pp. 35, 83-85, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 45a-p.

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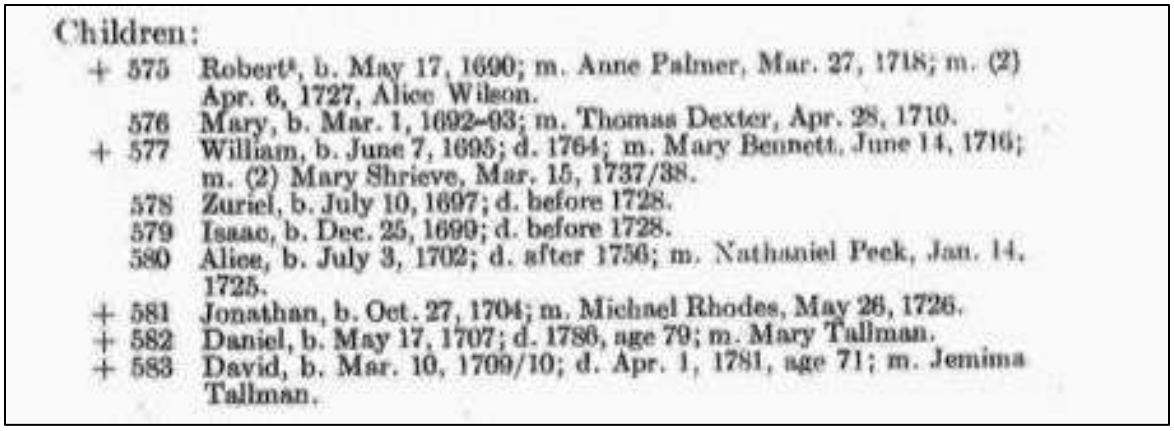

Children:

+ 575 Robert[5], b. May 17, 1690; m. Anne Palmer, Mar. 27, 1718; m. (2) Apr. 6, 1727, Alice Wilson.
576 Mary, b. Mar. 1, 1692-93; m. Thomas Dexter, Apr. 28, 1710.
+ 577 William, b. June 7, 1695; d. 1764; m. Mary Bennett, June 14, 1716; m. (2) Mary Shrieve, Mar. 15, 1737/38.
578 Zuriel, b. July 10, 1697; d. before 1728.
579 Isaac, b. Dec. 25, 1699; d. before 1728.
580 Alice, b. July 3, 1702; d. after 1756; m. Nathaniel Peck, Jan. 14, 1725.
+ 581 Jonathan, b. Oct. 27, 1704; m. Michael Rhodes, May 26, 1726.
+ 582 Daniel, b. May 17, 1707; d. 1786, age 79; m. Mary Tallman.
+ 583 David, b. Mar. 10, 1709/10; d. Apr. 1, 1781, age 71; m. Jemima Tallman.

Family of Robert Fish and Mary Hall, DOCUMENT 45p

This book also contains a transcription of the will of Robert Fish, written 12 December 1728 in Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island, and proved in 1730. He mentioned sons Robert and William, then daughters Mary Dexter and Alice Peck, his wife Mary, and finally sons Daniel, David, and Jonathan. The will of Mary (Hall) Fish was written 28 April 1735 and proved 11 June 1735. She mentioned sons Daniel, David, Robert, William, and Jonathan, as well as daughters Mary Dexter and Alice Peck, and granddaughter, Mary, daughter of William. Two children, Zuriel and Isaac, were not mentioned in the will of either parent and probably died young.

Neither Robert Fish nor his wife Mary Hall appear in colonial birth records, but Lester Warren Fish states that Robert was born in Portsmouth, [Newport], Rhode Island about 1665, probably because Robert Fish was made a freeman in Portsmouth 1686. The book gives no birth year for Mary Hall but states on page 83 that she died 8 June 1735 in Portsmouth. The book *New England Marriages Prior to 1700* estimates the marriage year of Zuriel Hall and Elizabeth Tripp as about 1665, so the birth year for their daughter Mary has

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been entered in the family tree as "before 1670," making her at least age 16 when she married in 1686.[73]

John Smith (1655–1722) and Abigail Day (1661–1726)

The family group sheet for this couple at the Smith DNA website shows that John Smith was the son of Christopher Smith and Martha Fairbanks, the immigrant ancestors.[74] He was born in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts on 19 November 1655, son of Christopher and Martha Smith, as confirmed in town records there.[75] No parents were listed for Abigail Day on the website, but her birth on 22 April 1661 in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts was recorded there, with parents Ralph and Abigall [*sic*] Day.[76] The Smith DNA website states that John Smith and Abigail Day were married in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts on 21 December 1677, and includes this information about their children:

1. Abigail Smith, b. 21 Mar 1683, Dedham, MA, d. 12 Nov 1730, Sudbury, MA (Age 47 years)
+ 2. John Smith, b. 16 Feb 1680, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, USA, d. 12 Nov 1730, Ashford, Windham, Connecticut, USA (Age 50 years) [Natural]
+ 3. Caleb Smith, b. 15 Mar 1693, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, USA [Natural]
4. Christopher Smith, b. 29 Nov 1681, Dedham, MA, d. Bef 1724 (Age 42 years)
+ 5. Jonathan Smith, b. 11 Feb 1685, Dedham, MA, d. 22 Apr 1752, Needham, MA (Age 67 years)
6. Aaron Smith, b. c 1699, Dedham, MA, d. 15 Apr 1776, Dedham, MA (Age ~ 77 years)
7. Joshua Smith, b. 6 Apr 1691, Dedham, MA
8. Moses Smith, b. 5 Aug 1695, Dedham, MA
+ 9. Samuel Smith, b. c 1697, MA

Entries for John and Abigail Smith from the Smith DNA website[77]

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[73] *New England Marriages Prior to 1700*, p. 336, marriage of Zuriel Hall (–1691) and Elizabeth Tripp (?1648–1701), about 1665, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 46.

[74] See DOCUMENT 30.

[75] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Dedham Births, Marriages, and Deaths" (image), birth of John Smith, son of Christopher and Martha Smith, 19 9m [November] 1655, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 47.

[76] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Dedham Births, Marriages and Deaths" (image), birth of Abigall, daughter of Ralph and Abigall Day, 22 2mo (April) 1661, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 48.

[77] *Smith Official DNA Project*, Family Group Sheet for John Smith (1655-1722) and Abigail Day (1661—1726), http://www.smithsworldwide.org, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 30.

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Town records in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts also confirm the couple's marriage date.[78] However, the birth records include a few differences from this list of their children, discussed here in the order given above rather than in birth order.[79] There were two daughters named Abigail; the first was born 27 8m [October] 1678 and the second on 21 1m [March] 1683/4. The exact day for John's birth is illegible, but could be 11, 16, or 18 12m [February] 1680. The birth of Caleb Smith was written in as 15 March 1693 in the space including some dates from 1692, so to match the Julian calendar in use at that time, his birth year should be written 1692/3. Cristopher [*sic*] Smith was born 29 9m [November] 1681. Jonathan Smith was born 11 February, but no year was given. Earlier on the page was a date in November 1686, so he was probably born in February 1686/7. There was no birth for Aaron Smith in the town records. Joshua Smith was born 6 April 1691, and Moses Smith was born 5 August 1695. There was no birth record for the ancestor, Samuel Smith, about 1697.

It is unknown when John and Abigail (Day) Smith moved from Dedham to Needham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, but John Smith died there on 7 October 1722, and the next line of the record states that Abigail, wife of John Smith, died 15 June 1725.[80]

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[78] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Dedham Births, Marriages, and Deaths" (image), marriage of John Smith and Abigail Day, 21 December 1677, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 49.

[79] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Dedham Births, Marriages, and Deaths," (images), births of children of John and Abigail Smith, 1678-1695, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 50a-h.

[80] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Needham Births, Marriages, and Deaths" (image), deaths of John Smith, 7 October 1722, and Abigail Smith, wife of John Smith, 15 June 1725, Needham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 51.

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Joshua Morse (1679–1749) and Elizabeth Penniman (1679–1705)

The birth record of the ancestor, Zipporah (Morse) Smith gave her parents' names as Joshua Morse and Elizabeth Penniman.[81] Joshua Morse, son of Samuel and Elizabeth Morse, was born 2 April 1677 in Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[82] The birth record for Elizabeth Penniman could not be located, but a single gravestone in Vine Lake Cemetery, Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts for Joshua Morse and his two wives shows that Elizabeth Penniman Morse was born 9 May 1679.[83] There are links from Elizabeth's *Find A Grave* memorial to those for her parents, Samuel Penniman (1645-1704) and Elizabeth (Parmenter) Penniman (1657-?).

Elizabeth (Penniman) Morse's birthdate of 9 May 1679 as indicated on her gravestone is problematic. Samuel Penneyman [*sic*] and Elizabeth Parmiter [*sic*] were married 6 January 1673 [1674] in Dorchester, Suffolk, Massachusetts.[84] *FamilySearch.org* does not have a digital image of birth records in Braintree, Norfolk, Massachusetts, but their index shows that Elizabeth, daughter of Samll [*sic*] and Elizabeth Peniman [*sic*] was born there in 1674, but without a full date.[85] Other children of this couple born in Braintree included Samll

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[81] See DOCUMENT 28a.

[82] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Medfield births," pp. 72-75, births of children of Samuel and Elizabeth Morse: Samuell 8 February 1665/6, Elizabeth 21 Mar 1667-8, Hanna 31 August 1669, Hanna 9 November 1670, Ruth 21 March 1671-2, Joseph 16 January 1674/5, Joshua 2 April 1677, Eliezar 10 August 1680, Benonie (son) 19 June 1682, Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 52a-d.

[83] *Find a Grave*, Vine Lake Cemetery, Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts, (image and transcription), single headstone for Joshua Morse 2 April 1679 [*sic*—1677]–26 April 1749, Elizabeth Penniman his wife, 9 May 1679–2 February 1703; Mary Paine his wife, 6 January 1680–17 March 1746, memorial nos. 58368594, 58368828, 58382210, http://findagrave.com, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 53a-c.

[84] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Dorchester Births, Marriages, and Deaths," p. 83, marriage of Samuel Penneyman and Elizabeth Parmiter, 6 January 1673 [1674], Dorchester, Suffolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 54.

[85] *Massachusetts Births and Christenings, 1639-1915*, births of children of Samuell and Elizabeth Penniman/Peniman: Elizabeth 1674, Samll 15 March 1675, Samuell 5 November 1677, Josiah 21 November 1678 died 29 November 1678, Hannah 12 February 1682, Jonathan 17 February 1685, Braintree, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://familysearch.org, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 55.

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[*sic*—Samuel] born 15 March 1675, another Samuell [*sic*] born 5 November 1677, Josiah born 21 November 1678 and died 29 November 1678, Hannah born 12 February 1682, and Jonathan born 17 February 1685. Since Josiah was born at the end of November 1678, it would not have been possible for Elizabeth to have been born 9 May 1679 as was indicated on her gravestone. If she was born 9 May 1674, she would have been born just four months after her parents were married. Her birthdate has been added to the family tree as January 1674/5.

Joshua Morse of Medfield and Elizabeth Peniman [*sic*] of Braintree were married 8 November 1699 in Braintree, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[86] Their eldest daughter, Elizabeth Morse, was born 20 October 1700 in Braintree, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[87] Daughter Zipporah was born 20 April 1702 and son Samuel was born 4 May 1703 in Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[88] Town records show that Elizabeth Morse, wife of Joshua, died 2 February 1704/5 in Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[89] No record could be found to document the marriage of Joshua Morse and his second wife, Mary Paine, about 1706, but that was the year listed on their *Find a Grave* memorials, which also includes the information that Elizabeth Penniman and Mary Paine were first cousins.[90] Mary was the daughter of Samuel Paine and Mary Penniman. Joshua and Mary had eight children born in Medfield, but time was not taken to add them to the family tree.[91]

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[86] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Braintree Vital Record Transcripts," p. 740, marriage of Joshua Morse and Elizabeth Peniman, 8 November 1699, Braintree, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 56.

[87] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Braintree Vital Record Transcripts," p. 679, birth of Elizabeth, daughter of Joshua and Elizabeth Morse,20 October 1700, Braintree, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 57.

[88] See DOCUMENT 28a.

[89] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Medfield Vital Record Transcripts," pp. 224-5, deaths of Elizabeth Morse wife of Joshua 2 February 1704/5, Joshua Morse 26 April 1749, Mary Morse, wife of Joshua 17 March 1746/7, Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 58a-b.

[90] See DOCUMENTS 53a and 53c.

[91] See DOCUMENT 28a.

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Town records of Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts also document the deaths of Mary Morse, wife of Joshua, on 17 March 1746/7, and Joshua Morse on 26 April 1749.[92]

11TH GENERATION ANCESTORS

Daniel Markham (1641–1713) and Elizabeth Whitmore (1649–1676)

As discussed earlier in this report, the Markham DNA Project has a website which includes the family of Deacon Daniel Markham and Elizabeth Whitmore.[93] This clip from the website shows the client's ancestors going back four generations from William Markham and Phebe Dexter to the immigrant ancestor, Daniel Markham and his wife, Elizabeth Whitmore.

1 **Deacon Daniel Markham**, b 1641 Earles Colne, Essex, England, d 06 Feb 1712 Middletown, Middlesex CT; m Elizabeth Whitmore
2 Daniel Markham, b 1 Nov 1671 Middletown CT, d 6 May 1760 Enfield CT; m 2 Apr 1700 Deborah Meacham
3 Daniel Markham, b 13 Nov 1704 Middletown CT ; Deborah Markham, b 2 Mar 1705 Middletown CT ; Israel Markham, b 18 Feb 1707 Middletown CT ; Jeremiah Markham, b 18 Feb 1709-Middletown CT ; Isaac Markham, b 3 Nov 1711 Middletown CT ; Phoebe Markham, b 26 Oct 1713 Middletown CT ; Joseph Markham, b 1716 Middletown CT, d 3 Apr 1761 ; Sybil Markham, b 19 Feb 1719 Enfield CT ; Edith Markham, b 14 Mar 1722 Enfield,CT)
2 Elizabeth Markham, b 13 Jan 1673 Middletown MA; m John Bates (6 children)
2 James Markham, b 1 Mar 1674/5, Cambridge Middlesex MA., d 08 Jun 1731 Middletown Middlesex, CT.; m 14 Oct 1700 Elizabeth Locke
3 William Markham, b 28 Jan 1705/6 Middletown, Middlesex, CT, d 01 Oct 1752 E. Haddam, Middlesex CT.; m Esther Arnold 07 Dec 1737
4 William Markham II, b 14 Sep 1738 Middle Haddam, Middlesex, CT, d 01 May 1792 W. Rush, Monroe, NY; m Abigail Cone Willey
5 Col. William Markham III (also Jr.), b 19 Aug 1762 E. Haddam, Middlesex CT, d 03 Jan 1827 Rush, Monroe, NY; m Phebe Dexter

Daniel Markham, the immigrant ancestor, was christened 22 June 1641 in Earls Colne, Essex, England, the son of James and Martha Markham.[94] Elizabeth Whitmore, daughter of Francis and Isabell Whitmore, was born 2 May 1649 in Lexington, Middlesex,

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[92] See DOCUMENT 59b.

[93] See Whitney1602, DOCUMENT 180.

[94] *England, Select Births and Christenings, 1538-1975,* baptism of Daniel Markham, 22 June 1641, son of James and Martha Markham, Earls Colne, Essex, England, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 59.

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Massachusetts.[95] Daniel Markham and Elizab[eth] Whitmore were married 3 November 1669 in Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts.[96] Three children were born to the couple in Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts: Daniel Markham on 1 November 1671, Elizabeth Markham on 13 July 1673, and the ancestor, James Markham on 1 March 1674.[97] Elizabeth (Whitmore) Markham died 10 May 1676 in Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts according to her *Find a Grave* memorial, but this date could not be documented in Massachusetts vital records either at Ancestry.com or at FamilySearch.org.[98] Her memorial states that she was the first child of Lieutenant Francis Whitmore and Isabel Parke, and contains this extract from *The Whitmore Genealogy*, published in 1907 (See DOCUMENT 140):

> Francis [Whitmore] came to this country probably during the 1630's, and had established his residence at Cambridge prior to 1648, as about this time he married, at that place, Isabel Parke. Broks [*sic*], in his history of Medford, tells us he owned property in Cambridge near the Plains, Charlestown near the Menetomie River, near Dendruck Meadows; also in Medford and Lexington. His house stood on the dividing line between Lexington and Cambridge, and is mentioned in the Act of division. His name, with that of his wife, appears on a petition in favor of an old woman [Winifret Holman] charged with being a witch, so he can hardly have been of the extreme Puritan Party, though a member of the church.
> Francis served in King Philip's war; was Selectman and Constable in 1668 and 1682. In his will, he makes provision for the education of his children, thus early evidencing that regard for education that is so marked a family trait.

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[95] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1998,* "Lexington Vital Record Transcripts," p. 87, births of children of Francis and Isabel Whitmore: Elizabeth 2 May 1649, Frances [female—*sic*] 12 October 1650, John 1 October 1654, Samuel 1 May 1658, Abigail 3 July 1660(?) baptized 3 July 1659, Sarah 7 March 1662 baptized 3 March 1662(?), Margery baptized 27 March 1664, Lexington, Middlesex, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 60.

[96] *Massachusetts, Town Clerk, Vital and Town Records, 1626-2001*, "Middlesex County Records" (image), marriage of Daniel Markham and Elizab. Whitmore, 3 November 1669, Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts, http://familysearch.org, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 61.

[97] See DOCUMENT 32.

[98] *Find a Grave*, Old Burying Ground, Cambridge, Middlesex, Massachusetts, memorial for Elizabeth Whitmore Markham, 2 May 1649–10 May 1676, no. 75408047, http://findagrave.com, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 62a-b.

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The memorial also states that in 1677, Daniel Markham followed his cousins, Samuel Collins and Rev. Nathaniel Collins, to Middletown, Connecticut where he became Deacon of the First Congregational Church in 1690 after the death of his cousin, Rev. Nathaniel Collins.

Daniell [*sic*] Markham married second to Patience Harris on 21 January 1677 in Middletown, Middlesex, Connecticut.[99] Three children were born to the couple there: Martha on 16 August 1680, another Martha on 7 January 1685, and Edith on 11 May 1694.[100] An article entitled "William and Daniel Harris of Middletown" by Gale Ion Harris in the *New England Historical and Genealogical Register* adds some interesting information about Patience Harris, including the information that her elder sister Hannah Harris had married Elizabeth (Whitmore) Markham's brother, Francis.[101] Note, too, that Daniel Markham wrote his will on 23 November 1708, in which he left inheritances to his children Daniel, James, and Elizabeth, children of his first wife, Elizabeth Whitmore, and to daughters Martha and Edith, children of his second wife.

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[99] *Connecticut Town Records, pre-1870 (Barbour Collection),* "Middletown Vital Records," p. 37, marriage of Daniell Markham and Patience Harris, 21 January 1677; death of Deacon Daniell Markham, 6 February 1712/13, Middletown, Middlesex, Connecticut, https://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 63. (Note that the NEHGR article states they were married 2 January 1677/8.)

[100] *Connecticut Births and Christenings, 1649-1906*, births of children of Daniel Markham and Patience Harris: Martha 16 August 1680, Martha 7 January 1685, Edith or Eudith 11 May 1694, Middletown, Middlesex, Connecticut, http://familysearch.org, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 64.

[101] Gale Ion Harris, "William and Daniel Harris of Middletown," *New England Historical and Genealogical Register,* vol. 164, July 2010, pp. 172-174, http://americanancestors.org, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 65a-c.

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v. PATIENCE HARRIS, b. say 1654; d. Middletown 19 March 1732/3.[76] On 24 July 1678, "Patience the Daughter of Wm. Harris," appeared before a court in Hartford "to Answer for her committing fornication." She accused John Orton "for begetting her with Child which child was born march last." Orton admitted "that he was at the house of W[m] Harris & kept there sometime about the time he was charged with begetting her with child." The court ordered Patience to pay a fine of £5 and Orton, adjudged "to be the reputed father," was ordered to pay 2*s*. per week as maintenance for the child "till it shall attayne the age of Three yeares if it shall liue so long."[77]

The court record refers to Patience as though she were still single in March and July 1678, but Middletown vital records and land records both indicate that a few months before, on 2 Jan. 1677[/8], she had m. there, as his second wife, Deacon DANIEL[1] MARKHAM,[78] bp. Earls Colne, Essex, 22 June 1641, son of James and Martha (Collins) Markham,[79] and nephew of Edward[1] Collins of Cambridge and Charlestown, Mass.[80]

Daniel Markham, who d. in Middletown 6 Feb. 1712/3,[81] had m. (1) in Cambridge, Mass., 3 Nov. 1669 Elizabeth Whitmore, elder sister of Francis Whitmore, husband of Patience's sister Hannah.[82] With Elizabeth, Daniel had children Daniel, James, and Elizabeth named in his will made in Middletown on 23 Nov. 1708.[83] Appended to William Harris's deed of 2 Jan. 1677[/8], mentioned above, is a caveat dated 8 March 1711/2 by Daniel Markham "son to Decon Daniel Markham late of Middletown dec[ease]d," against sale of the property before trial.[84] Daniel Markham's 1708 will also names "my daughters Martha and Edith," to whom he gave £20 each. In a subsequent clause, he gave his "daughter Martha Center . . . 4 or 5 rods of ground where Jonathan Center's house standeth." On 1 March 1722/3, by mark, Patience Markham of Middletown, "widow and relict of Mr. Daniel Markham," gave her "loving daughters Martha Center of Middletown and Editha Arnold of Haddam" all her Middletown property and mentioned "my loving sons in law Jonathan Center and John Arnold husbands of s[d] Martha and Editha."[85]

Child of Patience[3] Harris and John Orton:[86]

1. Name and gender unknown, b. March 1677/8; living July 1678.

Children of Daniel and Patience[3] (Harris) Markham, born in Middletown:[87]

2. *Martha Markham*, b. 16 Aug. 1680; apparently d. young.
3. *Martha Markham* (again), b. 7 Jan. 1685[/6?].
4. *Edith Markham*, b. 11 May 1694.

Background about Patience Harris, DOCUMENT 65 a-c

Deacon Daniell [*sic*] Markham died 6 February 1712/13 in Middletown, Middlesex, Connecticut.[102]

[102] See DOCUMENT 63.

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William Lock (1638–1720) and Mary Clark (1640–1715)

Curiously, the surname occurs with the spelling "Lock" in all the original records examined during this project, but biographical information about the family generally uses the spelling "Locke." Obviously, there would be no difference in pronunciation, but the Lock spelling was chosen for use in the family tree and as the default spelling in this report. Original spelling from each record is used as documents are cited. William Lock, son of William Lock of Wappingwall, mariner, and Elizabeth his wife, was christened 10 December 1628 in St. Dunstan and All Saints, Stepney, Middlesex, England at the age of seven days.[103] Tower Hamlets in Stepney is a large suburb on the east end of London and includes the street called Wappingwall, which runs along the Thames. The parishes of St. Dunstan, All Saints, and other churches are also located in Tower Hamlets, Stepney, Middlesex, England.

The *Book of Lockes*, written in 1853 by James Goodwin Locke, made the connection to William Lock's christening record in England after a document was discovered in London in 1842 which listed passengers bound for New England from Stepney parish (London) dated 22 March 1634.[104] The passenger list for the *Planter* included Nicholas Davies, age 40; Sarah Davies, age 28; Joseph Davies, age 13; William Lock, age 6, and six other individuals. Subsequent records in Massachusetts show the immigrant ancestor's age to coincide both with this christening record and with the passenger list. The author went on to research Nicholas Davies in Massachusetts, and just before his book was published, a friend from York County, Maine provided him with a copy of the will of Nicholas Davies, dated 27 April 1667, York, Maine, in which he bequeathed two silver spoons and five

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[103] *London, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812*, "Tower Hamlets, St. Dunstan and All Saints, Stepney, 1608-1638" (image), p. 195, christening of William Lock, son of William Lock and Elizabeth his wife, 20 December 1628, age 7 days, St. Dunstan and All Saints, Stepney. Middlesex, England, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 66.

[104] John Goodwin Locke, *Book of the Lockes: A Genealogical and Historical Record of the Descendants of William Locke of Woburn*, (Boston: J. Monroe, 1853), pp. 9-11, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 67a-c.

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shillings in silver to "my cossen William Locke of Owborne" [Woburn] where Nicholas Davies had been living at the time of his first wife's death in 1643. The term "cossen" or cousin could mean a relative of any kind in the 1600s, but William Lock was probably a nephew of Nicholas Davies.

The immigrant's parents, William Lock of Wappingwall, mariner, and Elizabeth Salter were married 5 August 1622 at St. Dunstan and All Saints, Stepney, Middlesex, England.[105] They had a son named John christened in the same parish on 29 June 1623.[106] Plague swept through London in the following years, and John Lock, son of William Lock of Wappingwall, mariner, succumbed to the illness and was buried at 9 August 1625 at St. Dunstan, Stepney, Middlesex, England.[107] Elizabeth, wife of William Lock of Wappingwall, mariner, was buried 27 June 1631 at St. Dunstan, Stepney, Middlesex, England.[108] No death record has been located for William Lock, mariner, but it is obvious that a sailor could not have cared for a two-year-old child. It may have been shortly after Elizabeth (Salter) Lock's death that Nicholas Davies undertook the care of the child, especially if he was his nephew.

It is unclear when Nicholas Davies left Woburn, Massachusetts or whether he raised young William into his teenage years. William Lock became a man of property in Woburn, making

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[105] *London, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812*, "Tower Hamlets, St. Dunstan and All Saints, Stepney, 1608-1638" (image), p. 70, marriage of William Lock, mariner, of Wappingwall, and Elizabeth Salter, 5 August 1622, St. Dunstan and All Saints, Stepney. Middlesex, England, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 68.

[106] *London, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812*, "Tower Hamlets, St. Dunstan and All Saints, Stepney, 1608-1638" (image), p. 150, christening of John Lock, son of William Lock, mariner, of Wappingwall, and Elizabeth his wife, 29 June 1623, St. Dunstan and All Saints, Stepney. Middlesex, England, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 69.

[107] *London, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812*, "Tower Hamlets, St. Dunstan and All Saints, Stepney, 1608-1638" (image), p. 625, burial of John, son of William Lock of Wappingwall, mariner, 9 August 1625, St. Dunstan and All Saints, Stepney. Middlesex, England, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 70.

[108] *London, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812*, "Tower Hamlets, St. Dunstan and All Saints, Stepney, 1608-1638" (image), p. 115, burial of Elizabeth, wife of William Lock of Wappingwall, mariner, 27 June 1631, St. Dunstan and All Saints, Stepney. Middlesex, England, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 71.

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his first land purchase there when he was about 20 years old. A few years after he had established himself, William Lock and Mary Clark were married 27 9th month [November] 1655 in Woburn, Middlesex, Massachusetts.[109] James G. Locke identified Mary as the daughter of William and Margery Clarke of Waterford, Middlesex, Massachusetts, with a birthdate of 20 December 1640.[110] Nine children were born to William Lock over the next nineteen years, but the town records of Woburn, Middlesex, Massachusetts did not list his wife's name:[111]

> William Lock born 27 10m [December] 1657, who died 9 11m [January] 1657 [1658]
> William Lock born 18 11m [January] 1658 [1659]
> John Lock born 1 6m [August] 1661
> Joseph Lock born 8 March 1664 [1665]
> Mary Lock born 16 8m [October] 1666
> Samuell [*sic*] Lock born 14 8m [October] 1669
> Ebinezer [*sic*] Lock born 8 11m [January] 1673 [1674]
> James Lock born 14 9m [November] 1677
> Elizabeth Lock, the ancestor, born 4 11m [January] 1680 [1681]

Digital copies of the records were indexed at FamilySearch.org, but those who extracted the dates did not allow for the change from the Julian calendar. Many of the months were recorded numerically rather than by name in the original, and the numbers no longer match the months as they are ordered in the current calendar. Dates in the 11th and 12th

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[109] *Massachusetts, Town Clerk, Vital and Town Records, 1626-2001*, "Woburn, Middlesex, Births, Marriages, Deaths 1641-1843," (image) marriage of William Lock and Mary Clark, 27 9m [November] 1655, Woburn, Middlesex, Massachusetts, http://familysearch.org, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 72.

[110] See DOCUMENT 67b. The marriage date was given as 25 December 1655 in this book, in contrast to the town records of "27 9th month 1655." He also interpreted Mary Clark's birthdate of 10 10th month 1640 as 20 December 1640.

See also DOCUMENT 67g-h for information about Mary Clark's parents, William and Margery Clarke.

[111] *Massachusetts, Town Clerk, Vital and Town Records, 1626-2001,* "Woburn, Middlesex, Births, marriages, deaths 1641-1843," (images),births of children of William Lock: William 27 10m [December] 1657 died 9 11m [January] 1657 [1658], John 1 6m [August] 1661, Joseph 8 March 1664 [1665], Mary 16 8m [October] 1666, Samuell 14 8m [October] 1669, Ebinezer 8 11m [January] 1673 [1674], James 14 9m [November] 1677, Elizabeth 4 11m [January] 1680 [1681], William 28 4m [June] 1684, Woburn, Middlesex, Massachusetts, http://familysearch.org, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 73.

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months (January and February) were also recorded in the previous year. Time was taken to examine each of the original images to ascertain the correct dates, but in the interest of time, the document included is the index to the records and reflects these errors.

Mary Lock, wife of Deacon William Lock, Senr., died 18 July 1715 in Woburn, Middlesex, Massachusetts.[112] Apparently, William Lock had given away most of his property to his sons before he died, but The *Book of Lockes* contains a transcription of his will, which names his eight children who lived to adulthood including Mary (Lock) Kendall and Elizabeth (Lock) Markham.[113] Deacon William Lock, Senr. died 16 June 1720 in Woburn, Middlesex, Massachusetts.[114] The section about this immigrant ancestor in the book *The Great Migration* contains the following information about his children's births and marriages on page 306, which have been added to the client's family tree:[115]

[112] *Massachusetts, Town Clerk, Vital and Town Records, 1626-2001*, "Woburn, Middlesex, Births, marriages, deaths 1641-1843," p. 330 (image), death of Mary Lock, wife of Deacon William Lock Senr., 18 July 1715, Woburn, Middlesex, Massachusetts, http://familysearch.org, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 74.

[113] See DOCUMENT 67.

[114] *Massachusetts, Town Clerk, Vital and Town Records, 1626-2001*, "Woburn, Middlesex, Births, marriages, deaths 1641-1843," (image), p. 332, death of Deacon William Lock Senr., 16 June 1720, Woburn, Middlesex, Massachusetts, http://familysearch.org, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 75.

[115] Robert Charles Anderson, *The Great Migration*, vol. 4, pp. 302-308, William Locke, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 76a-g.

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i WILLIAM LOCKE, b. Woburn 27 December 1657 [WoVR 1:153]; d. there 9 January 165[7/]8 [WoVR 2:114].

ii WILLIAM LOCKE, b. Woburn 18 January 165[8/]9 [WoVR 1:153]; m. (1) Woburn 29 May 1683 Sarah Whittemore [WoVR 3:166]; m. (2) Woburn 8 June 1698 Abigail Hayward [WoVR 3:167].

iii JOHN LOCKE, b. Woburn 1 August 1661 [WoVR 1:153]; m. (1) Woburn 31 May 1683 Elizabeth Plympton [WoVR 3:166]; m. (2) Woburn 30 November 1720 Mary Wyman [WoVR 3:167].

iv JOSEPH LOCKE, b. Woburn 8 March 166[3/]4 [WoVR 1:153]; m. (1) by about 1688 Mary Smith, daughter of John Smith [NEHGR 62:305-6; Lexington Hist 2:365-66]; m. (2) by 1710 Margaret Mead (eldest known child b. Lexington 6 May 1710), daughter of Israel Mead [Savage 3:190]; m. (3) Weston 5 November 1743 (int.) Hannah Peirce [Weston VR 52].

v MARY LOCKE, b. Woburn 16 October 1666 [WoVR 1:153]; m. Woburn 30 March 1692 Samuel Kendall [WoVR 3:167].

vi SAMUEL LOCKE, b. Woburn 14 October 1669 [WoVR 1:153]; m. (1) by an unknown date Ruth Carley ("Ruth, wife of Sam[ue]l [Locke], 37 years," d. at Lexington 17 December 1714 [Lexington VR 184]; in his will of 22 August 1716, William Carly included a bequest to "son-in-law Samuel Locke" [Lexington Hist 2:93]); m. (2) Ipswich 8 May 1717 (int.) Mary Day.

vii EBENEZER LOCKE, b. Woburn 8 January 167[3/]4 [WoVR 1:153]; m. (1) Woburn 18 October 1697 Susanna Walker [WoVR 3:167]; m. (2) Woburn 14 October 1701 Hannah Mead [WoVR 3:167].

viii JAMES LOCKE, b. Woburn 14 November 1677 [WoVR 1:153]; m. Woburn 5 December 1700 Sarah Cutter [WoVR 3:167] (also recorded at Cambridge).

ix ELIZABETH LOCKE, b. Woburn 4 January 168[0/]1 [WoVR 1:153]; m. Woburn 14 October 1700 James Markham [WoVR 3:167].

Family of William Lock(e) and Mary Clark, DOCUMENT 76f

Joseph Arnold (about 1634–1691) and Elizabeth Wakeman (about 1640–1698)

Much of the information about this branch of the family was presented in the book *Descendants of John Arnold* by Preston T. Arnold as quoted at the beginning of this report.[116] The author offered no documentation for his claim that Joseph Arnold was born in England in May 1625 to John Arnold, but Joseph was mentioned in his father's will, dated

[116] See DOCUMENT 1c-d.

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22 August 1664 in Hartford, Hartford, Connecticut.[117] He was to receive an inheritance of land in Hartford if he returned to that place within two years of his father's death. Joseph Arnold had moved to the newly-created town of Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut, soon after his marriage, and apparently did not return to the city of Hartford to claim his inheritance. Haddam is currently in Middlesex County, Connecticut, but that county was created in 1785. The family tree reflects the location as Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut for events that occurred before 1785.

New England Marriages Prior to 1700 does not contain a specific marriage date or place for the ancestral couple, but provides this information about them:[118]

ARNOLD, Joseph (?1637–1691?) & Elizabeth [**WAKEMAN**]/**WILLETT**? (1633?–), m/2 Daniel? **BRAINERD** 1693; b 1662?, by 1659, b 6 Sept 1662; Haddam, CT/Newark, NJ

Marriage of Joseph Arnold and Elizabeth Wakeman

The question marks in this entry merit discussion, beginning with the birth of the ancestor, Joseph Arnold. As mentioned above, Preston T. Arnold estimated that Joseph Arnold was born in May 1625 in England to John Arnold and a first wife, named either Elizabeth (maiden name unknown) or Thomasin [*sic*] Dure, who died in 1631 in England. *New England Marriages Prior to 1700* places Joseph Arnold's birth about 1637. *The Great Migration* entry for John Arnold, the immigrant ancestor of 1634 and father to this Joseph Arnold, lists no first wife for the immigrant and states that John Arnold married a woman named Susannah about 1627 probably in England.[119] This source places the birth of Joseph

[117] See DOCUMENT 1a-b.

[118] *New England Marriages Prior to 1700*, p. 21, marriage of Joseph Arnold (?1637-1691?) & Elizabeth [Wakeman/Willett?] (1633?–), m/2 Daniel? Brainerd 1693; married by 1659, b. 6 Sept 1662; Haddam, CT/Newark, NJ, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 77.

[119] Robert Charles Anderson, *The Great Migration*, vol. 1, pp. 81-83, John Arnold, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 78a-c.

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Arnold about 1634, the year of his father's immigration to Massachusetts, but does not speculate whether Joseph was born in England or in America.

Returning to the entry from *New England Marriages Prior to 1700* on the previous page, this source states that Joseph Arnold married Elizabeth Wakeman "by 1659." *The Great Migration* includes the information that Elizabeth Wakeman was the daughter of Samuel Wakeman, with a footnote referencing the entry for Samuel Wakeman in *The Great Migration Begins*.[120] Joseph Arnold, husband of Elizabeth Wakeman, acknowledged receipt of his wife's inheritance from her father's estate on 6 September 1662. After Samuel Wakeman's death in 1641, his widow married Nathaniel Willett.

In the entry for John Arnold in *The Great Migration,* John Winthrop, Jr. referred to "Elizabeth Wakeman, Goodman Willett's daughter" [step-daughter], age 19, on 10 April 1659, so she was born about 1640—shortly before her father's death. Elizabeth Wakeman, daughter of Goodman Willett, was mentioned again by John Winthrop, Jr. in records dating from 17 through 21 August 1659, and on 11 February 1659/60, he called her "the wife of Joseph Arnol [*sic*], Goodman Willett's daughter." Joseph Arnold and Elizabeth Wakeman, therefore, married between 21 August 1659 and 11 February 1660, according to the modern calendar. The notation "b 1662?" in *New England Marriages Prior to 1700* indicates the birth of a child to this couple, as does "b 6 Sept 1662." The latter date was given by Preston T. Arnold as the couple's marriage date in Hartford, Connecticut, though this date could not be substantiated from original documents online either as the couple's marriage date or the birth date for a child of Joseph Arnold in Colonial America. It has been entered into the family tree with a question mark as the birthdate of their oldest child, John Arnold.

[120] Robert Charles Anderson, *The Great Migration Begins*, vol. 3, pp. 1899-1901, Samuel Wakeman, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 79a-c.

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An inventory of the estate of Joseph Arnold "who deceased this Life October ye 22nd 1691" was filed in the town of Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut in 1692.[121] It is interesting to note that Daniel Brainerd, who would marry Joseph Arnold's widow the next year, was one of the appraisers. Included in the file was a list of his children, with their ages: John Arnold 29 years old, Joseph Arnold 26, Samuel Arnold 23, Josiah Arnold [illegible], Susanna Arnold 16, Jonathan Arnold 12, Elizabeth Arnold 9. *New England Marriages Prior to 1700* shows that Elizabeth (Wakeman) Arnold, widow of Joseph Arnold, married Daniel Brainerd 30 March 1693 in Haddam, [Hartford], Connecticut.[122] The next entry shows that Daniel Brainerd married third on 29 November 1698 to Hannah (Spencer?) Sexton, widow of George Sexton in Haddam, adding evidence that Elizabeth (Wakeman) Arnold Brainerd had died before this time. Preston T. Arnold listed her death date as 22 October 1698 in Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut. Though this date could not be documented from original sources, it was entered into the family tree with a question mark.

Descendants of John Arnold by Preston T. Arnold also provides this section about the children of Joseph Arnold and Elizabeth Wakeman. It includes the approximate birth year for most of the children, along with their death dates, but time was not taken to verify their death dates or to search for their marriages.[123]

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[121] *Connecticut, Wills and Probate Records, 1609-1999*, estate of Joseph Arnold, 1692, no. 206, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 80a-c.

[122] *New England Marriages Prior to 1700*, p. 93, marriage of Daniel Brainerd (1641-1714) & 2/wf Elizabeth (Wakeman) Arnold, widow of Joseph, 30 March 1693, Haddam, Connecticut; & 3/wf Hannah (Spencer?) Sexton, widow of George, 29 November 1698, Haddam, Connecticut, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 81.

[123] See DOCUMENT 1d.

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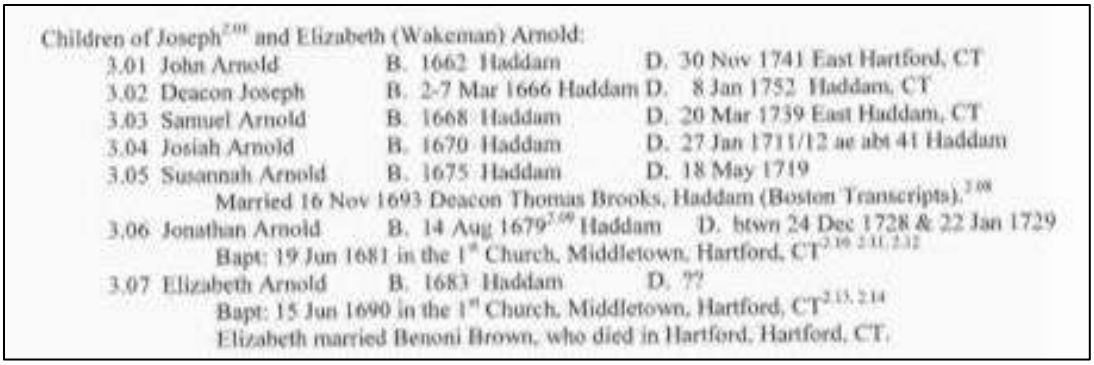

Children of Joseph[2.00] and Elizabeth (Wakeman) Arnold:

3.01 John Arnold B. 1662 Haddam D. 30 Nov 1741 East Hartford, CT

3.02 Deacon Joseph B. 2-7 Mar 1666 Haddam D. 8 Jan 1752 Haddam, CT

3.03 Samuel Arnold B. 1668 Haddam D. 20 Mar 1739 East Haddam, CT

3.04 Josiah Arnold B. 1670 Haddam D. 27 Jan 1711/12 ae abt 41 Haddam

3.05 Susannah Arnold B. 1675 Haddam D. 18 May 1719
Married 16 Nov 1693 Deacon Thomas Brooks, Haddam (Boston Transcripts).[2.08]

3.06 Jonathan Arnold B. 14 Aug 1679[2.09] Haddam D. btwn 24 Dec 1728 & 22 Jan 1729
Bapt: 19 Jun 1681 in the 1st Church, Middletown, Hartford, CT[2.10, 2.11, 2.12]

3.07 Elizabeth Arnold B. 1683 Haddam D. ??
Bapt: 15 Jun 1690 in the 1st Church, Middletown, Hartford, CT[2.13, 2.14]
Elizabeth married Benoni Brown, who died in Hartford, Hartford, CT.

Family of Joseph Arnold and Elizabeth Wakeman, DOCUMENT 1d

~~Simon Smith and Elizabeth Bateman~~ (proven not to be parents of the ancestor)

Preston T. Arnold states in his book that brothers Jonathan and Joseph Arnold married sisters Elizabeth and Susanna Smith, both daughters of Simon Smith of Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut.[124] However, the marriage records for Haddam do not indicate the maiden name of either wife, and Arnold offered no evidence that the ancestor Jonathan Arnold married Elizabeth Smith, daughter of Simon Smith of Haddam.

The Simon Smith who wrote his will in Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut on 11 November 1687 did have a daughter named Elizabeth.[125] However, she was born about 1662 and married William Ely on 24 May 1681 in Lyme, New London, Connecticut, as shown in research by R. Sears.[126] Sears includes evidence that William Ely, Elizabeth (Smith) Ely's

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[124] See DOCUMENT 1e

[125] Charles Manwaring, *A Digest of the Early Connecticut Probate Records, vol. 1 Hartford District, 1687-1695*, pp. 508-509, Will of Simon Smith of Haddam, written 11 November 1687, proved 8 March 1687/8, Family History Library U.S. book 974.6 P2m, accessed online through the Family History Library Catalogue at http://familysearch.org, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 82.

[126] R. Sears, "Preliminary genealogical research compiled by RSears as it relates to descendants and families related by marriage to Thomas Graves," 2011, Simon Smith Family (1628-1688), attached to Simon * Smith in "Her Side of the Family" public member tree by barryxe, http://ancestry.com, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 83a-e.

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husband, deeded land in Haddam that had been owned by his wife's brother Joseph Smith to their sister Susanna (Smith) Arnold and her husband Joseph Arnold on 10 April 1715. Elizabeth, the wife of Jonathan Arnold, was probably not the daughter of Simon Smith, Jr., either. There is a birth record in Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut for Elizabeth, daughter of Simon Smith 2nd, born 2 July 1689.[127] Since the ancestor married Jonathan Arnold on 12 August 1699, this child would have only been ten years old, and could not have been the ancestor.

Further time was not taken to search for information about the parentage of Elizabeth, wife of Jonathan Arnold since so many other ancestors had already been identified and were awaiting discussion. Future research may uncover other sources which would help extend her ancestry. Note that the family of Simon Smith (1628-1688) and Elizabeth Bateman has been included in the family tree files along with notes that they were NOT the parents of Elizabeth, wife of Jonathan Arnold.

John Willey (1675–1754) and Elizabeth Harvey (about 1680–about 1752)

This family was included in the book *Isaac Willey of New London, Conn., and his Descendants* by Henry Willey which was discussed during the Whitney1602 project; the pages about these early generations of the Willey family are also included in documents for this project.[128] John, son of John and Marrian [*sic*] Willey, was born 24 February 1675 in New London, New London, Connecticut.[129] The birth years for all of the children of John and Miriam Willey were given in brackets in the town records, so it is unknown whether John's

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[127] *Connecticut Town Birth Records, pre-1870 (Barbour Collection)*, "Haddam Vital Records 1668-1852," p. 76, birth of Elizabeth Smith, daughter of Simon Smith 2nd, 2 July 1689, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 84.

[128] See DOCUMENT 3f-i.

[129] *Connecticut, Town Records, pre-1870 (Barbour Collection),* "New London Vital Records 1646-1854," p. 457, birth of John Willey, 24 February [1675], New London, New London, Connecticut, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 85b.

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birth year was according to the modern calendar. Elizabeth Harvey was born in 1680 in Taunton, Bristol, Massachusetts, and moved with her parents, John and Elizabeth Harvey, to New London, Connecticut in 1682 and to Lyme, Connecticut in 1687.[130] Her birth could not be documented from an original source.

Vital records from East Haddam, Hartford, Connecticut document the marriage of John Willey and Elizabeth Harvey on [blank] October 1698.[131] Births of ten children of John and Elizabeth Willey were recorded in East Haddam over the next fourteen years.[132] These included: John Willey, the ancestor, born 24 May 1699; Allin [*sic*] Willey, born 29 September 1700; Elizabeth Willey, born 29 December 1701; Mary Willey, born 13 December 1703; Joseph Willey, born 16 April 1705; Lidea [*sic*] Willey, born 15 April 1707; Phebe Willey, born 6 January 1709; Mehittabell [*sic*] Willey, born 14 September 1711; a daughter [name blank] born 7 June 1713; and a son [name blank], born 28 August 1716.

The book *Isaac Willey of New London, Conn., and his Descendants* added a daughter named Lucretia, with the birthdate of 7 June 1713; son Noah with the birthdate of 28 August 1716; a daughter named Sarah, baptized as an adult aged 22 on 10 April 1748 in Hadlyme, New London, Connecticut; and Benajah Willey, born about 1720, to this list of children.[133] The author them mistakenly claimed that the client's ancestral line came through Benajah and his wife Rachel Dutton rather than through John and Elizabeth (Harvey) Willey's oldest son, John, and his wife, Sarah Saunders. *The Harvey Book* included children Lucretia, born in 1713, Noah, born in 1716; Benajah, born about 1720; and Sarah, with no birthdate listed.[134]

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[130] Oscar Jewell Harvey, *The Harvey Book: Giving the Genealogies of Certain Branches of the American families of Harvey*, (Wilkes-Barre PA: Harvey, 1899), pp. 43, 49-50, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 86l-n.

[131] See DOCUMENT 5b.

[132] See DOCUMENT 5a-d. Births of children in this generation marked with red arrows.

[133] See DOCUMENT 3f-i.

[134] See DOCUMENT 86n.

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This source did not comment on the children of John Willey and Sarah Saunders or Benajah Willey and Rachel Dutton.

John Willey, age 85, died 10 June 1754 and was buried in the Hadlyme Church Cemetery, Hadlyme, New London, Connecticut.[135] There is no record of the death of his wife, Elizabeth (Harvey) Willey, though both Henry Willey and Oscar Jewell Harvey state that she probably died about 1752/3.

Thomas Dexter (before 1623–1686) and Elizabeth Vincent (before 1632–1712)

According to *The Dexter Family Genealogy*, Thomas Dexter was born in England and came to Massachusetts with his father, also named Thomas, either in 1629 or 1630.[136] He was chosen as constable for the town of Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts in 1647, and since he would have had to have been 25 years of age or older to hold that position, he must have been born no later than 1622. He married Elizabeth Vincent on 8 November 1648. This book lists their children as follows:

Children, born in Sandwich:

6* i Mary[3] Dexter, b. 11 Aug., 1649; m. 12 Oct., 1670, Daniel Allen of Swansea.
7 ii Elizabeth[3] Dexter, b. 21 Sept., 1651; died young.
8 iii Thomas[3] Dexter, b: 1653; died 1679.
9* iv John[3] Dexter, b. 1656; m. Mahitabel Hallett, 10 Nov., 1682.
10 v Elizabeth[3] Dexter, b. 7 Apr., 1660. In 1714 her mother left her all her estate.
11* vi Abigail[3] Dexter, b. 12 June, 1663; m. Jonathan Hallett, 30 June, 1684.

Family of Thomas Dexter and Elizabeth Vincent, DOCUMENT 9f.

[135] *Connecticut, Hale Collection of Cemetery Inscriptions and Newspaper Notices, 1629-1934*, "Connecticut Headstone Inscriptions," vol. 13, p. 121, Hadlyme Church Cemetery, gravestone of John Willey, died 10 June 1754, age 85, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 87.

[136] See DOCUMENT 9d-f.

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The couple's first daughter named Elizabeth must have died young, and Thomas, born about 1653, died before his father, but his wife and the other children are named in the division of the property of Thomas Dexter, Gentleman, which occurred 16 February 1686-7 in Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts. Those making the agreement were Elizabeth Dexter, Daniel Allen of Swansea for his wife Mary, Jonathan Hallett of Yarmouth for his wife Abigail, and John Dexter; "the widow" Elizabeth Dexter and the unmarried sister of John Dexter also named Elizabeth Dexter were both mentioned in the agreement.

The marriage of Thomas Dexter, Jr. and Elizabeth Vincent on 8 November 1648 in Sandwich, [Barnstable, Massachusetts] was documented in *New England Marriages Prior to 1700*.[137] Their birth of their daughter Mary, born 11 August 1649, was not found in original documents, nor were the births of their sons Thomas and John Dexter, estimated to have been born in 1653 and 1656 respectively. Elizabeth Dexter, daughter of Thomas Dexter, Jun. was born in Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts on 21 September, though the final digit of the year appears to be a 7 or a 9 rather than 1651 as is written in the margin.[138] This record was apparently copied from an earlier source, though another version is not available online to check the date. The second Elizabeth Dexter was born 7 April 1660 in Boston, Suffolk, Massachusetts rather than in Sandwich; her birth record lists both parents' names.[139]

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[137] *New England Marriages Prior to 1700*, p. 218, marriages of Thomas Dexter, Jr. (–1686) & Elizabeth Vincent (–1714), 8 November 1648; and William Dexter (–1694) & Sarah Vinsen/Vincent (–1694+), July 1653,, Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 88.

[138] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Sandwich Births, Deaths, Intentions" (image), p. 498, birth of Elizabeth Dexter, daughter of Thomas Dexter, Jun., 21 September 1657 or 9(?) (1651 in margin), Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 89.

[139] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Boston Births, 1635-1744" (image), birth of Elizabeth Dexter, daughter of Thomas and Eliza. Dexter, 7 April 1660, Boston, Suffolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 90.

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Abagail [*sic*] Dexter, daughter of Thomas Dexter, was born 12 June 1663 in Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts.[140] The same page of this record documents the marriage of the ancestors, John Dexter and Mehitabel Hallett, on 10 November 1682; the birth of John and Mehitabel Dexter's first three children; and the death of Thomas Dexter, Senior, on 29 December 1686 in Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts. Mrs. Elizabeth Dexter died 19 March 1712 in Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts.[141] As mentioned in the Dexter genealogy, she left her entire estate to her daughter, Elizabeth Dexter, in a will she made in Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts on 29 August 1689; the will was proved 8 April 1714.[142]

No birth record has been located by previous researchers for Elizabeth Vincent, though she was almost certainly the daughter of the John Vincent who was in Saugus, Massachusetts as early as 1636 and later lived in the towns of Sandwich and Yarmouth, Barnstable, Massachusetts.[143] John Vincent left no will or disposition of property, but four Vincent marriages took place in Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts in the decade between 1648 and 1658: the ancestors Elizabeth Vincent and Thomas Dexter Jr. on 8 November 1648;[144] Mary Vincent and Benjamin Hammond also on 8 November 1648; Sarah Vincent and William Dexter (brother to Thomas Dexter who married Elizabeth Vincent) in July 1653;[145] and Henry Vincent and Mary Matthews on 15 December 1657. The four were likely

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[140] See DOCUMENT 40.

[141] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Sandwich General Records, 1651-1691" (image), p. 570, death of Mrs. Elizabeth Dexter, 19 March 1712, Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 91.

[142] *Massachusetts, Wills and Probate Records, 1635–1991*, "Barnstable Probate Records," vol. 1, pp. 369-71 (image), will of Elizabeth Dexter, widow of Thomas Dexter, written 29 August 1689, proved 8 April 1714, Sandwich, Barnstable, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 92a-b.

[143] Harl Preslar Aldrich, Jr., *George Lathorp Cooley and Clara Elizabeth Hall: Their Ancestors and Descendants in America*, (Rockport, ME: Penobscot Press, 2001), pp. 213-215, https://dcms.lds.org/, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 93a-c.

[144] See DOCUMENT 88.

[145] See DOCUMENT 88.

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siblings, and based on the order of their marriages, Aldrich proposed birth years for them as Elizabeth about 1625, Mary about 1627, Sarah about 1631, and Henry about 1634. All four children were likely born in England.

Andrew Hallett., Jr. (1607–1684) and Ann Bessey (about 1645–1694)

The family of Andrew Hallett has already been discussed briefly in the section about 9th Generation Ancestors Thomas Dexter and Mehitabel Hallett.[146] Andrew Hallett was christened in Symondsbury, Dorset, England on 14 May 1607, son of Andrew Hallett and his wife Beatrice, as confirmed in parish records.[147] Andrewe [*sic*] Hallett, age 28, servant to Richard Wade, came to Dorchester, Massachusetts aboard the *Marygould* which sailed from Weymouth, Dorset, England on 20 March 1634/5. He moved to Sandwich in 1639, and to Yarmouth in 1642. He married his first wife, whose name is unknown, about 1642, and they were the parents of five children as outlined on page 28 of this report. He married second to Ann Bessey, probably about 1661, since she was with child on 4 March 1661/2 when she had to appear in court to answer for cruelty toward her stepfather.[148] The child was probably Mehitabel (Hallett) Dexter, who would have been born later that year.

Ann Bessey was likely only slightly older than the children of her husband's first wife. Ann's father's biography in *The Great Migration* places her birth about 1641. If that year is accurate, she was about twenty years old at the time of her marriage to Andrew Hallett, who would have been about fifty-four. The fact that the two were married is documented in *New England Marriages Prior to 1700*, along with Andrew's death year of 1684 and Ann's

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[146] See DOCUMENT 43a-f, and discussion on page 25 of this report.

[147] *Dorset, England, Church of England Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, 1538-1812*, "Symondsbury 1600-1609" (image), baptism of Andrew Hallet, 14 May 1607, son of Andrew and Beatrice Hallet, Symondsbury, Dorset, England, http://ancestry.com, subscriptioon database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 94.

[148] Robert Charles Anderson, *The Great Migration: Immigrants to New England, 1634-35*, Vol. 1. pp. 265-270, Anthony Bessey, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 95a-e.

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birth and death years of about 1641–1694, but a date for their marriage is not given.[149] The same page of *New England Marriages Prior to 1700* documents the marriages of Andrew's sons: Jonathan Hallett and Abigail Dexter on 30 January 1683 [/1684?] and John Hallett and Mary Howes on 16 February 1681/2, both in Yarmouth, Barnstable, Massachusetts.

Returning to Andrew Hallett's entry in *The Great Migration*, the will of Andrew Hallett of Yarmouth, dated 14 March 1681/2 and proved 4 June 1684, left his house to his wife Ann. It also included bequests to sons Jonathan and John Hallett; daughter Ruhamah Bourne and grandchildren Timothy, Hanah [*sic*], Elezer, Hezekiah, and John Bourne; daughter Abigall [*sic*] Alldin [*sic*], her husband Jonathan Alldin, and their four children [names not given]; and daughter Mehettabell [*sic*].

Anna Hallett of Yarmouth, widow, wrote her will 23 June 1684 and divided her estate between her youngest daughter, Mehittable [*sic*] Dexter, and daughters Ruhama Bourne and Abigail Alden, except for clothing and "moveables" which were to go to Mehitabel Dexter and her grandson, John Bourne. The inventory of her estate was taken 12 April 1694, and Ruhama Herssey, daughter of the deceased, swore that the inventory was correct on 13 April 1694. The will was proved 28 June 1694.

It should also be noted that there was another Andrew Hallett—called Mr. Andrew Hallett, Senior—living in Colonial Massachusetts, as discussed in *The Great Migration.* The elder man appeared in Yarmouth by 5 March 1638/9, and the younger man, the ancestor, lived briefly in Sandwich before moving to Yarmouth by 1642, where the two men held adjacent parcels of land. Anderson hesitates to say that the older man was father to the younger since there are no records in New England stating that the two were even related. Land

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[149] *New England Marriages Prior to 1700*, p. 337, marriage of Andrew Hallett (–1684) & 2/wf? Ann/Anna/Anne Berse/Beese/Bessie (ca. 1641-1694), b. 1646, Sandwich/Yarmouth, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 96.

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owned by Andrew Hallett, Sr. passed to his presumed sons Samuel, Josias, and possibly Joseph Hallett. Anderson leaves the possibility open that the two were father and son, and suggests further research is needed to prove or disprove the connection.

Thomas Fish (1619–1687) and Mary Soule? (about 1624–1699)

Information about this family comes from *The Fish Family in England and America* by Lester Warren Fish.[150] This evidence was cited earlier in this report, but confirming documentation is included here. Thomas Fish was the eldest son of "Robert and Alice (Fysh) Fyshe," and was baptized 1 January 1618/19 at Market Harborough, Great Bowden, Leicestershire, England, confirmed in parish records there with the surname spelled ffish.[152] Note that a double f was used in Old English to signify a capital F, so that spelling was used in the citation for his baptism. He was first living in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, part of Providence Plantation, in 1643, probably soon after his arrival in the colonies as a young man in his twenties. There is no record of his marriage to his wife Mary, though Fish states, with no evidence, "Her name may have been Mary Soule." His eldest son, also named Thomas Fish, was made a freeman on 3 December 1670 and would have had to be age 21 to receive that designation, so was probably born about 1649. The marriage of the parents, therefore, likely occurred about 1647.

No birth records of this couple's children survive, but the will of Thomas Fish, written 9 February 1686/7 and proved 13 December 1687 mentions his wife Mary as executrix and names four sons, three daughters, and seven grandchildren, including Preserved Fish, son of Thomas Fish., Jr. The sons of Thomas Fish were John, Robert, Thomas, Jr., and Daniel;

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[150] See DOCUMENT 45i-m.

[152] *Leicestershire Baptisms*, Great Bowden (image), baptism of Thomas Fish, son of Robert Fish, 1 January 1618 [1619], Great Bowden, Leicestershire, England, http://findmypast.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 97.

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daughters were Mehitable, Mary, and Alice. A codicil to the will of Mary Fish, widow of Thomas Fish, was recorded 9 September 1697 and proved 12 July 1699. Son Daniel was to serve as executor, with legacies to sons John, Robert, and children of deceased son Thomas; as well as to daughters Mehitable [*sic*] Tripp, Mary Brayton, and Alice Knowles. No digital copy of these probate records was available online, however, at Ancestry.com, FamilySearch.org, or AmericanAncestors.com.

Rhode Island, Vital Extracts, 1636-1899, records marriages for four of the children of Thomas and Mary Fish in Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island.[153] These included: Thomas Fish, Jr. and "Grizigon" [*sic*—Grizzel, another name for Grace] Strange, daughter of John, on 10 December 1668; Mary Fish and Francis Brayton on 18 March 1671; Daniel Fish, son of Thomas, and Abigail Mumford, daughter of Thomas, on 1 May 1682; and the ancestral marriage of Robert Fish and Mary Hall, daughter of Zuriel, on 16 September 1686. The dates of these marriages undoubtedly assisted the author in estimating the birth years for the children of Thomas and Mary Fish. His summary of these seven children was taken from page 35 of *The Fish Family in America*, which contains estimated birth years, marriages, and some death years.[154] Time was not taken to verify the other marriages or the death years, but it should be noted that Mehitabel Fish married into another closely related ancestral family. Her husband, Joseph Tripp, was the son of John Tripp (1611-1678) and Mary Paine (1611-1687), and his sister Elizabeth Tripp (1648-170), discussed in the next section, was the wife of Zuriel Hall and mother of the ancestor Mary Hall who married Mehitibel's youngest brother, Robert Fish. In other words, Mehitabel (Fish) Tripp was sister-in-law to her brother's wife Mary Hall, and Mary was also niece to Mehitabel's husband, Joseph Tripp since she was the daughter of Joseph's sister Elizabeth (Tripp) Hall.

[153] See DOCUMENT 45.

[154] See DOCUMENT 44m.

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94 Thomas[4], b. about 1649; d. 1684; m. Grizzel Strange, Dec. 10, 1668.
95 Mehitable, b. about 1650; m. Joseph Tripp, Aug. 6, 1667. (See p. 80.)
96 Mary, b. about 1652; d. April 4, 1747; m. Francis Brayton, Mar. 18, 1671.
97 Alice, b. about 1655; d. 1734; m. William Knowles.
98 John, b. about 1657; d. 1742; m. Joanna ——.
99 Daniel, b. about 1662; d. Sept. 16, 1723; m. Abigail Mumford, May 1, 1682.
100 Robert, b. about 1665; d. 1730; m. Mary Hall, Sept. 16, 1686.

Family of Thomas and Mary Fish, DOCUMENT 44m.

Zuriel Hall (about 1643–1691) and Elizabeth Tripp (1648–after 1701)

Three children in the families of William Hall (unknown–before 1675) and John Tripp (1611-1678) intermarried in Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island in the late 1660s and 1670s: the ancestors Zuriel Hall and Elizabeth Tripp married about 1665,[155] William Hall and Alice Tripp married 26 January 1670, and Deliverance Hall and Abiel Tripp married 30 January 1679.[156] The family of John Tripp and Mary Paine was discussed extensively in the Bemis1606 project in conjunction with the ancestors Peleg Tripp (1642–1714) and his wife, Anne Sisson.[157] The line of descent from Peleg Tripp and Anne Sisson is Job Tripp—Ann Tripp—Robert Moon—Nancy Moon—James M. Vaughan—Mary Ann Vaughan—Jesse W. Bemis—Jessie Irene Bemis—[FATHER OF CLIENT]—[CLIENT].

There is little information in original records about the family of Zuriel Hall and Elizabeth Tripp, but *The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island* lists four children of the couple:

[155] See DOCUMENT 40; marriages of William Hall and Zuriel Hall.

[156] *Rhode Island, Vital Extracts, 1636-1899*, vol. 4, Newport County, "Portsmouth marriages," p. 45, marriages of Alice Tripp and William Hall, 26 June 1670; Abiel Tripp and Deliverance Hall, 20 January 1679, Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 98.

[157] See the report in the Bemis1606 project beginning on page 77.

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Mary, Zuriel born in 1677, Joanna, and Benjamin born 18 April 1692.[158] This source also lists a death date for Zuriel of 5 September 1691, before the birth of their son Benjamin, and confirms that his wife was Elizabeth Tripp (about 1648–after 1701), daughter of John Tripp and Mary Paine. Elizabeth (Tripp) Hall had a legacy from her aunt, Alice Strange, wife of Lot Strange, on 18 May 1688. Zuriel Hall's inventory was taken 14 September 1691, and on 29 November 1701, his widow made an accounting of her expenses. These payments included money for bringing up their son Benjamin for seven years; payments made to two of her brothers, William and Benjamin Hall; and livestock to her three other children: Mary, wife of Robert Fish; Joanna; and son Zuriel.

Since the couple's daughter Mary Hall and Robert Fish married 16 September 1686,[159] she must have been born no later than 1670 if she were married at age sixteen. There are twenty-two years between 1670 and 1692, so it is probable that the couple had more children than the four listed in Elizabeth (Tripp) Hall's list of expenses. Zurial [*sic*] Hall, son of Zurial and Elizabeth (Tripp) Hall posted intentions to married Jane (Harris) Dunbar Smith on 14 December 1742 in Bellingham, Suffolk (now Norfolk), Massachusetts, and died in Bellingham on 3 April 1765 "in his 88th year."[160] Zuriel Hall married first to Susanna Sheffield on 1 September 1697 in Sherborn, Middlesex, Massachusetts.[161] Susanna, wife of Zuriel Hall, died 3 June 1742, age 66, in Bellingham, Suffolk (now Norfolk), Massachusetts, where town records there confirm the deaths of Jane Hall, wife of Zuriel, formerly widow of Peletiah Smith, on 8 November 1746 in her 77th year, and of Zuriel Hall on 3 April 1765 in

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[158] John Osborne Austin, *The Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island*, (Albany: Joel Munsell's Sons, 1887), p. 91, family of William Hall, Family History Library U.S. Book 974.5 D26a 1969. http://dcms.lds.org, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 99.

[159] See DOCUMENT 44.

[160] Gale John Harris, "Arthur 1 Harris Duxbury, Bridgewater, and Boston, Massachusetts, With and Account of His Apparent Grandson, Thomas Harris of Plainfield, Connecticut," *New England Historical and Genealogical Register*, vol. 159, (2005), p. 350, http://americanancestors.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 100.

[161] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Sherborn Births, Marriages and Deaths," (image) p. 227, marriage of Zuriel Hall and Susanna Sheffield, 1 September 1697, Sherborn, Middlesex, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 101.

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his 88th year.[162] No further records could be located either for Joanna Hall or Benjamin Hall, children of Zuriel Hall and Elizabeth Tripp.

The inventory of the estate of Zuriel Hall was found in loose papers in Portsmouth, Newport, Rhode Island, which were inventoried and published in *Rhode Island Roots* under the title "Portsmouth 'Loose Papers'."[163] The inventory was taken 14 September 1691 by Benjamin Hall and Ichabod Sheffield, and the date of Zuriel Hall's death was given as 5 7m (September) 1691. Benjamin Hall was undoubtedly Zuriel Hall's younger brother for whom his posthumous son was named. An original document for the account of Zuriel's widow Elizabeth in 1701 could not be located in online records, and no death record was found for her during this session.

Christopher Smith (about 1615–1676) and Mary (Martha) Fairbank (1621–1684)

The website for the *Smith Official DNA Project* includes the family group sheet for ancestors John Smith and Abigail Day, quoted earlier in this report, which shows that John was the only son of Christopher Smith, born about 1615 in Plymouth, Devon, England, and Martha Fairbanks [*sic*], born 22 February 1621 in Halifax, West Yorkshire, England.[164] The website offers no documentation for the family relationships beyond references for the DNA test, but lists the death date of Christopher Smith as 7 November 1676 and of his wife as 4 June 1684, both in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts.

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[162] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Bellingham Vital Record Transcripts," pp. 187-8, deaths of Susanna, wife of Zuriel Hall, 3 June 1742, age 66; Jane, wife of Zurial, formerly widow of Peletiah Smith, 8 November 1746 in 77th year, and Zuriel Hall, 3 April 1765 in 88th year, Bellingham, Suffolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 102a-b.

[163] "Portsmouth 'Loose Papers,'" Part Two, *Rhode Island Roots*, vol. 22, p. 36, inventory of estate of Zuriel Hall, 14 Sep 1691; he died 5 September 1691, http://americanancestors.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 103.

[164] See DOCUMENT 30.

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The Fairbank surname has already been linked into the client's ancestry in the Whitney1701 project, beginning on page 53 of that report. The line of descent from Jonathan Fairbank (1595-1668) and his wife Grace Smith is: John Fairbank—Hannah Fairbank—Sarah Deering—Hannah Titus—Lydia Bowen Day—Joshua Whitney—Jane Whitney—Sarah Grace Allen—Jessie Irene Bemis—[FATHER OF CLIENT]—[CLIENT]. Curiously, the "Martha" Fairbanks referenced in the *Smith Official DNA Project* was actually Mary Fairbank, younger sister of the ancestor John. Several sources help prove this relationship.

The most important document is the will of the widow Mary Smith of Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, written 30 May 1684 and proved 8 July 1684.[165] The first bequest was to her son, Michael Metcalfe. The next name mentioned was her brother, John Fairbank—the client's ancestor as discussed in the previous paragraph. Other bequests were to her son John Smith; daughter Sarah Wares, wife of Robert Wares; daughters Hannah Metcalfe and Melatia Metcalfe; sons John Metcalfe and Elezar Metcalfe; and another daughter Mary Wares and her sons John and Eleazer Wares. Mary Smith's will establishes her maiden name as well as the fact that she was married twice, once to a Metcalfe and once to a Smith. Several biographies of the Fairbank family discussed in the Whitney1701 project which mentioned Mary Fairbank will not be reviewed here, but confirm the findings of this project, with some slight corrections to dates found in original sources.

Michael Metcalfe and Mary Fairbanke [*sic*] were married 2 2m [April] 1644 in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[166] Michael Metcalfe, Jr. was mentioned in an 1862 article in *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register*, which indicates that he was born 20

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[165] *Massachusetts, Wills and Probate Records, 1635–1991,* "Suffolk Probate Records, vols 5-7," pp. 753-5, will of Mary Smith, written 30 May 1684, proved 8 July 1684, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 104a-b.

[166] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Dedham Births, Marriages, and Deaths" (image), marriage of Michael Metcalfe and Mary Fairbanke 2 2m [April] 1644, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 105.

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August 1620 in St. Benedict, Norwich, [Norfolk], England; married Mary Fairbanks, daughter of John [*sic*—should be Jonathan] Fairbanks on 14 January 1644 [*sic*—original record shows 2 April 1644], and died 27 March 1654, age 34, at Dedham, [Norfolk, Massachusetts].[167] Time was not taken to document the Metcalfe children.

Christopher Smith and Martha [*sic*—may have been corrected from Mary] Metcalfe were married 2 6m [August] 1654 in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[168] John, son of Christopher Smith and his wife Martha [*sic*], was born 19 9m [November] 1655 in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[169] Christopher Smith died 7 9m [November] 1676 in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[170] The widow Mary Smith died 4 4m [June] 1684–between the date she wrote her will and the date it was proved—in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[171]

According to the book *Colonial Families of the United States of America,* Christopher Smith was the immigrant ancestor in this family line and was admitted to the church in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts in October 1642.[172] His first marriage was not mentioned in this source, but he married "second" on 2 June [*sic*—should be 2 August] 1654 to Mary (Fayerbanke) [*sic*] Metcalf [*sic*], widow of Michael Metcalf [*sic*] of Dedham, [Norfolk,

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[167] "Marriages and Deaths," *New England Historical and Genealogical Register*, vol. 16, (1862), p. 181, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 106.

[168] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Dedham Births, Marriages, and Deaths" (image), marriage of Christopher Smith and Martha Metcalfe, 2 6m [August] 1654, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 107.

[169] See DOCUMENT 47.

[170] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Dedham Births, Marriages, and Deaths," p.16 (image), death of Christopher Smith, 7 9m [November] 1676, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 108.

[171] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Dedham Births, Marriages, and Deaths" (image), death of widow Mary [*sic*] Smith, 4 4m [June] 1684, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 109.

[172] George Norbury Mackenzie and Nelson Osgood Rhoades, eds., *Colonial Families of the United States of America*, (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co, 1966), Vol. 3, p. 500, family of Christopher Smith and Mary (Fayerbanke) Metcalf, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 110.

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Massachusetts]. John Smith, born in Dedham on 19 November 1655 to Christopher Smith and his wife Mary, married Abigail Day on 21 December 1677. She was born 22 April 1661, daughter of Ralph Day and Abigail (Craft) Ruggles Day, widow of John Ruggles and daughter of Lieutenant Griffin Craft of Roxbury, Massachusetts. It is interesting to note that the first marriage of Ralph Day was to Susan Fairbank, daughter of Jonathan Fairbank and Grace Smith, and sister to Mary/Martha (Fairbank) Metcalfe Smith.[173]

No further information could be found for Christopher Smith, including documentation for his purported birth in Plymouth, Devon, England, or a first marriage. He did not appear in Robert Charles Anderson's *The Great Migration* series.

Ralph Day (about 1623–1677) and Abigail Craft (1634–1707)

Ralph Day was probably born in England in the early 1620s, but no conclusive documentation has been located for that event. *New England Marriages Prior to 1700* often lists birth and death years as part of their entries, but no birth year is listed in the entry for either of Ralph Day's marriages.[174] Ralph Day and Susan Fairebanck [*sic*] were married 12 8th month [October] 1647 in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[175] Susan Fairbank was the younger sister of two of the client's ancestors: John Fairbank and his wife Sarah Fiske, and Mary Fairbank and her second husband, Christopher Smith, discussed in the previous section.

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[173] Lorenzo Saylers Fairbanks, *Genealogy of the Fairbanks family in America, 1633-1897*, (Boston: American Printing, 1897), p. 37, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed January 2017. See Whitney1601 project, DOCUMENT 83b.

[174] *New England Marriages Prior to 1700*, p. 211, marriages of Ralph Day (–1677) & 1/wf Susan Fairbanks (–1659), 12 October 1647, Dedham; & 2/wf Abigail (Crafts) Ruggles, widow of John, m/3 Edward Adams 1678; 16 November 1659; Dedham, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 111.

[175] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Dedham Births, Marriages and Deaths" (image), marriage of Ralph Day and Susan Fairebanck, 12 8m [October] 1647, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 112.

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Five children were born to Ralph and Susan (Fairbank) Day in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, though their births were not all indexed either at Ancestry.com or FamilySearch.org and sometimes the original dates were not given correctly according to the modern calendar. Elizabeth was born 16 6m [August] 1648.[176] Mary Day was born 9 9m [November] 1649.[177] The birth day and month for Suzan [*sic*] Day were left blank, but her birth was recorded between entries of 13 10m [December] and 10 12m [February], so she was probably born between 13 December 1653 and 10 February 1653/4.[178] The year 1652 was written in the margin before her birth, but the next year in the margin was 1655. John Day was born 15 2nd month [April] 1654.[179] No image is available of the original record online, but Ralph Day, son of Ralph Day, was baptized 11 February 1656 in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[180] The couple's eldest daughter, Elizabeth Day, died 18 9m [November] 1648, and the mother of the family, Susanna [*sic*] (Fairbank) Day, died 8 5m [July] 1659; both died in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts and their deaths are on the same two-page spread in the town records.[181]

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[176] *Massachusetts, Town Clerk, Vital and Town Records, 1626-2001* (image), birth of Elizabeth, daughter of Ralph and Susan Day, 16 6mo (August) 1648, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://familysearch.org, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 113.

[177] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Dedham Births, Marriages and Deaths" (image), birth of Mary, daughter of Ralph and Susan Day, 9 9mo (November) 1649, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 114.

[178] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Dedham Births, Marriages and Deaths" (image), birth of Suzan, daughter of Ralph and Susan Day, [blank] [blank] month 1652 [*sic*–1653], Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, (Previous entry 13 10m; next entry 10 12m 1652, so probably born between 13 December 1653 and 10 February 1653/4), http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 115.

[179] *Massachusetts, Town Clerk, Vital and Town Records, 1626-2001* (image), birth of John, son of Ralph and Susan Day, 15 2mo (April) 1654, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://familysearch.org, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 116.

[180] *Massachusetts Births and Christenings, 1639-1915*, christening of Ralph Day, son of Ralph Day, 11 February 1656, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://familysearch.org, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 117.

[181] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Dedham Births, Marriages and Deaths" (image), deaths of Elizabeth Day 18 9m (November) 1648; Susanna Day, 8 5mo (July) 1659, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 118.

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Within four months of his first wife's death, Ralph Day had married again, to Abigail (Craft) Ruggles, widow of John Ruggles.[182] Abigail Craft, daughter of Griffin Craft, was born 28 1m [March] 1634 in Roxbury, Suffolk, Massachusetts.[183] Abigail Crafts [*sic*] and John Ruggles were married 24 January 1650/1 in Roxbury, Suffolk, Massachusetts.[184] As discussed in a biography of the descendants of Griffin and Alice Craft, four children were born to this couple in Roxbury: John on 16 October 1651 who died young; another John on 22 January 1653; Thomas on 28 January 1654; and Samuel on 16 August 1657.[185] The same source indicates that John Ruggles wrote his will 9 September 1658, and appointed his "uncle Ruggles, father Craft, and brother Samuel Ruggles" to oversee the raising of his three sons, John, Thomas, and Samuel, with the provision that if his wife remarried and the overseers did not approve of the treatment of the children, they could remove the children and half of the estate. John Ruggles died 15 September 1658 in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts.

Ralph Day and Abigail (Craft) Ruggles Day had only one child: the ancestor, Abigail Day, born 22 April 1661 in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[186] Ralph Day died 28 November

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[182] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Dedham Births, Marriages and Deaths" (image), marriage of Ralph Day and Abigall Rugles, 15 9mo (November) 1659, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 119; and,

See DOCUMENT 111.

[183] "Early Records of Boston," *New England Historical and Genealogical Register*, vol. 5, (1851), p. 334, Roxbury births, children of Griffin Craft: John 5m [July] 1630, Mary 10 8m [October] 1632, Abigail 28 1m [March] 1634, Samuel 12 10m [December] 1637, Roxbury, Suffolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 120.

[184] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Roxbury Births, Marriages, Deaths," p. 107 (image), marriage of John Ruggles and Abigail Crafts, 24 January 1650 [1651], Roxbury, Suffolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 121.

[185] James M. Crafts and William F. Crafts, *The Crafts Family: A Genealogical and Biographical History of the Descendants of Griffin and Alice Craft of Roxbury, Massachusetts, 1630-1890*, (Northampton, MA: Gazette Printing, 1893), pp. 33-35, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 122a-l.

[186] See DOCUMENT 48.

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1677 in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[187] His memorial at FindaGrave.com summarizes his life and family, though he was probably born in England rather than Massachusetts, and the note about his daughter Susan Day should say she died in 1669 at Roxbury.[188]

A year after her second husband's death, Abigail (Craft) Ruggles Day married Edward Adams on 7 December 1678 in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[189] According to the Craft biography, Abigail Adams died 19 January 1706/7 in Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts; this date was confirmed in original documents where she was called the wife of Ensign Edward Adams.[190] The same page of the extracted records shows that Ensign Edward Adams died 12 November 1716 in Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts.

Samuel Morse (1640–1718) and Elizabeth Wood (about 1645–1682)

Samuel Morse, son of Joseph and Hannah Morse, was born 10 11m [January] 1639[/1640] in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[191] Samuel Mors [*sic*] and Elizabeth Wood were married 10 February 1664/5 in Sudbury, Middlesex, Massachusetts.[192] *New England Marriages Prior to 1700* indicates Elizabeth's maiden name was Wood, or possibly Moore, without

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[187] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Dedham Births, Marriages and Deaths" (image), death of Ralph Day, 28 9ber [November] 1677, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 123.

[188] *Find a Grave*, Old Village Cemetery, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, memorial for Sgt. Ralph Day, 1620–28 November 1677, no. 64235173, http://findagrave.com, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 124.

[189] See DOCUMENT 111 and DOCUMENT 122j-l.

[190] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Medfield Vital Record Transcripts," p. 189, deaths of Abigail, wife of Ensign Edward Adams, 19 January 1706/7; Ensign Edward Adams, 12 November 1716, Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 125.

[191] "Early Records of Boston—Dedham Births," *New England Historical & Genealogical Register*, vol. 4, (1850), p. 360, births of children of Joseph & Hannah Morse: Samuel 10 11m (January) 1639 [1641], Hannah 8 6m [August] 1641, Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed March 2017. DOCUMENT 126.

[192] *Massachusetts, Town Clerk, Vital and Town Records*, "Middlesex County Records" (image), p. 83 marriage of Samuel Mors and Elizabeth Wood, 10 February 1664 [1665], Sudbury, Middlesex, Massachusetts, http://familysearch.org, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 127.

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listing a source for the Moore surname.[193] Moore was not added to the family tree since the digital copy of the original marriage record shows her surname as Wood. Nine children were born to the couple in Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts: Samuell [*sic*] on 8 February 1665/6, Elizabeth on 21 March 1667/8, Hanna on 31 August 1669, another Hanna on 9 November 1670, Ruth on 21 March 1671/2, Joseph on 16 January 1674/5, the ancestor, Joshua, on 2 April 1677, Eliezar [*sic*] on 10 August 1680, and Benonie [*sic*] on 19 June 1682.[194]

Town records of Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts document several deaths in the family of Samuel and Elizabeth Morse.[195] Lt. Samuel Morse, the father in this family, died 28 February 1717/8. Elizabeth Morse, wife of Samuel, died 26 June 1682. Hanna Morse, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth [torn—died after 13 September 1669]. Hanna Morse, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth, died 10 December 1670. Ruth Morse, daughter of Lt. Samuel and Elizabeth, died 4 July 1716. Benoni Morse, son of Lt. Samuel and Elisabeth [*sic*], died 30 November 1704. As discussed in his section in 10th Generation Ancestors, Joshua Morse died 26 April 1749, also in Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts.

After the death of his first wife, Samuel Morse married Sarah Thurston on 29 April 1683/4 in Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[196] The couple had two children: Solomon Morse, born 5 January 1684 [1685], and Sarah Morse, born 11 July 1686.[197] This record also lists the births of the children of Samuel Morse and his first wife, Elizabeth Wood, further

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[193] *New England Marriages Prior to 1700*, p. 521, marriage of Samuel Morse (1639–) and 1/wf Elizabeth Wood/?Moore (–1682), 10 February 1664/1665; Sudbury/Medfield/Framingham; 2/wf Sarah Thurston, 29 April 1684, Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 128.

[194] See DOCUMENT 52a-d.

[195] See DOCUMENT 58a-b.

[196] See DOCUMENT 128.

[197] *Massachusetts, Town Clerk, Vital and Town Records*, "Medfield, Norfolk, Births, Marriages and Deaths," births of children of Samuel Morse and Sarah Thurston: Solomon 5 January 1684 [1685], Sarah 11 July 1686, http://familysearch.org, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 129.

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confirming her maiden name. Sarah, wife of Samuell [*sic*] Morse died in Medfield, Norfolk, Massachusetts on 29 April 1688.[198]

Samuel Penniman (1645–1705) and Elizabeth Parmenter (1657–after 1695)

The original early vital records from Braintree, Norfolk, Massachusetts, are no longer in existence but were published in various places before they were lost. The book *Genealogy of the Descendants of John Eliot "Apostle to the Indians" 1598-1905* gives the birthdate for Samuel Penniman as 14 January 1645 and also includes dates for some of his siblings which vary from more trusted sources.[199] The book *Colonial Families of the United States of America* says that Samuel Penniman was born 14 November 1645 in Braintree, Norfolk, Massachusetts to James Penniman and Lydia Eliot.[200] This date is confirmed in *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register*, which published birth records from Braintree in 1858.[201] This record includes the births of the four youngest children of James Peniman [*sic*] and his wife Lydia. Although Samuel is listed out of birth order, if he had been born after his sister Mary, he would have married quite young for the time period, so his birth date of 14 9m [November] [16]45 is probably accurate.

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[198] See DOCUMENT 58b.

[199] Ellsworth Eliot, "The Family of Bennett Eliot and Letteye Aggar, His Wife: Their Children and Grandchildren," *Genealogy of the Descendants of John Eliot "Apostle to the Indians" 1598-1905, (1905)*, pp. 3-7, 10-12, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 130a-h.

[200] George Norbury Macknzie and Nelson Osgood Rhodes, eds., *Colonial Families of the United States of America*, vol. 7, pp. 379-80, "James Penniman Lineage," http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 131a-b.

[201] "Early Records of Boston—Braintree Births," *New England Historical and Genealogical Register*, vol. 12, (1858), p. 107, births of children of James and Lydia Peniman: Hannah 26 3m [May] 1648, Abigaiel 27 10m [December] 1651, Mary 29 7m [September] 1653, Samuel 14 9m [November] 1645, Braintree, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://americanancestors.org, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 132.

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Elizabeth Permenter [*sic*], daughter of Robert and Leah Permenter, was born 22 8m [October] 1657 in Braintree, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[202] Note that the births of both Samuel Penniman and Elizabeth Parmenter were recorded on the same page in *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register.* Samuel Penneyman [*sic*] and Elizabeth Parmiter [*sic*] were married 6 January 1673 [/1674] in Dorchester, Suffolk, Massachusetts.[203] Six children were born to the couple in the ensuing years as discussed in the section 10th Generation Ancestors about their eldest daughter Elizabeth (Penniman) Morse: Elizabeth in 1674/5, Samuel on 15 March 1675/6, another Samuel on 5 November 1677, Josiah on 21 November 1678, Hannah on 12 February 1682/3, and Jonathan on 17 February 1685/6.[204] The book *Colonial Families of the United States of America* adds two more sons to this family: Nathan born in March 1689, and James born 29 March 1695.[205] Preliminary searches for any original documentation to tie these two children to Samuel Penniman and Elizabeth Parmenter were fruitless. They have been added to the family tree with asterisks by their names along with the citation from *Colonial Families of the United States of America*.

Lieutenant Samuel Penneyman [*sic*] died 16 January 1704/5 in Braintree, Norfolk, Massachusetts.[206] The same page records the death of his mother-in-law, Leah Parmenter, age about 86, on 24 March 1706; another Samuel Penniman on 1 October 1700; and Joseph Penniman on 28 January 1706, all in Braintree. The death of Lt. Samuel Penneyman in 1704/5 matches the date from *New England Marriages Prior to 1700* where Samuel

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[202] "Early Records of Boston—Braintree Births," *New England Historical and Genealogical Register*, vol. 12, (1858), p. 107, births of children of Robert and Leah Permenter: Joseph 20 10m [December] 1655, Jno 23 8m [October] 1653, Elizabeth 22 8m [October] 1657, http://americanancestors.org, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 132.

[203] See DOCUMENT 54.

[204] See DOCUMENT 55.

[205] See DOCUMENT 131b.

[206] *Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988*, "Braintree Vital Record Transcripts," p. 695, deaths of Lt. Samuel Penneyman, 16 January 1704/5, and Leah Parmenter, age about 86, 24 March 1706, Braintree, Norfolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 133.

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Penniman's birth and death years are given as 1645–1704/5 along with his marriage to Elizabeth Parmenter on 6 January 1674/5 in Dorchester.[207] The death year for Joseph Penniman in the same marriage source is given as 1705, so the death of Joseph Penniman on 28 January 1706 in Braintree may or may not be for the ancestor's brother. *Colonial Families of the United States of America* also gives Samuel Penniman's death as 16 January 1704/5.[208] No death record has been found for Elizabeth (Parmenter) Penniman.

CONCLUSION

It is with a great deal of satisfaction that this project is presented to the client, as it documents three generations of the ancestry of Jane Whitney (1832-1911), one of the client's great-great-grandmothers. This project began with four couples in the client's 9th generation ancestors on Jane's maternal line, the great-grandparents of Huldah Markham (1791-1878). Children were documented in all four families, though the wife of David Willey (1725-after 1794) is unknown, leaving a blank in the 10th and preceding generations for her ancestors.

The section about 10th Generation Ancestors documents seven of the eight ancestral families, including the surnames Markham/Lock, Arnold/Smith(?), Willey/Sanders, Dexter/ Hallett, Fish/ Hall, Smith/Day, and Morse/Penniman. Many of the families in this generation were the original immigrants to the American colonies. Only two branches end at this generation: the parents of Elizabeth (Smith?) Arnold and Sarah (Sanders) Willey are unknown.

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[207] *New England Marriages Prior to 1700*, 3rd Supplement, p. 205, marriage of Samuel Penniman (1645-1704/5) & Elizabeth Parmenter, 6 January 1674/5, Dorchester, Suffolk, Massachusetts, http://ancestry.com, subscription database, accessed April 2017. DOCUMENT 134b.

[208] See DOCUMENT 131b.

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In the 11th Generation Ancestors, there are fewer records available. Nevertheless, twelve out of sixteen families were documented. The branches that end in this generation include Mary (Soule?) Fish, Christopher Smith, Ralph Day, and Elizabeth Wood.

While research in early colonial times is challenging, this very productive research session laid the groundwork for continuing progress on most of the ancestral lines. The clients' priority for this session was to cast a wide net, documenting as many of Huldah Markham's ancestors as possible. Further research into earlier generations on these lines should continue to be fruitful. And, while more time-intensive, back-tracking to follow up on the more challenging lines identified in this session is likely to lead to breakthroughs that will extend those lines as well.

It has been a true pleasure to add to the client's knowledge of her ancestry, and we look forward to assisting in the future in any way possible.

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