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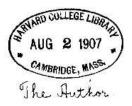
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AN OFFICER OF THE LINE IN THE WAR OF THE REVOLUTION,
AND AN ORIGINAL MEMBER OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE SOCIETY OF THE CINCINNATI.

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COL. JOHN HARVEY.

INTRODUCTION.

THERE were two persons in Boston at the same time bearing the name of William Harvey. One of them lived and died there; the other subsequently removed to Taunton. Our Col. John Harvey was descended from William Harvey of Boston. Oscar Jewell Harvey, author of "The Harvey Book," of the Taunton Line, Wilkesbarre, Penn., 1899, says:

"I think it very clearly proved by the public records herein referred to, and by other records, that there was no William Harvey residing at Plymouth in 1689, and that the two Williams 'then in New England,' were (1) William of Taunton, whose wife was Joanna Hucker, and (2) William of Boston, who married Martha Copp." (Page 35.)

William Harvey of Taunton married Joanna Hucker of Cohannet, April 2, 1639, and resided for some years in Boston.

From what part of England William Harvey, came is not known. We have a clue from the Will of Agnes Clarke of Ayshill, or Ashill, Somerset, three miles west of Ilminster, and nine miles east of Taunton, widow, dated Oct. 20, 1647, proved May 10, 1648.

I give and bequeath unto William Harvey the son of Thomas Harvey deceased, my kinsman, now in New England, eighteen pounds,.... which sum is to be paid as soon as it can be recovered, if he shall come to demand it at any time within four years, but if he come not then my will is that William Harvey the son of James Harvey shall have the said money at such time as he shall be of lawful age to give a discharge. I give to the said William son of James Harvey fifteen pounds.... when of age. I give and bequeath unto William Harvey in New England all my household stuff during his life, if he come to claim it, and after his decease to remain in the house to the use of James Harvey, his brother, and the said James to make use of it until William, his brother, shall come to claim it. (N. E. Hist. Geneal. Register, xlvi: p. 453; Waters' Gleanings in Eng., i: p. 645.)

She mentions Elizabeth Harvey, wife of Richard Harvey "my kinsman," whom she makes her sole executor and to whom she leaves the residue of her estate. The name of her husband was John Clarke.

Ashill Church Registers begin 1558: unfortunately the Register of births, marriages and burials from 1628 to 1653 has been lost. The entries for 1625–1628 are almost illegible. There seem to have been three families of name of Harvie at Ashill,—Richard, Thomas and Nicolas. But for the loss of these Registers we might have been able, perhaps, to connect the Family with the Parish of Ashill. The Rev. W. R. Hartwright, Vicar of Pitminster, Eng., has kindly made for me a transcript of the records.

BAPTISMS.

Agnes, dau. Thomas Harvie, Jan. 20, 1599. Thomasine, dau. Thomas Harvie, March 12, 1601. Mary, dau. Nicolas Harvie, June 16, 1601. Matthew, son Thomas Harvie, July 12, 1603. Alice, dau. Thomas Harvie, July 11, 1609. Mary, dau. Thomas Harvie, June 11, 1613. James, son Thomas Harvie, April 1, 1615.

MARRIAGES.

Thomas Harvie, Feb. 17, 1598.

Thomas Havaye and Joan Colles, June 22, 1612.

Thomasine Harvey the younger and Anthony Poole, Parish of Whitelackington, June 22, 1618.

Bridget Harvey and William Hodges, Jan. 1, 1623.

Elizabeth Harvey and Francis Carter, Parish of Broadway, June 26, 1656.

BURIALS.

James Harvey, Dec. 15, 1597. Thomasine, dau. of Thomas Harvey, March 12, 1601. William, son of Richard Harvey, Oct. 5, 1601. Matthew, son of Thomas Harvey, July 12, 1603. Agnes, dau. of Thomas Harvey, March 13, 1605. Alice, dan. of Thomas Harvey, July 11, 1609. Agnes, wife of Thomas Harvey, Sept. 24, 1610 (?). Thomas Harvey, Aug. 2, 1624.

Richard, son of Joan Harvey, widow, Jan. 8, 1624-5. William Harvey, March 31, 1625.

Elizabeth Harvey, Feb. 19, 1657.

There were other Harveys in New England who were perhaps connected with our branch.

Joan Harvey, who died March 31, 1705, married about 1641 Robert Barnard of Salisbury, 1642-1644, of Andover 1645-1663, and subsequently of Nantucket, where he died in 1682.

Thomas Harvey married 1643, Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Wall of Hampton, N. H., and living Aug. 20, 1663, when he sold land at Hampton, and perhaps in 1683.

William Harvey of Taunton was perhaps related.

I am indebted to Hoyt's work entitled "The Old Families of Salisbury and Amesbury," for much valuable information; also to the "History of Sutton, N. H.," by Mrs. Augusta Harvey Worthen. I have also visited three ancient cemeteries in Amesbury and Merrimac, and found only one Harvey gravestone, that of Joseph Harvey, who died Jan. 18, 1761.

Prior to 1752 the new year began on the 25th of March. After the last day of Dec., 1751, the new year began Jan. 1, in 1752.





FIRST GENERATION.

1 WILLIAM HARVEY, born —, in England; died Aug. 15, 1658, in Boston; married -, MARTHA COPP, daughter of William and Judith Copp, of Boston. He was admitted to the First Church, July 4, 1640 ("4. 5. 1640"), and his wife Judith, Jan. 24, 1640-1 ("24. 11. 1640"). She married (2), Nov. 10, 1659, in Boston, by Gov. John Endicott, Henry Tewsbery, or Tuxbury, weaver. Some have thought that William Harvey of Boston, and William Harvey of Taunton, were the same person, but there is no proof of this, and the Public Records show the contrary. He is also said to have married Martha Slocum, which must have been a second marriage, but there is no evidence of this, and the Will of William Copp, cordwainer, shows that his daughter Martha was the mother of William Harvey's children. His Will, dated Oct. 31, 1662, probated March 15, 1669-70, mentions the widow, now married again, and her four Harvey children:

Daughter Tewsbery to live in the house where son David lives, on her death to grand child William Harvey, he to give his brothers Thomas and John Harvey ten pounds apiece, and Mary Harvey five pounds. 10 acres ground beyond Braintree to grandchild William Harvey. (N. E. Hist. Geneal. Reg., xlviii: p. 459.)