

BRIGGS

Hannah Hitchcock
Joseph Hitchcock
Samuel Brownell

1819
1798
1763

Thurston Wood
Eunice Brownell
Ruth Briggs
b. June 2, 1746 Little Compton
d.
r. Little Compton, Dartmouth,
Westport, Mass.
m. Oct. 3, 1763¹

William Briggs

1738

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- b. April 24, 1718 Little Compton
d. July 17, 1802 Little Compton* in 85th year
r. Little Compton
m. July 16, 1738 or 1739^a
c. John b. 1739 d.
Cornelius b. 1742 d. 1803 m. (1) Mary Brownell (1747-1770)
(2) Fallee Brownell, dau. Paul and Deborah (Dennis) Brownell
Elizabeth b. 1744 d. m. William Davenport son of Joseph and
Elizabeth (Wood) Davenport.
Ruth b. 1746 d. m. Oct. 3, 1763 Samuel Brownell, son of
George and Sarah (Bailey) Brownell.
Walter b. 1748 d.
Richard b. 1751 d. 1784 m. Nancy Wares daughter of George and Mary.
Judith b. 1754 d. m. 1774 Clarke Wilbor son of Samuel and
Elizabeth (Shaw) Wilbor.
Job 1757-1834 m. 1784 Sarah Church d. William and Parnell
(Southworth) Church.
Martha b. 1759 d. 1842 m. Jonathan Taylor son of William and
Deborah (Gray) Taylor.
n. We have a picture of his grave (hidden by weeds) which has a
1775 iron marker. Mr. Leslie Coombs whose mother was a Shaw
owns the property (1961) -- the house and Briggs Beach east of
Warren's Point in the Southeast part of Little Compton.
Mr. B. F. Wilbour told us that William Briggs was a Captian in
the Revolutionary War "but received no pension as he died too
soon. The pension system started in 1818. He was in the Rhode
Island Regiment in 1781." (The Census of Revolutionary Pensioners
taken in 1818 and in 1840 may be seen at Genealogical Societies).

I find "Briggs, William, Private, Capt. Jonathan Taber's co.,
Col. John Hathaway's (2d Bristol Co.) regt.; enlisted Aug. 3,
1780; discharged Aug. 7, 1780; service, 5 days, on an alarm at
Rhode Island. Roll sworn to at Dartmouth."* (There are three
other records of William Briggs. Whether they refer to this one,
I do not know. One is asking that said Briggs be commissioned as
commander of the schooner "Charming Sally" (privateer) --
commission ordered to be issued.

Job Briggs

Mary Tallman

- b. August 3, 1696 Little Compton^s
 d. February 28, 1739 or March 4, 1727
 r.
 m. about 1715/16 Mary daughter of Jonathan and Sarah Tallman.
 Jonathan son of Peter Tallman and Ann Hill.
 c.

William Briggs

1680

Elizabeth Cook

- b. 1650^b (1653 according to Mr. B. F. Wilbour)
 d. May 12, 1716 Little Compton, R. I. "in ye 66th year"
 r. Portsmouth and Little Compton
 m. 1680 Elizabeth Cook dau. of John Cook and Mary Borden
 c. Susanna b. 1681 Apr. 9 m. Robert Dennis - ancestors of
 John b. Nov. 13, 1685 Mrs. Myrtle D. Lundberg,
 William b. Jan. 11, 1688 414 Locust St., DeKalb, Ill.
 Elizabeth Dec. 27, 1698
 Thomas Sept. 5, 1693
 Deborah Sept. 6, 1693
 Job Aug. 3, 1696
 n. 1667 Aug 10 he was a member of Capt. Peleg Sanford's horse troop.
 1672 Apr. 30 Freeman. Lt. Governor of Massachusetts according to
 Mrs. Myrtle D. Lundberg, 414 W. Locust St., DeKalb, Illinois--1963.
 1685 June 2 Dartmouth Grand Jury.
 1716 Apr 3. Will--proved 1716 July 2. Exs wife Elizabeth and son
 Job. Overseers, Robert Dennis, John Woodman and Benjamin Head. To
 son Job, my now dwelling house and all my household stuff and farm I
 now live on. To son William, land on north side of a certain line,
 and to son Job, land south side. To son Job, all my stock of cattle
 sheep, horses, hogs, money in house where he dwelleth, orchard, etc.
 To daughter Susanna Dennis, house and land occupied by Thomas Waite.
 To daughter Deborah Head, \$20 and land. To daughter Elizabeth
 Woodman, \$100. To son William, \$30, feather bed, table and gun. To
 wife, \$10 per annum, paid by son Job, and her choice of rooms and use
 of household stuff, and maintenance for her four servants.^e

John Briggs

Sarah Cornell

- b. 1609
 d. 1690 Portsmouth, R. I., Kingston, R. I.
 r. Portsmouth, R. I.
 m. Sarah Cornell, sister of Thomas Cornell. Sarah died before
 her husband did. John Briggs' sister Rebecca Briggs, dau. of
 Henrie Briggs married Thomas Cornell.
 c. John b. 1642 d. 1713 m. Hannah Fisher, ch: Edward, John, William
 and Susanna; r. Portsmouth and Tiverton.
 Thomas d. 1720 m. Mary Fisher, ch: Mary b. 1671, Susanna b. 1672,
 Deborah b. 1674, Hannah b. 1676, John b. 1678, Thomas b. 1684;
 r. Portsmouth, R. I., and Dartmouth, Mass.
 William m. Elizabeth Cook.
 Susanna m. _____ Northway
 Job i. 1733 m. Eleanor, ch: Jeremiah, Job, John, Enoch, Mary
 (m. Thomas Borden), Sarah, Elizabeth, Amey, Wait.
 Enoch d. 1734 m. Hannah Wilcox (w. of Daniel Wilcox), ch:
 Abigail, Sarah, Susanna b. 1697.
 n. 1638 he was one of those admitted as inhabitants of the island of
 Aquidneck.
 1639 Apr. 30 he and twenty-eight others signed the following
 compact: "We, whose names are underwritten, do acknowledge

ourselves the legal subjects of his Majesty, King Charles, and in his name do hereby bind ourselves into a civil body politicke, unto his laws, according to matters of justice."¹

1641 March 16 Freeman.

1643 Oct 5, he was directed to go to every house to see what arms were defective.

1646 Aug. 24, he bought of John Hall of Portsmouth, all his house and lot, etc., without molestation, only if I (John Hall), abide upon this land, I am to have the use of the dwelling house for the use of me, or mine, for the space of one year.

1648, Assistant (Governor's Assistant to the General Court).

1649, licensed to keep an ordinary.

1654 Aug. 31. Commissioner for uniting the four towns.

1654-55-56-59-61-62-63, Commissioner.

1655, Freeman.

1655, May 25, he was on a committee to build a cage and stocks.

1656, Jurymen.

1662, Oct. 6, he bought of John Dunham, Sr. (and Abigail), of Plymouth, a share in Dartmouth, for £42.

1664-65-66-68-69 Deputy.

1673, Feb. 20, he testified (calling himself sixty-four years of age or thereabouts), in the trial of Thomas Cornell. He had a dream and saw a woman at his bedside "whereat he was much affrighted and cryed out, in the name of God, what art thou?" The apparition answered, "I am your sister Cornell," and twice said, "see how I was burnt with fire."

1679, Mar. 11. He deeded second son Thomas and wife Mary, for love, etc., one-quarter of a share in Dartmouth (35 acres), and if Thomas die, his wife Mary to enjoy same, if she continues his widow.

1679 Oct. 14 he deeded eldest son John, of Portsmouth, one-half a share in Dartmouth and if his wife Hannah survive him, she to enjoy same while widow. If she marry again, then to my grandson John, the second son of my son John, and if he die without issue, then to my son John's next younger son, etc. In case of failure of all, then to go to son John's eldest son Edward, he maying to daughter of son John, £20.

1690, Apr. 19. Will-proved 1690, Nov. 16. Ex. son Enoch. To son Enoch, all and every part of lands and personal estate, goods, chattels, debts and monies, he paying legacies, etc. To eldest son John, son Thomas, son William and daughter Susanna Northway, 1s. each, these four children having "long since received their portions and are gone from me." To son Job, three ewes, two wether lambs and two heifers.

Henrie Briggs¹

- b.
d.
r. of County Essex and St. James Church, Clerkinwall Parish, London.
m.
c. Rebecca b. 25 Oct 1600 St. James Parish, Clarkenwell, London, Essex Co., England
John b. abt. 1609 d. 1690

¹Adam and Ann Mott Desc.; Drake and Cornell N. Y. 110 Vol. 1, p 28-142. Monetti, Vol. LV, p. 596. Information from Mrs. Wm. R. Bennett; 103 Cholla; Henderson, Nevada, 89015 (1963)
See next page for other Briggs line.

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Dorothy Wood Ewers
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