

THE EMERY FAMILY

of ANDOVER

JOHN (1) EMERY, was the son of John and Agnes Emery of Romsey, Hants Co., England. He was born Sept. 29, 1598. On April 3, 1635 he sailed from South Hampton, England, for the colonies. With him were his wife, Mary, and two children, John (2) and Ann (2). In the party were also his brother Anthony and his wife.

They arrived at Boston June 3, 1635 and from there went to Newbury- where at first, each brother had a grant of an acre and a half, and a share in the Common Lands. On Dec. 22, 1637, John was haled into court and fined, for enclosing Common Land, contrary to regulations, but on the Feb. following, the Town gave him the same land, for his own, probably realizing that he was the type of man to improve his property.

He was made a freeman in June 1641 and on Dec. 1642, was a member of a Committee of Valuation.

He seemed to have a flair for getting into court, for in 1645 he was fined for "light carriage with the wife of neighbor, Henry Traverse," and was ordered to pay 3 shillings or be whipped. He paid cheerfully. ( He probably helped her to put on her rubbers.)

In March 1663, he was again hauled before the magistrate by constable, Henry Jaques, and taken to Ipswich Court on May 5, charged with entertaining Quakers. The case was held over until the next session of Court, when he was fined 4 £ and costs, "for giving two Quakers bed and board, shaking them by the hand and bidding them welcome." He argued his own case and must have convinced his townsfolk of his good intentions, for in late May, the selectmen of the Town and 50 others, including John himself, signed a petition asking the Court to remit his fine, but this was refused.

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Three years after Henry Jaques had brought John into court, John was appointed to the jury, and there had the privilege of sitting upon the case of the erstwhile constable and Elinor Bryant, who were charged with "light conduct." According to the records, Henry "flyeth", leaving Elinor to pay a fine of 5 £ or be publicly whipped. ( John Knight gallantly came to her rescue and paid the fine.) Our John had undoubtedly voted the maximum fine as punishment, for his early informer.

Chronicles of Newbury show that John always had the courage to oppose either the Church or State when he thought he was in the right.

Mary Emery, John's first wife, died in Newbury, and in April, 1649. John married second, widow Mary (Shatswell) Webster, whose husband, John Webster died Oct. 29, 1650. John died Nov. 3, 1683. Mary died April 28, 1694.

John (1) Emery and his first wife, Mary, had:-

John (2), b. in England about 1627; lived on part of the old estate in Newburyport and owned a corn mill; he was a Sergt.; he married his step-sister, Mary Webster, Oct. 2, 1648; she d. Feb. 3, 1709; he made his will on Aug. 5, 1693.

Ann (2), b. in England, 1631; m. James Ordway, Nov. 23, 1648; he was b. 1620

Ebenezer (2) a daughter; b. in Newbury, Sept. 16, 1648; m. John Hoag, a Welshman, April 21, 1669; he came here with his parents who returned to the old country, after apprenticing John here. He died 1728, age 85; her death is unknown. Their children became Quakers.

Jonathan (2), b. in Newbury, May 13, 1652; m. Mary Woodman, dau. of Ed. on Nov. 29, 1676; he was in the Narragansett Fight- enlisted Dec. 1675, was wounded ; he d. Sept. 29, 1723; she d. Sept. 13, 1723.

Elinor (2), b. ; m. John Bailey, Jr., son of John (1), b. 1613 in England. ( See Bailey's Historical Sketches, for the children.)

John (2) Emery ( John (1) and wife, Mary Webster, had:-

Mary (3), b. June 24, 1652; m. Sam Sawyer, son of Wm. and Ruth, Mar.13, 1671; he d. Feb.11, 1718.

Hanna (3), b. April 26, 1654; m. Nov. 18, 1673, Richard Bartlett, son of Richard and Abigail, who was b. Feb.21, 1649; had 10 child-

John (3), b. Sept. 12, 1656; m. Mary Sawyer, dau. of Wm. and Ruth, June 13, 1683; she was b. July 29, 1660; she d. Nov. 3, 1699. He m. 2nd., Abigail Bartlett, May 27, 1700; he m. 3rd, Mary March, Dec.7, 1723.

Bethia (3), b. Oct.13,1658; m. Henry Bodwell, March 4, 1681; he was b. 1651; was at Bloody Brook, 1676; he d. June 1745 at 94.

Sara (3), b. Feb. 26, 1660; m. Isaac Bayley, Jan.13,1683; she d. April 1, 1694; he m. 2nd., Sept. 5, 1700, Rebecca Bartlett; he d. Apr. 26, 1740.

Joseph (3), b. March 23, 1663; m. Oct. 2, 1693, Elizabeth Merrill, dau. of Abram Merrill and w. Abigail Webster. Elizabeth was grand-daughter of his step mother. They lived in Andover;

he died here Sept. 22, 1721. She d. July 29, 1729 at 60. They are buried in the old ~~Yard~~, opposite Kittredge manse, No. And.

Stephen (3), b. Sept. 6, 1666; was an Ensign; he m. Nov. 9, 1692, Ruth Jaques, daughter of Henry Jaques and w. Anna Knight; she was b. April 14, 1672; she d. Jan.9, 1764; he d. Feb.1, 1747.

Abigail (3), b. Jan.16,1668; m. Henry Ingalls, Jan.6, 1688; he was b. Dec. 8, 1656.

Sam (3), b. Dec. 20,1670; Harvard C.,1691; was a Rev.; was in Wells, Me., 1668- chaplain to the garrison; m. Tabitha Littlefield, dau. of Francis, Jr., of Wells; he d. in Biddeford, Dec.28,1724; she d. April 27, 1736.

Judith (3), b. Feb.5, 1673;m. Abel Hewes, son of Abel and wife Mary (Sear he was b. Feb.19, 1665; d. March 11, 1758.

Lydia (3), b. Feb.19,1675;m. Joseph Brown, 1696.

Children of John (2) Emery and wife, Mary Webster, ( cont.) :-

Elizabeth (3), b. Feb. 8, 1680; m. John Kelly, Jr., Nov. 6, 1696; he was b. June 17, 1668; d. Nov. 3, 1735.

Josia (3), b. Feb. 28, 1681; m. Abigail Moody, Nov. 25, 1714; she was dau. of Dr. Caleb Moody and w. Ruth Morse. Josia d. March 16, 1718; she m. 2nd., John Stickney, Jr. Her 3rd husband was Capt. Wm. Johnson; her 4th, Joseph Swasey.

Jonathan (2) Emery (John (1) and wife, Mary Woodman, had:-

John (3), b. 1678; m. Hanna Morse, dau. of Joshua (2) Morse and w. Joanna in Feb. 1705; she d. Oct. 4, 1732; he m. 2nd., Nov. 8, 1733, Rebecca Walker; she d. Oct. 19, 1753; he d. Aug. 24, 1759.

Stephen (3), b. Jan. 13, 1687; d. Dec. 19, 1688.

Sara (3), b. Dec. 18, 1688; m. Ambrose Berry, June 3, 1728.

Stephen (3) 2nd., b. June 24, 1693; m. Lydia Jackman, Feb. 25, 1715.

Edward (3), b. Nov. 11, 1694; m. Sara Sebley, daughter of Sam; he was b. March 27, 1699; went to Contoocook, 1733; he was killed by Indians, while hunting, in 1756.

James (3), bapt. April 16, 1698; m. Ruth Watson of Haverhill, Dec. 10, 1719; moved to Dracut in 1725; made his will in 1762, when he was a soldier in the Army of the King, with his son, Ambrose; he was at Crown Point.

OF ANDOVERBethia (3) Emery (John (2) (1) and husband, Henry Bodwell, had:-

Bethia (4), b. Jan. 2, 1682; m. 1711, Nathan Barker, son of Eben (2).

Mary (4), b. April 1, 1684; m. 1st, a Hazeltine; m. 2nd., Timothy Merrick.

Henry (4) and Josia (4), twins, b. Jan. 27, 1685; d. y.

Abigail (4), b. Jan. 15, 1686; m. Nathaniel Ladd, 1748.

Henry (4), b. Nov. 6, 1688; m. Ann Pottle, 1726; in Methuen; he d. April 1773.



Joseph(4)Emery(Jos.(3)John(2-1) and 1st wife, Abigail Merrill, had:-

Elizabeth(5), b. ; m. Sam Eames of Haverhill .

by 2nd wife, Abigail Long:-

Jacob (5), b. 1738; m. Elizabeth Cushing, dau. of Rev. James Cushing of Haverhill; Harvard College, 1761; Was Rev. at Pembroke, 1768; preached 7 years though in poor health; House of Rep. 1776; he d. 1777 at 39.

Joseph (5), b. June 3, 1739; m. Hannah Stickney of Boxford, Jan. 2, 1763; she was daughter of Joseph and Hannah (Goodridge) Stickney; they went from ANDOVER to Pembroke in May 1769; he d. Nov. 4, 1821; she d. Feb. 1, 1834 age 97.

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John(3)Emery(Jonathan(2)John(1) and wife, Hanna Morse, had:-

David (4), b. Jan. 24, 1710; m. Abigail Chase, Jan. 27, 1732; she d. Aug. 29, 1753; he m. 2nd., widow Mary Hale, Dec. 31, 1756; she d. at 66, Sept. 12, 1778; he d. Oct. 29, 1778. They had:-

Abigail (5), b. June 2, 1737; m. Ephraim Boynton, Feb. 19, 1756 .

Martha (5), b. March 1, 1741; m. Nath'l Bailey, Aug. 6, 1761.

Sara (5), b. June 24, 1744; m. Enoch Noyes, Oct. 31, 1765.

Joshua(4), b. Mar. 21, 1708; m. Sarah Smith, Mar. 27, 1728; she d. Oct. 25, 1752 at 43; he m. 2nd., Sarah Short, Aug. 29, 1754; he d. Dec. 26, 1796; she d. Mar. 1796/

Stephen(3)Emery(Jonathan(2)John(1) and wife, Lydia Jackman, had:-

Mehitable (4), b. ; m. Nathan Morse.

Stephen(4), b. Nov. 12, 1719; m. Deliverance Stiles of Boxford; she was b. Feb. 21, 1723, dau. of John Stiles and w. Elinor Pearl; was m. Oct. 20, 1743; Stephen was a soldier in the Canada Exped.; he d. 1758.

John (4), b. Nov. 23, 1721; m. Abigail Stiles, sister of Deliverance, (above) Dec. 18, 1753; she was b. Feb. 8, 1727.

Ben (4), b. 1734; m. Sara Lamson.

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Stephen(4)Emery(Stephen(3)Jonathan(2)Jn.(1) and Deliverance Stiles:-

Stephen (5), b. 1748; m. Lydia Kimball; his 2nd wife was Eliza Roberts; he enlisted in March 1775 as a Minute Man in Capt. Wm. Perley's Co., Col. James Frye's Rgt.; helped chase the British from Concord; was at the Battle of Bunker Hill and at the surrender of Burgoyne. He moved to Winchendon after the Revolution, where all but the first child, were born. He d. March 7, 1846 at 98; Eliza d. Aug. 24, 1816 at 46:-  
Sally (6), b. in Boxford, Jan. 26, 1777; m. a Foster.

( This line went to Rindge, Londonderry, Sutton and Atkinson; were all good fighters.)

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James (3)Emery(Jonathan(2)John(1) and wife, Ruth Watson, had:-

Jonathan(4), b. Nov. 23, 1722, in Haverhill; m. Jerusha Barron of Dracut; she was dau. of John and Hanna Barron; b. Aug. 4, 1735. They went to Maine, settled on west side of the Kennebec River, on Emery Hill, in 1771. He never took pay for aiding travellers. During Arnold's expedition in 1775, the commander made his headquarters at Emery's place for two weeks, while his boats and baggage were taken over the carrying place to avoid the rapids. Jonathan helped to repair the boats of the expedition. He became an Indian Scout to avenge the death of his uncle John, killed at Ft. Wm. Henry, 1756. All the tribes were afraid of him. Jerusha d. in Fairfield, 1781; he m. 2nd., a widow Whittier; she d. in Fairfield, 1810; he d. June 1807.-

----- Ambrose (4), b. in Dracut, Dec. 16, 1733; probably d.y.

Ambrose(4), b. Feb. 25, 1739 in Dracut ; m. int. July 17, 1762, Mrs. Catherine Foster of Pelham, N.H. He was in Boston Tea Party. / his 2nd wife was Rebecca Yocum of Pa., b. 1746; they moved to Phila. and he went with Mifflin & Greene Co. Home was near Washington's winter camp and Rebecca cooked for the soldiers. She d. 1843; he d. 1824.

Children of James (3) Emery and wife, Ruth Watson, ( cont. ) :-

Edward (4), b. ; m. a rich widow whose first husband was lost at sea; she was the dau. of Robert Smith of London, b. 1724; they went to Fairfield in 1771.

Anthony (4) b. ; lived in Dracut; went to Conway, N.H. 1771; m.-

Sam (5), b. ; went to Fort Erie in Canada; was taken captive 1814 taking supplies to Am. Army, but escaped in a row boat; settled on Lake Ontario- then Ohio.

Jane (5) or JAMES, b. 1775 in Dracut; d. in Ohio.

Joseph (5) Emery (Jos. (4-3) Jn. (2-1) and wife, Hannah (Goodridge) Stickney :-

Joseph (6), b. in ANDOVER, Dec. 19, 1764; m. Dorcas Holt, Sept. 16, 1787; she was dau. of ---; she d. Sept. 17, 1850 ; he d. June 8, 1830.

Sam (6), b. Aug. 18, 1766.

Jacob (6), b. July 18, 1768; d.y.

Hanna (6), b. in Pembroke, Feb. 19, 1775; m. Hall Durgin, in P., Dec. 24, 1801.

Jacob (6), b. March 22, 1777; m. Jane Gault, 1804; she was dau. of Matthew Gault; b. 1786; she d. 1862; he d. 1870. ( Her father was in the Revolution.)

Nabby (6), b. March 6, 1780; m. Wm. Hazeltine of Suncook, May 19, 1803.

(There were five more children who d.y.)

Ensign Stephen (3) Emery ( John (2-1) and wife, Ruth Jaques, had :-

Mary (4), b. -- ; m. Jan. 5, 1727, Thomas Noyes, son of Col. Thos. Noyes and w. Elizabeth Greanleaf, b. Oct. 2, 1679; Mary d. June 14, 1735; he m. 2nd., Mrs. Elizabeth Illsley, July 24, 1740; he d. July 10, 1753; had 4 children by 1st wife, Mary Emery.

Children of Ensign Stephen (3) Emery and wife, Ruth Jaques, ( cont. ) :-

Judith (4), b. ; m. Dec. 29, 1726, Capt. Dan Hale; he was b. Feb. 22, 1697; was killed at Louisburg, May 21, 1745; had 7 children, b. in Rowley and Newbury.

Elizabeth (4), b. ; m. Caleb Moody, son of Dr. Caleb Moody and w. Ruth (2) Morse; he d. Sept. 14, 1754 at 47; left 8 children.

Stephen (4), b. 1710; m. Hanna Rolfe; he was a Colonel; he d. in Newbury, Sept. 16, 1795 at 85; she d. Jan. 10, 1779 at 71.

Jonathan (4) Emery (Jas. (3) Jonathan (2) John (1) and wife, Jerusha Barron :-

Briggs H. (5), b. in Dracut, Nov. 11, 1767; m. Sally Farnum, 1795; she was dau. of Daniel Farnum and Lydia (Porter) of ANDOVER; b. June 27, 1774; he d. June 10, 1840; she d. April 27, 1852. They went to Fairfield. Children were :-

Sam (6), b. Nov. 15, 1795; m. Abiah Judkins of Fayette, Me.; he enlisted in the Civil War in 1862 at 67; was a sutler; always carried rifle, knapsack and his wages and on a march, always gathered up better rifles and clothes from the enemy, than the others; was discharged from service at 70, and re-enlisted in Invalid Corps and was guard over prisoners of war; he was wounded/ at the battle of Fredericksburg; he d. May 1, 1865. she d. 1866.

Briggs H. (6), b. April 11, 1797; d. unm. June 30, 1819.

Ben Farnum (6), b. April 8, 1799; was a wool merchant; m. Oct. 12, 1829, Mary Ann Leavitt of Brentwood, N.H. she d. 1831; he m. 2nd., 1839, Lucinda W. Noyes of Freeport, Me; she d. 1883; he d. in Bath, Me., Dec. 21, 1873.

Joseph (6), b. Oct. 24, 1801; m. 1828, Susanne Gordon of Salem, N.H.; his 2nd w. Mrs. Deidamia P. Tyler, dau. of Sam Emery Joseph d. Oct. 18, 1852; she d. 1850; res. Fairfield.

Children of Briggs H. (5) Emery and wife, Sally Farnum, ( cont.) :-

son (6) (name torn off) b. Dec. 27, 1803; a wool merchant; m. 1831, Betty Ellen Tobey of Fairfield; went to Waterville, 1851; he d. Jan. 29, 1873.

John Abbott (6), b. July 28, 1807; d. unm. May 4, 1885; was a merchant at Bath, Me.

Sarah (6), b. April 2, 1810; m. John Davis, 1843; he d. in California; she d. in Fairfield, 1847.

Charles (6), b. Dec. 17, 1812; d. unm. Nov. 6, 1834 in Boston.

Obed (6), b. Nov. 23, 1815; was a farmer and stock raiser of Fairfield; m. 1851, Louise E. Atwood of Fairfield.

William Henry (6), b. March 7, 1815; m. Mary Gifford of Fairfield, 1847; he d. 1855.

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Rev. Sam(3) Emery(John (2-1) and wife, Tabitha Littlefield, had:-  
 In Biddeford:-

Sara (4), b. Dec. 29, 1702; m. 1st a Mr. Gilman by whom she had children; m. 2nd., Hon. John Phillips, the founder of Phillips Exeter Academy; had no Phillips children; she d. Oct. 1765.

Irene (4), b. March 4, 1710; m. Rev. Thomas Prentice of Charlestown, 1730;

moved from Arundel, Me., 1739; Irene d. 1745. Had:-

Mary (5), b. ; m. James Frost of Cambridge, Dec. 1, 1768; he d. July 29, 1770; she m. 2nd., Nehemia Rand of Charlestown; she d. in Lyndeboro, N.H., 1791; he m. 2nd. Margaret Prentice, his sister-in-law.

Margaret (5), b. Aug. 9, 1742; m. Nehemia Rand, her brother-in-law; she d. Oct. 21, 1791.

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John(3) Emery( John (2-1) and wife, Mary Sawyer, had:-

Mary (4), b. Dec. 29, 1684; m. Jonathan Wiggin, Nov. 9, 1703. he  
 Lydia (4), b. April 29, 1698; m. Edward Dean of Ipswich, 1716; /d. same year; she m. 2nd., Thomas Bancroft of Reading, who d. Feb. 24, 1748; her 3rd husband was Joseph Damon, Jan. 11, 1750; she d. 1784.

Ruth (4), b. ; m. Ezekiel Hale, 1711; she d. Nov. 27, 1735; he m. 2nd Sara (Poor) Spofford, Oct. 31, 1736; no children.

Hanna (4) b. m. Dec. 8, 1713, Sam Chase, son of Aquila, and Ann (Follansbee) Chase; b. May 13, 1690; he d. July 24, 1743; she m. Jas. Shute.

Joshua (4) Emery ( John(3) Jonathan(2) John(1) and Sarah Smith, had:-  
Moses (5), b. -- lived in Haverhill, on father's homestead.  
 Joshua (5), b. in Haverhill, Feb. 1, 1738; lived in Atkinson, N.H.;

m. Aug. 27, 1770, Rachel Currier; they had:-

Joshua (6), b. 1774; m. Elizabeth Welsh, daughter of Col. Jos.  
 Welsh and w. Hanna Chase, Feb. 1, 1801. They lived  
 in Andover and he was steward at Andover Theolog-  
 ical Seminary; he d. June 28, 1854 age 80 years;  
 she d. Sept. 4, 1818, age 91 years and 3 months.

They are buried in South Church Yard.

John (5) b. -- ; lived in Haverhill; bought land from his father in  
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 1755, which his father bought from Jn. Corliss, Jr. 103:142.

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 107:97..1748.. Joshua (4) Emery of Haverhill, husbandman, for 345 £ from  
 Wm. Moore, Jr., of Newbury, husbandman, sold meadow in Meth-  
 uen district, N.H., 9 acres and a barn. (Really Salem, N.H.)  
 ( Samuel Smith; Joseph Clement, witness )

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 144:49.(4) Joshua Emery of Haverhill, to son, Moses, husbandman, 20 acres  
 and land and buildings " where I dwell; and 40 acres. 1781.

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 80:198.1736... Joshua (4) Emery of Haverhill, yeoman, for 30 £ from Wm.  
 Cross of Methuen and Joseph Cross, sells meadow in Methuen,  
 2 acres.  
 (George and Tom Little, witness.)

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Joshua(6) Emery( Joshua(5-4) John(3) Jonathan(2) Jn.(1) and Elizabeth Welsh:-  
 Sewell N. (7), b. 1809; m. Martha P. --- ; d. in Boston, Oct. 27, 1843, age  
 33 years, 8 months. Buried in South Church Yard.

Justin Edwards, (7), b. Nov. 30, 1818; d. Nov. 21, 1821. Buried in So.  
 Church Yard.

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Sewell N. Emery(7) Joshua(6)(5)(4) Jn.(3) Jona.(2) Jn.(1) and Martha P.-:  
 Martha Ann (8), b. 1840; d. Nov. 7, 1845, age 4 years, 4 mo.; buried in So.  
 Church Yard.

Justin Edwards (6), b. 1841; d. Feb. 17, 1862; buried in So. Church Yard.

Another member of the EMERY clan whose sojourn in Andover was very brief, was a descendant from Anthony(1) Emery, brother of John (1). He top came to Boston with his wife, Frances, in the company of John and his family, and like his brother, went to Newbury. In 1640, however, he went to Dover, where he signed the "Dover Contract" on Oct. 22. He was an inn keeper on Dover Neck, from 1644 to 1648 and was appointed a Selectman.

On Nov. 15, 1648, he bought from John White, a house, field and marsh on Sturgeon Neck in Kittery, Me., on the Piscataqua River. This site is now Eliot, Me. In Kittery he was a juror and constable.

Like his brother John, he had the courage of his convictions, and in 1656, he ran afoul of the Court for daring to question its authority. In 1660, he was fined for entertaining Quakers and was disfranchised on May 12, the same year. Thereupon, he and Frances sold their home and land to their son James (2), and went to live at Portsmouth, R.I., where the Quakers were not molested. He had three children, his son, <sup>James/</sup> (2) being head of the Andover representative's line.

James(2) used to journey from Kittery to Boston, sitting in a chair placed on an ox cart, as he weighed 350 lbs. and no carriage of ordinary make would hold him. His first wife was Elizabeth---, who d. about 1684. His second wife was Mrs. Elizabeth Pidge, widow of Jn. Pidge of Dedham, nee Newcomb. James (2) d. about 1715. His son, James (3), b. about 1650; m. Margaret Hitchcock, 1685. Among their children, was :-

Thomas (4), b. 1706; known as Dr. Thomas Emery of Kittery; m. Aug. 4, 1738; widow Priscilla Parker, at Bradford both are recorded as of ANDOVER.

Widow Priscilla Barker, was b. Priscilla SHEDD and lived in BILLERICA. She married Joseph Barker of Andover in 1726; the intentions published on Nov. 15. Joseph died in Andover, Nov. 10, 1733, and in 1738 she married Dr. Thomas Emery. Their daughter, Priscilla(5) Emery was b. Aug. 4, 1739.

In Suffolk Court, Dec. 3, 1742, before Joshua Cheever, J.P., one Josiah Bacon, testified to the disappearance of said Dr. Thomas.

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"Josiah Bacon of Bedford, in Middlesex Co., yeoman, testified and said that he well knew Thomas Emery who married Priscilla Barker, the widow of Joseph Barker, formerly of ANDOVER, and that he, the said Josiah had often been told that he(Thomas) belonged to one of His Majesty's ships of war at Canso,-- and that the deponent, being at Boston, in the month of June or July 1739, he met with a gentleman who told the deponent that he had been Commander of one of His Majesty's ships to which the said Thomas Emery belonged- and offered the deponent £ 5, if he would discover the said Emery-- and the deponent told the said gentleman that he would not discover him...But afterwards, in the months of August or September, following, the deponent heard that the said Thomas Emery was taken aboard at Worcester and carried aboard one of his Majesty's ships of war, to be punished as a deserter, and the deponent afterward heard that he said Thomas Emery was CONDEMNED TO BE HANGED.

Josiah Bacon."

In 1643, in the Court of Domestic Relations, Vol. 9, is the petition of Priscilla Emery of Andover, to W. Shirley, Gov. of Massachusetts, for a divorce:-

Dec. 2, 1742: "Priscilla Emery of Andover,-- sometime in the month of April 1738, ~~married~~ one Thomas Emery, who formerly belonged, as he told your petitioner, to one of His Majesty's ships of war, under command of Capt. Townsend at Canso (Nova Scotia), and as he pretended, was come to settle in these parts to practise physic, and thereby won your petitioner's affections, so that in the month of July, following, they were lawfully married by Mr. Justice Bayley of Haverhill, and lived together about 13 or 14 months. Afterward, in the month of August, 1739, the said Thos. Emery pretended to our petitioner that he would go to Worcester Court to plead law and went accordingly, but our petitioner has never seen or heard of him since, any otherwise than 3 weeks later she heard he was back again to the ship to be treated as a deserter, and no more from him since...

Widow Priscilla Barker divorces her husband, Thos. Emery. ( cont.)

"so that your petitioner has reason to believe that her said husband is dead and your petitioner would suggest to Your Excellency and Honors, that she has had a good offer to marry again. Therefore, your petitioner humbly conceives that her course fairly falls within the intent of the Act or Law of the Province, made in the 10 the Year of King William III, entitled an Act in Addition To and Explanation of the Act Against Adultery and Polygamy, made in the 6th year of the reign of King William and Queen Mary, and as the petitioner has the opportunity of marrying again, to her liking, your petitioner humbly prays Your Excellency and Honors will be pleased to commiserate her case and declare her single and unmarried, and grant her leave to marry again. and your petitioner is in duty bound and shall ever pray.

Her  
Priscilla X Emery  
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(Priscilla was ordered to get a copy of her marriage certificate from Haverhill,  
Dec.7, 1747; Haverhill:-

"Deposition of Messers. Timothy Osgood, Ebenezer Abbott, Daniel Ingalls, all of Andover in Essex County, yeomen, who testify and say that they well know Dr. Thomas Emery, the reported husband of the widow Priscilla Barker of Andover, and that the said Emery hath been absent from his said wife, Priscilla, for more than 3 years past, and that we, the deponents nor any of his neighbors had seen or heard of him anywhere in these parts since. "

Before John Bayley, J.P.

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