

EARLY RECORDS
OF THE
ALLEN FAMILIES
OF ANDOVER

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The ALLEN FAMILY

Andrew Allen, a Scot, and the first Scot in Andover, was born about 1616. He probably came first to Lynn for he is on record there in 1642. Perley says that he was in Ipswich, 1658, which may be so, and that he went again to Lynn, where he married Faith Ingalls, the daughter of Edmund (1) Ingalls and his wife Ann. He then came to Andover with the Ingalls family and some of their children were born here. They had:-

Hannah (2), b. Oct. 28, 1652; d. Sept. 30, 1698; joined North Church 1686; m. James Holt, Oct. 12, 1675. He was b. 1651, the son of Nicholas Holt and his wife, Elizabeth Short. He died of small-pox, 1690.

Andrew (2), b. May 9, 1657; d. Sept. 28, 1690 of small-pox. He married Elizabeth Richardson of Chlemsford, Jan. 1, 1682. She was the dau. of Lieut. James Richardson and his wife, Bridget Hinchman; she m. 2nd., Wm. Chandler, as his 2nd wife, and died, May 2, 1745, at

John (2), b. March 16, 1662, d. of small-pox, Nov. 26, 1690; he married 78. Mercy Peters, May 22, 1686. She was daughter of Andrew Peters and his wife, Mary Beamsley. She d. of small-pox, Dec. 25, 1690.

Martha (2) b. ; m. Thomas Carrier, of Wales, May 7, 1674; she was executed as a witch in 1692; see Salem Witchcraft and Bailey book.

(See Hazen's)
"Billerica".) body guard of Charles 1 of England, and on the day of the execution of the monarch, he acted as headsman in place of the regular executioner. The tale probably followed him and he seems to have been unwelcome here, the settlers believing that he caused the epidemic of small pox here at the time.

He was ordered out of Billerica in 1674 and gave security for his ability to pay a fine of 20 sh. a week, and to be self-supporting. However there is no record that he ever paid it.

Records show that in 1677 he had a job of cutting brush here with his man, John Leviston, and 20 others, and he took oath in Andover in 1678.

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He was taxed in Andover from 1684 to 1690. He died in Colchester, 1735, age 109, according to South Church records, so he was born 1626. He was very active in his old age, was erect and never gray. He walked from Colchester to Glastenburg, when very old, carrying a sack of corn.

Sarah (2), b. 1646; m. Samuel Holt, in Andover, 1674; she d. April 3, 1716; Sam d. 1703, at 62. He was b. in Newbury.

Mary (2), b. ; m. Dr. Roger (2) Toothaker, June 9, 1665; they lived in Billerica. Roger neglected his family and they became Town charges- 2 children were "bound out." Mary is said to have been killed by Indians and her daughter, Margaret, to have been taken captive. Roger, (2), was son of Roger (1). He came, at the age of 1 year, in the "Hopewell", 1635. He d. 1694.

Children of Martha (2) Allen and Thomas Carrier, were :-

Richard (3), b. 1674; m. 1694, Elizabeth Sessions; had:-
Elizabeth (4), b. 1695
John (4), b. 1697
Tim (4), b. in Colchester, 1699.

Andrew (3), b. 1677; m. 1704, Mary Adams.

Thomas (3), b. 1682; m. 1715, Susan Johnson.

Sarah (3), b. Nov. 17, 1684; m. John Chapman, Jr., of Colchester. He was b. about 1685; d. Nov. 21, 1745 at 60; she d. Dec. 6, 1772.

Hanna (3), b. 1689.

(Thos. Carrier joined the Church here, Sept. 13, 1713. He d. May 16, 1735, at 109 years. Richard (3) and Sarah (3) were witnesses against their mother, at the Witch trial, 1692.)

Andrew (2) Allen and his wife, Elizabeth Richardson, had:-

Elizabeth (3), b. Oct. 1, 1682; d. unm. May 31, 1750.

James (3), b. March 2, 1684; d. April 18, 1707.

Andrew (3), b. Dec. 20, 1685; m. Mary Dane, June 28, 1711; she d. at 80, Feb. 19, 1772; he d. Sept. 22, 1749. He was a clothier.

Thomas (3), b. Oct. 17, 1687; d. of small pox, Dec. 18, 1690.

Sarah (3), b. June 11, 1690; d. unm. 1742.

Essex Deeds..20:91..1701.. Elizabeth Allen, Sr., relict of Andrew, Eliz. Jr., her daughter, and Andrew and Sarah Allen, the deceased's other two children, for 85 £, sell to Ephraim Abbott, the Allen homestead- 22 acres- and the land near Andrew Foster's and near a great flat rock- Flaggy meadow-- West side the way to Robt. Russell's meadow. John and Joseph Chandler, witnesses.

Essex Docket.

52:116..1692: Testimony of Wm. and Thomas Chandler, to the fact that 10 years previously, Andrew Allyn, Jr., was a suitor to Elizabeth Richardson, who was related to Major Thomas Hinxman and Capt. Josiah Richardson; that they, both of Chelmsford, came to Andover to the home Wm. Chandler (her step-father) and got Andrew Allen, Sr., to agree to give his son-(the suitor)-"the home and land lying about 3 miles from ye town and ye meadow belonging to it and the orchard-1/2-at ye home." After Andrew and his wife died, Andrew, Jr., was to have the house and land in the town and the meadow belonging to it. Sworn to, March 29, 1692.

(The old home was at Sunset Rock, on the hill.)

John (2) Allen and his wife, Mercy Peters, had:-

John (3), b. May 10, 1687; d. same day.

John (3), 2nd., b. June 12, 1688; d. March 2, 1712.

Hannah (3), b. Sept. 12, 1690; m. Joseph Abbott, April 11, 1722; d. March 4, 1755; was an inebriate- the Peters' inheritance.

Andrew (3) Allen (Andrew (2-1) and his wife, Mary Dane, had:-

James (4), b. Aug. 9, 1713; died Aug. 13, 1758; m. Debora Poor, Aug. 27, 1736; she d. Aug. 7, 1806.

John (4), b. Dec. 11, 1716; perhaps went to Ashford, Conn. and had a wife, Mary-- there; 1738; not proved.

Mary (4), bapt. North Church,
 May 24, 1719; born May 19;
 Dec. 15,

Andrew (4), b. July 9, 1721; d. /1745 at Louisburg, during French War.

Thomas (4), b. Nov. 18, 1723; no more known.

James (4) Allen (Andrew (3-2-1) and wife, Debora Poor, had:-

Sam (5), b. Jan. 5, 1740.

Martha (5), bapt. April, 1740, North Church; m. Abraham Moor, Oct. 18, 1768.
 James (5), b. Jan. 2, 1742; d. Dec. 7, 1774.

Elizabeth (5), b. July 5, 1744; d. July 2, 1827; unm.

Andrew (5), b. Jan. 13, 1747; d. April 3, 1748.

Rehitablel (5), b. May 26, 1749; d. unm. Sept. 18, 1813.

Andrew (5), 2nd., b. Feb. 23, 1754; d. Jan. 12, 1777.

NOTES:-

The original ALLEN homestead was near Great Rock-"Flat Rock", so called, near Andrew Foster's land, on the West side of the way from Ephraim Abbott's to Robert Russell's. The old road, now discontinued, crossed by Hezekiah Jones' place below the Hacket home, and came out somewhere near Reuben Jones, I think, and the D'Arcy place in the field near the windmill. It ran past that and went out toward Bare Hill. At any rate, old Andrew Allen lived near Sunset Rock.

Ebenezer Abbott, son of Ephraim (3) Abbott, got a part of the estate and the remainder, which was not cut into small lots, was sold to Asa (4) Abbott. Part of the old Allen home was moved ^{in 1790} down to the site of the Isaac Goldsmith place, by the Hill; (a house built in the style of an old garrison) and part was taken to the Turnpike after it was put through, and was used, until 1803, as a school-house, the Scotland School. It was discontinued after the brick school-house, that used to stand near John B. Abbott's place, was built.

Then, I understand, the part of the old Allen home was sold to Jonathan Abbott, and he moved it into a lot near his estate near the Jasper Rea place. The house was supposed to be haunted, even after half was made into a school-house, and young Ben Holt, being clairvoyant, used to see a flock of evil spirits around it. These may have been the spooks of the Indians buried on the tract, ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ a genuine haunt, I think.

Some of the old garden of the Allen homestead is held (1863) by Sylvester Abbott; Nathan B. Abbott owns the SW part and Sylvester the southern part of the section. Just 8 rods NW of the garden were two mounds (1863), which were thought to be the Indian graves- a chief and his wife-- right on Bailey's land, I guess.

The house stood on that portion of the land bought up by Asa Abbott (heir Sylvester) and was occupied awhile by Cornelius Johnson and by a Russell. Some woman who lived there after the Johnson family, is said to have cut her throat in the garden. Tradition has it that one of the Russell family dug up trees in the woods and planted them along the roadside and they turned out dogwood!!

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The children of Mary (2) Allen and Dr. Roger Toothaker, were :-

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Nathl (3) b. April 27, 1666; d. May 18, 1683.

Martha (3), b. July 20, 1668.

Allen (3), b. July 17, 1670

Roger (3), b. Nov. 27, 1672

Mary-or Mercy(3), b. Oct.4, 1679.

Margaret (3), b. Jan.31, 1683; taken captive by Indians.

(Roger and his son Allen(3) testified against Martha Carrier in the Witchcraft trials. The Toothakers lived on East side of Concord River on the extreme Northern lot in Billerica. The el of the house was where the canal joins the river. Roger stayed in Salem after the trial studying psychological problems and forgot his family.

Another Allen line of Andover comes from William(1) Allen of Sal-

isbury, who was recorded as a house carpenter there as early as 1639. He married first, Anne Goodale of Salisbury who died there " about ye last of May," 1678. He then married Alice, widow of John Roper and John Dickinson. He died in Salisbury, June 18, 1686; she died April 1, 1687.

Of the twelve children of William (1),-Joseph (2) Allen,-born August 13, 1653, is most interesting to us. He was a blacksmith and yeoman, and lived in Gloucester. He married first, Rachel Griggs of Gloucester, July 29, 1680. She died April 26, 1684 and he married, second, Rose Howard of Cape Ann, Nov. 20, 1684. He died Oct. 6, 1724; Rose died Oct. 27, 1724, at 60.

Their son, Joseph (3) Allen, b. June 2, 1681, lived in Gloucester, and in early life was a mariner. In 1720 he became a merchant and continued to be one until his death. He was a large land owner and had eight negro slaves. He married, in Jan. 1707, Mary Coit. He died April 6, 1750; she died Sept. 12, 1777.

Their son William (4) Allen, born, June 30, 1717. lived in Gloucester until he moved to New Gloucester, Me., where he was one of the early settlers. He married MARY OSGOOD of ANDOVER, April 11, 1745.

Another son of William(1) Allen of Salisbury and wife, Ann Goodale, who had Andover descendants, was Ben (2), born in Salisbury in 1652. He married there, Sept. 3, 1686, Rachel, widow of Henry Wheeler. In 1694 he went to Rehoboth, where Rachel died, and was buried, May 5, 1694. He took for a second wife, Hopestill Leonard of Rehoboth, Nov. 13, 1695, she she d. Aug. 1729. He died there, Sept. 3, 1723. The son of Ben(2) and Hopestill (Leonard,) --

David (3), b. Dec. 9, 1707, in Rehoboth, married before 1732, Hannah Paddleford, of Taunton. In fact, Hannah was his 3rd wife. His others, according to Rehoboth records were: Abby Deane of Taunton, June 4, 1727; Bethia Williams of Taunton, Feb. 6, 1730, and dau. of Zachariah, Hannah Paddleford, of Taunton, Feb. 19, 1731. The ch. of the last: --

Jonathan (4), b. Feb. 1, 1732.

Hannah (4), b. April 14, 1734

Amos (4), b. April 12, 1736

Philip (4), b. June 8, 1738

Zacharia (4), b. March 21, 1740

Hopestill (4), b. Sept. 18, 1742

Solomon (4), b. March 23, 1744

Jemima (4), b. April 23, 1746

Charles (4), b. April 4, 1748

Asa (4), b. Feb. 6, 1750; lived in Barrington, ^{R.I.} 1775 - 1780; in ANDOVER, 1781; published to Abigail Blunt, Nov. 1, 1781; she d. here, Aug. 2, 1825.

David (4) (according to the Allens) b. 1734; m. Mary Deane.

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Asa(4) Allen(David(3)Ben(2) Wm.(1) and wife, Abigail Blunt, had:-

Isaac (5), b. near 1790; m. a Mitchell of Haverhill.

Abigail (5), ; m. Wm. Boardman of Reading, April 1, 1800; had:-
Abigail(6), who m. John Kimball Blunt; had
Lois (7)
John(7)

Mary Kimball(5), b. - ; m. Joshua Swan of Haverhill, 1807.

John C. (5), b. 1799; m. Hannah Blunt, 1822; d. Oct. 22, 1877; buried here; she
d. Oct. 24, 1864 at 66, they died in New York.

George (5), ; married Lucy Frye, 1825.

Joseph Varnum (5) ; m. Lucy Farnum, 1812; he d. in Haverhill, Mar. 16, 1868; she died May 11, 1857, age 76.

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The children of Joseph V.(5) Allen and wife, Lucy Farnham, were :-

Joseph Farnum (6), b. 1813; m. Catherine Carlton of Methuen, 1839.

Samuel James

~~Samuel James~~ (6), b. 1815; d. May 10, 1832.

Henry V. (6), b. 1817; d.y.

Lucy Jane (6), b. 1820; m. May 22, 1848, Joseph Eaton of Reading, son of John

and Mary; lived in North Andover in 1907, age 87; was a fine singer; sang while picking berries and someone who heard, had her trained

George Oakes(6), b. 1822; d. in Phila. / for church music./

John Hackett(6), b. 1824; d. in old Stevens'house near Baptist Church , of

small-pox, unm. March 6, 1856; his parents lived in that house; I remember them as a child.

Charles (6), b. 1826; m. Sept. 6, 1853, Ethelinda Bailey, dau. of Sam and Mary

he d. in Kingston, N.H.; had daughter, Florence(7).

Eliza (6), b. 1828; m. George Frye; d. Oct.31, 1896.

Walter B. (6), b. 1831; m. Eliza A. Findlay, Sept.6, 1857, dau. of John and

Catherine A., b. in Scotland; Walter d. Oct.31, 1896.

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Walter B.(6) Allen (Jos.V.(5)Asa(4)Dave(3)Ben(2)Wm.(1) and Eliza Findlay, had:

Carrie B. (7). b. Nov.23, 1858; m. Milo Gould after Solomon Palmer died;

there is no record of her marriage with Solomon Palmer- the son of David W. Palmer and Phebe Abbott.

James Albert (7) b. Sept. 30, 1869; d. Oct.22, 1878; was caught in cave-in

of sand bank where he and other children were playing.

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John C.(5) Allen(Asa(4)Dave(3)Ben(2)Wm(1) and Hannah Blunt, had:-

Henry S. (6) ; lived in New York

John K. (6) ; probably lived in Hartford.

(They doubtless had many other children.)
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Another line of ALLENS in Andover, came from Robert(1)Allen of Reading and his wife, Ann Perry, who were married Feb. 16, 1795. She, I think, was the daughter of a Hayward.

They had a son, Robert(2), who m. Lydia Hears, dau. of Russell and Rebecca. This couple lived in Tewksbury. They had:-

William(3), b. 1829; m. Rebecca Pearson; she was dau. of Nathe Pearson and w. Lydia Howe; b. in Wilmington, Jan. 28, 1826. Wm. was a Capt. in the Civil War. His father d. when he was a child and he came with his mother to the old Ballard place in 1853. Wm. died July 27, 1891; Rebecca d. 1883. Ch.:

Mary J.(4), b. 1854; m. Feb. 9, 1876, John Howell, a carpenter; b. in England.

Thaddeus Perry(2), b. 1799, in North Reading; m. 1824, Timmah Evans, b. 1803. Her parents may have been Samuel and his wife, of our records, who were living on the old Allen place on the road from the Turnpike to the reservoir. Timmah inherited the place from her mother. Thaddeus d. July 2, 1876; Timmah d. 1882. Had:-

Mary Evans (3), b. ; m. John Stone, of Cambridge.

Rebecca Lambert(3), b. ; m. Frederick White, 1882; he d. 1908. (see below)

Sam Evans (3), b. ; was a "Forty-niner"; he joined Co. H. 1st Heavy Artillery in Civil War; was wounded at Petersburg; went to Cal.

(Rebecca Lambert(3) Allen, attended District School and Abbott Academy, 1852. She became an expert compositor at the Andover Press, and was especially skilled in Greek. She rented the old farm to the Haskell's after her mother's death. Her husband, Frederick White, was from Wilmington. They adopted a girl, who married Albert Couch, and the Couch family took care of Becky in her last days, and she left the homestead to them. It was on the left side of the road to the reservoir, the 3rd house above Cheever's.)

 Another outcrop of an Allen line, not exactly determined, but may be traceable to old Asa (4) Allen--(David (3) of Barrington and wife, Abigail Blunt, comes down from Cyrus Allen, who may be the son of Asa (4). Cyrus m. Hannah Curtis, here in 1781. They had, Cyrus Jr., born 1782, who m. Mary.

Elbridge C. Allen of Brooklyn, b. in Oswego, N.Y., 1826, the son of Cyrus Allen and w. Mary, m. Aug. 25, 1859, Harriet M. Hardy, 30, of Sanford, Me., daughter of Franklin and Lucy Hardy. They had a son, Herbert Allen, b. Sept. 4, 1861. Elbridge was possibly the grandson of our Cyrus and wife, Hannah Curtis.

The Chandler line of the Allen who wanted the Hidden place was of :-
John Allen, who married, Sept.14,1820, Hannah (8) Chandler, daughter of
 John (7) Chandler and his wife, Amy McIntire of Reading. They went to
 Albany, Maine awhile and returned. They had:-

Catherine E. b. in Reading, July 3, 1821.

Ben H. b. July 19, 1823; m. 1847, Hannah; had: Mary E. b. Sept.25,1847.

John Chandler, b. Feb.27, 1826; cordwainer; married Hannah Brown, 1851;
 he m. 2nd., Feb.28,1861, Annie Maria Henman, 19, daughter of Wm.
 B. Henman and wife Mary, of Stafford, N.H.

William Pickering, b. June 20, 1828; d. at 18.

Hubbard Allen, b. April 6, 1832.

Samuel, b. Oct.6,1835 ; m. 1858, Betty- ; he was a cordwainer; had Ada Fran-
 (ces, b. Oct.31,1858; Lucy M. b. Oct.3,1860.

Sarah, b. Jan.19,1839.

John Chandler Allen and wife Hannah Brown, had:-

Charles H. b. March 19, 1853; shoemaker of Reading

Hannah Eliza, b. Sept. 7, 1854

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